

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.
- When we are unable to celebrate communion with a priest present, we may participate in spiritual communion (*This is appropriate any time receiving bread and/or wine is not a possibility. 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 Tony Karl 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 – January 1, 2023

New Year's Day / Feast of the Holy Name

Sharing
God's Love
Through
Action

ST JAMES
EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MANITOWOC
An inviting safe community for all

Today's Worship leadership includes...

Ministers Members of the Congregation

Readers 1 — Glenn Davidowich
 2 — Skip Cole
 3 — Sally Hunner

Worship Coordinator Tony Karl

Pianist Barb Cook

Vestry counters/open/close Nick & Marian Doszkewycz

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):
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 Tony Karl.

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 box (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.

The Rev'd Diane M Murray retired on December 31 after more than 13 years as our pastor. As we begin our transition and search process, we will arrange a mix of supply (substitute) clergy when available and also make use of our option for lay-led worship (something more prevalent in The Episcopal Church prior to 1980). Our Wardens and Worship Coordinator are making arrangements with supply clergy, who we'll start to see in a few weeks.

Welcome!

Reader 1 Happy New Year! Welcome to St James Episcopal Church, all of you here in this place and all of you joining us from afar. Today's Worship service will include a Christmas hymn sing, and we'll invite you to share song requests in a few minutes. All the words and song lyrics are included in the bulletin and you can also follow along on screen. Please stand and join as we sing our gathering song.

All who are able, please stand.

♪ On This Day of Celebration

On this day of celebration, at this time when hopes are new,
 God, we gather as your people, called to put our trust in you.
 You have made the world we live in; you have worked through history.
 In your plan we find our purpose, in your love, our unity.

Long ago, you sent our Savior to this world in deep despair.
 In your Word made flesh you came, our life to know, our sins to bear.
 Christ has died and Christ is risen! At this new year we proclaim:
 Yesterday, today, forever — Jesus Christ is still the same!

Through two thousand years of changes, through these passing centuries,
 You have called your church to witness to Christ's love that claims and frees.
 Each new generation hears you, each must find a fresh new way
 To make known the life you offer, to the people in their day.

On this day, we pause and wonder what the future years will bring,
 Yet we know you clothe each flower and you make each sparrow sing.
 How much more will you protect us with your guiding, caring hand!
 By your Spirit, lead us boldly in the future you have planned.

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Gathering

Reader 1 Light looked down and saw darkness:

People "I will go there," said Light.

Reader 1 Peace looked down and saw war:

People "I will go there," said Peace.

Reader 1 Love looked down and saw hatred:

People "I will go there," said Love.

Reader 1 So the Lord of Light... the Prince of Peace... the King of Love...
came down, and crept in beside us.

All **The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. And we beheld his
glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full
of grace and truth. AMEN!**

Reader 1 Let us confess our sins to God.

All **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each
other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the
evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our
behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus
Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. AMEN!**

Reader 1 Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through the
grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power
of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

All **AMEN!**

Please be seated.

Christmas Songs

Reader 1 At this time I invite you to request Christmas songs we'll sing throughout
today's Worship. Christmas songs can be found at numbers 77-115 in the
blue *Hymnal 1982* in the pew racks. We'll sing 2 verses of each song. Please
raise your hand if you have a request—we'll need at least 8 song requests.

*Please give the song number and title when the Reader calls on you. If you like, you may
specify the 2 verses to be sung (otherwise, we'll sing the first 2 verses by default).*

Reader 1 Please watch the video on screen. The words are also in your bulletin.

Please remain seated.

When the World was Dark

from the Iona Community's "Cloth for the Cradle"

One Voice When the world was dark

One Voice and the city was quiet,

One Voice you came.

All **You crept in beside us, and no one knew.**

One Voice Only the few who dared to believe

One Voice that God might do something different.

All **Will you do the same this Christmas, Lord?**

One Voice Will you come into the darkness of tonight's world;

One Voice not the friendly darkness

One Voice as when sleep rescues us from tiredness,

One Voice but the fearful darkness,

All in which people have stopped believing

One Voice that war will end

One Voice or that food will come

One Voice or that a government will change

One Voice or that the Church cares?

All Will you come into that darkness and do something different

One Voice to save your people from death and despair?

All Will you come into the quietness of this town,

One Voice not the friendly quietness as when partners hold hands,

One Voice but the fearful silence when the phone has not rung

One Voice the letter has not come,

One Voice the friendly voice no longer speaks,

One Voice the doctor's face says it all?

All Will you come into that darkness,

One Voice and do something different,

One Voice not to distract, but to embrace your people?

One Voice And will you come into the dark corners

One Voice and the quiet places of our lives?

All We ask this not because we are guilt-ridden or want to be,

One Voice but because the fullness our lives long for

One Voice depends upon us being as open and vulnerable to you

One Voice as you were to us,

One Voice when you came, wearing no more than diapers,

One Voice and trusting human hands

One Voice to hold their maker.

All Will you come into our lives,

One Voice if we open them to you

One Voice and do something different?

One Voice When the world was dark

One Voice and the city was quiet,

One Voice you came.

One Voice You crept in beside us.

One Voice Do the same this Christmas, Lord.

All Do the same this Christmas. AMEN!

Invitatory Psalm

Venite, Psalm 95.1-7

Reader 1 O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise,

All And your glory all the day long.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. AMEN!

Reader 1 The Holy One is in our midst:

All O come let us worship.

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise to the Lord a shout with psalms. For you are a great God; you are great above all gods. In your hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are yours also. The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us bow down and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For you are our God, and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand. Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

Reader 1 The Holy One is in our midst:

All O come let us worship.

♪ 2 Christmas Songs Selected by the Congregation *Please remain seated*

Unison Reading

Reader 2 Let us read in unison Psalm 8.

All O LORD our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world! Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens. You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses, What are people that you should be mindful of them? Human beings that you should care for them? You have made us a little lower than the angels; you adorn us with glory and honor; You give us mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under our feet: All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field, The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea. O LORD our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. AMEN!

First Lesson

Reader 2 A reading of Numbers chapter 6, verses 22 through 27.

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Reader 2 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Unison Reading

Reader 2 Let us read in unison Canticle 15, the Song of Mary.

All **My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in you, O God my Savior, for you have looked with favor on your lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: you, the Almighty, have done great things for me, and holy is your name. You have mercy on those who fear you from generation to generation. You have shown strength with your arm and scattered the proud in their conceit, Casting down the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly. You have filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty. You have come to the help of your servant Israel, for you have remembered your promise of mercy, The promise made to our forebears, to Abraham and his children for ever.**

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. AMEN!

New Testament

Reader 2 A reading of Galatians chapter 4, verses 4 through 7.

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader 2 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please remain seated (this is different when using the Morning Prayer liturgy format)

Gospel

Reader 2 A reading of Luke chapter 2, verses 15 through 21.

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

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People **Thanks be to God.**

Christmas Messages

Reader 2 At this time I'll read a Christmas Message from the Bishop of the Diocese of Fond du Lac, Bishop Matt Gunter.

The Reader reads the first Christmas Message.

Reader 2 At this time we'll watch the Christmas Message from Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, Bishop Michael Curry.

All who are able, please stand.

Apostles' Creed

Reader 2 Let us stand and join in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day Christ rose again; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN!

Please remain standing.

Offering Our Gifts & Our Selves

Gifts and offerings may be left in the offering plate, mailed/dropped off at church, 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.

Reader 2 Inspire us to always share your love through action, O God:

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

♪ 2 Christmas Songs Selected by the Congregation

Offering Our Prayers

Reader 3 God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader 3 Let us pray.

All **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!**

Reader 3 Help us, O God our Savior;

All **Deliver us and forgive our sins.**

Reader 3 Look upon your congregation;

All **Give to your people the blessing of peace.**

Reader 3 Declare your glory among the nations;

All **And your wonders among all peoples.**

Reader 3 Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

All **Never forget the lives of your poor.**

Reader 3 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

All **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Reader 3 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

All **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

Reader 3 Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All **AMEN!**

Reader 3 O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **AMEN!**

Reader 3 Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

People **AMEN!**

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

Reader 3 Let us pray.

All Jesus, in union with the faithful of every place and people and nation, I join in offering the sacrifice of my praise and thanksgiving to you. I believe that you are truly present. Since I cannot now receive this holy sacrament, I pray that you will come spiritually into my heart. Abide with me, that I may embrace you entirely, and submit myself to your love and mercy. Let me never be separated from you, that in my waking and in my sleeping I may know the comfort of your presence. I ask this for the sake of your love. **AMEN!**

Prayers of the People

Reader 3 Let us pray to Jesus our Savior.

Christ, born in a stable, give courage to all who are homeless.

People **Jesus, Emmanuel, hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Christ for whom the angels sang, give the song of the kingdom to all who weep.

People **Jesus, Lord of Light, hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Christ, worshipped by the shepherds, give peace on earth to all who are oppressed.

People **Jesus, Prince of Peace, hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Christ, before whom the magi knelt, give humility and wisdom to all who govern.

People **Jesus, King of Love, hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Christ, whose radiance filled a lowly manger, give the glory of your resurrection to all who rest in you.

People **Jesus, Word become flesh, hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 For 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.

People **Jesus, God with us, hear our prayer.**

Reader 3 Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, full of the Spirit, hear our prayer, receive our praises, and fill our lives.

All **Savior Jesus, child of Mary, you know us and love us, you share our lives and hear our prayer. Glory to God for ever and ever. AMEN!**

Please be seated.

Invitation

Reader 3 At this time, I invite anybody who has or will be celebrating a birthday or anniversary to come forward to the rail. I also invite you to come forward if you need prayer for healing, travel, or another need. Anybody who has an announcement, please move toward the lectern or a handheld microphone.

Special Prayers

Reader 3 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!**

Reader 3 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!**

Reader 3 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!**

Prayers are offered for any other needs.

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

All who are able, please stand.

♪ **2 Christmas Songs Selected by the Congregation**

The General Thanksgiving

Reader 1 God be with you.

People And also with you.

Reader 1 Let us pray.

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. AMEN!

A Prayer of St Chrysostom

Reader 1 Let us pray.

All Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. AMEN!

Prayer for our Time of Transition

by Linda C Smith-Criddle

Reader 1 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!

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Sending

Reader 1 Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!**

Reader 1 Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.

People **AMEN!**

Passing the Peace

Reader 1 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.

Thank you for celebrating with us today! Happy New Year!

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



BULLETIN INSERTS

January 1, 2023 – Holy Name Day Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The below is the weekly calendar produced by the Anglican Communion for 2023. Over the course of each year, we pray for each of the provinces of the Communion. Note: Dates after September 10 have not yet been published but are extrapolated from the existing list of provinces. For more information, visit iam.ec/prayercycle.

January

- 1 La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico
- 8 The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)
- 15 The Church of Nigeria
- 22 The Church of North India (United)
- 29 The Church of Pakistan (United)

February

- 5 The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea
- 12 The Episcopal Church in the Philippines
- 19 Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda
- 26 The Scottish Episcopal Church

March

- 5 The Church of the Province of South East Asia
- 12 The Church of South India (United)
- 19 The Anglican Church of Southern Africa
- 26 The Anglican Church of South America

April

- 2 Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan
- 9 Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan
- 16 The Anglican Church of Tanzania
- 23 The Church of the Province of Uganda
- 30 The Episcopal Church

May

- 7 The Church in Wales
- 14 The Church of the Province of West Africa
- 21 The Church in the Province of the West Indies
- 28 The Extra-Provincial Churches

June

- 4 The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria
- 11 The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia
- 18 The Anglican Church of Australia
- 25 The Church of Bangladesh

July

- 2 Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil
- 9 The Anglican Church of Burundi
- 16 The Anglican Church of Canada
- 23 The Church of the Province of Central Africa
- 30 Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

August

- 6 Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo
- 13 Iglesia Anglicana de Chile
- 20 The Church of England
- 27 Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

September

- 3 The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
- 10 The Church of Ireland
- 17 Nippon Sei Ko Kai
- 24 The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

October

- 1 The Anglican Church of Kenya
- 8 The Anglican Church of Korea
- 15 The Anglican Church of Melanesia
- 22 La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico
- 29 The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

November

- 5 The Church of Nigeria
- 12 The Church of North India (United)
- 19 The Church of Pakistan (United)
- 26 The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea

December

- 3 The Episcopal Church in the Philippines
- 10 Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda
- 17 The Scottish Episcopal Church
- 24 The Church of the Province of South East Asia
- 31 The Church of South India (United)



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Please contact Senior Warden Chris Dee Eggert-Rosenthal at 334-546-4282 (*please leave a voicemail if no answer*) or cnor1101@yahoo.com. She will help connect you to the right people.

Recurring Schedule

Discussion Sundays at 8:30AM (in-person/Zoom)

On break the weeks of 12/25 and 1/1.

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
1/1 New Year's Day—Christmas Hymn Sing
1/8 Epiphany 1—The Baptism of Our Lord
1/15 Epiphany 2—Remembering MLK Jr

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 update

Wednesday 12/21 at 4:30PM was our last mid-week Worship service until further notice. Sundays and Fridays will continue without interruption. As we move through our transition, we'll discuss what other Worship options the congregation would like (or not) during the week.

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]

Christmas Hymn Sing Worship 1/1 at 10AM

Christmas Season lasts through Epiphany (1/6). 10AM Worship on **Sunday 1/1** will continue the celebration of Christ's birth with a Christmas hymn sing. Barb Cook will be on hand to tickle the ivories for this special celebration. Be ready to request your favorite Christmas songs from our blue *Hymnal 1982* book.

Please return 2023 Giving Estimates by 1/1

Please turn in your 2023 Giving Estimates by January 1, if you are able. Extra estimate cards are available in the back of the church. Thank you for your financial support!

NEW! Amma Diane retired 12/31/2022

The Rev'd Diane Murray retired on December 31 after serving as our Rector since 2009. The Wardens and Vestrypersons are responsible for the continued functioning of St James, especially our Senior Warden, Chris Dee Eggert-Rosenthal. If you have any pastoral needs (hospitalization, visit, emergency, etc) or other questions about the church, contact Chris (*info above*).

We are working to arrange supply clergy to fill in, but we will also make use of the lay-led worship format that we have available in The Episcopal Church. We do have some supply lined up for later January.

For a building problem, contact Chris. If you can't reach her and it's urgent, call Dave Haefke (920-860-4127).

If you have any info for St James Weekly, please get that to Tony Karl (info@mysjec.com) by Tuesday evenings.

NEW! Please help un-decorate on 1/1

Please stay after Worship on Sunday 1/1 to help un-decorate our building. The more hands, the faster we'll be done. Poinsettias are available for any who want.

Donations for poinsettia display were made by:

- ◆ Ron Hansen—for Myrna
- ◆ Skip & Karleen Cole - for their parents
- ◆ Sharon Meany - for Paul
- ◆ Kim Kaufmann - for Cindy
- ◆ Mary Green - for Robert & Benjamin Green, Sharen, Ed & Keith Kaatz
- ◆ David Haefke - for Pat Haefke
- ◆ Mary Kaufmann - for Emily Kaufmann, Cindy Connolly, Ava Anelons
- ◆ Glenn Davidowich, Tony Karl, & Chris Couris - for Eleanor Sydlo
- ◆ John & Barb Cook
- ◆ Marian Flint - for Bill, parents, brothers
- ◆ Mike & Sharon Laughrin - for departed family
- ◆ Joan Estes - for Adam & Florence Sobieski
- ◆ Glenn Davidowich - for Paul & Mary Davidowich, George & Eleanor Davidowich, Michael & Susannah Kalinak, Helen & George Korba
- ◆ Sandy Olson - for Olson & Maedke family
- ◆ Richard Hall - for Deacon Sam Hall
- ◆ Anonymous

Monthly congregational chat 1/8

The Vestry invites all to stay after worship on Sunday 1/8 for the fifth 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. The topics on 1/8 will include: 1) Clean Energy Project presentation by Chris Eggert-Rosenthal; 2) Any new updates about our transition process.

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@mysjec.com or share them with Clerk Tony Karl.**

Dine & Discuss starts 1/17

We are bringing back our popular Dine & Discuss monthly series! We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall on the third Tuesday of each month from 6-8PM. This is an opportunity for us to enjoy food and fellowship as well as learning about and discussing various topics of interest. On Tuesday, January 17, 2023, we'll be joined again by our friends from Lakeshore's United Visionaries (L.U.V.). The theme will be privilege and power—we all experience more or less of both as we find ourselves in different settings throughout life. This will be an opportunity to listen to the experiences of others as well as share our own experiences. L.U.V. will be preparing a Pakistani meal for the evening, and we've scheduled Wednesday, January 18 as our snow date.

Book Group 1/25 at 7PM (in-person/Zoom)

The St James Book Group is meeting on Wednesday, 1/25 at 7PM in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom. January's book is *Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah. It is the story of the impact the Dust Bowl has on a family in Texas. The reviews have been excellent and it received 4 1/2 stars from Amazon. An excellent read. Books may be checked out from the public library. Contact Joan Estes or Chris Eggert-Rosenthal if you need help getting a book or have other questions. You do not have to have read the book to join in our discussions, so join us when you can.

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.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]

Gratitudes

Thank you to....

...All who supported our Adopt a Family (and to Karleen Cole for coordinating)

...All who helped with our cookie project and packet deliveries (and to Tony Karl for coordinating)

...All who helped decorate our building (and to Eleanor Agnew for coordinating)

...All who participated in our Reverse Advent Calendar (and to Mike Laughrin for coordinating delivery)

...All who helped celebrate our ministry with Amma Diane at her 12/18 farewell party (and to Eleanor Agnew, Glenn Davidowich, and Tony Karl for coordinating)



UPDATED! Prayers for the Week

Healing/Comfort/Strength: Steve & Marybeth, Vanessa, Debbie, Silas, Geno, Bonnie T, Bonnie & Charlie, Marcia & John, Chip & Janice, Steven G, Mary G, Vicki, Matthew C, Shelley R, Brian M, Sharon L, Karen K, Nancy J, Nancy & Clayton, Richard H, James B, Jenny M, Sean D, Connie, Janet P, Leah S, Carol & family, David & Joan E.

Guidance & Discernment: Tim K, Kurt H, Ronald B, Alison H, Susie M, Brian & Lisa, Frankie, Deb & Jim, Keagan

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 this Christmas season. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico. For the Dioceses of Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, and Milwaukee and the dialogue taking place among them. For people living with mental illness. For Painting Pathways Clubhouse. Hope House families. The men of The Haven. People at the Warming Shelter. 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: 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 Bishop Osiward Mapika, 2nd Bishop of the Diocese of Masvingo.

We Pray for the Departed: Bill F, Audrey & Clayton, Pat H, Myrna H, Cindy C, Joe L, Paul M, Deena G, Shirley O, Margaret & Leonard, Jack W, teenager from Oneida Nation, and all who have died.

UPDATED! Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 1/2 Tammy McVeigh, 1/3 Kevin McVeigh, 1/11 Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, 1/17 Liz Foster, 1/21 Dianne Wilson, 1/23 John Cook, 1/25 Skip Cole, 1/28 Sharon Laughrin

Anniversaries: none we know of in January

If you would like your prayer requests to be included on our list, or to add a milestone, please send an email (info@mysjec.com) or leave a voicemail (920.684.8256).