

July 27, 2023

From Fr. John

This Sunday's readings are what is known as, "an embarrassment of riches," for a preacher.

The Genesis reading is the story of Jacob's marriages to Leah and Rachel, the daughters of Laban. If you cannot find something to preach from in Genesis 29:15-28, you're not trying. The Jacob story itself is full of scheming and deception, making for many teachable moments.

The Epistle contains several of the most well-known verses in New Testament: "that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words."; "We know that all things work together for good,;" and "If God is for us, who is against us?" There is a lot of theology in those three verses.

And the Gospel contains a list of five short parable, any one of which could be successfully preached.

What is a preacher to do? Come see on Sunday morning.

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, be with you.

Fr. John+

Community Breakfast This Sunday

Come meet some of our neighbors this Sunday as we enjoy our delicious and free Community Breakfast from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.!

If you wish to volunteer with meal prep and/or serving, plan to arrive at 7:30 a.m.



NO Adult Class this Sunday



Making of Altar Bread

Next Tuesday, August 1, at 9:00 a.m., you are invited to participate in the making of hosts for use at communion at St. James! Come have a cup of coffee and enjoy the fellowship surrounding this simple but important endeavor.

Community Gardens

The Vestry has approved the use of several green spaces around the campus for community gardens. We are forming a team to plan the layout for the space and eventually submit a grant request to the diocese this fall. If you would like to join this planning team, please contact Josh Brown (joshua.d.brown2@gmail.com) or Courtney Smith (smithc128@gmail.com). Don't worry if you're not available now - we'll put out another call for volunteers when planting time comes!





FUN Class Ideas for Wednesday Night Program

We would like to possibly offer more than one class on Wednesday nights this year. Some suggestions were made which are listed below, but leaders/teachers will be needed. So if you are interested in leading a class or have another one that you would like to lead not on this list, please contact Susan Frey (318.449.8501; skfrey828@yahoo.com) or the office (rita@stjamesla.com). If the need is there, child care will be available.

Suggestions: Yoga, Tai Chi, Flower Arranging, Painting (oil, water, or acrylic), Game Night (Cards and/or board), "Book Club," Cooking Class.

Lost & Found

Have you tried to remember where you last saw one of these? It was at the wonderful fellowship at the Walker's Home Communion! These articles were left behind and are now residing in Rita's office. If one belongs to you, please come by during office hours to claim it.



WORSHIP



July 30th

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

In-person Worship at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Childcare is available for the 10:30 AM service.

[Click on this link to join the 10:30 AM service.](#)

[Click here for the service bulletin.](#)

July 30, 2023
Evening Prayer
Online @ 5:00 PM

[Click on this link to join Evening Prayer.](#)

Meeting ID: 863 4898 4077

Passcode: 1620

[Click here for the order of service & reading.](#)



Prayer

Parish Prayer List

Please keep these members of our community in your prayers:

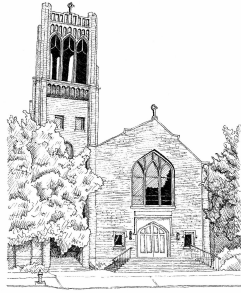
Sophia Frey Bradford, Carolyn Sterne, Becky Maxwell, Brady Brown, Heather Craig, Dr. Wesley Davis, Steve Caballero, Anna Stapleton, Ann Vanderslice, Charles Robinson, Bobbie Chatelain, Larry, Eleanor, Carli McGinty, Fr. John, Lacy Shaw, Sam Bejach, Lawrence, Liz McSween, Beth Courtney, Holly Craig, Kip Hogue, Jim Bristol, Ellen Moore, Mother Meredith Ward, Pat Carter, Beth Hebert, Rita Clancey, Jimmy Hurt, Carol Rowe, Barbara Baldwin, Louise Carter, Donnie Hayes, John Brewer, Fred Alexius, Paula Lieberman, Robbie G., Jonathan Rhea, Minnie Mikell, Massi Jordan, Pepe Rizzo, Bonnie McLellan, Michael Sterne, Jim Leggett, Cackie, Bernard Parker, Kristie Fresh, Andrea, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Jeff and Anne, Lillian DeVille, Wilma Filipi, Stephen, Natosha and Family, Fran Barbato, Kevin Delaney, Gail, Charlotte Sterling, Matthew Fontanille, Andrew, Shirley Christian, Susan Webster, Chase Barnfield, Taylor Thompson, Johnnie Hart, Jane Y. Harris, Kyle, James Jay Watts, Beth Virden, Glenn Guillory, Elda Schoolcraft, Mesta Bain, Dean M. Tyree, Beverly Butler, Murel Trimble, Emily Warren, Bill Leibke, Wayne Moorehead, Donna House, Dayna Hill, Jane Tyson, and Mehre Hajjghassem.

For those in the military:

Kyle Jordan, Samuel Hayes, Franklin Watson, Donal McCarthy, Michael Geiger, Erskine Cook, Jr., Patrick Downs, and Chris Babcock.

For those celebrating birthdays in August (day):

Walter McLellan (2), Suzie Radow (3), Becky Warren (4), Sonny Trammell (7), Linda Culpepper (8), Larry Menache (8), Fr. John Bedingfield (9), Susan Alexander (11), Catherine Davidson (12), Tish Freshy (12), David Lind (13), Murel Trimble (14), Betty Ingrish (15), Scott Yeager (15), Gene Sterling (19), Paton Downs (21), Faye Flanagan (21), Jameson Milliner (23), Delores Brewer (24), Nancy Flournoy (25), Robert Edmonds (27), Sara Davidson (28), Susan Frey (28).



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