

WEEKLY Weeks of May 28 & June 4, 2023

Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself in your journey of faith, you're always WELCOME at St. James'!

The Altar Flowers on May 28 are given by Marie Hughes, in memory of those who served our country and Bob Hughes.



Saturday, June 3, 2-4pm Celebration Sunday, June 4, 10am Trinity Sunday & Rite of Farewell Worship Join us for a weekend of Celebration & Worship dedicated to St. James' beloved Rector, the Rev. Dr. Becky Coerper & Organist/Choirmaster Kip Coerper, Ch.M.

Vanessa Johnson Presents St. James' Community Quilt June 11 at 12pm More on page 3

June 11 Begins Lakeside Worship at 10:45am (Weather permitting)

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, May 28

Welcome Pastor Alicia Dixon-Garrard 7:30am Eucharist Rite I 9:00am Saints in Training-Last Class 9:00am Eucharist Traditional* 10:45am Eucharist Contemporary*

Monday-Parish Office Closed for Memorial Day observance

Tuesday 7:45am Centering Prayer Zoom 10:30am Dive Deeper Bible Study

Wednesday 6:00pmSpecial Eucharist for Profession of Vows for Pam Stewart

Thursday 5:00pm Centering Prayer Zoom

Friday 7:45am Centering Prayer Zoom

*Worship Live-Streamed On <u>Facebook.com/</u> <u>StJamesSkaneateles</u>

NEW Parish Office Hours Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm 315-685-7600

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Join people from around the Diocese as we celebrate God's LGBTQ children and spread the love of Jesus at the CNY Pride Parade in Syracuse!

EUCHARIST - 10 A.M. PARADE - 11 A.M.

WHERE?

We'll meet in the parade staging area at the Destiny USA parking lot near Solar Street in Syracuse. The Eucharist will take place in this area. You'll see a HUGE group of parade walkers preparing for the parade; you can't miss it! If you can't join us in Syracuse on that day, we'll be streaming the Pride Eucharist on our Facebook page so that you can celebrate with us.

WHO?

Individuals and families of all ages! Episcopalians and non Episcopalians! Friends and neighbors!

HOW CAN I HELP?

Thanks for asking! We have volunteer opportunities listed in our online sign up form and on social media. You can also email us at **communications@cnyepiscopal.org** and let us know you'd like to help!

WHAT ABOUT THE WEATHER?

Great question! We know it was HOT last year, so this year, we're taking extra precautions. We'll have LOTS of water and a tent to provide shade at the staging site. We recommend bringing an umbrella in case of rain or extreme heat. We'll have sugary snacks on hand if you need a quick burst of sugar or energy. Also, remember that you are more than welcome to come for the Eucharist even if you do not feel comfortable or confident enough to walk the parade route.

SIGN UP!

Let us know you're coming at **bit.ly/cny-episcopride-23**

GEAR UP!

We have three new Episcopal Pride shirt (and tote bag!) designs for 2023. Get your gear at **bonfire.com/store/cny-episcopal/**

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Did You Know? By Emma Cowley

Meet 11 year old Adhara Pérez Sánchez from Mexico City. Sanchez has autism and has an IQ of 162 which is higher than Albert Einstein and Stephan Hawking. (To give you perspective, having an IQ score that falls between 85-115 is considered within the average range) Sánchez

has already obtained a degree in systems engineering from CNCI University and an industrial engineering degree with a specialization in mathematics from the

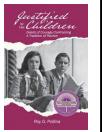


Technological University of Mexico. Sánchez graduated from elementary school at the age of five and completed middle and high school in just one year. Her mom noticed that at a young age she had memorized the periodic table and even taught herself algebra. Due to bullying from students and lack of intervention from teachers she changed schools three times and became depressed. Sánchez has experienced many obstacles that she has had to overcome but her goal is to become an astronaut with NASA. If you want to know more about Adhara Pérez Sánchez you can follow her on instagram : @adhara.maite.perez.sanchez

Adventures Book Club Discussion on June 8, 6:30pm in the Lakeside Room

discussion is on the book, Justified by her Children: Deed of Courage Confronting a Tradition of Racism by Roy G. Pollina

The story is about Christ Episcopal Church in Martinsville, Virginia, and begins with the struggles that developed around the bishop's plan to integrate summer youth camp during the 1950s.



The Book Club committee thought the book would broaden understanding about the roots of racism in the Episcopal Church and offer hope for today in our efforts to understand racial justice from a faith perspective.

Sponsored by the Racial Justice & Reconciliation Commission.

Another Successful Month of Community Service!

Thank you to all who served in the community and donated to

area charitable organizations. Each year, St. James' makes a real difference in the CNY local community.These service months are appreciated by so many. And if you see Beth Quattrociocchi and Christine Davis, give them a big thank you for coordinating this wonderful event.



Next Service Month-October 2023.

"When Love is the Way" Griot Vanessa Johnson to speak at the dedication of St. James' community quilt-June 11 at 12pm

Griot Vanessa Johnson, fiber artist, activist and storyteller in the West African tradition, will present "Loving Neighbors" beginning at noon, June 11, 2023, at St. James'. Johnson's story-tell will highlight the dedication and celebration of "Neighbor Love," St. James' community quilt. Light refreshments will be served. The event is open to the public.

The community quilt project was conceived by St. James' Racial Justice and Reconciliation Commission. Planning for the concept and design of the quilt began a year ago when 10

women from St. James' gathered in the church conference room to brainstorm the meaning of agape love and how that love is carried out by our congregation. Inspired by Jesus' command to "Love your neighbor," the group worked to create a nine-block quilt with images that evoke the many ministries in which the people of St. James' are involved.



In addition to story telling, Johnson is a writer, playwright, actor and museum consultant. She served on the Syracuse Juneteenth Committee and coordinated the annual festival at the Southwest Center in Syracuse for three years, creating and directing the "Juneteenth Interactive Museum" for 5 years. This will be an event for the ages.

Currently, Johnson is the Matilda Joslyn Gage Foundation women's rights center's Artist in Residence. As a consultant for the museum, she designed the Underground Railroad Room, and was trained in Dialogue Facilitation for the museum's Community Dialogue Program on Reproductive Rights ("Who Chooses?"). The most recent exhibition of her work, "Straddling Oceans," was at the Community Folk Art Gallery in Syracuse, March 20 through May 6.



Pastoral Care Available at St. James'-For more information regarding any of the below pastoral offerings, contact Nancy Graham at nancymgraham@gmail.com or the Parish Office at 315-685-7600.

If you find that you need someone to talk to, St. James' offers trained Stephen Ministers & Trained Listeners. Newly trained listeners: Dawn Altmeyer, Nancy Austin, Barbara Baker, Barb Burton, Corinne Buterbaugh, Chris Davis, Carolyn Ebner, Lynne Gregory, Nancy Lee, Kathy Ploufe, Mary McGrath, Meg Osborne and Kathaleen Underwood.

Pastoral Care is and has always been a priority at St. James' Church. A church is a family and God wants us to take care of our family.

Additional Pastoral Care Offerings

- **Prayer Shawls:** Hand crocheted shawls are blessed and ready for those who need to feel the warmth of Jesus and the St. James' family.
- **Baby Caps:** Lovingly knitted baby hats have been blessed and ready to be given to new babies in your family or in that of a neighbor.
- **Prayer Chain:** The online prayer chain offers a confidential way to receive prayer for your illness, surgery, trauma, or thanksgiving. If you wish to submit a prayer request to the St. James' prayer chain, please email Corinne Buterbaugh at corinnebuterbaugh@gmail.com.
- Meals on Wheels & Martha's Meal Preparation: During challenging times, a warm meal for your family can mean so much. There are volunteers who make nourishing meals as well as those who will deliver to your home.
- **Cards & Flowers:** For special occasions or just a sign that you are loved, St. James' volunteers write and send thoughtful cards as well as share the altar flowers each week.

Who You Going to Call? (Not Ghostbusters) Your ongoing cooperation and grace is appreciated as the Vestry and Staff work behind the scenes to maintain the highest level of worship and programming. The most usable and vital information moving forward could be "Who do I contact...?". On this page you will find key people to contact after Rev. Becky leaves. Information can also be found on StJamesSkan.org.

Church Leadership

Vestry Wardens: Susanne Rynkiewicz susanne.rynkiewicz@yahoo.com & Bill Spalding bspalding1984@gmail.com

Interim Chief of Staff: Laura Posecznick laura@stjamesskan.org

To reserve a room at the church: Michael Larkin stjamesskanparishoffice@gmail.com

To inquire about your pledge or church donation: Nicole Bova nicole@stjamesskan.org

Communications Director

- Editor of the Weekly Newsletter
- E-blast creator
- Website & Social Media

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Music & Technology: Michael Larkin stjamesskanmusic@gmail.com or Nicholas Kilkenny nickkilkenny@gmail.com

New St. James' Leadership Teams Wednesday Evening Prayer: Sharon Arliss, Nancy Graham, Marie Hughes, & Carol Murphy

Centering Prayer: Pam Stewart (point person), Cindy Bright, Dan Fisher, Terry Major, Mary McGrath

Racial Justice and Reconciliation

Commission:Debra Rose Brillati & Meg Osborne: co-chairs; Corinne Buterbaugh: secretary; Carolyn Legg: office liaison.

Secretary for the Memorials: Judy Bettis



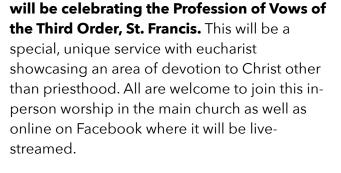




A Prayer for Memorial Day

God of power and mercy, you destroy war and put down earthly pride. Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears, that we may all deserve to be called your sons and daughters. Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died in the cause of freedom and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Volunteer with St. James' Children's Ministry! Over the past few months, St. James' has been taking steps to enhance its Children's Ministry. The growth with families and children has been wonderful. Now we need people to help make a new innovative youth program for all ages to begin this summer and fall. Volunteers are wanted for overseeing sensory play sessions for young children, teachers for Saints in Training classes, leaders to coordinate and oversee older youth events such as movie nights and game nights. There are lots of ways to make this program a model for other churches. We need more hands! If you are interested in helping, please contact Laura Posecznick at laura@stjamesskan.org.



On Wednesday, May 31 at 6pm, St. James'



Blue Bird Music Together is registering children for the summer session held at St. James' Church July 14-August 18. Music

Together classes build on your child's natural enthusiasm for music and movement and provide a strong foundation for future instruction in dance or instrument study. Best of all, they are fun! Choose the class that's right for you – Babies, Mixed-Age, or Rhythm Kids – and start making musical memories today. For more information visit BluebirdMusicTogether.com.

Transition News & Updates

Over the past few weeks, there have been several announcements about changes and news regarding the transition time after Rev. Becky leaves and the interim clergy begins. Here are some of the highlights.

- 1. All transition news can be found on StJamesSkan.org/transition. The link is found on a large section on the home page below the rotating banners.
- 2. Justin Oei (pronounced We) is St. James' new Organist/Choirmaster who will be joining the staff on August 1st. He will be meeting with the choir and Kip on June 1 for introductions and tours of the church.
- 3. Laura Posecznick is now the Interim Chief of Staff until a new interim rector is on board.
- 4. Beginning May 28, St. James' will be using one bulletin for both the 9am & 10:45am services. Follow the content on the left side for the 9am worship and the right side for the 10:45am service. The content you find in the middle is common to both. This may take a bit to readjust but it will save paper, time, and potential errors. There will continue to be screens used during the 9am worship.
- 5. St. James' has clergy and music coverage for the entire summer. Be sure to join worship each week and hear the inspirational words from Rev. Dr. Chuck Stewart, the Rev. Dr. Jim Corl, and Bishop Skip Adams.
- 6. On Sunday, May 21, Rev. Becky Coerper shared the Covenant of Understanding Upon the Departure of Clergy which she has signed and will follow. This document can be found on the welcome tables as well as on the Transition webpage on StJamesSkan.org. It is vital for the congregation understand that while Rev. Becky will always love and cherish the St. James' family, she is giving us the space to form strong bonds with the new incoming clergy. In order to do this, Rev. Becky will not be able to come back to St. James' for one year after the new permanent rector is in place and then only with permission. All pastoral requests must now go through the St. James' Pastoral Team and future clergy. Any questions regarding this important document, please contact the Parish Office or speak with Rev. Becky Coerper before June 4
- 7. The Vestry is in the process of interviewing an Interim Rector. The process is moving right along.
- 8. Lakeside Worship at 10:45am will begin on June 11. Rev. Canon Tom Ferguson from the Diocese will be preaching and celebrating on June 11.

As information becomes available, it will be communicated to the congregation. Any questions, please feel free to contact the Vestry Wardens, Susanne Rynkiewicz or Bill Spalding or Interim Chief of Staff, Laura Posecznick.





Nicole Bova, St. James' Accountant & Michael Larkin, Office Manager



St. James' Prayers for Week of May 28, 2023

In our parishes, we pray for the people of Zion Episcopal Church in Windsor and their priest, the Rev. Geoffrey Doolittle, and the people of Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Adams and their priest, the Rev. Jon LaVelle. In The Episcopal Church, we pray for the people of the Diocese of Indianapolis and their bishop, The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people in the extra-provincial Anglican churches.

Those who are sick and in need of prayer: David O'Neill, Toppie Bates, Gerry Snyder (mother of Wendy Osborne), Sue Palen, Ann Malvaso (Marie Hughes' sister), David Spencer, Rick Burton, Amy Allyn, Ed & Mary Kay Cole.

Those who are expecting a child: Mila Mimica (daughter-in-law of Bill and Corinne Buterbaugh), Rachel Buol, Cynthia (daughter of Michele Keller), Elizabeth Cavender (daughter of Michael & Cindi Fowler)

Those listed on our long-term prayer list : Betty Hunt, Laura Bigness, Ed Blum, Robbie Clark (Kristina Abbott's brother),Patsy Limpert, King Sidor (nephew of Kathaleen Underwood), Joan Johnson, Chip Hanna (son of Marsha Johnson), Marilyn Garofalo (mother of Chris Davis), Ingrid Gonzalez-McCurdy, Giselle (friend of Ingrid Gonzalez-McCurdy), Susan (Ann Scholl's daughter), Dan Bushallow, Marie Bundy, Marilyn Sell, Virginia Williams, (mother of Carolyn Ebner), Dot Pitman, Bev Smith, Diane Mueller, Brunhild Stavenhagen & family, Alexander Sturdivant (friend of Nancy and Rick Austin), Linda Hawley, Sharon Arliss, Tara Lanning, Emma Hess (Donna Richards granddaughter), Frank Ives, Mary Bradly, Greg Esce, Euclide Mugisho & family, Karen Hoyt, Myah Hyde (granddaughter of Nicole), Nick & Linda Rossi, Don Evans, Griffin Palen, Jim Lanning, Sandy Fillingham, Kathy Ploufe, Nicole Hyde, Karen Jester, Jude Ker, Melinda & Pete Hawley & family, Tacy Chantler (sister-in-law of Carrie), Roxanne Soprano, Jeff Havemeyer, Landon (grandson of Jean Beeles), Cathy Valentine, Sammy Birchenough, Adrian Coker (nephew of Michael & Danielle Larkin), Olson-Bang Family, Kirsten Juhl (daughter of Nancy & Jim Corl), Barbara Coyne (sister of Nancy Lee), Mary O'Neill, Travis & Steph Blum, Darwin Parker, Mary Scott, Gar Smith, Joyce Berry, Bob Doolittle, Lisa Mitchel (friend of Nancy Harris), David Ball (friend of Nancy Harris), Ella (friend of Ingrid McCurdy), Noelle (daughter of Ingrid McCurdy), Linda Morse, Danae Hidy, Alberto Fry, Ann Bestor (mother of Donna McNerney), Cheryl & Bob Ripley, Henry McMahon (Jane Gilly's brother), Loretta Newman, Doris Buss, Belva Morton (mother of Kathy Ingianni), David Bates, Helen Dayal, Scholl family, Patrick & Jonathan Arliss, Jason Weston (son of Susan Gibides), Abbi Bennett (granddaughter of Jim & Nancy Corl), Ann Merrill, Ginny Pfau, Gwen Birchenough, Sharon & Pat Gannon, Jenifer Carson (niece of Linda Lavery).

Those who have died: Joyce Barry, David Ball (friend of Nancy Harris), Cally Grill (sister of Linda Lavery), Jan Olsen (friend of Corinne & Bill Buterbaugh), Gerry Mihm (father of Eva Pajak), Shirley Brown (mother of Margie Amberge), David George, Dick Pitman, Marilyn Giancola, Patricia Ann DeVinney Corl, (sister-in-law of Jim and Nancy Corl), Werner Stavenhagen (father of Christina Stavenhagen-Helgren)

If you would like to be added...

Prayer Lists above, please contact Nancy Graham at nancy@stjamesskan.org. Birthday List Announcement, please contact Laura Posecznick at laura@stjamesskan.org Email Prayer Chain, please contact Corinne Buterbaugh at corinnebuterbaugh@gmail.com E-Blast database to receive updates and news, please contact Laura Posecznick at laura@stjamesskan.org Questions: Contact the Parish Office at 315.685.7600. **Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-2pm**

Readings for Sunday, June 4-Trinity Sunday

2 Corinthians 13: 11-13 Psalm 8 Matthew 28: 16-20

Readings for Wednesday, June 7

Ecclesiastes 3:1-15 Psalm 49 Luke 17:20-37