

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

Sunday School and Childcare

Sunday School is offered from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. for children 2.5 years to sixth grade in the undercroft. Childcare is offered 9:00 to 12:00 noon in the undercroft. Contact Andy Mason, Sunday School Co-Director: Sunday School@stjamespotomac.org

FaithTalk Mental Health Series, 9:15 a.m., parish hall

Join us in the parish hall for a discussion of "Mental Health and Montgomery Youth." Next week: The Relationship Between Mental Health and Poverty.

Do You Need a Ride to Church? Know Someone Who Does?

Call the church office and we'll help you find someone in your neighborhood to give you a ride. If you know someone who who needs a ride, please tell them to contact the office for transportation help: 301-762-8040.

Do You Knit or Crochet? We Need Prayer Shawls!

The demand for shawls exceeds supply! We have LOTS of yarn for making shawls for those in need of comfort and prayer. Pick up yarn and a pattern in the narthex or stop by the church office.



"Way of Love" Study, Thursday Mornings, 10:00 a.m., parish hall library: Join us as we learn about following "The Way of Love," and the practices outlined by our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry.

COMING EVENTS

Ecumenical Dinner/Study Wednesday, March 13, 6:00 p.m.

Read more in the box below! Our first Lenten Dinner/Study is at Emmanuel Lutheran, Bethesda.

Samaritan Ministry's "Next Step Breakfast," Thursday, March 14, 7:30-9:30 a.m.

Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington hosts this fundraiser breakfast to share the good work they do with people taking the "next step" in their lives. To attend, contact James Isaacs, james@stjamespotomac.org.

Quarterly State of the Parish Address,

Sunday, March 17: *Christ, Communication, and Coffee, with Rev. Meredith.* Please join us

in the parish hall after the 10:30 service to learn about the spiritual and financial health of the parish.



Adult Confirmation Classes New Start Date: March 24

At this time our confirmation class is filled with adults. If youth are interested in confirmation, we encourage them to wait until the fall to attend classes. Please contact Rev. Meredith, rector@stjamespotomac.org.

Book Club Sunday, March 24: *A Tale for the Time Being*

The Book Club will discuss Ruth Ozeki's tale of a lunch box washed ashore, possibly from the tsunami that hit Japan a few years ago. This self-led group meets in the parish hall at 6:45 p.m. All are welcome.

Lent

Events and Resources for Your Lenten Journey at St. James'

REFLECTIONS ON GOD FROM THE WILDERNESS

Please Share Your Thoughts and Experiences for Lent

St. James' is sending Lenten reflections to the parish by email, written by parishioners, about experiencing God in the midst of "wilderness." Emails are sent to the parish during the 40 days of Lent. We still have room for a few more reflections!

Please submit your reflections as soon as you are able to james@stjamespotomac.org (please indicate if you'd like your reflection to remain anonymous) so we may learn from one another during Lent.

Seven Locks Ecumenical Dinner & Study Series Begins Wednesday, March 13, 6:30 p.m.

Come enjoy this annual event on Wednesday evenings in Lent with our neighboring congregations of Seven Locks Road. This year's theme is "Bridging the Gap: Overcoming Differences through Christ's Love." We'll begin with supper, worship and study on **March 13 at Emmanuel Lutheran, 7720 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda.** See you there!



Lent Madness is Back!

Download the bracket and other information from www.lentmadness.org. Sign up for the Lent Madness emails and vote for your favorite saints, both admirable and astonishing, as they compete for the Golden Halo.