

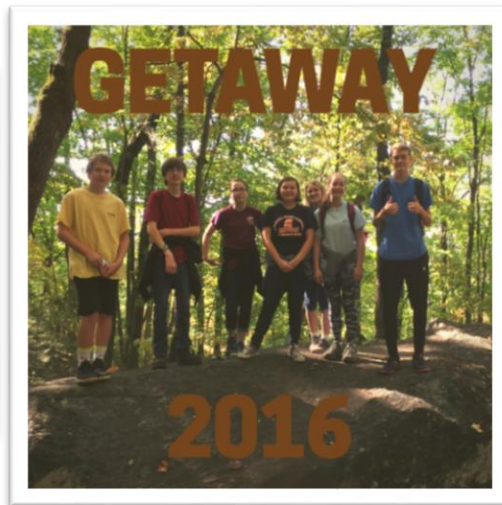
DRUMROLL PLEASE FOR...

THE ST. JAMES YOUTH CALENDAR!

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A Word from the Youth Minister, Tina Boyd:

What a great semester! Apple Orchards, scriptural exegesis, a Fall Retreat, new silly group games, Operation Christmas Child, prayer, and baking were among some of the activities that came together to make this semester great! We've had a great new group of youth who find their place in the youth community at St. James. I am thankful that God continues to provide for this ministry in so many different ways! There's another exciting semester ahead, as programs resume January 8th. In addition to this bi-yearly newsletter, Instagram (@stjamesyouthgreenville) and Facebook (St. James Youth Greenville) are great ways to learn more about the Youth Ministry at St. James. The best way to get up to date details on upcoming events is through the emails I send out weekly during the program year, and bi-weekly during the summer. Information on how to subscribe to the emails is available on the EYC page of the St. James Website (www.stjamesgreenville.org). I am looking forward to another awesome semester with St. James Episcopal Youth Community! Peace, Tina



“God our Father, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen,” (BCP 829).

GUYS ONLY HAPPENINGS

Starting formally this Spring, there will be some new monthly outings for guys! Events will vary from month to month. Currently scheduled dates are listed in the included calendar. Additional details and information will be communicated out via email and social media as they become available!



EPISCOPAL PARENT TRAININGS (EPT's)

In a recent eNote article I composed, I talked about the findings of the National Study of Youth and Religion, and specifically how they reveal the importance of parent and family faith formation for lasting youth faith formation. This semester I will be conducting a three-meeting parent study, discussing these findings further, as well as giving parents a space to gather information on ways to create family formation experiences in their homes! Meeting dates/times are listed in the included calendar, and a registration form for the class will be available on the St. James EYC Registration and Forms Page!

SAVE THE DATES:

Moonshine Mountain!
January 22nd, 2017

Join us as we go snow tubing again this January! \$35 Covers everything. Additional details and registration are available by clicking the "Moonshine Mountain Registration" button on the EYC "Current Registrations and Forms" page of the St James Website.



Youth Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
February 28th, 2017

Youth Volunteers are needed from 4:30-7:30pm to help with set-up, clean-up, and of course making pancakes!

YOUTH OUTREACH

Project Host

Project Host is a local soup kitchen and job training center for people in the food industry. They provide a holistic response to poverty, through helping people receive food and case management, as well as job training and certifications for work in restaurants and catering. They also have an onsite volunteer-run garden. The Youth Ministry partners with Project Host by baking fresh desserts once a month to be served in the soup kitchen. (Program Name: Break and Bake)



Stop Hunger Now

Because the youth are a part of the whole church, we serve with the whole church! Stop Hunger Now is a great way that youth, children and families can all serve together to package meals that go all over the world! St. James has meal packaging events 1-2 times a year.

Souper Bowl of Caring Collection February 5th, 2017

The youth will continue the tradition this year of taking a collection on the Sunday of "The Big Game" to help support our mission partnerships!



Lord's Harvest for the Hungry

The Lord's Harvest for the Hungry is a food ministry based out of Mars Hill, NC that packages potatoes, corn meal, and pinto beans, and distributes them to supply food pantries and individual low-income families both in Mars Hill and its surrounding communities. The Youth Ministry partners with Lord's Harvest for the Hungry by bringing up teams to help package shipments with Farmer Bill and Rev. Sharon Welsh, who run this entire operation out of their home.

Operation Christmas Child

After combining the gracious donations of our congregation with additional items purchased from the EYC mission fund, we were able to send off 56 boxes this year!

Winter/Spring 2017 Calendar

January

- 1. No Sunday School or EYC
- 8. Sunday School, 10:10~10:50am
- 8. EYC, 5:00~7:00pm
- 12. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 15. No Sunday School
- 15. EYC, 5:00~7:00pm
- 18. Break and Bake, 4:00~6:00pm
- 22. Sunday School, 10:10~10:50am
- 22. MOONSHINE MOUNTAIN
- 22. No EYC
- 26. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 27~29. SKI TRIP 2017
- 29. Sunday School, 10:10~10:50am
- 29. No EYC

February

- 2. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 5. Sunday School, 10:10~10:50am
- 5. Souper Bowl of Caring Collection
- 5. Super-Bowling, 2:00~3:30pm
- 7. Guys Excursion: Climbing Gym, Details TBD
- 12. Sunday School, 10:10am
- 12. EYC, 5:00~7:00pm
- 15. Break and Bake, 4:00~6:00pm
- 19. Sunday School, 10:10~10:50am
- 19. No EYC
- 23. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
- 26. Sunday School, 10:10~10:50am
- 26. EYC, 5:00~7:00pm
- 28. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

March

1. ASH WEDNESDAY
5. No Sunday School
5. Episcopal Parent Training #1, 5:00-6:00pm
5. EYC, 5:00-7:00pm
9. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
12. Sunday School, 10:10-10:50am
12. EYC, 5:00-7:00pm
15. Break and Bake, 4:00-6:00pm
19. Sunday School, 10:10-10:50am
19. Guys Excursion: Day Hike
19. EYC, 5:00-7:00pm
23. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
26. Sunday School, 10:10-10:50am
26. Episcopal Parent Training #2, 5:00-6:00pm
26. EYC, 5:00-7:00pm

April

2. Sunday School, 10:10-10:50am
2. Episcopal Parent Training #3, 5:00-6:00pm
2. EYC, 5:00-7:00pm
6. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
9. No Sunday School (Palm Sunday)
9. EYC, 5:00-7:00pm
16. No Sunday School (Easter)
16. No EYC (Easter)
19. Break and Bake, 4:00-6:00pm
20. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
23. Sunday School, 10:10-10:50am
23. EYC, 5:00-7:00pm
30. Sunday School, 10:10-10:50am
30. EYC, 5:00-7:00pm

May

4. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
7. Sunday School, 10:10-10:50am
7. EYC, 5:00-7:00pm

10. Break and Bake, 4:00-6:00pm
11. Coffee by the Book, 4:15pm
14. Sunday School, 10:10-10:50am
14. No EYC
21. EYC End of Year Party