The St. James Vestry has voted unanimously to accept the following statement of inclusion. Before putting this before the public on our website and in other forms of communication, we would like the congregation, at its annual meeting, to discuss and vote on accepting the statement:

St. James Statement of Inclusion

St. James' Episcopal Church is an inclusive Christian community. All are welcome here. We strive to fulfill the commandment of Jesus Christ, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Matt 22: 39). All persons are encouraged to participate fully in the life of the church regardless of race, ethnicity, gender expression, sexual orientation, economic condition, physical or mental ability, or immigration status. We believe all people are created by God to model the diversity in unity which is the Holy Trinity, and we seek to live out that diversity within our faith community.