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**Sunday Schedule**

8 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
10 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:15 AM Coffee Hour  
5:30 PM South Sudanese  
Worship

**Holy Week Schedule**

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**April 16 – 11:15 AM**

Children's Easter Egg Hunt

**April 30 - 11:30 AM**

Adult Enrichment Program  
Bluebirds: A Preservation  
Success Story  
Dana Glenn

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**RECTOR'S MESSAGE**

Dear Saints of James,

When you receive this newsletter, we will be on the threshold of Holy Week, which recalls the last days of Jesus's life in Jerusalem, from his Palm Sunday entrance into the city, until his day of Resurrection. In our Episcopal tradition, we mark these days with liturgical services that include passages from Holy Scripture, prayers and rituals that are at the very core of our Christian identity, and remind us of what is distinctive about our faith and being God's people. I have been reflecting about the value of this Holy Week journey, of providing daily liturgies, of all the work that goes into the planning and executing of our services, in a culture that seems to go about its business and not acknowledge this sacred time for Christians. Does the Holy Week journey matter? Something to ponder. It matters greatly to me, because as I walk with Jesus through his last days, and do not shy away from the tragic events that captured his life, I have realized that Holy Week is a reality check each year, about the nature of life.

In the St. James Catechesis of the Good Shepherd atrium for 3–6-year-old children, when we read a passage of Scripture, we light a candle and the children and the Catechist say, "Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again." This is an echo of the words that we say each week during the Eucharistic Prayer. Here we are proclaiming that as people of faith, we have a foundational belief that life is a succession of dyings and risings. That is the saving pattern; it is the mystery of faith. It will never change.

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**St. James Episcopal Church**

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The Rev. Susan E. Bentley, Rector  
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Dottie Wrabel  
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**Standing Committees & Chairs**

**Finance:** TBA  
**Property:** Tim Buchholtz  
**Hospitality:** Kim Laxton  
**Stewardship:** TBA

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**Episcopal Church Women:**

Dorothy Herndon

**Daughters of the King:**

Carla Spencer

**Rector's Message continued. . .**

But Western industrial people, trained in the philosophy of progress and problem-solving, don't really believe that anymore. We much more believe that we can, with our own ingenuity, overcome the Paschal mystery. That we can create a family, a community, a parish, a church, an institution, a society, a country that will not have to go through the dying of things. Holy Week is the counter cultural message of our faith that challenges the notion that we can get by without any betrayals, loss of companions, denial from loved ones, abandonment of our bodies, pain, suffering, dying to our old selves, that we might be resurrected to new life.

Fr. Richard Rohr, SSF, writes this about dying and rising: " It's not true that everything's getting better and better. That fallacy is being taken away from us. But we can return to the pattern of our faith and the pattern of reality: that things die and things resurrect and both are good teachers. Christ must be recognized and welcomed in both places—in the dying of things, and in the ecstasy and the loveliness of things. The way down always teaches us. We need times where the soul is broken and we need some place we can go and weep and mourn. But we must have healthy people there who don't let us sink into that negativity as a way of life. As people of the church, we are called to be agents of transformation who witness and accompany change with the wisdom of the soul."

For me, Mary Magdalene is the wise soul that is a model of one who went down to the depths of pain by being present for Jesus's crucifixion and death. She knew Jesus's body had been taken down from the cross, hurriedly wrapped in linen cloth and laid in a new tomb, for the Jewish Sabbath was beginning. The body had not been fully prepared for burial, so Mary returned to the tomb early in the morning after the Sabbath had ended, with spices and oils, intending to complete the burial ritual for Jesus. In spite of her pain and loss over the death of Jesus, Mary came to honor Jesus in his death, as she had done in his life. As we know from Scripture, she found an empty tomb, and when Jesus appeared to Mary, she was the first to see and believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again! This pattern of dying and rising is the nature of life, and essential for our Christian faith. Begun in the Garden of Eden, this dying and rising is seen over and over in the generations of God's people, and then God became incarnate in the person of Jesus, to show us explicitly this reality of death and resurrection.

This is why Holy Week is necessary for me, and I think for all Christians; it allows us to engage, in person, with the spiritual rituals that take us to the depths, so that we might know that life does not end there. Death sealed in a tomb, is opened and new life emerges: transformed, renewed, and flourishing. There are many examples of this in life beginning with the four seasons of nature. Too often, we get stuck in the pathos of the

deaths of life, particularly if we are regular followers of the news media-most of what gets reported is the loss, the dying, the suffering. We need the Easter resurrection to remind us that death is not the final reality, death does not have the last word; Christ did die, but Christ is risen and Christ will come again, and again, and again. Be brave and dare to come, in the faint light of dawn, to the places of pain and suffering in your life, in the lives of others, in our society, to be a holy presence of a faithful follower, and if your eyes are discerning in the morning haze, you can, like Mary Magdalene, see, believe and proclaim that Christ has risen, Christ has come again!

Blessings for your journey from Palm Sunday to the Day of Resurrection, SEB+

### **St. James Cycle of Prayers**

**In April, we give thanks for the services of the Property Committee members and the Gardeners. We pray that their ministry to maintain, enhance, and beautify the parish property and grounds continue to be rendered to the Glory of God.**

Dear Saints of James,

Joining with you, I give thanks to God for Mother Sue's 22 years of extremely meaningful ministry at St. James.

Transitional plans are now in place for Bishop Mark and Canon Jonathan Harris to meet with the vestry to discuss interim leadership. That interim ministry should not be complicated by an additional staff member, the "adjunct pastoral associate." In other words a clean slate, without chalk, marks new beginning.

Since my retirement a quarter of a century ago I have led six interim ministries of a year or longer duration, and supplied at 24 parishes in our diocese. But when I was not serving as interim or supplying, I was almost always at Saint James, either in the pew ( third pew epistles side) or in the sanctuary behind the altar rail. Saint James has been my home parish, always a welcoming ministry for both Mimi and for me.

But now the time has come for welcoming "new leadership for the ongoing mission and ministry of the saints of James doing God's work." And so as Mother Sue retires in June I will be returning to my former parish, Saint Paul's, Salem, where I was Rector for 28 years. I will be leaving with deep appreciation for your many thoughtfulnesses, for your graciousness to Mimi my life partner, and for honoring me by allowing me to have a ministry among and with you.

I feel blessed by God and by you, my dear friends and fellow pilgrims, and for our music, liturgy and the sacraments

together—and yes, even an occasional winning ticket at treat of the week. It's been a blessing and a transport of the Trinity's radiance, perhaps even with Saint James himself smiling, and for which I am indebted and very grateful.

Father Bob

### **TREASURERS' CORNER . . .**

By Kevin Shepherd

**Financials: February 2023**  
(These are Year-to-Date actual amounts not budgeted amounts)

Operating Income: \$25,512.66  
Operating Expenses: \$43,228.83  
Net (Loss) Operating Income:  
(\$17,707.17)

#### **One way to help fundraise for St. James:**

(1) Kroger. For your Kroger grocery purchases to be credited towards St. James fundraising efforts, you will need to register online with Kroger ([www.kroger.com/communityrewards](http://www.kroger.com/communityrewards)). St. James' exclusive community rewards organization number is VM990. If you need assistance with signing up, please contact Avis Aheron ([avisaheron@hotmail.com](mailto:avisaheron@hotmail.com) or 540-580-9203). It will take just a few minutes to sign you up, and St. James will receive a check based on the percentage of sales, split among participating organizations.

**YOUTH NEWS . . .****2023 Diocesan Youth Events**

- ✚ Spring Youth Event - 5th through 8th graders, **April 14-16**
- ✚ Summer Mission Trip-Middle School, **June 18-24**, Grace House
- ✚ Summer Mission Trip-High School, **June 25-July 1**, Grace House

**SYE23:** Spring Youth Event (SYE) for youth in grades 6-12 is less than a month away. We will gather from April 14-16 for a weekend under the stars at St. Paul's, Bear Mountain (cabins are available for those not wanting to camp). Activities will include small groups, messy games, a campfire, and lots of acres to explore. On Sunday morning, we will join the people of St. Paul's for worship. Please sign up soon so we can anticipate the number attending. Read more & register:

<https://conta.cc/3kDdyVL>

**June 18-24:** Summer Middle School Mission Trip to Grace House. For more information: [linktr.ee/episcopalswva](http://linktr.ee/episcopalswva)

**June 25-July 1:** Summer High School Mission Trip to Grace House. For more information: [linktr.ee/episcopalswva](http://linktr.ee/episcopalswva)

**Phoebe Needles Summer Camps:**

Registration is now open for camps at Phoebe Needles. For all the details and to register for camps go to:

<https://phoebeneedles.org/>

**Residential Camps:** Residential (overnight) camps @ Phoebe Needles are designed for rising 5th through 12th graders. Certain camps have specific age

requirements, such as First Year Camp, which is designed specifically for rising 5th-6th graders that have never been to camp before. Whether it be rock-climbing, rappelling, camping, improving the community, or learning through creative artistic expression, each of the week-long residential camp programs offer a unique and memorable experience for our campers.

- ✚ Middler Camp: June 18 – June 24 (rising 7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> graders)
- ✚ Senior Camp: June 25 – July 1 (rising 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders)
- ✚ Outdoor Expedition: July 2 – July 7 (minimum age 13)
- ✚ First Year Camp: July 2 – July 7 (rising 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> graders)
- ✚ Rock Climbing Camp: July 9 – July 15 (minimum age 13)
- ✚ Art Camp: July 16 – July 22 (minimum age 11)
- ✚ Nature Camp: July 16 – July 22 (minimum age 11)
- ✚ Outreach Camp: July 23 – July 29 (rising 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders)

For more information, and to register visit: <https://phoebeneedles.org/>

**OUTREACH NEWS...**  
**By Maile Armstrong**

The benevolence offering for April 16 goes to the United Thank Offering. To make a donation, pick up a blue UTO box in the parish hall and return it by April 16<sup>th</sup>, make a check payable to St. James Episcopal Church, with UTO on the memo line, or to donate on line go to the UTO website at: <https://unitedthankoffering.com/give/>

United Thank Offering (UTO) has been a standout ministry of the Episcopal Church since 1889. Giving thanks for things big and small is the heart of UTO. It allows grants throughout the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion to address issues in communities such as building a shower and laundry facility adjacent to a Soup Kitchen in Michigan, an energy efficient heating and cooling system for an alcohol recovery and domestic violence program in New Mexico and rebuilding a community room at Grace Episcopal in Lexington, VA for planning and creating a space for Beloved Community.

These are some of the more than 5000 projects made possible by your donation individually, through the parish or directly to UTO over the last 133 years. And UTO is committed to using %100 of the donations received towards these projects.

In the meantime, donations to United Thank Offering carry on the tradition of Julia Chester Emery who raised \$1094.00 in 1889 to send a missionary to Japan.

What are you thankful for right this minute? What makes you grateful today? Identify 1 thing right now you are thankful for and give in response. Blue UTO boxes are available to carry home so you can try to contribute every time you find you are grateful; nickels or dollars whatever you can give.

## **UTO Prayer:**

“Gracious God, source of all creation, all love, all true joy: accept, we pray, these outward signs of our profound and continuing thankfulness for all of life. Keep each of us ever thankful for all the blessings for joy and challenge that come our way. Bless those who will benefit from these gifts through the outreach of the United Thank Offering. This we ask through Him who is the greatest gift and blessing of all, Jesus Christ. AMEN”

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS ...**

### **Easter Vigil Gourmet Reception**

A gourmet dessert reception will follow the Easter Vigil, on Saturday, April 8th, as we gather together to celebrate the Resurrection, with invited members of St. Mark's Fincastle, and St. Paul's, Salem. Please bring your most decadent gourmet finger foods to break our Lenten fast. If you can help set up or clean up for the reception, contact Hospitality Committee chair, Kim Laxton, 561-0613

### **Flowers for Easter Day**

If you can find any flowers blooming in your yard on Easter morning, please bring some to contribute for the children's flowering of the Cross.

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

The Sunday School Easter Egg hunt will be Sunday, April 16th, Easter II, following the 10:00 am service. The children are

asked to bring an Easter basket and to gather downstairs with Mrs. Ann Bird after the service. If the weather is bad, the hunt will be the following week.

### Yarn To Go.....

St. James knitters and crocheters are welcome to use the donated yarn in the Parish Hall to make hats and scarves for our winter clothes line. The season has come to an end, and the clothes line put away for this season, but contributions are collected year-round so we are prepared when cold weather comes next fall. Drop your knitting projects off in the office and they will be stored until the clothes line goes up next winter.

### Adult Enrichment Program

“Blue Birds: A Preservation Success Story,” will be presented on Sunday, April 30th, by Dana Glenn, member of St. Elizabeth’s Episcopal Church, Roanoke. This will be after a brief coffee time, in the Parish Hall. The program also includes the other cavity nesters: chickadees, titmice, and the dreaded house sparrow.

Dana has been “Blue birding” for 25 years; she is a member of Virginia and NC Bluebird Societies and the North American Bluebird Society. She is the County Coordinator for Roanoke and Botetourt Counties with Virginia Bluebird Society. As a middle school teacher, she is a NC certified Environmental Educator, now retired. Plan to join a delightful presentation and bring your questions.

### Phoebe Needles Center for Life Long Learning:

April 11, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.” Alan Messenger and friends will present “Phoebe Needles Mountain Band.” Alan Messenger and his friends have shared their passion for music many times over the years at Phoebe Needles Center, Inc. We are fortunate to have these wonderful musicians in our community! Alan and friends will present bluegrass and oldtime songs that are sure to get your feet tapping and bring a smile to your face! Please invite your friends and neighbors to the Center for Lifelong Learning, and bring them along to hear some great music and enjoy a morning of fellowship! Following the music, join us for a delicious lunch!

To make a reservation, call the office at (540)483-1518, or email [PNCenter@gmail.com](mailto:PNCenter@gmail.com). **Please make your reservations no later than the Friday before the event.** You are welcome to arrive at McCauley Hall for a coffee social at 9:30 a.m. prior to the event. Lunch starts at approximately 12:00 p.m. The cost of the program plus lunch is \$12.00 for members and \$20.00 for non-members. **You MUST call ahead and make a reservation to ensure we prepare enough lunch.** If you have a food allergy or other special dining need such as vegan, vegetarian, gluten-free, low-salt or other requirements, please notify us at the time of your registration. We will try to provide a meal that meets your needs; however, we may not be able to honor all requests. Special requests may be emailed to [PNCenter@gmail.com](mailto:PNCenter@gmail.com).

## **The 7th Annual Spring Gathering @ Phoebe Needles**

The Board of Directors of Phoebe Needles, the Camp & Conference of the Episcopal Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, invites you to celebrate the 121st Anniversary of the Phoebe Needles Center. Come enjoy a day in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountain where there has been an Episcopal presence for over 12 decades. Enjoy live music, free food, activities for children and youth and tours of the facility, **April 22, 2023, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.** RSVP to 540-463-1518 or [PNCenter@gmail.com](mailto:PNCenter@gmail.com). For more information and directions to Phoebe Needles, check the website: [www.PhoebeNeedles.org](http://www.PhoebeNeedles.org). If you are interest in riding the St. James bus for this event, let the Rector know.

### **Feed Gertie the Goat**

Gertie the Goat is ready for her final feeding. For decades we have used Lenten alms giving to purchase goats. Episcopal Relief & Development has a Gifts for life program that provides livestock and training to empower individuals and families around the globe, generates income through sale of milk; and encourages recipients to become self-reliant with food and income. Goats provide milk, cheese & butter, better crop yields by creating fertilizer & clearing land. One goat can produce 4 gallons of milk a day, which is easy for people to digest. Goats need little land as they are considered “zero grazers”, and their natural curiosity and intelligence make them great pets for families.

Remember Gertie when you are adding to your Giving Jar/Box at home, and after Easter Sunday, we will buy goats to be sent to our neighbors in South Sudan. Checks can be made out to St. James with a notation for “Gertie the Goat” or donations can be made on line through our St. James website (<https://stjames.dioswva.org>); in the “note field” designate your contribution.

### **Black in Appalachia Adult Pilgrimage**

Join a Diocesan sponsored pilgrimage April 28-30, 2023, to explore and learn about the roots of black history in the Appalachian Mountains. There is a limit of 15 spots for this trip, so register early. The pilgrimage will begin Friday, April 28th, late afternoon, at Grace House on the Mountain, St Paul, Virginia, (Wise County). The group will have dinner at Grace House, where the Rev. Preston Mitchell will prep everyone for the pilgrimage. On Saturday morning, the group will set out on a daylong journey through the Appalachian Mountain, stopping at several lynching sites, the Appalachian African American Cultural Center, lunch at the AME church in Big Stone Gap, and, with the help of four-wheel drive trucks and drivers who know the terrain, will go up a mountain to see the burial site of a small African American community. There will also be times for worship during the day. On Sunday, we will join the Appalachian Alliance of Churches for their joint worship at Stras Memorial in Tazewell. For more questions, contact Canon Pattie Ames, [pames@dioswva.org](mailto:pames@dioswva.org); there is more information and the registration link



on the diocesan  
website: <https://www.dioswva.org>

### **Baptismal Dates for 2023**

“Holy Baptism is especially appropriate at the Easter Vigil, on the Day of Pentecost, on All Saint’s Day or the Sunday after All Saint’s Day, the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord, (the first Sunday after Epiphany.) It is recommended that, as far as possible, baptisms be reserved for these occasions or when a bishop is present.” The Book of Common Prayer, page 312.

The Baptismal dates for St. James in 2023 are: the Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 8; Pentecost, Sunday May 28; All Saints Sunday, November 5. If you would like to be Baptized or have a child you would like to be Baptized, contact the Rector.

### **Altar Flowers**

There are a few more Sundays available for you to give altar flowers. The Altar Flower chart is on the bulletin board by the kitchen, and you are invited to sign up for the Sundays that you wish to give flowers in 2023. Flowers each week are \$25.00, and checks can be made out to St. James Episcopal Church, with a memo of “flower fund” and left in the office, or put in the offering plate. If you know what dedication you would like for the flowers, you can turn that in with your money. If you are not sure at this time, then you will need to leave the dedication information at the Church office, or email it to [stjames@rev.net](mailto:stjames@rev.net), by

Tuesday, prior to the Sunday you will be giving flowers.

### **Wednesday Evening Bible Study**

The weekday Bible Study, led by Bob Canova, continues to meet on Wednesday nights at 7 pm. in the Conference Room on the lower level of the Parish House. The current study is on the Fruits of the Spirit. All are invited to participate; For more information contact John Whitcomb, 540-563-1708 or Bob Canova, 540-819-7255 (mobile), [bob.canova@cox.net](mailto:bob.canova@cox.net).

### **Treat of the Week Donations**

Thank you to those who have donated to our weekly coffee hour, "your lucky day" event. Please continue your contributions. Items welcomed include gift cards, food items, specialty baskets, holiday themed items, and small practical gifts. The proceeds from your ticket donation, go to the Building Fund for property repairs and replacements. Karen Martin welcomes your Treat of the Week donations.

### **Forward Day By Day**

Forward Day By Day devotionals for the months of February, March and April, and May, June, July are available for pick up at St. James in the Parish Hall and downstairs outside the office. The devotionals are \$1.00/each; there is a collection jar in the Parish Hall. Feel free to share Forward Day By Day with family, friends and neighbors, or other Saints of James who may not be getting to Church.

## Little Free Pantry

Our Little Free Pantry continues to be well used and appreciated. Please continue to stock our pantry with non-perishable foods in **unopened** containers, personal care items and paper goods.

### APRIL BIRTHDAYS...

April 1	Ryan Kovac
April 6	Krystal Ohl Miller
April 10	Joanna Baker Capps
April 11	Ivica Trupcevic
April 11	Pat Ball
April 18	Grace Gawor
April 29	Sam Campbell

### APRIL ANNIVERSARIES...

April 10	Mother Sue's ordination to Priesthood
April 16	The Rev. Linda Ricker's ordination to Diaconate
April 29	Deidre and Billy Franey

**The Holy Week Journey at St. James Episcopal Church  
April 2 through April 9, 2023**

The services of Holy Week commemorate Jesus' descent into death before the great miracle of Easter. If you allow yourself to descend to the depths of despair in what seems to be Jesus' final hours, you will experience in new ways the incomparable power of the resurrection of Easter. Daily Eucharists trace the journey, building through the foot washing service on Maundy Thursday, the veneration of the Cross on Good Friday, the waiting of Holy Saturday, to the triumph of Easter in the Great Easter Virgil service and the joyous Easter Sunday celebrations.

**Palm Sunday: 8:00 am and 10:00 am; 5:30 pm South Sudanese Worship**

Palm Sunday comprises two very different themes. Initially we focus on the Messiahship of Christ, which we celebrate with the blessing of palms and a procession into the church. Then, the mood switches to sadness as we remember the events leading up to our Lord's death in the solemn reading of the Passion Gospel.

**Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in Holy Week: 12:15 pm**

These are meditative Noon Day Prayer services in which we reflect on some of the lesser-known themes of Holy Week. These services provide the time and space for quiet reflection on our journey to the Cross. On Tuesday the laying on of hands and anointing for healing will take place in the liturgy for those who wish to participate.

**Maundy Thursday: 7:30 pm**

Maundy Thursday commemorates the humility of Jesus and the institution of the Holy Eucharist. To follow Jesus' example of servant ministry, we will be washing the feet of those who desire it, and following the celebration of Holy Eucharist, the Holy Sacrament will be taken downstairs to the Altar of Repose in room #16. You are invited to keep vigil and pray as the Disciples were instructed to do, in the presence of the Holy Sacrament. The altar and sanctuary will be stripped at the end of our service, symbolizing the stripping of Jesus' clothes. We will leave silently in the darkness.

**Good Friday: 12:15 pm**

The Stations of the Cross are a devotional practice that remembers the steps of Jesus to his death through prayers and meditations. The Social Justice Stations of the Cross, prepared by The Diocese of Southwestern Virginia will be offered in the Nave at St. James.

**Good Friday: 7:30 pm**

At 7:30 pm, we will gather at St. James to join Jesus at his crucifixion with our Episcopal Good Friday liturgy.

**Holy Saturday: 9:00 am**

There is no celebration of the Eucharist at this service as we wait suspended between Jesus crucifixion and his rising from the dead. The Holy Saturday liturgy is a solemn one of lessons and prayers.

**The Easter Vigil: 8:30 pm**

The Easter Vigil is the first service of the Easter season celebrated after sun down on Saturday, and it is the premiere liturgy of the Christian year. We hear the story of God's saving acts throughout history. We will renew our Baptismal promises to live as new creations in Christ. We encounter the Risen Lord in the breaking of the bread and following the service, we will celebrate our Risen Lord with a Gourmet Dessert Party in the Parish Hall.

*Don't forget to bring a bell to ring at the Easter Acclamation and a finger dessert for our party.*

**Easter Day: 8:00 am and 10:00 am; 5:30 pm South Sudanese Worship**

Come and celebrate the Risen Lord. If you have garden flowers in bloom, please bring them for the children to flower the cross at the 10 am service.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1  <u>9:30 AM</u> AA
2 Palm Sunday  <u>2:30 PM</u> AA <u>5:30 PM</u> South Sudanese Worship	3  <u>12:15 PM</u> Holy Monday Service <u>5:30 PM</u> Women's NA	4  <u>12:15 PM</u> Holy Tuesday Service <u>6:30 PM</u> AA	5  <u>12:15 PM</u> Holy Wednesday Service <u>7:00 PM</u> Bible Study	6  <u>7:30 PM</u> Maundy Thursday Service <u>5:45 PM</u> Service Dogs <u>6:30 PM</u> AA	7  <u>7:30 PM</u> Good Friday Service	8  <u>9:00 AM</u> Holy Saturday Service <u>9:30 AM</u> AA <u>8:30 PM</u> Easter Vigil
9 Easter  <u>2:30 PM</u> AA <u>5:30 PM</u> South Sudanese Worship	10  <u>5:30 PM</u> Women's NA	11  <u>6:30 PM</u> AA	12  <u>6:30 PM</u> Little Church Social Club <u>7:00 PM</u> Bible Study	13  <u>5:45 PM</u> Service Dogs <u>6:30 PM</u> AA	14	15  <u>9:30 AM</u> AA
16  <u>12 Noon</u> Vestry <u>2:30 PM</u> AA <u>5:30 PM</u> South Sudanese Worship	17  <u>5:30 PM</u> Women's NA	18  <u>6:30 PM</u> AA	19  <u>3:30 PM</u> Atrium <u>7:00 PM</u> Bible Study	20  <u>5:45 PM</u> Service Dogs <u>6:30 PM</u> AA	21  <u>5:30 PM</u> Down Syndrome Support Group	22  <u>9:30 AM</u> AA
23  <u>2:30 PM</u> AA <u>5:30 PM</u> South Sudanese Worship	24  <u>5:30 PM</u> Women's NA	25  <u>6:30 PM</u> AA	26  <u>3:30 PM</u> Atrium <u>6:30 PM</u> Little Church Social Club <u>7:00 PM</u> Bible Study	27  <u>5:45 PM</u> Service Dogs <u>6:30 PM</u> AA	28	29  <u>9:30 AM</u> AA
30  <u>2:30 PM</u> AA <u>5:30 PM</u> South Sudanese Worship						

## SERVER SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 2023

**April 2 Palm Sunday****8 AM** *Lector and Chalice—Tim Buchholtz***10 AM** Crucifer Madde Shepherd  
Acolyte Madalyn Linkous  
T Bearer -----  
-----Chalicer Art Tatman  
Lector 1 Sabrina Mattox  
Lector 2 Phil Hobrla  
Prayers Jessica PriceUshers  
Coffee  
NurseryMichael Kennedy, Grant Rucker  
Kevin & Kim Laxton  
-----Tellers  
Altar GuildGerald Gordon, Michael Kennedy  
Boots Ingram, Odell James, Karen Martin, Debbie Williams**Noon Day Prayers****April 3 Monday****12:15 PM** Lector Lynn Wright**April 4 Tuesday****12:15 PM** Lector Avis Aheron**April 5 Wednesday****12:15 PM** Lector Betsy Briggs

\*\* Altar Guild set up for Maundy Thursday

**April 6 Maundy Thursday****7:30 PM**Crucifer Thomas Rucker  
Acolyte Grant Rucker  
Chalicer Kevin ShepherdUshers  
Altar Guild  
Lector  
PrayersMichael Bentley, Madalyn Linkous  
All members  
Maile Armstrong  
Lynn Wright**April 7 Good Friday****7:30 PM**Chalicer Lawton Kasey  
Acolyte/T Bearer Yuri Malick  
T Bearer Zenon MalickUsher  
LectorKevin Shepherd  
JoAnn Criscione**April 8 Easter Vigil****8:30 PM**Crucifer Jordyn Price  
Acolyte Madde Shepherd  
T Bearer Avis Aheron  
T Bearer Betsy BriggsUshers  
Coffee  
Chalicer  
Altar GuildRay Kasey, Larry Mattox  
Hospitality Committee  
Katie Rucker  
Danny Fainter, Gail Fields, Joan Gurniak**April 9 Easter Day****8 AM** *Lector—Phil Wheeler; Chalicer—Bill Barksdale***10 AM** Crucifer Thomas Rucker  
Acolyte Peyton Morant-Frost  
T Bearer -----  
-----Chalicer 1 Art Tatman  
Chalicer 2 Lawton Kasey  
Lector 1 Avis Aheron  
Lector 2 Donna Frost  
Prayers Carla SpencerUshers  
Coffee  
NurseryChris & JoAnn Criscione  
Odell James, Dottie Wrabel, Machele Huff  
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Tellers

Arby Frost, Katie Rucker

Altar Guild

Danny Fainter, Gail Fields, Joan Gurniak

**April 16****8 AM** Lector—*Bill Barksdale*; Chalice—*Tim Buchholtz*

<b>10 AM</b>	Crucifer	Madalyn Linkous	Ushers	Jim & Mary McGlothlin
	Acolyte	Madde Shepherd	Coffee	Doris & Larry Mattox, Joyce Brown
	T Bearer	-----	Nursery	-----
	Chalice 1	Kevin Shepherd	Tellers	Larry Mattox, Jim McGlothlin
	Chalice 2	Katie Rucker	Altar Guild	Linda Bryant, Dorothy Herndon, Sharon Miller
	Lector 1	Lynn Wright		
	Lector 2	Jessica Price		
	Prayers	Michael Bentley		

**April 23****8 AM** Lector and Chalice—*Tim Buchholtz*

<b>10 AM</b>	Crucifer	Yuri Malick	Ushers	Kevin Shepherd, Madde Shepherd
	Acolyte	Grant Rucker	Coffee	Chris & JoAnn Criscione, Linda Bryant
	T Bearer	-----	Nursery	-----
	T Bearer	-----	Tellers	Maile Armstrong, Donna Frost
	Chalice	Lawton Kasey	Altar Guild	Lawton Kasey, Betsy Briggs, Katie Rucker
	Lector 1	Chris Criscione		
	Lector 2	Phil Hobla		
	Prayers	Maile Armstrong		

**April 30****8 AM** Lector—*Phil Wheeler*; Chalice—*Bill Barksdale*

<b>10 AM</b>	Crucifer	Jordyn Price	Ushers	Michael Kennedy, Thomas Rucker
	Acolyte	Zenon Malick	Coffee	Beth & Steve Wiegandt
	T Bearer	-----	Nursery	-----
	T Bearer	-----	Tellers	Wardens
	Chalice 1	Art Tatman	Altar Guild	Boots Ingram, Odell James, Karen Martin, Debbie Williams
	Chalice 2	Katie Rucker		
	Lector 1	Carla Spencer		
	Lector 2	Sabrina Mattox		
	Prayers	JoAnn Criscione		

**ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

*Please give your completed form to Lynn Wright, put it in the offering plate, turn in to the church office, or call the church office (540-366-4157)*

**Easter Flowers Order Form  
2023**

This year our Easter flowers will be \$12.50 each. We have ordered 20 pots of begonias. Please indicate if you would like to give a flower or donate to one of the funds listed below.

\_\_\_\_\_ **I would like to give a *flower*. Please have the dedication read as follows:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I wish to make a donation to the *Endowment Fund*. Please have the dedication read as follows:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I wish to make a donation to the *Building Fund*. Please have the dedication read as follows:**

In Loving Memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

In Thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_