

St. James Episcopal Church Weekly Newsletter

September 11, 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.



MORNING PRAYER

This Sunday we will have morning prayer at both
services.

Service SCHEDULE

THANK YOU FOR SERVING ON

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

OFFICIANT: LAURA LEARNED
LECTOR: CONNIE GANNON
USHERS: HERNANDEZ FAMILY
TECH: ROBERT QUINTERO
VESTRY ON DUTY: CONNIE GANNON
COFFEE HOUR: MARK PLANTS &
MARILYN GERBER
ALTAR GUILD: TEAM B
COUNTERS: MARK PLANTS & MARILYN GERBER

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

PRESIDER: THE REV. RICHARD ROLLEFSON
DEACON: THE REV. JAMES ARNOLD
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: BECKY HEWATT
LECTOR: NORA GAISI
USHERS: GRIGGER AND ALICE JONES
TECH: PAUL DRASIL
VESTRY ON DUTY: BECKY HEWATT
COFFEE HOUR: DALE & PATTY BRECKOW
ALTAR GUILD: TEAM C
COUNTERS: JANET & PAUL DRASIL



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

SEPTEMBER SPECIAL GIVING



Our special giving for September is the Youth Religious Ed Fund. Our Youth Religious Education Fund provides for the expenses of running the First Communion and

Youth Confirmation programs at St. James. The Religious Education Program is completely self-sustaining and does not use any parish funds. Our youth program is wholly funded by registration fees and fundraising. Any help that you can give to this important program would be much appreciated.

There are specially marked envelopes for your donation in the narthex. If you choose to write a check, please make it payable to St. James, and designate Youth Education Fund on the memo line. You may also use the QR code and choose Monthly Special Giving from the dropdown menu.

RUMAGE SALE COMING SOON!



WE ARE READY TO ACCEPT YOUR DONATIONS! Busy cleaning out your house and garage? Need a “place” to donate all of those useful-to-others items? We have a place for you! Once again St. James will be having a rummage sale. It will happen on November 7. Donations will go to benefit the Youth Religious Ed program. Gather up all those things that you don’t need. This time we **WILL** take your small furniture. No books or clothing, but will take handbags, belts and other accessories. We have a cart that you can borrow to help you when you unload your car. Please ask at the office.

Marilyn Gerber, Sylvia Barker, Laura Learned



September 13

October 18

October 24

November 7

December 13

Morning Prayer

Fr. Peter Ackerman's 1st Service
at St. James.

Fiesta 26

Rummage Sale

First Communion

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. Store bought is fine, as long as they feed 10 people. If you can help, please contact Marilyn Gerber.

We have pans for the casseroles in the narthex--please see the link 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/>

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Save the date for this very special event in the courtyard at St. James!



Please bring your family and invite friends and neighbors.

***** RSVP Cards available at the back of the church. *****

Return your RSVP Card during September so we can plan plenty of good food!

If you would like to help us cover the expenses for the FIESTA, please speak to Newlin or Bonnie about sponsoring a table (\$320 each) or a sponsoring donation.

**WE HAVE A MYSTERY!
LAST CALL!**

These were left in the kitchen a couple of weeks ago.

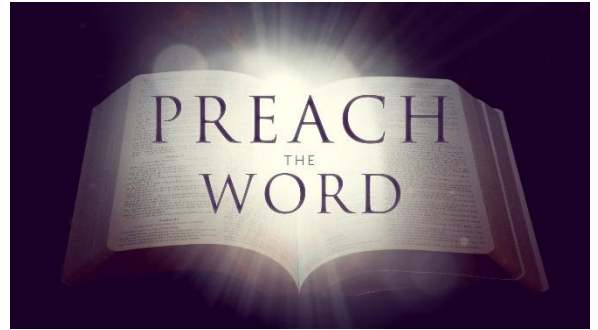
Does anyone know who they belong to?

Please let the office know ASAP. Thank you.



DO YOU FEEL CALLED TO PREACH?

The application for the preaching course offered by the diocese is now open. It is open until December 1st. This is an eleven-month program. It is online and meets once a month for about 4 hours on Zoom. The additional time commitment is between four and eight hours per month. If you are interested the application is on the diocesan website or if you have questions, ask Laura Learned as she is a “graduate” of the program. Once you are licensed it is a license to preach in your parish a maximum of four times per year. Hope you’ll consider it!



WANT TO READ A “FABULOUS” BOOK?

Then I have a recommendation for you. I just finished listening to “Theo of Golden”. It was recommended to me by a dear teacher friend of mine. I purchased the book and then thought since we were going to be doing “a lot” of driving over the four weeks we were gone maybe an audio book might be better. What I LOVED about the audio book was that the narrator gave each character a distinct voice and I loved that. If you are interested in reading it let me know and I’d love to pass the book on to you. If you more of an audio reader I HIGHLY recommend “Theo of Golden”

Laura Learned

Following Jesus into the Public Square

Practical and Spiritual guidance for living into our Baptismal Covenant



**October 17th 2026,
10 am – 3pm**

St Mary's Pacific Grove

\$25 includes lunch and snacks

We live in a time when political values are in direct opposition to gospel values. Many of us are discouraged and feel that there is little we can do to make a difference even as we see our neighbors being arrested, government programs decimated and the environment devastated. Yet our baptismal covenant calls us to persevere in resisting evil, to strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being, so we cannot simply step aside.

This workshop will:

- Help you discern how God is calling you to use your gifts
- Provide you with tools to live into your baptismal covenant, rooted in nonviolence
- Give you hope for the possibilities that God can open

Everyone is welcome. Come as you are. Please consider bringing friends from your congregation or community so that you will have a network of support.

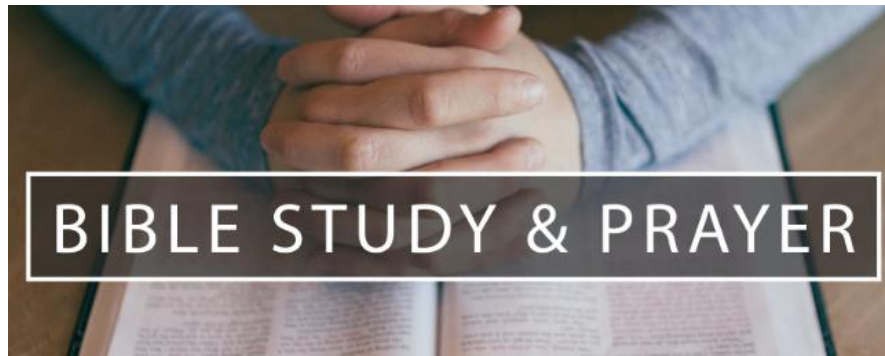
The workshop leader will be The Rev. Jaime Edwards-Acton. Jaime has been Rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church for over 20 years, a vibrant, bilingual, multi-cultural congregation in the heart of Hollywood. Jaime is co-chair of Sacred Resistance in the Diocese of Los Angeles.

We understand... a call to stand in resistance to the systemic evils that oppress and marginalize any member of our human family – including but not limited to racism, sexism, nativism, homophobia, anti-Semitism and Islamophobia. Grounded in our baptismal promises, our resistance to public policies that perpetuate those evils is how we put our faith into action in the world. ~ Sacred Resistance6

Note: This is a high participation event!

Register on the Diocesan website: <https://realepiscopal.org/en/social-justice-event-registration/>

Sponsored by the Social Justice Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of El Camino Real



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



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



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

September 1 Grigger Jones
September 26 Patty Breckow

ANNIVERSARIES

September 26 Fr. Peter & Marie Ackerman



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 Gannon

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Doris Ann

PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYER

We give thanks for the life & ministry of:

Kathryn & Neal Showers

Lucy & Bob Simola

Fernando & Straith Smith-Zanartu

Debbie Statezni

Yvonne & Charles Stowe

Sue Thorson

Pat Toft

Al & Sheila Vossler

Tom & Darlene Westbrook

Jane Wood

DELEGATES



Delegates:

Laura Learned
Jimmy Ciccolo
Rosaleen Runnals

Alternates: