



ST. JAMES

LUTHERAN CHURCH



March & April
2026

The Journal

March & April Worship Services

Lenten Evening Worship Services

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, & 25 at 6:30 pm

Second Sunday in Lent, March 1

Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am

Third Sunday in Lent, March 8

Worship at 11:00 am

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 15

Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am

Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 22

Worship at 11:00 am

Palm Sunday, March 29

Worship with Procession of Palms
& Holy Communion at 11:00 am

Sunday Mornings

Coffee & Conversation 9:15-9:45 am

Sunday School at 9:45 am

Maundy Thursday, April 2

Worship with Holy Communion
& Stripping of the Altar at 6:30 pm

Good Friday, April 3

Tenebrae Service at 6:30 pm

Easter Sunday, April 5

Worship with Holy Communion at 10:00 am
There will be no Sunday School on Easter morning.

Second Sunday of Easter, April 12

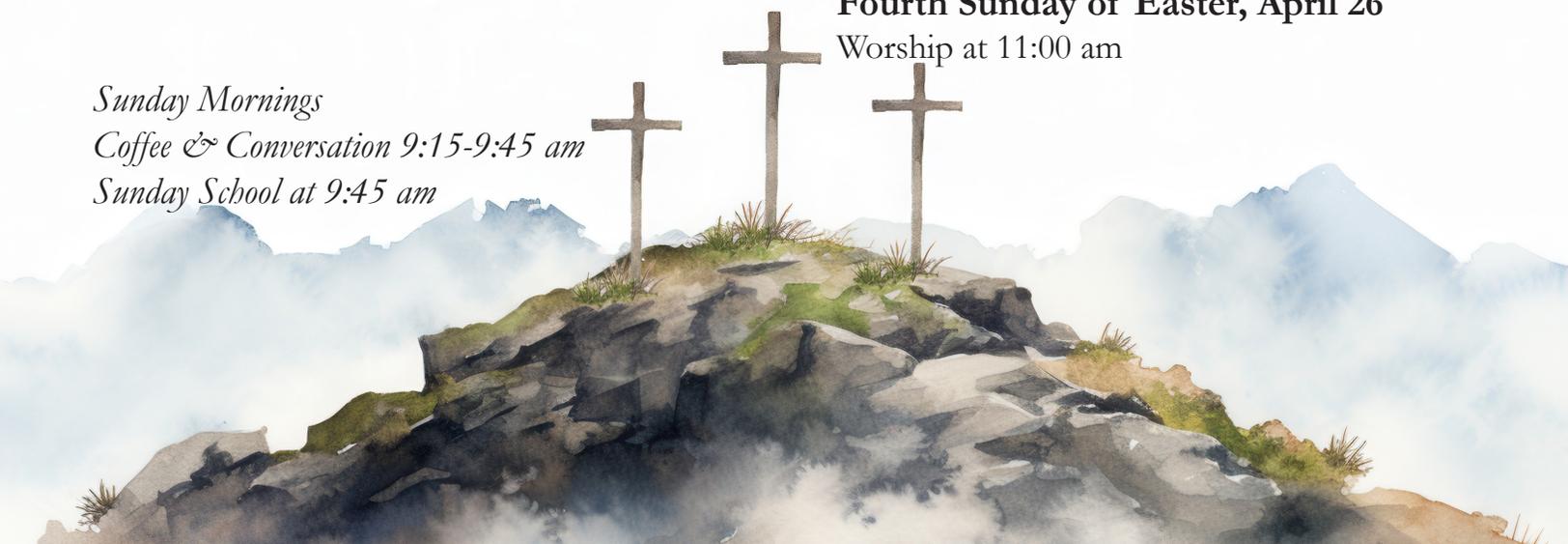
Worship at 11:00 am

Third Sunday of Easter, April 19

Worship with Holy Communion at 11:00 am

Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 26

Worship at 11:00 am



March & April Upcoming Events

Lenten Bible Study, Dinner, & Evening Worship

Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, & 25

Bible Study 5:00-5:45 pm

Dinner 5:45-6:25 pm

Evening Worship Service 6:30 pm

Tie Blankets will meet on Monday, March 9, at 1:00 pm

Tie Blankets will not meet in April.

Church Council will meet on Saturday, March 14, at 10:00 am

and Sunday, April 12, at 5:00 pm

WELCA/LMM will meet on Monday, March 23, and Monday, April 27,

at 1:00 pm for a potluck lunch, followed by the meetings.



St. James is having a yard sale on

April 17 (8:00 am -12:00 pm) & April 18 (8:00 am – 1:00 pm)

to support local valley ministries. Please save items to donate for the yard sale.

Items may be dropped off in the fellowship hall after worship on Sunday, April 12, and Monday-Wednesday, April 13-15, 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm each day.

No cribs or child car seats, please.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the yard sale on April 17 or April 18, please talk to Patti Cutshall.



**Daylight Saving Time
begins March 8th.
Please remember to
Spring Forward!**

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Thrivent Choice Dollars

Thrivent members, please remember to direct your 2024 Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31st. You may do so by calling 1-800-847-4836 or online at thrivent.com.



Please join us for Bible Study on Wednesdays in March at 5:00 pm.

March 4: Running on Empty in the Wilderness

March 11: In the Wilderness with Jesus

March 18: From Wilderness to Garden

March 25: The Joy at the End of the Wilderness

It's time to order Easter lilies for Easter Sunday!

To order Easter lilies, please fill out the form in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate or in the box on the secretary's desk with a check made payable to St. James, or you may pay online. You may also email your order to stjamesnewsinfo@gmail.com or call Kathy to place your order.

All orders are due in the church office by March 25th.



We need your help with flowers for our outside cross.

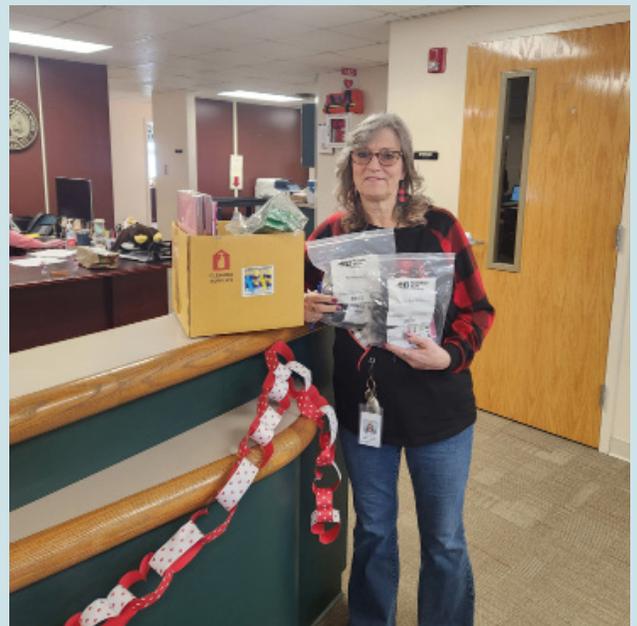
Please bring fresh flowers on the Saturday before Easter, April 4, to place on the cross outside on the front lawn. The flowers can be any color, and you can just stick the flowers in the foam anytime on Saturday so the cross will be beautiful by Easter Sunday morning.

Please see Tonia Busbee for more information.

Outreach Committee News



Barbara Cobb delivered donated school supplies and headphones for computer labs to J.D. Lever Elementary School and Jefferson Elementary School. Patti Cutshall delivered school supplies to Warrenville Elementary School.





March Volunteer List

Lay Readers & Lay Assistants

March 1: Carol Horsley (Lay Reader & Lay Assistant)

March 8: Lanny Valentine (Lay Reader)

March 15: Angela Vandegrift (Lay Reader & Lay Assistant)

March 22: Georganne Weeks (Lay Reader)

March 29: Mike Willis (Lay Reader & Lay Assistant)

Worship Team

March 1: (A) Spencer Johnson (C) William Johnson

March 8: (A) Justin Joiner (C) Brayden Joiner

March 15: (A) Spencer Johnson (C) Barrett Johnson

March 22: (A) Justin Joiner (C) Brayden Joiner

March 29: (A/C) Spencer Johnson

Altar Guild: Cathie Valentine, Allison Youmans, & Donna Hair

Ushers: Mike Cutshall & Gary Bryant

Greeters: Phil & Doris Ann Homan

Sound Technicians

March 1: Robbie Franklin

March 8: Lane Rogers

March 15: Robbie Franklin

March 22: Lane Rogers

March 29: Robbie Franklin





April Volunteer List

Lay Readers & Lay Assistants

April 2 (Maundy Thursday): Caroline Andrews (Lay Reader & Lay Assistant)

April 3 (Good Friday): TBD

April 5 (Easter Sunday): Lang Entrekin (Lay Reader) Garrett Maroney (Lay Assistant)

April 12: Teddy Weeks (Lay Reader)

April 19: Barbara Cobb (Lay Reader & Lay Assistant)

April 26: Tiffany Coleman (Lay Reader)

Worship Team

April 2 (Maundy Thursday): (A) Justin Joiner (C) Brayden Joiner

April 5 (Easter): Spencer Johnson, Justin Joiner, Brayden Joiner, Dominic Price, Brayden Weed

April 12: (A) Justin Joiner (C) Brayden Joiner

April 19: (A) Spencer Johnson (C) William Johnson

April 26: (A) Justin Joiner (C) Brayden Joiner

Altar Guild: Becky Johnson & Elaine Johnson

Ushers: Mike Cutshall & Butch Shaffer

Greeter: Lang Entrekin

Sound Technicians

April 2 (Maundy Thursday): Lane Rogers

April 3 (Good Friday): Lane Rogers

April 5: Robbie Franklin

April 12: Lane Rogers

April 19: Lane Rogers

April 26: Robbie Franklin



Altar Flowers

April 5: Janice Nichols in memory of Noel & Davey Nichols; Noel's mother, Mary Nichols Hallman; and Noel's grandparents, Rev. & Mrs. E.W. Leslie, former pastor of St. James

April 12: Hiram Redd in memory of Effie Redd & Joe Redd - \$ Improvement of Church Grounds

April 19: Open Date

April 26: Ronnie & Sandra Johnson in honor of their wedding anniversary - \$ Backpack

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March

Alison
Youmans
March 3

Lanny
Valentine
March 6

Cale
Johnson
March 7

Donald
Hatcher
March 14

Alyssa
Morris
March 15

Caroline
Tyler
March 18

Joe
Knight
March 19

Donovan
Moreno
March 26

Milton
Rogers
March 28

Stephen
Youmans
March 28

Emily
Cobb
March 29

Beau
Ford
March 30

April

Happy Birthday!

Debbie
Antley
April 2

Becky
Roberson
April 3

Scott
Hatcher
April 6

Spencer
Johnson
April 7

Marcia
Shaffer
April 8

Jim
Cobb
April 10

Daphne
Carroll
April 11

Quinn
Meek
April 11

Charles
Busbee
April 15

Donna
Hair
April 15

Tiffany
Coleman
April 18

Abigail
Tyler
April 20

Brandon
Rogers
April 22

Brayden
Weed
April 23

Tonia
Busbee
April 24

Justin
Joiner
April 25

Kali
Coleman
April 29

Lisa
Bryant
April 30

Barrett
Johnson
April 30

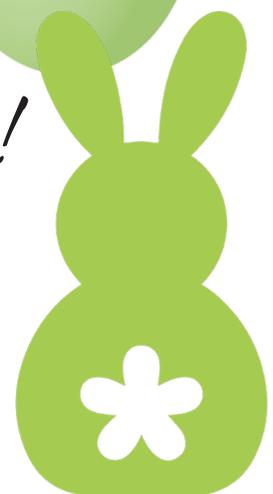
Happy Anniversary!

Emily & Ben Sharpe – April 3

Scott & Angela Vandegrift – April 5

Ron & Fabienne Johnson – April 8

Ronnie & Sandra Johnson – April 24



Thank
you

Dear Patti & Youth of St. James,

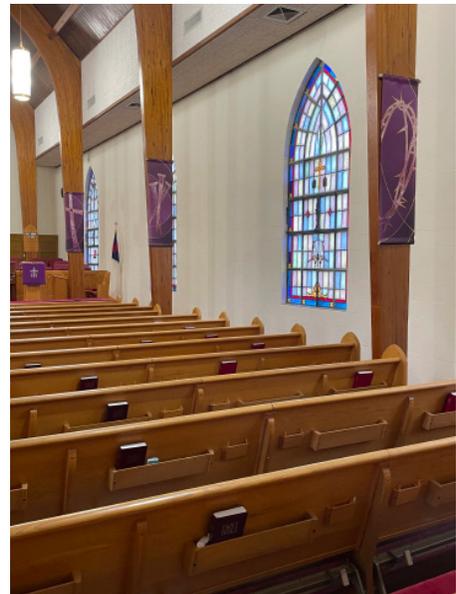
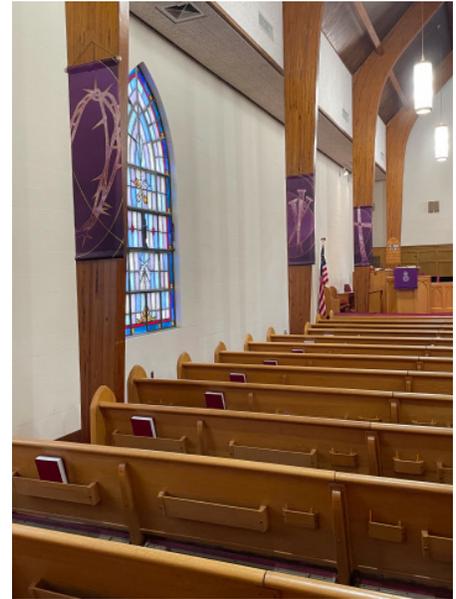
Hope Ministries of the Valley, Inc. is very grateful for your financial support. We could NEVER accomplish all we do without you and others, like you, who give so generously. The opportunities to meet the basic needs of food continue to be at the forefront of Food Pantries like ours. It is known that a person's knowing they have food on their table brings peace and comfort to their Spirit. Therefore, we are very appreciative of those who have partnered with us for years to meet this basic need in our state of South Carolina and particularly in our Midland Valley /Aiken area!

You have been a GREAT help in our mission of serving our neighbor in need.

Blessings,

George & Marsha Webb

Co-Directors of Hope Ministries of the Valley



Remember in your thoughts and prayers:



Carol Gibson, Jessica Walters (Otis & Carol Gibson's granddaughter), Garrett Maroney, Hiram Redd, Kim Tarabek (Milton Rogers' daughter), Charles Dodgen (Daphne Carroll's brother), Stephen Youmans, Hunter Youmans (Stephen Youmans' brother), Mike Franklin, Caroline Andrews, Phil Homan, Robert Coleman, Ben Sharpe, Barry Kirby (Son-in-law of Ronald & Helen Wood), Margaret Wise (Aunt of Charles Busbee), Kaye Pazderski (Friend of Libby Scott), Randy McCormack (Uncle of Emily Sharpe), Benny Hydrick (Friend of Tony Carroll), Libby Scott **Trinity on Laurens:** Bobby Reece, Jean Plunkett **Silver Bluff Grove:** Vicki Bolton

May the Lord bless them with His healing presence and keep them in true faith. Amen. Please review the prayer list and contact the church office with updates.



Offering Option:

www.stjamesgraniteville.com/giving/

Donations can be made on the St. James website!

You have the option to give a one-time offering or

set up a recurring donation. In the description box, please specify where you would like your offering to be directed (Current & Benevolence, Capital Fund, Backpack, etc.).



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