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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 I

### Weeknights

9:00 pm Compline

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## Variables and Constants

So, we have started back with in-person worship. I am very glad for this development. While I enjoyed the novelty of virtual Morning Prayer, I didn't become a priest to do videos. I am glad, though, that we are making it possible to share our services on-line thus making it easier for folks to be a part of services. I think that we have also got the bulk of the sound issues worked out so folks at home can hear what is going on. I don't particularly like the idea of "signing up" to go to church. I hate the thought that someone might feel turned away. But until the bishop tells us otherwise, it is what we will do. Sign-ups and masks and social distancing may be annoying, but if they can help keep people safe, then they are a small price to pay.

Plans are moving forward with repairing and replacing the ceiling in the chancel area. The presence of asbestos in the ceiling panels complicates the process. Our Junior Warden, Brad Jones, is doing a great job coordinating the various bids the vestry needs in order to make decisions regarding how to proceed. I am anticipating this project to be similar to the "unveiling" of the Good Samaritan window in that it will be inconvenient but worthwhile when we see the finished work.

Our day school director, Ginny Cochran, is working diligently on our reopening plan for the day school. The day school operates under the auspices of the Department of Health, and she is incorporating their guidelines into our procedures so that we can offer a safe environment for our students and teachers come August. I have a vested interest in her planning because my children Jacob and Evvie will be attending the day school this year. I am very excited about that. It will be wonderful to have them next door and to see them in chapel. I have already been teaching them about being a St. James kid.

We have had two baptisms since the lock-down began. Even in the midst of pandemic and change, life goes on, new life begins. The bishop has given dispensation to be very pastoral about baptisms during this time, so we have been doing them on Saturday mornings with just the families present. It is not ideal, but these are not ideal (*continued on page 2*)

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## IN OUR CHURCH

(continued from page 1) times. And a new brother or sister added to the family is always a reason to celebrate.

I do not know how long it will be until we return to “normal.” I don’t even know that we will ever be quite like we were before we heard of COVID-19. I do know that there is no point in putting my hope in a short-term solution to a long-term problem. That way, when some artificial deadline passes without a change, I am not disappointed. I do not know that things will ever be the way they were, but I know things won’t stay the way they are. Change is inevitable. Whether it is better or worse is up to us, both in our attitude about the inevitable change and what we do in response to it.

What doesn’t change is God. God is the one constant in our lives. When we put our faith in anything other than God, the object of our faith will inevitably change. When we put our faith in God, we know that God will never change. The choice is ours.

Peace,

Fr. Brandt+



Josh Edwards graduated on May 29, 2020, from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis. He officially became Dr. Edwards, DNP, CRNA with certifications in adult critical care.

Josh will be practicing as a certified registered nurse anesthetist at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis. He is looking forward to serving the community with an exceptional level of care.

Josh is the son of Ruby and Finley Edwards and the father of John Grayson Edwards.

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](mailto:betsy@stjamesgreenville.com) if you need something and miss her



### Revenue & Expenses May 2020

Total Revenue	\$21,581.67
Total Expenses	\$30,598.97
Net Total	\$(8,977.30)

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.

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## OUR PARISH FAMILY

IN OUR  
*Thoughts and Prayers*

For parishioners: Mike Bostic, Mary Lynn Andrews, Leila Wynn, Larry Wade, 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: Lee Yancy, Becky & Danny Matthews, Patsy & Milton Wallace, 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



Wilson Macvaugh	7/02
Susan Sutherland	7/02
Lynn Schaffarzick	7/03
Laura Buchberger	7/04
Chris Hamilton	7/04
Lucy Hines	7/04
Alyce Tominello	7/04
Thomas Jones	7/14
Hank Chastain	7/16
Brantley Nimrod	7/18
Victor Smith	7/19
Carl Cottingham	7/21
Claire Quittmeyer	7/21
Laura Smith	7/23
Ashley Hines	7/25
Jimmy Sutherland	7/26
Ned Kronfol	7/28
Bill Burle	7/29
Ginny Cochran	7/29
Ann Macvaugh	7/30
Barbara Stott	7/30
Melanie Tucker	7/31

Beth & Mickey Naaman	7/25
LaMarr & Hal Winn	7/26

**We welcome into Christ's flock**

James Thomas Sandidge  
who was baptized June 6.  
&  
Huntley Myatt Elliott  
Who was baptized June 20



We pray for  
the repose of the soul of  
Millie Moody  
who died June 23

**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.

**Births & Adoptions**


We give thanks for the birth of  
Brooks Michael Naaman  
born May 28 to  
Meg & Michael Naaman  
Proud grandparents are  
Beth & Mickey Naaman



Deadline for articles  
for the next  
*Wayfarer* is July 24

CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH

**JULY 2020**

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