#### ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## Camp Hope Set For June 15-July 3

Camp Hope Rodeo is a three-week summer program, which will run from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Monday through Friday of each week. Children from the ages of 6 through 12 years old are eligible to attend. The cost is \$25 per child per week. Applications to attend Camp Hope can be picked up at the church and returned either in person or by fax or email. Camp Hope activities will include crafts, games, stories, and much more. Lunch and snacks will be provided.



## Bishop Michael Rinehart Visits St. James

On May 3 Bishop Michael Rinehart made his annual visit to St. James/Santiago Apostol Church. The Bishop's message included support and encouragement to the congregation to continue to grow our ministry.



In addition, at the 10:00 a.m. service, Javier Rivera made a presentation acknowledging the 2015 recipients of the St. James Endowment Fund Scholarship Award. Javier and Austin Clark were the first recipients of the scholarship; both graduated from Texas Lutheran University. Since the inception of the fund in 1999 over \$17,000 has been given to 13 recipients.

This year's recipients included Louis Rauda, who is entering his second year at Houston Community

College; Vanessa Ferritz, a graduating senior at John Reagan High School and incoming freshman at the University of Texas in Austin; and Yaquelyn Gonzalez-Mancia, a graduating senior from Waltrip High School and an incoming freshman at the University of Houston, Downtown. Bishop Rinehart blessed and encouraged the students to continue their educational efforts.



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At the 12;30 p.m. service Bishop Rinehart performed the baptism of four new members: Susanna Marie Roman, Damian Nicolas Bernal, Patrick Benjamin Roman, and Amanda Grace Bernal. Following the service, a celebratory meal was held. The Bishop was extremely gratified and pleased with the day.



## First Communions Celebrated

On May 17, at a joint worship service of St. James/Santiago Apostol, ten young people received their first communions. They are: Estrella Alvarez, Angel Michelle Campos, Luis Angel Galan, Eliseo Gonzalez Jr., Ricardo Pacheco, Susanna Roman, Alexander Saavedra, Ulysses Saavedra, Ruben Serna, and Elmar Vicab. We celebrate this milestone with them.





## New Steering Committee Members

The Steering Committee is pleased to welcome two new members: Natieli Pazdra and Orie Clark III. They join Pastor Arthur Murphy, Pastor Adriana Johnson-Rivas, Rose Rivera, Robert Rivera, Linda Clark, Diana Garcia, Hector Rodriguez, and Elizabeth Baber on the committee. We regret that, due to his illness, Charles Cernik is no longer able to participate in this group.



## Capital Campaign Nearing Goal



As of the beginning of June, the Capital Campaign had raised \$10,200 of its \$15,000 goal. Contributions are still needed to enable St. James to proceed with replacement of the office heating and cooling system and the exterior lighting system, repair of the general building air conditioning system, and painting and renovation in the narthex, fellowship hall, and elsewhere as needed.

## Family Life Center Updates

Thanks go to the St. James volunteers for the tutorial support given to Frank Black Middle School.







The Domestic World Hunger Fund of the ELCA Church has awarded the Family Life Center a grant of \$2500 to support its work. This grant will allow the center to continue its ministry around educational issues and Camp Hope.

### MANNA News

#### Manna Food Fair

It was hot and humid, but ten St. James volunteers were out in force to support the MANNA Food Fair. On Saturday, May 30, fresh fruits and vegetables were packaged and distributed to families in need. A special thanks goes to Elizabeth Baber, Rose Rivera, Mirla Lopez and her family, Eliseo Gonzalez, and Alex and Ulysses Saavedra. Our three young men did an outstanding job carrying bags of food to cars.





#### MANNA Fundraiser

On the evening of May 30 St. James was well represented at MANNA's Bowling Fundraiser, held at Del Mar Bowling Lanes. The participants had a great time while supporting MANNA. After expenses were paid, a total of \$3,481 was netted to fund MANNA's programs.

#### New Store Billboard

Have you driven by the MANNA Thrift Store recently? If you haven't, drive by and see the new MANNA billboard. Patricia Dornak, the executive director for MANNA, says the sign has brought a lot of attention to the store. Over 80% of the revenues of the store goes to serve the needy of this community. Well done, MANNA!

#### **Worship Assistants**

| DATE                  | USHER             | ASSISTING<br>MINISTER | ALTAR CARE      | TELLER        |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Jun. 7<br>10:00 a.m.  | Martin Pazdra     | Steve Grimsley        | Elizabeth Baber | Stephen Gould |
| Jun. 14<br>10:00 a.m. | Rose Rivera       | Vicki Faulkner        | Maria Grimsley  | Stephen Gould |
| Jun. 21<br>10:00 a.m. | Elizabeth Baber   | Orie Clark III        | Elizabeth Baber | Stephen Gould |
| Jun. 28<br>10:00 a.m. | Kimberley Tessier | Steve Grimsley        | Elizabeth Baber | Stephen Gould |

# Happy Birthday To You! !Feliz Cumpleaños A Ti!



June / Junio 7

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June / Junio 30



Maxine Muske

Linda Olivas S.

Frank M. Hernandez

Pat Villarreal

Alejandro Amezcua

Diana Garcia

Ida Weber





#### Sunday Worship (English) at 10 A.M.

Misa en Domingo (Español) a las 12:30 P.M.

Christian Education | Catecismo: Sunday | Domingo @ 11 A.M.

#### Prayer Circle/Bible Study | Circulo de Oración/Estudios Bíblicos:

Wednesday | Miercoles @ 7 P.M.

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