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THE WAYFARER

A PUBLICATION OF ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH



WE ARE LIVE STREAMING EVERY SUNDAY AT 10:30 AM.



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays

10:30 am H. E. Rite II

Weeknights

9:00 pm Compline

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Where We Go from Here

As I mentioned in my last weekly email update, the bishop has given his provisional approval for us to resume face-to-face worship. Part of this resumption is having a plan in place for how we will encourage social distancing in order to do all that we can to help to insure the health and safety of our parishioners. To this end, the wardens and I have met, and we came up with the following plan.

1. We will have one service for the foreseeable future. This will be at 10:30. We need to do it this way because with multiple services, we would need to do a thorough cleaning between services, and that was not feasible. We will continue to stream the services on Facebook. I want to thank Tim Bixler for his help and leadership as we try to get the best sound possible for those who watch the service from the safety of their own homes.

2. For those who wish to attend a service in person, we will have a sign-up site for each service available on-line. Attendance at each service is limited to fifty (50) persons, and the bishop wanted us to have sign-ups to emphasize this point. In addition, a visual record will be kept of those who attended a particular service in the event, God forbid, of an occurrence of COVID-19 that would then need to be tracked. The link for the sign-up is <https://reopen.church/r/yU9JFdzu>. I will send this link out each week as part of my email update. If you want to attend a service in person, please sign up. If you don't sign up, you can still come to a service, but please understand that it is limited to 50 persons and those who signed up get priority. If you don't do the Internet thing, please call the church and let us know that you want to attend.

3. If you are attending in person, you should wear a mask and use the main door that leads into the narthex. If you need to use the ramp on the south side of the building, please do, but if at all possible please use the main door. There will be hand sanitizer at the entrance. Please use it.

4. In addition to your mask, please bring your *(continued on page 2)*

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(continued from page 1) prayer book if you have one. Prayer books will NOT be available in the pews. There will be no congregational singing for a while. We are trying to make it possible to have some singing from a limited choir.

5. Social distancing must be maintained in the pews. To this end, seating is limited to every other pew and every other end of the pew. Look for the small crosses on the seat back to know where an appropriate place to sit is. WARNING: You may have to sit somewhere you have never sat before. That is all right, though, as the Holy Spirit suffuses the entire nave.

6. Communion will be in one kind (bread only) and administered from the foot of the chancel steps. As it happens, social distancing coincided with ceiling collapse in the chancel. Out of an abundance of caution, the organ console and the front altar have been moved until the ceiling can be replaced and rendered less life-threatening.

7. We are going old school. We will have the Holy Eucharist on the first Sunday of the month and Morning Prayer the other Sundays. I am very willing to revisit this part of the plan if demand for seats at the Eucharistic services is excessive. Morning Prayer is safer from an immunological perspective, but I don't want people who are willing to come to the church not be able to.

I hate that we are in a position where there have to be "rules" about going to church. But I hate even more the thought that someone could be hurt or even die because we weren't willing to take precautions. All of this is, ultimately, annoying. But it is only annoying. The benefit is that we may be able to keep people from dying for wanting to go to church. A little annoyance is a small price to pay. Social distancing rules for a regular service are annoying; for a funeral, they are tragic. Let's do our best to avoid that.

Peace,

Brandt+

The Church office will continue working from home for the time being. Betsy will be here briefly each morning to pay bills, check the mail, etc. You may leave a message on the answering machine or e-mail betsy@stjamesgreenville.com if you need something and miss her

The church has purchased hand sanitizer and toilet paper and paper towels for those who need some.. Betsy is at the church from 8 – 9 am each day and sometimes for longer. If you can't come in the morning you can text Erica (601-807-7568) and she will be glad to meet you.



St. James is live streaming each Sunday at 10:30 am. Log onto facebook to see the service. We are also putting them up on youtube so you can see them at any time there as well.

Both of these links are on our website at www.stjamesgreenville.com.

OUR PARISH FAMILY



For parishioners: Mike Bostic, Mary Lynn Andrews, Leila Wynn, Bill Andrews, Larry Wade, Dylan Williams, Jean Nimrod, Joe McLaurin, David K. Lee, David H. Lee, Haley Holbrook, Dudley Stewart, Sandy Welsh, Susan Sutherland, Linda Owens, Shirley Mitchell, Elizabeth Smith.

For friends and family: Rebecca & Danial Cassada, James Hall, Ronnie Vaughn, Janis & Rodger Carmichael, Bill Boykin, River Williamson, Evelyn & Louis Turcotte, Maura Bridges, Harrison Barnes, Roy Meeks, Hodding Carter III, Linda Fratesi, Elizabeth Noble England, , Bucky Lott, Jeannie & Milton Edwards, Janie Nichols Burke, Tripp Malouf, Puddin Moore, Linda Hamilton, Andy Von Antz, Julia Reed, Katherine Adams, Terry Burford

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Nathan Thomas, Sean Williams, Eric Crews, Barry Crosby, Thomas Griffin, Barry Jackson, Landon Marony, Nathan Miles, Benji Sparks, Beau Swain, Matt Williams.

For expectant couples: Molly & Andrew Biesemier, Meg & Michael Naaman



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| William Avis | 6/03 |
| Mike Retzer | 6/05 |
| Lawler Horn | 6/09 |
| Jack Lowry | 6/10 |
| Theresa Skelton | 6/10 |
| Libba Burle | 6/11 |
| Curt Lacy | 6/11 |
| Stephanie Lowe | 6/11 |
| Tyler Owens | 6/12 |
| Beth Naaman | 6/13 |
| Lollie Smith | 6/17 |
| Rak Koestler | 6/18 |
| Camp Pieralisi | 6/18 |
| Virginia Cochran | 6/19 |
| Allison Avis | 6/20 |
| John Ross Underwood | 6/20 |
| Huntley Elliott | 6/21 |
| Cameron Skelton | 6/22 |
| Jan Engel | 6/24 |
| Rebecca Jones | 6/25 |
| Jim Martin | 6/26 |
| Dylan Williams | 6/26 |
| Eva Jackson | 6/27 |

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| Lucy & Ashley Hines | 6/02 |
| Hillary & Tyler Horn | 6/05 |
| Ann & Ed Egger | 6/08 |
| Christie & William Owens | 6/10 |
| Ellen & Austin Frye | 6/11 |
| Lynn & Bill Schaffarzick | 6/24 |
| Erica & Brandt Dick | 6/27 |

Next Dates for Baptisms

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is appropriately administered within the Eucharist at the chief service on a Sunday. The next date for baptism at St. James is Nov 1, All Saints' Day. To schedule a baptism, please call Betsy at the Church Office or speak to Father Brandt.



Deadline for articles for the next *Wayfarer* is June 22

Revenue & Expenses Apr 2020

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| Total Revenue | \$44,268.33 |
| Total Expenses | \$22,461.82 |
| Net Total | \$21,806.51 |

CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH

JUNE 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 31 | 1 6:00 PM Al Anon | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 Clergy Sabbath | 6 10:00 AM A.A. mtg |
| 7 10:30 AM H.E. Rite II + Live stream | 8 6:00 PM Al Anon | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 Clergy Sabbath | 13 10:00 AM A.A. mtg |
| 14 10:30 AM M.P. Rite II + Live stream | 15 6:00 PM Al Anon | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 Clergy Sabbath | 20 10:00 AM A.A. mtg |
| 21 10:30 AM M.P. Rite II + Live stream | 22 6:00 PM Al Anon | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 Clergy Sabbath | 27 10:00 AM A.A. mtg |
| 28 10:30 AM M.P. Rite II + Live stream | 29 6:00 PM Al Anon | 30 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |