



An inviting safe community for all

St James Weekly — April 26 to May 3, 2020

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Our building may be closed, but we are still active!

All activities are from home. Due to pandemic guidelines, NO in-person worship services, meetings, gatherings, or other activity are permitted at St James Episcopal Church until further notice. Even if you have a key, please do not enter the building without talking to Amma Diane first. Thank you.

Bible Study Sundays at 8:45AM

We are continuing to study our way through the Gospel of John using NT Wright's book as our guide. If you need a copy of the book, please contact Amma Diane. We start at 8:45AM and end by 9:45AM (allowing a break before 10AM Worship).

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 580 876 932 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

*Everybody is encouraged to talk during Bible Study. If you need to mute your phone for any reason, use your phone's mute button or press *6 to mute/un-mute.*

Worship Sundays at 10:00AM

Bulletins are mailed to those receiving St James Weekly by mail. Let Amma Diane know if you'd like to receive these.

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 342 570 232 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

Everybody is invited to read/pray/sing at the appropriate times during Sunday Worship. We're keeping all phones muted throughout Worship so everybody can hear.

Fellowship Sundays at 11:00AM

We invite you to join us for Fellowship after Sunday Worship each week. We'll start at 11:00AM and end at 11:30AM. Feel free to drop in for some or all of this special time with our sisters and brothers in Christ.

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 554 946 801 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

*Everybody is encouraged to talk during Fellowship. If you need to mute your phone for any reason, use your phone's mute button or press *6 to mute/un-mute.*

Morning Prayer Fridays at 6:30AM

Join us for weekly Morning Prayer services Fridays at 6:30AM.

To participate from any phone, dial 1-571-317-3122
When prompted for Access Code, enter 780 162 197 #
If prompted for Audio Pin, enter #

*Everybody is encouraged to read/pray/sing at appropriate times during Morning Prayer. If you need to mute your phone for any reason, use your phone's mute button or press *6 to mute/unmute.*

Are you in need of a washable face mask?

There are people who will be happy to sew a washable face mask for you. Please contact Amma Diane or Mary Green if you would like one.

Carpet replacement update

A small, accidental fire before the March 14 women's breakfast damaged the carpet on the lower level. Carpet replacement by PuroClean Property Restoration is in progress.

Thanks for your support!

Several people have asked ways they can continue to financially support St James when we are not gathering in person. You can still mail checks to St James Episcopal Church, 434 N 8th St, Manitowoc, WI 54220. Contributions are being regularly counted and deposited. You can also set up one-time or recurring payments through your bank (most offer this for free). Look for "bill pay" or similar options online or call your bank. We know that these are difficult times for some, and we understand if you are unable to support the church financially. Please contact Amma Diane if you need help connecting to assistance or resources.

Scrip may still be ordered—Order dates

Scrip can still be purchased while we are apart by calling Tammy McVeigh to place your order and mailing a check to St James. Your scrip will be delivered to you when it comes.

May 10 June 14 July 12 August 9 September 13
October 11 November 8 December 6

Scrip is a way for you to purchase store gift cards for your own use or to give as gifts. The card user gets full value for the amount and St. James receives a percent (varies with retailer). The money St James receives goes into our Outreach Fund. Contact Amma Diane or Tammy if you need an order form.

Vestry Updates

Your St James Episcopal Church Vestry held a regular business meeting at 6:30PM on April 15 (using remote technology). Meeting highlights:

- ◆ Faithful Innovations Bible Study
- ◆ Carpet replacement begins 4/20
- ◆ CARES Act/PPP application has been submitted
- ◆ Amma Diane is working with Jennifer Schmoldt from Painting Pathways Clubhouse on logistics for hosting PPC on our lower level during their building construction
- ◆ Discussed our continuing pandemic response
- ◆ Approved March minutes and financial reports

We are also having weekly Vestry executive session meetings in response to the pandemic, to check in with each other as leadership of the congregation and to respond as quickly as possible to changes due to COVID-19 that could affect St James and our congregation.

The next regular public meeting date is to be determined.

If you have any questions, ideas, or concerns, please talk to anybody on the Vestry: Amma Diane (Rector), Tammy McVeigh (Senior Warden), Chris Eggert-Rosenthal (Junior Warden), Nick Doszkewycz (member), Mary Green (member), Richard Hall (member), Tony Karl (Clerk), Kim Kaufmann (member), Peggy Turnbull (member/ Treasurer).

Endowment Trustees: Eleanor Agnew, Mark Hunner, & Mike Laughrin. **Delegates to the 2020 Diocesan Convention:** Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Michael Laughrin, & Sharon Laughrin. **Alternates:** 1st Mary Green, 2nd Richard Hall, & 3rd Sherry Paszkiewicz.

A special prayer in time of pandemic

As we join with others around the world in steps to slow the spread of this pandemic may we all join in "A Prayer for Facing Uncertainty" from the New Zealand Prayer Book:

"God of the present moment, God who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart; bring hope and courage to us as we await in uncertainty. Bring hope that you will make us the equal of whatever lies ahead. Bring us courage to endure what cannot be avoided, for your will is health and wholeness; you are God, and we need you. AMEN."

Building Needs

Per our Bishop's direction, please do not enter the building unless you've talked to Amma Diane. During the coronavirus shutdown If you are aware of anything inside or outside our building that needs attention or maintenance, please call Amma Diane Mon-Fri 6AM-3PM at 920-894-5245 or other times 920-860-5152. If there is an emergency, please call 911.

Prayers for the Week

For Healing, Comfort & Strength:

Karen & Bob, Bonnie, Andrew, Emily, Brenden, Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Tom, Mary, Silas, Carol, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Terry, Debbie, Bonnie, Don & Beth, Faith, Scott, Susie, Marty & Nancy, Peggy, Joe Mike, Chip, Jim, Bill, Steven, Billy, Cherity, Len & Margaret, Hugh, Geri, Candace, Ray, Mike & Laura, Robin, Madeline, Audrey, Joan, Jane, Mollie, Clarence & Liese, Lori, Sharon, Chris, Kris,

For Guidance & Discernment:

Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Scott, Margaret, Frankie, Brian & Lisa, Tom, Johnathon, Ginny & Karen, Annie & Tom, Kim

For Those Serving in the Military:

Jordan, Kyle, Zach, Daniel, Ian, Logan, Keaton

Additional Prayers we offer include:

For Peace in our world... for the people of the Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Sudan and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the Grace, Sheboygan and St Boniface Mission, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Episcopal Church In Jerusalem and the Middle East. For people living with mental illness. For Painting Pathways Clubhouse. Hope House families. The men of The Haven. We pray for those working in government in our cities, state, country and the world. We pray for our neighborhood. For Teddy serving as a missionary in rural Russia. For the people around the world affected by the coronavirus pandemic.

We offer thanks for:

Diane our Rector, Tammy and Chris, our Wardens, our Vestry and other ministry leaders, staff and every person in this congregation. Bishop Matthew Gunter and his wife Leslie and family. Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and his wife, Sharon. Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby. For our companion Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe and their Bishop The Right Reverend Godfrey and his wife Albertina.

We Pray for the Departed:

Tom, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul,

We Pray for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in

April: 5 - Jim Gordon, 6 - Shelley Richardson, 16 - Michael Reckelberg, Kay Elliot, 22 - Donna Franz, Karen Owaski, 23 - Eleanor Agnew, 29 - Joan Estes

If you would like prayers to be offered please contact Amma Diane Murray at 920-860-5152 or dianemarie.murray@gmail.com

Forward Day by Day

If you regularly pick up a Forward Day by Day devotional book at the church, please contact Amma Diane and she'll arrange delivery to your home. Forward is also available online.