

SMALL GROUPS

BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

Tuesday Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Tuesdays, 7:30-8:30 a.m.
Michaux House, Valentine Hall

Women's Bible Wisdom Bible Study

Second and fourth Tuesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Michaux House Library

Living Faith Bible Study

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.
Michaux House, Room 205

Lectionary Ladies Bible Study

Wednesdays, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Michaux House, Room 205

Thursday Men's Bible Study Breakfast

Every other Thursday, 7:30-8:30 a.m.
Michaux House, Valentine Hall

Sisters in the Word Bible Study

Thursdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.
5324 Cary Street Road

BOOK CLUBS

Brown Bag Book Club

First Thursdays, noon-1:30 p.m., Gibson Hall, Conference Room B
starting **January 3** with A Tidewater Morning, by William Styron

Spiritual Book Club

Occasional Mondays, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Michaux House, Valentine Hall
starting **January 7** with Murder on the Orient Express, by Agatha Christie

Tuesday Readers Book Club

Fourth Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Michaux House, Fagan Parlor
starting **January 22** with Varina, by Charles Frazier

SECOND QUARTER (YOUNG ADULTS)

COFFEE ON THE PLAYGROUND

Dates TBD

Gather with other young adults in their 20s to early 40s for casual and relaxed fellowship on the playground while enjoying a good cup of coffee. If you have kids, they're welcome to come along to play. These Saturday morning meet ups will take place one Saturday a month from 8:30-10:00 a.m. April - November 2019. Stay tuned for exact dates.

Contact: Mary Beth Abplanalp, 355-1779, ext 334 or mbabplanalp@doers.org

RETREATS AND FIELD TRIPS

OBERAMMERGAU, GERMANY

August 10-20, 2020

This 11-day pilgrimage to Oberammergau and the Passion Play will be led by rector John McCard. In addition to viewing the Passion Play, we will visit historic and beautiful sites in the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Hungary, Austria and Germany. Contact: Matt Harper, matt@mhrsolutions.com

SNOWFEST

February 8-10 – Please register by January 22

SNOWFEST retreat weekend is for all youth (6th – 12th grades) and is a great opportunity for youth to have fun with new and old friends and explore their faith outside the rhythm and routine of daily life. Advance registration is required for all youth retreats.

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LENTEN RETREAT: MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

March 9, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Join the Rev. Dr. Mark Cooper for a day of quiet mindfulness meditation. Learn what mindfulness meditation is and its benefits to the whole self – mind, body and spirit. Cost: \$25 (check payable to St. James's Church), includes snacks and lunch. To register by March 1, contact Anita Lisk (alisk@doers.org, 355-1779, ext. 313). Contact: Mark Cooper, markcooper1966@gmail.com or 703-980-0130

YOUTH DAY OF SERVICE

March 23 – Please register by March 18

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Shalom Farms

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EXPLORING GOD'S CREATION

Dates and locations to be announced

with Dr. John Townsend and the Rev. Hilary Streever. Come join us for a relaxed, informal outing with botanist and birder Johnny Townsend. Limited to 15 people. Contact: The Rev. Hilary Streever, 355-1779, ext. 317, or hstreever@doers.org

PILGRIMAGE TO THE WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

Thursday, May 16, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

People of all ages are invited to come with us to explore this holy and historic national cathedral for the Episcopal Church with the Cathedral's Center for Prayer and Pilgrimage. Cost: \$85 non-refundable, includes bus and pilgrimage tickets and a box lunch for the return trip. Deadline to register: **April 7, 2019**; minimum of 30 participants, maximum of 38. Questions: Dale Kalkofen, dalekalkofen@gmail.com. To register, please visit: <https://goo.gl/forms/7iTRVQYah4bVZrpv1>

PILGRIMAGE TO RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER VALLEY HISTORIC CHURCHES

Saturday, June 1 or 8 (TBD), 7:45 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Did you know that it was dangerous to be an Episcopalian around the Revolutionary War, due to the Church's ties with the British crown? A generation later, Virginia saw a boom in missionary activity. Join us on this pilgrimage to three historic parishes in the Rappahannock River Valley, planted 1800-1869 by the Rev. John Peyton McGuire, "The Apostle of the Rappahannock." Deadline to register: **April 20, 2019**; minimum of 30 participants, maximum of 38. Questions: Mary Richie McGuire (mrmcguire@me.com). To register, please visit: <https://goo.gl/forms/1KllZvxMBtlbfuH43>

6TH-8TH GRADE PYM SHRINE MONT RETREAT

May 10-12 – Please register by April 29

Advance registration is required for all youth retreats.

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MUSIC PROGRAM

January 20

Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Evensong

Norfolk State University Choir
St. James's Choirs; Dr. Carl Haywood, guest conductor and organist

February 3

Sunday, 4:00 p.m.

West Gallery Choir sings Choral Prelude

Washington National Cathedral

February 17

Sunday, 10:00 a.m.

Choral Eucharist

Solemn Mass in C# minor by Louis Vierne
Parish Choir

Sunday, 4:00 p.m.

Concert: The Virginia Chorale

Joby Talbot's *Path of Miracles*

February 22

Sunday, 7:00 p.m.

Organ Recital: Dr. Damin Spritzer

Associate Professor of Organ at University of Oklahoma

March 3

Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Evensong

Youth Choir

March 6

Wednesday, Noon & 7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday

Chamber Singers, West Gallery Choir

March 24

Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Dylan Mass

West Gallery Choir and Guitar Ensemble,
with guest musicians

April 14

Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Palm Sunday

Cherub, Children's, Youth and Parish Choirs

April 18

Thursday, 7:00 p.m.

Maunder Thursday

Parish Choir

April 19

Friday, Noon & 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday

Chamber Singers

April 21

Sunday, 9:00 & 11:15 a.m.

Easter Day Festival Holy Eucharist

St. James's Choirs with Trumpets and Timpani

May 5

Sunday, 11:15 a.m.

Awarding of Crosses and Ribbons

Youth Choir

May 12

Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Cantata (Jonah-Man Jazz) and Awarding of Crosses and Ribbons

Children's Choir and Cherub Choir

May 26

Sunday, 7:00 pm

Memorial Concert

St. James's Festival Choir; *Requiem* by Johannes Brahms

June 5

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Welcome Summer Recital: Naima Burrs (violin) and Friends

Offering benefits St. James's Children's Center

June 9

Sunday, 10:00 a.m.

Jazz Eucharist

Parish and West Gallery Choirs with
the John Winn Jazz Band

June 12

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Welcome Summer Recital: Three Sopranos

Lisa Edwards Burrs, Anne O'Byrne, Cynthia McCard
Offering benefits Central Virginia Foodbank

June 14

Friday, 7:00 p.m.

Homegrown

A showcase of St. James's talented parishioners
Valentine Hall

June 19

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Welcome Summer Recital: Daniel Benjamin Sañez

Organist of the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart
Offering benefits CARTAS

SUNDAYS

FORUMS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- January 27** **Poverty and Crime**
Valentine Hall, with Reggie Gordon, City of Richmond Office of Community Wealth Building
- February 24** **Parish Annual Meeting**
Sanctuary, with the Rev. Dr. John McCard, Senior Warden Michael Whitlow, Junior Warden Laura Strickler, and Finance Chair T. A. Hickman
- March 3** **St. James's Children's Center Special Presentation**
Valentine Hall, with Executive Director Debbie Lickey
- April 29** **Children & Youth Ministries Celebration**
Valentine Hall
- May 5** **CARITAS**
Valentine Hall, with Karen Stanley, Chief Executive Officer

SHORT COURSES

- January 6** **Entertaining Angels: Building a Culture of Hospitality**
Valentine Hall, with the St. James's Welcome Committee and Clergy
- January 20** **Outreach Project for All Ages: Love Your Neighbor Workshop**
Michaux House Basement, City of Richmond Police's Homelessness Outreach Partnerships Enforcement (H.O.P.E.)
- February 3** **Parenting Forum: Mental Health in Today's Teens and Tweens: How Can Parents Help?**
Valentine Hall, with The Rev. Deacon Peggy Newman, LCSW
- February 10** **The Apostle Paul: Saint or Scourge?**
Valentine Hall, with Gar Anderson, Ph.D

LENTEN SERIES: EPISCOPAL CHURCH 101

Sundays in Lent: March 10 through April 7
Whether from another denomination or a lifelong Episcopalian, there's always more to learn about our basic beliefs and roots. *This short course series, when combined with Wednesday evening small group discussion, also serves to prepare adults for confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation of baptismal vows. (Interested? Contact Anita Lisk alisk@doers.org.)*

- March 10** **Introduction to the Anglican Tradition**
Valentine Hall, with the Rev. Dr. John McCard
- March 17** **God Said What? Episcopalians and the Holy Word**
Valentine Hall, with the Rev. Dr. Mark Cooper
- March 24** **Beyond Henry VIII and his Wives: A Brief History of the Episcopal Church**
Valentine Hall, with the Rev. Dr. Bob Friend
- March 31** **Outward & Visible Signs of Inward & Spiritual Grace: Sacraments**
Valentine Hall, with the Rev. Hilary Streever
- April 7** **Worship, Prayer, the BCP and Spiritual Leaders in the Anglican Tradition**
Valentine Hall, with the Rev. Dr. John McCard

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

- Returns** Most Sundays of each month
- January 6** Parkinson Room, with the Rev. Dr. Thom Blair, Jr.

INTENTIONAL SPIRITUALITY GROUP

- First Sunday** First Sunday of the month, Peterkin Parlor, with Brother Leo Campos and the Rev. Hilary Streever

WEDNESDAYS

FELLOWSHIP DINNER AND STUDY

Wednesdays, Valentine Hall, following Evening Prayer in the Chapel at 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:00 p.m., study 6:45-7:30 p.m.

- January 9 through 30** **Mapping Your Adventure: Discovering Integrity in a Life Review**
with the Rev. Dr. Mark Cooper

LENTEN SERIES: FAITH-BASED CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

- March 13** **The History of Poverty in Richmond**
with Dr. John Moeser
- March 20** **Repairers of the Breach: The Bus Rapid Transit Project**
with The Rev. Nelson Reveley and Ross Catrow
- March 27** **Resettling Refugees**
with representatives of Church World Services
- April 3** **Climate Change and Care for the Environment**
with The Rev. Weston Matthews, Rector of Grace Episcopal Church, the Plains
- April 10** **Health Care for All**
with Kim Bobo, Executive Director of the Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS

(formerly: Pilgrims Path)

Short Courses: Sundays, March 10 to April 7, 10:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Small Groups: Wednesdays, March 13 to April 10, 6:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
This year, our adult confirmation program has a new model based on the early church's practice of teaching new members during Lent in preparation for Easter. Sundays, a clergy-led short course on "Episcopal Church 101," open to all parishioners, will discuss a basic Christian or Episcopal topic. Participants desiring confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation of baptismal vows will also meet Wednesday evenings in small groups facilitated by lay leaders for discussion, Bible study, and prayer. To register by **March 6** for the confirmation, reception or reaffirmation track, contact Anita Lisk, 355-1779, ext. 313 or alisk@doers.org.

NEWCOMERS CLASS

OFFERED TWICE!

Winter: Part 1 Wednesday, January 30 and Part 2 Sunday, February 3
Spring: Part 1 Wednesday, March 27 and Part 2 Sunday, March 31
Interested in joining St. James's? Attend two back-to-back sessions – Wednesday evening followed by Sunday morning – for fellowship, worship, and basics about life & membership at St. James's. Part 1 is 6:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. starting in the Chapel; Part 2 is 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., starting in the Gibson Hall Atrium and including worship at the 11:15 a.m. service. Childcare is available in our nursery.
To register: Anita Lisk, 355-1779, ext. 313 or alisk@doers.org; For content: John McCard, 355-1779, ext. 318 or jmccard@doers.org

BAPTISM ORIENTATION

March 20, 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m., Parkinson Room
Are you considering baptism for yourself or your child? Are you expecting a child and thinking about baptism? Our clergy, staff, and Baptism Guides warmly invite you to our one-hour baptism orientation designed to answer important questions in preparation for this joyful sacrament. Register by **March 19**: Anita Lisk, 355-1779, ext. 313 or alisk@doers.org
Contact: Hilary Streever, 355-1779 ext. 317 or hstreever@doers.org

WEEKDAYS

CAREGIVERS' SUPPORT GROUP

Led by the Reverend Dr. Mark Cooper
First Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., January 8 through May 7,
Michaux House. Room 205
Contact: Mark Cooper (markcooper1966@gmail.com) or 703-980-0130

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY (EFM)

Tuesdays, returning January 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Michaux House Basement
This year's class is filled, but registration is open for Fall 2019.
Contact: Jane Dowrick, (efmvirginia@gmail.com)

SELFSTARTERS

Second Wednesday of the month at 11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
at Gather in Scott's Addition (2920 W. Broad Street), returning January 9
Contact: Jay Sandusky (jaysandusky@gmail.com)

QUANTUM CONVERSATIONS

Time and place TBA
Contact: Mark Cooper (markcooper1966@gmail.com) or 703-980-0130

INTERFAITH DIALOGUES

We are excited to offer our interfaith dialogues with Congregation Beth Ahabah throughout the program year, rather than simply once per year.

Monday, February 25 – Let the Good Times Roll!

Meal at 6:00 p.m., in the Main Lobby of the Joel House, Dialogue at 6:45 to 7:45 p.m., Valentine Hall
Learn about two joyful seasonal festivals: Purim and Mardi Gras (Shrove Tuesday)!
RSVP for meal by **February 19** with Anita Lisk (alisk@doers.org; 355-1779, ext. 313).

Sunday, March 24 – Richmond Choral Society concert

Beth Ahabah Sanctuary
3:30 p.m.: Pre-Concert Talk with Composer and Clergy
4:00 p.m.: Concert
Congregation Beth Ahabah, St. James's and the Richmond Choral Society present *Yizkor Requiem* composed by Thomas Beveridge as a liturgical and musical conversation between Judaism and Christianity. This concert will bring a chorus and orchestra into the historic Sanctuary at Congregation Beth Ahabah.

SUNDAYS FOR YOUTH

Starts All classes meet in Michaux House: Junior Youth Fellowship,
January 6 Middle School Youth Group for 6th-8th graders;
10:15 - 11:00 a.m. Youth Confirmation Class, 9th graders;
Senior Youth Fellowship, High School Youth Group for 10th-12th graders

January 13 Summer Preview For 6th – 12th Youth & Parents
(Valentine Hall)

March 10 Lent Workshop for Families
April 14 Palm Sunday Breakfast (8:30 a.m.) prepared by Youth
April 28 Children & Youth Sunday with Senior Blessings
May 19 Confirmation Sunday