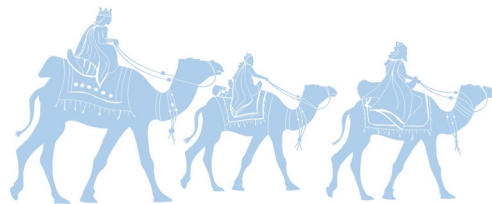
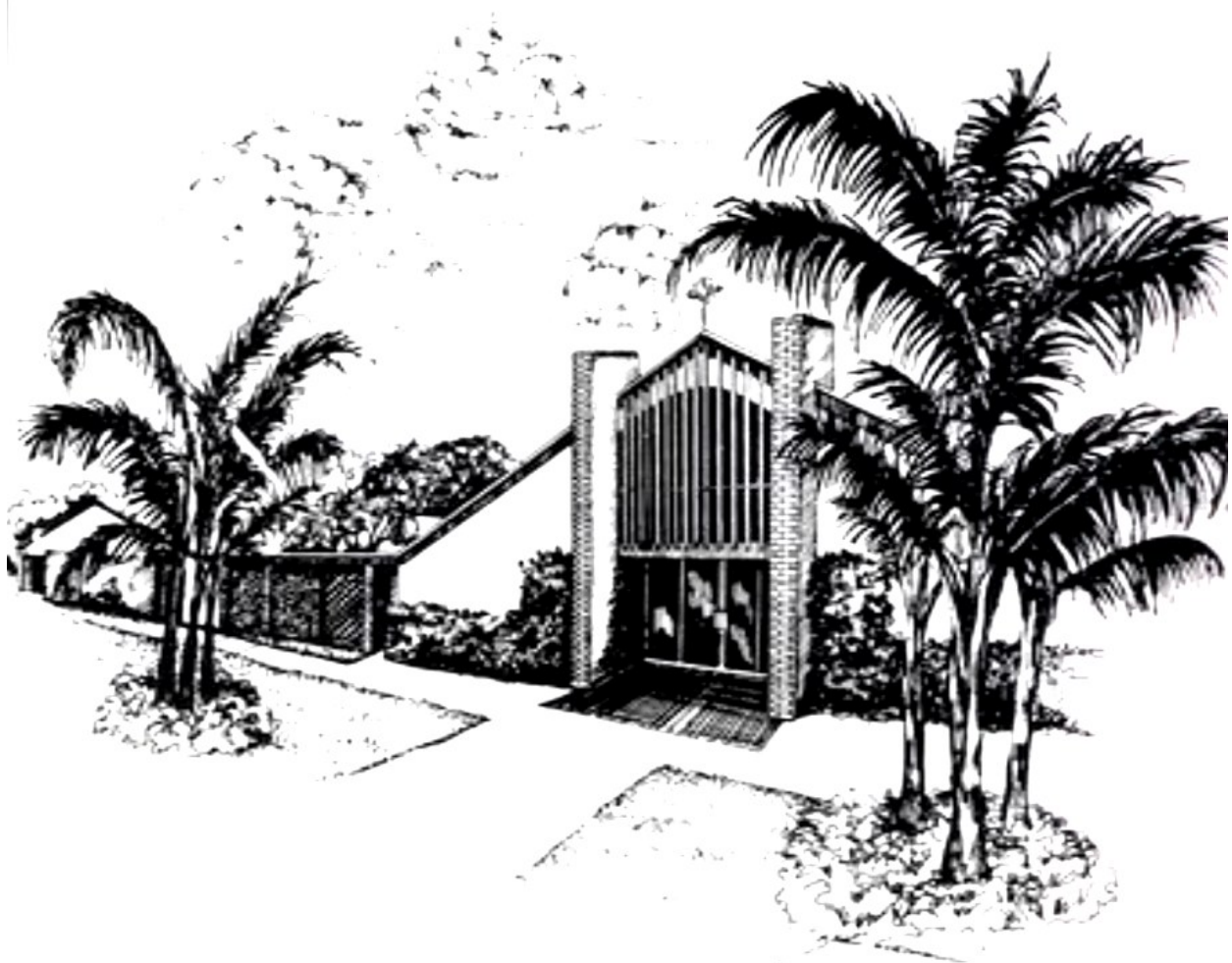




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## LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

SUNDAY SERVICE 9:30AM

FEBRUARY 15TH, 2026

**HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II - 9:30 A.M.**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee* **Hymnal 376**

**The Word of God**

**OPENING SENTENCE AND PRAYER**

BCP 355

*Priest:* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People:** And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**GLORIA** (*spoken*)

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Priest:* Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

O God, who before the passion of your only- begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE OLD TESTAMENT

## EXODUS 24:12-18

*A Reading from the book of Exodus.*

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM (read responsively)

## PSALM 99

- 1 The LORD is King;  
let the people tremble; \*  
**he is enthroned upon the cherubim;**  
**let the earth shake.**
- 2 The LORD is great in Zion; \*  
**he is high above all peoples.**
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \*  
**he is the Holy One.**
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,  
you have established equity; \*  
**you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."**
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
and fall down before his footstool; \*  
**he is the Holy One.**
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \*  
**they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.**

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*  
**they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.**

8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; \*  
**you were a God who forgave them,  
yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
and worship him upon his holy hill; \*  
**for the LORD our God is the Holy One.**

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \**  
*as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

## THE EPISTLE

2 PETER 1:16-21

*A Reading from the second letter of Saint Peter.*

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL HYMN

*Have Thine Own Way, Lord!* **Lift Every Voice & Sing II 145**

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

MATTHEW 17:1-9

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While

he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

#### **CHILDREN'S DIALOG**

##### **THE SERMON**

*Silence is kept.*

*Rev. David Potter*

#### **THE NICENE CREED**

BCP 358

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

*(continued...)*

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Intercessor:* Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

**People: That we all may be one.**

*Intercessor:* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Intercessor:* We pray for all bishops, priests and deacons; especially Sarah of Canterbury, our Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe, our Bishop Peter Eaton, and our priest Reverend David; In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the clergy and people of St. Ambrose, Fort Lauderdale, and St. Andrew's, Hollywood.

**People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Intercessor:* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Intercessor:* Protect all innocent lives at risk across the Middle East, in Sudan, Nigeria, Israel and Palestine, Ukraine and Russia, and to all affected by gun violence, especially in Tumbler Ridge, British Columbia;

**People: That a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow.**

*Intercessor:* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**People: That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Intercessor:* For all who are ill, injured, or suffering from despair or anxiety, especially for those on our parish prayer list... and for those who offer skilled, tender care for them;

**People: That they may have strength for today and for tomorrow.**

*Intercessor:* For those struggling financially and find their future uncertain;

**People: That they may discover resources and support for the days, weeks, and months ahead.**

*Intercessor:* For those celebrating a birthday this week, especially... and those celebrating an anniversary this week, including... and for all those we name silently or aloud;

**People: That they may see the blessings of the past and the blessings you provide in the present.**

*Intercessor:* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

## CONCLUDING PRAYER

*Priest:* Friend of Moses, strength of Elijah, you go with your people and give them your Spirit: may the Child of your heart transfigure the mortal world that love may know no bounds; through Jesus Christ, the beloved one. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 359

*Priest:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**ALL: Most merciful God, We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Priest:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**People: Amen.**

## THE PEACE

BCP 360

*Priest:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME OF VISITORS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

VESTRY INSTALLATION

## OFFERTORY HYMN

*As the Deer* **Choir**

## DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## PRESENTATION OF ALMS & OBLATIONS

*Priest:* All things come of Thee, O Lord,

**People:** And of Thine own have we given Thee.

### HOLY COMMUNION

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Priest:* Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

*Priest:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Priest:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

S 130

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."



Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with James and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP 364

*Priest:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Priest:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## COMMUNION HYMN

*Jesu, Jesu Hymnal 602*

## A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION SAID BY THOSE NOT PRESENT AT HOLY COMMUNION

*Priest:* In union, O Lord, with the faithful of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

*Priest:* Let us pray.

**ALL:** Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR COMMISSIONING

*(if the licensed LEVs are bringing communion to shut-ins, the following is said)*

*Priest:* I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go, may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**Congregation:** We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

## THE BLESSING

*Priest:* May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

**People:** Amen.

**DISMISSAL**

*Priest:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

A graphic illustration of the Transfiguration of the Lord. It features a white silhouette of a person with arms outstretched, set against a background of radiating lines. The figure is wearing a long, flowing robe. The text "Transfiguration OF THE LORD" is overlaid on the graphic.

# Transfiguration

OF THE LORD

## NOTICES

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

We pray that you are well on this the last Sunday after the Epiphany.

***Join us for Fellowship Hour in Feaster Hall provided by Norma Small  
in celebration of her birthday! We thank her for her kindness!***

**Blessings to our 2026 Vestry who will be installed this morning Sunday, February 15th:**

Tashamee Williams-Senior Warden, Liz Miller-Junior Warden, Barbara Becker,  
Elisha Clarke IV, Lorna Smith, Gladys Wood, and Bob Whitehead.

**Thank you to our outgoing Vestry members for their dedication and service  
to God and St. James In-the-Hills:**

Claudette Crowder-Fowler, Yvonne Paicely, Paul Cizek, Clovia Rush-Barnett,  
and Nickisha Williams.

The Fellowship Committee Chair, Clovia Rush-Barnett, will be hosting its first committee meeting of 2026 next Sunday, February 22, 2026 in Feaster Hall immediately following Sunday's service. If you have a passion for hospitality, love planning events, or just want to help, we would love your input. During the in-person meeting, we will plan opportunities to deepen our community life such as upcoming coffee hour and the St James Anniversary. For more information, speak with Clovia.



### **BIBLE STUDY: MATTHEW**

Join us for Bible Study of the Gospel according to Matthew, Thursdays at 7pm via Zoom. Find the Zoom link in your Constant Contact email or contact Amanda in the St. James Office.

## **BUNCO IS BACK**

This Saturday, February 21st we will start the game promptly at 4pm in Feaster Hall. Doors will open at 3:30pm. Adults to play are \$5 and children ages 5-10 are \$3.

The St. James chapter of the **Daughters of the King** is being renewed. Members are women who desire a closer walk with the Lord. We are Christian women, both lay and ordained, who are strengthened through the discipline of a Rule of Life, and supported through the companionship of our sisters. We are all at different stages of our Christian journey – some have just begun and some have been on this path for a long time. But no matter where we are on our sacred journeys, our primary goal is the same – to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known to others. For more information, see Betty Cay Stanford or visit [www.doknational.org](http://www.doknational.org).



## **DAILY DEVOTIONALS**

Forward Movement's Day-by-Day devotionals for FEB-MAR-APR are available in the Sanctuary and from the Church Office during the week. Please take a copy to share with friends or loved ones.



## COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS

Those who have signed up to volunteer as host for coffee hours, please contact the Office for any inquiries on supplies and procedures, and to collect the keys if needed. For any Sundays not chosen by volunteers, simply the coffee station only will be provided by the Church. Please check out the sign-up sheet on the blue bulletin board located outside the Parish Office for upcoming dates. 2026 dates are available now.

## FLOWER CHART

A flower chart for 2026 has been posted in the Little Angels' Room for those who wish to provide the altar flowers for a particular Sunday Worship Service. Altar flowers may be dedicated to loved ones and for special dates. Please contact the Office for florist recommendations.



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*We pray for the members of our parish family who are celebrating  
their birthday this week:*

**Norma Small, Jessica Whitehead, Adrienne Cizek,  
Julianne Whitehead, Corinna Bilotti**

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

### **Sunday, February 15th**

Fellowship Hour  
Vestry Installation



### **Monday, February 16th**

Presidents' Day - *Office Closed*

### **Tuesday, February 17th**

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner - 6:00 p.m.

### **Wednesday, February 18th**

Ash Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.  
*Beginning of Lent*



### **Thursdays on Zoom - 7:00 p.m.**

Bible Study on Matthew

### **Fridays in Lent - 12:00 p.m.**

Stations of the Cross

### **Saturday, February 21st**

BUNCO Night in Feaster Hall - 4:00 p.m.





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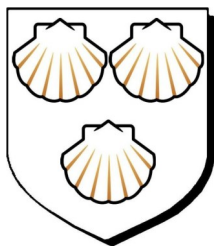
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**[stjameshollywood@gmail.com](mailto:stjameshollywood@gmail.com)**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of St. James in-the-Hills Episcopal Church is to spread the Gospel  
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diverse community into a personal relationship with our Lord.



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