

NeverTheLess – May 8, 2016

TODAY

WELCOME TO ALL, especially if you are visiting us today.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! Today we celebrate and honor all the moms and mother role models in our lives. Thank you for the laundry, the kissed boo-boos, the quiet wisdom, and the unconditional love you give unstintingly. Thank you.

COMING UP

PENTECOST The feast of Pentecost is May 15. As in the past we would like to celebrate by reading one of the lessons in a foreign language. If you are able to read a language other than English, please speak to George Spagna (752.6513 or thespagnas@comcast.net) or Claudia Merritt (798.6336 or cmerritt@stjamestheless.com). Wear red to church – the color for the coming of the Holy Spirit.

SESQUICENTENNIAL

Join St. James the Less on Sunday, May 22, as we celebrate our Sesquicentennial Birthday! We'll start the celebration at our 10 am Eucharist and continue with a catered luncheon immediately following the service. We'll include a bit of history and a lot of fun...for all ages! Don't miss the chance to celebrate this monumental anniversary and to hear guest preacher, the Rev. Canon Patrick J. Wingo, Canon to the Ordinary for the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia. We will have only **one service** on that Sunday, at 10 am, so that we can all worship and celebrate together.

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE SESQUICENTENNIAL

Volunteer to help with the festivities! There are numerous volunteering opportunities to ensure everything runs smoothly and that we all have a good time. Sign-up sheets with job descriptions and available time slots are on clipboards at Information Central.

Tell our youth how much you love SJTL! (See below.)

If you'd like to financially support our celebration, we are offering a variety of fundraising opportunities:

- sponsorships are available at multiple levels;
- you can pre-order sesquicentennial commemorative merchandise:
 - notecards or a print of the Vicky Bickel sketch of St. James the Less (\$10 for a packet of ten cards or one frame-worthy print);
 - commemorative insulated tumbler with straw (\$6/each); and/or
 - Snow White Inn BBQ (\$12/lb.).

Complete information on our Sesquicentennial events, sponsorships, and merchandise is on our website: <http://www.stjamestheless.com/content/st-james-less-sesquicentennial> You can also place orders for merchandise and BBQ at Information Central.

REQUEST FOR AN INTERVIEW. The high school youth group has been asked to create a video montage of answers to questions such as: "What is your favorite part of being a member of the St. James the Less family?" "Where do you see God around St. James the Less?" and "What memory about St. James the Less would you like to share?" Over Mother's Day week-end, either at the Car Wash, between services, or during refreshment time after church on Sunday, you may be asked by a high school student to do an interview that will contribute to this footage. We will view the montage at our Sesquicentennial Celebration (plus there will be a compilation of all the interviews if you'd like to see them all). We hope you say Yes!

OUTREACH AND FELLOWSHIP

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

AUGUST 15 - 18th from 5:30-7:30 pm. VBS is a 3-day education program called "SURPRISE: Stories of Discovering Jesus"; the fourth night is an all-family dinner/fun night. Jesus surprised the people he met! People in the temple were amazed by the conversations and questions they had with a boy named Jesus. With each surprise, people discovered more about Jesus. Are you ready for your children to be surprised by Jesus? Everyone is welcome. The VBS educational program is designed for Pre-K - 5th Graders and we would love to have middle and senior high kids perform the dramas that are included with the program and to help with the children's activities. And of course we need volunteers to make this a special experience for our children! Questions? Interested in participating? Contact Jen Martin, sjtlvbs@gmail.com .

PATRICK HENRY HS INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE STUDENT EXAMS We are once again hosting the Patrick Henry IB students for their final exams. They will be using Brydon Hall weekdays from Monday May 2nd, through Wednesday, May 18th. Brydon Hall is not closed to anyone, but we do

ask that distractions be kept to a minimum. And please keep the students in your prayers. If you have any questions about access, contact Margaret in the office.

PETER PAUL DEVELOPMENT CENTER strives to help their participants with basic needs. Currently, they request note pads and greeting cards for the senior citizens they serve. If you'd like to contribute, there is a marked basket at Information Central.

VESTRY MEMBERS: Steve Pace (SW); Bob May (JW); Julie Ericksen; Tom Fritter; Harry Hassell; Jenny Bruce; Rich Holt; Tanya Reagan; Dawn Davis; Richard Grosse; Beth Markwood, Matt Smith

SEARCH COMMITTEE: Derrick Rosser (chair); Sandi Shirey; Rebecca Cline; Bob Hughes; Bob Chamlee; Matt Meade; Ana Bajcsi

SJTL COMMITTEES AND CHAIRS: ADULT FORMATION, Harry Hassell; CHILDREN/YOUTH FORMATION, Aleta Meyer; STEWARDSHIP, Steve Pace; PARISH LIFE, Steve Pace & Bob May; PASTORAL CARE, Stephanie Werner; FINANCE, Yancey Jones; OUTREACH, Ginny Meyer & Julie Ericksen; FUNDRAISING, Jenny Bruce & Sylvia Spagna; PROPERTY, Tom Fritter; CHENERY, Naomi Pace; COMMUNICATIONS, Dawn Davis; SESQUICENTENNIAL, Liz Chambers & Kris Holt; WORSHIP NUTS & BOLTS, The Rev. Claudia W. Merritt

PRAYER LIST – May 8, 2016

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: PRAY for the congregations and clergy of Emmanuel (Brook Hill) Richmond; Grace & Holy Trinity Richmond; Grace (Cismont) Keswick; St. John the Baptist Ivy; Buck Mountain Earlysville; Grace Stanardsville

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: PRAY for The Anglican Church of Kenya The Most Revd Dr Eliud Wabukala Primate and Archbishop of All Kenya

For the repose of souls: Pete Falbo (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer)

For our parishioners requesting our prayers: **GUS** Miller, **CONDÉ** Hopkins, **MAUD** Brumback, **PAT** Funk, **DICK** Harman, **HENRY** Mayer, **MOYA** Parmele, **ERIN** Yagla, **MEGAN** Rodman, **LAURIE** Rodman, **STEWART** Dishman, **TRUMAN** Parmele; **DON** Jones; **CHARLIE** Thompson, **JESSE**, **RAVEN & NATE** Blaisdell, **NED** Stiles

For those serving in the diplomatic corps and military: **KEMPER** Jones, **HUNTER** Fines, **GREG** Ericksen, **ANDREW** Walton, **SCOTT & BARBARA** Feeley, **ROBERT** Ham, **MATTHEW** Thomas, **PHILIP** Morison

Relatives & Friends: *(people added this week are in italics)* **MAC** Pace (father of Steve Pace), **ANNE MARIE** Fisher (friend of the Jones family), **TRAVIS** Williams (friend of the SJTL Parish), **PATRICIA** Reppert (aunt of PK Kinser; friend of the Meyer family); **GINNY** Walker (niece of Karl Meyer), **ARLENE** Davis (mother of Dawn Davis); **WILL** Holman (friend of the SJTL Parish), **SANDIE** Litsinger (friend of the Shirey's), **WILLIAM** Micou (friend of Ron & Conde Hopkins), **ANNE** Folsom (mother of Meg Helsley and Emily Folsom), The Rev. **RACHEL** Lewis (friend of the Spagna family), **JOHN** Murphy (father of Erin Murphy), **PATRICK** Morris (friend of Harry & Doris Hassell), **BETH** Mallory (friend of Beth Markwood), **JANE** Markwood (mother of Tim Markwood), **RHONDA** Lewis (friend of the Tharrington family), **NANCY** Margie (friend of Aleta Meyer), **ANNETTE** Wisniewski (friend of Doris Hassell) **MARY & JIMMY** (family of Tammie & Bob May), **ORIANA** Hargrove (friend of Bobbi & Tom Street), **ALICE** Wallace (mother of Beth Markwood), The Rev. **NANCY** Cox (friend of the Meyer family), **JUANITA** Wightman (sister-in-law of Jane Howard), **LYNN** Forehand (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **GWEN** Bennett (sister of Hilda Kelly), **VICKI** Snelgrave (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **MELANIE** Watkins (niece of Bobbie Street)