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REV. ARTHUR "GUY" FOUTS, PRIEST-IN-RESIDENCE

In reverence of the most Holy time of the church year, we celebrate the season with the following Lenten Medications from Episcopal Relief and Development of the Diocese of Newark:

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.

— **Philippians 2:3-4**

He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

— **Psalm 23:3**

For he is our peace; in his flesh, he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us.

— **Ephesians 2:14**

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

— **The Book of Common Prayer**

He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; the angels waited on him.

— **Mark 1:13**

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, when brethren live together in unity!

— **Psalm 133:1**

We can embrace our humanness, which means embracing our broken natures and the compassion that remains our best hope for healing. Or we can deny our brokenness, forswear compassion, and, as a result, deny our own humanity.

— **Bryan Stevenson, Just Mercy**

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Easter Services

Sunday	4/6	9:00 AM	Palm Sunday/Passion-one service only
Thursday	4/13	7:00 PM	Maunday Thursday
Friday	4/14	Noon	Good Friday Service
	4/14	7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	4/15	7:00 PM	Easter Vigil
Sunday	4/16	8 & 10 AM	Easter Sunday



NORTH PORCH – Did You Know?

The first North Porch center was incorporated in 1984 in Newark, New Jersey, by the Episcopal Church Women of the Diocese of Newark. The organization had its roots in a ministry established in 1978 by The Venerable Martha Blacklock of the Newark Episcopal Cooperative for Mission and Ministry.

North Porch Women & Infants' Centers is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that provides emergency aid, in the form of baby supplies, to mothers and infants in northern New Jersey, to help them stabilize and improve the quality of their lives. North Porch has centers in Newark, Paterson and Dover as well as a satellite center in Hackettstown. They are governed by a volunteer Board of Trustees. The Centers are staffed by part time Center Coordinators and a part time Program Director. Their clients are referred by social service agencies and religious organizations. They are able to visit up to four times a year and at each visit receive one week's supply of diapers, wipes, formula, baby food and toiletries.

The ministry began with their first center at Cathedral House in Newark, where the current center is located. There are also centers in Dover and Paterson as well as our satellite location here at St. James. (North Porch, 2015)

NORTH PORCH – How We Can Help!

Their urgent needs are:

- Enfamil 12.5 oz powdered baby formula and soy formula
- Diapers especially Large size diapers – 4, 5, 6 and Pull-ups of all sizes
- Baby wipes
- Jars of baby food – all ages- fruit, veggie and 1st foods
- Coupons for any of the above items

Karina Hernandez and Pam Laura will be leading an effort to get us more involved in donating needed items and also to engage the Hackettstown community in donating.

Stay tuned for more information!

Altar Guild

Attention all LEMs and acolytes....



I have spent the month of March washing all the albs in the Vesting Room. In case anyone is curious, that's 35 in all. This was the project I picked for myself for Lent. It was hard work and a humbling experience.

If you are a LEM or acolyte and regularly use the albs that belong to St James', and there is an alb that you routinely wear, please consider taking it home on a regular basis and washing it yourself. As the laundress for the altar linens used every week, I already spend a great deal of time washing and ironing. I really do not plan to repeat the "Washing of the Albs" every year.

Thank you...Meg

St. Patrick's Day Fellowship Dinner



Remembering David Waldman

Rudolph David “Buddy” Waldman, 81, passed away on March 12th, at Sunrise Senior Living in Randolph, NJ. He was born on September 23, 1935 in Lakewood, NJ. David served in the U.S. Air Force from 1954 to 1958, and in the reserves from 1958 to 1962. During his time in the reserves, David worked for Jersey Central Power & Light (JCP&L) while also completing coursework at Monmouth College, Rutgers and Princeton, eventually earning his AA degree from Monmouth in 1964. David worked his way through ranks of JCP&L to Supervisor of Telecommunication and Electronic Maintenance. During his 41 years of service, David was twice named Employee of the Year and received two Hank Mayer Service Awards.

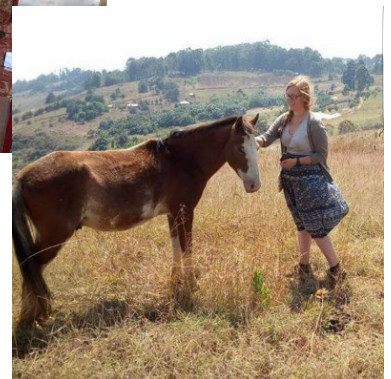
David was involved in community service his entire life. He volunteered for Meals on Wheels, Market Street Mission, Morris View Soup Kitchen, Morris County Booster Club, Morris County Children Home Foundation, and “Created in God’s Image,” an organization which helps special needs children. He has taught classes for seniors, disabled adults and children, and has been involved with many churches within NJ. David was President of Morristown Kiwanis, Chaplin of the Lakewood Exempt Firemen’s Association, and President of Clifton Toastmasters. He received numerous awards for his community service from JCP&L, Toastmasters International, the Township of Lakewood, and was inducted into the Lakewood High School Hall of Fame in 2015.

David is survived by his wife of 54 years, Marilyn, son Michael and his wife Gabrielle, son Scott and his wife Sonia, son Sean and his wife Kathy, daughter Victoria and her wife Tracy, five grandchildren: Christopher, Katherine, Christian, Patrick and Nicholas, and his sister Donna Lee Wallenthin née Waldman. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to DAWN Center for Independent Living (www.dawncil.org).

Greetings from Tanya Volkert

I've been here in Cameroon for ten months now and I am absolutely loving it. The people are welcoming, the children are adorable, and the work is fulfilling. I'm working on education projects here and a large part of that involves literacy. So a lot of my work involves reading with children for many hours, which can be so much fun. I'm working on implementing malaria prevention programs for the next month and after that my school is hoping to work on building its own science laboratory. There is always work to be done here but when you are able to enjoy it, it doesn't feel like work at all. Thank you all for the prayers and kind words over the last ten months. I am very lucky to have so much support from home.

Thank you,
Tanya Volkert



May Edition
Journal Deadline
April 30th

Meet Dmitry (after all this time!)

Dmitry Nikolaev has been with us for some time now and it's time to reveal all his background and accomplishments!

Dmitry was born in Saint Petersburg, Russia. At the age of 5 he began playing piano. By the time he was 8 years old he won his first piano competition. During the following 5 years he won over 30 regional young pianist competitions.

When Dmitry was 13 years old he had his first solo performance with an orchestra. It was not surprising then, that at the age of 16 he was accepted into the Rimsky-Korsakov College of Music.

After graduating College with a Bachelor degree, Dmitry proceeded to study at The Rimsky-Korsakov St. Petersburg State Conservatory, followed by Herzen State Pedagogical University. He studied under such masters as Pavel Egorov, Vladimir Gurevich and Nina Lebedeva. As a result of these years of education Dmitry now holds a Master of Arts in Piano Performance and a PhD in Music Art Appreciation and History.

From 2006-2008 Dmitry was also a creative director for the national competition of World Arts History for children, " Zolotoe Runo", in which more than 1 million children participated.

In 2008 Dmitry came to USA to study under the guidance of Nina Lelchuk at the Aaron Copland School of Music and received his second Master of Arts in Piano Performance in 2011. Dmitry has taken Master Classes with Mykola Suk, Eteri Andjaparidze, Eduard Zilberkant, and Joaquin Achucarro.

During his university years, Dmitry gave many performances as a chamber pianist and a soloist in many cities in Russia, Ukraine, Romania, Poland and England. Here in the USA he has worked as an organist in

different churches including the Greek Orthodox Cathedral of St. John in Tenafly where he was the organist and choir conductor, and at St. Mary's Church in Scarborough, NY.

In addition to his work at St. James', which includes directing the singing choir and the bell choir for special services, Dmitry is focused on his career as a piano teacher, enjoys working with all age groups, and has particular success working with children. He is available to give lessons in the Hackettstown area.

This is Dmitry's first time working at an Episcopal Church where the liturgy and hymn anthology is new to him but he is quickly adjusting.

Chika Okoye, head of our Organist Search Committee, says "Dmitry has been a joy to work with. Even though he does not have a musical background in the Episcopal Church, he has been a very quick study. His playing for church and on request is always excellent. Dmitry has been enthusiastic as he learns more about St. James, the music that we love and the community that we are. He has been a positive addition to St. James and we are very thankful that he came to us with such wonderful talent."



Rev. Norman Lynas, Dean of the Diocese of Bermuda, was the celebrant at our March 19th 10:00 AM service. Pictured below with him are his wife Mary Claire and Rev. Dr. "Guy" Fouts.



Huryk-Lacouture-Salisbury Reunion



The Lacouture's and Huryk's had the chance to meet up in Salisbury, Maryland where Drew attends college and two Huryk sons are alumni from the same university. This photo was taken on Sunday March 5th at

Salisbury University after the Tim Kenard 5k/10 mile Charity Run/Walk. Three of Gerri and Pete's sons ran in the event, and three of their grandchildren ran in the 5K along with Drew. Dave ran the 10 mile and Kathy walked the 5K. Despite the unseasonably cold temperatures that day, all had a great time, and some of the above participants won awards for placing in their age groups! It could become an annual reunion!

Maintenance Morning

Saturday, April 8th

9 AM – Noon

Please join us to help ready our St. James' property for spring and our upcoming Easter Services.

Phyllis Bartkus also invites any gardeners who might be able to donate an hour or two. Contact Paul Bartkus or David Lacouture if you can help. Please look for a sign-up sheet.

Coffee and goodies available!



Food Bags for Easter

Dinners are due back
on April 9th!

SHOP-RITE & WEIS GIFT CARDS

Order forms for gift cards will be distributed the 3rd Sunday of each month. The order forms must be returned by the 4th Sunday of the month and the gift cards will be distributed after the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM services on the 1st Sunday of each month. See Paul Bartkus if you have any questions.

Fundraising Report

Shop With Scrip—Next order is due Sunday, April 9th. Order forms are in the back of the church and in Snyder Hall.

Gertrude Hawk—Our Spring Candy Sale earned us \$132.97. Thanks to all who placed orders!

Amazon Smile—Thanks to those who signed up to donate a portion of eligible purchases to St. James'. Donation checks are deposited directly to our account on a quarterly basis. Stay tuned for the amount!

Sign up at smile.amazon.com.

Rummage Sale—We will hold our Rummage Sale on Saturday, April 29th. We are now collecting items so please bring to the basement of the church. We cannot take books or electronics! Please save bags for us and let us know if you can volunteer to help set up or sell!

Coke Caps/Codes— We are not longer collecting these as the program has ended. Thanks for your past support!

Thanks for helping to raise funds for the mission and ministry of St. James'!

March 12th Annual Meeting



March 14th Snow Storm



CALENDAR

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St. James' Staff & Vestry

Priest-in-Residence	Rev. Arthur "Guy" Fouts
Rector Emeritus:	The Rev. Clarence Sickles
Parish Administrator:	Julie Mills
Organist	Dmitry Nikolaev
Sexton:	Pauline Volkert

Vestry

Senior Warden:	Paul Bartkus
Junior Warden:	Barbara Olesen

Peter Quelly	Claudia Scala	Janice Cipriani
Nancy Miller	Chris Krauss	Kathy Erwood-Lacouture
Pam Laura	Sam Wood	Karina Hernandez

Vestry Clerk:	Claudia Scala
Treasurer:	Janice Cipriani
Bookkeeper:	Claudia Scala

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