St. James Messenger Gather & Study & Serve Sunday, January 14, 2024

<u>This Week</u> Serving in God's House Today: Trustee: Justin DeVantier Reader: Sue Milleville Organist: Janet Galvano Altar Care: Carolyn and Marshal Chapin

Sunday, January 14:

8:00 Adult Sunday School 9:15 Worship 10:30 Children's Sunday School 10:30 Coffee Hour 10:45 Catechism

Tuesday, January 16: 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 17: 9:30 am Text Study

Thursday, January 18: 6:00 pm Bell Choir 6:30 pm Text Study 7:30 pm Choir

Friday, January 19: 8:30-10:30, 3-5 Office Hours <u>Next Week</u> Serving in God's House Next Sunday: Trustee: Bruce Milleville Reader: Danielle Nemi Organist: Jennifer Parris Altar Care: Carolyn and Marshal Chapin Communion Assistant: MaryAnn Kowalski

Sunday, January 21:

8:00 Adult Sunday School 9:15 Communion 10:30 Children's Sunday School 10:45 Catechism Newsletter Deadline

> **Tuesday, January 23:** 7:00 pm Council

Wednesday, January 24: 9:30 am Text Study

Thursday, January 25: 6:00 pm Bell Choir 6:30 pm Text Study 7:30 pm Choir

Friday, January 26: 8:30-10:30, 3-5 Office Hours

<u>ST. JAMES NEWS</u>

Communion Class - If your child is in grades 4-6 and you feel they are ready to participate in the Lord's Supper, Pastor will be holding Communion Classes on Saturdays from February 24th through March 16th from 10am-12pm. Parents are encouraged to sit in on the classes. A sign-up sheet is on the table outside the meeting room. Last day to sign-up is Sunday February 4th.

2023 St. James Annual Report - Anyone who needs to submit a report, please do so as soon as possible. Financial reports will be audited after service on January 28.

Finance Committee End of Year 2023 Budget Summary			
Fund	Receipts/Contributions		Budget
			Approved
		Year To	Budget for
	December	Date	2023
General	\$34,173	\$193,331	\$172,000.00
Benevolence	\$1,475	\$18,251	\$15,000.00
Capital			
Improvement	\$3,095	\$14,520	None

St. James Women's Bible Study will meet this Tuesday, January 16 at 7:00 pm. The current study is over the book of Isaiah.

2024 Offering envelopes are on the table by the gray room, ready to be picked up. Please note that this year there are no designated special fund envelopes in the front of your box. Instead, there is an additional line marked "OTHER" on your weekly envelopes if you wish to contribute to a particular fund. Please mark accordingly if so desired. Here is a list of "Special Funds" most used: Caring friends, Endowment fund, Local Hunger, Lutheran Charities, Memorial fund, Niagara Gospel Rescue Mission, Niagara Lutheran Health Systems, and Young Life. See Donna Driess with questions.

2023 Invididual Contribution Reports are on the table in th<mark>e gray room</mark> entrance. Please pick yours up at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Prayer List - The New Year is an opportune time to update our prayer list. Prayer request forms are located in the bell tower. Names on the current prayer list will be removed and will only be replaced with a completed form.

Save the Date: Fellowship Meal We are looking at Saturday, February 3rd for a simply delicious meal and fun and fellowship!! Tickets are on sale now. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Details: 5:00 Appetizers, 6:00 Dinner, Adults- \$10.00, Child- 6-12 - \$5.00, 5 years and under-free.

COMMUNITY NEWS

HSNGSWNY - Historical Society of North German Settlements In Western New York is hosting the following presentations at the Wheatfield Community Center 2790 Church Rd, North Tonawanda, NY 14120 at 2PM. January 18th: Show and Tell (heirlooms, artefacts, and ephemera). February 15th: Lorna M. Czarnota, Medieval History with artefacts. As always, these presentations and refreshments are free to the public. Das Haus is available for guided tours upon special arrangement. Please contact (716) 795-2890 to schedule your tour.