



July 2023

THE WAYFARER

A PUBLICATION OF ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

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God and Country

“Do they have the fourth of July in England?” Well, yes, the day after the third of July. It is not a holiday, but they have it. In another sense, no, they have 4 July. Different calendar convention. In America, we have the Fourth of July and we celebrate it. We celebrate our independence as a nation from foreign rule. We celebrate our freedoms. And that is a good thing.

In the Episcopal Church, Independence Day is a major feast day on par with feasts of apostles and Saint Mary the Virgin (BCP 17). It has its own set of readings and collect. Here is the collect for Independence Day:

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

We celebrate Independence Day as a day of thanksgiving for living in a nation of liberty that serves as a beacon to other countries of how a varied people can meld into one nation.

The readings for the day keep with this theme of being a nation of peoples drawn from every kind of place and situation. The readings remind us that we are merely sojourners here on earth. Our eternal lives are destined to be lived in God's eternal kingdom. It is right to give thanks to God that we live in a nation where freedom and liberty abound. But let us not lose sight that we are members of another, greater kingdom, as well. Our time here is merely preparation for our lives there. While we should strive to be good citizens of our earthly kingdom, that citizenship is in service to the only truly eternal kingdom, the kingdom of God.

Peace,

Fr. Brandt+

IN OUR CHURCH



Potluck

On the Feast of St. James (July 30) We will enjoy our own feast in the form of potluck. Pick out your favorite recipe and make enough for your family and one of equal size.

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. 5. To schedule a baptism, please call Betsy at the Church Office or speak to Father Brandt.

SERVICE MINISTRIES

Service Ministries for Sunday, Jul 2

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Brister Lee
10:30 AM Worship Leader: Ashley Hines
LEM: Geoffrey Lewis
Lector: Warren Harper
Ushers: Lee Engel
Vestry Assignment: Leigh Harris, Brad Jones

Service Ministries for Sunday, Jul 9

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Betsy Alexander
10:30 AM Worship Leader: Dotti Lowe
LEM: Sonya Bixler
Lector: Robin Kelly
Ushers: Rak Koestler
Vestry Assignment: Austin Frye, Debi Hendrix

Service Ministries for Sunday, Jul 16

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Jim Martin
10:30 AM Worship Leader: Ashley Hines
LEM: Noel Harris
Lector: Rak Koestler
Ushers: Mickey Naaman
Vestry Assignment: Graham Hollister, Rak Koestler



Betsy will be on vacation August 15 – 29. That means the next *Wayfarer* will be a double issue for August/September. Please have your articles to Betsy by July 21.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Bible Study continues each Wednesday at 10:30.
July 4 Office closed
July 16 Rummage Sale Parish Priority shopping after 10:30 service
July 19 Rummage Sale Early Bird Shopping 5:30 – 7:30 pm
July 21 Rummage Sale 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
July 22 Rummage Sale 8:00 am – Noon
July 30 Feast of St. James – one service only at 10:30 followed by potluck

Service Ministries for Sunday, Jul 23

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Brister Lee
10:30 AM Worship Leader: Dotti Lowe
LEM: Geoffrey Lewis
Lector: Mickey Naaman
Ushers: Peter Nimrod
Vestry Assignment: Beth Naaman, Wesley Smith

Service Ministries for Sunday, Jul 30-St. James Day

10:30 AM Worship Leader: Ashley Hines
LEM: Sonya Bixler
Lector: Ralph Owens
Ushers: Ralph Owens
Vestry Assignment: Doug Wade, Charlie Weissinger



The Church office will be closed Tuesday, July 4, for the 4th of July Holiday. We will reopen at 8:00 am Wednesday, July 5.

Volunteers needed!!

The Day School Rummage Sale is quickly approaching and volunteers are needed to help man the sale on these days:



Parish Shopping Day	July 16 - \$10.00 ticket 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
Public Early Bird Shopping	July 19 - \$10.00 ticket 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
General Sale Day	July 21 – 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Half Price Day	July 22 – 8:00 am – 12:00 pm.

We also need volunteers to help sort between now and the sale. Come to the parish hall between 9-12 on weekdays and someone will be happy to put your talents to good use.

We are still accepting items for the sale right now. Bring your treasures to the parish hall between 9-12 any weekday.

If you have clothes to donate, take them to Corner Closet and ask them to put them on the St. James Day School Account. Any sales will be applied to the school.

Robertshaw Scholarship

The Robertshaw Scholarship is a one-time scholarship for a graduating senior. It was established in 1980 in memory of James Robertshaw, Jr. who, suffering from the severest of physical handicaps and in the knowledge of certain death from muscular debilitation, nevertheless exhibited the highest quality of courage and perseverance in achieving high levels of scholarship and never gave up. Therefore, the key criteria for nominees is to have shown courage, perseverance, scholarship and creativeness in their high school career.

The wardens and rector have awarded 2 Robertshaw scholarships for 2023.

Roury McCloyen from St. Joe and Caleb Turner from Greenville High each received a \$4,000.00 scholarship for their higher education. Roury plans to attend Mississippi State and Caleb will be going to Alcorn this fall.



July 16 is Parish Priority Shopping Day for the Rummage Sale. For a \$10.00 fee you get the first chance to see what is for sale and grab those bargains! Shopping will begin about 11:30 a.m. right after the 10:30 service. Don't miss it!

OUR PARISH FAMILY



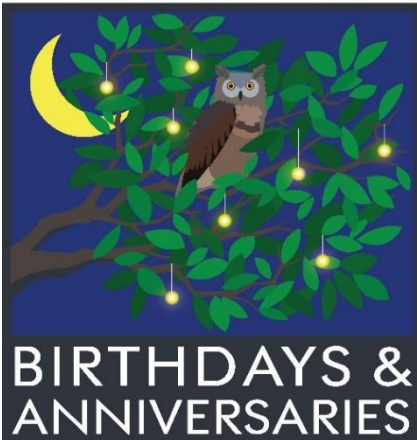
For parishioners: Sandy Welsh, Emma Jean McIntyre, George Baird, Lynn & Bill Schaffarzick, Louise Loughran, Haley Holbrook, Jimmy Lee, Linda Owens, Dudley Stewart, Susan Sutherland, Elizabeth Smith.

For friends and family: Phil Lee, Jr., Brad Beckham, Butch Ashmore, Ruth Ann Young, Mitzi Scarborough, Martha Moore, Carolyn Cochran, Betty Baxter, Wanda McNeely Lowry, Chadwick Crawford, Perry Hutchinson, Linda Howard, Lisa Willis, Portia Wise, Docia England, Millie Wright, Betty Coghlan, Kaye Buchanan, Penny & Rick Byler, Betty Lynn Cameron, Greg Knowles, Pookie Davis, Bob Jones, Andy Von Antz, 2 Anonymous

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: Ann Elise & Xan Robertson

JULY



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

Wilson Macvaugh	7/02
Susan Sutherland	7/02
Laura Buchberger	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
Felix Sterling	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
Sarah Sterling	7/31

Births & Adoptions

We give thanks for the births of:

Hazel Elaine Beisemier
Born May 29 to
Mollie & Andrew Beisimier
Proud grandparents are
Martha & Matt Weissinger
&
Margaret Shanahan Weissinger
born June 6 to
Liz & Charlie Weissinger



Deadline for articles for the next *Wayfarer* is July 21

**Revenue & Expenses
May 2023**


Total Revenue	\$27,631.40
Total Expenses	\$31,621.03
Net Total	\$(3,989.63)



We pray for the repose of the soul of
Andy Alexander
who died May 26

CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH

JULY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 10:00 AM A.A. mtg
2 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	3 12:00 PM Pastoral Care Committee	4 Office Closed 	5 10:30 AM Bible Study	6	7 Clergy Sabbath	8 10:00 AM A.A. mtg
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