



Straight Talk

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

September 14, 2018

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Beloved St. James parishioner, Ginny Bentel, passed away this week. A committal ceremony will be held Friday, Sept. 14 at 11 am.

All are welcome to attend.

Vestry Corner

Fr. Christopher has arrived in Salt Lake and will begin his tenure with us officially on Monday, September 24th. His first Sunday will be on September 30th!

A transition team met with him on Wednesday to help him out with some general "Stuff" like how to get a driver license, good doctors, vets, lessons on the best fry sauce, grocery stores, etc. They will work with him over the coming weeks. Many thanks to Cindy Bon, Dave Lingo, Kari Butler, Terry Palmer, Ann Charat, and Norma Oliver!!

Also huge thank you to Tim Burkett (our intrepid Jr. Warden) for arranging an apartment (that would take not only two cats, but do a 6-month lease) for Fr. Christopher and then taking him there when he arrived in town.

And many, many thanks to the folks who helped settle him in when the movers came: Tim Burkett, Deborah Burkett, Doug Sward, Kathy Sward and Terry Palmer.

More thank you's to come later! There are many, many people who have been instrumental in bringing Fr. Christopher home to us.



Sr. Warden-
Debbie
Matticks

One of the things I love about St. James is the wonderful sense of family we have. Two Sundays ago, the Reverend Brin Bon celebrated with us. Sitting with my family, Brin's parents behind us and Paula Patterson in her usual spot, I marveled at how lucky we are to have so many generations of the St James' family with us. From Paula, who helped found our parish to my grandchildren just starting to learn about our church, we welcome all into our family. And on September 30, 2018 Father Christopher joins us.

Let's welcome him into our church home as only St. James can, with love, enthusiasm and support.

Jinx Strout--Vestry Member



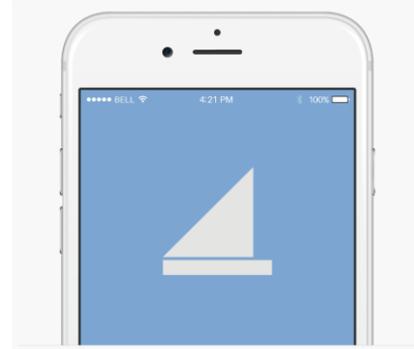
Our Church Database is a Breeze!

Wendy, our parish administrator, will host a class on using our church database, Breeze. Many have asked for help understanding how to use the many features available. We will go over all topics related and within minutes you will be an expert! Meet **Wednesday, September 26 at 6 pm**, in the office. Bring your laptops or smartphones, whatever you think you will use most often to access the database. It will be a fun, easy night of learning to use the database.

You will be amazed how much is at your fingertips!

Click here to [sign up](#).

I promise we will have fun and maybe cookies? Wendy's famous chocolate chip cookies...will that get you there?!



***An important reminder: Our church database is private and only to be used for church business. Please don't ever use the information within to promote personal business.**



Games Night Resumes!

This Friday, September 14, 2018

Our hosts? Rev John & Mary Dillon

What to expect?

Fun, Food, Fantastic Conversation!

Come and enjoy the camaraderie of your St. James

**friends. If you haven't signed up
for something to bring, and would
like to, contact the Dillons.**



**Young Families Event
at Wheeler Farm**

**This Saturday
September 15 @ 4:30 pm
Cow milking at 5 pm!
Picnic at 5:30 pm
(Bring food for your family)**

**Contact Jeni Keith for more
information.**

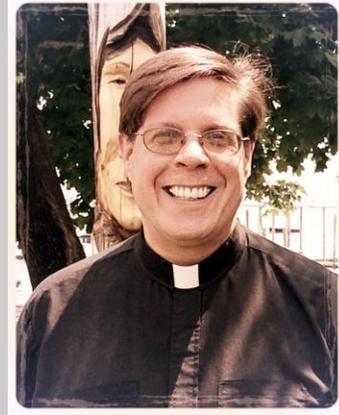


Mark Your Calendars

A Welcome Celebration!

Sunday, September 30

Please join us to welcome Rev Christopher Szarke as our new parish priest! He will be our preacher and celebrant at both services. There will be a festive coffee hour following the 10 am service.



Small Dinners Group with Fr. Christopher



The Small Dinners Group (SDG) ministry is organizing dinners to facilitate Fr. Christopher's getting acquainted with parishioners more quickly. Although he is eager to know parishioners of all ages, these dinners will remain adult-only affairs. Events for Fr. Christopher getting to know the parish youth will be arranged later. Whereas the original SDGs were scheduled on a monthly basis, Fr. Christopher has graciously consented to attend a dinner weekly, but wants to keep his Friday and Saturday nights free.

We'll begin in October and I'll get specifics out after I have all the necessary information. When this has run its course, we'll re-assess interest in the monthly SDG program.

You can pick up a sign up sheet at the welcome table this Sunday or click [here](#) to make a copy. You can leave the filled out form in the office or give it to Susan Furca.



Our St. James Food Pantry

THANK YOU to all who have donated school supplies, books, children's shoes, and other items for our St. James Food Pantry customers. It's not too late to help! Please leave donations labeled in the office or place items in the wooden donation bin located on the south side of the Narthex meeting area. The kids have been so grateful for the help.

Special, heartfelt thanks to all who have recently volunteered to help stock or distribute food! Our Food Pantry needs more volunteers, desperately. Our next distribution day is Sunday, September 23rd from 12:45 - 3, (several of us are there by 12:30).

If you can only help for an hour, that is still AWESOME!
"I cannot do everything, but still I can do something." --Helen Keller

Hello!

The time is upon us when choir starts up again. We will have rehearsals of the choir Thursdays in the sanctuary at 7 PM.

I'm especially excited for this year as I will be celebrating my fourth anniversary with St. James and more importantly, we begin a new spiritual journey under the leadership of a new rector. Speaking of a new rector, I'm hoping to have as many of you as possible present on September 30th to welcome our



new rector. We will be singing "Holy Lord of All," one we've sung several times before, to show him how fantastic we are. Additionally, we can look forward to singing in a future installation service.

I'm very excited for the musical blessings this coming year and look forward to gathering with all of you. By the way, if you know of anyone we can rope into singing tenor, that would be awesome. Don is a fantastic tenor, but it's not fair to expect him to carry the full weight of that section.

Thanks!

-Tyler



The people who won the week stay at a fabulous Park City condo, October 5-12, had something come up and they won't be able to use this. If you would like to make a donation to the Fr. Christopher moving fund so that you can use this fun trip, please contact the Wendy @801.520.4686 or wendy@stjamesutah.com.

St. Stephen's Annual Italian Spaghetti & Pakistan Chicken Night!

When: Friday, September 14, 6
pm

Where: St. Stephen's Episcopal Church,
4615 S. 3200 W. West Valley

Cost: Adults (18-99) \$10 (age 100+ free)

Children (6-18) \$6 (5- free)

**Carlucci and Errolucci
cordially invite you to our
Annual**



2018 Fall Retreat at Camp Tuttle Jr. & Sr. High Youth

Join us for a fun-filled weekend in the mountains to enjoy the changing colors of

the season with each other through love and faith. We will celebrate with a Halloween party and decorating pumpkins! Bring a small pumpkin to decorate and bring your costume. No weapons or scary costumes, please.

When: Friday, October 5th, 7 pm to Sunday, October 7th, 2 pm

Where: Camp Tuttle-Big Cottonwood Canyon

Who: Jr. & Sr. High youth (grades 6-12)

Cost: \$65/person (\$75 after Oct 1st)

Register online at camptuttle.org under the registration tab or click [here](#).

The St. James Calendar

Sunday	Sep 16	8 & 10 am	Worship-Rev Canon Steve Andersen
		9 am	Church School- Registration Continues
		11:15 am	Coffee Hour
Tuesday	Sep 18	8 am	Men's Coffee - Common Rm
		5:30 pm	Vestry Meeting - Office
Wednesday	Sep 19	9 am	Women's Coffee - Target Cafe - Ft Union
Thursday	Sep 20	7 pm	Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
Saturday	Sep 22	Noon	Food Bank Delivery/Restocking

Sunday	Sep 23	8 & 10 am	Worship
		9 am	Church School/Adult Forum
		11:15 am	Coffee Hour
		12:45 pm	Food Pantry Distribution
Tuesday	Sep 25	8 am	Men's Coffee - Common Rm
Wednesday	Sep 26	9 am	Women's Coffee - Target Cafe - Ft Union
Thursday	Sep 27	7 pm	Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary



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We appreciate your contributions to the newsletter!

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