St. James
EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL



THE ANCHOR LINES

September 2, 2026

FALL KICKOFF

PARISH LUNCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

IN GREEN HALL

FOLLOWING THE 10:30 SERVICE

PLEASE RSVP TO INFO@STJAMESFAIRHOPE.ORG
OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE 251.928.2912

BRING A DISH TO SHARE BASED ON LAST NAME

A - H	I - R	S - Z
SALADS	HOT SIDES	DESSERTS

HARVEST Festival

& STEWARDSHIP KICKOFF



Bring fresh fruits, vegetables, and non-perishable items for the offering at all services.

Donations will benefit the food pantries at Ecumenical Ministries and Prodisee Pantry

SEPTEMBER 27

ALL 3 SERVICES

SEPTEMBER OUTREACH FOR THE CHURCH & SCHOOL

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Ronald McDonald House Charities® Mobile

WE ARE COLLECTING

CAN TABS

FOR THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Proceeds from recycled tabs benefit Mobile's **"House That Love Built"**, a home-away-from-home for families who have children being treated at local hospitals.

Any aluminum tab is accepted – collection jar located in Green Hall.

Sharing the Journey - Grief Support Group

Beginning Thursday September 24th
2:30-3:30 pm in the Vestry Room

St. James will begin a new Grief Support Group in September for those who have suffered a significant family loss in the last few years. We hope you'll consider joining us.

We will meet once a week for 10 weeks in a safe, caring space where you can both receive support from fellow travelers and return it in a judgment-free, confidential atmosphere.

Grounded in prayer, our time together will include different topics with brief videos presented by leading grief therapists offering helpful insights and reassurance that whatever we're experiencing, *we're normal*. Discussion will follow in which you may participate or just listen, as you feel led.

There is no cost and light refreshments will be provided each week. Facilitators Dale Miller and Elaine Estefan will lead with curricula support by Patti Miller and pastoral care by Mother Amanda.

Please contact Mother Amanda at amanda@stjamesfairhope to reserve your very welcome place with us. To maintain a small group, spaces are limited. You may contact any of us with questions.

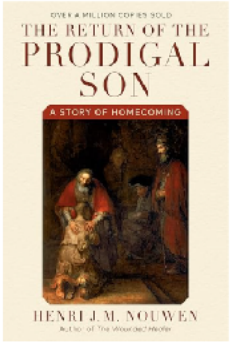
The Family Forum

beginning September 13th
9:30-10:20 AM in the Vestry Room

Need something to do on Sunday morning while your children are in Sunday school? Join us for the **Family Forum**, a new Sunday Formation class designed for young(ish) adults and families. Gather with other parents to talk about issues in parenting, marriage, and personal spiritual growth. Topics will rotate throughout the year. Our first topic will be the Spiritual Insights of the Enneagram led by Bettsie Norton.

Wednesday Morning Adult Bible Study Resumes September 16 - 9:00 AM

Topic for this class is grace, specifically Old Testament Grace: what Jesus says about grace (focused on the parable of The Prodigal Son) which is the signature parable on the subject. Useful, but not required, is the book *The Prodigal Son* by Henri J.M.Nouwen, available on Amazon.



Children & Youth

We had a wonderful turnout for our annual Backpack Blessing on Sunday, August 9!
The children were also treated to a children's sermon by Father De.





SAVE THE DATE

YouGroup

GRADES 5 & 6

Begins September 23

Contact Natalie to sign up!
stjameseyc@stjamesfairhope.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL

COME TEACH WITH US!

Teachers serve on a rotational basis – not every Sunday.
Everything you need to teach is provided.

Interested? Please contact
Natalie Smith
Director of Children's & Youth Ministry
stjameseyc@stjamesfairhope.org

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YOUTH SPORTS

OPEN TO ALL CHURCH AND SCHOOL CHILDREN IN GRADES 1-6!

SEASON BEGINS WITH
CROSS COUNTRY
FUTURE OFFERINGS INCLUDE:
BASKETBALL · FUTSAL · WRESTLING · FLAG FOOTBALL

ST. JAMES COMMONS GYM

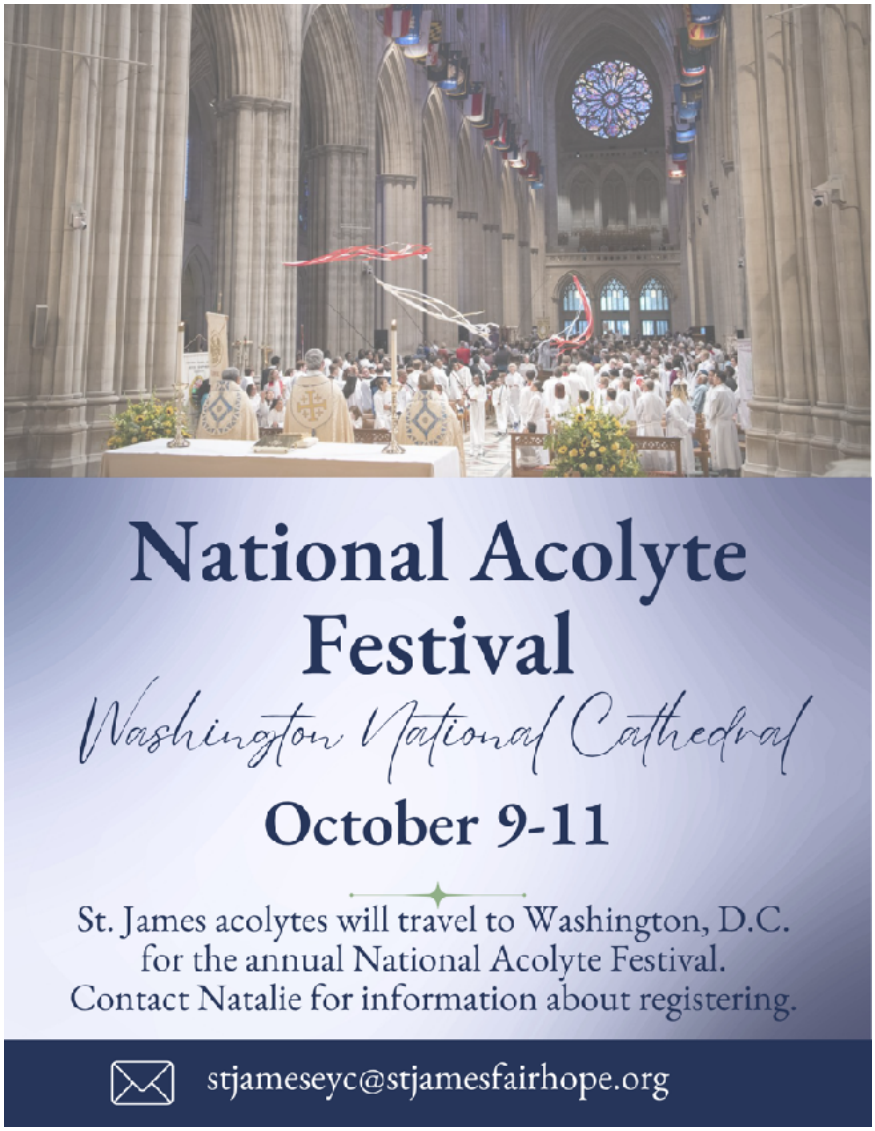
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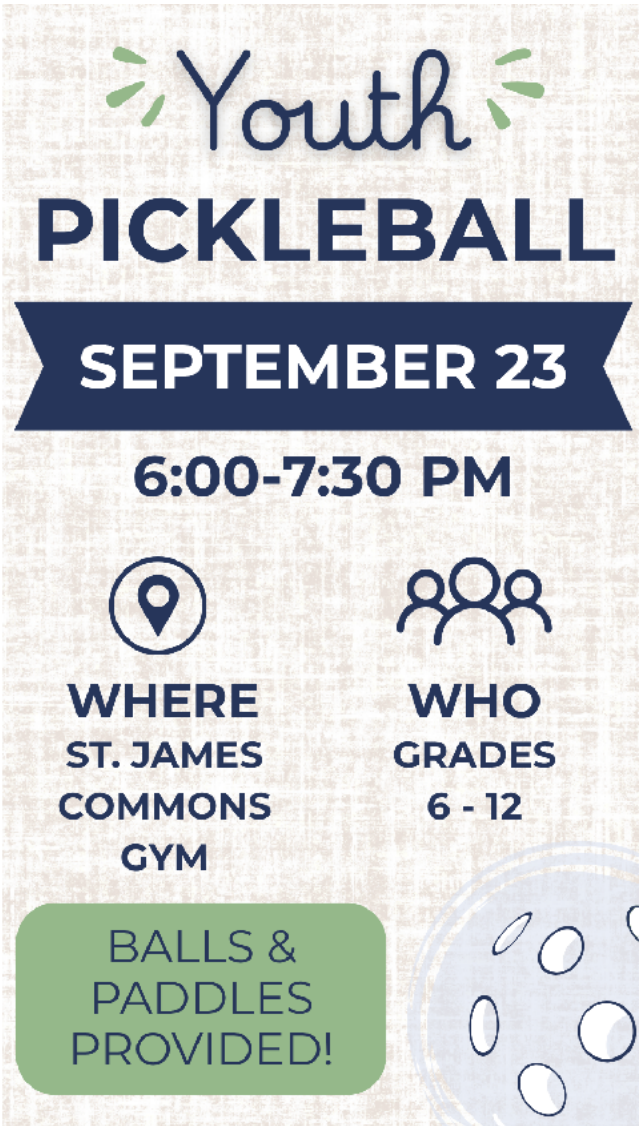


September Schedule

Have questions, or want to get involved? Contact Natalie at stjameseyc@stjamesfairhope.org

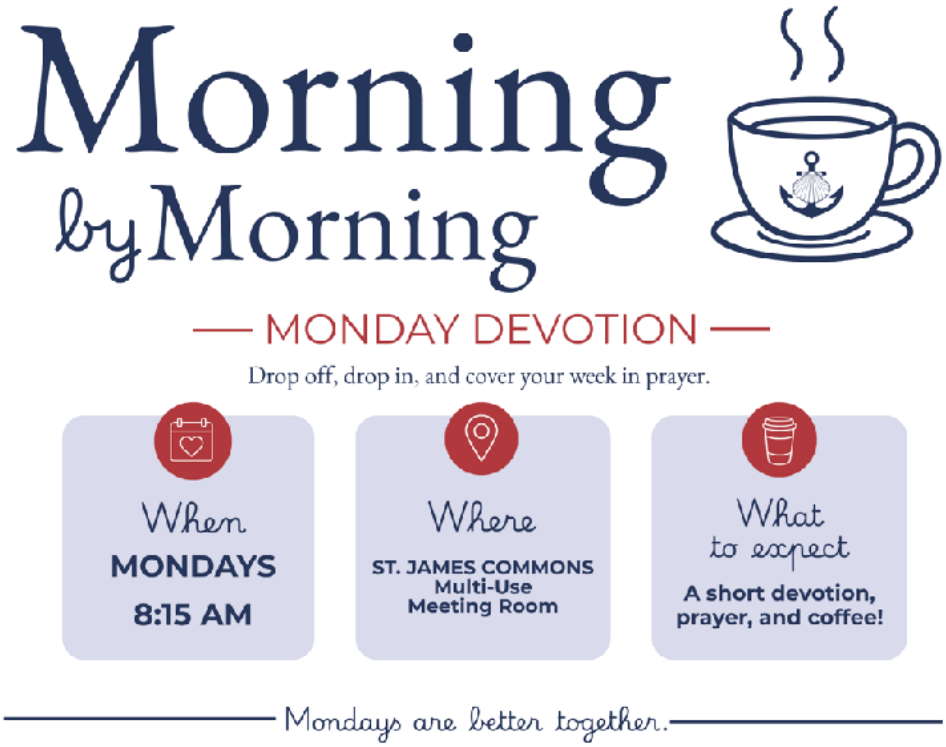
September 2 5pm Jr. and Sr. High EYC Prodisee Pantry and Dinner
September 13 5pm-6:30pm Jr. High EYC
September 13 6pm-7:30pm Sr. High EYC
September 16 5pm Jr. and Sr. High EYC Prodisee Pantry and Dinner
September 20 5pm-6:30pm Jr. High EYC
September 20 6pm-7:30pm Sr. High EYC
September 23 5:30pm-7pm You Group
September 23 6pm-7:30pm Youth Pickleball
September 27 5pm-6:30pm Jr. High EYC
September 27 6pm-7:30pm Sr. High EYC
September 30 5pm Jr. and Sr. High EYC Prodisee Pantry and Dinner











Every Monday

Rev. Deacon Ellen Huckabay will host a weekly devotional meeting for school parents following carline drop-off. St. James parishioners are also welcome to join this gathering to start the week off with prayer, coffee, and a short devotion! Mondays at **8:15 AM** in the multi-use meeting room of our beautiful new St. James Commons.

School News

Dear St. James Community,

We were excited to welcome new and returning staff and students to campus on August 12th. The "Back to School" is always a vibrant time filled with anticipation, and we have a variety of events planned as we transition into September.

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and in support of this cause, we will be collecting aluminum can tabs. Collection boxes are conveniently located in Green Hall and in the St. James Commons lobby. Your contributions will make a difference!

Mark your calendars! The Scholastic Book Fair will be held from September 9th - 14th. The book fair will be located in the St. James Commons downstairs classroom. We invite everyone to shop at the fair. Sunday, September 13th the book fair will be open after all church services. A portion of the proceeds from the book fair will go toward acquiring new books and school supplies for our classrooms.

We are gearing up again for our 7th annual Zebedee-Do-Dah Fest. This is one of our biggest fundraisers for our school. We hope that everyone will join us again this year for this fun-filled event to support St. James Episcopal School. More information to come.

Thank you for all your continued support of our growing parish school.

Warmest regards,

Shelley Miller







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OUR CLERGY



Rev. De Freeman,
Rector



Rev. Amanda Dosher,
Associate Rector



Rev. Deacon Ellen Huckabay
Deacon

OUR VESTRY

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

Class of 2026

Dan Campbell
Bill Dowdle
Jennifer Lambert

Class of 2027

Bettsie Norton
Bruce Stone
Cappi Sully
Ken Talbert

Class of 2028

Lisa Hansen
Austin Young
Gary Garner
Rhett O'Keefe

Weekly Recurring Schedule

SUNDAYS:
7:30 AM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
8:30 & *10:30 AM Holy Eucharist in the Church
**also online* Children's Chapel at 10:30 AM
Nursery available at 8:30 & 10:30 services
9:30-10:20 AM Formation Classes

MONDAYS:
9:30-10:30 AM Gentle Yoga, Gym
1:30-2:30 PM Chair Yoga, Green Hall
6:30-8:15 PM in 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
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 and 8:30 services.

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