

St. James' E-pistle

Date of Sunday Service: August 26, 2018

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Pulpit Notes

[There are no Pulpit Notes this week due to Fr. Chuck's absence. In addition, there is no Digital Bulletin.]

Announcements

SUMMER PLEDGE APPEAL:

We are in full summer mode now, and that means travel. It also means it's easy to forget your pledge. This is your friendly reminder to keep up with your pledge, so your St. James' family can keep up with the work God has given us to do together. If you have yet to pledge for this year, it's never too late! God is good, and so is your partnership in the Jesus Movement.

Graveyard Tours Coming:

We are getting ready for the Graveyard Tours! This year is the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I, and we are paying tribute to that commemoration with a focus on characters who served in that war. Every year, we need volunteers to help with the Tours: Parking, Tour Guides, Set Up and Break Down. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Brian Rance, who is the coordinator. He can be reached at brian.rance@freshfields.com or 917 650 0233. Let's make this the best year ever!

See the image below. A copy of this image (in pdf format) is included in the e-mail to which this E-pistle is attached. Please feel free to forward it to friends who might be interested in attending the Tours.

ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF HYDE PARK, NEW YORK

2018 HISTORIC GRAVEYARD TOURS

As your tour guide leads you by lantern light through our historic 200 year-old graveyard, you will meet some of the more interesting "residents" who from time to time make an appearance. Now in our 9th season, the Graveyard Tours change every year with new characters and new features, but always in the same spirit of learning and fun.

Photographs from Last Year



This Year's Characters

Ogden Livingston Mills (1884 – 1937)

- * resigned as NY State Senator to join the army; served as Captain
- * few reconnaissance missions over enemy lines
- * family home in Paris was used as headquarters of American Expeditionary Force on the Western Front commander John J. Pershing

William T. White (1894 - 1918)

- * enlisted June 20, 1917
- * died in France of pneumonia Oct. 14, 1918
- * Army – Private, 1st FA (field artillery) BDE (brigade), 1st Division

(William) Gerald Morgan (1879 – 1948)

- * went to Europe as a war correspondent in 1915
- * In 1929 his wife inherited the Bellefield property in Hyde Park from her father's estate
- * they were friends of Hyde Park neighbors Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt

John Griswold Webb (1890 – 1934)

- * war correspondent for Boston Herald in Mexico in 1912 and 1913, campaigning with General Huerta in the Mexican Revolution.
- * August 1918 enlisted as a private in the Army
- * took field artillery officer's training and was discharged in 1919

Ruth Morgan (1870 – 1934)

- * Chairperson of the social services dept. of Bellevue Hospital and director of the State Charities Aid Association
- * founder of the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War
- * one of 5 high commissioners of the American Red Cross during WWI
- * responsible for the organization of flying squadrons of nurses who spoke both French and English

Marge (1908 – 1980) and Les (1899 – 1978) Entrup

- = husband and wife
- * cook and house man for Eleanor Roosevelt

Location: 4526 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park (on Rte. 9 across from the Vanderbilt Mansion)

Dates: Fri. Oct. 5, Sat. Oct. 6, Fri. Oct. 12, Sat. Oct. 13, Fri. Oct. 19 and Sat. Oct. 20th

Shows at: 7:00, 7:30 and 8:00 p.m.

Tour Length: One hour

Tickets: At www.eventbrite.com (search for St. James' Historic Graveyard Tours) or visit www.stjameshydepark.org/graveyardtours.htm or call the Parish Office at 845 229 2820 (open Tues. - Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.)

Cost: \$20 per person (\$10 for children 12 and under)

E-mail:
stjamesoffice@stjameshydepark.org

at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/22692330307>

We Need A Defibrillator!

Donations have started to come in to purchase a defibrillator for St. James'. We have an envelope in the Narthex of the Church where you can leave either cash or check. We'll just keep the envelope out every Sunday until we have enough. Total cost for the defibrillator is between \$1,200 and \$1,500. Some parishioners have been trained on use of the defibrillator, and after we get one, we'll arrange for more instruction.

Bible Study Takes A Break:

The Thursday morning Bible Study will be on summer break this month. We resume meeting on Thursday, September 6 at 11:00 AM

Between Service Classes:

The Between-Service Classes take a break in August but resume in September with a look at Church music. The first class of the new session is

September 16 - "Why Do We Have Music?"

September 23 - "Navigating The Hymnal 1982."

September 30 - "Greatest Hits of the Hymnal."

October 7 - "Other Hymnals: LEVAS and more."

October 14 - *"Rock Stars of Church Music."*

LECTOR Training:

The success of the Lay Reader Training has inspired us to offer a Lector Training session this Fall. Lectors are those who read lessons only - usually just the first (Old Testament) reading. This session will be a refresher for all current lectors, but also training for anyone interested in becoming a lector. **Tentative Date: Saturday, September 15, at 10 AM in the Wilks Room.** It is only between an hour and an hour-and-a-half, so it won't be much time out of your day.

REGIONAL COUNCIL AND POSSIBILITIES:

Below, you will find a flyer and registration form for Regional Council. We are encouraging ALL parishioners to attend if possible - and other churches have also encouraged their parishioners to come. Want it to be an event for all Episcopalians in the Hudson Valley. But hurry! The deadline is September 21. St. James' is hosting this year, so you know how to find it!

The Regional Council is an annual meeting of the Hudson Valley churches - especially Dutchess and Ulster County. Each parish has two delegates, but all Episcopalians in the region are encouraged to attend. See below for registration information.

ALSO: Clergy from the region this week discussed the idea of a smaller groups - Inter Parish Councils - meeting six months after the Regional Council. This would be a way for parishioners to discuss additional topics of interest and to keep relationships strong.

Roast Pork Dinner



To benefit the
Hyde Park
Community
Garden

Dinner includes:
Roast Pork,
Seasonal Vegetables,
& Fruit Cobblers

Where: St. James' Episcopal Church, 4526 Albany Post Rd., Hyde Park, NY

When: Friday, September 14, 2018 - One Seating: 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Tickets: Adults \$15, Children 10 & over \$10, Children under 10 free.

Call the Parish Office for Reservations: 845-229-2820.

I WANT MY CHURCH TO GROW:

In April, the diocese hosted a workshop called “I Want My Church To Grow.” It was so popular that they have decided to host another one in our region.

Right now, the *proposed* date for the event is November 3.

This is a workshop for everyone who loves God and their parish.

Topics for this include:

- Episcopalians Evangelize? Using Community Organizing Tools for Church Growth
- You Start with what You Have: Asset Based Congregational Development
- We Need More Money: Best Practices for Your Stewardship Campaign
- *Everything Keeps Changing! Vestry 101 for the 21st Century*

Save the Date!

**Mid-Hudson Regional Council Meeting
Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018
9:30am-3pm at St. James Hyde Park**



After our business meeting, we will engage with the topic
of **CLIMATE CHANGE**
and our role in caring for God's creation.

*Featuring keynote speaker, **the Rev. Jeff Golliver** and
Hudson River Playback Theatre, a group that fosters
change through storytelling, music and interactive
performance.*

***The Rt. Rev. Andrew Dietsche** will preach and preside
at Holy Eucharist. More information and registration
materials will follow soon.*

The Mid-Hudson Regional Council
Saturday, September 29, 2018 - 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

CLIMATE CHANGE:
Our role in caring for God's Creation

St. James', Hyde Park

~ Registration Form ~

Parish: _____

City/Town: _____

Clergy Attending:

Voting Delegate(s):

Other Attendees:

Please complete this form and send it to:

The Episcopal Diocese of New York
The Mid-Hudson Regional Office
30 Pine Grove Avenue
Kingston, New York 12401

Please note that each parish, regardless of size, is entitled to two (2) voting delegates. All clergy are voting members. We welcome and encourage other members of your parish to attend **Deadline for registration is Friday, September 21st**. Cost is \$10.00 per participant – checks made payable to Diocese of New York

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Please pray for these diocesan ministries this week. If you want to check out the entire year's calendar for intercession, it's simple to find - go to

<https://www.dioceseny.org/administration/for-clergy/liturgical-and-sacramental/diocesan-calendar-of-intercession/>

26 Diocesan Leadership Development Commission
27 Church of the Good Shepherd, Greenwood Lake
28 St. Augustine's Church, Croton-on-Hudson
29 National Association for Episcopal Schools
30 St. Luke's School, Manhattan
31 The Director of Property Support
September 1 The Diocesan Property Support Committee

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Ashley, John Bohlmann, Helen Braun, Darlene Calgagni, Mariel Carter, Joanne Clark, Linkin Ewalt, Loretta Falzarano (sister of Donna Beyer), Heather Francese, Kathy Ganim, Brian Ganter (deployed to Afghanistan), Karla Givison (Deb Belding's sister), Gloria Golden, Robert Guariglia, Harold Hall, Dalton K., Edie Kline, Ashley Konyn, Tedi Kramer, Hope Jennings, Rosemary Leuken, Joanne Lynn, Jim Lynn (Carol Bender's brother - facing surgery), Doris Mack, Margaret, Andrew Mendelson, Beth and Ginero Milano, Lillian Peralta, Mary Bowers Peters (stroke), Grace Plass, Deborah Porach, John Robinson, Rob Robinson, Jason Rodino (serving in Afghanistan), John Ross, Hank Schroeder, James Sheeky, Naomi Sleight, Carl Smith, Marguerite Spratt, Janice Syedullah, Tracy, Georgia Verven, Candace Vincent, Cassidy Way, Cliff Wells and Shawn Wheeler.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Pat Rooney.

Schedules

A Note about Schedules: The names you see below are those listed on their respective schedules. There are often times when, due to sickness or travel, substitutes are asked to fill in or trade positions. This will probably NOT be reflected in the lists below—so, if there is an inconsistency between what you see here and what you see on Sunday, that is all right.

Birthdays
(this past week): Amelia McNamara, Shirley Ferris, Liz Granados, Scott Pitcher, Jeffrey E. Pardee and Christopher Santos

Birthdays
(this coming week): Liz Van Wagner, Sharan Alessandra and Charles L. Pardee, Jr.

Acolytes:
August 26: Nancy

	September 2: TBA
Altar Guild:	August 26: Team I September 2: Team I
8 a.m. Readers:	August 26: Lucille Ogden and Lucille Ogden September 2: Lucille Ogden and Lynne Koch
10 a.m. Readers:	August 26: Wilma Tully and Charlotte DeGross September 2: Patty Caswell and Judy Douglass
Ushers:	August 26: Andrew and Tanya Hall September 2: Judy Douglass and Vince Asher
Pledge Clerks:	August 26: Andy Hall and Dean Caswell September 2: Joanne Lown and Sue DeLorenzo
Parish Cycle of Prayer:	August 26: Dave and Chris Wardell, Pat Weber, Cliff and Bobbie Wells, September 2: Scott and Diane Wyant and Grace Parent; Brian, Joanna, Julianna and Matthew Zocchi
Coffee Hour Hosts:	August 26: No Coffee Hour September 2: Audrey Horne, Eric Zavadil

This Week's Lectionary

1 Kings 8:[1, 6, 10-11], 22-30, 41-43
 Psalm 84
 Ephesians 6:10-20
 John 6:56-69

This Week's Hymns

Processional: TBA
 Sequence: TBA
 Offertory: TBA
 Communion: Taizé: "Eat This Bread"
 Recessional: TBA

Last Week's Sermon

Sermon Preached on Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher: The Rev. Jennifer Barrows

We don't have a transcript of this sermon.

A WORD ABOUT RECORDED SERMONS:

Most weeks, I upload a recorded copy of the sermon onto my Facebook page as well as St. James' YouTube channel. I have not yet figured out how to upload them to the St. James' Facebook page but am working on it.

You can also listen to sermons by going to YouTube (www.youtube.com) and searching for "St. James Episcopal Church, Hyde Park, NY". There, you will not only find sermons, but also videos of the Fireside Chats and other videos of interest. You can subscribe to that page, and then when new content is uploaded, you will receive a notification.

SERMON VALUATION FORM

It is not necessary to take notes during the sermon. Rather, you can take some time afterwards to recollect the sermon and its effect on you. Give yourself a few minutes for each of the questions. If you choose to share this with the preacher, it can be a powerful aid to better preaching - but this is not a form to be handed to the preacher and forgotten. It is an aid for you, so you can speak directly with the preacher and answer follow-up questions.

1. WHAT ARE YOU STILL HEARING?

That is, without evaluating it, what are the words or phrases from the sermon that are still echoing in your ears? Are there any "ear worms"?

2. WHERE MIGHT THIS BE LEADING?

As a listener, where does this sermon lead you? What does it invite you to? What are the next steps in your faith that might arise from this sermon?

3. HOW DOES THIS SERMON "PLAY"?

That is, how is it organized or ordered? What steps has the preacher taken you through? What structure did you notice in this sermon? What has it asked you to do?

4. HOW MIGHT THIS SERMON "GROW"?

That is, what suggestions would you have to hone the message of this sermon, to make it more engaging, inspiring, logical, fleshed out... No sermon is ever entirely done; its themes will be revisited over time. What would help the next time be more compelling?