

# St. James Episcopal Church Weekly Newsletter

October 16, 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](http://www.saintjamespr.org)



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

## ALTAR FLOWERS



The altar flowers are  
given by Liz and  
Newlin Hastings to  
the glory of God and  
to welcome Fr. Peter  
and his family to St.  
James and give thanks to God for  
bringing us all together.

## Service SCHEDULE

THANK YOU FOR SERVING ON

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

PRESIDER: THE REV. PETER ACKERMAN  
DEACON: THE REV. JAMES ARNOLD  
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: LAURA LEARNED  
LECTOR: JUDI DOD  
SPANISH GOSPELLER: DAVID DOD  
USHERS: BONNIE RAILSBACK & NORA GAISI  
TECH: NEWLIN HASTINGS  
VESTRY ON DUTY: JUDI DOD  
COFFEE HOUR: MARILYN GERBER &  
LAURA LEARNED  
ACOLYTES: HERNANDEZ FAMILY &  
ALIE HASTINGS  
ALTAR GUILD: TEAM A  
COUNTERS: LIZ & NEWLIN HASTINGS

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

PRESIDER: THE REV. PETER ACKERMAN  
DEACON: THE REV. JAMES ARNOLD  
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: MARK PLANTS  
LECTOR: GRIGGER JONES  
SPANISH GOSPELLER: PEGGY BEEMER  
USHERS: DALE & PATTY BRECKOW  
TECH: MAC LEARNED  
VESTRY ON DUTY: KATHY CURRIE  
COFFEE HOUR: BECKY HEWATT  
ALTAR GUILD: TEAM B  
COUNTERS: MAC & LAURA LEARNED



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

*Volunteer  
to host a  
coffee hour!*



#### LOOKING FOR MINISTRY PARTNERS

We are looking for ministry partners to serve as ushers and coffee hour hosts. Please contact the office if you can help!

#### 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



**Plenty  
Good Room**

#### St. James stewardship.

*'Tis the season... for prayer  
and joyful discernment of our  
pledges for ministry.*

*Did you get your packet?  
Ingathering October 25.*



October 18

Fr. Peter Ackerman's 1<sup>st</sup> Service  
at St. James.

October 24

Fiesta 26

October 25

Stewardship Ingathering

November 7

Rummage Sale

December 6

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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## THE GREAT PUMPKIN AT ST. JAMES



**We won't be doing Christmas baskets this year...  
so we switched it to Halloween!**

We will be gifting each of our 3 First Communion Candidates and our Acolytes a pumpkin basket. We will have the baskets in the parish hall to fill. 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.

Things that they would all love: Candy, chips, cookies, Starbucks, Target, Walmart, McDonald's. Anything that you think that they would like!

This list will be in the drawer under the buckets, in case you need to check something on the list.

Thank you!!

#1 is for Sofia – Girl 6 years old

#6 is for Kenya – Girl 11 years old.

#2 is for Leslie – Girl 5 years old

#7 is for Alie – Girl 8 years old.

#3 is for Alexandro - Boy 6 years old

#8 is for Karla – Girl 9 years old.

#4 is for Rebecca – Girl 10 years old.

#9 is for Kate – Girl 8 years old.

#5 is for Roberto – Boy 15 years old.

#10 is for Stephanie – Girl 18 years old



## **Fiesta '26!!!!**

**St. James Courtyard, SATURDAY OCT 24, 5-8pm**

*RSVP by October 4*

☐ Please reserve for us # \_\_\_\_\_ places for Fiesta 2026

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Free will donations will be accepted:**

☐ As a free will donation, we'd like to donate: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you want to make a donation, pay by:

☐ Check payable to "St. James Church" is enclosed

☐ Visa/MC with the QR Code, or call Newlin at 805-610-9243

If you use the QR code, please click "Fundraiser"



**Please return this reservation to:**

**St. James, 514 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Paso Robles, CA 93446**

***RSVP to  
reserve  
your seat!***



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



October 1, 2026

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

This year's stewardship theme, *Plenty Good Room* speaks of God's abundance. There is plenty of room at God's table for each of us. God's abundance invites us to enjoy the many ways we are connected to one another, our neighbors and to God.

Our parish budget is one way we tell the story of those relationships. Each pledge and gift sustains our common life: children growing in faith, neighbors receiving meals and care, worshippers being welcomed, and friends finding hope. Our budget is more than numbers; it reflects our values and our mission.

We take time each year to prayerfully consider our intentions, with God's help, to serve with the St. James community in the coming year.

- Please complete the enclosed **2027 Pledge Card** and return it by **October 25**.
- The front of the Pledge Card has space for renewing financial commitments, or to make a pledge for the first time. The back welcomes gifts through volunteering.
- We will pray over the pledges at a Celebration service on October 25. If you prefer, just return your card to the church office any time before that date.

**Every gift matters.** Amounts and types of giving will be different for each family. For those who are able, we encourage you to increase your pledge to cover some increasing expenses. As a community giving together, we trust we will meet our ministry needs.

Pledging is very important because our plans in 2027 will be prepared based on the total of pledges received.

- If you have never pledged before, please pray about taking a first step this year.

The enclosed **Q&A About Pledging** provides more information. We invite you to pray, to listen and to continue sharing yourself joyfully as part of the St. James community.

Joyfully,

Laura Learned, Senior Warden

Kathy Currie, Stewardship

Blood Drive  
Saturday, Oct 17 10 am - 2 p.m.  
Please consider Donating Blood  
Spread the Word to Others Volunteer to Reminder Call  
Volunteer to Greet for one Hour. Thanks!



## A Scary Good Giveaway!

No tricks, just treats. **Donate in Oct.** to help patients who rely on blood donations and you'll be entered to win **one of two \$10,000 gift cards.\*** Schedule your appointment today.

**Make an appointment at [vitalant.org](https://vitalant.org) or call 877-25-VITAL**

## Plymouth and St. James Church BLOOD DRIVE

**Saturday, October 17, 2026  
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**



**Donate at Plymouth Church in Fellowship Hall at:  
1301 Oak St., Paso Robles, CA 93446**

**Scan the QR code to SIGN-UP and SAVE LIVES!**

\*Terms and condition apply; see [vitalant.org/ScaryGoodGiveaway](https://vitalant.org/ScaryGoodGiveaway).

877-25-VITAL | [vitalant.org](https://vitalant.org)  
Because of you, life doesn't stop



Scheduling Link:

<https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa/appointment/guest/phl/timeSlotsExtr?token=iGUtrLgO%2F2ObFrYcMz%2B6fWIYsE8rMYgptuR9oQeriY8%3D>



Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem



# WHAT IS LIFE LIKE FOR **CHRISTIANS** IN PALESTINE?

Adult Education Coffee Hour  
October 11, 2026 at 11.30am

Presented by Doni and Randy Heyn-Lamb, members of All Saints, Pasadena  
and of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship's Palestine Justice Network



PR SENIOR CENTER

# HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>**

**9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!**

Shop  
Local  
❤️  
Support  
Local

COME SHOP LOCAL ARTISANS  
AND FIND UNIQUE, HANDMADE  
ITEMS INCLUDING:

- Handmade Crafts
- Home Décor
- Holiday Decorations
- Baked Goods
- Jewelry
- And More!

**VENDOR  
TABLES  
AVAILABLE**

**MEMBER PRICING**

| 3-FOOT TABLE | 6-FOOT TABLE |
|--------------|--------------|
| <b>\$15</b>  | <b>\$25</b>  |

**NON-MEMBER PRICING**

| 3-FOOT TABLE | 6-FOOT TABLE |
|--------------|--------------|
| <b>\$30</b>  | <b>\$40</b>  |

Support  
Local  
Makers

Thank you  
for supporting  
local makers!

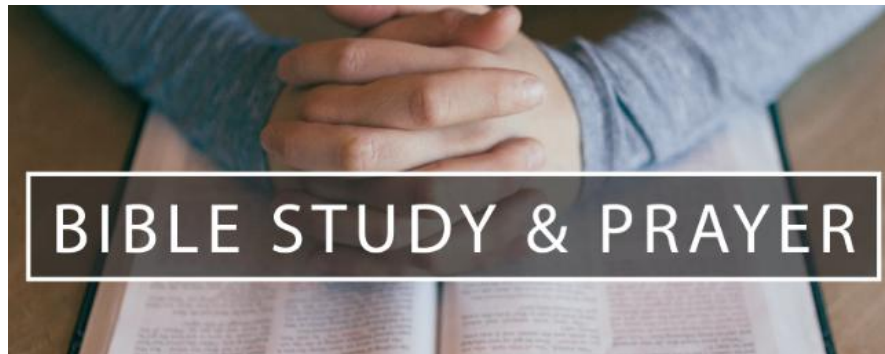


For Vendor Registration  
& Information:  
Paso Robles Senior Center Staff  
**805-237-3880**



**PASO ROBLES SENIOR CENTER**  
270 Scott Street  
Paso Robles, CA 93446

Shop Local ♦ Support Local ♦ Celebrate the Season!



### 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=QUF6aUduWE9yUFJlQ2lzbmNYaWplUT09>

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

## 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 Gannon

MAY GOD GRANT YOU MANY YEARS!



#### BIRTHDAYS

October 2

Bonnie Railsback

October 12

Peggy Beemer

October 14

Tom Westbrook

October 23

Kim Cruciani

October 28

Susan Funk

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Doris Ann

#### 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: