#### Welcome to all newcomers and visitors!

Please sign our guest book and take a gift bag from the table in the church entrance. Join us in the parish hall for fellowship and some light refreshments after the 10:30 service.

#### **TODAY**

#### **Altar Flowers Today**

Flowers on the altar are given by Barry and Jo Ann Thompson, to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for blessings received, and for their St. James' family.

### **Sunday School and Childcare**

Our preschoolers will explore the concept of church in concrete ways. Our school-aged children will meet the men and women who play significant roles in the book of Acts. Join us for chapel, Bible readings, discussions, and fun activities! Sunday school is for toddlers to sixth graders, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the undercroft; childcare for infants is 9:00 a.m. to noon.

**FaithTalk: Hearing God Through Scripture, 9:15 a.m.** Join us in the parish hall meeting room as we study how to hear God speak through scripture.

#### Confirmation Class, 11:45 a.m.

Class will meet in the parish hall meeting room. Pizza will be provided! Confirmation will be held on Saturday, May 12, at the National Cathedral.

Acolyte Training (for LEMs too), noon to 2:00 p.m. Join us in the church after the 10:30 service to brush up, learn a new role, or learn to be an acolyte. LEMs are encouraged to come to learn the role of Crucifer.

Discernment Listening Group Tables, April 15 and 22 The Listening Groups for our discernment process have begun asking another set of questions for Phase 3 in the process. If you have not had a chance to respond to these new questions, visit members of the Listening Groups who will be waiting at specially marked tables in the parish hall following the 10:30 service today and Sunday, April 22.

Youth Group, 6:00 p.m. (early!) Get your gloves on! We'll beautify the St. James' grounds for Earth Day.

Spring Rummage Sale, April 27-28
Bring donations April 22-24. (See the flyer in this bulletin about acceptable/saleable donations.)
Please join us for setup April 22-26! We will be sorting, pricing, and bringing treasures out of the shed. Students earn SSL hours. Can't stay to help?
Bring food and cookies to support the crew.

#### COMING EVENTS

# Final Discernment Guest Preacher and FaithTalk Speaker, Sunday, April 22

Our discernment series closes with a visit from The Rev. Dr. Robert Phillips, Associate for Leadership Development for the Diocese of Washington. Robert will speak to us about stretching our imaginations beyond what God usually calls us to do, and will help us explore what we might be willing to risk in order to do something new.

#### Lincoln in the Bardo: Book Club, Sunday, April 22

This first novel by George Saunders is a book like none other. To join in the group-led discussion, come to the parish hall library, 6:45 p.m., Sunday, April 22. The group usually winds up about 8:15 or 8:30. All are welcome, first-timers especially.

## Lunch & Learn, Tuesday, May 1, 11:30 a.m.

TeAnna Abraham, Senior Center Director at the North Potomac Senior Center, will lead us in an "oldies but goodies" sing-along. She will also share information on the county Recreation Centers with designated programs for seniors. Reserve the \$10 lunch with Sarah Padgett at.

# Girls Just Wanna Have Fun (at church)!

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Back by popular demand!

Friday, April 20, 7:00-11:00 p.m.

For women of St. James' (age 21+)

Friday Fun Night in the Undercroft!

Join us for a no muss, no fuss kind of evening. We'll hang out, we'll talk, we'll play games, we'll eat, we'll drink, and we'll party the night away.

Come as you are—straight from work, in jeans or in pajamas. Anything goes! Please bring your favorite beverage and/or snack to share. Have a favorite game or activity? Feel free to bring that, too!

RSVPs appreciated but not required to welcome@stjamespotomac.org. We hope to see you there!