

Here's what's happening this week

March 15, 2019



St. James' Episcopal Church
9 Williams Street, Clinton

Worship News

**Father Gary will lead Worship Service on
Saturday, March 16th at 4:00 p.m.
and Sunday, March 17th at 9:30 a.m.**

[March Worship Server Schedule](#)

Sermons On-line

Each Monday, sermons from the previous weekend are posted on the St. James website at <http://stjamesclinton.org/sermons>

Parish News

Educational Groups

**Sunday School meets in the Couper Room off of the kitchen on
Sunday, March 17th, 9:30 a.m.**

Bible Study will be Thursday, March 21st at 10 a.m.

Adult Theological Study will be Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00 p.m.

Responding to God in All That We Are

The St. James Learning Communities Initiative (LCI) encourages you to seek, ponder, and offer acknowledgement of God's presence in our lives. Each of us is invited to deepen our

spirituality, and to discern where God is leading St. James as a community of faith. Consider using one of the Advent calendars as part of your "Dwelling with God" experience. Look for where God is present in your life - at work, at play and at home. Share photos and stories by sending to god-sightings@stjamesclinton.org, place in the Learning Communities Initiative mail box, or give to one of LCI facilitators.

This week's God Sightings was taken during the March 9 Learning Communities Initiative Training; window with icicles. Your St James' LCI representatives spent the day dwelling on the word, and envisioning how God may be leading our parish of St. James to be the Episcopal branch of the Jesus movement in Clinton, New York.



Lent Resources

Lent is a time of reflection. To help you on your journey, these are available in the back of the church and parish hall lobby. Take one home; take some to give to friends or neighbors

- 2019 Lenten Meditations guides from the Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD) group. As we consider Jesus' life of healing and sacrifice during this Lenten season, we are invited to reach out to others.
 - "Journey through Lent" by award-winning cartoonist Jay Sidebotham's provides a road map for spiritual reflection. Hang it on the wall or keep on a table for daily coloring.
 - And through the Internet, Lenten Madness, a single-elimination "competition" of 32 saints. Each day, two saints are paired and folks vote for their favorite saint. The winner is awarded the Golden Halo. Learn more at <https://www.lentmadness.org> Join in the daily read AND VOTE! Results posted in the Parish hall and back of the church.
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The Clinton Area Ministerium Lenten Gatherings

The Clinton Area Ministerium invites all to our Ecumenical Lenten Series, which will be hosted in the fellowship room at Stone Presbyterian Church (use the Williams Street entrance) in Clinton, NY on Thursday evenings from March 14th to April 11th, beginning with a light soup and bread supper at 6:00pm. Then there will be a session shown from Adam Hamilton's video series, "Final Words from the Cross", followed by a discussion moderated by one of Clinton's clergy. The program will end before 7:30 pm. Please plan to make this fascinating series part of your Lenten experience.

March 14th-Pastor Scott Leonard, Session 1-"Father Forgive Them"

March 21st-The Rev. Jeff Hale, Session 2-"Today You Will Be with me in Paradise"

March 28th-The Rev. Gary Cyr and the Rev. Jean Skinner, Session 3-"Behold Your Son...Behold Your Mother"

April 4th-The Rev. Fr. John Croghan, Session 4- "My God, My God"

April 11th-The Rev. Janet Griffiths and Patsy Glista, Sessions 5 and 6-"I Thirst" and "It Is Finished"

Each church is responsible for providing soup and bread the Thursday that their leader moderates. Fr. Gary moderates on March 28. There is a sign up sheet in the parish hall for providing soup and / or bread.

Cook-In to benefit Your Neighbors

There will be a "Cook-in" for Your Neighbors, Inc. the weekend of March 23/24. You can bring donations of cooked meats, casseroles, vegetables, desserts, potatoes, rice pasta, or anything that can be put into a frozen meal. The food will then be apportioned into TV dinner style trays to be frozen. The meals are distributed to frail, elderly, home bound clients of Your Neighbors, Inc. We need volunteers to cook and to assemble meals. You can drop off your cooked food donations to the St. James' kitchen refrigerator with Your Neighbors clearly marked on it please. We will be assembling the meals on Sunday, March 24th after the coffee hour is cleaned up. All help is greatly appreciated.



Rise Against Hunger

The Outreach Committee is once again partnering with other local organizations to participate in the Rise Against Hunger drive. This international hunger relief program provides packaged meals for those in need due to natural disasters, political unrest, and other crises. For more information, go to www.riseagainsthunger.org.

Locally, our teams from area churches and groups raise funds to purchase the food supplies and participate in a work day to prepare the packaged meals (September 28 this year; you will hear more about that later). Last year, the plate offerings, funds raised from a youth group supper, and the Outreach Committee's contribution totaled nearly \$3000. We hope to exceed that this year.

We hope that you will join us in this very worthwhile cause. Throughout Lent, envelopes will be available in the pews. Checks may be written to St. James' Church, with "Rise Against Hunger" in the memo line. The Outreach Committee has voted to match funds collected up to a total of \$2000.

Diocesan Events

Bishop's Lenten Bible Study



Visit the Diocesan website for more information
<https://cnyepiscopal.org/event/lent-study/2019-03-28/>

Community Events

March Events at St. Margaret's

Wednesday March 20th

5:30 p.m.: Beef Stroganoff with noodles and seasonal vegetables. Suggested donation of \$15 per person

St. Margaret's House dinners are every 3rd Wednesday of the month

Thursday March 21st:

9:00 a.m. Donuts and Dominoes; Suggested donation of \$3 per person

11:00 a.m. Knitting with May; Suggested donation of \$3 per person

Wednesday March 27th:

6:30 p.m.: Movie Night showing "Unbroken"; Suggested donation of \$3 per person

[**St. Margaret's House March Newsletter**](#)



Community COLLECTION DAY

Saturday April 27, 9am – 12pm
CLINTON VILLAGE GREEN

WHAT'S BEING COLLECTED?

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS for the Country Pantry -

Let's fill the gazebo!

ELECTRONICS: Make a donation to the Country Pantry and recycle your old electronics

EYEGLASSES & HEARING AIDS: Make a donation of these used items to be cleaned, repaired, and distributed to those who need them.

SHREDDING: Make a donation to the Country Pantry and shred your sensitive documents

BOTTLES AND CANS: Support the Boynton Pool

TRASH: Organized clean-up through the village

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CONTACT: Scott Leonard, 315-723-7420 for more information

Senior Exercise Classes at the Kirkland Town Library

Over 65? Want to get active? Join us at the library on Mondays and Thursdays from 9:15 - 10 a.m. from January 14 until April 11 for a series of free video exercise classes. Most exercises are performed in a chair. All equipment is provided. No experience is needed. Evaluate your results with a final survey. Space is limited; contact the library to sign up. To qualify, participants must not be doing any kind of strength training. Walking, yoga and tai chi are okay.

Kirkland Town Library
55 1/2 College Street, Clinton
315-853-2038
clinton@midyork.org

Bake Sale for Rise Against Hunger

A bake sale will be held at Stone Presbyterian Church, 8 So. Park Row, Clinton on Saturday, March 16th, 2019 from 10am to 2pm. All kinds of delicious homemade baked goods will be available (including pies). The proceeds from this sale will go to support the "Rise Against Hunger" program. Come and help us celebrate St. Patrick's Day and shop for a great cause. You won't regret it! Questions, contact Donna Goodfriend (315-853-8405) or Ceil Gilbert (315-853-8289).

Contact and Social Information


Father Gary's Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
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