

An inviting safe community for all

St James Weekly for the week starting May 22, 2022

St James Episcopal Church

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

Recurring Schedule

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

We're discussing the book <u>Looking for God in the Messy Places: A Book About Hope</u> by Jake Owensby, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Louisiana. His work focuses on the spirituality of everyday life. Owensby's blog is JakeOwensby.com The book is broken down into sections and is a fairly easy read. We anticipate 6 – 8 weeks of discussion. You do not have to have read the book before the discussion begins and you can join or not our Sunday morning discussions as you are able. Let Amma Diane know if you'd like a copy or purchase one in your preferred way.

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

5/29 Easter 7: Memorial Day weekend 6/5 The Day of Pentecost 6/12 Trinity Sunday: LGBTQ+ Awareness

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—Wednesdays at 4PM (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 #
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Help with St James Spring Clean-up June 4

Please come to St James to help work on outside and inside clean-up projects from 9AM to about 1PM on Saturday, June 4. All are welcome! There is a sign-up sheet in church. We'll have a variety of tasks for people of different ages and ability levels. Depending on weather, volunteers can rake and work on other yard work, clean windows, and attend to indoor projects. Supplies/equipment are provided, but feel free to bring your own if you have favorites. If you have any questions, please talk to Pat Hanson (920-242-9434).

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.

NEW! Wear red/fire colors on Pentecost 6/5

Pentecost (June 5 this year) is a special day where we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Body of Christ—the birthday of the Church! Special imagery includes doves, wind, and flames. A fun tradition (optional, of course) is to wear flame colors—red, orange, yellow, etc—on Pentecost to symbolize the fire of the Holy Spirit inside each of us.

New! New sanctuary fans

New fans have been purchased and set up around the perimeter of the Sanctuary. Fans are positioned to provide maximum circulation for overall comfort. When the fans are on, please leave them set as they are —do not move, adjust, or turn off. If it is too drafty for you near the outer aisles, please move toward the center aisle while the fans are in use. Thanks!

NEW! Vestry Notes

- Work in the Chapel will be completed soon.
- In June we will be adjusting the positioning of the pews in our Sanctuary, rotating them inward at a small angle. This is to help enhance our feeling of being in community while we worship.
- We will be installing a new mailbox by the State St glass doors and eventually making our 8th St door for emergency use only. This is to increase safety.
- As decided in December, we will be paying off the 50% of our \$3000 pledge to Painting Pathways Clubhouse with money from our Outreach Fund.
- We will be hosting some movie-watching events at St James in the near future. If you have suggestions for days/times you prefer, please let Amma Diane know.
- We're resuming work on previously delayed parking lot labyrinth and little free library projects.
- Financial reports are posted outside the office.

Next Vestry meeting will be on Zoom at 5PM on 6/28.

<u>Please share your photos for our upcoming</u> service remembering fathers & father figures

Due June 15—Please send photos for our June 19 service of your grandfathers, fathers, sons, spouses, or yourself... other relatives, friends, and people from our church... or anybody else who has been like a father, spiritual or otherwise, in the lives of you or your loved ones. We'll also reuse photos from last year unless we hear otherwise from you. Send photos by June 15.

Please share your photos to be included in slideshows during our Worship services. Send in as many as you like. We'll also re-use photos you shared last year unless we hear otherwise from you. As with photo requests for our previous Worship services, we do not include names or other identifying information for privacy. Please send your photos to Worship Coordinator Tony Karl (email them to info@mysjec.com, text them to him, or give them to him and he can scan them for you). Please send your photos as soon as possible. Thanks!

"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 nonperishable

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).

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 & Margaret, Mary, Vicki, Tom, Grace, Matthew, Sid, Shelley, Karleen, Judy M & Misty, Al, Richard, Lisa B, Mike, Bishop Matt, Pete, Tony C., Dave.

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.

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 Trinity, Oshkosh; St Clare Mission District, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Church of South India (United). 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 appointment of Reverend Friar Fungayi Nyandoro as the Vicar General of Masvingo Diocese until a Diocesan Ordinary (Bishop) is elected.

We Pray for the Departed: Tom & Audrey, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul, Clarence & Liese, Deena, Shirley, David Johnson, Gary Drohman, Mitch, all who have died as a result of gun violence.

Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 6/4 Amma Diane Murray; 6/9 Jill Short; 6/15 Sally Hunner; 6/22 Sandra Olson; 6/28 Peggy Turnbull; 6/29 David Grams.

Anniversaries: 6/6 Murray & Nancy Sim; 6/11 Chuck Wernecke & Dianne Wilson; 6/16 Bob & Peggy Turnbull; 6/19 Karleen & Skip Cole; 6/29 Mike & Sharon Laughrin.

Ordination Anniversary: 5/23 Amma Diane

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).