

# Anchor Lines



St. James Episcopal Church • Fairhope, Alabama

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## Holy Week

### Palm Sunday

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM

Nursery available at 9:30 and 11:00

### Tuesday

Clergy will hear confession by appointment.

Call the church office to schedule.

6:00 PM Healing Service

### Wednesday

Regular 7:30 AM service

### Maundy Thursday

6:00 PM

Nursery available upon request and must be arranged in advance.

Email [christianinformation@stjamesfairhope.org](mailto:christianinformation@stjamesfairhope.org)

### Good Friday

12:30 PM

Stations of the Cross

6:00 PM

\*Outdoors; please wear appropriate shoes for walking.

### Saturday

Easter Vigil 6:00 PM

Nursery available.

### Easter Sunday

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM

Nursery available for all 3 services.

*Please note:* the church office will be closed the week following Easter, and will reopen on Monday, April 17. If you have a pastoral emergency during this time, call the office and follow the prompts.

## Ministry Spotlight



### St. James to host Family Promise April 9-16

Volunteers are needed to provide snacks, breakfast, dinner, spend time with guest families in the evenings, and spend the night with guests. Please stop by the signup board in Green Hall. Your time and generosity are appreciated!

#### How it works...

The resources are already there. In the community, there are congregations and organizations that can provide space in their buildings to serve as temporary homes. Day Centers, where families can take showers, receive case management, and look for housing and jobs, can be located at a house of worship or agency. There are multiple options for transportation to get families from the host shelters to the Day Center and back. With volunteers giving their time, making meals, and sharing hospitality, family homelessness is addressed without the creation of expensive shelters. Across the country, people have realized that this innovative approach truly makes a difference for families experiencing homelessness.

Volunteers are the core of the program. They share food, spend the night, play with children and lend their passion and expertise to help families get back on their feet. They prove that motivated people can solve family homelessness. And, in the process, they truly create “home” – and a community – for families who have no place left to turn.

To learn more about Family Promise and how you can get involved, visit their website [here](#).

Our St. James coordinators are Nickie Olson, Margaret Cadden, and Joan Sulzmann. Get in touch with them at [nickie@homesbynickie.com](mailto:nickie@homesbynickie.com), [mbcadden@gmail.com](mailto:mbcadden@gmail.com), or Joan Sulzmann, 251-272-0244

#### Who we are...

Our mission is to provide temporary shelter, transitional housing, related services and nurturing support to families with children experiencing homelessness and to assist them with obtaining suitable and permanent housing.

#### What we do...

Our rotational shelter program and warm hospitality is the foundation of the Family Promise model. We provide shelter services for up to four families with a max capacity of 15 guests at any given time.



*Outreach News*

# New Outreach Opportunities!

**St. James for Baldwin Family Village**

Supporting opportunities for fellowship, volunteering, support services, meal ministry, etc.

**Pentecost Picnic Planning**

Adult and youth volunteers/participants needed

**St. James for Neighborhood Bridges**

Organizing and providing transportation support

**The St. James Outreach Committee is currently looking for parishioners to join several new subcommittees to enhance our efforts in the community. If you can join us, please email [outreach@stjamesfairhope.org](mailto:outreach@stjamesfairhope.org) or call or text Michelle Roberts at 318-294-6288. Multiple levels of participation available! We are looking for volunteers of all ages, talents, and abilities.**

## Ecumenical Ministries

### *Chili for Charity*



Congratulations to our St. James Outreach team for winning first place for their booth decorations at the annual Chili for Charity event benefitting Ecumenical Ministries!



# Save the Date!

## St. James Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 8  10:00-11:00

If you plan to participate, please bring one dozen pre-filled Easter eggs to the church office prior to Maundy Thursday.

# VBS is Coming!



June 26-29 

A fun-filled, outer space-themed VBS is coming in June! We will kick off on Monday, June 26. Each day will run from 9:00 to 11:30 AM. Cost is \$25 per child. Volunteers are needed to tell stories, lead groups, help in the kitchen, decorate, etc. Look for registration information in the coming months!

Parish News

*St. James Concert Series*

# Choral Evensong

PRESENTED BY THE  
**ST. JAMES CHOIR**

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**Sunday, March 19, 2023**  
**4:00 PM**  
**in the Church**

## The Tradition of Choral Evensong

It is an ancient tradition for the people of God to offer praise and prayer as the day draws to a close.

Choral Evensong is a service of sung evening prayer. The text of the service is drawn almost entirely from the Bible. The main purpose is to proclaim the wonderful works of God in human history, and in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Sung psalms and canticles are interwoven with readings from the Old and

New Testaments and the recitation of the Apostles' Creed and Lord's Prayer. Other prayers and hymns are drawn from the many centuries of the Christian Church.

The congregation is invited to listen reflectively and prayerfully as the choir offers prayer and praise on their behalf. Many find this frees them to offer to God their own thoughts and prayers.

# Called *by God*

**Lenten Program 2023**

**Wednesday Evenings**

5:30-7:30 in Green Hall  
Dinner followed by guest speakers

3/1 - Rev. De Freeman  
3/8 - Joe Strange/Young family  
3/15 - St. James lay staff  
3/22 - Deanna Dalrymple/Rockland Osgood  
3/29 - Rev. Forbes Sirmon/Rev. Amanda Doshier

Please RSVP so we can plan accordingly for meals.  
Sign up on one of the clipboards in Green Hall, by emailing [info@stjamesfairhope.org](mailto:info@stjamesfairhope.org), or by calling the church office at 251.928.2912  
\$5 per adult, \$3 per child, maximum \$15 per family



## PARISH *breakfast*

### March 19

Between the services

\$3.00 per person or \$10.00 max per family  
Pay when you eat  
*Reservations are not necessary*

# Confirmation Sunday

*Bishop to visit St. James!*

## March 26, 2023

## Save the Date!

*Palm Cross Making*



**April 1 at 8:00 AM**

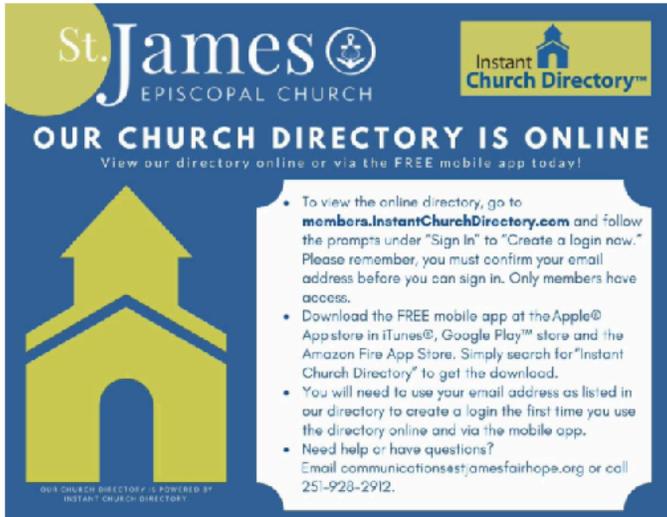
### Ordination to the Diaconate

Saturday, March 25, at 2pm  
Christ Church Cathedral  
115 S Conception St, Mobile AL

Join Bishop Russell as he ordains the following in to the Sacred Order of Deacons: [Diaconate] Deborah Knight-Epps; [Transitional Diaconate] Brad Clark, John Fountain, Jen Leahey, Ryan Lee, and Stephen Pecot.



## From the Office



**St. James**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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View our directory online or via the FREE mobile app today!

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- Download the FREE mobile app at the Apple® Appstore in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Simply search for "Instant Church Directory" to get the download.
- You will need to use your email address as listed in our directory to create a login the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app.
- Need help or have questions?  
Email [communications@stjamesfairhope.org](mailto:communications@stjamesfairhope.org) or call 251-928-2912.

Did you know ...

that St. James has an online directory? Need someone's phone number, mailing address, or email? It's all at your fingertips with Instant Church Directory! We are happy to help with setup questions. And just a reminder: if you've set up your account but haven't uploaded a photo, please do so!



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**We need your photo!**

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### First time signing into the Online Directory or Mobile App?

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- Click on the **Create Login** button under: First time signing in?
- Enter the email address as it is listed in the family portion of the directory.
- Create a password. The password must be 8 characters long and contain at least two of the following special characters: capital letters, numbers or symbols.
- Retype the password to confirm it and click **Request Login**.
- Check your inbox for an email from [service@instantchurchdirectory.com](mailto:service@instantchurchdirectory.com).
- To complete the sign-up process, you will need to verify your email address by clicking on the link sent to you in that email.
- Once you confirm your email, you may sign at [members.instantchurchdirectory.com](https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com).



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- Click **Sign In**.

## Financial Report

|                | January   | January   | YTD       | YTD       | YTD       |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                | 2023      | 2023      | 2023      | 2023      | 2022      |
|                | Actual    | Budget    | Actual    | Budget    | Actual    |
| Church Income  | \$116,687 | \$120,000 | \$116,687 | \$120,000 | \$119,288 |
| Church Expense | \$95,324  | \$103,793 | \$95,324  | \$103,793 | \$104,909 |
| School Income  | \$134,489 | \$88,672  | \$134,489 | \$88,672  | \$65,222  |
| School Expense | \$70,032  | \$78,849  | \$70,032  | \$78,849  | \$43,804  |

*Please remember you can set up your recurring gifts online by clicking this link.  
Gifts may be made by ACH or credit card.*

*School News*



Celebrations have been in the air at St. James School! All of our students enjoyed celebrating Valentine's Day with class parties. We were thrilled to have so many guests on campus as our St. James Krewe rolled again in our annual Mardi Gras Parade. The box floats were amazing this year! Thanks to everyone for coming out and joining us on this festive occasion.

The first, second and third grade students culminated their Black History and Our Country unit with a Living Wax Museum. Each child dressed in costume and gave a brief presentation about their famous American to our preschool students and to their families.

Our entire school has enjoyed celebrating Read Across America and Dr. Seuss. Students have enjoyed the whimsy and fun that goes along with the creativity of Dr. Seuss.

We began the Lenten season with our Ash Wednesday chapel service. All of our students were given the opportunity to receive the imposition of ashes. I invite each of you to come and see our school hall. As you enter our school students have created a gallery of crosses each one individually designed and decorated. These crosses reflect the mission of our school "to introduce children to Christ in a nurturing environment"

Please support our parish school by purchasing a Honey Baked Ham gift card.

Thanks again for your partnership and support of our school.

*Shelley E. Miller*

School Director



## Honey Baked Ham

### Gift Card Fundraiser

BENEFITTING

**20% OF ALL PROCEEDS GO DIRECTLY TO OUR SCHOOL!**

WHAT CAN YOU GET WITH A HONEY BAKED HAM GIFT CARD?  
There are so many ways to enjoy Honey Baked Ham! Each ham is fully cooked and ready to serve, so you can spend less time in the kitchen and more time with family. Easter is right around the corner! Stock up now and have HBH take care of your family meal! Know someone having a baby soon or someone stuck at home? They would love a meal delivered.  
Deadline to order: March 31  
Gift cards make great gifts too!  
Thank you for supporting St. James Episcopal School and the PTO!

<https://honeybakedfundraising.com/fundraisers/SJES>

**Parish Office  
Hours**

**Monday - Thursday**  
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM  
**Friday ~ CLOSED**

**OUR CLERGY**



Rev. De Freeman, *Rector*



Rev. Forbes Sirmon, *Associate Priest*



Rev. Amanda Doshier, *Associate Priest*

**OUR VESTRY**

Jeanie Smith, *Senior Warden*  
Lauren Arington, *Junior Warden*  
Mary Mullins Redditt, *Clerk*  
Katie Smith, *Treasurer*

**Class of 2023**

Bebe Goetter  
Earl Jackson  
Chris Nelson

**Class of 2024**

Ben Coddling  
Peter Gaillard  
Laura Jones  
Matthew Myrick

**Class of 2025**

Margaret Cadden  
Tracy Corte  
Jim Daniell  
Dee Gambill

**Weekly Recurring Schedule**

**SUNDAYS:**

8:30 AM Holy Eucharist in the Church  
9:40 - 10:20 AM Christian Formation & Fellowship  
10:30 AM\* Holy Eucharist in the Church *\*also online*  
*Children's Chapel at 10:30 AM*  
*Nursery available at both services*

**MONDAYS**

9:30 - 10:30 AM Gentle Yoga, Green Hall  
1:30 - 2:30 PM Chair Yoga, Green Hall  
4:00 - 5:00 PM Canterbury Choir rehearsal  
6:30 PM - Women's Bible Study in Vestry Room

**TUESDAYS**

5:45 - 7:30 PM Men's Bible Study, Vestry Room

**WEDNESDAYS:**

7:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Chapel  
9:30 AM Adult Bible Study, Vestry Room  
12:30 PM Centering Prayer  
7:00 - 8:30 PM Adult Choir rehearsal

**THURSDAYS:**

5:45 PM Yoga, Green Hall  
7:00 PM Chess, Green Hall

**FRIDAYS:**

7:30 AM Yoga Flow, upstairs in the choir room

**3rd SUNDAY of the Month:**

9:30 - 10:30 AM Breakfast  
4:00 - Choral Evensong 3/19

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