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A newsletter of life and ministries at St. James Episcopal Church

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Ahh, summertime, cold lemonade, a dip in the pool and warm summer evenings. It's easy to fall out of our regular routine when the "livin' is easy." St James is in the next stage of finding our new priest. And we have wonderful supply priests and our own staff helping all of us as we move forward.

So before that trip to the pool or lake, stop at church on Sunday to refresh your spirit and support our clergy.

You can even wear your flip flops!



Jinx Strout

To our Community of Saint James and Beyond,

I will try to find some words that would express the appreciation of the love, support and help we've experienced since the loss of our dear Wanda. It won't be easy, I think I'll need a bigger thesaurus.

There are angels in our midst. You know who you are because you fluttered in to raise us up when you knew we had fallen. You gave us strength when you knew we had none. You gave us hope when you knew we had little. You gave us fellowship, fed us and comforted us when you knew we needed it. You gave us help and space when we didn't even know we needed it. So many of you were right there without even an ask.



There is that saying, "It takes a village". I'm not quite sure what that metaphor was meant for, but I get it now. St. James, our extended Diocese and Church is that village. When you have a time in your life when you need a community of angels, this is where you will find compassionate, helpful and soothing souls.

I know by experience that it's risky to name individuals who've been helping us through this. We acknowledge all of you. For the sake of space, I'll go with this... For those that helped with the fog of despair and confusion for what do we do now, you were there. For those that arranged our service and gatherings, ensuring they would be "Wanda appropriate", you were there. For those that cleared your calendar to make this go right, you were there. For those that welcomed and comforted our visiting family and friends, you were there. For those continuing to assist with Wanda's Memorial and help us as we try to carry on, we know you are there.

So grateful we are.

The Lingo and Newman family

Wanda's Legacy

As many of you know, the Lingo family has established a memorial fund for Wanda through St James. Wanda spent much of her time and energy with charity organizations as Volunteers of America and its many extensions. The VOA's Homeless Youth Program is one of St. James' seven vestry approved charities. We have had a generous \$2500 matching donation made to Wanda's memorial.



Some of you have already donated and Dave and Rebecca would like to sincerely thank you for your generosity. If you haven't donated there are still a couple of weeks left when you can drop a donation off during the week in the office or put a notation on a check and put it in the collection plate. If the total clears \$2500, the Lingos and St. James will make a \$5,000 donation in Wanda's memory to the Volunteers of America Homeless Youth Resource programs.

Dave and Rebecca commit to anything raised beyond that will go to House of Hope or another non-profit that Wanda supported and dearly loved. They thank you dearly for all of your love and support during this delicate time in their lives.



Please join us on
July 22nd (10:00)

for the U2charist service!

We will enjoy a full eucharistic service to U2 music
and special guest preacher, Rev. Kurt Wiesner.

We will also have the teens, family and board members from the Ulster Project.
The Ulster Project is a peace mission bringing 12 Catholic and Protestant teens from
Northern Ireland to stay with Catholic and Protestant teens from Utah.

[\(Click here for a link to Rev. Curry meeting with U2!\)](#)

U2 generously allows the use of their songs to bring awareness to the Millennium
Development Goals (MDGs). The MDGs are eight aggressive goals to eradicate extreme
poverty in the world.

We will give more information during the U2charist.

Following the objectives of the MDGs we will be asking for funds to help kids from the Road
Home Shelter attend Camp Tuttle. Allowing homeless children to participate in Camp Tuttle
for a week gives them a unique opportunity to meet and play with other children and learn
about environmental sustainability and how to care for God's beautiful earth. If you cannot

attend the U2charist but want to help sponsor children to attend Camp Tuttle, please get a check to St. James with "U2charist" on the memo line. Please contact Terry Palmer with any questions-801-518-1404.



Our Food Bank

St. James Food Bank clients need your support more than ever! If you can spare the time, we truly need more parishioners to help us on stocking and distribution days. Please join us for this incredibly humbling, rewarding experience. Our next volunteer opportunities are Saturday, July 21st (Stocking 12-2) and Sunday, July 22nd (Distribution 12:30 - 3). If you can't help the entire time, we understand. We especially need help the first hour.

Like kids? Help supervise and play with the little ones. Donations of coloring books, children's books, and kid magazines are always welcome. We also encourage volunteers to bring craft projects to do with the kids. (Terry Palmer has coordinated some awesome projects!) Would your own kids or grandkids like to help?

Are you affiliated with any youth groups or scout troops? Please ask for their assistance on the second and/or fourth weekends of the month.

This is our humble plea for more assistance with our Utah Food Bank - St. James Midvale Satellite. WE NEED YOU.

In addition to more volunteers, we also encourage your donations of items recently requested by our clients:

- * Baby shampoo
- * Sunscreen
- * Deodorant
- * Shaving cream
- * School supplies
- * Children's clothing and shoes (gently used or new)
- * Seasonings/condiments
- * Paper towels, napkins, and toilet paper



Donations may be placed in the large wooden bin on wheels, usually located by the Sunday School hallway or by the office. Thanks for your support of this amazing St. James' philanthropy!

Special thanks to Nazanin, our founder, and Alec, our volunteer coordinator. Heartfelt appreciation for all others who've been volunteering as stockers, registrars, and invaluable helpers with the waiting area, children, store, wagons, boxes, and auto assistance. Thanks

for your continued support! For those about to step up as Food Bank volunteers, WELCOME and GOD BLESS.

From Our Finance Committee:

Please keep up with your pledges this summer! Summer is notoriously slow for pledging because people forget as they go on vacations and have lots of summer fun. Please remember to send your checks. If you don't already, do it electronically -- that way you don't have to remember weekly or monthly!

As we interview and hopefully select a new Rector for St. James this summer, we still have the same expenses and some go up dramatically--the electric bill to cool a building of this size and the water bill to keep our grounds looking nice. Our building and grounds never take a vacation!

Thank you!



Do you have a commercial vacuum sitting in your garage and you can't remember that it may belong to St. James? Ours has been missing for a while. We speculate someone may have borrowed it or taken it home to repair it and lost track of time. If you have it, please let us know. Thank you!



This Week

Sunday	July 15	8 & 10 am	Worship Services
		11:15 am	Coffee Hour
Tuesday	July 17	8 am	Men's Coffee "Grump Common Room
		6:30 pm	Vestry Meeting
Wednesday	July 18	9 am	Women's Coffee-Targ Cafe-Ft. Union

Saturday July 21 12 pm Food Bank Restocking

The Following Week

Sunday	July 22	8 & 10 am	Worship-(U2Charist at 10am only)
		12:45 pm	Food Pantry Distribution
Tuesday	July 24	8 am	Men's Coffee "Grumpies"- Common Room
Wednesday	July 25	9 am	Women's Coffee-Target Cafe Ft. Union



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