THE WINDOW

St. James' Episcopal Church | Fremont, CA

March 2022

Lent: A Time of Preparation

I recognize that at the heart of the Christian understanding of salvation is the drama of Jesus's crucifixion and resurrection—celebrated throughout the Church at Good Friday and Easter. This holy time reminds us that by his sacrificial death, Jesus gave his life for us, and by Christ's resurrection, God not only demonstrated God's power over and beyond death, but also created the loving covenantal relationship by which we share in the life of Christ.

Embracing the truth of how often I have failed to live fully within that covenant, and the extent to which I have neither loved God/ Christ with my whole heart nor loved the others for whom Christ died—and thereby turned aside from the life-giving life granted to me, I realize the reality of sin within myself. I have allowed so many things to cool the fire of the Spirit; I have wandered from the embrace of God and become estranged from God's kingdom. The Church provides a sacred time for all of us to take stock of our spiritual health, to reflect on our need to revitalize the spirit within us, and to turn from the ways which lead away from God to return like the Prodigal Son to the One in whom all life is sustained. That time is the season of Lent.

By various means, Lent allows us to be honest about our sins and misguided actions and to turn our lives around. It is a time when we are called to remember our personal call to be faithful disciples. We answer by various means--whether by fasting, prayer, or other disciplines which enlighten us to God's call and the powerful message of love which historically called the gospel—all intent on building habits of faithfulness and strengthening our relationship to God.

I hope to join many of you as we journey through Lent to embrace the fullness of the Good News of God's love and work of reconciliation. Please pray for me as I will for you, and may God deepen our understanding of how great is God's love for us through Christ.

~Bill+

MEET YOUR 2022 VESTRY & STAFF

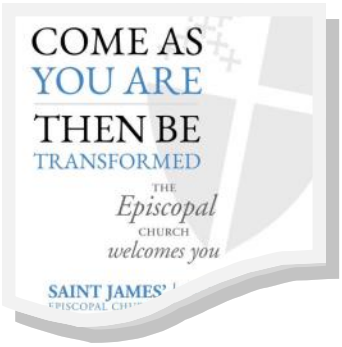
Back row L to R: Samir Kalitta, Peter Maina, Jan Scrutton, Rev. Bill Hale, Greg Miller
Middle row L to R: Vivienne Paratore, Bev Mosier, Jennifer Ravera, Sally Morgan
Front row L to R: Ingrid Jacobson, Meg Amouroux, Rev. Lori Walton, Jim McConnell, Bob Bynum

Not pictured: Elizabeth Burtin, Nancy Castaneda, Mary Francis Leopold, Bruce Roberts, and Janet Fischer

Rector on Sabbatical

Our rector, the Rev. Lori Walton, is on sabbatical leave from February 1 through May 31. Please hold her and her husband Ron in prayer during this time. According to the Canons of the Episcopal Church, in the absence of the Rector the Senior Warden, Jim McConnell (srwarden@saintj.com), serves as the authority in all manners other than liturgy, pastoral care, and formation. Our Assisting Priest, Bill Hale (bhale@saintj.com), will be responsible for liturgy and pastoral care. Our Parish Administrator, Ron Cook (admin@saintj.com), will cover administrative concerns. Our Children & Teen Minister, Jan Scrutton (jan@saintj.com) and our Intern, Ingrid Jacobson (ingrid@saintj.com), will be responsible for formation. The Junior Warden, Meg Amouroux (jrwarden@saintj.com), will serve as support to the Senior Warden. The Music Director, Jennifer Ravera (music@saintj.com), and the Treasurer, Bruce Roberts (treasurer@saintj.com), will continue to oversee music and finances respectively. Thank you in advance for your support and please extend a thank you to these faithful parishioners and staff members for their ministry.

The Ways We Are Church Together



WORSHIP

Worship At Church
We offer two services on Sunday morning at 8am and 10:30am. Coffee and light snacks following each service. PROOF OF COVID VACCINATION REQUIRED.

Sunday Morning Service Live Stream
If you cannot attend church in person, you can join our 10:30am service live-streamed on Sundays at saintj.com. The service can be joined at any time on Sunday from 10:25am, or watched during the week on our YouTube channel.

Wednesday 10:00am Service
Celebrate the Liturgy of the Word with prayers and sermon discussion in real time on Zoom. Join us! Email Rev. Bill at bhale@saintj.com. Link can also be found under "Upcoming Events" on the right side of our website.

Morning Prayer 8-8:30am. Monday-Friday
Join Rev. Bill for Morning Prayer via Zoom. Contact bhale@saintj.com for the link.

Lectio Divina—the Art of Reading
Sundays at 9:30 AM, Brian Cochran leads a sacred time of ***Lectio Divina*** in the Little Church. *Lectio Divina* is a way of engaging in scripture that draws us into deep contemplation and into deeper union with God. This is an ancient and wonderful practice to add to your Sunday. Let Brian know if you have questions, or stop in any Sunday for this experience.

FELLOWSHIP

Thursday 12:00pm Home Alone Group on Zoom
For those who are living alone, meet us on Zoom Thursdays during lunchtime to say hello. Email Ingrid at ingrid@saintj.com for more information.

Grief Support Group Tuesdays @ 2pm on Zoom
Rev. Bill Hale, former grief support person for Odyssey Hospice in Michigan, facilitates the group. Please contact Rev. Bill at bhale@saintj.com for more information. This group is open to all, not just for St. James' folks.

LEARNING

Focus On Faith Saturdays @ 10am. Do you have questions about the church, God, faith? Would you benefit from hearing about other's faith journey and experience? Are you looking for a place to drop-in to talk about spirituality? Join with others and Rev. Bill for this on-going gathering. Questions? Email Bill at bhale@saintj.com for details. Access the Zoom link here.

Bible Studies
Monday 11:00am Bible Study. Join with others to catch up and wrestle with some of the sacred texts of the Bible. We meet every Monday on zoom. Everyone is welcome. Email ingrid@saintj.com or find the zoom link on the home page of our website.

Wednesday afternoon @ 1:00pm. Bible Study at 1:00pm, also via Zoom. Ingrid will send out a link to a short video and discussion questions. Email ingrid@saintj.com to be added to this list as well.

Audio Sermons and Online Resources
Zoom links for all of our offerings can be found on our website, saintj.com. Look for the calendar of events on the right side of our home page. If something is not listed, email the leader and they will make sure you have what you need. Sunday's service and sermons are also online. Go to our website for online worship resources, or subscribe to our weekly sermon podcast on iTunes. You may also subscribe on Spotify and/or TuneIn. Like us on Facebook and Instagram!

Upcoming Events

NEGRO SPIRITUALS

HISTORY & MEANING

JOIN US ON ZOOM

TUESDAY, MAR. 1
BEGINS AT 6:00PM

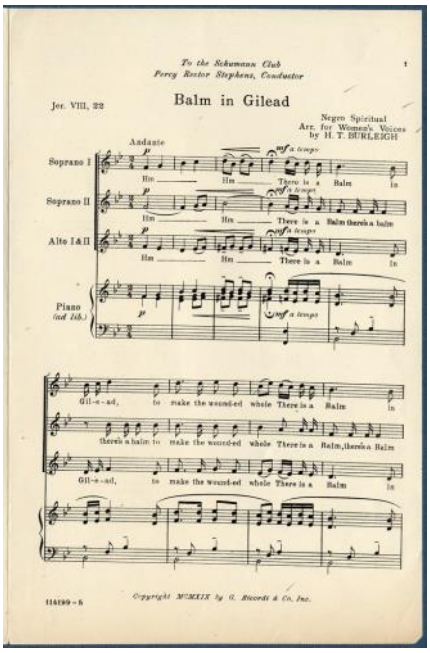
HOSTED BY

JENNIFER RAVERA
MUSIC DIRECTOR

ALL ABOUT NEGRO SPIRITUALS

Tuesday, March 1st, 6:00pm - Shrove Tuesday Zoom Event

Grab your pancakes at home and join Jennifer Ravera on Zoom! You will enjoy a presentation about the history and relevance of Negro Spirituals in our world and worship. Event details:



https://saintj.com/wp/event/all-about-negro-spirituals/

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84066265208

See you online!

Donating to the Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir Scholarship Fund

During Lent 2022 we will be singing Negro Spirituals in our worship. As part of our commitment to honor the roots of this music we invite you to join us in donating to

Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir Scholarship Fund

Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir is a nonprofit cultural arts performance organization. Its mission is to inspire joy and unity among all people through black gospel and spiritual music traditions.

First established in 1986 the choir has grown to support 3 choirs, including a youth choir (since 1997) and a community choir (est. 2013)

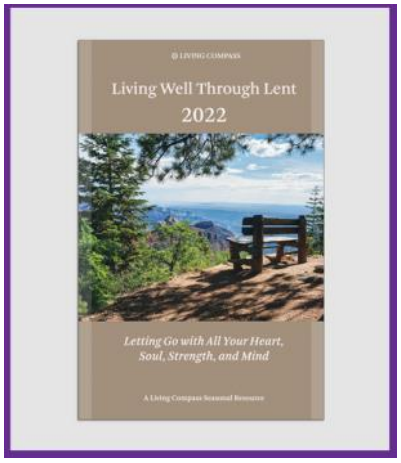
Find out more about the choirs at oigc.org.

St. James will be matching our donations up to $1000 in this fundraiser.

A box will be at the front of both churches for your donations during the Lenten season. Please make out checks to St. James, with "Negro Spirituals" in the notes area.

~Jennifer Ravera, Music Director

Lenten Series: *Letting Go with All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind*



Our Lenten adult formation series this year will be *Letting Go with All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind*. Led by Intern Ingrid Jacobson, this group will explore the theme of letting go, as we prepare ourselves to be transformed by deepening our relationship with God in Jesus over the six and a half weeks of Lent.

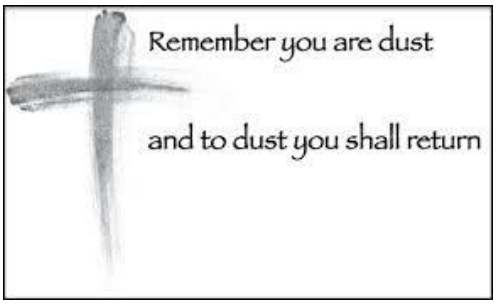
As is our custom, **we will meet (on Zoom) for six Tuesday evenings, 7-8 pm, from March 8-April 12.** With the aid of a new daily devotional guide for the season of Lent from Living Compass, a spirituality and wellness initiative, each week will explore a different type of letting go: *letting go of control; letting go of hurt and disappointment; letting go to enhance our health and well-being; letting go in love; letting go of 'shoulds'; and letting go of expectations.* Find the Zoom link here: https://saintj.com/wp/event/lenten-series-2022/ Each participant will be given a printed copy of the daily devotional. The idea is for participants to follow along with it each day at home, and gather for weekly Zoom sessions to reflect, share, and deepen our practice of letting go, letting God. Ideally, participants will commit to attending all or most of the six sessions.

Join us as we make this Lenten journey together. To sign up for the series (or get more information about it) email ingrid@saintj.com. There are likely to be some extra copies of the daily devotional for people who would like one to use independently. journey together. You can also download a free PDF version here: https://shop.livingcompass.org/collections/advent-and-lent-resources/products/living-well-through-lent-2022-8-5x11-pdf-version
To sign up or ask questions about the series, send an email to ingrid@saintj.com.

~Ingrid Jacobson, Intern

Ash Wednesday Services

Ash Wednesday is **March 2**. There will be a service with imposition of ashes in the Big Church at **12:00pm and 7:00pm**. Please contact Rev. Bill with any questions: bhale@saintj.com.



St. James' Altar Flowers and Sanctus Candles

St. James' Church has opened the doors of both churches. In celebration of this, we return to two vases of fresh flowers each week adorning our worship services (*except during Lent*).

It is our hope that parishioners will consider a donation of $35 for flowers and/or the weekly Sanctus Candle ($8 donation). These can be given for birthdays, anniversaries, in memory of, or in thanksgiving for special people or events. Your donation will be acknowledged during Sunday announcements.

Please contact the office for instructions on how to donate for altar flowers: (admin@saintj.com). You can also click on the form link HERE. Follow the instructions on the website to donate for Flowers and/or Sanctus Candle.

Upcoming Events

Live-stream John McCutcheon Concert on March 6, 2022, at 4pm Pacific Time

World-renown folk singer John McCutcheon will be performing his next live-stream concert on **Sunday, March 6, at 4pm.** The title of this concert is 50 Years of Traditional Music. You will be able to enjoy the live stream concert, via Mandolin, in the comfort and safety of your home on your computer, tablet, smart phone or smart TV. For more information on his live-stream concerts, please click this link to watch his 5 minutes video: saintj.com/mccutcheon . St. James' Episcopal Church will again be one of the sponsors. If you order your tickets, for this concert or any concert in this series, use our link: http://saintj.com/mccutcheon and a portion of the proceeds will come back to St. James' and will be donated to ABODE Services working to end homelessness. After you purchased your live-stream concert tickets, if you do not have a Mandolin account, be sure to set one up to view the concert on March 6.

NOTE NEW DATE McCutcheon Concert

John McCutcheon will be at St. James',
in person, for our concert on
Monday, June 13th, 2022, 7:30pm.

John McCutcheon has postponed his Left Coast Tour. His concert at St. James' will be on Monday, June 13, 2022, at 7:30pm. We will honor all tickets sold for the 2022 concert on June 13. The prize drawing will also be held on June 13. If you have already put your raffle tickets in the bags, they will be honored. We will continue to sell concert and raffle tickets in May. Thank you for your understanding. If you have any questions, please email events@saintj.com. See above for info on his livestream concert in March!

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper & Imposition of Ashes for Children Canceled

In order to remain safe, we are bypassing our Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and the Imposition of Ashes for Children (March 1). Instead, join us on Zoom for **All About Negro Spirituals.**

~Lori+

Summer Day Camp

Returns to St. James' for our 10th summer: July 25-29, 2022. Mark your calendars.

LENT MADNESS APPROACHES!!!

The annual Lent Madness event is already in the works. The bracket has been chosen, and you can see it here. Lent Madness is a fun way to learn about saints of the church, and is prepared by the folks at Forward Movement. Who will win the Golden Halo?

(Ash Wednesday is March 2.)

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Holy Week and Easter is the most significant part of the Christian year. It is the time where we remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, the agape love shown to his disciples at the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday, his walk up the hill of Golgotha to the place of crucifixion on Good Friday, the in-between time of emptiness on Holy Saturday, and finally, the glorious resurrection of God Alive during the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday.

The week is not a series of liturgies, but is rather one liturgical act from Palm Sunday through Easter. It is meant to be experienced as one whole event. So, mark your calendars now so that you can experience the fullness of this time, bringing you closer and closer to our Lord.

Palm Sunday, April 10:
We begin on the patio with the Blessing of the Palms, followed by our own triumphant procession into the church for Holy Communion and a reading of Jesus' Passion that mark his final days. 8:00 and 10:30 services.

Maundy Thursday, April 14:
If Covid protocols allow, we will share a monastic meal in the parish hall at 6:30, followed by the Maundy Thursday ritual and Holy Communion in the Big Church. The evening will end with the ritualistic stripping of the altar, reminding us of the starkness of this time. If the meal is cancelled, meet in the Big Church at 7:00 for the liturgy and communion.

Good Friday, April 15:
From 12:00-2:00, gather in the Little Church for a solemn service of hymns, prayers, and reflection, using the traditional language of the Prayer Book. If you're interested in an evening service, visit our sister congregation, St. Anne's (http://stanneschurch.org/).

Easter Vigil, April 16:
Join us for the first lighting of the Easter fire and a traditional prayer book service at 8:00pm when we will hear the telling of our salvation stories and proclaim that Christ is Risen!

Easter Sunday, April 17:
Celebrate the Risen Lord at our principal Easter Service at 10:30 in the Big Church.

Vestry Voices: Expressions of Love @ St. James'

This month's reflections are from Janet Fischer

"Christ has no body but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours, yours are the eyes with which he looks Compassion on this world, yours are the feet with which he walks to do good, yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world." ~attributed to Teresa of Avila

Many of you know that I am moving soon to Vancouver, Washington, to be closer to family members. I have been a part of St. James' for 30 years, and I cannot tell how difficult it is to leave this church community. St. James' has many gifts to offer, but to me the greatest gift has been that this community holds to God but not so tightly that God can't breathe or move.

You have always been open to the movement of the Spirit, giving God space to move and work in this place, which allows all of us space to grow, heal, serve in ways we think best, and deepen our spiritual lives. I am forever grateful for this place and its people. At St. James' I have been free to laugh, cry, mourn, love, repent, be angry, and change my mind.

But likely I would have missed out on some of these things, or at least the depth of them, had I not gotten involved in the life of this church. My first "toe in the water" was asking to be a lector. I was so nervous! Later I asked if I could be a Eucharistic Minister. That led to working with Adult Faith Formation, getting my hands dirty with Sacred Space, and assembling Blessing Bags. I served on the vestry, joined the choir, started working on the Window, and probably some other things I can't remember now. I even tried my hand once at teaching Sunday school. (That one didn't work out so well!)

I don't list these things to show what I've done, but to show that if you get involved in the life of St' James' *you will be repaid a thousand-fold.* You will make the friends that will hold you when you need to cry. You will touch base with the people who will pray for you and love you, no matter what. You will find the people that won't judge you, but only let God gently change you.

This will happen if you only come to church on an occasional Sunday, but maybe not so much.

If you aren't already involved in some way, consider it. Be willing to serve on vestry. Get involved in a committee—or two. Dip into a Bible study. Join a work party to help clean up our grounds. Pass out a few Blessing Bags. Join the usher team. As I say, you will be repaid a thousand-fold.

I love you all, even if I don't know you (that part doesn't even matter!) and I cannot tell you how much I will miss being a part of the everyday life of St. James'.

However, since it can be done remotely, I will continue to prepare the Window each month for the foreseeable future. So I'll still have my "toe in." You can still reach me at jfischer@saintj.com.

Park Task Force — Labyrinth Update

The Park Task Force met on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, via Zoom. We agreed that we need to focus primarily on the first phase of the project, that being the labyrinth replacement. We do recognize the need to keep the rest of the park in mind as we move forward with the labyrinth.

Patty Lacy has offered to be our Task Force's Chairperson. She'll call the meetings, provide the Zoom link, and keep us progressing forward. Meg Amouroux will continue to produce minutes/ reports from meetings, and will forward them to the vestry and the Window as needed.

The Task Force next met in person at the church on Saturday, Feb. 5, to meet with labyrinth designer and Master Builder Lars Howlett, of Discover Labyrinths in Oakland.

We took time to walk the grounds to determine the scope of the new labyrinth, in size and materials, in order to get an accurate estimate and drawings worked up. We've agreed on footpaths made of decomposed granite, with the lines of the labyrinth in brick.

We will hire Lars' to provide us with the consultation and design first, and then once the area is prepped by the contractor, he will come back to map out the design and work with volunteers to lay the brick lines. We save money by helping with this task.

We will hire a local contractor to break up and remove the existing slab, grade the area, provide an outer metal ring to hold in the footpath, and add gopher wire, gravel and leveling sand.

We will also purchase the brick for the lines, and the decomposed granite for the footpaths. Both materials will be locally sourced. We reviewed different types of bricks, such as rustic “sandmold” style and more traditional styles. We could also use reclaimed bricks. Colors for both the lines and paths will be decided upon later.

Our next steps are to get revised estimates from Lars based on the determined size, as well as from the local contractors for the excavation, grading, and base materials for the paths and lines.

Our funding is in a Special Interest account, and we're happy to report a recent donation to that fund. In addition to happily accepting donations, we will continue to seek out grants for future funding.

With some members of the team moving out of the area this year, we would like to invite anyone interested in helping with the Labyrinth and the Park improvements to join us! We all have experience or talents that can be of help. And also keep in mind that we will have opportunities for volunteers to help with the installation of the new labyrinth. Many of us can lend a hand in building this new sacred space.

Any questions or comments, or to join the team, please reach us at park@saint.com.

~Meg Amouroux

Spoiler Alert

St. James' **Disaster Preparedness & Response Team** is planning to send a survey on March 1, 2022, via email. The purpose is to solicit your interest about scheduling a CPR/AED Saturday class. In last year's survey, some indicated their interest, but they were unable to attend either the September's or October's Sunday classes. This survey will assist the Team in program planning.

~Elaine Vallecillo-Miller

January 2022 Executive Council's Talking Points

1) Work related to the sale of St. Cuthbert's Oakland property:
Approval of the sale of St. Cuthbert's Property—Rev. Gary England, Business consultant, Working Group for Congregational Ministries, began discussion and updated the group on the disposition of assets from the property. Bishop Marc made a motion to sell the three contiguous parcels that make up the property. There were questions and discussion about the value of the property and other possible uses of the property. Based on this discussion Bishop Marc postponed the motion until next meeting.

2) Proposal for the HR Consultant/Staff person:
This item was the result of the conversation at the last EC meeting. Rev. Gary England and Christopher Hayes, Esq., Chancellor of the Diocese, reported on discussion since the last EC meeting that included concerns about how to do this work within our governance structure. There was further discussion about staffing such a job and perhaps sharing with another Diocese. Following a good discussion, Rev. Jon Owens, EC President, suggested that DioCal staff return at a future meeting with a more detailed proposal. Bishop Marc will be working this with the staff.

~Elaine Vallecillo-Miller

Children & Youth Ministries

Check current events at: https://saintj.com/wp/ministries/childrens-programs/ or email Jan Scrutton, Children & Youth Minister, at: jan@saintj.com.

Jan meets for a short time with the **Sunday School during our 10:30am service**. The children leave their families in church after the Gospel is proclaimed and meet for a story and conversation outside on the grass. We rejoin our families in church in time for the Eucharist. Any high schoolers interested in helping out occasionally at Sunday School should contact Jan: jan@saintj.com for more details and information on the short online training course. Our back catalogue of Sunday School book readings can be found HERE.

St. James' Youth Group for 6th – 12th graders meets the second Sunday of the month from 6-8pm.
Contact jan@saintj.com for details of the next Episcopal Youth Fremont gathering. Episcopal Youth Fremont (EYF) welcomes all young people interested in gathering for fun, fellowship, and faith-based conversations.

Vestry Meeting Highlights

Submitted by Meg Amouroux, Jr. Warden

The vestry met via Zoom on Thursday, February 17, 2022. We spent time in conversation and shared God moments. Invited guests Jennifer Ravera, Ingrid Jacobson, and the Rev. Bill Hale joined. Rev. Lori is away on Sabbatical until June 1st. Meg Amouroux led opening prayer.

Sr. Warden Jim McConnell led the meeting. Bev Mosier requested that an additional topic be added to the agenda, on behalf of the Deaf Ministry. Meg thanked all the vestry members for signing up for the various annual tasks of the vestry: leading opening prayer and compline at vestry meetings, monthly newsletter articles, and the annual "work of the vestry" events.

The following items were reviewed and approved: January vestry meeting minutes and financial reports, January Staff and Ministry reports, and the minutes for both the vestry retreat and the Annual Meeting. Music Director Jennifer Ravera presented an overview of her Shrove Tuesday presentation, to be held via Zoom on March 1st. There will be no in-person Pancake Supper this year, due to current Covid protocols. Jennifer's Zoom presentation will feature the rich history of Negro spirituals. In addition, the church will have a Lenten donation collection this year, with collected funds being matched up to $1000. For additional information on this donation program and where proceeds will go, see Jennifer's article in this issue of the Window. The vestry approved the motion of the matching funds.

Recently, donations have been made to St. James', specified by the donor to go to our "reparations fund." While the church doesn't currently have a Special Interest fund entitled "reparations," discussions began for possible renaming of an existing Special Interest account to house these funds for future use. Discussions will continue at the March vestry meeting. Sally Morgan has been approved by the vestry to complete Janet Fischer's last year as a vestry member.

Expense approved: for the recent purchase of purple wristbands, signifying that the wearer has been verified as having received both the Covid shot(s) and a booster shot.
Expense approved: from the Park Task Force's Special Interest account, to cover initial costs for designer/ builder of the labyrinth replacement. This initial payment covers site visits, design and edits of our new labyrinth, and a detailed estimate regarding his input in the construction phase.
The vestry then recorded a January email vote regarding Rev. Lori's housing allowance adjustment.
Bev Mosier requested funding on behalf of the Deaf Ministry, for a 25% deposit for the group's locally-held retreat this summer. The funds from the group's Special Interest account would be used for the retreat center rental. Members of the deaf ministry are encouraged to continue to donate to the group's account, for future needs. The balance due for the retreat will be addressed at the July meeting. Motion was approved.

The vestry entered into Executive session for discussion. Upon returning from Executive session, the vestry voted on the proposal regarding the rector's residence.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm, and Meg closed the meeting with Compline. The next vestry meeting will be held on March 17.

Forward Day by Day

The February - March - April 2022 edition of Forward Day by Day is available for pick-up at the church (either in the back of the churches on Sundays or outside the office on Wednesdays and Thursdays). These devotionals provide a succinct opening into scripture and how our faith is woven into the fabric of daily life.

FORWARD DAY by DAY

Looking for a Zoom Link?

With so many zoom gatherings happening during the week, it can be difficult to keep track of all of the links. A reminder that all of our zoom links can be found on our website, www.saintj.com. Look for the calendar on the right side of the homepage. For every event, you will find the zoom link. This enables you quick access to our gatherings, and eliminates the need for you to track each event or to sift through your email to see if it was sent.

Financial Summary for January, 2021

Fund Balances	1/31/2021	1/31/2022
Operating Fund	$106,768.39	$91,097.18
Building Fund	$29,369.64	$66,311.05
Pledges Budgeted	$29,607.50	$30,731.67
Pledges Paid	$32,066.47	$39,103.51
Unpledged Contributions	$488.60	$952.91
Other Op Income*	$37.92	$1,536.62
YTD Total Operating Income	$32,592.99	$41,593.04
YTD Total Operating Expenses	$30,299.82	$30,258.75
Income less Expenses	**$2,293.17**	**$11,334.29**

News For March

St. James' Prayer List

Most Holy God we pray:

For Those in the Military

Jarrod, Megan, Erica, Theresa, Mark, Tim, Louis, Caitlin, Emily, Robin, Adam, Dave, Shawn, Ethan, Paul, Matthew, Johnny, Johnathan, Darren, Robert

For Healthcare Workers and Chaplains

Evelyn, Jeff, Brian, Josephine, Mary, Polly, Alice, Bozena, Angela, Darcia, Mary, Tammy, Mana, Natalie, Dr. Johnathan, Megan, Gerald, Amber

For Teachers, Principals, School Staff

Jennifer, Monique, Toni, Jill, Sherea, Esther, Peter, Vivienne, Margaret, and those in our families and communities named in our hearts.

For Those Who Need Comfort and Strength

Frankie, Tom, Alice, Kent, David, Katie, Suzie, The Johnson Family, The McConnell Family

For Those Who Need Guidance and Direction

Rob, Fátima, Rebecca

For Those Who Need Healing

Ron, Julie, Gail, Craig, Linda, Diane, Barry, Jim, Bud, Jim, David, Pat, Gail, Frankie, Nathan, Michele, Clara, William, Marilyn, Don, Pat, John Michael

For Those Who Have Passed Away

Adrienne, Marjie, Melvin, Michael, Lylas, Danny, Liz

And for All of us impacted by the current pandemic

To add someone to the "Special Prayers" list, please call or email the Church Office. After six weeks, names are removed from the list. Please renew your request as needed. Thank you.

03/01	Kimberly Patton
03/02	Daniel Zarovy
03/03	Linda Rexroad
03/06	Anna Davis
03/07	Paul Davis
03/08	Robert Lacy
	Jan Scrutton
03/09	Bethany Vacchieri
03/11	Frank Guzior
	Barbara Vacchieri
03/13	Karen Ekren
	Barry Hedgpeth
03/14	Jennifer Ravera
03/15	Grace Zarovy
03/20	Laura Castaneda
	Chris Nance
03/21	Debra Fuller
03/24	Alice Johnson
03/25	Janet Ashford Fischer
03/26	Pat Spalding
03/29/	Jules Fortescue
	Lucy Fortescue

03/25	Paul & Nancy Svenson	66 years

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Proof of Vaccination Required For Those Attending Indoor Services and Gatherings

A reminder that proof of vaccination is required for all eligible participants. This does not apply to children under 12 and those with a documented medical exemption. You can show your proof and grab a wristband to wear to church on subsequent Sundays. Then, no need to show your proof again!

Yellow wristbands indicate proof of vaccine, purple indicates proof of booster shot.

Chair Exercise Class on Zoom

Please join Sylvia Ma for a weekly Zoom class on chair exercises on Breathing/Qi Gong and Tai Chi/ Hsing I movements. No experience is necessary. Sessions held **Tuesday mornings** from **10:00 to 11:00 AM**. Please spread the word. All are welcome. If you are interested, email Sylvia at srwarden@saintj.com and she will send you the link. The link will also be found on the calendar at St James' website https://saintj.com.

The next issue of ***The Window*** is in **April**. We welcome your **comments, essays, poems, photos, book reviews, newsworthy items, and any group activity information**.

Email your submission to newsletter@saintj.com by: **March 15th**

Calendar

Access the church calendar for March here.

Blessing Bags for Distribution

Let us remember those who have no shelter. Our Blessing Bags are available for you to give away. Each bag contains toiletries, water, food, socks, and a mask. We're using reusable cloth bags that can also serve as a backpack.

Please note we are not taking donations other than monetary donations. *This allows us to purchase what we need and to be consistent with what we are offering.*

Blessing Bags are available for you to pick up during office hours, Wednesdays & Thursdays between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM in the office hallway.

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WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday Services:
In-Person at 8 AM and 10:30 AM
Live-streamed at 10:30 AM, recording available to view thereafter.

Wednesday Service: 10 AM on Zoom

Morning Prayer: 8-8:30 AM
Monday-Friday via Zoom. Contact bhale@saintj.com for the link.

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