

TODAY'S HYMNS are listed here and on the hymn board above the pulpit and can be found in the blue-covered *The Hymnal 1982* in the pew rack.

- 1. **Processional Hymn: # 439**
- 2. **Hymn of Praise: #421**
- 3. **Gospel Acclamation** (*in service leaflet*)
- 4. **Offertory: # 401**
- 5. **Closing: # 593**

LOOKING AHEAD

WORSHIP

Sunday, September 10, 2017.....Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist
8AM – Rite I; 10AM - Rite II
The Rev. Mark A. Thompson, Priest-in-Partnership
Celebrant and Preacher

Sunday, September 17, 2017, 5PMChoral Evensong
The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Burlington, VT
The Rev. Mark A. Thompson Officiant
Mark Howe, Organist

Wednesday, October 4, 5:30PM..... Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist and Blessing of the Animals
(*Midweek Eucharist resumes from this date forward.*)

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Wednesday, September 13, 12 Noon.....Women of St. James'
Saturday, September 30, 2017.....Harvest Fest

FATHER MARK'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9AM – 12 Noon
Other times by appointment

Today's Bean Counters: Joanna Taylor and Patricia Michael
Today's Coffee Hour Host: Susan Gratz

The St. James' Weekly News
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 3, 2017



“Our brothers and sisters need our help.”

[See Message from the Presiding Bishop.]

The Reverend Mark A. Thompson,
Priest in Partnership

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WELCOME

A warm welcome to all and a special welcome to those who are visiting; the addition of your praise and thanks heartens us all. If you are seeking a church home or simply a place to rest for a while on your spiritual journey, we invite you to consider St. James' to be that place. The service leaflet will guide you through the liturgy. In the pew racks you will find the *Book of Common Prayer* (red binding) and *The Hymnal 1982* (blue binding). Please do not hesitate to ask a fellow worshipper for help.

If you are new to St. James' and wish to be included in our weekly e-mails (*This Week at St. James'*), please fill in one of the welcome forms (available on the table in the narthex) and leave it in the offertory plate or with an usher. Restrooms are located in the undercroft on the right-hand wall. There is an elevator located in the narthex for those who need it. **Please do not hesitate to speak to an usher or any church member if you have questions or need assistance.** Whether you are a visitor or a parishioner, if you would like a call and/or a visit please call the office at 375-9952 or send an e-mail to stjamesparishoffice@gmail.com. If you have a need for hospital visitation for yourself or for a family member or friend, **you must call the Parish Office.** The SWVMC, like many hospitals these days, does not inform us of nor do they make available the names of patients being admitted.

TODAY'S HYMNS are listed on the back cover and on the hymn board. Please note that our organist, Gail Albright, has requested that there be no applause after the postlude. Thank you for your consideration.

HELP FOR THE VICTIMS OF HURRICANE HARVEY: Please read the messages from The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate and The Rt. Reverend Thomas C. Ely, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Vermont in response to the devastation in the aftermath of the hurricane. If you wish to make a donation to Episcopal Relief and Development, please note that on **Sunday, September 10, the loose offering will be directed to ERD** in support of their efforts to help the victims of Hurricane Harvey. You may make a donation at any time. Please indicate that your gift is for ERD. If you write a check, please make it payable to St. James' Episcopal Church and write ERD in the memo line. We will accumulate the individual offerings and send the total amount to ERD on behalf of the people of St. James'. If you have any questions, please see Father Mark or Patricia Michael. Thank you for your generosity and kindness.

TODAY IS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH. As is our custom, the loose offering on the First Sunday is directed toward the Parish Discretionary Fund.

A WORD OF THANKS. Some of you may know that the main office printer/copier (the mainstay of our operations) needed repair recently. This past Wednesday, we learned it needed a new part. Since our machine is 5 years old (ancient in today's world), that required more than a simple order. Thanks to the skill, tenacity and downright good-heartedness of the technician, Lew Bassett, not only did we get our part but it was in time to print this week's lectionary insert and newsletter (without resorting to Staples!) and our printer got a new lease on life. Thank you, Lew Bassett and Repeat Business Systems.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the Sick: Bob Alexander; Ken Blackler; Garrett Brewer; Janet Cassell; Linda Crosby; Peter Garneau; Jo Gillikin; Dot Grout; Thomas Hayton; Esther Jaffee; Jane Jersey; Bruce Keene; John Laughrey; Mary Loring; Alan Mears; Bob McCarthy; Gail McDevitt; Charlie Menghini; Jack Michael; Cecelia O'Brien; Andie Owen; Ralph and Natalia Panelli; Irene Roth;; Suzy Schott; James Stawarky; Gwendolyn Tibbals; Judy and Bobby Weiss; Dot Whitley; Wilfred Williamson; Ward Wilson; Jeanne Zouck; Barbara; Beth; Bob; Bruce; Celia; Chris; Dennis; Dick; Erika; Helen; Isaac; Jan; Jim and Dottie; John; John and Judy; Kathy; Kay

For the Departed: David Bort; those who died in the floods and storms in Texas; all our departed loved ones; all the victims of violence, war, persecution and oppression in the United States and throughout the world.

For Those In Need of Our Prayers: Andie Owen and her family; Philip Brown; Charles; Anna, Sherri; Alyce; Sue; Sara; John; Katie; Joan; Cathy; Alex; Sofia; Eleanor; Wanda; the Kluj family; Hank; Ellen; Estelle; Michael; Piper; all who suffer from terrorism, strife, hunger and deprivation throughout the world; the homeless; refugees; for peace and justice everywhere; for all who need our prayers.

For Those Who Celebrate This Week:

Birthdays: 9/4-Lisa Sherwin; 9/7-David Rice; 9/9 Maria Reade

Wedding Anniversaries: None this week

Baptismal Anniversaries: None this week

For Those Who Serve in the Armed Forces: Gary Marckres; Margaret; Willow Bucchieri-Sibley

In Thanksgiving For: The ministry of the Rev. Mark A. Thompson; the work of the Stewardship Planning Committee; God's love, freely given; the gifts of faith and hope; the continuing presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit; the communion of saints.

For The Church: For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Thomas, our Bishop; the people and mission of this Diocese; Lynn Bates, Canon to the Ordinary; this parish of St. James' and its mission; the Rev. Mark A. Thompson, Priest-in-Partnership; the Very Rev. Christopher L. David and the Revs. Paul Gratz, Sean Lanigan, John Miller and Keith F. Patterson, priests; Kathleen Moore, seminarian. In the Diocesan Prayer Calendar we pray for the Congregation of St. Mark's Church, Springfield; and the Church in Wales.

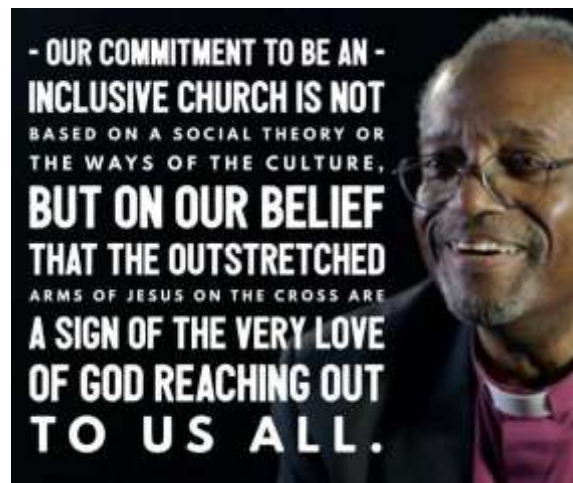
Holy Unction (Anointing for the Sick)

Holy Unction (Anointing for the Sick) may be requested at any time from Father Mark and is available specifically at all public celebrations of the Holy Eucharist.

If you would like to be anointed please say something to Fr. Mark before the liturgy or speak to a member of the altar party or an usher.

Normally, the anointing will take place after receiving Communion. If personal privacy is a concern, an appropriate time may be arranged by speaking with Father Mark.

Father Mark can be reached by telephone at 375-9952
or by email to saintjamespriest@gmail.com



*A Message
from the
Presiding Bishop*

*"Our brothers
and sisters
need our help."*

Long ago the prophet Malachi taught that we are all children of God by virtue of our creation by the same God. "Have we not all one father? Has not one God created us," he asked (2:10). Jesus taught the same thing when he told a story about a Good Samaritan. We are indeed all the children of God. And if we are all God's children, then we are all brothers and sisters.

In our recent days, we have watched and witnessed the devastation in the wake of Hurricane Harvey. Our brothers and sisters in Texas and Louisiana need our help.

Episcopal Relief & Development reminds us not to send food, clothing or other items because affected dioceses have limited or no capacity to receive, store or distribute goods. It is more efficient and better for the local economy to make a donation.

Episcopal Relief & Development already has actions in place for assistance.

- To donate to the Hurricane Harvey Response Fund to support impacted dioceses as they meet the needs of their most vulnerable neighbors after this event, check here <http://www.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-harvey-response>
- Sign-up on the Ready to Serve database to register as a possible volunteer in the future. Episcopal Relief &

Development staff share these lists with dioceses when they are ready to recruit external volunteers.

<https://www.episcopalrelief.org/what-you-can-do/volunteer/ready-to-serve>

- The latest Episcopal Relief & Development program updates are available on Facebook and Twitter @EpiscopalRelief and <http://www.episcopalrelief.org/press-and-resources/press-releases/2017-press-releases/gulf-coast-episcopal-dioceses-prepare-to-respond-to-hurricane-harvey>
- Check the Episcopal Church website www.episcopalchurch.org for updates and important information.

As our fellow Episcopalians minister to those in need they need our help not just now or in the short term, but for the long haul. Our support of Episcopal Relief & Development is a tangible, practical, effective and reliable way to do that, keep in your prayers for the people in Texas and Louisiana whose lives have been forever changed by Hurricane Harvey.

Together we are the human family of God and our efforts in times like these truly help bring God's love and ours to our sisters and brothers in great need.

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry
Presiding Bishop and Primate
The Episcopal Church



*A Message from
Bishop Thomas C. Ely
to the People
of the
Episcopal Church in Vermont*

As we follow news of the devastation that Hurricane Harvey has caused in Texas and Louisiana, we continue to remember in prayer those whose lives have been directly impacted and forever changed by the storm. In addition to our prayers, we can assist in a meaningful way by connecting with and contributing to Episcopal Relief & Development. Please take a moment to read the announcement from Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, included with my note, which explains the important role of Episcopal Relief & Development at times such as these.

The sense of loss, uncertainty, and fear expressed by so many people in Texas and Louisiana hits many Vermonters close to home. It is not too long ago that we were in the wake of Hurricane Irene, and its effects left an indelible mark on our communities. We also recall how important and helpful Episcopal Relief and Development, as well as support from throughout the wider Church, was to us in those post-Irene days. As you consider a contribution to Episcopal Relief & Development, please give generously realizing that natural disasters damage more than property alone. Your support enables the many dimensions of recovery that lay ahead.

Thank you for your generosity in this and so many other ways. It is a joy and privilege to serve among such generous people.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

+ Thomas