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MAY NEWSLETTER

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Parish News & Events

THE BUILDING PROCESS



Things are getting very "real"! Here's a snapshot of where we are thus far:

1. We have final construction drawings as well as detail specifications.
2. We have met with the city and determined what utility hookups are necessary.
3. We have scheduled the moving of our internet utilities for the end of May.
4. We have selected a lender for our construction loan, and begun the loan application process.
5. We are in the queue for permitting from the city.
6. We are preparing to move several plants and small trees out of the construction area to a permanent home.
7. We are targeting groundbreaking for the first of June. **We want this to be a parish-wide celebration! Stay tuned for more information.**

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Help Bring Comfort and Care to Children in Crisis

The St. James Outreach Committee is asking for your help in meeting urgent needs for two of our community partners: **the Child Advocacy Center and Neighborhood Bridges.** These organizations serve vulnerable children who are often facing some of the most difficult moments of their lives. Here's how you can make a difference:



Support the Child Advocacy Center (https://www.cacmobile.org/)
Many children interviewed at the Center are survivors of trauma. Tools like crayons, markers, journals, and other writing supplies help them express what words often cannot. These simple items become powerful tools for healing, used by counselors and law enforcement during interviews and support sessions.

Support Neighborhood Bridges (https://neighborhoodbridges.org/community/BaldwinCounty-al)
With summer approaching, many children in need will be spending time outdoors without the basic protection of sunscreen. We're collecting Coppertone Sunscreen (water resistant, SPF 70) to help prevent sunburns and support healthy play. **Deadline for sunscreen donations: May 15, 2025**

How to Help:
Please place donated items in the collection basket in Green Hall. Every single contribution brings comfort, protection, and dignity to a child in need. Even one small act of kindness can make a lasting difference. Will you join us?

With gratitude - *the St. James Outreach Committee*

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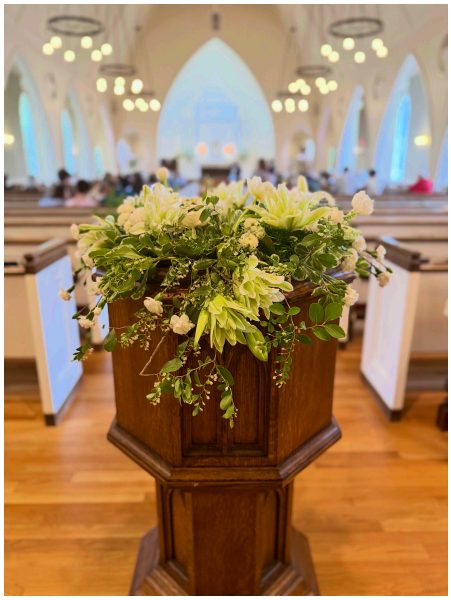
Holy Week & Easter



















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Confirmation 2025

St. James enjoyed a special visit from Bishop Russell Kendrick, who celebrated Confirmation Sunday. Congratulations to those who were confirmed or received into the church, and bravo to our St. James Children's Choir who sang at the 8:30 service.





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Did you know that St. James hosts a Parish Breakfast on the 3rd Sunday of each month?
Mark your calendar and join us!

PARISH Breakfast

SUNDAY, MAY 18

After the 7:30 service &
Between the 8:30 & 10:30 services
Green Hall
$3 per person
$15 max per family
Venmo accepted!
Reservations not necessary

Interested in being a breakfast volunteer?
Email info@stjamesfairhope.org

St. James to Host a Summer Concert as Part of the Eastern Shore Chamber Music Festival



"Ain't My First Shrimp Boil"
Friday, June 13
7:30 PM

Romance for Harp and Cello, Johann Strauss (3 min)
Danses for Harp and Strings, Claude Debussy (10 min)
Tango Ballet for Quartet, Astor Piazzolla (13 min)
Intermission
Brandenburg Concerto No.3 in G major, BWV 1048, J.S. Bach (12 min)
Adagio for Strings, Samuel Barber (8 min)
Concerto in D Minor, RV 565, Antonio Vivaldi (9 min)

Musicians:
Delcho Tenev, Katherine Baloff-Tenev, Sahada Buckley, violin
Yordan Tenev, violin and viola
Blakeley Menghini and Daniela Pardo, viola
Trace Johnson, Andrea Beltran-Landers and James Waldo, cello
Johanna Weinholts, harp

Children & Youth News









Important Dates for Children & Youth

May 11 5pm-6:30pm Jr. High EYC
May 11 6pm-7:30pm Sr. High EYC
May 14 5pm Jr. and Sr. High EYC Prodisee Pantry and Dinner
May 17 8:30am-1pm Jr. and Sr. High Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event in Pensacola
May 21 4pm-5:15pm 5th-12th grade Postcard Ministry

School News

It is hard to believe we are only 2 weeks away from the end of another successful year at St. James Episcopal School!

Our 4th Annual Art Showcase was a huge success. It was a wonderful night showcasing and sharing our students' creativity in the Arts. We enjoyed performances by our after school B'Dance classes. Special thanks to our incredible art teachers, JulieAnna Sherrod and Genie Porter, and all of our teachers and assistants for making our art study so magical. Thank you Chase Starring for our musical entertainment and our school board and parent volunteers for helping with the evening.

We recently celebrated "Teacher Appreciation Week". During this week our parents showered the school staff with special gifts and treats. We are so blessed to have such wonderful parents!

All students will be celebrating Mother's Day with a special Mother's Day Tea on Friday, May 9th. This will include a special program presented by our youngest 30-month old class.

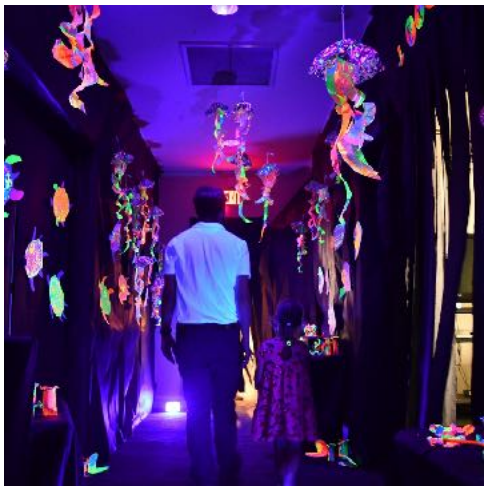
We have so many activities as we move into the close of another school year. We will celebrate our last all-school Chapel and Field Day on May 21st and our last day of school and Kindergarten graduation will be on May 22nd. We look forward to seeing our old and new friends back on campus June 9 for the start of St. James Summer Camp.

Enrollment is open for the 2025 - 2026 school year 30 months through second grade. Please contact Anne McEniry, Director of Admissions admissions@stjamesfairhope.org for more information.

Thanks again for your continued support and prayers for our parish school. Please feel free to come by and see all the wonderful things that our school has going on. I would love to personally show you our school!

Shelley Miller,
School Director







St. James Episcopal Church

We are a community anchored in Christ, seeking God, sharing His love and serving others.

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Parish Office Hours

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

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OUR CLERGY



Rev. De Freeman,
Rector



Rev. Amanda Dosher,
Associate Rector

OUR VESTRY

Margaret Cadden, *Senior Warden*
Bruce Stone, *Junior Warden*
Mary Mullins Redditt, *Clerk*
Amanda Montz, *Treasurer*

Class of 2025

Tracy Corte
Jim Daniell
Dee Gambill

Class of 2026

Dan Campbell
Bill Dowdle
Jennifer Lambert
Misty Whitehead

Class of 2027

Bettsie Norton
Bruce Stone
Cappi Sully
Ken Talbert

Weekly Recurring Schedule

SUNDAYS:

7:30 AM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
8:30 AM Holy Eucharist in the Church
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
6:30-8:00 PM, Women's Bible Study, Vestry Room

TUESDAYS:

7:00-8:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast
6:00-7:30 PM - Adult Bible Study every other Tuesday

WEDNESDAYS:

7:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Chapel
9:00-11:00 AM Adult Bible Study, Vestry Room
12:30 PM Centering Prayer
7:00 Adult Choir Practice

THURSDAYS:

12:00 PM Healing Service
5:45 PM Yoga, Green Hall
7:00 PM Chess, Green Hall

3rd SUNDAY of the Month:*

Parish Breakfast - Following the 7:30 service, and between the 8:30 and 10:30 services.
7:00 PM Taizé or Compline

Anchor Lines Deadline: The next Anchor Lines will be published **June 4, 2025.** Please email information to be published in the next issue to communications@stjamesfairhope.org, no later than 5:00 pm on the Thursday prior to the published date.

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