



St. James Louisa

Weekly Newsletter Update

January 6th - 12th, 2024

Our Commitment: Walk in love with God



January 12th, 2025 ~ First Sunday After the Epiphany: Baptism of Our Lord

8:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist, Rite Two (no music)

10:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist, Rite Two (with music)

4:00 p.m. ~ St. John's Chapel **THIS has been CANCELED**

Candlelight Epiphany Service

January 19th, 2025 ~ Second Sunday After the Epiphany

8:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist, Rite Two (no music)

9:00 a.m. Annual Meeting in Parish Hall

10:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist, Rite Two (with music)

*10:00am services are live-streamed via our Facebook page
and available later each Sunday on St. James' YouTube channel
and on our website stjameslouisa.org*



Please join us for Morning Prayer, every Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.

Psalm 8, 117, 118, Isaiah 59:15-21, Revelation 2:8-17, John 4:46-54



Vestry Nominees

Randy Keil and Linda Brickey have submitted applications to join Vestry in 2025. Vestry terms are now two-year terms, so if elected, Randy and Linda will be on Vestry until the end of 2027.

John Agee has completed his term as Vestry member, and in order to fill a vacant seat, two members are needed for Vestry.

These two will be appointed by consensus at our Annual Meeting on January 19th, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Jennifer. We are very thankful for the willingness of these two to serve.



This Sunday is Baptism of Lord Sunday. It is a Sunday where either as a parish we baptize any who desire it, or if there is no one, we renew our Baptismal vows. It is a time to reflect on what the ministry of the Baptized, (you and I), should be about.

It was interesting looking for an image to display to remind you of this Sunday. Images of course are painted or drawn by the artist, who depict their image of what they think occurred at Baptism. Some are quite funny. People's theology are shown in their art. Various ethnicities and various backgrounds are depicted. Some have peaceful scenes surrounded by palm trees that looked like lush gardens of Eden, others depict desolate places where Jesus was alone. Sometimes just John the Baptist was depicted with Jesus, sometimes others are there, often there are angels.

However it is helpful for you to imagine it --what is helpful to focus on is how God has sealed us as God's own in Baptism.

Some faith groups baptize those who have "made a decision to follow Jesus and have accepted Jesus in their heart." Episcopalians hold that God moves in and through Baptism to seal the infant as part of God's kingdom. We believe that doing so welcomes the infant into Christ's community forever, signifying their membership in the Church and God's covenant, with parents and godparents making promises to raise the children in faith on their behalf.

It is a delight to see little hands reach for the bread each week. It reminds me of the kingdom of God -- the desire to know and to reach.

If you have never been baptized, and would like to be baptized, please contact me. We want to be present with you on your journey. Baptism is not just for infants --if you have never been baptized, baptism is a Sacrament encouraged by the church for full participation in the body of Christ. What riches it holds!

See you Sunday.

Rev. Jennifer+



Annual Meeting will be January 19th, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Parish Hall





I hope everyone is safe and well. Our lives have been side-tracked for a couple days it seems due to weather. I will be in the office tomorrow --let us know if you have any needs that the wider community can help you with.

Hopefully these days have served as maybe a little breath of respite. I look forward to seeing you Sunday. Until then, may God bless and keep you.

Rev. Jennifer+



Intercessions

Church Members: Greg Schumacher, Errol Flynn, David Purcell, LaVahn & Mary-Frances Hoh, Allen & Lisa Walton

Family of Church Members: Amy Pedigo, Debbie Jones, Jim Coleman, Jack Steele, Ann Forrestal, Kristin Zonozi, Ed Kidwell

Friends of Church Members: Carl Herndon, Sharon Lupichuk, Diana Rivera, Liz Blanchard, Zac Yarbrough, Felecia Christian, Tate Verling, John Cochrane, Nancy Miller

For the clergy & congregation of St. Martin's, Richmond

For those in military service, especially: Jacob Laws, Garrett & Rebecca Bond, Hope Matkins, Zachary Lynch, Teri Boivin, Holly-Ann Hess, Nicholas Boivin, and Jon Geiser

For the departed: Tim Courtney, Austin Carpenter, James Duerson, Pertie Bickley, Eleanor Poindexter, Charlotte Jones

For those celebrating Birthdays/Anniversaries/Thanksgivings:

03-Paige Grubbs, Mark Cole; 04-Missy Agee; 06-Megan Grissom, Jacob Frith; 08-Alice Gaultney; 11-Allie Dockum, Jeffrey & Katelyn Grissom



Wednesday January 8th, 2025

Office Open

Rev. Jennifer will be there!

Thursday January 9th, 2025

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Sunday, January 12th, 2025

First Sunday after the Epiphany

Baptism of Our Lord

8:00am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II (no music)

10:00am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with music)

Coffee hour following both services

Have something to add to the weekly update?

The deadline to submit information for the update and bulletin is Mondays by noon for the following week.

Please send the who, what, when, and why of your news by email to stjameslouisa@outlook.com

2024 Vestry Members:

John Agee, Linda Barnett, Sharon Boivin,
Horace Higgins, Sherry Morris, Jill Schumacher

Senior Warden: Jill Schumacher

Junior Warden: Sherry Morris

Register: Linda Barnett

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