

February 21, 2023

## From Fr. John

Tuesday night, St. James hosted, as a part of the McCormick-Smith Foundation concert series, the internationally known and loved vocal group, Voces8. This incredibly talented octet drew an enormous crowd. There were well over three hundred people in the nave of the church, from all over the state, who were treated to a wonderful evening of music, spanning multiple genres.

While the final preparations were being made to host this concert, and the reception that followed, the office area continued to be populated by our neighbors who need help with their utility bills or rent, or sometimes just a meal. Such is the wonder that is the mission of St. James Episcopal Church.

I don't know of very many Episcopal churches that, in a single day, give out assistance to those who are desperately in need of it, and then put on an event the size and scope of last night's concert. It is a testament to the people of St. James, both staff and volunteers, that this church can do what it does.

I have told you this before, but I am proud to be your rector. This is a wonderful community of committed Christians whom I am honored to lead. You can feel good about what St. James does to carry out the mission of Christ in the world.

But wait! Don't let any of that go to your head. We're good but we are not perfect! Let's keep trying to find new ways to serve in the name of Jesus Christ. Let's search for new and deeper ways to: love the Lord our God with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength; and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

May God continue to bless you and the community of St. James.  
Fr. John+



## Faith & Fellowship Tonight

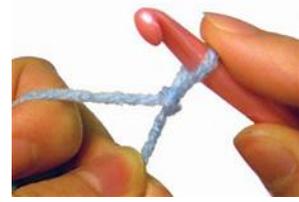
5:15 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with Healing Service - Chapel  
6:00 p.m. - Dinner - Vegetable Lasagna with sides and dessert  
6:45 p.m. - Class - Season 3 of *The Chosen*



Every Friday at 12:15 p.m. in the Church

Join us as we actively walk the path Jesus took on the way to the cross, stopping at each station to say prayer and reflect on that station.

**Episcopalian Slipknots**  
**New Date - First Saturday of the Month**  
**March 2, 2024**  
**10:00 a.m. - Noon**  
**Youth Building**



If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, this is the ministry for you! The participants take up their knitting needles and crochet hooks to create scarves, hats, and other warm fuzzies to donate to the Homeless Coalition around the corner to distribute to our neighbors in need in the wintertime. Come enjoy fellowship with coffee and homemade goodies to snack while you work.



### Adult Sunday Class

Come and join us in the parlor at 9:15 this Sunday as **Dee Drell** presents a class on exploring *Aspects of Prayer: An Inward Look*. Bring a cup of coffee, or your favorite beverage, and sit in. There is no preparation needed to join in the discussion.



### Lenten Resources Available

Lent begins early this year on February 14, and The Episcopal Church's official website has some good resources for clergy, congregations, and individuals. This includes Sermons That Work, 40-Day Devotionals, The Way of Love in Lent, and more.

You can view the resources by [clicking here](#).

## WORSHIP



### February 25th

#### The Second Sunday in Lent

**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.](#)

### February 25, 2023

#### Evening Prayer

#### Online@ 5:00 PM

[Click here for](#)  
[Order of Service AND](#)  
[to join Evening Prayer via Zoom.](#)



Meeting ID: 863 4898 4077  
Passcode: 1620

# Prayer

## Parish Prayer List

**Please keep these members of our community in your prayers:**

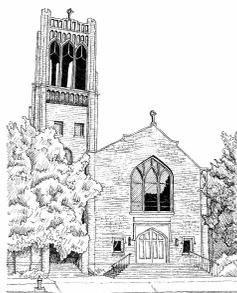
*John McLure, Adair Faust, Phillip Craig, Tim Strohschein, Nona Yeager, Rebbie Jones, Fr. John, Sara Marshall, Charles Robinson, Jr., Lynne Distefano, Ogden Middleton, John Upton, Rifa Clancey, Linda Ittner, Sophia Frey Bradford, Becky Maxwell, Brady Brown, Dr. Wesley Davis, Steve Caballero, Anna Stapleton, Ann Vanderslice, Eleanor, Sam Bejach, Beth Courtney, Holly Craig, Jim Bristol, Ellen Moore, Mother Meredith Ward, Beth Hebert, Jimmy Hurt, Barbara Baldwin, Louise Carter, John Brewer, Fred Alexius, Paula Lieberman, Massi Jordan, Pepe Rizzo, Michael Sterne, Cackie, Kristie Fresh, Janet & Carl Ahrens, Wilma FilipiFran Barbato, Kevin Delaney, Gail, Charlotte Sterling, Andrew, Susan Webster, Chase Barnfield, Jane Y. Harris, Kyle, Beth Virden, Murel Trimble, Emily Warren, Bill Leibke, Donna House, Dayna Hill, Jane Tyson, and Mehre Hajighassem.*

**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 February (day):**

*Carl Close (1), Sara Fuhrer (1), Emerson Milliner (5), Bruce Jordan (6), Chad Norton (6), Lawrence Searcy (12), Emma McCartney (15), Tommy Brasher (22), Justin Manuel (23), Brady Brown (24), Melanie Jurgensen (26).*



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