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# THE VOICE OF ST. JAMES



## WORSHIP

Sundays  
10 am  
&  
Wednesday  
7pm

Live & via  
Zoom

Share the  
welcome.

Invite a friend.

Zoom link  
found at our  
website:

Stjamesfol-  
som.org



## Thoughts from Pastor

Another year has come and gone. Another year is beginning with more opportunities and challenges. I do not know about you, but as I get older, each year seems a little shorter. I know it has to do with the fact that as I add on years, one year becomes a smaller and smaller percentage of my life. Yet, it just seems like they are zooming by and it leaves me wondering how did I get here and I hear myself saying "It seems like just yesterday...." Think what it must be like for God. A thousand years is like a year to God.... The mind boggles.

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Thankfully, God is still with us, year in and year out. The creator was there when the universe was formed eons ago and is here now. It is something we can hold on to as one year blends into the next. It brings hope and promise amid change and challenge.

My prayers for you all is that you experience God's loving care as you go into the New Year, that you are given what you need as you face the year ahead, that you are given wisdom in all things and that you are able to take time to spend with God, yourself and family. Also, let us be there for each other as God is there for us. Remember, we are the vessels through which God's love flows into our communities. May God use each of us and our gifts to be God's hands in the world.





Grief Support Group will resume January 11th.

We now offer 2 different times for 6 weeks each. Come as you are able.

**Wed at 6 pm**

January 11, 18 & 25

February 1, 8 & 15

**Thur at 12:30 pm**

January 12, 19 & 26

February 2, 9 & 16

*Grief Support Group is for anyone who has experienced a loss or death of someone dear.*

*The group is here to help and support you.*

St. James is hosting an Escape Room Night!

***Saturday, January 28 - starts at 4:45 pm***



**GLASSBORO  
NEW JERSEY**

If interested please R.S.V.P by January 15 as we will need to know exactly how many people will be joining us! Cost is \$15.

***Those who want to carpool can meet at the church by 4 pm***

You can sign up on the insert in the weekly bulletin or by letting Pastor Pam or Amanda know.

Thank you!



**January**  
BIRTHDAYS

- 1st - Ken Panas
- 9th - Joan Heller
- 11th - Thomas  
Dunleavy
- 13th - Regina  
Moschik
- 13th - Victoria Librizzi
- 28th - Fred Tichy



**JANUARY**  
ANNIVERSARIES

- 9th - Joe & Sally Costa
- 18th - Hank & Tammy Rodio
- 27th - Charles & Diane Eby

# January Worship Volunteers



1st - Sally Costa  
8th - Dolores Fiori  
15th - Judy May  
22nd - Linda Kisby  
29th - Fred Tichy



1st - Volunteer Needed  
8th - Volunteer Needed  
15th - Volunteer Needed  
22nd - Volunteer Needed  
29th - Volunteer Needed



*Thanks to our  
Volunteers*



1st - Volunteer Needed




## Communion Assistants

1st - Volunteers Needed  
8th - Volunteers Needed  
15th - Volunteers Needed  
22nd - Volunteers Needed  
29th - Volunteers Needed

# JANUARY

**Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat**

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| <p><i>1</i><br/>10am<br/>Worship<br/><br/>11am Coffee<br/>Hour</p>                 | <p><i>2</i>      <i>3</i>      <i>4</i>      <i>5</i>      <i>6</i>      <i>7</i></p> <p><b>Pastor Away through Jan. 9 - Pastor Sugden<br/>is available for emergencies - 609-665-3714</b></p> |  |  |   |  |   |
| <p><i>8</i><br/>9am SS<br/>10am<br/>Worship</p>                                    | <p><i>9</i></p>  | <p><i>10</i><br/><br/>7pm<br/>Outreach</p> | <p><i>11</i><br/>1pm God's<br/>Stitchers<br/><br/>6pm Grief<br/>Support<br/><br/>7pm Worship</p> | <p><i>12</i><br/><br/>12:30pm<br/>Grief Support</p> | <p><i>13</i></p>   | <p><i>14</i></p>  |
| <p><i>15</i><br/>9am SS/AS<br/><br/>10am<br/>Worship</p>                           | <p><i>16</i><br/><br/>7:30pm<br/>Council</p>   | <p><i>17</i></p>                           | <p><i>18</i><br/>6pm Grief<br/>Support<br/><br/>7pm Worship</p>                                  | <p><i>19</i><br/><br/>12:30pm<br/>Grief Support</p> | <p><i>20</i></p>   | <p><i>21</i></p>  |
| <p><i>22</i><br/>9am SS/AS<br/>10am<br/>Worship<br/><br/>5pm<br/>Dine-Out Nite</p> | <p><i>23</i></p>   | <p><i>24</i></p>                           | <p><i>25</i><br/>1pm God's<br/>Stitchers<br/><br/>6pm Grief<br/>Support<br/><br/>7pm Worship</p> | <p><i>26</i><br/><br/>12:30pm<br/>Grief Support</p> | <p><i>27</i></p>   | <p><i>28</i><br/> <b>CAN YOU?<br/>ESCAPE?</b><br/><br/>5:30pm<br/>Escape<br/>Room</p> |
| <p><i>29</i><br/>9am AS<br/><br/>10am<br/>Worship</p>                              | <p><i>30</i></p>   | <p><i>31</i></p>                           |  |   | <p><i>AA Groups</i><br/>Tue - 7pm<br/>Wed - 7pm<br/>(Women)<br/>Fri - 8 pm<br/>Sat - 6:30pm<br/>Sun - 7:30pm</p> | <p><b>AS - ADULT<br/>STUDY</b><br/><br/><b>SS - SUNDAY<br/>SCHOOL</b></p>   |



**January 8, 15 & 22**  
**February 5, 12, 19 & 26**



**Adult Bible Study**  
resumes Sunday,  
January 15th, 9am

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

February 5th  
following worship  
11:00am

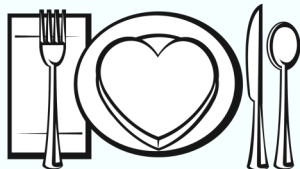
Please join us as we  
look at our ministry  
from the past year  
and for the  
upcoming year.

Please have any  
reports in the office  
no later than  
January 22nd.

Thank you!



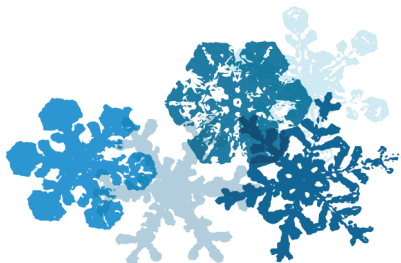
## **DINE-OUT**



We are resuming our  
**Dining out Together**  
**January 22 at 5:00 pm**

**Join us for dinner at**  
**Elaina Wu's.**

**Please RSVP**  
**by Jan 17**





Did you know, St. Jacobus Evangelical Lutheran Church is the oldest public building in the Folsom Borough. St. Jacobus was the first church, the first school and the first meeting place for all social and town meetings.

In between 1845 and 1850 about 40 families had emigrated from Germany to what is now known as the town of Folsom, named after Frances Folsom, the wife of President Grover Cleveland. The settlers made their new home along a short, two mile stretch of land beside the old stage coach route, Long A Coming Trail. The settlers bought 25 acres (sold for \$1.00 an acre) to build their farms from the estate of Samuel Richards. After the families had arrived to their new home, they wanted a place to worship in their native language. For five years the new settlers would form a congregation and hold services at the homes of their fellow members.

Not long after, Stephen Colwell and Walter Bell (the heirs of the Richards estate, whom they purchased their farmland from), gave the people of New Germany a grant of two acres to build a church and school. This church would be founded as St. Jacobus Lutheran Evangelical Congregation, and “with the help of God and contributions from congregation and Christian friends” their Church was assembled and held 32 communicants.





Our Altar Flower memorial program is a way to remember your loved ones and help the Church pay for the flowers used to brighten our altar every week.

**Beginning 2023, the following dates are available:**

- Both for January 22
- Both for April 16
- Both for April 23
- One for April 30
- One for May 7
- Both for May 21
- Both for May 28
- Both for June 11
- Both for June 18
- Both for June 25
- Both for July 2
- Both for July 30
- Both for August 6
- Both for August 13
- Both for September 3
- Both for September 17
- Both for September 24
- Both for October 22
- Both for October 29
- Both for November 5
- Both for November 19
- Both for December 3
- Both for December 10
- Both for December 31



Altar Flowers

**ALTAR FLOWER SIGNUP**

Please note the available Sunday you would like to donate altar flowers.

Please see the list on the previous page.

Sunday, \_\_\_\_\_

**The Altar flowers should be dedicated as follows:**

\_\_\_ In Memory of    or    \_\_\_ In Honor of:

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By \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE CIRCLE BELOW IF YOU ARE DONATING

**ONE VASE AT \$20    OR    TWO VASES FOR \$40**

You will be billed at the time of your scheduled donation.

Please remit your check payable to: St. James Lutheran Church, 1341 Mays Landing Road, Folsom, NJ 08037.

*Thank you for your generous donation in memory/  
in honor of your loved one(s).*



Betty Rowe, Jennifer Johnson, Dolores Fiori, Laura Librizzi, Joan & Marx Heller, Nancy Bertino, Diane Eby, Hannah Bonchi, Lee Phillips, Rita Ricca, Janet Cappucio, Claire Gilmore, Don Haines, Sue Chille, Julie Comunale, Maggie Rider, Dawn Mamula, Marlene Triggian, Ginny Ortiz, George Smith Jr., Catherine Sabatini, Sharon Schwabs, Edythe Aselta, Margaret Rea, Toni Marinelli, Fran Penza, Christine Carlucci, Bob & Ellie Frietag, Dave Colofranson, Ian Canich, Henry Butterhof, Bette Jackson, Ed Shine, Tessa (Tichy) Duba, Christina Spahn, Emily Shenansky, and All Service Members.



## **175 Years of Ministry Anniversary Banquet May 7, 2023**

Do you have pictures of people and events, or stories of St. James or St. Jacobus? We invite you to scan and share the digital image with us, or let us borrow them to scan. Please send to us. We will be putting them together for our anniversary year celebrations.



Digital images can be sent to the church email:

[stjamesluthean@folsom.comcastbiz.net](mailto:stjamesluthean@folsom.comcastbiz.net)

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All other times by appointment

## CHURCH COUNCIL

Michael Hozik - President Regina Moschik  
Fred Tichy - Vice President Sally Costa  
Jennifer Johnson - Secretary Jayne Carmen  
(Ed Volpa - Treasurer)

**Worship - Sundays 10 am**  
**Live and Via Zoom**  
**Link on [www.stjamesfolsom.org](http://www.stjamesfolsom.org)**

## Our Mission

Welcoming all people to abide in Christ,  
to experience God's love, and  
to do God's work in the world around us.



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