



October 2026

THE WAYFARER

A PUBLICATION OF ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

8:30 am	Liturgy of the Word
9:30 am	Choir
10:30 am	Children's Church
10:30 am	Liturgy of the Word or H.E.Rite II

STUDY SCHEDULE WEDNESDAY

10:30 am	Bible Study
2:45 pm	Kid's Connection
6:00 pm	Choir

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Dear Fellow Parishioners,

How thankful we were to have had The Rev. Gary Meade, Canon to the Ordinary with us to celebrate the Eucharist Sunday, September 20th. He also had a very informative meeting with the Vestry preparing us for the Transition process. He left handouts that we will share with all of you explaining this step by step. We are now beginning the process to find a new Rector for St. James. The first step is to develop a Parish profile. This will take a little while, so be patient. Everyone will be involved. The Vestry will select a Search Committee. Presently we are working to find a supply priest for as many Sundays as possible. The Rev. Joe Porter, a retired priest from Clarksdale, is a possibility. The Rev. Porter serves Redeemer, Greenville and the Episcopal Church of the Advent in Sumner, Mississippi.

I ask for you to be faithful in your attendance, prayers, and participation as we work together during this transition time.

Finley Edwards
Senior Warden

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Why does **practice** matter for all the various music related participations within churches, e.g., choirs and instrumental performance? Very much so... practice is necessary for higher quality music making, adding the soulful influence that only MUSIC can bring to a church service. Especially with our *Létourneau* pipe organ at Saint James' Episcopal, such an instrument requires heavy thought and planning in order to operate the keyboard system in an efficient way! Many of you may notice how much program or registration shifts that I make during the Holy Eucharist between hymns or music selections...choosing the appropriate sound divisions for each pipe expression or timbre. The 34 organ ranks that the Letourneau organ represents in sound production requires constant operational managing before and during the church service or musical presentation.

In regards to vocal practice, *church choirs* usually meet before the worship service to prepare songs programmed from that day's service bulletin. The Offertory Anthem is usually selected in advance, and the choir typically has that piece under wraps before a Sunday performance. Still, for a CHORAL GROUP to be *fully successful*, all of the volunteer choir members must show commitment and aspiration to show up and participate in weekly practices...traditionally on Wednesday nights. The *reward* is beautiful music that affects us all through human emotions and worshipful understanding.

As we embark on the Autumn plans and activities for Saint James, hopefully we can appreciate the commitment made by our musicians of the church even more, and know the importance of PRACTICE ...even in a church setting. GO MUSIC!!!!

May our joyous life experiences continue with God's help!

Dr. Matt

The monthly financials will be posted on the bulletin board in the hallway.

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 Nov. 15 at the bishops visit. To schedule a baptism, please call the Church Office.



The pastoral care committee will meet Oct 6 at noon in the Davidson Room.



The Church office will be closed Oct. 12 for Columbus Day. We will be back in the office 8:00 am Tues., Oct. 13.



ECW luncheon is Tues., Oct 13 at 11:30 am at the Greenville Country Club.

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





ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Annual Parish Meeting is Nov 8

The Annual Parish Meeting has been set for Nov 8 after the 10:30 church service.



November 15 is UTO Ingathering

The United Thank Offering is an outreach ministry of the Episcopal Church, encouraging the personal spiritual practice of gratitude. You may keep a "Blue Box" for inserting coins daily with a thanksgiving prayer or put a one-time gift in an envelope. **Boxes and envelopes will be available at the entrances to the nave, transepts, and kitchen beginning Oct 25.** 100 percent of all money collected is used to fund missions of the Episcopal Church. Our parish ingathering of UTO gifts will be Sunday, November 15. We are all called to give thanks in everything and to do good.

IN OUR CHURCH



The Harvest ministry group got off to a great start. This group is for developmentally delayed adults and children. We offer them snacks, music, and crafts. Volunteers are needed to assist with the participants during the meetings and to bring snacks. The group will meet monthly on the third Friday and 3:30 pm. If you are interested in this ministry, please call or text Robin Kelly 662-347-7888. If you do not get an answer, please leave a message and she will get back to you as quickly as possible.

Next meeting will be October 16 at 3:30 pm.



The Pastoral Care Committee removes non-parishioners after 3 months on the prayer list. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, the committee needs to know why they are being added and they need an address to mail a card if you want that person to receive one. You may email names and addresses to admin@stjamesgreenville.com or use the green pew cards in the church.

IN OUR CHURCH

Whom do you wish to remember on All Saints Sunday, Nov. 1

All Saints Sunday is a traditional time in our church for remembering the total communion of saints and the corporate realization of salvation in that heavenly country “where there shall be no more mourning nor crying nor pain any more (Rev. 21:4).”

The Feast of All Saints, one of the seven principle feast days of the church year, is believed to have originated in the British Isles and therefore is characteristically Anglican. In most Episcopal Churches, the names of those who have died within the last year are read aloud during the liturgy by the celebrant, as well as the names of other saints (loved ones) submitted by members of the congregation, regardless of the date of their deaths.

If you would like to remember the faithful departed this All Saints Sunday, call the Church Office at 662-334-4582, or email Schrie at admin@stjamesgreenville.com to add names to the list.



Kids Connection kicked off its fourth year with lots of fun for all children in K5 through 6th grade.

We meet every Wednesday during the school year from 2:45-4:45 pm for refreshments, games, music, worship, and a little camaraderie.

Please join us!

SERVICE MINISTRIES

Service Ministries for Sunday Oct 4

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Jim Martin

10:30 AM Worship Leader: Ashley Hines

Lector: Deanna Harper

Ushers: Bill Andrews

Vestry Assignment: Beth Naaman, Susan Sutherland

Service Ministries for Sunday, Oct 11

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Searcy Cunningham

10:30 AM Worship Leader: Dotti Lowe

Lector: Warren Harper

Ushers: Ed Egger

Vestry Assignment: Cristy Stone, Finley Edwards

Service Ministries for Sunday, Oct 18

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Brister Lee

10:30 AM Worship Leader: Finley Edwards

Lector: Robin Kelly

Ushers: Lee Engel

Vestry Assignment: George Baird, Ginny Cochran

Service Ministries for Sunday, Oct 25

8:30 AM Worship Leader: Jim Martin

10:30 AM Worship Leader: William Owens

Lector: Rak Koestler

Ushers: Mickey Naaman

Vestry Assignment: Cary Karlson, Brister Lee



It's Bazaar Time

Thursday, Nov. 19 is the date for our Harvest Bazaar this year. This is our biggest fund raiser for outreach, and it takes everyone pitching in to make it a success.

In addition to our seated luncheon, we will have all our usual booths - baked goods, Treasures and Bulbs, Freezer Pantry, Raffle Tickets and Silent Auction.

Start cooking now! Freezer pantry containers are already available at the church. No freezer space at home? Bring your labeled dish to the church and we'll store it. And while you're at it, clean out a closet! Have heirlooms and treasures your children don't want? Donate some of those pieces to the "Treasure Room" and drop off at the church.

As it gets a little closer, we'll be asking you to "Bake it and Bring it!" to fill our baked goods section.

The Steering Committee this year is: Ginny Cochran (379-7676), Marsha Baird (931-3577), Debi Hendrix (379-1119), Mickie Sandidge (820-4348), Beth Naaman (820-5225), Bee Stewart (379-5159)

Look for more detailed information in the November *Wayfarer*.

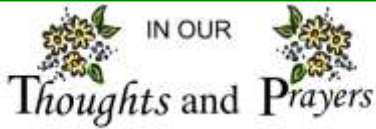
The Junior Auxiliary of Greenville is "Spreading the Warmth" by sponsoring a Blanket and Coat Drive from Oct. 1- Dec. 1. We are asking for your help through contributions of new or used coats, jackets, blankets, gloves, scarves, hats and warm socks. We need coats of all sizes, especially those in children and teen sizes. We thank you for helping us *Spread the Warmth* and keep others warm this winter. There is a collection box located in the kitchen. Thank you!



Hello, October! Pumpkins, falling leaves, and lots of fun are on the way! The school year is off to a great start, and we are excited to fill our October days with learning, laughter, and a little fall magic. Our preschoolers will be busy exploring, creating, singing, playing, and discovering new things together in this beautiful fall weather. Thank you for your continued prayers for health and safety this year at the Day School!

Liz Weissinger, Director

OUR PARISH FAMILY



For parishioners: Margaret Wade, Victor & Elizabeth Smith, Susan Sutherland, Linda & Ralph Owens, Elizabeth Jones, Stephanie Lowe, Emma Jean McIntyre, Thorne Crosby, Elise & Jimmy Lee

For friends and family: Bob Robinson, Betty Smith, Rene & Jimmy Renfroe, Hunter Washington, Pete Lowe, Susan Toler, Margaret Jones, Heather Harden, Dot Meeks, Grace Smith, Leanna Morgan, Cral (pronounced Krāl) Swilley, Ethelene Stone, Jack Jackson, Taylor Ensenat, Dwight Batts, Fran Mullens, Steve Adams, Missy Jackson, Allie Gordon, Patricia Boynton, Harvey Parrish, Andy Von Antz, Christin Fisher

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Barry Jordan, Jackson Mitchell, Tyler Owens, Nathan Thomas, Beau Swain, and for members of the MS National Guard who have been deployed.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Charlene Louwerens	10/01
Linda Lowry	10/01
Kathleen Ayres	10/03
Paula Kronfol	10/03
Lisa Percy	10/09
Warren Hammett. Jr.	10/11
Hal Winn	10/15
John Grayson Edwards	10/16
Hyde Weissinger, IV	10/23
Annie Lott	10/24
Fisher Weissinger	10/28
Cristy Stone	10/29
Allison Nimrod	10/30
Debi Hendrix	10/31

Elizabeth & Brad Jones	10/17
Jan & Lee Engel	10/20
Leigh & Noel Harris	10/27



Deadline for articles
for the next
Wayfarer is Oct 20

**November 1 will be the
End of Daylight Savings
Time.
Please set your clocks
back.**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Caregivers & Grief Support Group 1:30 pm each Monday

Bible Study 10:30 am each Wednesday

Kids Connection at 2:45pm each Wednesday

Oct 6 Pastoral Care Committee at Noon

Oct 11 Joint Service 10:30 with POTLUCK BRUNCH to follow

Oct 12 Church office closed for Columbus Day

Oct 13 ECW Luncheon at Country Club at Noon

Oct 15 Men's Breakfast at 7:00 am

Oct 16 Harvest at 3:30 pm

Oct 20 Vestry 5:30 pm

Oct 26 JA /Annis' Children Halloween Event

CALENDAR

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				1	2	3 10:00 AM A.A. mtg
4 8:30 AM Liturgy/Word 9:30 AM Choir 10:30 AM Children's Church 10:30 AM H.E. Rite II	5 1:30 PM Caregivers & Grief Group	6 12:00 PM Pastoral Care	7 8:30 AM Day School Chapel 10:30 AM Bible Study 2:45 PM Kids Connection 6:00 PM Choir	8	9	10 10:00 AM A.A. mtg
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