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



Our Annual Stewardship Campaign is On! Come More Fully to St. James': Bring your hearts, share your treasure.

Altar Flowers today are given by Alice Morrison to the Glory of God and in memory of Jerry Morrison.

Sunday School and Childcare, church lower level

This week we are taking a break from our studies of the Old Testament to engage in a Sunday of Service. Our Seniors will be telling the younger students about our big service project (to be unveiled at the Children's Sabbath service on October 28) and helping them make posters.

Sunday School is held 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.; childcare for infants and toddlers is 9:00 a.m. to noon. Join us for chapel, Bible readings, discussions, and fun activities!

FaithTalk Today: "Justice," 9:15 a.m.

Join us in the parish hall meeting room for our Care of Creation discussion series. Next week's topic: "The Full Impact of Sin."

Sponsor our Hunger Fund Walkers! Walk with Them!

Parishioner Ingrid Wang and St. James' youth group, led by Youth Director Rachele Donnelly, will participate in this year's Diocesan Hunger Fund Walk today. Ingrid is collecting sponsors; please indicate your sponsorship by sending your name and contact information to ingrid@stjamespotomac.org. Make checks payable to St. James' Episcopal Church with "Hunger Walk." in the memo line. Pledge payments may be given directly to St. James' and will be combined and donated as one.

Nominations for 2019 Vestry and Diocesan Delegates Now Accepted through November 4

The Vestry has approved the Nominating Committee's slate of candidates, but nominations may still be made from the parish. Parishioners who are eligible to vote may submit names of candidates for the vestry or Diocesan delegates, with 10 or more signatures of eligible voters, by Sunday, November 4. If you're not sure whether you're eligible to vote, contact the parish office. The Annual Meeting is Sunday, November 18.

St. James' Mission: Our mission is to bring people together to be transformed by and to proclaim Christ's love through worship, spiritual formation, and service.

COMING EVENTS

St. James' Children's School 25th Anniversary Celebration Friday, October 19, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Dinner, Dance, Auction! You're invited! RSVP at www.stjameschildrensschool.com.

Youth Movie Night, Sunday, October 21, 6:30 p.m. Join us for a movie, popcorn and pizza. Approaching All Saint's Day, we will be watching a recent, popular Disney/Pixar film. Can you guess which one? Bring \$3.

Halloween Funfest! Saturday, October 27



With Trunk or Treat, Spooky Organ Concert, and more! Help is needed to put on the show: Sign up online (St. James' website home page) or use the form in the church entrance.

Book Club Discussion, Sunday, October 28, 6:45 p.m. We'll discuss *Sula* by Toni Morrison in the parish hall (library or meeting room). All are welcome.

Volunteering at Shepherd's Table on October 31

It's our turn to serve again—on Halloween! Volunteer signups are needed by October 26 for the Wednesday October 31 dinner. Please use the new online portal to sign up. Go to <u>www.vhub.at/stjameschurch</u> to create an account and sign up for a shift. To sign up to serve for other meals (and daylight driving) use the main link, <u>www.shepherdstable.volunteerhub.com</u>.

Safeguarding God's Children Training

All paid staff and any volunteers working with children and youth who have not previously had training are required to attend. This includes Christian Education leaders and Sunday school teachers. Certificates good for three years and may be renewed online.

Register online: https://www.edow.org/forms-and-resources/safe-church/safeguarding-gods-children

Training held on Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.:

- October 20: St. Alban's Parish, 3001 Wisconsin Ave NW, Washington, DC 20016
- October 27: St. George's, Glenn Dale, 7010 Glenn Dale Rd, Glenn Dale, MD 20769