

**St. James seeks to be a community that grows more Christlike, expressing the love of Jesus Christ in our worship, our outreach, and our commitment to discipleship.**

## ST. JAMES MESSENGER

**YOU ARE INVITED!**  
**ST. JAMES PARISH WIDE DINNER**  
6:00P.M., Tuesday, October 11th  
Venetian Center  
1 Dozier Circle, Leesburg



**This Year's Theme:**

**“STEPS TOWARDS  
GOD'S KINGDOM”**



We invite you to join us as we begin our Fall Stewardship Program with a Parish Wide Dinner on **Tuesday, October 11th. At 6:00 P.M. at the Venetian Center** (next to the Leesburg Boat Club, off Dixie Ave). Come and enjoy some food and fellowship, learn about our program, and get to know some of your fellow parishioners. The dinner is catered and free of charge, but we need you to **RSVP by Tuesday, October 4th**. Invitation cards are included in our Sunday bulletins. You may also come by the church office, or call our secretary Pat to be included on the list.

This year our stewardship program will focus on the theme, **“Steps Towards God's Kingdom”**. In 1st Thessalonians 2:12, the Apostle Paul tells us,

*“Walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into His Kingdom and His Glory”.*

So, how might we do that? What steps can we take with our financial resources, talents, time, relationships, and all our blessings to bring the presence of his Kingdom into our world? We will have a fun interactive activity to help us focus on our call to glorify God in our walk of discipleship at St. James.

And, we will have a special gift to hand out to everyone who attends! Come find out what it is! Mark your calendars, and be sure to join us!

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The Messenger is a monthly publication of St. James' Episcopal Church in Leesburg, Florida. It is mailed on the last Wednesday of each month and highlights parish news for the upcoming month. Deadline for submissions is the third Wednesday of each month. Submissions should be sent to: Pat Schaefer <[office@stjames-leesburg.org](mailto:office@stjames-leesburg.org)>

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Sunday services are livestreamed at 10:15 AM:  
Go to YouTube and type "**Leesburg Stjames**" or  
visit our **Facebook** page.

### CHURCH VESTRY & STAFF

**Rector: Rev'd Thomas Trees**

**Assisting Priests: Rev'd. William J. Boyer, Rev'd Ron Peak**

**Assisting Deacon: Rev'd Art Hollows**

**Parish Organist/Choir Director: Deb Carraway**

**Nursery Coordinator: Carmen Rebusmen**

**Children's Choir Director: Elizabeth Williams**

**Treasurer: Linda Weekley**

**Parish / Finance Secretary: Pat Schaefer**

**Sexton: Doug Ames**

**Housekeeping: Diane Smith**

**Vestry Members:** Bill Cauthen, Marc Crouch, Kathy Davidson,  
Danny Delgado (Senior Warden), Harry Hackney, David  
Knowles, Chris Leware, Drew Logan (Junior Warden), Mackie  
McCabe, Bob Tindall, Linda Weekley, Patti Wolf



### . Let's Get Our Bazaar On!

The ECW Holiday Courtyard Bazaar will be on **November 19, 2022**. We need lots of help to make sure the event is a success. **If you can help staff a booth, carry purchases to shoppers' cars, direct traffic, set-up tables, clean-up, or anything else on the day of the bazaar- please, please, pretty please- contact Dorry Curran at (949)633-8471 or tinkrvl@gmail.com.** The ECW contributes virtually all the funds raised at the bazaar to the charitable organizations we support. It is a great feeling to help support this outreach effort... and you'll have fun, too.

If you cannot volunteer to work the day of the bazaar, there are other ways you can help. We are trying to be good stewards of our planet, so we are asking that parishioners save shopping bags, boxes, and anything else shoppers can use to carry merchandise home with them. You can support the bazaar by coming to the event and shopping. Most of all, you can pray.! Please help us make the bazaar a success.

### BUTTERFLY GARDEN

The Butterfly Garden Committee would like to thank all those of you who gave so generously to pay for a professional to keep our beautiful garden looking lovely. We collected almost enough to pay for a full year if 4 hours a month is adequate in addition to whatever we can put in.

Jan Tindall



### NEED TO MEET WITH FR. TOM?

If you would like to know when you can come by the church to meet with Fr. Tom, he will be available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:00 am to noon, and Thursdays from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.. If you would like to arrange for other times to meet, you can contact him by phone or text at (352) 643-1182, or by email at [frtrees@stjames-leesburg.org](mailto:frtrees@stjames-leesburg.org).

# St. James Prayer List

Call the Church Office (352)787-1981 with additions/deletions

## LONG TERM

Judy Cable  
Court Hintze  
Joyce Huey  
Beryl Stokes  
Dottie Elliott  
Charles Hay  
Kathy Billington  
Nancy Mitchell  
Lauri Grizzard  
Stephen Norris

## SHORT TERM

(3 weeks).

Greg Hickman  
Gordon Roeglin

Tim Hackney  
Meg Johnson  
Ginger Chamings Moore  
Rhonda Jones  
Dale Gray  
Steve Garmig  
Russ Vance  
Debbie Frame  
Cricket Morrison

Charles Stephens  
Brett Roberts  
Larry Bonofiglio  
Linda Grizzard



## ***MOVING FORWARD GRIEF SUPPORT***

The next Moving Forward Grief Support meeting will take place on **Thursday, October 6th, at 4:00 PM** at The Coffee Snob (1101 W North Blvd, Leesburg). If you would like to take part, or have any questions, contact Susan Cyrus at (352) 636-8969

## ***DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP***

St. James has a support group for those who are dealing with, or have dealt with family members suffering from dementia. This group meets on the **Fourth Wednesday of each month at 10:30 AM in the Parish Hall**. The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday, October 26th**. If you, or anyone you know are dealing with these challenges and are interested in participating please call Dot Hay (352-552-8986) or the Parish Office at (352-787-1981).

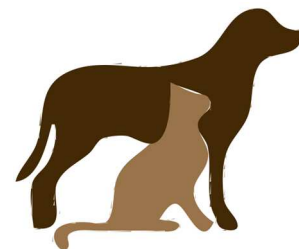
## WORSHIP IN MOTION

Thank you to all who have expressed interest in Worship in Motion! We will meet on Sundays twice in **October, the 2nd and the 30th** in the Parish Hall from 5-6 pm. All ages are welcome. Please dress for comfort and mobility. For those who are unable to attend either of these evenings, but don't want to miss out on what is taught, I am happy to send a video of what is new. Just let me know. We will practice together simple movements to prayers, psalms and songs, followed by evening Compline, where we will incorporate what we have learned. I am very much looking forward to our time together in worship! -Beth Williams

## LEESBURG CHRISTMAS PARADE

In an effort to improve our visibility in our community (and because it's fun!), we are planning to participate in the Leesburg Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 3rd. We are looking for volunteers who are interested in helping with a variety of things to make this happen: planning and design, vehicle(s) and a trailer, shopping for supplies, construction/decoration, participants to walk/ride/drive the parade route, and a clean-up crew following the event. If you are interested in helping out with any of these tasks, there will be a brief meeting on **Sunday, October 9th** following the 2nd service to discuss. If you are unable to attend, but still interested in volunteering, please reach out to the church office. Let's create something fun together! - Beth Williams

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have a service for the Blessing of Animals on **Wednesday, October 5th at 6:00 p.m.** on the Veranda. "All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices let us sing!"

## ECW NEWS

The Episcopal Churchwomen kicked off the new year with a Fall Coffee held on September 10. Forty-eight ladies were in attendance. Each lady received a small purse with a penny cross in it and a new Yearbook. Also, the Butterfly Garden raised \$620 dollars from Patrons to sponsor the maintenance of weeds in the garden.

**ECW BOARD MEETING, October 4, 9:00 AM**

**ECW GENERAL MEETING, October 4, 10:00 in the Parish Hall**

Program: All About the Leesburg Library

**CHAPTER MEETINGS, October 18**

**St. Ann's**, Hostess: Kay Oestreich, Parish Hall, 10 AM

**St. Francis'**, Hostess: Kathy Davidson and Sherry Lash

10 AM, 4849 Sable Ridge Ct., Legacy, Leesburg

**St. Cecilia's**, Hostess: Sharon McCabe, Parish Hall, 3:45 PM

**UTO In-Gathering October 16 & 23**

### September Food Drop

School is back in session and the St. James FOOD DROP has provided an abundance of food and monetary contributions to help meet the additional needs. Assistance from Teri and Van Gaylon, Tanina Singletary and Rita Clements accepted food and money from 24 cars and several parishioners who bring donations in on a "walk-in" basis.

COLLECTED: 793 pounds of food, \$1070.00

TOTAL TO DATE. 27,891 POUNDS OF FOOD, \$36,168.00

Thank you for the many blessings. We look forward to the NOVEMBER FOOD DROP before Thanksgiving on the third Wednesday, November 16. God is Good.

### LIBRARY CORNER

DVDs for viewing are available in the Parish Library. There are not many, but we have these titles for enjoyment and edification.

- Active Parenting Now...21st Century
- The Call...Apostle Paul
- Christianity, the First and Second Thousand Years (2 C-Ds)
- The Chronicles of Narnia
- Nine Days That Changed the World (1 C-D)
- The Story of Anglicanism
- The Story of the Episcopal Church

On the shelf marked AUDIOVISUAL to the right of the library desk ( as you face the window) and in a-b order by title. Please sign the attached book card with your name and the date. Leave the card on the librarian's desk. Please return the C-D in 2 weeks. Thanks for your cooperation. M.T.B.



## Music Musings

### October

*"In the bulb there is a flower, in the seed an apple tree, in cocoons a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free. In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be. Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see." (Hymn of Promise, Natalie Sleeth, 1986)*

And then there were chives! But I digress...first, the backstory: Paul and I have found that we enjoy cooking together. And by that I mean I read the recipe out loud, chop a few vegetables, and he does the heavy lifting. It's really fun, at least for me! Recently Paul became interested in one of the Barefoot Contessa's new cook-books, so he bought it and we have been trying some new dishes. One sounded particularly good so we decided we would tackle it, but first we'd go to Whole Foods where we knew there'd be a better chance of finding the exact ingredients she called for, and, therefore, we'd end up with a better rendition of the recipe. Several paychecks later ☺ we came home with what we needed to try not one, but two new recipes. In an effort to save a few pennies we decided we'd buy chives in plant form, because, of course, every penny counts. When it came time for me to chop the chives, I took my scissors and cut them within a ¼ inch of the dirt, then chopped them for the dish, having barely enough for the recipe. The chive plant was at this point a pitiful specimen of its former self. We chalked it up to lesson learned, and didn't think about it again...until we walked outside a couple of days later and noticed that the chive plant was now at least three inches tall and looking healthier than ever! And a few days after that it was even taller, begging to be trimmed for our next culinary adventure.

Now my green thumb friends are probably thinking, "well, of course; this is how things grow," but I've never been much of a gardener, so this was a revelation to me. And, I'm thinking, the lesson here has far more to do with life, than with gardening. When all seems lost, when nothing seems as if it will be ever be right again, a new day dawns and you find that your chives have grown at least three inches...

Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see!  
Yours in Christ,

*Deb Carraway*

Music Director and Organist

*"Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful." Hebrews 10:23*





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| 2 Babs Treiber      | 15 Drew Logan         |
| Wayne Griffin       | 16 Ross Belson        |
| Ella Kate Daley     | Bob Meade             |
| 3 David Knowles     | 17 Sandy Bonofiglio   |
| Kay Haddenham       | Cindi Fletcher        |
| Matthew Ostrander   | 19 John MacIntyre     |
| 4 Charlotte Sanchez | Caroline Oldham       |
| 5 Paul Smigel       | 20 Stephanie Engel    |
| Scott Daley         | Angel Pearson         |
| 6 Joe Northcott     | Blythe Daley          |
| 7 Nicholas Palmer   | Robert Lowery         |
| Ellen Brooks        | 21 Kenneth Herring    |
| 8 Tom Trees         | 22 Mary Lynne Gentzle |
| Jeff Brooke-Stewart | 23 Chris Leware       |
| 9 Marie Gan         | Herma Mowatt          |
| Paula O'Connor      | Elaine Rey            |
| Michael Cyrus       | 25 John Hill          |
| Brynnan Curry       | 26 Joan Reid          |
| 10 Barbara Hooker   | Judy Baxter           |
| Skellie Morris      | 28 B. Murray Tucker   |
| 13 Jim Martin       | 30 Beryl Stokes       |
| JoAnn Statts        | Amy Raczkowski        |
| 14 John Meier       |                       |
| 15 Monika Bonner    |                       |
| Richard Stanton     |                       |



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|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 George & Margaret Bolton | 16 Charlie & Kathy Davidson |
| 4 Wylie & Rebecca Hill     | 19 Russ & Gem Vance         |
| William & Carolyn Hoth     | 23 Charles & Marti Doty     |
| 7 Bill & Katie Mann        | 24 Lyle & Kay Haddenham     |
| 9 Jack & Lolita Sergio     | 28 Mark & Kay Palmer        |
|                            | 30 Jim & Dot Gustafson      |

ST. JAMES INTERGENERATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL  
**"RED LETTER EDITION"**  
 @ 9:00 AM IN THE PARISH HALL

We have had a wonderful month of lessons with our Intergenerational Sunday School, where children and adults interact together for lessons and activities that help us learn and apply the Scriptures to our lives. This year's program is the **"Red Letter Edition"**, looking at the words of Jesus in the Gospels (marked by red letters in some Bibles). **Breakfast is included!**

**BIBLE STUDY RETURNS!**

The evening Bible study will begin a new Fall/Winter session on October 13th at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall. We will study together the First Letter of John. This wonderful and relatively short letter emphasizes our Lord as the Word and the Light of a full life. It challenges us both to live the New Commandment of love, and to take certain aspects of our life in faith very seriously. A veritable feast of discussion! During this study we will discuss which book of the Bible we would like to explore after finishing the First Letter of John. All are welcome to attend.  
 -Jeff Brooke-Stewart



The Daughters of the King meet the second Wednesday of each month at 2:00PM in the Parish Hall. Our next meeting will be on **October 12th** and we will begin our study of the Parables with Fr. Tom. Please join us. All are welcome.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast**

Our Men's Prayer Breakfast will meet again on **Wednesday, October 19, at 8:00am** in the Parish Hall. We will continue to go through C.S. Lewis book **"Mere Christianity."**





# 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>2 (Pentecost 17)</b> 8:00 Holy Eucharist I 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist II 5:00 Worship in Motion	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 9:00 ECW Board Mtg 10:00 ECW General Mtg	<b>5</b> 12:00 Coffee & Philos. 4:00 Jubilate 6:00 Blessing of Animals 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>6</b> 10:00 Holy Eucharist 4:00 Grief Support @ The Coffee Snob	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9 (Pentecost 18)</b> 8:00 Holy Eucharist I No Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist II 12:00 Christ Parade Interest Meeting	<b>10</b> 6:30 Stephen Ministry	<b>11</b> 6:00 PM Parish Wide Dinner @ Venetian Center	<b>12</b> 12:00 Coffee & Philos. 2:00 DOK 4:00 Jubilate 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>13</b> 10:00 Holy Eucharist 6:30 Bible Study	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16 (Pentecost 19)</b> 8:00 Holy Eucharist I 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist II	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 10:00 ECW Chapter Mtgs (St. Francis, St. Ann) 3:45 ECW Chapter Mtg (St. Cecilia)	<b>19</b> 8:00 Men's Prayer 12:00 Coffee & Philos. 4:00 Jubilate 5:00 Finance 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>20</b> 10:00 Holy Eucharist 6:00 Vestry 6:30 Bible Study	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23 (Pentecost 20)</b> 8:00 Holy Eucharist I 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist II	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 12:00 Coffee & Philos. 2:00 Dementia Support 4:00 Jubilate 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	<b>27</b> 10:00 Holy Eucharist 6:30 Bible Study	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30 (Pentecost 21)</b> 8:00 Holy Eucharist I 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist II 5:00 Worship in Motion	<b>31</b>					