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The Voice of St. James

God's Work;
Our Hands.

Thoughts from our Pastor

Sundays, Worship with us at
10 am
Live & via Zoom.
Link to web page below.

Wednesday Devotions
7pm
Share the welcome.
Invite a friend.

"I am Grateful as we approach this Thanksgiving.

I am grateful that Linda continues to come through health issues that have impacted her this last year.

I am grateful for this congregation that prays for and supports us through these times.

I am grateful for all of you who have accepted us as the people we are.

I am grateful for the ministries of St. James that continues to show God's love in our communities.

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I am grateful for our community that welcomes people into their midst.

I am grateful for the many people of St. James who share their gifts and time to help the ministry of our congregation.

So many reasons I have to be thankful. These are just some of them that have to do with St. James.

I am thankful for a God who calls us beloved and brings us together.

As we approach Thanksgiving, I invite you to take time to think about what you are grateful for. Take time to reflect on those each day. Let them be a reminder of how God has blessed you.

An attitude of gratitude can change how we approach life and all that comes our way. It helps balance out the negative things that can weigh us down. Let us express our Thankfulness to God who gives us so much.

All Saint's Day

A service of rememberence & light

Sunday, November 1 - 10:00 am

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."
— Matthew 5:4

We Remember

Those who passed from our congregation this year

Jennifer Johnson

Winnie Ziegler

Margaret Rea

Betty Chamberlain

Bette Jackson

All are invited to join us as we light candles in memory of those we have loved and lost this past year.

Together, we hold their light.

21st - Ivory Houck

25th - Sharon Hitchens

25th - Krista Panas

29th - Ryan Johnson

9th - Jim & Debbie Caglianone

Bread Painting

When you eat this fun snack, be thankful for Jesus, who is our Bread of Life.

What you need:

- Small cups
- Milk
- Food coloring
- Clean, food-safe brush
- Slice of bread
- Toaster or toaster oven
- Butter, optional

What you do:

1. Set out one small cup for each color you want to use.
2. Pour 1 to 2 tablespoons of milk into each cup.
3. Add a few drops of food coloring to each cup and stir until the color is bright.
4. Using a clean, food-safe brush, gently paint a picture or design on the bread. Be careful not to soak the bread.
5. When you're finished painting, toast the bread. Add a little butter, if desired, and enjoy!

Reminder:
Ask an adult for help when using a toaster or toaster oven.

"I am the bread of life."
John 6:35, NIV

November Worship Volunteers

Volunteer Spotlight

Debbie Caglianone

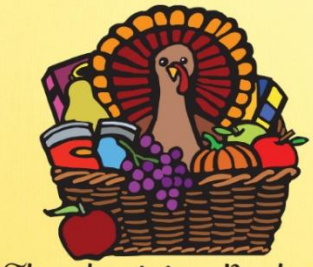
Debbie is always ready to lend a helping hand, whether filling in as a communion assistant or reader on short notice. An active participant in book studies and church events, she faithfully supports our congregation in countless ways. Debbie works tirelessly to ensure families are never without a holiday meal, serves wholeheartedly in outreach ministries, and is a passionate advocate for justice. We are truly blessed by her heart and dedication to our community.

Communion Assistants

1st - Mario Triboletti & Rose Jones
8th - Sally Costa & Debbie Caglianone
15th - Colleen Kase & Mark Sottile
22nd - Judy May & Mario Triboletti
29th - Jim Valenti & Debbie Caglianone

Lay Readers

1st - Mario Triboletti
8th - Sally Costa
15th - Michael Hozik
22nd - Judy May
29th - Jim Valenti



It's that time of year again!

Stop by the donation board in the Narthex and pick up a card for the food item you would like to donate for our Thanksgiving Baskets.

Please have your donations in by Nov 15th

The following items are needed:

- **Box of Stuffing**
- **Box of Instant Potatoes**
- **Canned Sweet Potatoes**
- **Canned Corn**
- **Powdered Drink Mix**
- **Jar of Gravy**
- **Bisquick**
- **Brownie Mix**
- **Cranberry Sauce**

We are also assisting No1 Hungry in Egg Harbor City this year with 2 baskets.

November

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9am Sunday School 10am Worship All Saint's Sunday	2	3	4 7pm Evening Devotions	5	6 Pastor's Day Off	7
8 9am Sunday School 10am Worship	9 6:15 pm OUTREACH	10 7pm Choir Rehearsal	11 1pm God's Stitchers 7pm Evening Devotions	12	13 Pastor's Day Off	14 5:30 pm Dine Out Night
15 9am Sunday School 10am Worship	16 7 PM COUNCIL	17 7pm Choir Rehearsal	18 7pm Evening Devotions	19	20 Pastor's Day Off	21 6:30 pm Game Night
22 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 11am-1pm Bake Sale	23 Pastor Off	24	25 1pm God's Stitchers 7pm Evening Devotions	26	27 Pastor's Day Off	28
29 9am Sunday School 10am Worship - Pr. Jen Fox	30					

AAGroups
Tue - 7pm
Wed - 7pm
(Women only)
Fri - 8 pm
Sat - 6:30pm
Sun - 7:30pm

BAKE SALE

CALLING ALL BAKERS!
WE'RE LOOKING FOR HOMEMADE BAKED GOODS AND SWEET TREATS FOR OUR UPCOMING BAKE SALE TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR 2027 PULLING FOR VETS FUNDRAISER. WHETHER IT'S COOKIES, CAKES, PIES, BREADS, BROWNIES, OR YOUR FAVORITE FAMILY RECIPE, YOUR DONATIONS WILL HELP MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS WHILE SUPPORTING A GREAT CAUSE.

NOVEMBER 22ND

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Game Night

Join us for a night full of fun, laughter, and friendly competition!

NOVEMBER 21
6:30 PM

Dine Out

Join us for a fun night of friends, good food, and fellowship.

November 14
5:30 PM
The Inn on St. Louis
www.theinnonstlouis.com

Use sign up sheets in Narthex.
Sign up by Nov. 8th

We are in the process of updating our directory for 2027.

If you'd like to update your photo, you're welcome to send in a picture of yourself and/or your family so we can refresh your listing. If you prefer to have a new photo taken, Pastor will be available after worship on Sundays to help with that. When submitting a picture, please be sure everyone included can comfortably fit within a block-size thumbnail so it displays clearly in our directory. Headshots work best.

You can send photos to stjameslutheran@folsom.comcastbiz.net

Sunday, December 6,
Following worship

Join us as we decorate the church and trim the Christmas tree in preparation for the holiday season. All are welcome to share in this joyful tradition and help make our church festive for Christmas!

As we move through this holiday season, let's remember the members of our St. James family who are homebound. A phone call, a card, or a small act of kindness can brighten their days in ways we may never fully know. May we carry Christ's love beyond our walls and into the homes and hearts of those who cannot be with us in person this season.

Hannah Bonchi
740 N. Egg Harbor Rd.
Hammonton, NJ 08037

Dorcas Schellhas
1416 Mays Landing Rd.
Folsom, NJ 08037

Peggy Bucceri
3106 N. Pinewood Dr.
Folsom, NJ 08037

Beginning Wednesday, December 2nd

Gather with us on Wednesdays during Advent for a special time of Advent Devotions at 7:00 PM, reflecting on the hope, peace, joy, and love found in Christ.

Looking ahead...

- **December**
  - **Christmas Outreach Collection**
  - **Christmas Cookie Collection**
  - **Blue Christmas Service**
  - **Wednseday Advent Devotions**
  - **Christmas Eve Services**
- **December 6**
  - **Church/Tree Decorating**
- **December 20**
  - **Children's Christmas Presentation**
  - **Holiday Pancake Breakfast**

As we finish Thanksgiving Outreach, we will immediately begin our Christmas Outreach.

Stop by the board in the Narthex for any item you are willing to donate. Your gifts will bring holiday warmth to families in our community.

Donations needed include:

- Canned Sweet Potato
- Brown Sugar
- Canned Pineapple
- Canned Green Beans
- Powdered Drink Mix
- Brownie Mix
- Bisquick

Donations Due By Dec 13

Thank you to Thrivent Financial for their donation to purchase the hams!

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Please Pray for: Dolores Fiori, Laura Librizzi, Claire Gilmore, Diane Eby, Hannah Bonchi, Rita Ricca, Betty Haines, Gillian Lee Phillips, Dorcas Schellhas, Linda Kisby, Maggie Rider, Marlene Triggian, Ed Shine, Bob & Ellie Frietag, Christina Spahn, George Cappucio, Dan P., Tom Dixon, Arlene Calletta, Mike Fountas, Nick Pobletti, Bill Link, Sophie Stites, Arlene Deptula, Thomas Rose, Linda Slater, Chip Stewart, Octavia Marie, Lisa D'Ambrosia, Chenza Cerrato, Charlie Patton, Ed Marinelli, RoseAnn Lucca, Mia Arrison, Carol Ann Conner, Will Longtin, Peggy Bucceri, Robert DelRoss, John Thame, Gaelen Houck, Rosie Ranier, Paul Morris, Tennile Limbaugh, Alex McKee, Justin Stewart, Sean Bennett, Yuri Zaitsev, Joseph Brigandi Jr., Ed Volpa, Althea Seidel, Michael Hozik, Linda Esposito, Gary Quattrochi, George, Mo Clarke, Ed Templeton, Chris Wilcox, Jim Boyd.

and For the NJ SYNOD,
Bishop Compton and staff,
and ELCA, Bishop Curry, and its ministries.

NOVEMBER

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Please complete this form and place in the offering plate along with the money no later than November 22.

Your Name_____

Attached is $_____ for _____ (#) poinsettia(s) at $12.00 each.

Please make check payable to St. James Church.

Dedicate your poinsettia by completing the following information:

In Memory of_____

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In Thanksgiving of_____

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To the Glory of God_____

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In Celebration of_____

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Other_____

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Poinsettias may be picked up after the 11 o'clock Christmas Eve Service

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Jayne Carmen - President Judy May - Vice Pres.
Colleen Kase - Secretary Patti Zellers
Bryan Stites

Worship - Sundays 10 am
Live and Via Zoom
Linkonwww.stjamesfolsom.org

Our Mission

Welcoming all people to abide in Christ,
to experience God's love, and
to do God's work in the world around us.

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