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St. James Academy Class of 2008.  
*Photo by Kelli Wilson*

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The Rev. Laura Brecht, preached at St. James on June 15, the day following her ordination to the deaconate. Laura and Lyle are still living in Sewanee.

Laura, a former choir member, is pictured here with past and present choir members. *Photos by Bill Bowen*

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## NAMETAG REMINDER –

Summer is a time for vacations. And while it may feel like most of our community is away for the warmer months, we must remember that our church receives almost an equal number of visitors in the summer. Some of these folks are visiting family or friends, but others are looking for a permanent church home. In either case, it is important that we “do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers,” by being sure to wear our nametags, especially during coffee hour. For in doing so, we will certainly “entertain angels unawares.”



## A Huge Thank You to the St. James Community!

From Colin Doeller, 3rd Grade, St. James Academy



Thanks to you, we have once again this year exceeded our goal of collecting 2,000 dozen egg cartons for First Fruits Farm, a non-profit corporation founded as a ministry to provide fresh produce, honey, eggs and beef to various local shelters, soup kitchens and food banks. Thank you for helping to enable this all-volunteer organization to economically deliver eggs to the hungry in our community.



## Read and Chat Book Club – Summer Reading

The book chosen for the October 16th meeting is a delightful comedy, *The Thing About Jane Spring* by Sharon Krum. The book chosen for the November 20th meeting is *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini. For more information, call Rosemary Rittler – 410-592-8492. Thank you so much,  
*Rosemary*



The Lambeth Conference  
2008 - July 16 –  
August 3.

## Equipping Bishops to Fulfil Their Leadership Role in God’s Mission.

Conference aims - that all delegates will:

- be restored and refreshed spiritually
- gain deeper knowledge of each other
- become more aware of the spiritual and physical resources God has given them to meet missionary challenges in different parts of the world
- develop greater understanding and appreciation of life together in the Anglican Communion
- address conflict
- discover a new level of trust in common service to God
- gain greater understanding of the contribution Anglicanism can make to the worldwide church and the world

These will be fulfilled by delegates spending time together: in spiritual reflection, learning, sharing experiences and discerning their particular role in God’s mission for the world.

<http://www.lambethconference.org>

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINES:



Articles for the St James “Welcome Back” September newsletter are **due Friday, August 15 and should be sent to Susan** since I will be away on a Medical Mission with THH. Collating and Folding Day will be

**Thursday, August 21.** You may call me at 410-440-0473 or e-mail me at [avila@pbworld.com](mailto:avila@pbworld.com). Call or email Susan in the Office at 410-771-4466, [church@saintjames.org](mailto:church@saintjames.org) if you have time to help with collating.

*The Newsletter editing room wishes you a relaxing summer. Marco V. Avila*



## SAFE CHURCH TRAINING –

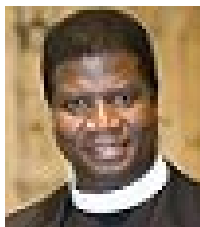
According to Diocesan canons and the principals of good practice, all members of the church who routinely come in contact with children and youth should be trained in the prevention of child abuse at least every five years. This includes Sunday School Teachers, Youth Group Leaders, Vestry Members and anyone else who is concerned with making sure that our church continues to be a safe place for children and young adults.

Later this summer, there will be three opportunities to avail yourself of the training at no cost to you. Please put one of the following dates on your calendar and contact Art+ to ensure yourself a spot in the training session.

Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup>; 10a-12n  
Good Shepherd in Ruxton

Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup>; 6p – 8p  
Good Shepherd, Ruxton

**Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> 6p - 8:30p**  
**Saint James, Monkton**



## Meet the Bishop - Fall Claggett Event

On Sunday, **September 14, from 2 to 6pm, with presentations at 4pm**, the Bishop Claggett Center

will host an afternoon event in order to continue the celebration and welcoming of Bishop Sutton. Details are still in preliminary stages, but the event will include the presentation of several gifts to the new bishop.

Mark the date because you will want to be there.

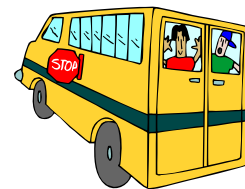


**SAY CHEESE!** The Vestry has decided to work with Olan Mills for our photo directory that will include a section for the Academy. Sign-ups will probably begin in mid to late September for photographs in October. Watch this space and the web for details.

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## SCHOOL SUPPLIES SO SOON?

The Social Ministries Community is planning ahead and will begin collecting school supplies for the Club at Collington Square and Paul's Place.



Our deadline is **Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**. Laura Green is making a school bus box to collect the supplies. In the meantime, there will be a plain ordinary box in the church office.

We hope you will be generous – think beyond crayons to binders and notebooks and things that parents on a very limited income might not be able to buy for their children.

## FLOODING IN IOWA

Dear Friends:

I have heard from some of you regarding support for the victims of the floods in Iowa. You can send contributions to Episcopal Relief and Development and mark them for flood relief. I have chosen to send a gift directly to the Bishop of Iowa, The Right Rev. Alan Scarfe (at 225 37th St. Des Moines, Iowa 50312) and certainly he will see that it goes to good use. Either way will be of help.

I was born in Des Moines, and still have family there. So far they are fine. In addition I received my Masters of Arts in history from the University of Iowa, which is seriously flooded now. In addition all of these rivers flow into the Mississippi River and we can only expect more problems.

Keep these people in your prayers, and assistance will be most helpful.

Peace and all good,  
+John (Bishop Rabb)

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Photos: AP of Cedar Rapids and the Univ. of Iowa

## MUSIC DIRECTOR'S NOTES

*Soli Deo Gloria! (To God Alone the Glory!)*

Henry

### THANK YOU to the Adult Choir!

At the 10:15 Service on June 15<sup>th</sup>, many attended and sang in celebration of Laura Brecht's "homecoming." When I first came to St. James', Laura was a member of the Choir (and, along with Ray Banghart and Heyward Macdonald, part of the troika that interviewed me for a temporary position as organist!) To greet one of our own, the Choir swelled to 25 singers! What a joyful noise we made unto the Lord! The rafters shook . . . Fred Smalkin says we raised the roof at least a few centimeters. And we were all raised up as almost a dozen voices soared in the descant, "And I will raise them up on the last day!"



You know we have a marvelous choir, all the more remarkable because singers who could be paid soloists in other churches choose to sing in our all-volunteer choir. Please remember to thank our parishioners who devote their great talents and considerable time to St. James' music ministry, and wish them a good summer's rest!

The choir will reconvene with its first fall rehearsal at **7:30 p.m., Thursday evening, September 4**. If you are interested, please talk to me!

### An OPEN letter to St. James' concerning Opening Voluntaries (a.k.a. "Preludes")

We organists do not play opening voluntaries as concerts, but we play good music for the Glory of God, and as part of the process leading to the drama of the mass.

Especially in the summer this is often magical. Because the church is empty well before the service starts, parishioners come 15 minutes or more before the service, say their prayers silently, and then sit in silent expectation. One Sunday in June, I used the harpsichord stop to play a long and gentle selection from one of Bach's works for keyboard. As the church filled up, each incoming

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person respected the lack of talking or laughing, prayed, and sat. At the end of 10 minutes, the piece finished, and the blessed silence continued until the bell tolled. We were ready for worship.

There are many reasons why people talk loudly before the service. The parish is very social, as it should be. We are all very busy and sometimes a chance greeting is the only time in the week for communication. Some are a little hard of hearing (as I'm becoming). Many do not want to talk through or over the music, but think it rude not to respond in kind when a friend hails them. I have caught myself coming up the walk to the transept door talking loudly and laughing . . . and then I'm mortified. I ask us all to consider how we can best balance our need to communicate verbally with the needs of many to have a silent period of preparation before the mass!

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## FALL MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES For YOUTH

### Instrumental Choir

For grown ups too!

Rehearse: Sunday -10:30 to 11:15  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of month

Play: Children's Eucharist 10:15 AM  
2nd Sunday of each month

And we may play again the following Sunday!  
Stay tuned for more updates!

### Instrumental Soloists

Rehearse: Sunday - 10:30 to 11:15  
LAST Sunday of month  
Play: 9:00 Service  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month

Friends, Fellowship, Service, Music



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## Seraph Choir

Rehearse: Sundays - 11:15 to  
12:00 after Sunday School

Sing: Children's Eucharist 10:15  
on 2nd Sunday of each month. Sing again: 9:00  
Service 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month

Mission: Once a month and with parental help we hope to visit and sing with parish members who cannot get to church.

And there's more! See the following page...



## Teen Choir

Rehearse: Wednesdays

Pizza 5:30pm

Rehearse 5:45-7:00pm

Sing: 9:00 Service

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month

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## SHARE YOUR GIFTS NOW

Instrumentalists of all sorts needed. Singers of all sorts needed. Email Mrs. Smalkin RIGHT

AWAY! [Vsmalkin@comcast.net](mailto:Vsmalkin@comcast.net)

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## ACOLYTE NOTES

*From Laura Green, Acolyte PooBah*

Greetings and a cheerful summer!

Though it seems far, far away, the acolyte teams and the rotation are being set for the coming academic year. If you do not wish to continue serving, please call me soon.

## WELCOME OUR TWO NEW ACOLYTES!

Father and daughter team Paul and Olivia Todd is now with us. We are praying for another new acolyte to join this team, a young parishioner to partner with Olivia. Olivia will be on hand to carry our banner, and she is hoping for a partner to carry torches with. Serving as an acolyte is fun, useful, appreciated, and looks good on your resume!

## ORGAN

### SPECTACULAR!

On October 19, 2008 St. James' will host one of many

concerts around the world to celebrate the "International Year of the Organ." We already have half dozen organists from neighboring churches committed to play here. Please stay tuned!



## DATES TO NOTE:

- Sept. 6 Collington Sq. Festival
- Sept. 14 Sunday School, Worship 9, Alpha begins
- Sept. 27 United Black Episcopalians (UBE) & St. James "Kitchen Table Event" STM and Macdonald Hall
- Sept. 28 Ministry Fair, Macdonald Hall
- Sept. 29 & 30 Center for Spiritual Dev. Gardens & Grace, Labyrinth & Paths
- Oct. 10 Children's Dinner Theatre, Macdonald Hall and STM
- October 11 UBE Kitchen Table Event, Macdonald Hall and STM
- Oct. 18 Pastoral Care Conference Halloween Hustle
- Oct. 19 Organ Recital
- Oct. 19 – 21 Clergy Conference
- Oct. 26 Men's Organization Pancake Breakfast
- Nov. 4 Election Day
- Nov. 7 & 8 Academy Christmas Shoppe
- Nov. 14 ? Children's Dinner Theatre, Macdonald Hall and STM
- Nov. 14 & 15 Alpha Retreat, Macdonald Hall, Parish Library
- Nov. 30 Advent Wreath Making, Macdonald Hall
- Jan. 19 MLK, Jr. Day Office Closed
- Jan. 25 Women in the Bible, Pastoral Care & Christian Formation Communities
- Feb. 13 Children's Dinner Theatre, Macdonald Hall and STM
- Feb. 16 President's Day, Office Closed
- Feb. 21 Academy Gala
- Feb. 27 – 28 CSD - Philip Newell Event – STM & Macdonald Hall
- April 5 – 11 Holy Week
- April 12 Easter
- April 17 Children's Dinner Theatre, Macdonald Hall and STM
- April 28 Confirmations
- May 8 Newcomers Dinner
- May 10 Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast
- May 25 Memorial Day
- May 31 Last Sunday School, Choir, Worship 9
- June 5 Academy Graduation



*Editor's Note: Please be sure to check BOTH the Parish and Academy calendars before scheduling a meeting or event.*

**Altar Guild**  
**July – Rotation**  
**August**  
 Nancy Young  
 Sandy Patterson  
 Martha Reeve  
 Sandy Gallup



**Ushers**  
 Frank O'Toole  
 Bruce Roush  
 Frank Durkee  
 Bob Hanley  
 Jack Holmes

8:00am	Welcome	Reader	L.E.M.	Offering	Prayers	Server
<b>First</b>	Sandy Gallup	Henry Baker	Anne Bricker Sandy Gallup	Sandy Gallup Henry Baker	Henry Baker	Cindy Eaton
<b>Second</b>	Jodi/Rick Florence	Anne Bricker	Debra Barton John Beever	Henry Baker Jodi/Rick Florence	Pam Balcerak	Martha Reeve
<b>Third</b>	John Beever	John Beever	Joe Chadwick John Beever	Henry Baker John Beever	Joe Chadwick	Alan Wright
<b>Fourth</b>	John Beever	Margaret Bryant	Cindy Eaton Joe Chadwick	Henry Baker John Beever	Margaret Bryant	Erica Callaham
<b>Fifth</b>	Jodi/Rick Florence	Pam Balcerak	Anne Bricker John Beever	Henry Baker Jodi/Rick Florence	Joe Chadwick	Cindy Eaton
<b>10:15 am Eucharist</b>	<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>Chalicians</b>	<b>Old Testament</b>	<b>New Testament</b>	<b>Prayers</b>	
July 6	T. Zantop A. Miller B. Robbins	Lyndy Eddy Laura Green	Laura Green	Miles Baxter	Suzanne Zantop	
July 13	R. Sakamoto K. Bullard M. Robbins	Chris Wooten Pat Newman	Mary Ann Clarendon	Doreen Passaniti	Alan Leroy	
July 20	M. Curley E. Curely A. Fries	Michael Curley Laura Green	Val Smalkin	Fred Smalkin	Bill Bowen	
July 27	The Morans	Guy Hook Pat Newman	Yvonne Hook	Miles Baxter	Mary Ann Clarendon	
August 3	P. Todd O. Todd E. Dewlin	Matt Rogers Chris Wooten	Suzanne Zantop	Philip Norman	Andrew Norman	
August 10	I. Fitzhugh The Moncures	Betty Wilson Lyndy Eddy	Alan Leroy	Doreen Passaniti	Miles Baxter	
August 17	D. Donnelly K. Rogers A. Volunteer	Guy Hook Chris Wooten	Kathy Durkee	Yvonne Hook	Bill Bowen	
August 24	R. Sakamoto K. Bullard M. Robbins	Betty Wilson Laura Green	Art Sherman	Priscilla Sherman	Mary Ann Clarendon	
August 31	M. Curley E. Curley A. Fries	Michael Curley Pat Newman	Bayly Buck	Doreen Passaniti	Philip Norman	
Sept. 7	T. Zantop A. Miller B. Robbins	Guy Hook	Yvonne Hook	Suzanne Zantop	Miles Baxter	

ST JAMES CHURCH  
YEAR TO DATE FINANCES THROUGH MAY 31, 2008

INCOME	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET
PLATE AND PLEDGES	\$229,728	\$215,947	\$526,117
INVESTMENT	6,831	9,263	21,900
CHAPLAINCY/DIOCESE REIMB	18,565	19,264	40,366
TRANSFER FROM REPAIR FUND	0	0	53,000
SPECIAL CURRENT OPERATIONS	0	0	105,100
ENDOWMENT & OTHER	10,144	13,055	42,224
TOTAL	<u>265,268</u>	<u>257,529</u>	<u>788,707</u>
EXPENSES			
COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS	175,058	173,537	405,645
FACILITIES MANAGEMENT	61,270	58,279	194,913
OFFICE	16,745	15,479	45,124
OUTREACH & COMM SERVICE	35,783	34,465	86,998
PASTORAL CONCERNS	408	965	1,200
WORSHIP	12,947	16,283	34,777
EDUCATION AND YOUTH	2,093	6,595	15,650
EVANGELISM & MEMBERSHIP	1,249	2,465	4,400
TOTAL	<u>305,553</u>	<u>308,068</u>	<u>788,707</u>
OPERATING REVENUE (EXPENSE)	(40,285)	(50,539)	
NON-BUDGETED INCOME (EXP)	(1,794)	0	
NET REVENUE (EXPENSE)	<u>(\$42,079)</u>	<u>(\$50,539)</u>	
ASSETS			
CASH	\$90,403		
RECEIVABLES	256,177		
HOUSE, TENNIS CT & BLDG.IMPR.	564,181		
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$910,761</u>		
LIABILITIES AND FUNDS			
LIABILITIES			
DUE TO OTHER FUNDS	\$13,075		
WITHHELD EMPLOYEE PENSION	(462)		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>12,613</u>		
FUNDS			
REPAIR	90,180		
RESTRICTED	304,261		
UNRESTRICTED	545,786		
CURRENT NET REVENUE (EXP)	(42,079)		
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>898,148</u>		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUNDS	<u>\$910,761</u>		

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**PAUL'S PLACE CAMP: JULY 14 – 18 :** The camp will once again be a collaboration between the Church and the Academy. Forty campers will be coming from Paul's Place and this year our youth counselors from St. James will be rising 8th graders and/or Academy graduates.



We will focus on sports and games and use the spaces at St. James. We would love to have counselors who like to teach, referee, and/or play sports and games with groups of young campers. Academy graduates, who are interested in

participating, please contact Mrs. Jill Rowan at the Academy, 410-771-4816. If you'd like to help prepare lunches and snacks (see how much fun it is!) please call Mrs. Diana Bullard.



**JULY 26 - PICNIC AT ST. JAMES. Noon to 4:00 pm. Rain or Shine.**  
**St. Mary's Walbrook will be joining us.** Front Lawn in front of Macdonald Hall. The Men's Organization will grill and provide beverages. Bring lawn chairs, blankets, and salads (fruit, pasta, or vegetable) to share. St. Mary's will bring desserts.



**Join us at the Collington Square Festival**

**on September 6. Food, Fun, Fellowship!**

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