

St. James Episcopal Church Weekly Newsletter

March 20, 2026

Please join us
In person at 8:00 a.m. online or in-
person at 10:00 a.m.
We hope to see you on Sunday!



SERVICE ON FACEBOOK LIVE

Our online worship
service is at 10:00 a.m.
The link will be on our
website at:
www.saintjamespr.org



Coffee Hour after the 10:00 a.m. service.



March 29 Palm Sunday (one service)
May 24 Pentecost (one service)
July 26 St. James Day (one service)

Service SCHEDULE

THANK YOU FOR SERVING ON

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

IN-PERSON & ONLINE 10:00 A.M.
PRESIDER: THE REV. GRETA RONNINGEN
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: BECKY HEWATT
CHALICE BEARER: MARILYN GERBER
LECTOR: BECKY HEWATT
USHERS: LUCY SIMOLA & BONNIE RAILSBACK
ACOLYTES: HERNANDEZ FAMILY
TECH: MARK PLANTS
COFFEE HOUR: MARILYN GERBER
VESTRY ON DUTY: JIMMY CICCOLO
ALTAR GUILD: TEAM C
COUNTERS: MARK PLANTS & SUE THORSON

SUNDAY, MARCH 29 PALM SUNDAY

IN-PERSON & ONLINE 10:00 A.M.
PRESIDER: THE REV. SHELLEY DENNEY
DEACON: THE REV. JAMES ARNOLD
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: LAURA LEARNED
LECTOR: TBA
USHERS: LEE ADINOLFI & NORA GAISI
TECH: SCOTT CURRIE
VESTRY ON DUTY: LAURA LEARNED
ALTAR GUILD: TEAM B
COUNTERS: KATHY & CHUCK BARTON



If you see an error above; no need to contact the office. Please check the service schedule for the correct information. Thank you!

MARCH SPECIAL GIVING



ALTAR GUILD

What is Altar Guild? The Altar Guild's ministry is more than just the beautiful flowers. We are responsible for preparing all the linens for each service. We tend the vestments to make sure they are well cared for and kept clean. Anything having to do with the sanctuary or any service at the church is part of the Altar Guild's ministry. The Altar Guild is a group of behind-the-scenes volunteers in our parish. This ministry is self-sustaining, which means that all the monies you donate to Altar Guild help to keep the service running smoothly.

When you donate to the Altar Guild, remember that your donation does much more than buy flowers. Your donation purchases the wine for the services, sanctuary candles, votives, oil for the candles and even gluten-free hosts! Your donations go a LONG way. There are specially marked envelopes for your donation in the narthex. Please make your donation payable to St. James' and designate Altar Guild Fund on the line.

Laura Learned Altar Guild

EVENTS

Mark Your Calendar

March 21	Work Day 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
March 22	First Communion Fundraiser
March 29	Palm Sunday (one service)
April 5	Easter Sunday
April 12	First Communion
May 10	Confirmation
May 24	Pentecost (one service)
July 26	St. James Day (one service)

OUTREACH NEEDS

Our outreach for Feeding the Hungry continues to grow. We used to serve between 60-80 people per month and we have increased our meals due to a greater need. We are currently serving approximately 200 people per month. We are requesting help in meeting our present needs. We need some help with both casseroles and cookies. If you can help, please contact Marilyn Gerber.



We have pans for the casseroles in the narthex-- please see the links below for some casserole ideas (in case you are stumped for what to make).

<https://www.thepioneerwoman.com/food-cooking/meals-menus/g31929060/easy-casserole-recipes/>



CHURCH WORK DAY
MARCH 21
8:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

CHURCH WORKDAY

Help get the church ready for Easter! We need all the help we can get. Sweeping, gardening, painting, general cleaning, dusting, organizing, etc. Donuts and coffee will be provided.


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During the Maundy Thursday service, the reserve sacrament, the consecrated bread and wine, is taken from the church to the Altar of Repose in the Chapel. From then until the noon time on Good Friday people sit and pray in the Chapel. You are invited to **sign up for an hour to watch with Jesus on the chart on the Chapel door.**



The Easter egg hunt after the 10:00 a.m. church service is a wonderfully fun family event! Please invite and bring your grandchildren, friends or relatives to the service and stay for our Easter egg hunt! There will be plenty of eggs for everyone! Bring your own basket or we have a few baskets to loan the little ones to collect eggs!



FLOWERING THE CROSS

You are invited to bring flowers on Easter Sunday morning to put in the cross.
Any loose flowers will work.
The more flowers, the better!

St. James Youth Religious Ed Fundraising



Youth Religious Education Program Fundraiser Eat in or To-Go

We will be hosting a Tacos fundraiser on March 22. The plate includes 3 tacos, rice & beans for \$10. The sale will be from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Holy Week Schedule



Maundy Thursday – April 2 at 7:00 p.m. with foot washing, Holy Eucharist, and stripping of the Altar

Watch Night Vigil – begins at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 2 through noon on Good Friday. Sign up in the chapel.

Good Friday – April 3 at noon Good Friday Liturgy with **Stations of the Cross**

Easter Sunday – April 5 at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Here Comes Peter Cottontail!



We have a couple of Easter activities coming up.

We Need Easter Eggs Filled!

We have a lot of empty eggs that need to be filled. Please take some to fill with candy or little goodies. We have lots of kids this year, so we need lots of eggs. Thank you!

We will be gifting each of our 5 Confirmation Students and our First Communion Candidate an Easter Basket. We are also providing a basket for acolytes. We will have the baskets in the parish hall to fill – one for each child. You can put anything you'd like in the basket. The basket will be identified by a number only—this is a surprise to the kids, so we don't want to write their names on the basket.

Please note—you do not have to purchase something for each child. You can purchase it for whoever you would like. You can get one child one thing, or you can buy some candy for each child—it is completely up to you. The only thing we ask is that you are careful if you are speaking about this in front of the kids, since it is a surprise for them.

#1 is for Ainhoa – Girl 7 years old.

#7 is for Rebecca – Girl 9 years old.

#2 is for Evelyn – Girl 17 years old.

#8 is for Roberto – Boy 14 years old.

#3 is for Breanna – Girl 14 years old.

#9 is for Kenya – Girl 10 years old.

#4 is for Belinda – Girl 17 years old.

#10 is for Alie – Girl 7 years old.

#5 is for Miguel – Boy 14 years old.

#11 is for Karla – Girl 9 years old.

#6 is for Fernando – Boy 14 years old.

#12 is for Kate – Girl 7 years old.

Suggestions for older students: Chips, candy, gift cards, wallet, purse, snacks from Dollar Tree, nail polish, small Lego set, Nerf foam balls, card games, or anything else you'd like.

Suggestions for younger students: Candy, gift cards, hair clips, bracelets, socks, nail polish, lip balm, slimy sand, mini plush or anything else you'd like.

This list of names will be in the drawer under the baskets, in case you need to check something on the list. Thank you!!

EASTER FLOWERS DEDICATION



If you would like to dedicate altar flowers for Easter Sunday, please complete the form below.
The deadline to get your dedication in is **March 29**.

I would like to help decorate the Church for Easter.

Enclosed is my check for \$_____.

Given by _____

Telephone or Email _____

Please dedicate the flowers

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

In thanksgiving for _____

Please place your flower dedication
as soon as possible.
Deadline for dedications is
Sunday, March 29, 2026

**WIN
GROCERIES
FOR A YEAR**



Help Patients for a Chance to Win \$10,000

Give blood April 6-30 to help patients in need – and you'll be entered for a chance to win one of two \$10,000 gift cards.* That's enough to buy groceries for a year!

PLYMOUTH AND ST. JAMES CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, April 18th, 2026
10:00 AM– 2:00 PM



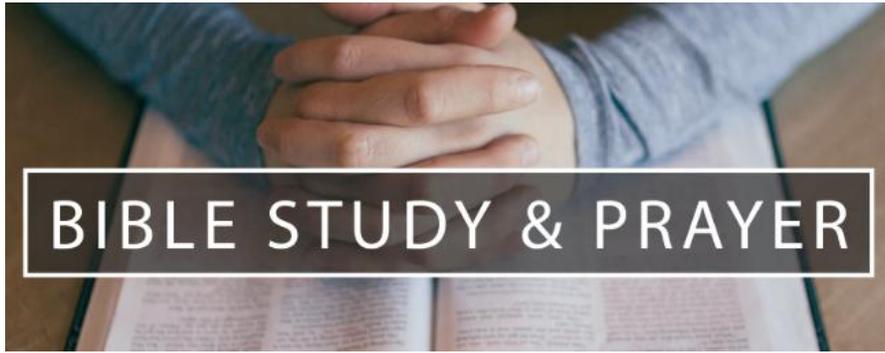
Donate in the Fellowship Hall at:
1301 Oak St., Paso Robles, CA 93446

To schedule your appointment call Vitalant at
877-258-4825 and mention blood drive code
SBA30008 or scan the QR Code

*Terms and condition apply; see vitalant.org/GroceryGiveaway.

Find us @vitalant:     

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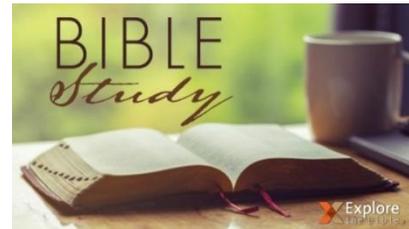
WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE



This week our Wednesday Evening Service is at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom. If you would like to join us, the link is shown below.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/97618986631?pwd=QUF6aUduWE9vUFJlQ2lzbmNYaWplUT09>

Meeting ID: 976 1898 6631 Passcode: 820301



All are invited to meet on **Thursday mornings** at 11am for a one-hour bible study via Zoom. The Zoom link is on our webpage. Each week we look at the Gospel lesson for the upcoming Sunday by reading the passage from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, The Message, and The Voice. Each translation offers a slightly different perspective on the lesson. Please join us!

<https://zoom.us/j/97608924151?pwd=SVJscVUzaEU4c25GcEtKZlQvNoVldzo9>

Meeting ID: 976 0892 4151
Passcode: 516838

The Women's Prayer Group meets for breakfast on the **second Wednesday** of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the parish hall.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP



Our Grief Support Group will meet on the **fourth Tuesday** of each month at 12:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Please bring a sack lunch, if you'd like.



The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will meet monthly. We welcome all men from St. James! Please contact Deacon Jim for more information.



TEAM A

Bonnie Railsback
Alice Jones

TEAM B

Carol Hungerford
Kathy Barton
Kathy Currie

TEAM C

Laura Learned
Marilyn Gerber
Sue Thorson

MAY GOD GRANT YOU MANY YEARS!



BIRTHDAYS

March 8	Joe Chouinard
March 15	Amanda Ferrell
March 17	Joyce Humphreys
March 21	John Joyner
March 24	Ron Johnson
March 31	Hart Junge

Vestry

Senior Warden:

Jr. Warden, Worship & Music:

Finance:

Administrative Communication:

Stewardship

Diversity Development

Buildings and Grounds:

Hospitality:

Laura Learned

Mark Plants

Dennis Breckow

|

Kathy Currie

Judi Dod

Jimmy Ciccolo

Becky Hewatt

Connie Higdon G.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Doris Theresa

PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYER

We give thanks for the life & ministry of:

Isolde & Robert Lata

Mac & Laura Learned

Mary Lumsden

Jeanne Marsh

Joan Morgantini

Bonnie Morris

Cynthia & Julie Mosely

Luis, Beatriz, Zairah & Matias Ochoa

DELEGATES



Delegates:

Laura Learned
Jimmy Ciccolo
Rosaleen Runnals

Alternates: