



# St. James Messenger

## Gather ♦ Study ♦ Serve



### This Week

#### **Sunday, April 28:**

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

#### **Wednesday, May 1:**

9:30 am Text Study

#### **Thursday, May 2:**

6:00 pm Bell Choir  
6:30 pm Text Study  
7:30 pm Choir

#### **Friday, May 3:**

Office open in the afternoon

#### **Saturday, May 4**

9:00 Rohr St. Cemetery  
Grounds Clean-Up

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### Next Week

#### **Sunday, May 5:**

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

#### **Wednesday, May 8:**

9:30 am Text Study  
7:00 pm New Member Class

#### **Thursday, May 9:**

6:00 pm Bell Choir  
6:30 pm Text Study  
7:30 pm Choir

#### **Friday, May 10:**

Office open in the afternoon

Sunday, April 28, 2024

### ST. JAMES NEWS

**A sincere thank you** to Pastor Randy for his thoughts, prayers and visits and also to my Church Family for their thoughts, prayers, get-well cards, visits and food that they have provided me through my recent hip replacement. All of your kindness extended to me really meant a lot.

~Marcia Gardiner

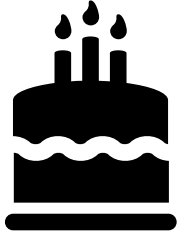
*"Lord, my God, I called you for help, and you healed me." Psalms 30:2*

**Lutheran World Relief** - St. James Family, you once again have shown your generosity and love to change the lives of others. Your hard work and donations for the Quilts, Baby Care Kits and Personal Care Kits will reach neighbors who are living in some of the most remote and forsaken regions in the world. Lutheran World Relief tackles global poverty by helping people adapt to the challenges that threaten their livelihoods and well-being. We work with people based on need, regardless of race, religion or nationality and we do not evangelize. We provide aid in emergencies and help families restore their lives. We partner with communities to build and grow rural economies. We break the cycle of poverty, so families and communities can thrive. Our goal is to help people build self-sufficiency and create new community-owned approaches to problem-solving that will last long after our projects end. **"Thank you"** to each one for making this possible: 52 Quilts, 48 Baby Care Kits, 45 Personal Care Kits.

**Rohr St. Cemetery Grounds Clean-Up** - On Saturday, May 4th at 9:00 the Men's Group will be cleaning up the Rohr St. cemetery grounds and looking it over to see what else might need to be done. Please bring your hand tools, it shouldn't take long.

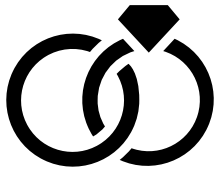
**New Member Class** - If you are interested in becoming a member of St. James please join us May 8th at 7:00 pm in the meeting room. If you have any questions, please feel free to call or text Pastor Randy at (716) 225-3591.

**Caring Friends**- If you or someone you know is in need of financial assistance, please remember that the St. James Caring Friends program is available to help. Please contact Pastor Randy or Gary DeVantier for more information. Thank you to all who have and will support this cause.



**God's blessings on your upcoming birthday!**

- 4/28 – Samuel Walters
- 4/29 – Brenda Wise
- 4/29 – Bryan Wojcinski
- 4/29 – Robert Klopfer
- 4/30 – Joyce Schimschack
- 4/30 – Kasey Haseley
- 5/1 – Elizabeth Wilson
- 5/2 – Taran Wisniewski
- 5/5 – Rodney Wise
- 5/7 – Jonathan Penvose
- 5/8 – Everett Milleville
- 5/8 – Lindsey Parisse
- 5/9 – Steven Wojcinski
- 5/10 – Jacob Walters
- 5/10 – Mark Driess
- 5/11 – Michael Chapin



**Celebrating another year of marriage in Christ!**

- 4/30 – William & Caitlin Milleville
- 5/5 – Michael & Andrea Haseley

March 2024 Financial Report			
Fund	Receipts/Contributions		Budget
		Year To Date	Approved Budget for 2024
General	\$16,517	\$40,966	\$175,000.00
Benevolence	\$1,470	\$4,825	\$17,000.00
Capital Improvement	\$1,465	\$2,895	None

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**TODAY by 12:00 NOON is the DEADLINE** to make reservations for the Wednesday, May 1 Hope United Methodist Church Convenience Meal: Taco Salad, Fritos & Rice Krispie Treat. Pick-up is from 4:30 to 6:00 pm and cost is \$4.00 each. Please call Hope United Methodist Church at 716-731-9737. Proceeds go to Closet of Hope Community Outreach. *Genesis 9:3: "Everything that lives & moves about will be food for you. Just as I gave you the green plants, I now give you everything."*

**National Day of Prayer** - Calling all Prayer Warriors. Thursday, May 2, 2024 is our National Day of Prayer. Forestview Church at 1250 Saunders Settlement Rd., NF, NY will be hosting a Continental Breakfast and Prayer Time. It will run from 9am to 11am. (Feel free to stop by just to pray for a while or stay for the whole event.) We will be praying for our Government, World, Schools, Churches and Families. Also singing Patriotic hymns and songs. We will be meeting in the Adult Sunday School Classroom. Everyone is welcomed to join us!

**Historical Society of North German Settlements in Western New York** will host presentations at the Wheatfield Community Center, 2790 Church Rd in North Tonawanda at 7 pm: May 16<sup>th</sup> – Greg Kinal: Life and Society in the 1890s. Presentations and refreshments are free to the public! Das Haus is available for guided tours: call (716) 795-2890.

**Serving in God's House Today:**

- Trustee: Brian Milleville
- Reader: Kristen Rafter
- Organist: Janet Galvano
- Altar Care: Margaret Wittmeyer and Laurie Schmidt

**Serving in God's House Next Sunday:**

- Trustee: Justin DeVantier
- Reader: Maureen Milleville
- Organist: Jennifer Parris
- Altar Care: Marcia Gardiner and Connie Washburn
- Communion Assistants: MaryAnn Kowalski and Andrew Dysard