



Why Wear Red for Pentecost?

The Sunday that is seven weeks (50 days) after Easter Day is the Feast of Pentecost. Pentecost the day on which we remember the story given to us in the second chapter of the Book of Acts.

The story goes:

- 40 days after the resurrection (which we celebrate at Easter) Jesus ascends into heaven (which we celebrate on Ascension Day)
- But before he ascends, Jesus promises that he will not leave us “comfortless”, but will send the Holy Spirit to strengthen and to guide us, to guide the church.
- Ten days later, on the Day of Pentecost, Holy Spirit descended on the people gathered. (note: Pentecost is an ancient Jewish festival of the harvest, the name of which translates from the Hebrew as The Festival of Weeks. This festival is referred to in Exodus chapters 23 ad 34, and in Deuteronomy chapter 16)
- In the Book of Acts, the story is told:

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other languages, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

So... on The Day of Pentecost in the church year, fifty days of Easter and ten days after the Ascension, the clergy wear **RED** vestments to signify the work of the Spirit. It is also a custom in many churches for the people in the congregation to wear **RED** on the Day of Pentecost as well. We wear **RED** to remind us of the fire of the Spirit.

In addition, a congregation with many dressed in **RED** is colorful.

And perhaps most of all, **it is fun.**

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<http://theadvocatechurch.org/why-wear-red-for-pentecost/>



Remembering Joy Steet

Audrey E. Steet, "Joy", age 74, passed away peacefully at home with her family by her side on Saturday May 20th

2017. Born and raised in Atlantic City, she is a daughter of the late Joseph T. and Audrey W. Boddy Smith.

Joy lived in Galloway Township before moving to Hackettstown, NJ in October 2012. Joy was married to her high school sweetheart James H. Steet for 48 years before his death in 2012.

She was a graduate of Stockton State College and had been a special education classroom aide at the Arthur Rann Middle School in Galloway Township for 18 years before retiring. Joy was an avid cook who had a vast collection of cook-books and kitchen gadgets. She enjoyed sailing, gardening, camping, birding, spending time at the boat and with Olivia & Otis.

She was a volunteer at the Trinity food pantry and a member of St. James' Episcopal Church in Hackettstown. While living in Galloway Township she and her husband were dedicated volunteers at the Forsythe Wildlife Refuge for many years.

Joy is survived by a son, James S. Steet of Dearborn, Michigan, a daughter Joyce A. Steet of Hackettstown, a brother Joseph T. Smith, Jr. (Cindy) of Absecon and her 2 adored grandchildren, Brandon A. Kous and James T. Steet.

A funeral service was held on Thursday May 25, 10:30 am at St. James' Episcopal Church 214 Washington St. Hackettstown. Interment followed at the Atlantic City Cemetery Association, Pleasantville, NJ..

In lieu of flowers donations in her memory to St. James' Episcopal Church would be greatly appreciated.

Cochran Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.



Honoring Rev. Fouts

Rev. Guy Fouts last day with us at St. James' will be Sunday, June 25th.

He has accepted a full-time Rector's position in Florida. His St. James' family will miss him, but we wish him

the best in his journey. Please join us for one service only on June 25th at 9 AM followed by a brunch to honor him for the time he spent guiding and leading us!

Vestry Highlights

- ✦ Discussion around licensing acolytes, LEMs and LEVs.
- ✦ Proposal for North Porch donations of formula, diapers, wipes and coupons.
- ✦ Mary Echeverria was thanked for her webmaster role in keeping our website up to date.
- ✦ The Parish Profile is being revised in order to seek an Interim Rector.
- ✦ Pat McKenzie, our transition consultant, is working with Paul Bartkus and Barbara Olesen on an Interim Rector.
- ✦ A bid by Advance Home Solutions was accepted by the vestry for roof repair. St. James' will seek a diocesan grant through the Ward G. Herbert Fund.
- ✦ The Golf Outing Committee is still seeking Hole Sponsors for the event on June 26th.
- ✦ St. James' will be hosting the next District 1 meeting in September.
- ✦ Sam Wood received application to place St. James' signs on Rt 46. The Vestry approved the application fee and annual fee.

OFFICE HOURS FOR

JULY AND AUGUST ARE:

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY

8 AM—1 PM

July/Aug Edition
Journal Deadline
June 25th

Fundraising Report

Shop With Scrip—Next order is due

Sunday, June 11th. Order forms are in the back of the church and in Snyder Hall.

Amazon Smile—Thanks to those who signed

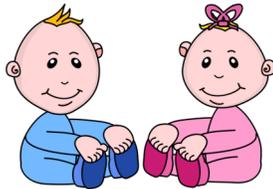
up to donate a portion of eligible purchases to St. James'. We received a check for \$26.32 from Amazon with no extra effort! It doesn't sound like a lot, but if more people can participate, our earnings go up!

Sign up at smile.amazon.com.

Thanks for helping to raise funds for the mission and ministry of St. James'!

Babies!

Connor, born May 13th...great-grandson of Peg and Harry Faust.



Minna, born May 19th..granddaughter of David and Barbara Olesen.

Thank You

Thanks to Meg Critchley,
Jewels Quelly and Cheryl

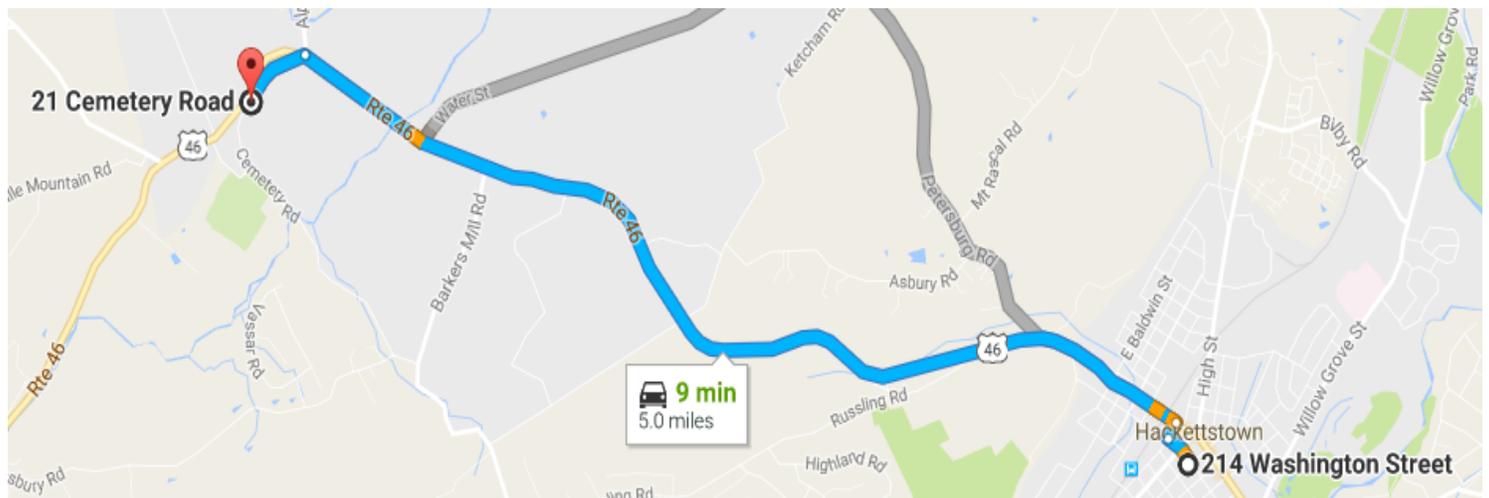
Perkins who celebrated Morning Pray at 8 and 10 AM services on June 24th while Rev. Fouts was on sick leave! We are truly blessed to have you lead us when needed!

Upcoming Events

- June 7th Parish Life Meeting at 7PM
- June 11th Annual Church Picnic at Field of Dreams. One Service only at 10:00 at the picnic.
- June 18th Last Day of Sunday School-Ice Cream Celebration!
- June 25th Rev. Fouts last Sunday with us. One vice only at 9:00 followed by a brunch.
- July 14th Save the Date-Mini Golf Outing-watch for more details!

Save the Date! St. James' Annual Picnic June 11th One Service Only at 10 AM

Field of Dreams Rt. 46 West from Hackettstown To 21 Cemetery Rd. Independence Twsp.





Yarn Twisters

I am happy to let you know that we have filled one box with goodies for the SCI mariners! I packed 35 scarves and 39 hats, plus 1 vest – and it is only May! Also, we received a donation of yarn from a friend of mine who moved and had a clear out, so we do have some yarn to carry us through for a while. Many thanks to the Needle Workers of Heath Village and Yarn Twisters of St. James' for supporting this mission and to Jerry Sheard who offered to deliver the box in early June.

We are always looking for new knitters and crocheters – the patterns are easy to follow and can be found on the SCI website at www.seamenschurch.org/christmas-at-sea. This also gives an idea of what colors can and cannot be used, no tassels or fringes. If you would like to knit/crochet for SCI and need more information, please contact me at frlbailey1@comcast.net or call me at 908-684-3566.

Thanks and enjoy the warmer weather!

Linda Miller



**JOIN IN THE FUN - THE
GOLF OUTING IS LESS
THAN A MONTH AWAY!!**

We're closing in fast on the 9th Annual St. James' Golf Outing. It will be held on Monday, June 26 at Farmstead Golf Club in Lafayette, NJ.

There is still time to register to play - teams and individuals are more than welcome. Entries for players are \$130 / person.

Almost just as good as playing is to join in the fun at the dinner following the golf. The cost for dinner only is \$35 / person. There is a chance to join in as well with the raffle and 50/50 - part of the lively wrap up to the day on the links. In past years, we've had 15-20 dinner guests joining the fun at 5:30 PM. Farmstead puts on a great buffet spread, and there is plenty of food for all.

Sponsorships for the outing are available. These cost \$50 / family, and can be made to the memory of loved ones. It's a nice way to help directly support activities such as the Backpack program, North Porch, and the Quinlan Bereavement Center. These causes are all a part of what St. James' means to the community and proceeds from the golf outing helps support these.

Entry forms can be found in the Narthex and in Snyder Hall, or you can go to the St. James' website to download a copy.

Deadline for registrations (golf or dinner) need to be made no later than June 15. If you have any questions, please speak to any of the Golf Outing committee members, Dan Miller, Phyllis & Paul Bartkus, Meg & Bill Critchley, or Barbara Olesen.

- Dan Miller

CALENDAR

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