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## Koinonia

*"Christian fellowship or communion, with God or, more commonly, with fellow Christians."*

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



July 12, 2019

## Vestry Corner



This last Sunday, it was an honor to be part of the reception and celebration for Nazanin. We recognized her long-term devotion to starting up and growing our Utah Food Bank distribution as she now focuses on her postulancy as a Deacon. In just this year alone, we have served 1,033 families and distributed 125,945 pounds of food. We see the numbers. They are impressive - our next door neighbor who works at the Food Bank has told me that St. James is the Food Bank's largest distribution point.

The individual impact is inspiring. On Saturday, Mac, Donna, and I were working in the garden and a woman drove up asking about the food pantry. She is going through cancer treatments and a cancer support group in the city had recommended St. James Food Bank. She's doing well to keep her current job and make her mortgage but her strength is not to the point where she can work as many hours, especially on the weeks she receives treatment. St. James was recommended because it doesn't have the stringent requirements and she'd be welcome. What a powerful message. I'm so thankful to be part of St. James and truly sharing God's love and celebrating it for all. Thank you, Nazanin, for starting this up and for all the many volunteers who help make this ministry possible.

Petey McKnight

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## Rector's Thoughts



Bishop Hayashi, during his recent Visitation, recommended parishioner discussion during a sermon to allow more faith sharing and community-building.

Last Sunday's sermon on Luke 10:1-11,16-20 was modeled on the cards we used at Diocesan Convention. St. James parishioners and visitors moved to small groups facilitated by Convention Delegates, Vestry members, and staff, and each person chose one of the following questions:

- How am I a laborer in the harvest?
- What does it mean in my life to "carry no purse, no bag, no sandals" in order to follow Jesus?
- What is a time that I shook the dust from my feet in one community and joined another that more closely matches my spiritual path?
- What do I find rewarding and/or challenging about sharing the spiritual path with others?
- How do I respond when I am rejected for my faith? How would I like to respond?

The discussions were fruitful and even visitors and newcomers responded positively to it. I want to thank all of you for your openness to new ideas and experiences at St. James. The Holy Spirit is moving powerfully in our midst and there is no limit to what can happen when we are open and responsive.

Peace and blessings,

Father Christopher



## Parish Talent

*Do you have any of the following skills to share with us?  
If so, or for more information, please contact the office. Thank you!*

*\* Notary Public*

*\* Retired nurses and social workers (for consultation)*

*\* Christian Education teachers*

*\* Building maintenance help, including simple plumbing and electrical*

*\* Calligrapher*



## Church Database "Breeze" Class

**July 31, Wednesday, at 12:30 pm**

there will be a quick lunch time class, in the office of St. James, to teach about 'Breeze', answer questions, and show you how simple it is to access the church calendar, phone numbers, and your profile.

A light lunch will be provided.

To sign up for the class please text Wendy at 801.520.4686 or email her at [wendy@stjamesutah.com](mailto:wendy@stjamesutah.com).

## Jerusalem Trip



Photo: With Episcopal Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry at St. George's Cathedral, Jerusalem, on Good Friday 2018.

***We will be able to get a group travel rate on airfare if 10 people sign up by August 1st. Our travel dates will be April 8th and 21st, 2020. Please contact Father Christopher with any questions.***

St. James will have our first Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2020. We will arrive on April 9th and leave on April 21st. Fr. Christopher will attend as our parish leader and the Rev. Canon Mary June Nestler will be our pilgrimage teacher. We currently have 10 spaces reserved and could add more if reservations are made this summer.

In 2020 Eastern Orthodox Easter and western Easter will be one week apart, affording the remarkable opportunity to experience two very different Holy Weeks and Easters back-to-back in Jerusalem. It will include a three-day excursion to Galilee as well.

This course is aimed towards those who may have a particular interest in liturgy, church history, or ecumenical studies, but it will also be geared to first-time visitors in the Holy Land who wish to experience a study pilgrimage with very different parameters from those that traverse the land. Mini-lectures, guest speakers, and special visits to churches not normally seen on St. George's College courses will supplement the main focus of the course: preparing for, attending and debriefing liturgies in the Greek Orthodox, Ethiopian Orthodox, Coptic, Roman Catholic, Armenian Orthodox and Anglican traditions. Students will be encouraged to become more acquainted with these ancient traditions on their return home by continuing in ecumenical exploration and fellowship.

The cost of the Pilgrimage is \$2,550. There is a \$500 deposit, with the remaining billed one month before the first day. (Additional costs include airfare, airport shuttle, drinks at restaurant meals, \$100 gratuity for staff, and lodging the night before and after the pilgrimage.) Angela Micklos is arranging a travel agent to find us the best airline rate and so we may travel together. *Please contact Fr. Christopher when you register.*

The St. James Pilgrims will meet at the parish 4-6 times before we depart to begin forming a community, to pray for the pilgrimage, and to learn about Holy Week and Easter liturgies and the current political situation in the Holy Land and how this impacts our Christian, Jewish, and Muslim sisters and brothers.

For more information click the link below:

**[St George's College Jerusalem](#)**



Mary June Nestler giving a compelling tour to Fr. Christopher and group.

## The Weeks Ahead at St. James

Saturday	July 13	12 Noon	Food Bank Delivery & Restocking
Sunday	July 14	8 & 10 am 9 & 11:15 am 12:30 pm	Worship Coffee Hours Food Bank Distribution
Tuesday	July 16	8 am 6:30 pm	Men's Coffee "Grumpies" - Common Rm Vestry Meeting-Office
Wednesday	July 17	9 am	Women's Coffee-Ft. Union Target Starbucks Cafe
Friday	July 19	5:30 pm	U2Charist Rehearsal-Sanctuary
Sunday	July 21	8 & 10 am 9 & 11:15 am	Worship—(U2Charist at 10 am) Coffee Hours
Tuesday	July 23	8 am	Men's Coffee "Grumpies" - Common Rm
Wednesday	July 24	9 am	Women's Coffee-St. James Common Room
Saturday	July 27	12 pm	Food Bank Delivery & Restocking

### Year to date:

**341** Volunteers have unloaded, stocked shelves, and distributed food.

**1,033** clients have gotten food for **4,015** people.

**125,945** Pounds of food delivered to St. James for distribution!

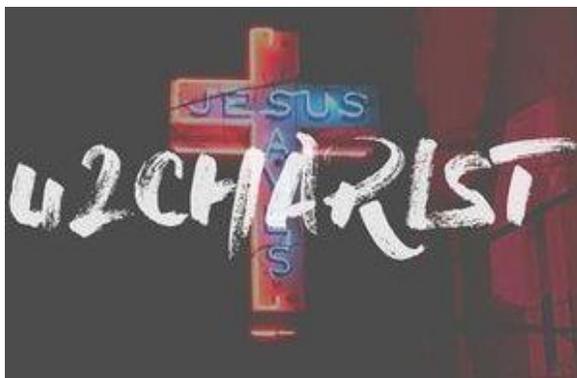


***St. James is an approved Utah Food Bank Partner***

## A Heads Up For Women's Coffee

The usual meeting place for the St. James' Women's Coffee Group is the Starbucks Cafe at the Ft. Union Target. Due to a major renovation, the group won't be able to meet there beginning **July 24. For about 6 weeks**, the group will meet in the Common Room at St. James. Target spokesperson said *"We are making the cafe area fancy for you! So hopefully you'll enjoy your new spot when you return."*

You can bring your own coffee or get a cup in the office. For more information, contact Mary Dillon.



The U2charist will be held on  
July 21st, at 10:00 am.  
Please contact Terry Palmer  
at 801-518-1404 or  
[thpslc@comcast.net](mailto:thpslc@comcast.net)  
to learn more!

Please remember we will be  
rehearsing on Friday, July 12th,  
and Friday, July 19th, at 5:30 PM.

*It will be here before we know it! Though  
we have 100 degree temperatures today,  
soon we will be relaxing in the cool, crisp  
air of the mountains in September.*

### Annual Fall Camping Trip

Yuba Reservoir  
Painted Rocks Campground

**September 14 & 15**  
(Many will be staying from the 12-16)



Yuba State Park, Painted Rocks Camp Ground, Loop A. (PR01 - PR22).

**[Click here to register  
for your camp spot.](#)**

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## **Around the Utah Diocese**

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### **Camp Tuttle**

2019 Summer Camp Tuttle Schedule:

- 7th and 8th Grade Camp (**July 14 – 19**)
- High School Adventure Camp (**July 21 – 26**)
- Family Camp (**August 2 – 4**)

New software links for registrations for Camp Tuttle and youth retreats:



**[Enroll New Camper](#)**  
**[Parent Dashboard Login](#)**  
**[Request Information](#)**

The first time you enroll for camp or youth events through CampSite software, you will need to create an account. Please click on "Enroll New Camper". This will allow you to create an account and then access the enrollment form right after. Once you create an account, you will use the "Parent Dashboard Login" link moving forward, and login to your account that you set up to access the enrollment form again or manage your accounts. If you have questions, please email [camptuttle@episcopal-ut.org](mailto:camptuttle@episcopal-ut.org) or call 801-322-4131.

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Thank you!

We appreciate your contribution on the newsletter!

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