

St James Weekly for the week starting August 28, 2022

St James Episcopal Church

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

Recurring Schedule

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

We're discussing <u>Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path for Healing Ourselves and Our World</u> by Nobel laureate Archbishop Desmond Tutu & his daughter, Anglican priest Mpho A Tutu. This book helps answer "How do I forgive?" The Tutus lay out the simple but profound truths about the significance of forgiveness, how it works, why everyone needs to know how to grant it and receive it, and why granting forgiveness is the greatest gift we can give to ourselves when we have been wronged. They explain the four-step process of forgiveness as well as offer meditations, exercises, and prayers.

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 8/28 Pentecost 12: A New School Year Begins 9/4 Pentecost 13: Labor Day Weekend 9/11 Pentecost 14: Season of Creation, week 1 9/18 Pentecost 15: Season of Creation, week 2 9/25 Pentecost 16: Season of Creation, week 3

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 #
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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 #
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UPDATED! Monthly congregational chats starting 9/4

The Vestry invites all to stay after worship on Sunday 9/4 for the first of our monthly congregational chats. We will hold these in the Sanctuary immediately following 10AM Worship on the first Sunday of each month, and all are welcome to participate.

Each month the Vestry will have one or more topics to solicit ideas and feedback from you. We will plan these chats to typically last 20-30 minutes, but they could run longer, if needed. Two topics planned for 9/4:

- 1) We're planning movie viewings at the church, and we'd like your input on days/times to offer these.
- 2) We'd like your input on topics you are interested in learning more about, as well as days/times/ frequency you are interested in, and formats (book, video, bible study, discussion, etc) you prefer. This will help us determine if our current offerings are meeting needs or what else we can provide.
- 3) NEW We have the opportunity to participate in a bake sale during Two Rivers Apple Fest 10/8, keeping the proceeds of what we sell. We'd like to gage interest in participating in this fundraising opportunity.

Please join us for these chats! If you are unable to attend in person, send your thoughts to info@mysjec.com

NEW! Monthly fellowship gathering 9AM on Sat 9/10

Our next monthly fellowship gathering will take place at 9AM on Saturday, September 10. We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall at St James (bring your own food/snacks, if you like). A Zoom option is available for those who can't be present in-person. All are welcome!

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 822 4207 3112#
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero
By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/fellowship

"Helping Our Neighbors" mission project

The poverty rate in Manitowoc is about 14%, and hunger continues to impact families and individuals. Over the next few months, we invite you to bring non-perishable food, hygiene products, and personal care items to donate as often as you are able. We'll have a collection spot in the front left of the Sanctuary near the piano (similar to what we did in Advent), and volunteers will periodically deliver these items to Peter's Pantry. If you'd like to contribute financially, label your gift "Helping Our Neighbors" (checks payable to St James).

NEW! Vestry Notes

- Heating has been reinstalled in the Chapel, and the carpet in the Chapel has been replaced (needed due to long-term water damage). The Vestry selected a lighter color carpet to brighten the Chapel based on suggestions over the years.
- As of 7/31/2022, our year-to-date income is \$68,683 on a YTD budget of \$68,076. Our YTD expenses are \$67,817 on a YTD budget of \$73,026. This results in a YTD deficit of \$866. Thank you for your continued support of our mission and ministry! Complete financial reports are posted outside the office.
- The next regular Vestry meeting will take place via Zoom at 5PM on 9/27 (go.mysjec.com/Vestry).
 Anybody from the congregation may attend.

NEW! Book Group 8/24 at 7PM (in-person/Zoom)

The St James Book Group is meeting in the Fellowship Hall <u>and</u> via Zoom. Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 9/28 at 7PM. We're reading and discussing the book <u>The Stranger in the Lifeboat</u> by Mitch Albom. We hope to see you either on Zoom or in person.

Our book for 10/26 will be <u>The Lincoln Highway</u> by Amor Towles. 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.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]

Celebrating Our Mission, Service, & Ministries

Help us grow the St James Tree of Life! One of our subgoals is to "Regularly celebrate the mission, service, and ministries of individuals, inviting them to share these experiences to educate and encourage others".

We invite you to sign up for a date to share briefly (1-3 minutes) about any mission, service, or ministry you are involved in through St James, another organization, or in your own way. You can share what you do, why you became involved, and anything else you'd like to add. If you're involved in more than one mission, service, or ministry, we invite you to sign up to share on more than one date. It's okay if more than one person shares about the same thing on different dates. Thanks!

If you have any questions, please talk to Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Tony Karl, or Amma Diane.



Prayers for the Week

Healing/Comfort/Strength: Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Debbie, Silas, Laurie, Geno, Bonnie, Bonnie & Charlie, Marcia & John, Chip & Janice, Steven, Len, 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.

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 Diocesan schools, hospitals and clinics of our companion Diocese of Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Diocese of Southeastern Mexico – La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico. For the Dioceses of Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, and Milwaukee and the trialogue 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. The birth of Cedric Gerard on July 30th, Geno who is now cancer free!

We Pray for the Departed: Tom & Audrey, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul, Clarence & Liese, Deena, Shirley, Lois Bergquist, Margaret Coombs, Fr. Ed Smith, all who have died as a result of gun violence.

Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 8/12 Karleen Cole; 8/25 Mary Burckle.

Anniversaries: 8/12 Fred & Eleanor Hass; 8/24 Mark & Sally Hunner.

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).