



Weekly e-Epistle

from

St. James' Mill Creek
Wilmington, Delaware

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This Week: 20th Sunday after Pentecost
October 7, 2018

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

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A Word from Fr. Jim: "Heart"

Are religious credentials a matter of the mind, or the heart? Jesus was often challenged to provide an answer as to what was religiously lawful concerning one thing or another. His responses were usually directed to the heart. It was not about applying laws, but connecting to the essence of the life of others. For those who thought rules were more important than how the application of those rules could cause lasting damage or injustice to one of God's children, Jesus said their hearts were 'hardened'. Are there things to which our hearts might be hardened? Is it the blight of immigrant children separated from their parents? Insensitivity to women who claim to have been abused by powerful men? We are challenged daily to open our hearts up to those who are in vulnerable positions in life, and to seek how God would have us respond.

From the Prayer Team...

*For when two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there among them. (Matthew 18:20)*

On Sunday, October 7th at 11:30am the members of the prayer team will hold a short prayer service in the church **following the 2nd service** (focusing on the prayer requests left in the basket in the entrance to the church and other concerns of the parish, community, and world.) Then throughout each month, they will continue collecting prayers at the end of the 2nd service and lifting them up during the week.

All are welcome to participate in these monthly services. For those who are not able to come to church or have an immediate prayer need, we invite you to call Sister BJ Brown at 302.420.7117 or email her at: sisterbjbrown@gmail.com

This Sunday, October 7



In the spirit of Saint Francis of Assisi there will be a **Blessing of the Animals during the 10:15am service**. 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.

2018 Bazaar Announcements

Bazaar Preview

Some Bazaar items are on display in the glass case in the foyer of the Parish House. We hope you will have time to stop by and see what the Bazaar Ladies have been making.

Quilt Raffle

Jerry Clark has hand stitched a beautiful Queen Size Quilt and 2 Pillow Shams. They will be on display in the Parish House after both services. ***Chances will be available for \$1.00 each, 6/\$5.00 or 15/\$10.00.***

Bazaar Bake Shop

The Bake Shop is looking forward to your donations of baked goods, candies, and preserves. Your delicious homemade items are always a favorite with all our customers each year. Please plan to bring your baked goods, jellies, jams, pickles, candies, etc. to the Parish House at the following times:

Thursday, November 1 5:30 pm - 7:30pm
Friday, November 2 8:00 am - 2:30pm
Saturday, November 3 8:00 am - 12:00pm

Don't Forget to Sign Up to Help

Sign-Up Sheets are posted in the Great Hall in the Parish House.

Please stop by the Parish House to see how you can help make this year's Bazaar a success. Contact Shirley Alexander (738-5331) or Nancy Patterson (239-7649) if you have any questions.

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, an online blog is available covering the upcoming week's chapter. You can view and/or subscribe to Fr. Jim's blog [here](#).



THE PATH

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE

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

Upcoming Services and Events

Click on a month below for the appropriate Servers' Schedules

OCTOBER

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

Tuesday, October 9

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

Wednesday, October 10

- 9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist in Church

- 10:15 a.m. - "The Path" Bible Study (Chapter 2) in Parish House lounge

Sunday, October 14 - 21st 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 2)
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- 10:15 a.m. - **HOLY EUCHARIST with music in Church**
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