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THE WAYFARER

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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

8:30 am	H.E. Rite I
9:30 am	Adult Christian Ed
9:30 am	Choir
10:30 am	Children's Church
10:30 am	H. E. Rite II

STUDY SCHEDULE WEDNESDAY

10:30 am	Bible Study
5:30 pm	Bible Study
6:30 pm	Choir

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Back to School

August has come (and by the time this is out, almost gone) and things are settling into our school routine. Although, as I write this, the day school hasn't started with the children yet. The teachers have been hard at work for two weeks, though. And the workers installing the new air conditioning, windows, and bathrooms in the school have been working all summer. Most of the older children and college students have started classes. I am once again teaching a class at St. Joe Catholic School. This semester it is Physical Science, a combination of chemistry and physics to prepare students for those classes. Next semester, I will teach chemistry. I really enjoy teaching, and I am grateful for the opportunity to "keep my hand in," as it were.

At St. James'. We will be having a "Back to School Bash" September 18. On that Sunday, we will have one service at 4 PM and then adjourn to the courtyard for a pulled-pork dinner. As part of the service, we will have the blessing of the backpacks where we will pray for our students and teachers.

We are wanting to revitalize our acolyte program. COVID and quarantine put a hold on much of our "normal" life here in the parish, but it is time to revive some wonderful traditions. We are making plans for acolyte training in the near future. Rather than setting a particular age limit, I feel that parents are the best judge of how ready their children are to participate as acolytes. There are opportunities for torch bearers, crucifers (both the large and small procession crosses), Gospel book bearers, or anything else we can think of to provide an opportunity for anyone who wants to participate in this way in the service. And there is no upper limit to what age an acolyte can be. Adults are more than welcome to take part.

But perhaps being an acolyte isn't your cup of tea. How else can a person help in the service? Glad you asked. We always need people willing to read the Old Testament selection (lectors) or take up the offering and help folks up to communion (ushers). And the Altar Guild is in serious need of folks willing to join. Members of the altar guild commit to taking care of the altar setting one Sunday a month. The work can be done any time prior to Sunday – current groups come on Thursday or Friday mornings when the building is already open. The monthly duty (*continued on page 2*)

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IN OUR CHURCH

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consists of counting out wafers, filling the water and wine cruets, and setting things up for the 8:30 and 10:30 services. On Sunday (or sometimes on a weekday thereafter) members of that Sunday's team come in to wash the vessels and put them away. At regular intervals (usually before Christmas and Easter) we have an "all hands" session to clean and polish everything. If you are willing to take part in this important ministry, please let me know.

Plans are also in the works for a flower guild workshop. It is not difficult to arrange flowers for the altar with things from one's yard, but it can seem intimidating. Martha Weissinger and Brister Lee are making plans for the workshop, so be on the lookout for the time and date and see how easy it can be to add a very special part of our corporate worship.

A great deal goes into putting together our times of public worship, but having as many people as possible take part turns a job into a joy. And it should be a joy to worship our Lord and God together.

Peace,

Fr. Brandt+

Blessing of the Backpacks

We will celebrate returning to school with the blessing of the backpacks at the 4:00 pm service on Sept. 18.



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 is All Saints' Sunday, Nov. 6. To schedule a baptism, please call Betsy at the Church Office or speak to Father Brandt.



The Church office will be closed Sept. 5 for Labor Day. We will be back in the office 8:00 am Tues., Sept. 6.

Pastoral CARE

The pastoral care committee will meet Sept. 12 at noon in the Davidson Room.



Through fellowship and service, ECW offers spiritual and educational experiences to the ladies of our parish. St. James ECW meets for lunch on the second Tuesday of each month (Sept.-May) and is open to all ladies of the church. ECW will resume regular meetings on Tuesday, Sept 13 at noon at the Greenville Country Club.

The Men of St. James will begin breakfasting together again on Sept. 15, at 7:00 a.m. All men are welcome.



Sept. 18 we will celebrate back to school. There will be one service at 4:00 pm with a food truck and music in the courtyard chapel immediately after church. We'll have BBQ and all the sides, water, tea and beer. Mark your calendar. You won't want to miss the fun.



BACK TO SCHOOL!!!

The SJDS Staff is delighted to be back after a brief summer break! We are so glad to welcome back returning students as well as greet many new families. Our preschool garden is producing some delicious watermelons and cantaloupes, and our families were able to enjoy a slice at registration.

So much is going on in our building with the funds received from the Child Care Strong Grant. New windows and a new HVAC system have been installed, and the construction crew is finishing up the final installation in our updated bathrooms. These renovations are such an improvement! In addition, a deteriorating playground structure has been replaced with a shiny new one.

Many, many thanks to Warren Harper and Brad Jones for the tremendous amount of time and help with the remodeling.

The Rummage Sale was a huge success once again! Our biggest one yet with proceeds over \$14,000!!! We are so thankful for all the support from our parish – donating, unloading, setting up, pricing, working the sale, and cleaning up – it takes so many people to make it happen. We have already started receiving donations for 2023. **Remember, if you have clothing to donate, the school has an account at Corner Closet resale shop.**

Ginny Cochran, Director



Annis' Children received the following thank you note from Barbara Wright King. Barbara is the CPS director who retired and we held a retirement celebration for her here at St. James.

St. James Church Family,

Thank you for my beautiful retirement gift and being part of the retirement celebration held in your parish hall on May 31, 2022. It was awesome!!! and I will always cherish the lovely, heartfelt gift, the delicious cake and your service rendered for the occasion. I thank God for you and miss you and your smile daily.

Please allow me to express my gratitude for your unselfish devotion to me, the staff, foster children, other children and families of Washington County CPS and the community. Through the years you have shown love and support to us during our hardest and weakest hours. You encouraged us to keep going. You were there for our families when they had no food, no beds, no clothing, cleaning supplies and many other things and NO HOPE. But St. James family was there on time to lift them up. Yes, I am grateful for you. Thank you for being everything!!! Continue the ministry. I love you and miss you.

Best Wishes,

Barbara Wright King

MISCELLANEOUS

Revenue & Expenses

June 2022	
Total Revenue	\$18,217.17
Total Expenses	\$28,716.41
Net Total	\$(10,499.24)
July 2022	
Total Revenue	\$33,510.27
Total Expenses	\$30,258.18
Net Total	\$3,252.09

FORWARD DAY by DAY

The new Forwards for Aug., Sept., Oct. are now available at the entrances to the church and the hall outside the office. Please help yourself to a copy.



Deadline for articles for the next *Wayfarer* is September 26

OUR PARISH FAMILY



For parishioners: Sandy Welsh, Lynn & Bill Schaffarzick, Eva Jackson, Ed Egger, Louise Loughran, Haley Holbrook, Jimmy Lee, Linda Owens, Dudley Stewart, David H. Lee, Susan Sutherland, Shirley Mitchell, Elizabeth Smith.

For friends and family: Maria Guillen, Laurie Bowman, Paul Abraham, Hayes Robertson, Marilyn Eli, Jan Lester, Butch Ashmore, Wanda McNeely Lowery, Sonya Stephens, Kourtlyn Wright, Carolyn Cochran, Pookie Davis, Earl Bellamy, Jane Jordan, Lucy Alexander Maples, Sue Gordon, David Slagle, Sally Buntin, Ellen Clark Sawyer, Donna Pipkin, Caroline Harper, Bob, Nita Scott, Sarah Dunn, Lanier Bogen, Brad Morgan, Bill Molin, Bucky Lott, Puddin Moore, Andy Von Antz

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Jackson Mitchell, Tyler Owens, Nathan Thomas, Sean Williams, Thomas Griffin, Barry Jackson, Marcus Shoemaker, Beau Swain.

For expectant couples: Amanda & Andrew Tucker

Ben Buchberger	09/02
Hillary Horn	09/04
Larry Wade	09/04
Deanna Harper	09/09
Marla McGee	09/13
Geoffrey Lewis	09/16
Lauren Bostic	09/17
Jimmy Lee	09/18
Jeb Burle	09/21
Erin Kelly	09/23
Emery Skelton	09/23
Carl Cottingham	09/26
Beatrice Ayres	09/27
Skipper Macvaugh	09/28
Josh Edwards	09/30

SEPTEMBER



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Betsy & Mike Bostic	09/15
Jamie & Danny Suber	09/15
Elizabeth & Charlie Weissinger	09/29

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Wednesdays in Sept. 10:30 am & 5:30 pm Bible Study
- Sep 5 – Church office closed for Labor Day
- Sep 12 – 12:00 pm Pastoral Care comm.
- Sep 13 – 12:00 pm ECW luncheon @
- Sep 15 – 7:00 am Men’s Breakfast
- Sep 18 – 4:00 pm church service followed by supper.
- Sep 20 – 5:30 pm Vestry

SERVICE MINISTRIES

Service Ministries for Sunday, Sep 4

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Betsy Alexander
10:30 AM Worship Leader: Dotti Lowe
LEM: Finley Edwards
Lector: Ed Egger
Ushers: Wesley Smith
Vestry Assignment: Rak Koestler, Beth Naaman

Service Ministries for Sunday, Sep 11

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Jim Martin
10:30 AM Worship Leader: Ann Macvaugh
LEM: Geoffrey Lewis
Lector: Lee Engel
Ushers: David Cochran
Vestry Assignment: Charlie Weissinger, Leigh Harris

Service Ministries for Sunday, Sep 18

4:00 PM Worship Leader: Ashley Hines
LEM: Sonya Bixler
Lector: Austin Frye
Ushers: Bill Andrews
Vestry Assignment: Brad Jones, Sonya Bixler

Service Ministries for Sunday, Sep 25

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Brister Lee
10:30 AM Worship Leader: Dotti Lowe
LEM: Noel Harris
Lector: Deanna Harper
Ushers: Finley Edwards
Vestry Assignment: David Cochran, Finley Edwards

CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH

SEPTEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2 Clergy Sabbath	3 10:00 AM A.A. mtg
4 8:30 AM H.E. Rite I 9:30 AM Adult Sunday school 9:30 AM Choir 10:30 AM Children's Church 10:30 AM H.E. Rite II	5 OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY 	6	7 8:30 AM Dayschool chapel 10:30 AM Bible Study 5:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Choir	8	9 Clergy Sabbath	10 10:00 AM A.A. mtg
11 8:30 AM H.E. Rite I 9:30 AM Adult Sunday school 9:30 AM Choir 10:30 AM Children's Church 10:30 AM H.E. Rite II	12 12:00 PM Pastoral Care	13 12:00 PM ECW @ GGCC	14 8:30 AM Dayschool chapel 10:30 AM Bible Study 5:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Choir	15 7:00 AM Men's breakfast	16 Clergy Sabbath	17 10:00 AM A.A. mtg
18 3:00 PM Choir 4:00 PM Children's Church 4:00 PM H.E. Rite II Blessing the Backpacks 5:00 PM 	19	20 5:30 PM Vestry	21 8:30 AM Dayschool chapel 10:30 AM Bible Study 5:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Choir	22	23 Clergy Sabbath	24 10:00 AM A.A. mtg
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