

# *The Spirit of St. James*

The Newsletter from St. James Episcopal Church

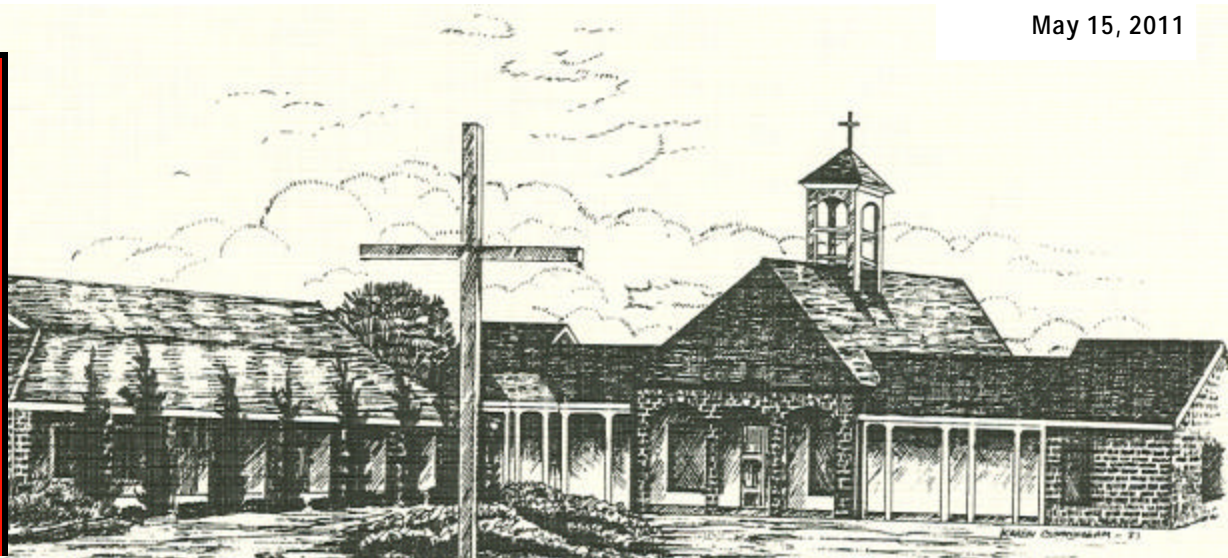
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May 15, 2011

*May 22  
Youth Sunday  
10am service and  
light reception*

*June 8  
Legacy Luncheon  
11:00am service  
11:30am luncheon*



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11:30am luncheon

June 12  
Pentecost  
10am service and  
Festive coffee  
hour



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MacIntire

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Kaye Crichlow

Nursery:

Rhonda Robertson

Parish Secretary:

Jnanne Zepeda

*2010 Vestry:*

*Jerry Howard (14)*

*Sr. Warden*

*Paul Moore (14)*

*Jr. Warden*

*Members:*

*Suzy Adcock (13)*

*Dan Bennett (12)*

*Ron Maberry (13)*

*Larry Porter (14)*

*Layton Porter (12)*

*Lynette van Heerden (14)*

A MESSAGE FROM  
The parish office...

PREPARE FOR  
**PENTECOST**

Celebrate Pentecost by wearing **RED**. I invite you to enjoy the tradition of wearing **RED** on June 12, the Day of Pentecost, again this year. Bring red munchies\* to coffee hour to share with your fellow parishioners and take the time to bask in the realization that we were given a great gift on Pentecost. One we can share with others in order to enrich all our lives!



And don't forget, there will be one service at 10am on Pentecost, followed by a festive coffee hour brunch.

—Jnanne Zepeda

\*munchies - and what else - chips, tomatoes, pickles, and bell peppers, and both candy and

Layton Porter (12)  
Lynette van Heerden (14)  
Kathy Watkins (12)  
Michael Wainwright (12)  
*Ex Officio:*  
Thomas Mosley—Treasurer  
Janie Parker—Clerk



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\*strawberries, red velvet cake, cherry tomatoes, radishes, red bell peppers, red hots candy, red grapes, raspberries, chips and salsa, shrimp and cocktail sauce, cherry cobbler, summer sausage, hot links, huevos rancheros, buffalo wings...

## ***SPIRIT OF ST. JAMES SEEKING PHOTOGRAPHERS***



Any parishioners who wish to continue to see the parish events visually documented for posterity in the monthly newsletters and the scrapbook are invited to submit photographs to the parish office. For many years we have relied on Lorain Thrash to meet this need. She and her camera were present at almost every activity, documenting it all. However, when her camera died Lorain decided to step back and take a breather for a while—allowing others to enjoy the wonders of being behind the camera.

Some parishioners have submitted photos of events over the past few months, but not every church activity has been covered. Anyone wishing to volunteer to snap photos on a regular basis is asked to contact the parish office and advise Lorain or Jnanne. And as always, if you happen to take photos you are welcome to share them with your St. James family.

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## Outreach News

Relay For Life achieved GOLD status this year by bringing in over \$5,000 – Way to go Solo Saints! Thank you to all who helped support this important fight and for our fearless leader, Kathy Watkins who has always been so supportive and dedicated to this project each year.

Outreach is supporting Kathleen Porters request for Providence House this month with items for the victims of sexual assault with soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, washcloth, socks and underwear for 100 kits to be prepared.

The committee will be meeting with the Methodist Church and surrounding churches on May 11<sup>th</sup> at Shane's Catfish at noon to discuss supporting the homeless in our area with the St. Luke's Mobile Ministry as well as food, etc. Stay tuned for a hopefully exciting update on our involvement in this endeavor.

Outreach also supported a young girl from Uganda with a donation so she will be able to complete her therapy – Lois will keep us updated on her progress and I know God will work miracles with her!

As we wake each day, let us remember those whose lives were devastated by the recent tornadoes.

*Karen Waguespack*

## Summer time is a fun time for Providence House children

Help give them the supplies they need!

Thanks to supporters like you, Providence House children have the opportunity to experience summer camp. They participate in recreational and educational activities that keep their minds and bodies active during the summer months. Help us provide everything they need to fully take part in all

mer camp. They participate in recreational and educational activities that keep their minds and bodies active during the summer months. Help us provide everything they need to fully take part in all of the fun activities. **Items needed are beach towels, swim suits, swim caps and sunscreen. Contact Sarah Causey at 221-7887 or [sarah@theprovidencehouse.com](mailto:sarah@theprovidencehouse.com) if you can help.**

The date for DOK and Outreach to prepare travel kits for Hope House has changed. The gathering will begin at 6pm on May 23. You don't have to be a member of either organization to lend a hand to this important ministry. All parishioners are invited to join in. This is a task that can easily be shared with our younger members, so bring the children and help them learn the joy of helping others.

Thanks to all who continue to donate books and magazines for the hospital waiting rooms, food for the Salvation Army barrels, clothing for Goodwill, hygiene supplies for Providence House and Hope House, etc. There are people in this community whose lives are better because of you. Keep up the good work.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

If you would like an announcement placed in the Sunday bulletin, please submit it by 10:00 am on the previous Wednesday. The office is open Monday-Thursday from 8:30 am until 2:00 pm. Announcements that are in printed form may be mailed, sent through e-mail to [stjames\\_sport@bellsouth.net](mailto:stjames_sport@bellsouth.net), or dropped at the parish office,.

Newsletter deadline: June 1st

### **SPREAD THE WORD**

Would you like to brag on your family's achievements, share family milestones with friends, or invite the parish to an upcoming event? You can do so easily by submitting articles to the parish office for publication in the Spirit. There is always room for news of a baptism, wedding, or school achievement. Photographs and stories can be sent via e-mail to [stjames\\_sport@bellsouth.net](mailto:stjames_sport@bellsouth.net) or dropped off at the parish office. And if you are shy about doing the writing, just telephone the information to 686-1261 and the writing will take care of itself.

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## Upcoming Trip To Tuna, Texas—June 17-18-19

Dear Parishioners (and your neighbors, friends, families and/or co-workers),

As part of our 2011 Quarterly Master Series of Entertainment Fundraiser, you are invited to join us for a lively trip to Tuna, Texas on June 17, 18 or 19, as we journey amongst the citizens of this great little Texas community. This adult comedy production "Red, White and Tuna" will be staged in St. James Episcopal Church Parish Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. with food, drink

and fellowship and a curtain time set for 7 p.m. Cost for this journey is \$25 per person and reservations are needed in advance by calling our box office at 560-5662. All checks should be made payable to St. James Episcopal Church. Orders of ten tickets will be charged only \$200—the cost of eight tickets, so call your family and friends to make it a party and qualify for a discount.

Featured in this production will be Ken Murphy and Rick Stovall. Opening scene is Star Birdfeather and Amber Windchime, two aging flower child hippies, who are seated in two chairs which comprise the front seat of Star's Volkswagon Beetle. From this scene forward you will meet Thurston Wheelis, a radio disc jockey, Elmer Watkins, a veteran Klan member, Bertha Bumiller, a widowed housewife and mother, Joe Bob Lipsey, the artistic director of the Tuna Little Theatre, and Pearl Burras, Bertha's aunt, a chicken farmer. Altogether, you will meet 20 different characters, some of which are Arles Struvie, another radio disc jockey, Didi Snavelly, a used gun store owner and Petey Fisk, head of Tuna's Humane Society. Ken Murphy plays ten of the characters and Rick plays ten of the characters. You will be introduced to "Hot To Trot" Catering Helen Bedd and Inita Goodwin.

This fast moving adult comedy will amaze you with quick and frequent costume and character changes as you are introduced to this little community called Tuna, Texas. Plan now to reserve your tickets and bring your friends, aunts and uncles, grandmas and grandpas for an evening of laughter and entertainment. Reserved groups of ten get in for the price of eight (for \$200) which is a

grandpas for an evening of laughter and entertainment. Reserved groups of ten get in for the price of eight (for \$200) which is a savings of \$50. Come join us and help us fill the house! **Phone the Box Office at 560-5662 and reserve your tickets now.**  
Sincerely,

*Paul H. Moore*

Producer, 2011 Quarterly Master Series of Entertainment  
St. James Episcopal Church



**Rick Stovall**

P.S. Please reserve your calendar dates later this year for September 9 and 10 "Rock N' Roll BeeBop Musical" and December 3, 4 & 5 "The Sounds of Christmas" featuring James Palmer and Cara Waring.

(Red, White and Tuna is written by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears and Ed Howard and this production is presented with special permission from Samuel French as originally produced by Charles Duggan.)



**Ken Murphy**

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## **ROBERT MOVES ON AFTER ONLY FIFTY YEARS**

It has been half a century since Robert DeLoach first came to St. James. On January 16, 1961 his letter was transferred from The Church of the Holy Cross in Shreveport. On April 17, 2011, a reception was held in his honor so St. James parishioners could wish him well before he moves to Alabama to live near his daughter and her family. Over the decades Robert saw many changes at St. James. He has watched the worship space move between buildings, but more immor-

near his daughter and her family. Over the decades ROBERT saw many changes at St. James. He has watched the worship space move between buildings, but more importantly he has witnessed the growth of the congregation and the spiritual growth of the people who comprise his St. James family. Robert will be missed and parishioners will long remember his devotion and friendship.



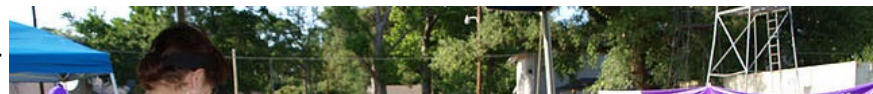
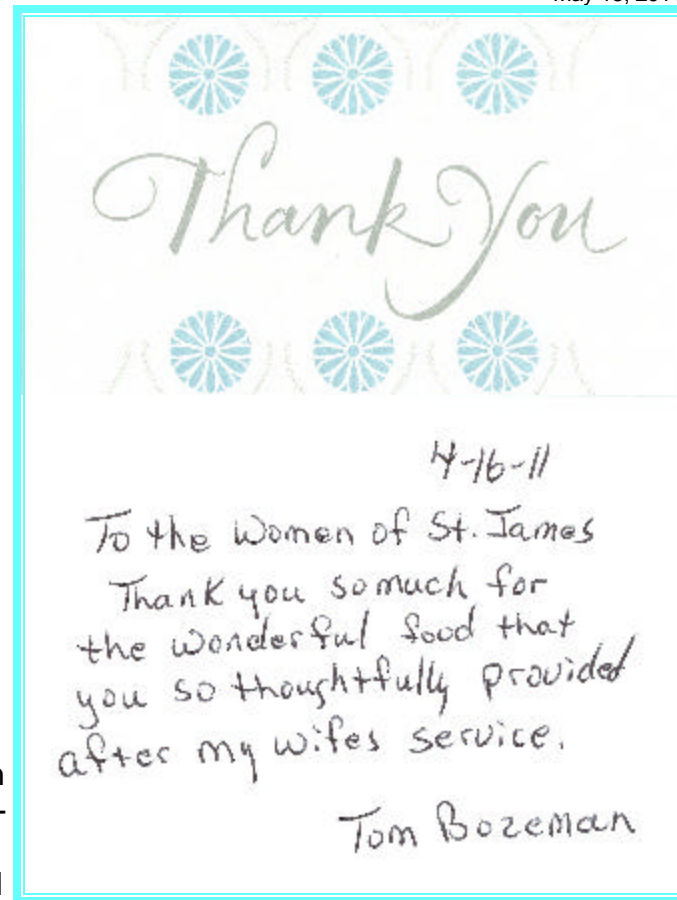
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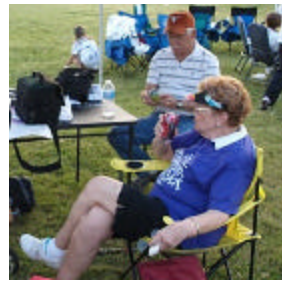
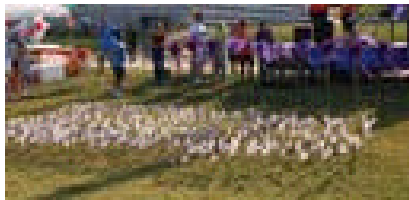


## ANNUAL RELAY FOR LIFE SUCCESSFUL AGAIN!!

The Relay for Life, a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, was successful yet again. Participants walked together at Byrd High School on April 29, raising funds and awareness and honoring local cancer survivors. The St. James and St. Matthias team, Solo Saints, continues to actively participate with your support. Thanks



Matthias team, Solo Saints, continues to actively participate with your support. Thanks to Kathy Watkins for her hard work in organizing and advertising...and for providing photographs.



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## June Anniversaries

Roger & Molly Wilkinson	June 1
Angus & Morgan MacIntire	June 4
Barry & Mary Taylor	June 15
Gary & Hope Bazer	June 19
Connor & Pepper Matlock	June 22
Derek & Erica Phillips	June 23
David & Charlotte Calhoun	June 30

## June Birthdays

Angus MacIntire	June 1
Stuart Waguespack	June 3
John Perkins	June 4
Thomas Lashley	June 4
Alyssa Garner	June 9
Jerry Howard	June 10
Baron Kendrick	June 10
Tina Vinson	June 10
Michael Sims	June 10
Larry Lashley	June 11
Madison Bryant	June 12
Emilie Michelle Gibson	June 15
Paul Jackson	June 16
Roger Wilkinson	June 16
Anthony Andrew Comeaux	June 16
Bill Thrash	June 18

## DIRECTORY UPDATE

Please add the following new information to your directory:

Miranda Peyton has moved to  
709 Catalpa Circle  
Shreveport, LA 71115

## YOUTH SUNDAY COMING SOON—MAY 22

Because May 22 is Youth Sunday and we know everyone wants to enjoy the day together, there will be only one service, held at 10am. The St. James youth will be fully participating in the service, from greeting people on the threshold to acolyting, reading, and preaching. After the service a light reception will be held in the Parish Hall honoring the graduating seniors. Please come and support our young members by allowing them to serve you. Contact Lois Maberry to volunteer to bring finger foods for the reception.

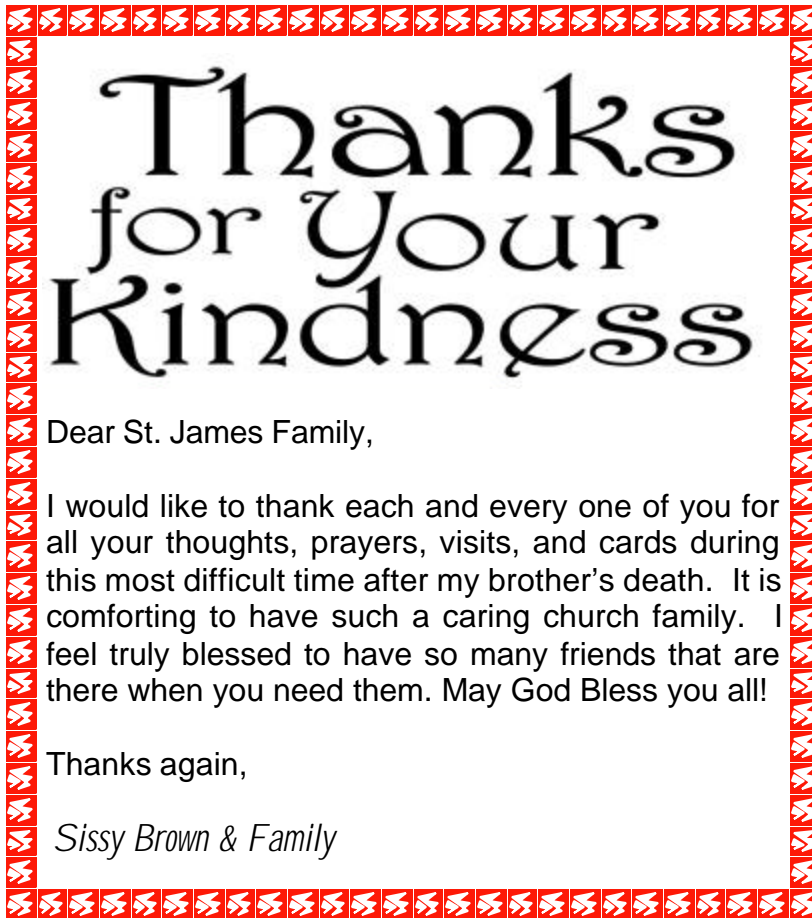


Anthony Andrew Comeaux	June 16
Bill Thrash	June 18
Wain Thompson	June 18
Hunter Thompson	June 20
Gina Phillips	June 21
Lonnie Howard	June 26
Rachel Porter	June 29
Janet Moore	June 30
Kelsi Holloway	June 30
Maggie Bryant	June 30

***OUR DAILY BREAD***  
**DEVOTIONAL BOOK**  
**NOW AVAILABLE**

*Our Daily Bread*, a book of daily devotions published by RBC Ministries, is now available in the Narthex. It is next to the *Forward Day by Day*, which we will continue to distribute. Like *Day-by-Day*, it is a quarterly publication, containing three months of daily devotionals and related scripture references. We are hoping you will consider this as a compliment to your current daily devotions.

for the reception.



Thanks  
for Your  
Kindness

Dear St. James Family,

I would like to thank each and every one of you for all your thoughts, prayers, visits, and cards during this most difficult time after my brother's death. It is comforting to have such a caring church family. I feel truly blessed to have so many friends that are there when you need them. May God Bless you all!

Thanks again,

*Sissy Brown & Family*

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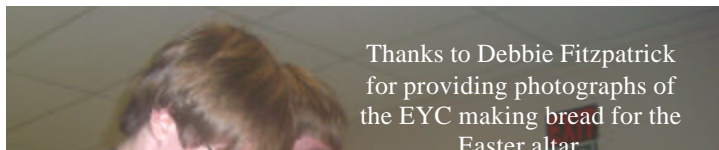
# SHARING THE WATCH

## EYC Maundy Thursday Lock-in

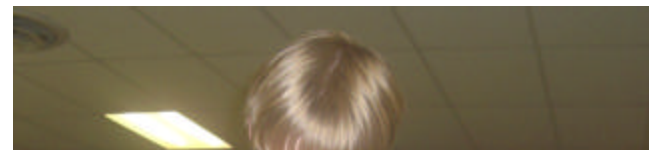
For the second year, the EYC had a lock-in at the church on Maundy Thursday. It was attended by Layton Porter, Brody and Rory Fitzpatrick, Alyssa Garner, Hanna Parker, and Erin and Jessica Soto from St. James. Two alumni EYC members, Rachel Porter and Sara Lewis, joined the EYC for the evening events. We also had four guests for a total of eleven young adults. Jana Kendrick, Kelly Parker, and Elizabeth Ollendike assisted Kathleen Porter and Debbie Fitzpatrick with the evening's events. We began with the Maundy Thursday service, followed by pizza. Several adults from the parish, as well as other guests, joined us with a painting project demonstrated by Painting with a Twist. Everyone, young and old alike, really enjoyed the painting of an antique cross. We then moved to the church and walked the Stations of the Cross.

Did you notice the bread at Christ's table was different on Easter Sunday? That is because the EYC made the unleavened bread for the Easter service as one of our Maundy Thursday activities. Much to my surprise everyone wanted to turn in early (around mid-night). We completed the evening with a Compline service in the church. The next morning we were treated to an awesome breakfast by Debbie and Kelly. We stuffed all the Easter eggs for the Easter egg hunt and finished with the Good Friday service in the church. Everyone had a great time. What an incredible group of young adults we have at St. James. We are truly blessed. Thanks be to God.

—Kathleen Porter



Thanks to Debbie Fitzpatrick for providing photographs of the EYC making bread for the Easter altar.



the EYC making bread for the  
Easter altar.



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Thanks, Debbie, for the photos of painting with a Twist in action.



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## **ST. JAMES PRACTICES AUSTERITY**

In an effort to keep operating costs down, thereby leaving more money for the important work of the church, some changes have been implemented at St. James. You may have noticed that the Sunday bulletins, formerly printed in color, are now printed in black and white, except for special occasions, such as Easter. Our maintenance agreement with Xerox specifies that each page that is printed in color costs approximately ten cents (no matter how much color ink is required for the page or how large the paper is), while black and white printing costs approximately one cent per page. Inserts are only used for those announcements that don't fit onto the announcements page. Inserts are reused for two or three weeks, rather than being reprinted to save the cost of paper as well as to reduce the printing fee (so please don't toss used tissues or chewed gum in the recycle basket by the door).

Our newsletter was moved to larger paper to reduce printing costs several months ago—and we have limited the number of pages per issue to further control the cost. We continue to use bulk mail for the newsletter, keeping the postage at twelve cents per delivery to the local area and seventeen cents per delivery out of the Caddo and Bossier Parishes. Bulk mail rules require that we send out a minimum of 200 issues per mailing, so we are able to spread our news to many people at a relatively low cost. On those occasions when we send out fewer than 200 pieces of mail at a time, we pay the regular postage for letters (currently forty-four cents), postcards (currently twenty-eight cents), and flats, such as the newsletter (currently sixty-one cents).

But all of our changes aren't happening in the office. More efficient heating and cooling units have been installed in all the buildings, which will cut back on the cost of maintenance, repairs and energy use, while providing more reliable comfort. Programmable thermostats have been incorporated into the worship space so the air conditioning or heating units are activated half an hour before scheduled services and automatically return to the default setting afterward.



I JUST WANTED TO GIVE THANKS TO **RON AND LOIS MAYBERRY** FOR THEIR HELP WITH MY LABORS AT MAKING THE **PARISH BREAKFAST** THIS PAST SUNDAY (MAY, 1st). PAUL MOORE HAD ANOTHER ENGAGEMENT AND COULD NOT BE PRESENT.

SEEING THAT I NEEDED HELP WITH THINGS IN THE KITCHEN,.....RON AND LOIS "JUMPED IN" AND GAVE ME A HAND. I PROBABLY COULD NOT HAVE HAD ALL OF IT READY IN TIME WITHOUT THE GREAT HELP OF YOU BOTH.

AGAIN,...THANKS  
*BARRY*

You can help properly maintain the new units by helping to keep the air flow constant. Please do not block the air return vents in the Parish Hall floor by keeping boxes or other items off the registers. Likewise, keep the air return vent in the wall of the Vesting Room clear. Closing windows and turning off lights when closing up after events, and making certain toilets are not running and faucets are not dripping are small acts that can add up to a large savings in utility bills.

The many small changes we have made add up to a significant savings. With the help of all the members of the St. James family we can continue to keep our office running efficiently, care for our buildings and grounds, and maintain an effective outreach in the community.

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## JESUS DIDN'T TEACH TOLERANCE

Read the Gospels. Jesus didn't tolerate people who were different from him. He accepted them—and there is a very big difference. Jesus didn't just put up with sinners. He sought them. He made a point of spending time with them. He befriended them. He showed them love.

Tolerance indicates there is something wrong or unacceptable that a person is putting up with. Acceptance is more indicative of unconditional love and caring. People tolerate things that bother them, but accept things that don't. One can have a high tolerance for pain or for excessive consumption of alcohol. One can tolerate a lack of sleep or extended time in direct sunlight. All of these are things that are bad for the human body, and therefore should not be blithely accepted. But for the short-term, they can be tolerated. Over the long haul, however, the tolerance decreases and damage to the body becomes apparent.

Jesus did not teach that we put up with those who are not perfect in his sight. And he certainly did not teach that we should shun people who are not just like us. Instead, he taught by example that we should embrace all people. He invited tax collectors, Matthew and Levi, to follow him (Matthew 9:4-14, Mark 2:9-19, Luke 5:22-32). He went to the home of Zacchaeus, another tax collector (Luke 19:1-9). These were men who worked for the Roman government, the oppressors of the Jews, and who were not generally accepted into the homes of the Pharisees or Sadducees, but instead were treated as traitors to the Jewish community.

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Repeatedly throughout the Gospels we see Jesus befriending people who were looked down upon by the religious leaders. Jesus associated with Samaritans, a group of people shunned by the Jews (John 4:1-42), and even used a Samaritan to illustrate a parable about how we should treat others (Luke 10:29-37).

We are not called to judge others. In fact, Jesus cautioned against that behavior by stating, “Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” (Matthew 7:1-2) Instead of concentrating on the differences between us and another, let us accept others, recognizing that in our diversity we find strength.

So let us follow the examples Jesus set for us. Let us not just tolerate others, but accept them, embrace them, and invite them to join us. Our doors are open to all, and we really do mean it when we say, “The Episcopal Church welcomes you.”

—Jnanne Zepeda

**Thanks to Kathy Watkins for the new clock in the parish office. It is as stylish as the old one and ticking away as it should. Thanks for helping us keep up with the time!**

*Our Mission Statement: A COMMUNITY CALLED BY GOD TO WORSHIP,  
LOVE, AND SERVE.*

Our Schedule of Services:

Sunday—Holy Eucharist, 8:30am  
followed by Coffee Hour and donuts in the Parish Hall  
Sunday School, 9:45am  
Holy Eucharist, 11:00am  
Wednesday—Holy Eucharist with Unction, 10am  
Bible Study, 10:30am



### **Vestry Meeting Highlights—April 2010**

Due to the Holy Week and Easter events, the April Vestry meeting was rescheduled for mid-May. No minutes are available for printing this month.

**RENOVATIONS CONTINUE AT**

# RENOVATIONS CONTINUE AT GARRETT-HALL BUILDING

Interior renovations continue at the Garrett-Hall Building. To help with the decorating of the great hall, St. James is collecting crosses to hang on the wall. Here is a sample of those already donated to the cause. If you wish to add to the collection, leave your donation on the banquet in the Parish Hall.

