



# The Window

The Newsletter of St. James' Episcopal Church in Fremont, CA  
*Called to serve in new and loving ways*

October 2015

## The Water of the Living God

*Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,  
whose trust is the Lord.  
They shall be like a tree planted by water,  
sending out its roots by the stream.  
It shall not fear when heat comes,  
and its leaves shall stay green;  
in the year of drought it is not anxious,  
and it does not cease to bear fruit.  
Jeremiah 17:7-8*

The words of Jeremiah shout to me from a place and time far away, yet so close to home. Most mornings, just as the sun is rising, I walk the mile and a half to Don Edwards Wildlife Refuge. I walk to the top of the hill and look towards the western horizon. I see the view of the Bay, the Dumbarton, the little red picnic shelter, the wooden footbridge, and I breathe deeply. All of it fills my heart with a deep gratitude and glory for God's beauty. We are so incredibly blessed to call this amazing planet our home.

Yet, as I watch the waterfowl and shorebirds congregate, it is impossible to ignore that the same sloughs and marshes that were once plump with water are diminished. The water line is high, the water is low. These past weeks, I've rushed to get out before temperatures rose too high, and on my way to and from the refuge, I gaze upon dead and browned landscape throughout my neighborhood. At this writing, a large part of our state is on fire, turning our blessed land into a cursed inferno. On some days, it feels as if the outer dryness causes an inner depletion, as if the thirsty earth mirrors a parched spirit.

And then the words of Jeremiah enter in. "Blessed are those who trust in the Lord" and I remember my spirit, when oriented towards Christ, is like a tree planted by water. Through intentional prayer, through observing the wonder of God around me, through witnessing the love and kindness of communities responding to hardship, I see the living water of God everywhere, and my own thirst pulls me towards that water source. As it says in John 7:37-38, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'"

In this time of drought, let us pour out the Living Water of God into our world through our own acts of prayer and service. Let us gather as a church to support one another in exploring and expressing the deep wells of our faith. And let us extend a drink of water to those who are thirsty for connection, for community, and for the sure knowledge of God's abiding love.

Lori+

# Stewardship Corner

## God the Giver Program

*“Whatever is good and perfect comes down to us from God our Creator, who created all the lights in the heavens. God ever changes or casts a shifting shadow.” James 1:17*

Beginning Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, and continuing through Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> your Sunday worship bulletins will include reflections written by various Episcopal stewardship leaders across the country covering stewardship and faithful giving in connection with the Gospel reading of the day. These inserts, prepared by the Episcopal Network for Stewardship on the theme “God the Giver,” will explore how acknowledging God’s generosity to us can unleash greater generosity in ourselves.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu in his book, *In God’s Hands*, says, “This is a God who intervenes on our behalf, not because we deserve it, but because God’s love is freely given. It is grace. It is not earned; it cannot be earned. It does not need to be earned.” God is the Giver, the ultimate lover of all God has created. Your generosity, in response to all God has given you, generates mission and changes lives.

I hope you will enjoy the “God the Giver” series and that it will awaken a new sense of abundance in your life and an increased commitment to living generously. My life is enriched when I give not from a perspective of “what is my fair share,” or even, “what can I afford,” rather, my faith comes alive when I give from a grace filled and grateful heart. Giving generously gives me strength and hope for the journey ahead.

Gail Blalock  
Stewardship Chair

## The Annual Blessing of the Animals and Celebration of St. Francis

The Feast of St. Francis will be celebrated on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. At the 8:00am service, we’ll celebrate the life of Francis and his impact on the world today. At the 10:30am service we’ll celebrate outside on the lawn with Holy Communion and the Blessing of our Animals.

Bring your dog, cat, reptile, bunny, or other pet for a special blessing. Photographs and stuffed animals can also be blessed! That morning, we will be collecting gently used blankets, towels, and pet food for the Tri-City Animal Shelter.

Rev. Lori Walton



**Fall Stewardship Event**

Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Noon - 3:00 PM

**Come Even if You Didn't Sign Up**

**It's in the Parking Lot Room for Everyone!**



## Welcome to St. James' Cares

St. James' has long been a loving community that cares for one another. We know that there are times in everyone's lives when we could use some help.

**St. James' Cares** is a resource for help - for our parishioners, supported by our parishioners.

Everyone can participate in some way. Perhaps you can volunteer to make phone calls, visit home-bound parishioners, prepare meals, provide transportation or run simple local errands. Alternatively, you may be in need of one these services.

If you have a need or would like to volunteer, please contact the St. James' Cares team in one of these ways:

- 1) Fill out a form (you can find in the pews and in other places around campus) and place it in the collection plate
- 2) Call the church office (select option 7 to leave a message)
- 3) Email the team at [care@saintj.com](mailto:care@saintj.com)
- 4) Visit the [www.saintj.com](http://www.saintj.com) website and click on the St. James' Cares logo
- 5) From the home page, click Ministries, then select St. James' Cares

The St. James' Cares team can also help coordinate Lay Eucharistic Visitation. If you cannot make it to church on Sundays due to illness or mobility issues, please email [care@saintj.com](mailto:care@saintj.com) and we will arrange a Lay Eucharistic Visitor to bring you communion.

Do you have an 'In Case of Emergency' card for your wallet? The St. James' Cares team has them available for free, for yourself or to share. Just let us know if you need one.

Submitted by: Nancy Castaneda

### Financial Summary August 2015

<b>Fund Balances</b>	8/31/2014	8/31/2015
Operating Fund	\$ 45,588.67	\$ 60,625.18
Building Fund	\$ 36,775.18	\$ 30,238.58
<b>Pledges Budgeted</b>	\$ 162,830.66	\$ 173,883.33
<b>Pledges Paid</b>	\$ 162,323.88	\$ 170,841.46
Unpledged	\$ 6,191.00	\$ 6,430.00
Other Operating Income*	\$ 13,857.09	\$ 15,156.30
<b>Total Operating</b>	\$ 182,371.97	\$ 192,427.76
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	\$ 187,588.56	\$ 179,386.96
<b>Income less Expenses</b>	\$ (5,216.59)	\$ 13,040.80

The next issue of ***The Window*** is November

We welcome your **comments, essays, cartoons, poems, photos, newsworthy items of interest, art work, group activity information and reviews.**

mail your submission to  
[newsletter@saintj.com](mailto:newsletter@saintj.com)

**November Submission Deadline: Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>**

# August Vestry Minutes

The vestry met on Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, for their monthly meeting. We began with a review of the financial reports for July and August.

The vestry welcomed Mike Scrutton, Visioning Team Leader, to discuss and share views and insights about the recent Parish Retreat, "Moving Forward Together." He reported of a thoughtful and insightful day, and vestry members who attended commented about the gratitude felt by the attendees, as well as a strong feeling of community and caring. See pages 6-7 for the Parish Retreat article. He shared the Team's next projects (such as building a more accurate database), and he will report back to the vestry as activities progress.

Deacon Ken Parris gave a follow-up on the discussion at last month's meeting about The Charter for Compassion ([www.charterforcompassion.org](http://www.charterforcompassion.org)). The Charter for Compassion is a world-wide organization whose Vision is, "A world where everyone is committed to living by the principle of compassion." Vestry members were encouraged to read about it, and consider signing the charter as individuals, with many of us signing up to affirm the Charter. We also discussed signing the Charter as a parish, and decided as a group that St. James' should do so, as a means to fulfill one of our roles, bringing

compassion to our community. Meg Amouroux offered to register St. James' as a Charter partner, and did so on Sept. 12, 2015. We look forward to future conversations and activities regarding the Charter, examining ways in which the parish can contribute. Please see page 5 for information on this charter.

We continued with conversation regarding the Stewardship Tailgate Event on October 3<sup>rd</sup> and followed with an educational session on pledging and stewardship.

Our vestry sub-groups (one focusing on improving ways to welcome, invite and integrate visitors and new members of St. James', and another group looking at growing the participation and impact from the many ministries already in place), will soon complete their current tasks, and will next shift to combining their efforts into a new ministry, focusing on welcoming and participation.

Our meeting closed at 9:00, and we finished our evening together with compline service in the Little Church.

Meg Amouroux  
Junior Warden

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**Ingathering of Pledges  
Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

# The Charter for Compassion

At the recent vestry meeting on Sept. 10, 2015, it was agreed that St. James' would affirm "The Charter for Compassion" as a parish. Having done so, we are now considered a Partner. There is no cost to affirm the Charter. Our signature is a public commitment to the principles expressed in this historic document. St. James' is part of a worldwide group of communities, through our support for these principles.

The Charter reads as follows:

*The principle of compassion lies at the heart of all religious, ethical and spiritual traditions, calling us always to treat all others as we wish to be treated ourselves. Compassion impels us to work tirelessly to alleviate the suffering of our fellow creatures, to dethrone ourselves from the centre of our world and put another there, and to honour the inviolable sanctity of every single human being, treating everybody, without exception, with absolute justice, equity and respect.*

*It is also necessary in both public and private life to refrain consistently and empathically from inflicting pain. To act or speak violently out of spite, chauvinism, or self-interest, to impoverish, exploit or deny basic rights to anybody, and to incite hatred by denigrating others—even our enemies—is a denial of our common humanity. We acknowledge that we have failed to live compassionately and that some have even increased the sum of human misery in the name of religion.*

*We therefore call upon all men and women to restore compassion to the centre of morality and religion ~ to return to the ancient principle that any interpretation of scripture that breeds violence, hatred or disdain is illegitimate ~ to ensure that youth are given accurate and respectful information about other traditions, religions and cultures ~ to encourage a positive appreciation of cultural and religious diversity ~ to cultivate an informed empathy with the suffering of all human beings—even those regarded as enemies.*

*We urgently need to make compassion a clear, luminous and dynamic force in our polarized world. Rooted in a principled determination to transcend selfishness, compassion can break down political, dogmatic, ideological and religious boundaries. Born of our deep interdependence, compassion is essential to human relationships and to a fulfilled humanity. It is the path to enlightenment, and indispensable to the creation of a just economy and a peaceful global community.*

Going forward there will be more conversations, information, and activities regarding the Charter, where we can look at additional ways the members and community of St. James' may participate and share messages and actions of compassion in our communities.

Submitted by: Meg Amouroux



# Parish Retreat: Looking Forward Together

On August 29<sup>th</sup>, around 50 parishioners and 5 kids met together on campus to take part in our parish retreat, entitled “Looking Forward Together”. The retreat was led by Mike Scrutton our Visioning Team Leader, Rev Lori Walton our rector, and our Children’s Minister, Jan Scrutton.

Mike introduced the rest of our Visioning Team, whose members were nominated by the Vestry and who are Mary Casas, Mary Morkved, Jessica Stair and Ken Trant. This team is tasked with assisting St. James’ in discerning who we are in 2015, and what we’re called by God to become.

Our day warmed up with music led by Jennifer Carini and an ice-breaker led by Jan when we learned some more unusual facts about each other. Mike spoke about the theme for the day, which was to think about God’s message for St. James’ in 2015, and how our purpose may have changed over the years based on the evolution of our community and change in circumstances.

We then participated in a period of personal reflection around the questions:

- What is most important to me about St. James’?
- What do I worry most about when I think of St. James’?
- If I could change one thing about St. James’ at the drop of a hat, what would it be?

I am sure as you read these certain things come to mind. Our day was not about making these changes but it helped to start by reflecting on our personal opinions before we started to think about God’s vision.

After getting feed back, Lori led us in a discussion about God’s desires for His creation, where we looked at passages from the bible, discussing the Song of Mary and the Beatitudes (amongst others). Lori helped us to see these familiar passages in new ways, and think about what they reveal to us about God’s vision for us.

After lunch facilitated by the Vestry, Meg Amouroux (Jr. Warden) and Dave Nelsen (Sr. Warden), we listened to Jan tell the story of Jesus welcoming the children. We broke into smaller groups where we considered a number of different bible stories:

- A story of hospitality & trust - Three visitors to Abraham & Sarah: Genesis 18:1-15
- A story of healing - Jesus Heals a Paralytic: Mark 2:1-12
- A story of abundance - The Wedding at Cana: John 2:1-11
- A story of transformation - Jesus and Zacchaeus: Luke 19:1-10
- A story of awakening - The Road to Emmaus: Luke 24:13-35

In our groups, we discussed how the stories were similar and different to our experience of St. James’, and composed a statement based on our passage and discussion that described an aspect of St. James’. Our thought provoking conversations led us to the following messages:

- We strive to be a joyful and consistently welcoming community in service to God and each other. We look for ways to care these attributes to future generations.
- This community, through thick and thin, through holes and conflicts, heals and grows as an accepting community. We offer an environment for personal healing through brokenness, and we reach out to those in need.
- We proactively step out and unexpectedly exceed our expectations.
- We are a community of open hearts and open minds where we can pursue our relationship with God through prayer and action, leading to continual transformation.
- Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we are all on a journey, and come to St. James’ to learn from each other, whatever our need, those who need proof and those who don’t – we are “coming come to a place we’ve never been before.”

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Can you see how each story may have inspired the statement about St. James?

The children joined us and shared with us an altar frontal depicting our hands working to fulfil God's dream for the world and our final message of the day:

- Children are welcomed and listened to at church, and can join in at events. If you gave our church a chance, we think you'd come back.

We closed our day with Holy Communion, including more singing led by our music director, Jennifer Carini.

This was a stimulating day for all involved, with the kids working just as hard as the adults on the theme of the day. Thanks to everyone who gave up time on their Saturday for making the event such a success.

Mike Scrutton  
Visioning Team Leader

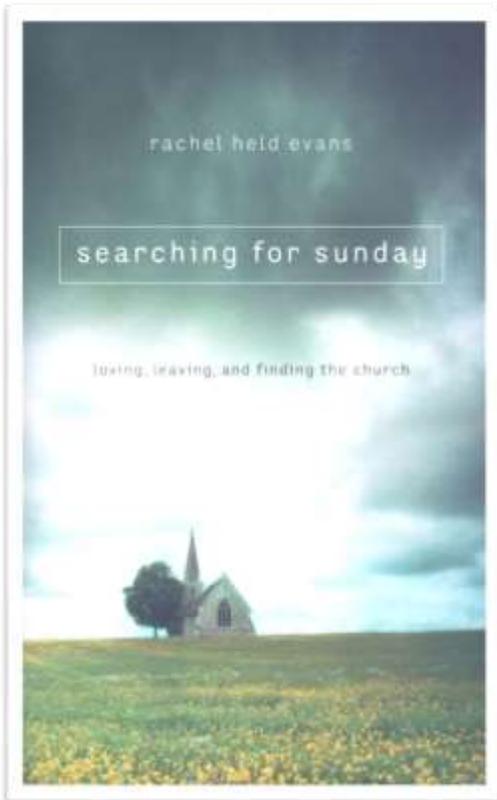


Photos by: Mike Scrutton

# *Faith Formation presents...*

A book discussion on *Searching for Sunday:  
Loving, Leaving, and Finding Church*

by Rachel Held Evans



“Like millions of her millennial peers, Rachel Held Evans didn't want to go to church anymore. The hypocrisy, the politics, the gargantuan building budgets, the scandals--church culture seemed so far removed from Jesus. Yet, despite her cynicism and misgivings, something kept drawing her back to Church. And so she set out on a journey to understand Church and to find her place in it.”

Evans asks us to follow her journey as she finds her home in the Episcopal Church. Her insights center around the sacraments of baptism, confession, holy orders, communion, confirmation, anointing the sick, and marriage,. These seven sections each contain several short chapters sharing her discovery of the beauty and grace of “being church.” The class will be led by Lori+, Ken+, Anna Horen and Janet Fischer.

“Evans has written a zinger of a book. Grounded in the deep things of faith, she writes in a vivid style and transposes the claims of faith into a compelling concrete narrative. Her book is a forceful invitation to reconsider that faith has been misunderstood as a package of certitudes rather than a relationship of fidelity.” **-Walter Brueggemann.**

**Where and When: Sunday mornings, October 1<sup>st</sup> – December 20<sup>th</sup>  
9:15am-10:15am (in-between services) in the Education Room**

Please purchase the book in your preferred format from your favorite book seller. It is less than \$10 in both paperback and as an eBook. It is highly recommended that you read the book for the class.

Janet Fischer

# The Garden Cookbook - Chapter 2?

It's now September 13 and we've had no feedback from the September Window article entitled "Whoever Heard of a Garden Cookbook?" Hmmm. You were so taken by the deathless prose, you are in shock? Bad year for a garden? You eat all your meals out?

This situation is serious. Let's make time to create at St. James' garden guide and cookbook with St. James' history, personal stories surrounding your gardening and cooking adventures, and photos about all that. Here is another **example** of a story related to gardening and cooking. Of course it is **fictional**, made up for your enjoyment, and to get you to write your own story about your garden, your own cooking.

I'm cheap. Let's establish that right now. I say that because I'm always buying the cheapest meat cut I can – and usually regretting it when the meat is tough, lacks flavor, and is often overcooked. In my feeble mind I decided that a good marinade might help me overcome my cheap-ness. Like many other guys I started looking on the Web for a marinade recipe. Mostly I discovered that there are as many marinade recipes as there are grains of sand on Ocean Beach in San Francisco. Be focused, I thought. Start with beef. Other meats or poultry or fish can come later. Also I'm not scientific. If it works for me, it'll work for you – my new motto. After scouring marinade recipes till my eyes crossed I settled on a couple of basics – red wine and garlic. Banging up the beef with a tenderizing mallet was probably a good idea. A lot of recipes called for herbs (that's Herbs for the English speakers out there) so I tried various combinations and quantities, mostly dried because that's what I found in the cupboard. One recipe called for fresh rosemary, no ifs, ands or buts. My

neighbor had a rosemary plant, a big one, so I was sure she would never miss a branch or two. I threw the crushed rosemary in the marinade along with the other ingredients. Twenty-four hours later I removed the beef (not telling how cheap the meat was, but it was just a cut above hamburger) and barbequed it. Melt in my mouth it did. Herbs for ever! Now I grow 'em and use 'em every chance I get. I still buy cheap beef. Marinade recipe suggestions below – experiment and make your own – and DON'T forget the herbs! p.s. I bought an instant meat thermometer and I use it when I can to great taste. Overcooked meat tastes-less (than it should) in my opinion.

OK, there is the **example**. Look at your life experience, pull out a story from your creative background. What, no garden, not even pot with herbs? How about your visits to a farmers' market? What about your cooking mistakes? Now that BBQ season is nearly over (except for the barbequed turkey), look back over your successes over a hot fire – let's hear about them. Need help putting your story/recipe down on paper? Just ask for assistance. For more references about this book business, see last month's September newsletter issue of the Window.

Submit, if you please, your gardening and cooking stories and recipes to Jim or me. If you are unable to do this on-line, write it up and hand it to one of us.

Submitted by Bruce Roberts and Jim Cunningham  
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Photos by: Bruce Roberts

# St. James' Men's Group Annual Trip

The trip to Twain Harte was a success and we had a total of 15 men. Our newest member Mario Galvez was well received and a great helper as part of the kitchen clean up crew. It started off with a nice dinner Thursday night at The Rock tavern and followed up by great excursions during the day on Friday and Saturday.

On Friday, some of the group endured a long hike at Lyon's Reservoir, while the group of golfers were very happy with the golf accommodations this year. A semi-private course was in good shape and a lot of deer wandering around. On Saturday, a group of us chose a trip to visit Railtown in Jamestown. It was short train ride filled with stories about the movies and TV shows (Little House on the Prairie and Petticoat Junction) filmed in the foothills around Jamestown. There was a lot of history discussed and a great tour of the round house where they repair and restore locomotives. After Railtown, we stopped in Jamestown for light snacks and a good refreshments at the famous Historic National Hotel & Restaurant. A small group still wanted to play more golf and had a good time at the local nine hole course.

As always, the food was great and nobody went away hungry. The main cooking team consisted of Bob Bell, Al Casas, Charlie Dickinson and Gregg Feeney. It was great cooking and not having to clean up afterward! We had a good group of guys pitching in for clean up.. The evening temps were perfect to sit around the decks at night and rehash the day along with current events at St James' and the world. The main goal of fellowship was achieved and my own personal goal is to have a new member attend every year. Mario's last minute decision helped me attain that goal.

The group will be back next year, mark your calendar for **August 18<sup>th</sup> - August 21<sup>st</sup>**, and definitely staying at Button Willow ( the Dearborn's cabin), but I think we'll switch to a different second home next year.

Thanks for all who attended and help make this a fun trip.

Submitted by : Gregg Feeney



Photos by: Bob Bynum





# Lady Flatlanders Weekend 2015

The weekend of September 10<sup>th</sup> through the 13<sup>th</sup>, eleven women met at Pajaro Dunes, a beach side resort on Monterey Bay, for fellowship, food and fun.

The Flatlanders group began over forty years ago as a healing ministry for the women of the church. Today it continues to be a place where you can feel God's love – through prayer, song and fellowship.

So set aside the weekend after Labor Day next year, and join us as we continue to grow in Christ's love.

Jay Butterfield

Shared during our Sunday morning service:

*God is with us.*

*Watching the surging sea sweep the sandy beach and the tiny fleet-footed birds challenge the waves to snatch a meal, we share in the wonder of our world. Returning to the seashore renews spirits, reaffirms faith. A retreat from the harried daily pace of our lives. Food and fellowship, long walks and talks, stunning sunsets and fog-shrouded mornings, games that go long into the night. Quiet moments of reflection as dolphins and birds, fishermen, joggers, families with dogs and kids enjoy the bounty and beauty of the bay beyond our balcony.*

*Water, so much a part of our faith and communion with God, is the backdrop for this time spent with friends old and new. Water nourishes our souls as well as our bodies. We feel its healing power here. The soft rumble of the crashing waves, the shroud of morning mist, the bracing balm of the afternoon breeze, the tingle of salt air, the delicate perfection of sand dollars washed ashore with each tide.*

*We know God is with us always, wherever we are. But here by the sea we feel God's presence even more. We find the time and space to stop and see. We capture the moments in photos, in tiny shells salvaged from the beach. In our hearts and memories.*

*We are thankful for this time together. Until we meet again. Next year. God is with us.*

Connie Rux  
September 2014



# September and October National Preparedness Months

Quiz: If a disaster happened today, maybe an earthquake, do you know what telephone number to call about information on emergency shelters, road closures, open health care facilities, or temporary housing?

1. 411
2. 911
3. 511
4. 811
5. 211

Answers:

1. 411 is the local telephone directory assistance number in the United States.
2. 911 is the local emergency number for the immediate response from the police, fire, or ambulance.
3. 511 is the local telephone number for road conditions and traffic congestion information.
4. 811 is the phone number call before you start digging for location of utilities lines.
5. **211** is the multi-lingual phone number that assists people before, during and after personal and community-wide disasters in United States.

Tips brought to you by your **Disaster Preparedness Team** (DPT): Marlene Benedict, Jill Buono, Bob Bynum, Gloria Bryant, Al Casas, Greg Miller, Dave Nelsen, Bub Pearson, Elaine Vallecillo-Miller, Scott Whitaker, and Laura Winter.

Elaine Vallecillo-Miller

# Pilgrimage Walk The El Camino de Santiago

Debbie Fuller is walking the Portuguese part of the El Camino de Santiago trail and representing St. James' Episcopal Church, Fremont. She was awarded the seed money of \$2,000 ; a gift received from The Rev. Dr. John T. Baker for this purpose.

Debbie was blessed during the 10:30am service at St. James' on September 13th. She was presented with a token to carry during her travels, a gift from the community of St. James'. Debbie left on her journey September 29<sup>th</sup> and returns October 11<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like to offer encouragement and support while she is making this walk, please select a paper scallop shell which is a symbol of the trail and also is a symbol of St. James' Episcopal Church, Fremont. Inside the paper shell is a prayer. You can use this short prayer or one of your choosing. The paper shells may be found in the coffee area in the Parish Hall.

Please remember Debbie in your daily thoughts and pray for a safe trip.

Nancy Svenson



Photo by: Bruce Roberts



# THE BOOKWORM WIGGLES

by: John Maloney, Librarian

## ACTIVITIES CAUGHT ON THE SUPER-SECRET ST. JAMES' LIBRARY SECURITY CAMERA

WIN A PRICELESS PRIZE: Write a caption for each photo and compare your captions with the captions on [page 14](#) of the newsletter. Find out the prize for the number of captions you match. (You're welcome to drop off your captions on the table in the library.) The library will open soon. Have faith! This will give you practice in waiting for the Second Coming. (Operator of security camera: Bruce Roberts)

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# OFFICIAL CAPTIONS FOR THE LIBRARY PHOTOS

(from page 13)

Caption #1: Shushing the children in the library, I can understand - BUT THE ADULTS! PLEASE, GIVE ME A BREAK!

Caption #2: Peak time in the St. James' library.

Caption #3: Hypocritical librarian caught reading a comic book instead of an incomprehensible, musty, dust-laden theology tome.

Caption #4: Catalog cover showing the charter members of the St. James "Bookworm Club." Sadly since no one has returned the borrowed books, they are each "*persona-non-grata*" in the library.

Caption #5: Episcopal clergyperson caught by camera "borrowing" some books without checking them out. (Episcopal Church loses whatever credibility it had.)

Caption #6: The librarian rejects the biblical admonishment, "Vengeance is mine says the Lord." (Romans 12:19)

## Margaret Eckman Memorial Plaque

A couple of months ago Adina Reynolds visited Genore Schaaf on her way to Tacoma, WA. She was relocating from Pacific Grove to the Pacific Northwest and stopped to catch her breath and see Genore. She hadn't been to St. James' for a number of years.

It must have been a Friday because the usual suspects were not around to unlock the doors. I happened by and said hello. Genore asked if I had a key so they could see the inside of the Little Church and the Big Church. We walked around together sightseeing the church grounds. When we passed by the ambry light in the Big Church Adina exclaimed that it was still there. Puzzled, I asked why. She said she and Richard had given the ambry light in memory of Adina's mother, Margaret (Maggie) Eckman, in July or August of 1987 shortly after she passed away. Adina and Richard are former parishioners of St. James'.

It seemed fitting that there should be a plaque in memory of Margaret so the new plaque on the wall behind the ambry light is the result. The Altar Guild faithfully changes the candle in the ambry light every Saturday morning.

Submitted by: Bruce Roberts

### PRIZES CHART

Number of matching captions Prize

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# St. James' Prayer List

*Most Holy God we pray for:*

**Those In The Military:** Scott, Jarrod, Megan, Erica, Theresa, Mark, Tim, Louis, Military Children of ACBSM, the families and Marines of Dark Horse Battalion, Caitlin, Emily, Robin, Adam, Dave, Shawn, Ethan, Paul, Darren

**Those Who are Traveling:** Tommy

**Those Who Need Guidance and Direction:** Scott, Michael, Gloria, John, Crystal, Bruce, Kenny

**Those Who Need Comfort and Healing:** Man Yee, Nonie, Rolando, Liam, June, Sarah, Karen, Susan, Elizabeth, Marie, Larry, the Wolf Family, Laura, Debbie, Kathy, Bobby

**Those Who Have Passed Away:** Bill, Kim, Archdeacon Brian, Melinda, Kathy

**Those Who are Expecting Children:** Chrissie

To add someone to the "Special Prayers" list, please complete a pew card and place it in the offering plate OR call / email the Church Office. After six weeks, names are removed from the list. Please renew your request as needed.  
Thank you



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| 3 Dana Muse         | 13 Judy Colby       |
| 6 Lynn Locher       | 14 Richard Kostick  |
| 7 Mary Casas        | 18 Victoria Krimmel |
| 8 Keith Westra      | 19 Bud Pearson      |
| 9 Margaret Rainey   | Sherea Westra       |
| Cathy Knotts        | 22 Alyssa Koonze    |
| Beth Scrutton       | 23 Marilyn Rose     |
| 10 Bobbie Naidoo    | Lauren Zarovy       |
| 11 Larry Parks      | 25 Glory Bryant     |
| Jessica Stair       | 29 Kyler Westra     |
| 12 Melissa Ferguson | Joan Kimber         |



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| 15 Dave and Linda Nelsen |
| 20 John and Meg Amouroux |

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