



ST. JAMES' IN THE CITY UPDATE

24-25 DECEMBER 2017
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
CHRISTMAS EVE AND DAY

" respecting the dignity of every human being "

Welcome to St. James' in the City!

We're happy to have you with us this morning. We hope you find our parish to be a place of welcome and invitation. After the service, come have a cup of coffee and visit our welcome table, where you'll find out more of what St. James' has to offer.



Merry Christmas

22 All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

23 Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us."

(from the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 1)

*May God be with you and all those you love, now and in the time to come.
May you have a joyous Christmas and a New Year filled with the Peace of Christ!*

Sunday School and Childcare

Sunday School will be on vacation from Dec. 24th-January 21st, returning on January 28th during the 10:30 service. If you have a child who will be new to Sunday School, please contact Rev. Jenifer at jchatfield@stjla.org. Childcare during the 10:30 service will continue despite the Sunday School hiatus for children 4 and under only.

Thank You

To Elizabeth Hord, Sarane Van Dyke and Steve McClean for serving on the "Pew Patrol" last Sunday. They took time after the 8AM service to go though all the pews in the church to make sure there were plenty of offering envelopes and welcome cards for Christmas Eve services.

And to Sara Jane Thies, Adaobi Obijiaku and Twanda Chandler for coordinating distributing all the Giving Tree gift cards to our Soup Kitchen dinner guests this past Friday. And thank you all who generously supported this program. No one was turned away without a gift.

St. James' Book Group

The next scheduled meeting for the Book Group will be Sunday, January 28, 2018 after the 10:30 service in the Conference room, upstairs in the Parish Office building.

Youth Confirmation Classes

Youth Confirmation Classes will begin the first week in February with Confirmation taking place during the Great Vigil of Easter on the evening of March 31st. Please contact Rev. Jenifer for more information: jchatfield@stjla.org.

Baptisms at St. James'

Our next Baptism date is January 7, 2018. If you are interested in baptism for yourself or your child, please contact Rev. Jenifer at jchatfield@stjla.org.

Vestry Nominations

In accordance with the parish bylaws your nominating committee (Senior and Junior Wardens, two members of the vestry and a non-vestry parishioner) met and considered candidates. After consultation, we are putting forward as our nominees the following parishioners: Catherine Helm, Spencer Hong, Kathalina Hwang, Fatemeh Panahi, Stephanie Reynolds

Short biographies of each of these candidates will appear in a coming service leaflet update.

The bylaws state "members of the parish may nominate persons willing to serve (or themselves) for membership on the Vestry, provided, that no nominations shall be made from the floor at the Annual Meeting nor within a period of fourteen days before the Annual Meeting.

Stephen Yeazell, Senior Warden

Rector Search Update

Your search committee met at 2PM last Saturday, 12/16. Each committee member came prepared to discuss, thoroughly and thoughtfully, each candidates profile. After much discussion, we narrowed the number down to the candidates we were going to interview. Our next meeting will be in mid January when our interviews will begin. The time between now and mid January is being spent coordinating our schedules with the interview candidates.

Please continue to keep your search committee in your prayers.

Ingrid Finley-Scott

Chair of the Search Committee and Vestry Member

CALENDAR

SUNDAY *4th Sunday of Advent* 24 DECEMBER

Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Church	8:00AM
Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Church	10:30AM
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL		
CHILDCARE AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN 4 AND UNDER.		
Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Church	12:15PM
<i>Korean Language</i>		
Christmas Eve Pageant Rehearsal		2:30PM
Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist & Pageant		4:00PM
Christmas Eve Music	Church	10:30PM
Christmas Eve Midnight Mass	Church	11:00PM

MONDAY *Christmas Day* 25 DECEMBER

Parish Offices Closed

Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Church	10:30AM
<i>with Gregorian Chant</i>		

TUESDAY 26 DECEMBER

Parish Offices Closed

Food Pantry Prep	Street Lvl	8:00AM
<i>(volunteers welcome)</i>		
No Midday Eucharist today.		

THURSDAY 28 DECEMBER

Food Pantry Distribution	Street Lvl	7:30AM
<i>(volunteers welcome)</i>		
Centering Prayer	Chapel	9:15AM

FRIDAY 29 DECEMBER

Parish Offices Closed

Soup Kitchen Prep	Parish Hall Kitchen	2:00PM
Soup Kitchen Meal	Parish Hall	5:00PM
Soup Kitchen Chapel	Chapel	6:00PM
<i>Volunteers are always welcome!</i>		

SUNDAY 31 DECEMBER

Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Church	8:00AM
Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Church	10:30AM
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL		
CHILDCARE AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN 4 AND UNDER. Holy		
Eucharist, Rite II	Church	12:15PM
<i>Korean Language</i>		

SAVE THE DATE

January 28 Annual All-Parish Meeting & Lunch

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please refer to the insert in your bulletin for a listing of Christmas Flowers and Music donation.

Support our Altar Flowers ministry! It is a great way to honor your loved ones and beautify our Altar at the same time.

The sign-up calendar is located in the Parish Hall.

Suggested donation: \$150.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

Many thanks to Todd Mashlan for hosting the Sunday morning 8:00 and 10:30 coffee hour. And thank you to Marsha Vargas and the Vestry of St. James' for providing refreshments on Christmas Eve and Christmas morning.

Providing coffee hour refreshments is a wonderful way to support St. James' in offering hospitality and welcome to our fellow parishioners and visitors. Please sign up for a Sunday – the sign-up calendar is located in the Parish Hall. Thank you for your generosity.

ST. JAMES' PRAYER LIST

Supporting Our Brothers and Sisters with Prayer

We ask you to hold the following friends and parishioners of Saint James' close to your heart and in your prayers: the Rev. Charles Saquety, Helen Nelson, Kay Wiley, Eric Nelson, Shirley Perez, Bill Wasson, Ogechi Ogbunamiri, Freddie Wright, and Harold Ahaiwe.

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