

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

FaithTalk, 9:15 a.m. "Supporting Loved Ones with Mental Health Conditions"

Today's topic is led by Lisa Goodkind in the parish hall. **Next week, January 26**, we will continue our study of Bishop Mariann's book, *Receiving Jesus: The Way of Love*, in the parish hall meeting room. Reading the book is suggested, but not required.

Mental Health Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.

Lunch and mental health presentations follow

We will praise God for being our companion and our source of strength. Our worship will recognize the ways that God can use the gifts of mental health professionals and supportive community while thanking God for our many blessings. Then come to the parish hall for a parish lunch and presentations by mental health leaders and the National Alliance on Mental Illness.

Sunday School and Childcare

Guess who's coming to Sunday School?!

The clergy are leading Children's Chapel during worship! This Sunday's lesson: "Jesus' Teachings."

Sunday School is offered 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. for children toddlers to sixth grade in the undercroft, with childcare from 9:00 a.m. to noon. For more information, see Marisol Castro or Rev. Meredith.

Do You Have Electrical Expertise?

The church Facilities Commission has an urgent need for electrical expertise and advice, and would appreciate hearing from anyone who might be able to help. Please contact Ken Van Valkenburgh or the church office, office@stjamespotomac.org.

Winter Weather at St. James'

Messages about delays and closures are available on our website home page www.stjamespotomac.org, and our office voicemail at 301-762-8040. St. James' follows MCPS weather-related decisions. Contact your group leaders for meeting and activity closures.

COMING EVENTS

"More Jesus, More Love" Revival, January 26

With Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, 2:00 p.m. at the Entertainment and Sports Arena, 1100 Oak St SE, Washington, DC. Visit www.edow.org/morejesus to reserve your free ticket (required for entry).

Book Club, Sunday, January 26, 6:45 p.m.

All This I Will Give to You, by Spanish author Dolores Redondo, is the book up for discussion Sunday, January 26, 6:45-8:15 p.m. in the parish hall. Nominated for several major awards and already translated into thirty-five languages, this book's title came from Satan's offer to Jesus in the wilderness.

Youth Group January Calendar

- 1/19 - Dinner Out** at California Tortilla in Cabin John Shopping Center for middle and high school; 6:30-8:30 p.m.; bring \$5 for dinner.
- 1/25-26 - Bishop's Lock-In** at the Bishop Walker School with the Presiding Bishop; RSVP required.
- 1/26 - Ice Skating** at Rockville Town Center, 6:00-8:00 p.m.; dress warmly and bring \$5 to cover cost of skates, doughnuts, and cocoa; no dinner.

Keep Those Flowers Coming!

Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Rev. Todd's ordination... The nine dedicated designers on the Flower Guild enjoy their work as well as the financial help and thanks from the congregation. Volunteer "greeners" and assistance from tall members of the Padgett and Murphy families have been a big help.

Please sign up to give altar flowers using the chart in the narthex, or send an envelope from the pew. Include your name, a dedication to be printed in the bulletin, and your donation of funds.

We don't budget for flowers; we rely on members to contribute in memory or honor of someone special or to recognize extraordinary contributions to parish life.

Altar flowers will be on sabbatical February 26 (Ash Wednesday) through Lent, but donations are always welcome, and Easter is sure to follow!

