

Welcome to St James Episcopal Church...

We're glad that you chose to worship with us today!

- Masks are optional for all church activities, including worship. Distancing is still a safer practice.
- Communion is provided for those who would like to consume bread and/or wine as directed. You may participate in spiritual communion if you prefer to not receive either physical element. (*This is sacramentally appropriate any time receiving bread and/or wine is not a possibility for any reason. The bread and wine are the outward and visible signs of the inward and spiritual grace in the communion sacrament.*)

This Worship service will be live streamed on YouTube. If you have privacy concerns for yourself or your child(ren), please let Amma Diane or an usher know so we may accommodate you. Our current and previous videos may be viewed online live or any time after : go.mysjec.com/youtube



10AM Worship with Communion – November 6, 2022
All Saints Sunday observance



ST JAMES
EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MANITOWOC

An inviting safe community for all

Today's Worship leadership includes...

Ministers Members of the Congregation

Readers 1 — Sally Hunner

2 — Dave Dillman

3 — Mary Green

Richard Hall

Eucharistic Minister The Rev'd Diane M Murray (Amma Diane)

Rector (Pastor) Tony Karl

Worship Coordinator

We are an inclusive community of faith that welcomes and celebrates diversity in age, race, nation of origin, citizenship status, gender identity, sexual orientation, social status, political view, background, ability level, marital status, and anything else that makes us unique. Whatever your reason for coming, we are glad you are here!

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If you would like to know more about the life, mission, or ministries of St James Episcopal Church, please talk to any member of our Vestry (church council):

*Rector (Pastor): The Rev'd Diane M Murray Wardens: Chris Dee Eggert-Rosenthal & Mary Green
Vestrypersons: Nick Doszkewycz, Joan Estes, & Tony Karl
Clerk: Tony Karl Treasurer: Linda Molitor*

All the words you will need are in this bulletin: Text that the people say is prefaced with "People" or "All" and is in a **bold font**. All song lyrics are also in this bulletin.

Wi-Fi access: Look for our networks beginning with **CBCI-77B0** and enter password **build7443guitar**; we encourage you to share pictures and posts on social media.

Worship/Liturgy Sources: Our worship is based on the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP--the red hardcover book in the pew rack), the *Book of Occasional Services*, the *Enriching Our Worship series*—the primary liturgical resources authorized by General Convention of The Episcopal Church—supplemented by occasional other resources. You may find additional prayers in the BCP on pages 832-834 helpful for personal devotion before, during, and after worship (especially prayers 64-69 and 57-61). If you'd like a BCP for your own use at home, the church can provide one for you—please talk to Amma Diane.

Children: Children of all ages are welcome in worship! Activity bags are available in the back of the church. A changing station is available in the restroom in the atrium just outside the sanctuary.

Hearing Loop: Our Hearing Loop system enables people with hearing loss to better hear sounds through our sound system. If you can set your hearing aid to a T or M/T setting, audio from our sound system will be received directly by your device (70% of aids have this feature). If your aid does not have this option, or you do not wear a hearing aid, there are a few portable headsets available in the back of the church.

 **Please share your prayer requests with us:** All are invited to share their prayer requests so that the entire congregation may join in lifting up your needs and thanksgivings. Please add requests to the Prayers of the People clipboard (you can simply use first names on requests... God knows our needs). If you'd like a prayer lifted up for multiple weeks, please fill out a prayer request slip found at the back of the church.

We worship with our bodies: You'll notice that some of us may sit, stand, and kneel at various points in the service. Some of us may make the sign of the cross or bow now and then. Some may clap, raise their hands, or tap their feet. All of these movements are traditions from various parts of our Christian heritage—none are required, none are frowned upon. All are welcome to express whatever movements they might find meaningful in worship. Some instructions are printed throughout this bulletin—you may also observe what others do. None of these movements are a requirement: if you prefer not to use them, don't worry about it—God doesn't.

Restrooms/Layout/Accessibility: A handicapped-accessible restroom is located in the atrium just outside the sanctuary (next to the elevator.) Another restroom is located on the lower level. The atrium gives access to the lower level and upper level by stairs or elevator. The worship space and chapel are located on the upper level. The offices, fellowship hall, library, and classrooms are located on the lower level and marked by signs.

Welcome!

All who are able, please stand.

♪ For All the Saints

[Hymnal 287; stanzas 1-4]

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou was their rock, their fortress, and their might:
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, the one true Light. Alleluia, alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, alleluia!

Words: William Walsham How, 1864. Music: *SINE NOMINE*, Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. AMEN!

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

People AMEN!

Please be seated.

Celebrant All Saints Day is one of the major Feast Days of the Church, and one of four days especially appropriate for Baptisms. After the Sermon, we'll take time to remember our own Baptisms. All Saints Day expresses the intercommunion of the living and the dead in the Body of Christ, especially those who died because of their faith. Please join us in this Litany of Thanksgiving for the Holy Ones of God.

Litany of Thanksgiving for the Holy Ones of God

Reader 1 For Abraham and Sarah, our ancestors in faith, and all who journey into the unknown, trusting God's promises... for Jacob, deceitful younger brother, yet chosen by God, the father of all who are called by virtue not of their own... and for Moses the lawgiver and Aaron the priest, and all who lead God's people to freedom and newness of life...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

Reader 2 For Esther and Deborah, saviors of their nation, and for all who dare to act courageously at God's call... for Hannah and Ruth, and all who through love and devotion witness to the faithfulness of God... and for Isaiah, John the Baptist and all the prophets, and all who speak the truth without counting the cost...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

Reader 1 For Mary, the mother of Jesus, and all who obey God's call without question... for Andrew and John and the first disciples, and for all who forsake everything to follow Jesus... and for Mary Magdalene, Salome and Mary, first witnesses of the resurrection, and for all who bear witness to Christ...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

Reader 2 For Peter, Paul, James, and the apostles, who preached the gospel to Jew and Gentile, and for all who take the good news to the ends of the earth... for Barnabas, Silas and Timothy, and for all who bring encouragement and steadfastness... and for the writers of the Gospels and for all who bring the faith of Christ alive for each generation...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

Reader 1 For Ambrose, Augustine, Gregory and Jerome, and for all who contend for the truth of the gospel... for Basil, Gregory of Nazianzus, Athanasius and John Chrysostom, and all who enable us to reflect on the mystery of Christ... and for Cyprian, Antony and Ephrem, and for all who lead the Church into new paths of discipleship...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

Reader 2 For Stephen, Alban, Agnes, Lucy and the whole army of martyrs, and all who have faced death for love of Christ... for Augustine of Canterbury and Aidan, for Boniface and Patrick, and for all who have carried the gospel to this and other lands... and for Aelred, Bernard and Cuthbert, and for all who live and teach the love of God...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

Reader 1 For Anselm and Richard Hooker, and for all who reveal to us the depths of God's wisdom... for Benedict and Francis, Hilda and Bede, and for all who deepen our common life in Christ... and for Julian of Norwich, Bridget of Sweden and Teresa of Avila, and for all who renew our vision of the mystery of God...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

Reader 2 For Thomas Cranmer and all who reform the Church of God... for Thomas More and all who hold firm to its continuing faith... and for Gregory and Dunstan, George Herbert and John Keble, and for all who praise God in poetry and song...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

Reader 1 For Lancelot Andrewes, John Wesley and Charles Simeon, and for all who preach the word of God... for William Wilberforce and Josephine Butler, and for all who work to transform the world... and for Monica, and for Mary Sumner, and for all who nurture faith in home and family...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

Reader 2 For the martyrs and peacemakers of our own time, who shine as lights in the darkness... for all the unsung heroes and heroines of our faith, whose names are known to God alone... and for all those in our own lives who have revealed to us the love of God and shown to us the way of holiness...

People **We thank you and praise you, O God.**

All who are able, please stand.

♪ I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

[Hymnal 293]

I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true,
 who toiled and fought and lived and died for the lord they loved and knew.
 And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,
 and one was a shepherdess on the green:
 they were all of them saints of God and I mean, God helping, to be one too.
 They loved their Lord, so dear, so dear, and his love made them strong;
 and they followed the right, for Jesus' sake, the whole of their good lives long.
 And one was a soldier, and one was a priest,
 and one was slain by a fierce wild beast:
 and there's not any reason, no not the least, why I shouldn't be one too.
 They lived not only in ages past, there are hundreds of thousands still,
 the world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will.
 You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea,
 in church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea,
 for the saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one too.

Words: Lesbia Scott, 1929 (1898-1986). Music: *GRAND ISLE*, John Henry Hopkins (1861-1945).

Please be seated.

Remembering

Celebrant At this time, I'll read the names of those interred in our Columbarium.

Celebrant Now I invite you to share the names of any family, friends, and others whom we have lost throughout our lives. You may come forward as names are shared or any time during this service to light a candle in memory of those who have gone before us. *Names are shared*

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, your saints have been the lights of the world in every generation: Grant that we who follow in their footsteps may be made worthy to enter with them into that heavenly country where you live and reign for ever and ever.

People **AMEN!**

All who are able, please stand.

Gospel

Luke 6. 20-31

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Celebrant Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon

Amma Diane

All who are able, please stand.

Remembering Our Baptism *The Celebrant moves to the baptismal font*

Celebrant Here in this community of those who seek God, we know we are not saints. We are wrapped in those strips of words, thoughts, and actions which bind us to sin, not to God. But God has promised us new hope, new life, and fresh mercy if we will but confess. Let us pray:

People **We come to you, Listener of our broken lives; our hands soiled with the pain we have caused; our ears stuffed with the words of those who speak falsely; our hearts stained with those lusts and hungers we would be embarrassed for others to know. Forgive us and have mercy on us, Wiper of our tears. As we seek to journey from the baptismal waters towards the feast you prepare in glory, may we turn our faces towards you in every moment, listen to your words in the depths of our hearts, and follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, every step of the way. AMEN!**

Celebrant Lift up your heads, saints of God! Your sin is gone; your hands—once full of foolishness—are now empty. God has clothed you with garments of joy to wear to the feast.

People **Our former life has passed; new life in Christ has begun. All things are new—including us! Thanks be to God, for we are forgiven!**

Celebrant O God, with confidence we remember your promises to us—in baptism, we are reborn to eternal life. Those saints who have gone before us, including those we remember today, have fulfilled their baptism and are now celebrating in your presence.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant Blessed are you who divides the waters so plants and beasts of sea and sky and plain could thrive; who draws us from the water in birth and rebirth; who claims us with a love from which nothing can separate us. Blessed are you, Holy One. Come now, God, and send your Spirit among us; trouble for us this water of memory and imagination. Send your Spirit to enliven our praise, to strengthen our hands, to guide us in work and play, in service and love, to assure us once more of your love.

People **AMEN!**

Celebrant Sisters and brothers, remember your baptism, and know once again that you are claimed by God forever. There is no reason any longer to be afraid. The Spirit moves among us. Let us worship and praise God!

People **AMEN!**

The Celebrant sprinkles water on the people

All who are able, please stand.

Prayers of the People

Reader 3 United in the company of all the faithful and looking for the coming of the kingdom, let us offer our prayers to God, the source of all life and holiness. Merciful Lord, strengthen all Christian people by your Holy Spirit, that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy nation to the praise of Jesus Christ our Savior.

All **God, in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Bless the entire Body of Christ, that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets into a holy temple in the Lord.

All **God, in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Empower us by the gift of your holy and life-giving Spirit, that we may be transformed into the likeness of Christ from glory to glory.

All **God, in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Give to the world and its peoples the peace that comes from above, that they may find Christ's way of freedom and life.

All **God, in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Hold in your embrace all who witness to your love in the service of the poor and needy; all who minister to the sick and dying; and all who bring light to those in darkness.

All **God, in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Touch and heal all those whose lives are scarred by sin or disfigured by pain, that, raised from death to life in Christ, their sorrow may be turned to eternal joy.

All **God, in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Remember in your mercy all those gone before us who have been well-pleasing to you from eternity; preserve in your faith your servants on earth, guide us to your kingdom and grant us your peace at all times.

All **God, in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Hasten the day when many will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at the table in your kingdom.

All **God, in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 We lift up the special needs and concerns of this congregation, including those on our prayer lists and those we remember now silently or aloud... *The people offer additional prayers at this time.*
...We pray with confidence in your grace, O God.

All **God, in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 We give you thanks for the whole company of your saints in glory, with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and praises; by your grace may we, like them, be made perfect in your love.

All **Blessing, glory, wisdom, honor, power, and thanksgiving be to our God for ever and ever. AMEN!**

Reader 3 We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. AMEN!**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **AMEN!**

Please be seated. Those with birthdays or anniversaries, please come forward at this time. If you would like a prayer for healing, travel, or any other needs, please let Amma Diane know.

Celebrant Let us join in prayer for all those who have celebrated or will be celebrating their birthdays.

All **O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN!**

Celebrant Let us join in prayer for all those who have celebrated or will be celebrating their anniversaries.

All **O God, you teach us through the example of Jesus that love is the fulfilment of the Law; help those couples celebrating anniversaries to persevere in love, to grow in mutual understanding, and to deepen their trust in each other; that in wisdom, patience and courage, their life together may be a source of happiness to all with whom they share it. AMEN!**

Celebrant To all of you celebrating milestones: May the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you to guide and protect you and all those you love, today and always!

All **AMEN!**

All who are able, please stand.

Passing the Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

*We share God's love with others from a distance with verbal greetings, waving, peace sign, etc.
Please be seated.*

Announcements *All giving announcements: please use a mic for our friends online.*

Celebrating Our Mission, Service, & Ministries

Congregational sharing.

Offering Our Gifts & Our Selves

Gifts and offerings may be mailed to the church, dropped off in the mail slot, or sent through your bank. There are online giving options on our web site mySJEC.com/donate. We are grateful for your continued financial support of our ministry and mission.

Celebrant Inspire us to always share your love through action, O God:

People Strengthen us to always be an inviting safe community for all.

All who are able, please stand.

♪ Rejoice in God's Saints

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!

A world without saints forgets how to praise.

Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer,
their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.

Some march with events to turn them God's way;
some need to withdraw, the better to pray;
some carry the gospel through fire and through flood:
our world is their parish: their purpose is God.

Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown,
who bear someone's cross, or shoulder their own:
they shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares:
what patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.

In loving, in living, they prove it is true:
the way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to you.

Invitation to Communion

from the Iona Community, Scotland

Celebrant The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; come.

Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

All **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

All **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

All **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

All **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take... eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

A// **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, of Isaac and Rebekah, of Jacob, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

A// **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

A// **AMEN!**

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

A// **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. AMEN!**

Breaking Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

A// **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Celebrant will extend the invitation to communion to those present and those watching online and give instructions. Visitors are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.

All who are able, please stand.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. AMEN!

Prayer for our Time of Transition

by Linda C Smith-Criddle

Celebrant Let us join in prayer for our time of transition.

All Assist us, Lord, in living hopefully into the future. In the face of change, help us to set unnecessary fears aside and to recognize our potential for creative response. Help us to develop a reasonable optimism, when confronted by "the new" and to guard us against our own defensiveness. Be with us as we remember and celebrate former times, and keep us from unreasonable yearning for them, which takes us from the work you have set before us in our time. All this we ask in the name of your Child, our savior, Jesus Christ. AMEN!

Blessing

Celebrant May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of his grace.

All Alleluia! AMEN!

Celebrant May God give you joy in the fellowship of the saints and a share in their praises.

All Alleluia! AMEN!

Celebrant May God strengthen you to follow the saints in the way of holiness, and to come to the full radiance of glory.

All Alleluia! AMEN!

Celebrant And may the blessing of God, who Creates, Redeems, and Sustains, be upon you and all you love and pray for, this day and for ever more.

All Alleluia! AMEN!

♪ For All the Saints

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear that distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia, alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia!

Words: William Walsham How, 1864. Music: *SINE NOMINE*, Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906.

Sending

Celebrant Go forth sharing the Good News of God's love! Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!

Thank you for celebrating with us today!

Please stay upstairs for our monthly congregational chat,
then join us downstairs for refreshments, snacks, and conversation.

Our special offering in the month of November is the Manitowoc Warming Shelter; please label gifts accordingly.



[Hymnal 287; stanzas 5-8]



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**Masks are optional for all church activities.
Distancing is still a safer practice. Thanks!**

Recurring Schedule

Bible Study Sundays 8:30AM (in-person/Zoom)

Join this 12-week Bible study discussion of the book of Hebrews. Talk to Amma Diane if you have any questions.

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/biblestudy
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 (in-person/online)

Attend in-person at 10AM, or participate LIVE at 10AM or view at any time after on YouTube (*video links are also shared on Facebook*): go.mysjec.com/youtube

11/6 All Saints Sunday
11/13 Pentecost 23: Veterans & Military
11/20 Christ the King Sunday
11/27 First Sunday of Advent
12/6 Second Sunday of Advent
12/13 Third Sunday of Advent
12/20 Fourth Sunday of Advent
12/25 Christmas Day

Fellowship—Sundays at 11:15AM (in-person)

Please join us downstairs after worship each week for refreshments, snacks, and conversation. Coffee, tea, and water will be provided. We invite anybody who is interested to bring snacks/treats to share any week.

Mid-Week Worship—Wed at 4:30PM (Zoom)

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/Wednesday
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 7:00AM (Zoom)

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/Friday
To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 831 5230 0483 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

St James Weekly for the week starting November 6, 2022

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Please contact Amma Diane with any pastoral care or other needs.

NEW! [Update from Rector, Wardens, & Vestry regarding upcoming transition](#)

Now that we have all been made aware of Amma Diane's plan to retire at the end of the year, we want to share with you that we are very blessed to be members of The Episcopal Church and blessed to be part of the congregation of St James in particular.

The Episcopal Church and The Diocese of Fond du Lac have guidelines and rules — a "plan" — for us to follow through this upcoming transition period.

Amma Diane is still our Rector until her last day, and as such, she will be working closely with the Wardens and Vestry, along with the Transition Ministries Officer of the Diocese, The Rev Meredyth Albright, and Bishop Matt Gunter, to help us make the transition from Amma Diane to our next Rector as smoothly as possible.

We will keep the congregation informed as we move through the plan and process. Our congregational life and all of its offerings will continue throughout this time.

We ask you to pray with us through this process. We ask that you stay committed to our life together. St James as a congregation is in a healthy place which will help this journey have a successful outcome. In the spirit of our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, let us keep our focus on Jesus and his Way of Love.

NEW! [Save the date: farewell party 12/18](#)

St James Episcopal Church is the oldest continually operating congregation of any type in Manitowoc County. Our origins trace to missionary pastors starting in 1841. We organized formally as a congregation in 1848, the year Wisconsin gained statehood.

Since 1848, St James has been served by 41 pastors, including The Rev Diane M Murray (Amma Diane) who will be retiring as our Rector on 12/31/2022 after 13.5 years. Only two pastors in our 181-year history served our congregation for longer durations: William Harvey (27 years) and Franklin St Clair (23 years). We are grateful for the 13.5 years Amma Diane has served as our Rector, as well as the prior 1.5 years she ministered with us while she was a Deacon.

On Sunday, December 18, we will celebrate with a farewell party (Packers are off). Following 10AM Worship we'll all meet at the Harrigan Parkside Gathering Center 2 blocks away for a catered meal. We want everybody to have the opportunity to celebrate, so there will be no tickets/charge. **We will need a head count soon, so please add your names on the sign-up sheet as soon as possible.** Additional details will follow soon.

Monthly congregational chat 11/6

The Vestry invites all to stay after worship on Sunday 11/6 for the third of our monthly congregational chats. All are welcome to participate. Each month the Vestry will have one or more topics to solicit ideas and feedback from you. Topics on 11/6 will include: 1) brainstorming ideas for 2023 (*what are projects, programs, events, ministries, building work, etc you would like us to explore for 2023*); 2) Clean Energy Project info and sharing other ideas for creation care; 3) recruiting for acolytes/servers ministry and altar guild.

We plan these chats to typically last 20-30 minutes, but they could run longer, if needed. Please join us for these chats! **If you are unable to attend in person, please send your thoughts to info@mjsjec.com or share them with Clerk Tony Karl.**

All Saints Sunday 11/6

In early November we take time to remember and celebrate our family and friends, our sisters and brothers in Christ, and the saints in the broader church who have preceded us. Worship will include time to remember others, as well as candle lighting and other traditions to help us remember our unity through time and place as the Body of Christ. **Join us at 10AM on Sunday 11/6 as we celebrate All Saints Sunday.** It is one of the major Feast Days of the Church, and one of four days especially appropriate for Baptisms, and we'll take time to remember our own Baptisms.

Stolen Summer movie viewing 11/12

We're going to re-introduce regular gatherings to view movies together at St James. Based on your feedback at our 9/4 Monthly Congregational Chat, we'll offer these at a mix of days/times you suggested as we move throughout the year. **Our first movie viewing will be Stolen Summer**, a 2002 drama film about a Catholic boy who befriends a terminally ill Jewish boy and tries to convert him, believing that it is the only way the Jewish boy will get to Heaven. We'll gather from **9-11AM on Saturday, November 12**. This will be our monthly fellowship gathering for November, (in-person only since we can't show the movie via Zoom). Popcorn will be provided. Feel free to bring any other snacks, food, or beverages you like.

Honoring Veterans and Military 11/13

God calls us to be people of peace saying, "Blessed are the peacemakers", and reminding us that we are to love our neighbor and enemy as we love ourselves. There are times we as a global community fail to live out those words; times when young men and women hear the call to don the uniforms of their country and serve under their flag. Join us for **10AM worship on Sunday, November 11**, which will include a time of remembrance, recognizing, and honoring veterans and those currently serving. Invite any veterans or currently serving military you know to join us for this special day.

Book Group 11/16 at 7PM (in-person/Zoom)

The St James Book Group is meeting in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom. Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 11/16 at 7PM. We're reading and discussing the book *Cokie: A Life Well-Lived* by Steven Roberts. Books are available for pick up at the main desk of the library (tell them you are a member of the St James Book Group) or from another source of your choosing. You do not have to have read the book to join in our discussions, so join us when you are able. Please feel free to invite others to participate. If you have questions or technical issues contact Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Joan Estes, or Amma Diane.

By computer or other device: go.mjsjec.com/bookgroup
To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799

When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 873 5481 2492 #

When prompted for Participant ID, press #

When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

Thanksgiving at St James 11/24

We're re-introducing our tradition of Thanksgiving at St James. We gather for **Worship together at 10AM**. After worship we will gather for **fellowship and games in the fellowship hall** as some of the food is being prepared. **At Noon we will share in a pot-luck style Thanksgiving meal.** This celebration is open to the family and friends of St James. There is a sign-up sheet in the church. Please talk to Eleanor Agnew or Amma Diane if you have any questions.

Next Painting Pathways event 12/8

Painting Pathways Clubhouse supports and empowers those with mental illness in Manitowoc County by building community and supporting recovery. PPC is one of our long-term ministry partners: several people from St James were instrumental in helping this non-profit form in Manitowoc; we've provided work opportunities; we supported the capital campaign for their new building; and we let them use our building during their construction.

In October we began a series of events to strengthen our relationships as individuals beyond our larger organizations. St James brought pot luck dishes to share. It was a wonderful evening—thanks to all who participated! **On Thursday, December 8 from 4-6PM we'll gather again at PPC** (1226 Washington St) to enjoy a meal and fellowship, including games with their members. Painting Pathways will provide the food, but a head count will help planning. There is a sign-up sheet in the church.

NEW! Save the date: 12/11 St Nick & Cookies

Join us on **Sunday 12/11** for a special fun day, and be sure to bring the kids/grandkids/friends along (Packers are off). **10AM Worship will include a special visit from St Nicholas** who will share his story of his journey from bishop to a beloved Christmas hero. After worship, we'll take time to **swap cookies and prepare deliveries to those at home**, similar to last year's project. Please start gathering your cookies and other holiday treats. More details to follow.

Salvation Army Adopt-a-Family 2022

Another year has rolled around and once more St James has the privilege of participating in the Salvation Army Christmas Adopt-a Family program. This is our 5th year! Our congregation, even in more challenging times, is very, very generous.

This year we have two families; a mother and two daughters (2 girls ages 14 and 16), and the other is a mother and father with 3 sons and 2 daughters. You are provided with a "Wish List" for your person with sizes and colors.

The Salvation Army asks that a minimum of \$60 be spent on each individual. This is no small amount and the first time it has been increased in quite a few years, so we encourage you to team up and go together to select gifts for your person. Smaller donations of gift cards are also appreciated—you can use Scrip!—that can be given which the Army uses for individuals. Donations of wrapping paper, ribbons, tape and gift bags are appreciated, so parents may wrap the gifts for their children.

On Sunday November 6, I will have the cards at church to distribute for the individual family members. If you won't be able to be at the service, please contact me, and I will deliver it to you. **On Sunday December 4 the gifts are due back at church.** Please don't bring them in early. You may contact me to arrange a pick up. Also, if you are unable to go out and shop, I can shop for you. Individual gift cards of any amount will also be collected on 12/4.

Remember: If you cannot come to the church to pick up a name and/or return the gifts and you want to participate, but do not want to be out shopping, please, please let me do it for you. I am happy to stop by your home to drop off names or pick up gifts. If you have questions, please call me at 920/629-0435 or email me at colekarleen@gmail.com.

Humbled by your generosity ~ Karleen

NEW! Shared by Junior Warden Mary Green

Blessed are the agnostics. Blessed are they who doubt. Blessed are those who have nothing to offer. Blessed are the preschoolers who cut in line at communion. Blessed are the poor in spirit. You are of heaven and Jesus blesses you. Blessed are those whom no one else notices. The kids who sit alone at middle-school lunch tables. The laundry guys at the hospital. The sex workers and the night-shift street sweepers. The closeted. The teens who have to figure out ways to hide the new cuts on their arms. Blessed are the meek. You are of heaven and Jesus blesses you. Blessed are they who have loved enough to know what loss feels like. Blessed are the mothers of the miscarried. Blessed are they who can't fall apart because they have to keep it together for everyone else. Blessed are those who "still aren't over it yet". Blessed are those who mourn. You are of heaven and Jesus blesses you. I imagine Jesus standing here blessing us because that is our Lord's nature. This Jesus cried at his friend's tomb, turned the other cheek, and forgave those who hung him on a cross. He was God's Beatitude — God's blessing to the weak in a world that admires only the strong.

~ by the Rev Nadia Bolz-Webber

UPDATED! Prayers for the Week

Healing/Comfort/Strength: Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Debbie, Silas, Laurie, Geno, Bonnie, Bonnie & Charlie, Marcia & John, Chip & Janice, Steven, Mary, Vicki, Tom, Grace, Matthew, Shelley, Karleen, Mike, Tony C., Dave, Nancy T, Brian M, Sharon, Connie & Harley, Mary Ann, Gregg, Ken, Mary Beth B., Lisa B., Anne, Mayra, Karen K., Brad & Lizzie, Linda, Connie, Nancy J, Nancy & Clayton, Nick, Judine Duerwaechter and family, Barb & John, Joan, Barb & Richard, Suzanne & Derek, Ruth, Fred, Richard

Guidance & Discernment: Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Susie, Brian & Lisa, Frankie, Deb & Jim, Joy's grandson

Serving in the Military: Jordan, Ian, Logan, Keaton, Marshall, Jacob, Jack

Additional Prayers we offer include: For Peace in our world... for the people of Ukraine, Russia, Afghanistan, Haiti, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, Madagascar and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Olaf's, Amherst; St Stephen Mission District, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Church of England. For the Dioceses of Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, and Milwaukee and the triologue taking place among them. 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 the people around the world affected by the coronavirus pandemic. Pray for an end to violence, racism and social injustice in our country and around the world. Pray for people around the world dealing with severe weather and related damage, injury, and deaths. We pray for those in the world who do not have enough to eat, may we help to keep food available to all.

We offer thanks for: Diane our Rector, Chris and Mary, our Wardens, our Vestry and other ministry leaders, staff, and every person in this congregation. Bishop Matt 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 The Ven. Osiward Mapika, Bishop-Elect.

We Pray for the Departed: Tom & Audrey, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul, Clarence & Liese, Deena, Shirley, Margaret & Leonard, Jack Westfall, Randall Augry; and all who have died as a result of gun violence.

UPDATED! Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 11/1 Steve Thuss; 11/2 Marian Doszkewycz; 11/3 Ron Hansen; 11/12 Bob Feller; 11/22 Chuck Wernecke; 11/23 Mike Laughrin; 11/27 Vaughn Franz

Anniversaries: None we know of in November

If you would like your prayer requests to be included on our list, or to add a milestone, please contact Amma Diane Murray by phone (920-860-5152) or email (dianemarie.murray@gmail.com).

Manitowoc Warming Shelter



We're a group of local congregations, organizations, agencies, and other caring people joining together to provide overnight shelter and meals to adults during our cold winter months. We need your help!

The Manitowoc Warming Shelter is projected to open in November 2022 for the season.

We plan to initially be based at First Presbyterian Church (502 N 8th St in downtown Manitowoc.)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like more info about ways you can help, please visit our web site:

manitowocwarmingshelter.org

WHAT WILL VOLUNTEERS DO?

Training provided for all volunteers. Options to help include:

- ◆ **Evening set-up: 7:00pm to 8:30pm**
- ◆ **Check-in guests: 7:30pm to 9:00pm**
- ◆ **Three shifts options for overnight shelter attendants: 8:00pm to Midnight, Midnight to 4am, and 4am to 8am**
- ◆ **Morning clean-up: 7:30am-8:30am**
- ◆ **Daily food service coordinated by Grow It Forward**

You can also contact Pastor Matt Sauer for more information about ways to support this program: matt@mcmited.com or 920-860-6880

WHY DO WE NEED A WARMING SHELTER?

- * Lakeshore CAP provided \$44,852 in hotel vouchers in Manitowoc County since June, 2021. *This funding has ended — but the people in need still exist*
- * The three program-based shelters spent another \$4,750 in after hour housing since June 2021.
- * Individuals are typically homeless for 34 days before their situation is resolved.
- * Lakeshore CAP spent \$587,290 in WERA (WI Emergency Assistance Program) assistance in Manitowoc County for 2021. *This funding has ended — but the people in need still exist.*

Our community is blessed with Hope House, The Haven, and InCourage, which provide temporary housing and support to people year-round through their wonderful programs. Manitowoc Warming Shelter is designed to provide life-saving overnight shelter for those who fall between the cracks.