



Weekly e-Epistle

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St. James' Mill Creek
Wilmington, Delaware

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This Week: 19th Sunday after Pentecost
September 30, 2018

Sunday Service Times
8:00am & 10:15am

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A Word from Fr. Jim: "Connect"

"Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another." Mark 9:50

This verse from Sunday's Gospel reading might seem like an odd choice to pair with the word "connect." What we are seeking to connect with are the people who have been invited and welcomed into the faith community of St. James'. We might begin by asking ourselves: "As salt can both bring out the flavor of food and act as a preservative, how can new members add some spice and seasoning to the congregation?" It is about being open to honor and include each person, not with the intent of making them 'fit in' to the way we do things, but to be enriched by the diversity of gifts and insights that God has bestowed upon his children.

PASTORAL NOTICE

Ann Kauffman, an active and beloved member of the parish for 60 years, passed away peacefully in the early morning hours of Sunday, September 23. She had been a member of the altar guild, bazaar group, vestry member and senior warden, Sunday School superintendent, member of the search committee for a new rector, coordinator of the annual Turkey Dinner, attendee of the rector's bible studies, and probably more than we know or remember. A visitation, funeral service, and luncheon will all be held on Saturday, September 29. Details can be found in Ann's obituary posted on the [Spicer-Mullikin website](#).

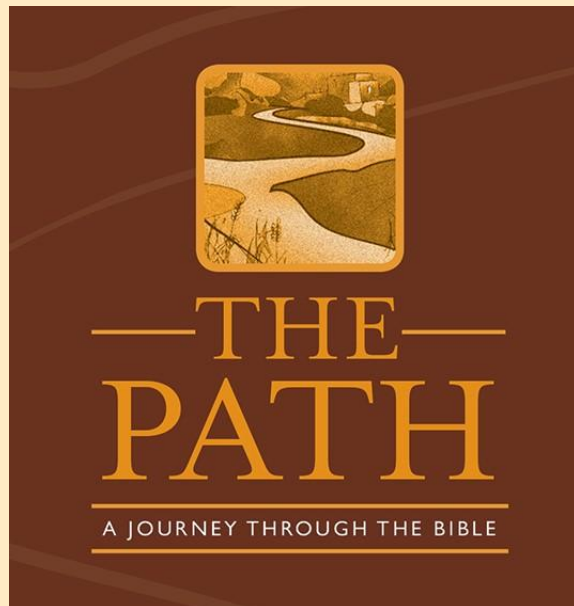
CLEAN-UP DAY CANCELLED

There will be NO Cemetery Clean-up Day on September 29th

How Well Do You Know the Story of the Bible?

The Path is the excerpted story of the Bible in 24 short chapters that is clear and easy to read. Follow the path of God's love all the way from the beginning to the end, from Adam's creation to John's revelation.

Fr. Jim will begin weekly study sessions covering one chapter per week. **You can join in beginning Wed, Oct 3 at 10:15am, or Sun, Oct 7 at 9:05am.** Also, on **Oct 1, an online blog will be available covering the upcoming week's chapter.** You can view and/or subscribe to Fr. Jim's blog [here](#).



TURKEY DINNER --- Saturday, November 3rd

Gobble, Gobble, Gobble....it's that time of the year and what a great way to start off the holiday feeling by getting involved with your fellow parishioners for our biggest fundraiser of the year!!...Come out and join the fun. There is plenty of opportunity to get involved.

Signup sheets are posted in the Parish Hall so please sign up for a task that your talent may draw you to and/or a donation of items needed. Also, monetary donations to purchase non-donated items are greatly appreciated. We look forward to making this year the best year yet!

Seating for the dinner is limited. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets will be available starting this Sunday after services, in the office Tuesdays-Thursdays 9am to 2pm, or online at www.td2018.eventbrite.com. Credit/debit card payment is an option. Card and online purchases will incur an additional fee per ticket. This year we adjusted the seating times a little bit. Get your tickets early to be sure of getting your preferred seating time!

4:00pm

5:30pm

7:00pm

\$15 - ADULTS and TAKE-OUT Orders

\$14 - SENIORS (65 and over) - dining room seating only

\$ 8 - CHILDREN (5-10), under 5 free



In the spirit of Saint Francis of Assisi there will be a **Blessing of the Animals** during the **10:15am service on Sunday, Oct 7th**. You are welcome to bring your pet into the church as long as it is properly restrained (leash, cage, etc.) and it generally plays well with other members of the animal kingdom. If an actual animated animal is not available, or it is not feasible to bring the animal in your care (sorry, no animals larger than Fr. Jim in the church), then a plush toy animal or even a photo might be brought to the service instead. If you deem it more manageable (especially if your animal is larger than Fr. Jim) blessings will also be offered at 11:30am at the steps of the Parish House.

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Upcoming Services and Events

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SEPTEMBER OCTOBER

Sunday, September 30 - 19th Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:00 a.m. - **HOLY EUCHARIST** in Church
- 9:00 a.m. - Nursery available in Parish House
- 9:05 a.m. - Christian Education for all ages
- 10:15 a.m. - **HOLY EUCHARIST** with music in Church
- 11:30 a.m. - Hospitality in Parish House
- 12:00pm - Worship Life Ministry Team meets in Lounge

Tuesday, October 2

- 9:00 a.m. - Weekly Bazaar Workshop

Wednesday, October 3

- 9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist in Church
- 10:15 a.m. - "The Path" Bible Study (Chapter 1) in Parish House lounge

Sunday, October 7 - 20th Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:00 a.m. - **HOLY EUCHARIST** in Church
- 9:00 a.m. - Nursery available in Parish House
- 9:05 a.m. - "The Path" Bible Study (Chapter 1)
- 9:05 a.m. - Christian Education

- 10:15 a.m. - HOLY EUCHARIST with music in Church
- 11:30 a.m. - Hospitality in Parish House

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