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Walk the streets of any major metropolitan city and you're bound to find some vendor selling imitation, knock-off versions of popular watches, purses and pretty much anything that is the latest thing in fashion. In our world, imitation is a bad word; it's synonymous with fake, counterfeit or phony. But over and over again, we hear the apostle Paul telling us that the key to experiencing real, authentic Christian life is by imitating Jesus.Individuality may be the cultural ideal, but if you read Scripture carefully, you'll see that it is far from what God created us to be. We Americans love to think of ourselves as unique individuals; all like snowflakes, no two alike. However, Ecclesiastes tells us, "What has been will be again, what has been done will be done again; there is nothing new under the sun."

Individuality is a myth. We are born copycats; imitation is how we learn to be human at every level. We learn to speak by imitating our parents. This is the reason children born deaf learn to speak with such difficulty, with many never acquiring intelligible speech. We learn to walk by watching our older siblings. Later in life, we create our own "unique" identity by imitating our teenage friends. As adults, we look up to certain people in our profession and try to do what they do. We are what we imitate. Each of us is a combination of influences resembling many people in our past and present. We conform to the image of others, and others, right now, are conforming to us.

Paul would have loved what went on here at St. James' this past weekend at the 30 Hour Famine, when young people fasted for 30 hours and gathered for an overnight together to learn about hunger, to feel it and to do service projects for the larger community. Fifteen young people from St. James' and three other churches in Hackettstown played a team game where they learned how much money we spend per week on food and how that compares with other countries. We drove around town gathering up grocery bags full of food - the kids had distributed bags to their neighbors the previous week. We took the food to the food pantry at Panther Valley Ecumenical Church. Some others took time to help organize the kitchen in the Parish Hall, which feeds us. Some polished bells for the bell choir, which feeds our souls.

Let me tell you whom these young people had to imitate. A pastor who led activities and stayed overnight, two women who made soup to break our fast; another woman who led the young people in a team exercise called Tribe; a man who drove the kids around to pick up food bags; a couple from Heath Village who spent the night with the teens, sleeping on air mattress and couch; a young man who often leads the youth group, directing one of the projects; people who spent time shopping in a bad storm so they could give to hungry people; people who donated money to the young people for Haiti; parents of the young people who transported and supported them in this experience, some fasting along with their teens; two women of the parish

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directing the work of another of the projects; adults at PVEC who taught the teens about the kinds of people who visit the food pantry. The young people at the Famine had great examples to follow, even as they are becoming faithful people worthy of imitation.

As we all continue to learn from the faith and life of our baptized brothers and sisters around us, the end result is a community of people who resemble Christ in all his glory: in his living, in his walking and talking, in his healing and loving. We, the baptized, have embarked on a lifelong journey of being "conformed to the image" of Jesus. We are slowly but surely acting like him, loving like him and resembling him.

As for me, I hope to be a nearly-undetectable Jesus knock-off.

Yours in the imitation of Christ,

Cathy Deats +

Warden's Words

Thank you! Thank you for your unending support and confidence. I look forward to serving St. James' as Junior Warden, the standard of which has been set pretty high by some fine folks. Please keep Cathy, the Wardens and the Vestry in your prayers, that God will guide each of us to do His work in our community and lead us in our continued growth.

This past weekend, I stopped by to see how the 30 Hour Famine was going and found seventeen very hungry young adults participating in a variety of activities from collecting food to bringing our dishes out of the attic. The energy was tremendous and the dedication of these young folks is inspiring. To those that participated, I must say GREAT JOB! You are each a blessing to St. James' and we are very proud of the work that you do.

Next weekend, the vestry is off to our annual retreat. We will be at Kirkridge again, just over the Pennsylvania border. I always look forward to this weekend as a time for us to gather in worship, fellowship and planning for the year ahead. It is a time for us to get to know one another a little better, set some goals and get some organizing done. Once again, I ask that you keep us in your prayers.

Invite a friend to church! Barbara White Junior Warden

Vestry hi-lites from the February meeting (held on March 4)

- Mission Strategy programs are blooming and thriving, from the Backpack program to a new effort for the Seamen's Institute. A chairperson (or cochairs) to lead this committee is sought, to coordinate programs and to support current programs and foster new ideas. [Interested? Please speak to one of our Wardens, Greg Malejko or Barbara White]
- Panther Valley Ecumenical Church and First Presbyterian Church of Hackettstown shared the 30 Hour Famine with us and look forward to more cooperative programs with each other.
- Plans for the Rector/Parish sabbatical are continuing, with projected dates of May July.

St. James' is going green!-

If you would like to help, you can receive our monthly newsletter, the <u>Journal</u>, via email. We know that some of you still prefer the hard copy for various reasons, so if you want to continue with a mailed copy, you do not need to do anything. To sign up for the <u>Journal</u> to be delivered to your inbox in living color, send an email to Editor Phyllis Heistand at <u>pdheistand@comcast.net</u> **Clergy Conversations** St. James' will host the Clergy Conversations on March 16th. These bi-monthly gatherings of clergy by District move among the churches, and bring the Bishop and Canon to the Ordinary to the local clergy for conversation, Bible study, and sharing.

Confirmation Class is forming for next

year! This year, due to the Diocesan age requirements, our eligible youth(s) decided to wait for their slightly younger peers to join them. Since planning of school schedules and the like happens early, we encourage you to speak with your young people who will be in at least 8th grade next year, so that we may organize in the fall. Several families are on board, and if you want to be sure to get the latest information, please notify the Church Office.

Beyond the Baptismal Covenant -Lay Leaders are Called, not Made

Take an evening during Lent to explore how we discern what ministries we are called to. What is the difference between being called to something and volunteering? Grace Church in Madison is hosting a series, and this session is Thursday, March 11, from 7 to 9 pm. Please contact the Rector if you would like to attend; transportation shared. <u>cathydeats@comcast.net</u>

Acolytes You may have noticed some new faces on the altar: we welcomed Mary Jo Elmo and Madeline Edens to the acolyte crew over the last few months. When they were in training, Russ Worthington helped them learn the names of many items we find at the altar, and it was decided that we could remember the credence (the small table on which the vessels sit) by recalling Credence Clearwater Revival! Other funnies, unsuitable for print, were also floated. Welcome to our wonderful woman and great girl!

Super Bowl Party A good time was had by all as the New Orleans Saints claimed the victory on February 7. The Great Hall was the scene of a giant screen edition of the game, yummy snack food and hearty chili, screaming fans and participation in a national survey of which commercials were captioned for the Association of Late Deafened Adults (ALDA). Some said the commercials were the best part!

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| March 7 | Family Breakfast • 9:00 AM | |
| March 7 | Deadline for Gertrude Hawk Candy Orders | |
| March 12 – 13 | Vestry Retreat • Kirkridge | |
| March 14 | Hackettstown St. Patrick's Parade • 3:30 PM | J. |
| March 14 | St. Patrick's Day Dinner • Parish Hall • 4:00 - 6:00 PM | HR.II |
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| April 24 | Spring Rummage Sale • 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM | |
| May 17 | 2nd Annual Golf Outing • Minebrook Country Club | |

Support Your Local Food Pantry

In March, we will be collecting canned dinners like Chili or stew or like the "Completes", i.e. doesn't have to be in a can per se for Trinity's Food Pantry. There will be a collection container in the Narthex and in the Parish Hall lobby.

A note from Trinity's Food Pantry Coordinator:

We really appreciate your assistance in helping to feed our neighbors.

Blessings, Sandy

PVEC Food Pantry The recipient of our food donations for the 30-Hour Famine, the Lord's Pantry at Panther Valley Ecumenical Church, serves families in need of food, no questions asked, monthly for a total of three months. Continued assistance is offered with the appropriate social service documents, showing application for income assistance and/or food stamps. We are glad to partner with them as well at the Trinity UMC food pantry!

Lay Ministry Volunteers are needed for

Holy Week. Please speak with Cathy Deats or call the office at 908.852.3968.



ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Maintenance Morning

Spring is really here when we have a Maintenance Morning scheduled! Saturday, March 27th, from 9 am to noon join us for various cleanup and repair projects around the church. There is truly something for everyone, from polishing to some garden cleanup for Easter, from cleaning light fixtures to an engineering project (see Greg Malejko!). Coffee and goodies provided.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY FEAST Saturday, March 14th 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM St. James' Episcopal Church Parish Hall

Corned Beef &Cabbage Carrots & Potatoes Homemade Irish Soda Bread Dessert Coffee, Tea, Soda

\$10

To purchase tickets: Call Barbara White 908.798.0928 or see her after the 10 AM Service on Sunday

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Sunday School News

Godly Play Lessons focused on Lent are underway and a Family Lenten activity was distributed in class and in the mail for all students and their families. The trip to House of Good Shepherd to deliver Valentine Cards was fun-filled and touching at the same time. Hayden Smith was able to visit as well as deliver a special card to her grandmother who resides there and the students and teachers got to meet her! We had a beautiful snow-free morning on February 14th to accomplish the card delivery to some appreciative senior residents.

In March, we will be continuing with lessons to prepare us for The Mystery of Easter and there will be another lesson about saints in mid-March. Thanks to all of you who sent in additional snack for our snack cabinet. Parents are also welcome to assist with Sunday School any week. There have been several weeks recently that I envision two classes being needed due to the number of students attending, and at that point we will need additional volunteers. Your input is always welcome.

Upcoming Schedule

March 7 Family Sunday-No Class

- March 14 Saint Lesson
- March 21 Mystery of Easter Lesson
- March 28 Palm Sunday Lesson-arrive early for procession

Kathy Lacouture

Youth Group News

Youth Group continues to meet on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month during the 10 o'clock service. They raised \$92.50 on Souper Bowl Sunday for the local food pantry.

Thanks to Eileen Malejko, and Dave and Phyllis Heistand who each led a class last month. Our youth love a change in voices and faces. Last month's topics included: Character, Marriage and Anger. Our Deacon Sheila Shuford is scheduled to lead the teens in "Communication Skills" later this month. New members are welcome!

See Dawn Modugno or Lori Pursel.

Episcopal Appalachian Ministries (EAM) Work Camp 2010

St. James' will have six slots for the work camp to be held July 31 - August 7. It is not too early to plan your summer and reserve your space. For teens age 15 or rising 10^{th} graders, and adults. Please contact the Rector at cathydeats@comcast.net or 908.500.2463.







Above Hayden, Bianca, Ben, TJ, Emilia Daniel, Emma, Taylor

Below Hayden, her parents Wanda and Roy Smith with Edith Smith

The Gertrude Butts Fund

The Gertrude Butts Fund, a non-profit corporation organized in 1929, and closely affiliated with the Diocese of Newark, seeks applicants for the 2010 - 2011 academic year. The Fund was established to carry out provisions of the will of George Butts in memory of his daughter Gertrude who died at the age of 14. Income from the fund is used to provide collegiate scholarship assistance to youth in need in the Diocese of Newark. Special emphasis is placed upon those children who are orphaned, half-orphaned, and indigent.

Anyone whose circumstances fit the Fund's special emphasis and who is pursuing a collegiate education at the bachelor level is asked to mail his or her name and address immediately to:

> St. Mary's Episcopal Church Attn: Gertrude Butts Fund Application 85 Conestoga Trail Sparta, NJ 07871

Upon receipt of your request, an application package will be sent to you. The application must be completed and returned by April 30, 2010.

For more information, please contact Ross Wisnewski, <u>rosswisnewski@yahoo.com</u>.

The 30 Hour Famine 2010



Last weekend, 10 teenagers from St. James' and 7 teenagers from Panther Valley Ecumenical Church, Highlands Presbyterian (Schooley's Mountain) and First Presbyterian Hackettstown participated in the 30 Hour Famine here at St. James'. Our youth learned about hunger around the world and how fasting to raise money for World Vision can help. They collected food and brought it to the Panther Valley Food Pantry, polished bells, hauled dishes for the kitchen down from the Mitcham House attic, washed dishes and played games. Their fast was broken with soup and bread in our Parish Hall. The money they raised this year will go to Haiti.

Many thanks to Rev. Cathy Deats, Pastor David Wright from Panther Valley Ecumenical Church, Marge and Rick Ames, Eddie Modugno, Barbara White, Kathy Lacouture and Dawn Modugno for making this event possible. Thank you to everyone who sponsored the kids. Here are some comments from the teenagers about the famine.

How they felt:

Hungry! • Thankful • That I want to do more to help • Happy my family and I are healthy • Weak • Happy that I got to meet new people • Exhausted! • Really tired • Really hungry • Lazy • Sad for hungry young kids • Happy all the youth got to stay up and enjoy the sleepover.

What they learned:

Food is valuable. Don't waste it! • There are more overweight people in the world than hungry ones. • Every 7 seconds a child dies from hunger related causes. • 25,000 kids under age 5 will die today, most of them from hunger, poverty and disease. • I'm old. • I really can survive without eating for 30 hours! • People take a lot for granted. •The value of food.

What they will do differently because of the Famine:

Not waste food • Eat healthier • Try to help hungry people. • Send supplies to places where needed so they can continue using resources (seeds, garden tools). • Be more aware and cautious about what food is being consumed and wasted. • Sleep • We can work together to make the world a better place.



Top to bottom Drew and Joey at the Food Pantry Matt at Food Pantry Justin and Samantha delivering food Pastor David teaches



Senior Choir News

With Lent underway, the Senior Choir is preparing for the Holy Week services of Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday Stations of the Cross, the Easter Vigil and, of course, Easter day itself! If anyone is interested in singing with us for the Vigil and/or Easter Sunday, please let me know, or just come to rehearsals – Thursday evenings at 7:30 in the church!

We also continue our exploration this year of Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS), the African-American Supplement to our hymnal. Music from this hymnal was featured at our Praise Service earlier this year and we have been doing selections from it as appropriate on Sunday mornings. It is a wonderful resource for spirituals and the choir is enjoying the musical journey!

Youth Choir News

The Youth Choir will sing at the 10 am Easter Day service and rehearsals during Sunday School are already underway! They have already learned the first verse – they are such good learners!

Other News

The Bell Choir and the Senior Choir will be hosting Coffee Hour on March 14 in honor of two long-time and loyal members: Joyce Forman and Diana Grant.

Joyce has retired from Bell Choir but is still singing. We are honoring her work with the Bell Choir for all these years.

Diana is moving back to her home country of Barbados after being here for 25 years! Diana is a member of both the Bell Choir and the Senior Choir and she will be sorely missed by both groups! Palm Sunday will be her last day with us, so please make sure you speak to her before then and wish her well!

Pam Laura

Do you like to knit or crochet?

St. James' is looking to form a knitting/crocheting group to make items for the Seamen's Church Institute of NY and NJ. The Seamen's Church Institute cares for the personal, professional, and spiritual needs of mariners around the world. Founded in 1834, it is the largest, most comprehensive mariner's service agency in North America. The Seamen's Church Institute (SCI) promotes safety, dignity, and improved working and living conditions for millions of men and women serving in the maritime workplace. The Institute is a voluntary, ecumenical agency affiliated with the Episcopal Church.

The historic name of this volunteer program, "Christmas at Sea", only partially describes the work of the people who make holidays a little warmer for mariners. While gift distribution happens during winter

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Bell Choir "Notes"

February was a sad month for the Bell Choir. Joyce Forman decided that her travel schedule is so busy that she would be missing too many rehearsals to feel comfortable with the music. So we all regretfully bid her a fond farewell, but I, as director, always have hopes that she will return to being a ringer. Then Diana Grant informed me that she is returning to her home country of Barbados at the end of March. She plans to ring with the Bell Choir on March 14 and will then be leaving the Bell Choir. It is with heavy hearts that we all say farewell to Diana too.

When we started to prepare music for Lent and Palm Sunday, everyone in the Bell Choir pitched in and took on responsibility for more bells. Why not consider joining the Bell Choir and help to make everyone's bell assignment easier.

On February 28, when David Bernauer and I opened the cases where the bells are stored, we had a wonderful treat. The bells were shining and looking like new! A very sincere thank you to Katie Lacouture who headed the effort. During the 30-hour famine, she and two participants from another church took on the task of polishing the bells. Thank you to Katie and her team for a great job. Your work is very much appreciated by the entire choir.

March looks like it will be a busy month for the Bell Choir. The choir is currently preparing music for a March 14, Palm Sunday and Maundy Thursday. We look forward to being a part of each service and hope that our playing enhances your worship experience.

Please call me at 732-807-3211 or see me at Coffee Hour if you are interested in joining or have questions about joining the Bell Choir.

Louise Olshan

Alms giving for the good of our neighbor



months, collection and creation of items happens year round, and while many gifts go to international mariners working "at sea," thousands of gifts also go to mariners working on inland waterways here in the United States. The items made would be caps, scarves and socks and would be mailed in time for these hard-working men and women to receive for Christmas. For more information check out their website at www.seamenschurch.org

If you are interested, please contact Linda Miller at 908-684-3566 or email to <u>frlbailey1@comcast.net</u> for more information.

Fundraising

We are off to a great start. We raised \$200.00 from Tastefully Simple. Our trip to IHOP to celebrate Shrove Tuesday earned us \$65.00. In addition, two parishioners, who were not able to attend, donated \$10.00 each for a total of \$85.00. This is such a great event. Many of you invite your neighbors and friends and the fellowship is wonderful. We have already sold 40 aprons and are looking forward to the response from the other churches in the district. What a great idea, Paul!

On Sunday, March 14th, we will have a corned beef and cabbage dinner in the Parish Hall. The menu will include homemade desserts and Irish soda bread, corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots and applesauce. We will begin serving at 4:00 PM. The Hackettstown St. Patrick's Day Parade is also this Sunday, starting at 3:30 PM, and we are hoping to draw a crowd from the parade. Cost is \$10.00. There is a sign up sheet in the hallway of the Mitcham House. Please let us know if you plan to attend and invite your friends and neighbors!

Plans are proceeding for the Second Annual Golf Outing, scheduled for Monday, May 17th. Tee time is 1:00 PM at the Minebrook Golf Course in Hackettstown. The cost for this year's event has been reduced to \$95.00 and includes lunch, green fees and a buffet dinner. We hope that you will put your foursome together and join us for a day of golf, contests and prizes. Hole sponsorships will also be available. If you would like to help with this event, please talk to Dan Miller, Meg Critchley, Brian Keane, Paul or Phyllis Bartkus or Barbara White. A lot of work goes into planning this event and we could use some help.

We will hold our spring rummage sale on Saturday, April 24th from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. You know what they say. "One man's trash is another man's treasure." So bring your slightly used rummage to the Parish Hall. We will start collecting items the week of April 19th. You can drop items off during that week. Items will be stored in the basement until Saturday. If you need help, please let us know and we will make arrangements to help. We will not accept books (except dictionaries) or electronics. Sign up sheet for volunteers will be in the hallway of the Parish Hall.

Our tricky tray has not yet been scheduled. We are trying to change the location but if you happen to come across baskets that can be used, please keep that event in mind.

Thank you for your continued support in all of our fundraising events. Your donations of time, talent and treasure are what make the fundraising effort so successful.

Barbara White

Lenten Quiet Morning

On Saturday, February 20th, a small group of us met at St. James' for a special morning of quiet time, led by Cathy. (I was especially glad to have a Saturday off so that I could participate).

We started off in church with 45 minutes of prayer time which we could choose to do as we liked – sit quietly, walk around the church and sanctuary, however we could get in touch with our spirituality. We could walk anywhere in the parish hall or Mitcham House and would join one another in church periodically.

In the Mitcham House, we had a table set up with beads, crosses and cord so we could make our own prayer beads (which I did). In the kitchen, we had a chicken simmering and we all collected to cut up the vegetables, make a fresh salad, cut bread and set the table for lunch.

We closed our morning prayer with the Service of Holy Eucharist, followed by our lunch and conversation.

I found the whole morning very refreshing (rejuvenating) and a great way to begin Lent and it also took me back to my younger years as a schoolgirl in a convent boarding school!!

Helen Wise

During the Lenten Quiet Day, we had a chance to experience different ways to pray. My favorite thing was assembling prayer beads and making soup together without talking.

Dawn Modugno

On February 20, 2010, a small group of us learned the Ways of Prayer and the many ways in which they touch our senses and fill us with peace. One of the exercises was to just sit in the church, silent....and peaceful. I live alone and know quiet. But when you sit in a pew, and are quiet as a group, the feeling is so different. It is as though you walk into a special chamber surrounded by God's images and you are wrapped in a blanket of the Lord's peace.

We walked in meditation. At one session, I made a clam shell out of Play Dough. In another, I made a set of prayer beads. There are many forms of prayers that can be used to pray on these beads.

I truly enjoyed this morning, which ended in prayer and the breaking of bread and home made soup that we all worked as a group to prepare.

Ellen Infante

In the holiest week of the Christian year, we enter the drama of Christ's last week on earth. We know you will want to participate in your own faith community, and we invite you to be our guest at other worship opportunities we offer:

Sunday, March 28 – 8:00 and 10:00 AM

Palm Sunday commemorates the triumphal entrance of Jesus into the city of Jerusalem. At the 10 AM service, we remember his journey with a neighborhood procession with palms and singing. The altar is hung with red to commemorate the passion of Jesus. Members of the congregation read the story of the passion. We shout, "Crucify him!" with the crowd. As we leave the church, we sing, "At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow…" affirming our belief that in life and in death, he is Lord.

Wednesday in Holy Week, March 31 – Tenebrae

In the quiet of the church, we read by candlelight the story of God's redemption. As the night progresses, the candles are extinguished and we remember the darkness of the tomb in which Jesus was buried.

Maundy Thursday, April 1 – Holy Eucharist and Foot Washing

Jesus celebrates the Passover with his disciples with a meal. Then he does a strange thing: he takes on the role of a servant and washes their feet. The altar is stripped of all decoration and the reserved sacrament is removed to the chapel for the Maundy Thursday Vigil. Choir and organ echo the solemn mood.

Maundy Thursday Vigil (in the Chapel) – April 1 - 2

We pray and meditate in silence in the presence of the sacrament of the body of Christ. We heed Christ's words, "Could you not watch with me one brief hour?" Members of St. James' sign up to keep vigil each hour of the night from 9:00 pm until noon on Friday. Please enter the chapel via the Moore Street chapel door.

Good Friday, April 2 - Community Ecumenical Service 12:00 noon

We pray the Good Friday Liturgy together as a community and listen to God's word to us. We read the story of the last hours of the life of Jesus the Christ. The musical accompaniment of the organ helps us know we *were* there when they crucified our Lord.

Good Friday, April 2 – Stations of the Cross 7:30 PM

We walk with Jesus on his last journey to the cross, stopping on the way to remember those who beat and mocked him, those who helped him, and those who grieved. Choir and organ accompany our prayer, "Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us."

Holy Saturday, April 3 - Chapel Service 12 NOON

Simple prayers and reflection on the day Christ spent in the place of the dead.

Easter Eve, April 3 - The Great Vigil of Easter 7:30 PM

The first celebration of the resurrection, held after sundown on Saturday. The service begins in darkness. We light new fire for the Paschal (Easter) Candle, which celebrates resurrection. We hear the story of God's grace through history, and we bring back the joy postponed for the season of Lent, with alleluias and the ringing of the bells. (Bring any kind of bell to ring!) Organ and choirs lead our praises.

Easter Day, April 4 - Holy Eucharist 8 AM and 10 AM

We celebrate a festive Holy Eucharist with great rejoicing and the sounds of the trumpet. Organ and choirs lead our singing.

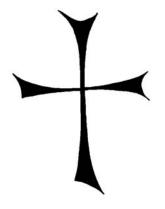
Alleluia! Christ is risen. The Lord is risen indeed; Alleluia





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We wish you a blessed Easter!



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