

We Look Forward to Seeing You Sunday!

- 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in the Chapel*
 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour*
 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
 in the Chapel

*Nursery available

Sunday Lectionary: Year B
 Revised Common Lectionary
 Daily Office: Year ONE

The Lectionary — The Seventh Sunday of Easter: First Lesson: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; **The Psalm 1;** **Second Lesson:** 1 John 5:9-13; **The Gospel:** John 17:6-19.

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Rev. Mitzi Minor, PhD

LETTING PENTECOST HAPPEN AMONG US

MAY 31, 6PM
 IN THE PARISH HALL PARLOR
FREE

EDUCATION
 PhD, 1989, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY
 MDiv, 1985, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY
 BA, 1980, Auburn University, Auburn, AL

TEACHING
 At MTS, I teach students how they might read & interpret the NT with integrity, explore the context, evaluate NT books, & encourage them to allow their lives & the NT teachings to intersect.

PERSONAL
 I'm a sports fan, particularly when it comes to Auburn sports, an avid bicyclist & hiker, a fan of mystery novels & poetry, an amateur nature photographer, & a loving aunt to 6 nieces & nephews.

Professor of New Testament (since 1992) Memphis Theological Seminary, Memphis, TN
 Ordained by Cumberland Presbyterians, 1991

Spring Sale Coming Up

St. James will hold a spring sale on **Friday and Saturday, June 5 and 6**. All proceeds will go to the Day School Scholarship Fund.

St. James Parishioners are asked to keep the sale in mind as you spring clean your home. Furniture (in good or easily repairable condition), books, CDs, DVDs, and small appliances that work (no clothes, please) may be brought to Bishops Hall beginning Sunday, May 31 through Thursday, June 4.

Volunteers are needed on Monday through Thursday, June 1-4, for moving items to Bishops Hall, arranging and pricing items, and serving as cashiers the day of the sale. If you are willing to help, please email Mtr. Laurie at lbrock@stjamesbr.org.

Annual Picnic part of Fifth Sunday Experience

This month, our Fifth Sunday celebration will be May 31, the feast of Pentecost. We will have a **combined 10:30 morning service** with guest homilist, the Rev. Dr. Mitzi Minor, Professor of New Testament at Memphis Theological Seminary and an ordained Cumberland Presbyterian minister.

Following the combined morning service, we will have our annual church picnic in Bishops Hall. In the tradition of Fifth Sunday established by our rector and the late Prior John Moloney, our downtown homeless neighbors are invited to join us for the picnic meal.

Fried chicken will be prepared by the cafeteria staff. **Parishioners are asked to bring side dishes,**

using our annual last-name assignment schedule: A-D - potato salad; E-F - bread; G-N - beans/vegetables; O-Q - salads; R-Y - desserts/sweets; and, Z - potato chips. Please be generous as our homeless neighbors will be our guests at the picnic lunch. There will be kite making for the young, and young-at-heart.

The Rev. Dr. Minor will present an evening program at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall Parlor, continuing the theme, *Wind & Fire, Spirit & Life: Letting Pentecost Happen Among Us*. Please come and bring a friend. There will be free nursery for children three months to four years of age during the evening program.

St. James Staff

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Bishop of Louisiana
The Very Rev. J. Mark Holland-
XXIII Rector of St. James
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The Rev. Ralph F. Howe, Jr. -
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Deacon Mark Hudson
The Rev. Charles A. Wood -
Chaplain, St. James Place
The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Witcher -
Bishop-in-Residence
XIX Rector of St. James
The Rt. Rev. James M. Coleman -
Bishop-in-Residence
XX Rector of St. James

David H. Culbert	Organist-Choirmaster
Alison Nikitopoulos	Children's Ministries
Helen Campbell	Director of Lay Ministry
Sylvia Rabalais	Admin. Secretary
Debbie Stillner	Comptroller
Cheryl Speights Olinde	Bookkeeper
Tyler Ellison	Maintenance
Gail St. Pierre	Dietician

Email addresses available on the church web site:

www.stjamesbr.org

St. James Vestry

Claudia Black Senior Warden
John S. Campbell III Junior Warden
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Bob Frazier	Tom Wade
Charles Frey IV	Scott Westbrook
Emily Wray Lamont	Otey White
Sue Larisey	



The Diocese of Louisiana is one church, faithful to Jesus Christ, united in mission, reaching out to seekers. We live in joyous witness to the power of grace and divine compassion in our lives.

Christian Education Notes

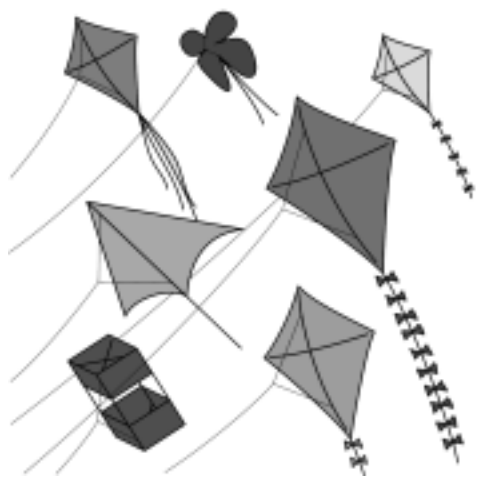
Nursery Care for children three months to four years old is available 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on the first floor of the Parish Hall. Pagers are also available for your comfort and convenience.

Kite-making at the fifth Sunday Pentecost Feast... Children and adults alike are invited to come and make a kite at the Fifth Sunday feast after the 10:30 combined service on May 31. **Bring your empty bathroom tissue tubes**, please, for our kite day. **Kite making expert?** Please contact Alison Nikitopoulos at 387-5141 if you can help on May 31.

Vacation Church School — July 27-31, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon each day for children four (4) years old through entering Fifth Graders!

The Ark of St. James: Making a Difference Two by Two! is our theme this year.

Registration is \$30 per child or \$50 per family (make checks payable to St. James Episcopal Church and put VCS in the memo line). Registration forms are around the church; check for an online version soon.

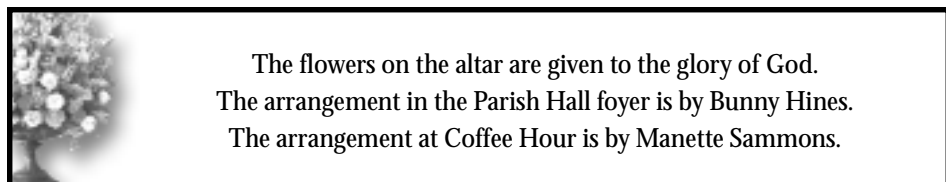


Brother, Can You Spare a Drop?

St. James Associate Vestry
Blood Drive

Sunday, June 7,
2009

8:00 a.m. - 12:30
p.m. at the church!



The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.
The arrangement in the Parish Hall foyer is by Bunny Hines.
The arrangement at Coffee Hour is by Manette Sammons.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers ...

The dear departed: Elaine Carter, grandmother of Kyle Landrem and great-grandmother to Olivia and Katherine Landrem

Prayers are asked for: Louibelle Grantham, Kim Hatton, Jeanne & David James, Warren Green, Marion Hart LeBlanc, Charles Robertson, Hunter, Jonathan South, Russell Fish, Jack Dagget, Debbie Terrell, Beth, Lance Conkerton, Judy Jack McCray, Yvonne Bradley, JoEllen Prutz, Rudy Aucoin, Dee Aucoin, Richard Blachford, Shirley Levy, Betty Brown, Sarah Slocum, Teresa, Elise Thompson, Jerry Lynn Mills

Our continuing prayers are offered for: O.B. Romero, Estelle Copes, Michael Matassarin, Marguerite Matassarin, Nicholas Yiannopoulos, Bessie Stockton, Bill, Thomas, John and Kathy Gummersell, Sue Tweedy, Donoghue, Nancy, Mary Sunny McCoy, Sallie, Katherine Gant, Cameron

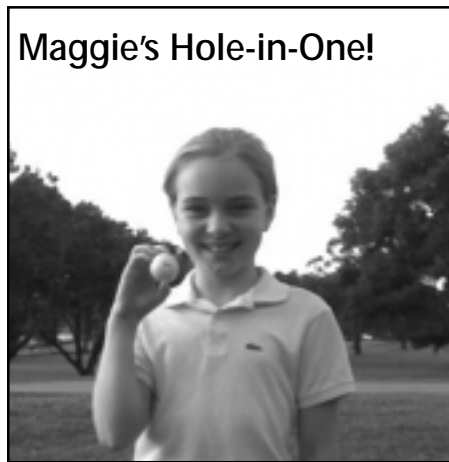
Mott, Linda, Glen Stockton, Angie Denny, Kevin Stockton, Gordon Loudon, Kathryn Daggett, Kelsey Favrot, Mary Betts, Kenlie Jackson, Carole, Anne and Wayne Williams, Prentiss McClendon, Jim Bogan, Ava Jet Blencke, Pennye, Caleb Hutchins, Margaret Blades, Fred Frey Jr., Rubye Harris, Carolyn Glusman, Tom Raggio, Estelle Schilling, Vic Roy, Anne Howe, Betty Romero, Lillian Shipes, Carolyn Bishop, Marguerite Godwin, Donie Schmidt, Tommy Kirkpatrick

For those in the Armed Forces: Rob Hutchins, PFC Hal Town, Captain John Lyford V, Captain Allison Laine Lyford, Cpl William Martin, PFC Don Ellen, Lt. Col Michael Benson, Pvt Stephen Arnold USMC, Captain K. Joshua Calmes, Captain Charlie Hines

With thanksgiving for the safe return and pending discharge of Capt. Kyle Randall

Birthdays May 22-28

- 22 Mark Andrus, Suzette Howe, Ann Shaneyfelt, Annie Collier, Jonathan Rice
- 23 Raymie Edmonds, John Thomas, Leigh Smith, Ann Skaggs, Lena Skaggs
- 24 Mary Jarnagin, Robyn Richards, Grace Ann Woolf, Anna Price, Bryan Olsson, Blake Griffin
- 25 Dianne Black, Stephan Hillman
- 26 Cissy Alford, Kathleen Stone, Bertie Poole, Georganna Johnson
- 27 Chip Middleton, Lloyd Brown, Camille Jenkins
- 28 Jerry Lynn Mills, Max Preis



Maggie Westbrook, 10, her seven-year-old sister, Anna Claire, and dad Scott Westbrook were golfing Mother's Day afternoon when Maggie, frustrated with her performance on the prior hole, considered hanging it up for the day.

Arriving at the red tees on hole number eight, they all agreed on playing one more hole. Maggie pulled her #4 hybrid out for the 108-yard drive and proceeded to address the ball. Dad lined her up and said to her, "Trust your swing and follow through." He saw a solid swing. Anna Claire was looking at the ball land on the green and roll. Then she screamed, "It went in the hole!"

As they were running toward the green, two men on the tee box of hole nine gave them the "touchdown" signal and Maggie retrieved her ball from the hole. The witnesses included Carey Guglielmo Jr., and Dr. Michael Haik who offered their hearty congratulations to Maggie.

They returned to the tee box where Anna Claire proceeded to par the same hole. Scott will continue to encourage his girls to keep moving forward and working hard — you never know what lies ahead!

Celebrating Ms. Gail's Retirement

Gail St. Pierre was honored at the Day School Eucharist on Friday, May 8, 2009. She is retiring at the end of May after sixteen years of service as dietitian to both the school and the church.

She was given an apron embroidered with her name and decorated with flowers and butterflies incorporating the thumbprints of every day school student.

Gail will be greatly missed by the Day School students, faculty and staff, as well as the church staff, parishioners and especially Gumbo volunteers.



Gail St. Pierre and Head of School, Linda Chauvier.
Photo provided by Linda Bowsher, Development Director

Congratulations to ...

... Jenny and Adam Kurz who had a baby girl, **Anna Reneé Kurz**, born May 8, 2009. Anna weighed 8 lbs., 14 ozs. All are doing fine according to proud grandparents Anne and George Kurz and her great grandparents Laura and Tommy Thompson.



Maybe a Stephen Minister Can Help

In Stephen Ministry, a care receiver is someone who needs a Christian friend, a Stephen Minister.

Stephen Ministers helps to meet the needs of those who are alone, hospitalized or recently discharged, facing serious illness, experiencing a major adjustment to job, career or residence, facing care decisions about family members, experiencing absence of family members — those who need someone trustworthy with regular visits during

times of crisis to not "do for" but be "there for."

Stephen Ministry meetings are held on the first and third Mondays of each month at 6:30 p.m. If you are interested in Stephen Ministry, or would like to learn more about the ministry as a care receiver, please contact Deacon Mark Hudson at 270-3421 for meeting information. The sites alternate between St. James, St. Luke's and Trinity Churches.

Consider having a Stephen Minister walk with you or a friend on a journey to wholeness. Use this form to make a referral for yourself or for someone you feel is in need. (Be sure to get that person's permission.)

Place in the offering plate, give to a Stephen Minister or send to the church office. Someone will be in touch within the next week to begin the referral and assignment process.

Please contact:

Name _____

Need Identified _____

Phone _____ Best time to contact: _____



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We proclaim Christ crucified and risen, and invite you to join with us in ministry together in his name.

Ministries and Worship

Friday, May 22, 2009

6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, May 23, 2009

6:30 p.m. Wedding

Sunday, May 24, 2009 - 7 Easter

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service in Chapel*

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*

10:00 a.m. Christian Ed and Coffee/Lemonade Hour

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II*

5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II in Chapel

Monday, May 25, 2009 - Memorial Day - *Office Closed*

Tuesday, May 26, 2009

Noon Holy Eucharist

Noon O'Brien House Meeting

Wednesday, May 27, 2009

7:00 a.m. Bible Study Group

Thursday, May 28, 2009

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist/Healing Service

6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal

** Indicates Child Care Provided*

Lay Ministry - Sunday, May 24, 2009

7:30 a.m. John Bilisoly, Stiles Kennedy

8:45 a.m. Mimi Riché

Ushers 9:00 a.m. Pat Broderick, Bob Frazier, Dan West, Gerry Sulzer

11:00 a.m. Charles Kahao, Mike McDonald, Vernon Middleton, Jesse Coates

Acolytes 9:00 a.m. Jacob Shapiro, Joseph Shapiro, Samuel Shapiro

11:00 a.m. Maggie Westbrook, Anna Claire Westbrook, Micaiah Carter

Eucharistic 7:30 a.m. John Ozier

8:45 a.m. Mimi Riché, Brent Caldwell

Ministers 9:00 a.m. Ben Larisey, David Warrington

11:00 a.m. Elizabeth Cawns, Rodger Green

5:00 p.m. David Walker

Lectors 7:30 a.m. Sharon Hoffeld

8:45 a.m. Claudia Black, BB Stirling (P), Honey East

9:00 a.m. Denise Allen, Judy Foil

11:00 a.m. Chris Frink, Chris Harrell

Intercessor 7:30 a.m. John Ozier

8:45 a.m. Hays Town III

9:00 a.m. Paige Gagliano

11:00 a.m. Warren Green

Welcome 8:45 a.m. Mimi Riché

Committee 9:00 a.m. Bahin Leonard, Rieta Reiser, Susie & Buzzy Heroman

11:00 a.m. Carole & Phillip Wright, Linda & Bill Lee

Altar 7:30 a.m. Dodie Edmonds, Mildred Taylor

8:45 a.m. Honey & Randy East

Guild 9:00 a.m. Linda Bowsher, Margaret Culbertson

11:00 a.m. Pauline Barrow, Laura Collet, Gay Middleton, Nancy Penn

5:00 p.m. TBD