

# ST JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER APRIL 2026



*“Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go”.*

*Joshua 1:9*

## *Explore the Beauty of Gloucester County Parks*

From peaceful lake views to rich history and wide-open spaces, Gloucester County Parks offer something for everyone—and these photos capture just a glimpse of it all.

- **Greenwich Lake Park** – perfect for enjoying the water and relaxing by the lake
- **James G. Atkinson Memorial Park** – a scenic 66-acre space for recreation and fresh air
- **Historic Red Bank Battlefield** – where history and nature come together
- **Scotland Run Park** – over 1,300 acres of trails, wildlife, and outdoor adventure

Get outside and take advantage of the beautiful parks right here in Gloucester County.

## *Assisted Living*

Searching for assisted living near Pitman, NJ? Click [here](#) to view a guide for Gloucester County seniors and families to help you know what to look for — and what questions to ask.

## *Open Mic Night*

Join the community for Pitman’s Youth Week Open Mic Night on **Monday, May 4 at 6:00 PM** at Ballard Park. This family-friendly event will feature local talent and is hosted by the Pitman Jr/Sr High Tri-M Music Honor Society. Come out and enjoy an evening of entertainment and support the creative gifts of local students and community members.



## *Philles Watch Party*

Saint James will be hosting a Phillies Watch Party on **Sunday, May 31, for the 4:10 PM** game vs. the Dodgers. Come and enjoy good food, good company, and hopefully a good baseball game!



## *From Garden to Kitchen*

One Sunday, our resident gardener, Scott Leadbetter, said he had strawberry plant cuttings from the garden available. Jenna Passaro took some home and now enjoys watching the strawberries grow in her kitchen.



# Pitman Town Wide Yard Sale

Saint James will be participating in the Pitman Town Wide Yard Sale on **Saturday, June 6**. More info to come!

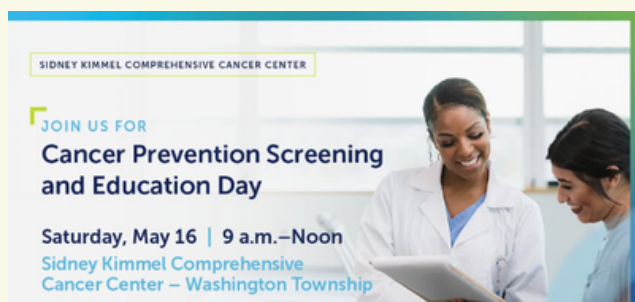
## Super Saturday

Looking for something fun to do with the family? Spend the day at Washington Lake Park in Washington Township on **Saturday, May 9th from 10 AM to 4 PM**, enjoying outdoor fun and activities!



## Cancer Prevention Screening & Education Day

Early detection can make all the difference. On May 16, go to the [Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center](#) at Jefferson Washington Township for our Cancer Prevention & Screening Day — because prevention starts with you. Click [here](#) to register.



# Clothing Drive & More!

This drive is raising funds for the GFWC Gloucester County Women's Club & their efforts to help the community.



**Friday, May 15**

2:30PM – 5:30PM

Washington Twp High School, 529  
Hurffville-Crosskeys Rd, Sewell  
(11/12 overhang)

## 2026 Church Council

**Pastor: Mason Hahn**

**President: Michael Weiss**

**Vice President: Lynne Leadbeater**

**Treasurer: Jeff Nienstedt**

**Secretary: Jenna Passaro**

**Council Members: John Thompson,  
Barbara Kiefer, Lois Girer, Carl  
Ostermann, Ben Passaro, Elaine Larthey,  
Michele Boyd**

This monthly newsletter is a way to get to know our members. If you have anything for the next issue, email [secretary@stjamespitman.com](mailto:secretary@stjamespitman.com)

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**CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY IN PERSON AT**

**9:30 AM**