



## *Straight Talk*

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

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My name is Jesse Parent and I am proud to be a member of your Vestry!

As a Vestry member, we are always looking for input on how to make our parish family happier and more effective. We always welcome feedback on how

we can get better, as well as what is going great! Please don't be afraid to bend my ear about ideas or praise that you have about St. James.

In relation to praise and communication, I help out with posting the newsletter on our private Facebook page. You might think that you aren't supposed to post anything, yourself, but I assure you that if you can see the St. James private Facebook page, you belong as a contributing member.

Maybe you have gathered together as a group to chat about our church, or perform a ministry like Altar Guild or ushering or Food Bank. Please, take some pictures and post them to our private Facebook page. Show us the joy you have and share within our community and I guarantee you will bring a smile to someone's face and perhaps challenge someone to serve in different ways. Try it! Be social with our media!

Thank you!



## **Save This Date! Annual BBQ & Fundraiser**

**Saturday, Aug 25 at 4 pm** on the patio.  
The vestry is organizing our 2nd annual BBQ & Fundraiser (yes, Louie Steinbach's tasty bbq'd pork will be there!) and they are looking for additional help. Contact Debbie Matticks to volunteer for this fun event!

## Parish Camping Trip!

**Moon Lake, Group site B.**  
**August 30, 2018,**  
through Monday morning,  
**September 2, 2018.**  
Potluck dinner on Saturday  
evening, Sept. 1.  
Church service on Sunday  
morning.



This is a group site, so there is no need to make individual reservations. Moon Lake is in the high Uintas at 8087 feet about 150 miles from Salt Lake. There will be socializing, hiking, fishing, exploring.

*For questions or to let us know you can attend.*  
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## Our Food Bank Ministry

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. (EX: 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.

You can bring your donations to the St. James office during office hours, m-th, 9 am to noon, or leave your donations on the office tables if you bring them on Sunday. We will make sure they get to All Saints.

## All Saints School Supply Donation Drive

All children should start school with a full backpack and a smile. With Catholic Community Services, All Saints will gather school supplies and backpacks to donate to kids in need.

Please bring donated supplies to All Saints. The drive will run from August 5th - 19th.



## All Saints School Supply Donation Drive

### Supplies Needed...

- Pencils
- Colored Pencils
- Markers
- Crayons
- Pens
- Erasers
- Index Cards
- Notebooks
- Lined Paper
- Backpacks
- Pencil Case
- Lunch Boxes
- Folders
- Basic Calculator
- Binders
- Rulers
- Projectors
- Glue Sticks



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## The weeks ahead at St. James

|         |       |           |                          |
|---------|-------|-----------|--------------------------|
| Sunday  | Aug 5 | 8 & 10 am | Worship-Rev. Susan Toone |
|         |       | 11:15 am  | Coffee Hour              |
| Tuesday | Aug 7 | 8 am      | Men's Coffee - Common Rm |

Wednesday Aug 8 9 am Women's Coffee -  
Target Cafe - Ft Union

Saturday Aug 11 12 Noon Food Bank Delivery/Restock

Sunday Aug 12 8 & 10 am Worship

11:15 am Coffee Hour

12:30 pm Food Pantry Distribution

Tuesday Aug 14 8 am Men's Coffee - Common Room

5:30 pm Finance Committee Mtg-Office

Wednesday Aug 15 9 am Women's Coffee -  
Target Cafe - Ft Union



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We welcome story ideas, photos, opinion, and questions.  
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