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Rev. Wayne Sherrer — Priest-in-Charge



Vestry Highlights from the June - Aug Meetings

Engaging with our larger Community -

Fr. Wayne attended a meeting of local clergy at Hackettstown Hospital in August to discuss ways the hospital could be more engaged in the community and ways the clergy can have easier access to the hospital.

Fr. Wayne also attended a meeting of local clergy and other faith leaders in the area to discuss environment-centric issues affecting our communities and exploring where the different faiths have common ground in the climate change world.

Finances

The Finance Committee has resumed monthly meetings to work on a proposed budget for 2023.

Structure and Safety

The Vestry continues to discuss solutions for monitoring the Moore St. door to make it a more secure entrance. Currently it is open during our Sunday School and worship time. While we are certainly not in an area of high-risk for some kind of attack the Vestry feels that it is better to be safe than sorry. The stumbling block to simply locking the door when the service starts is what to do when someone arrives late and needs to use Moore St because they are handicapped. We're discussing a Ring doorbell/camera set-up and a hard-wired approach with a monitor in the church from which ushers could see who was at the door and unlock the door remotely.

We are also gathering estimates to replace the outside door of the Lady Chapel so it opens out rather than in and to put a cipher lock on it. A cipher lock is also needed on the door to the choir loft.

Getting the repairs completed on the Snyder Hall roof continues to be challenging. Marvin Walker, our Jr. Warden, is spearheading the coordination with the town and police, along with Pete Quelly (Sr. Warden), Dave Olesen, and Fr. Wayne, to get approvals for a dumpster in the street and possibly a crane as well. Jayne Mutascio is working on putting together an application for a Ward J. Herbert Grant from the diocese to potentially help offset the cost of these necessary repairs.

Pam Laura Vestry Clerk





Calling all knitters, crocheters,

Christmas Candy lovers and soap/
shampoo savers. Paul and Phyllis Bartkus will be
delivering these items to the Seamen's Church Institute
the week of November 7th. These items are put in
Christmas bundles for those who spend months at sea,
for warmth and comfort. Please note that Christmas
Candy must be hard candies such as mints. Soap/
shampoo samples from hotel stays go into ditty bags for
the seafarers. Please have these items in to the church by
Sunday, November 6th. Thanks you for your time,
talent, and treasure for those away from home!

We Welcome the Newly Baptized

Noah Cuccinello

Fr. Wayne Sherrer baptized Noah Cuccinello, son of Audrey & Albert Cuccinello, and brother of Cameron Honigsberg, Sunday, September 25th. Noah is the grandson of parishioners Meg & Bill Critchley.









Maintenance Morning

October 15

9 AM

Light trimming, weeding and tidying-up. Bring a leaf rake if you have one!



October Birthdays

John Sheard 10/01 Jackson Martin 10/01 Wayne Sherrer 10/08 Tanya Volkert 10/11 Chika Okoye 10/13



Awesome Amble #6

On September 24th, walkers came out for Awesome Amble #6 at Bread Lock Park. It was a small group,



but a beautiful walk with enjoyable discussion!

All Saints (Nov 6) & Veterans Day (Nov 11)

Please submit names for $\mbox{remembrance no later than October } 23^{rd} \; .$

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November Journal
Articles Due
Sunday, October 30th

Raise Right

(Formerly Shop with Scrip)

The Fundraising Committee will once again do our Gift Card Fundraiser for Christmas Shopping. Please watch for more details in October!

Anne Dutton and Barbara Olesen



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Fundraising

If you are interested in helping to support the ministry and mission of St. James' you might want to be a part of the Fundraising Committee. Have new ideas on new fundraisers that the congregation and community would be interested in? Please contact Anne Dutton or Barbara Olesen. We would love to have your help and input!

Altar Flowers



Sign-up sheet is available

Fresh flowers are delivered to St. James' for use on the altar each week. Please consider making a monetary donation in honor of or memorial to a loved one or events. The donation amount is \$25 for 2 arrangements. The sign-up book is in the church and you can select a particular date. After the service, one arrangement is donated to Colonial Manor and the other to cheer someone up who is in need of a floral joy!

Upcoming Events

October 2 Blessing of the Animals

October 9 Submit Names for All Saints and

Veterans

October 15 Maintenance Morning 9 AM

October 16 Stewardship Kickoff

October 23 All Saints and Veterans Name Due

October 30 Sunday School Halloween Party

' November Journal Articles Due

November 6 All Saints Remembrance

"Thanksgiving Food Drive Begins

' Seamen's Church Institute Donations

Deadline



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St. James' Staff & Vestry

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Vestry

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