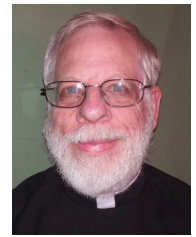


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Rev. Wayne Sherrer — Priest-in-Charge

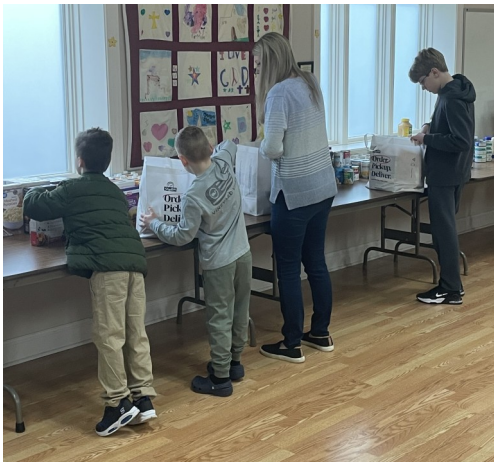


Easter at St. James'



Godly Play in Action:
Children and parents at Sunday School
participate in a Godly Play lesson about Palm
Sunday and Easter as presented by Helen.

Thank you to the St. James' Altar Guild for arranging
the beautiful Easter flowers for our Easter Sunday
worship!



Easter Food In-gathering
Loaves and Fishes! Many thanks go out to
all who participated in our Easter food in-
gathering for the food that was donated!
Thanks to your generosity, the Sunday
School kids assembled 15 bags, with some
more food left over for additional
distributions past Easter.
We are indeed fortunate that you take to
heart our motto that: "We feed People"!



Spring Maintenance Morning at St. James'
On April 11 St. James' had our outdoor maintenance
morning. The weather was not the best for sure with
chilly temperatures and drizzle. However, thanks to
Kathy, Laurie, Pete G., Marvin and Paul we weeded,
pruned and spread much-needed mulch to cover some
bare spots in our gardens. The church grounds looked so
much better in time for Palm Sunday
and Easter. Thank you to everyone for your help!



Phyllis Bartkus

Save the Date – Awesome Amble June 1st

I want to announce that the next St. James'

Awesome Amble will be Sunday, June 1st at 11 AM at Evergreen Park in Green Twp.

The entire walk will be about 3 flat miles with shorter options available. It will begin on macadam but the more interesting section will be out and back on the Lehigh and Hudson rail trail passing nature and cornfields. Leashed dogs are welcome. Event is rain or shine.

Evergreen Park is on Kennedy Road in Green Twp. Take 517 north from Hackettstown just past Tranquility Farms. Parking is easy. We will meet at the Park Pavilion at 11 AM.

Dave Lacouture

973-377-3603

A Reminder about our Sale of Shop-Rite and Weis Market Cards

Each month we solicit orders for grocery gift cards. The orders are taken on the 3rd week of the month, the cards are ordered on the fourth week of the month and the cards are then delivered on the first weekend of the subsequent month. (Orders for the May cards were taken on the week after Easter and will be delivered on May 4th.).

This is a great fund raiser because St. James' gains 5% for each card purchased (ex. \$5 on a \$100 card). When you buy the card, you get the full-face value to spend and we get 5%!

The cards are sold in denominations of \$25, \$50, and \$100 for both Weis Markets and Shop-Rite. The money that we earn is divided between use for ministry (Mission Strategy) and for our general operating budget. We also routinely ask for donations of \$25 cards to be added to our holiday food bags and for the Summer Backpack program.

Please ask Paul Bartkus to add you to the email list for notifications for when orders are due. His email is pbartkus@verizon.net or you can speak with him at church.

Mother's Day North Porch Collection

Since 1984, North Porch Centers for Women and Infants has been providing emergency aid, in the form of baby supplies, to mothers and infants in northern New Jersey, to help them stabilize and improve the quality of their lives. Clients in Hackettstown, Morristown, Dover, Jersey City, and Newark are able to visit up to six times a year and at each visit receive one week's supply of diapers, wipes, formula, baby food and toiletries. In conjunction with our recognition of mothers on Mother's Day, we will collect diapers, formula, and wipes for North Porch during the entire month of May. Donations may be brought on Sunday or dropped off in the tub on the porch of Mitcham House during the week.

St. James' Outing to

Rutherford Hall, Allamuchy:

*****Save The Date*****

Saturday, June 14th, at 10 AM

If you have wondered what that building is right before Route 80 on 517 North, after the pond, here is your chance to have a tour. At one time, it was the summer "cottage" of the Rutherford family, who owned property in Allamuchy and Tranquility, built for Winthrop Rutherford, father of Lucy Rutherford, who was known to be linked to President Franklin D Roosevelt. You will get to see inside the beautiful historical site and hear stories of its history. It eventually was sold to Daughters of the Divine Charity and then purchased by Allamuchy Township Board of Education and is used as an elementary school for residents of Allamuchy.

Cost is \$15. Per person and a headcount will be needed by June 8th.

Please sign up (signup sheet will be on the piano in the sanctuary) if you would like to attend.

If you have questions, please contact me at 908-310-0451 or lockwood88@comcast.net.

Kathy Lacouture

150th Anniversary Concert

Special guest: Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe

Friday, May 16

6 PM Reception
With light refreshments

7 PM Concert
An array of music, plus information about the diocese's past, present and future

8:30 PM Youth & Young Adults After Party
A chance for members 8th grade through early 30s to greet the Presiding Bishop

Hosted by
Christ Church, Short Hills



May Birthdays

- 5/1 Pauline Volkert
- 5/1 Emma Howlin
- 5/13 Wendie Germain
- 5/16 Philip Sherrer
- 5/17 Hayden Smith
- 5/18 Regina Sherrer
- 5/26 Tanya Niessen



*Happy
Mother's
Day*

150th Anniversary Worship Service

A service of Holy Eucharist closing out our year of celebration

Preacher
The Most Rev. Sean Rowe
28th Presiding Bishop



Celebrant
The Rt. Rev. Carlye J. Hughes
11th Bishop of Newark

SAT, MAY 17 • 10:30 AM
Reception following
with light refreshments

Hosted by
**St. Peter's,
Morristown**



Upcoming Events

- May 1-31 North Porch Collections
- May 11 Mother's Day
- " Sunday School Distributes Flowers
- May 16 150th Anniversary Concert 7 PM
- May 17 Diocese Worship Service 10:30 AM
- May 25 Sunday School Lesson -
Last Before Summer
- " June Journal Articles Due
- May 29 Vestry Meeting 6:30 PM
- June 1 Awesome Amble 1 PM

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Journal Articles Due

Sunday, May 25th

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St. James' Staff & Vestry

Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Wayne Sherrer
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Sexton: Pauline Volkert

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Junior Warden: David Olesen

Nona Wolosin Tanya Niessen
Janice Cipriani Ruth Najemian
David Lacouture Millie Quelly

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