



An inviting safe community for all

St James Weekly — June 7, 2020

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Bible Study Sundays at 8:45AM

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]

Worship Sundays at 10AM

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.
We're keeping phones muted during Worship so everybody can hear.*

Mid-Week Worship Wednesdays at 5:30PM

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 670 567 006 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

Morning Prayer 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 #

Note about all call-in activities

If you need to mute your phone for any reason, use your phone's mute button or press *6 to mute/un-mute.

Links to connect are in our emails

Options for calling in to our regular activities are listed in St James Weekly. Links for connecting by other devices are included in our twice-weekly emails.

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

All church activities are by internet/phone. All in-person worship services, meetings, gatherings, and other activity continue to be suspended until further notice. Even if you have a key, please do not enter the building without talking to Amma Diane first. Thank you.

Letter from Vestry sent the week of 6/1

The Vestry mailed a letter containing information about the phases to re-open churches in our diocese, and what that may look like for St James. If you need a copy, call Amma Diane (860-5152). **We will give ample notice prior to re-opening our building for any in-person church activities of any size.**

Men's Breakfast Meeting—Sat 6/13 at 8AM

All are welcome to join the monthly Men's Breakfast Group, meeting remotely for fellowship at 8AM on Saturday, June 13. Feel free to bring your breakfast along!

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 723 426 123 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

No Women's Breakfast Meeting in June

The monthly Women's Breakfast Group is taking a break in the month of June. If you'd like to plan to meet in July and August, please talk to Liz Gordon or Amma Diane and let them know this is something you'd like to do.

KAN Cool for School 8/15 - Volunteer Opportunities

KAN Cool for School will look different this year. We will be doing a drive through event where the families will be given gift certificates to purchase school supplies and Soles for Souls will provide gift certificates to purchase shoes. The event will be held at two locations—Two Rivers High School & Roncalli High School—on August 15 from 9AM-12PM. Recipient families will receive a letter inviting them to come. If anyone would like to volunteer, please contact Mary Burckle. (905-9690). If you would like to make a donation, please make checks payable to KAN Cool for School and mail it to Mary Burckle (2440 Mirro Dr Apt 18, Manitowoc, WI 54220). We appreciate all of the support the members of St James have always shown to KAN.

Note of Thanks

Sherry Paszkiewicz shares: *Thank you to all who came to the Painting Pathways brat fry and plant sale. It was a big success.*

Thanks for your support!

We appreciate your continued financial support while we are being the church in this different way. Checks can still be mailed to the church, and are regularly counted and deposited. You can also set up payments through your bank (most offer this for free). 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. **Our special offering for the month of June supports our Rector's Discretionary Fund to help those in need—please label gifts accordingly.**

Vestry Updates

The Vestry held a regular business meeting June 3 and has continued to hold weekly executive sessions. Updates:

- ◆ Amma Diane will meet with restoration company for options to remedy recent lower level leaks.
- ◆ Our congregation's Faithful Innovations Learning Community team (Amma Diane, Nick Doszkewycz, Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Tony Karl, Tammy McVeigh, and Peggy Turnbull) is continuing to meet via Zoom, along with our coach. The next large group training is suspended until further notice.
- ◆ Painting Pathways Clubhouse has relocated to St James. Their building was demolished and new building will begin. Unsure when they'll resume normal activity.
- ◆ The Manitowoc Ecumenical Ministry Group is forming a CareLink program through the local Salvation Army. Participating churches would contribute funds that CareLink would administer to any people in need that churches refer to CareLink. Determined we would hope to include this in our 2021 budget.
- ◆ Financial offerings in April and May have been lower than normal, which is not a surprise given recent events. We are cumulatively about \$8000 behind in our year-to-date income. We'll plan our stewardship and budget process earlier than usual this year, adapting as needed based on how the pandemic progresses this summer.
- ◆ We've had positive feedback to our primary weekly Worship service being available online. People like the text and lyrics being in the video and the other special editing touches. Discussed how we'll continue this when we begin initial phases of "back to the building".
- ◆ People also appreciate the weekly services on Wednesday evenings and Friday mornings, Weekly Bible Study, and the monthly groups.
- ◆ If there are needs for other regular or one-time church events to take place by Zoom/phone/etc, we'll add them to our schedule.

If you have any questions, please contact Amma Diane.

Your St James Episcopal Church Vestry is having weekly 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 Vestry meeting will be in August (date TBD).

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.

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, Toby and family with prayers for healing for Toby's father Walter, Chris, Jim.

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 St. Ambrose, Antigo and Mvuma Mission District, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico. 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. For our neighborhood. For Teddy serving as a missionary in rural Russia. For the people around the world affected by the coronavirus pandemic. For an end to racism and social injustice in our country.

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, Murray Sim's mother

We Pray for those celebrating milestones in June:

Anniversaries: 6—Nancy & Murray Sim; 8—Shirley & Mel Ouradnik; 11—Dianne Wilson & Chuck Wernecke; 13—Anne Schuette & Dan Hornung; 16—Peggy & Bob Turnbull; 19—Karleen & Skip Cole; 29—Sharon & Mike Laughrin.. **Birthdays:** 4—Amma Diane Murray; 9—Jill Short; 15—Sally Hunner; 22—Sandy Olson; 28—Peggy Turnbull; 29—David Grams.

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

Scrip upcoming 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.

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.