



*An inviting safe community for all*

## **St James Weekly — May 24, 2020**

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any pastoral care or other needs.*

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

**All activities are from home.** Per our bishop's guidelines, NO in-person worship services, meetings, gatherings, or other activity are permitted at St James Episcopal Church until further notice. Even if you have a key, please do not enter the building without talking to Amma Diane first. Thank you.

### **Bible Study Sundays at 8:45AM**

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799  
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 580 876 932 #  
When prompted for Participant ID, press #  
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

### **Worship Sundays at 10AM**

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799  
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 342 570 232 #  
When prompted for Participant ID, press #  
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

*Everybody is invited to read/pray/sing at the appropriate times.  
We're keeping phones muted during Worship so everybody can hear.*

### **Fellowship Sundays at 11AM (suspended until further notice)**

We've suspended Fellowship by Zoom until a need arises. This is not a bad thing—we'll continue to adapt our schedule of ways to worship, share, learn, and stay connected based on the needs of our congregation. If this is something you'd like to participate in and see resume, please talk to Amma Diane.

### **Mid-Week Worship Wednesdays at 5:30PM**

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

### **Morning Prayer Fridays at 6:30AM**

To participate from any phone, dial 1-571-317-3122  
When prompted for Access Code, enter 780 162 197 #  
If prompted for Audio Pin, enter #

### **Note about all call-in activities**

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

### **Links to connect are in our emails**

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

### **St James Book Group Wed 5/27 at 7PM**

The St James Book Group will discuss "Founding Mothers" by Cokie Roberts on Wednesday, May 27 at 7PM. Use the info below to phone into the meeting. Give Anne Schuette a call (920) 242-2819 with any questions or if you have problems connecting on the evening of the meeting.

To participate from any phone, dial 1-786-535-3211  
When prompted for Access Code, enter 598 456 605 #  
If prompted for Audio Pin, enter #

### **Painting Pathways Clubhouse Fundraiser 6/4**

Mark your calendars for the Painting Pathways Clubhouse (PPC) annual Brat Fry/Plant Sale on Thursday, June 4 from 11AM to 6PM. This event will take place at the Manitowoc Yacht Club (815 Maritime Drive). There will be a large variety of perennials available by donation. Brats and burgers will be packaged to go, also by donation. Event volunteers will be taking necessary precautions to ensure customer safety, including wearing masks and gloves and implementing social distancing protocol. This is a major fund-raising event for our ministry partner, Painting Pathways Clubhouse (currently housed temporarily at St James).

### **Scrip upcoming order dates**

Scrip can still be purchased while we are apart by calling Tammy McVeigh to place your order and mailing a check to St James. Your scrip will be delivered to you when it comes.

June 14   July 12   August 9   September 13  
October 11   November 8   December 6

Scrip is a way for you to purchase store gift cards for your own use or to give as gifts. The card user gets full value for the amount and St James receives a percent (varies with retailer). The money St James receives goes into our Outreach Fund. Contact Amma Diane or Tammy if you need an order form.

### **Thanks for your support!**

We appreciate your continued financial support while we are being the church in this different way. Checks can still be mailed to the church, and are regularly counted and deposited. You can also set up payments through your bank (most offer this for free). We know that these are difficult times for some, and we understand if you are unable to support the church financially. Please contact Amma Diane if you need help connecting to assistance or resources.

**Our special offering for the month of May supports Painting Pathways Clubhouse—please label gifts accordingly.**

## Vestry Updates

Certainly church today is not the same as it was 10 weeks ago. In March we were gathered together in our lovely building, enjoying time together in worship, study, prayer, mission, and fellowship. Enjoying the hugs, handshakes, and other expressions of love for our sisters and brothers in Christ. We were in the middle of our Lenten journey, preparing for Holy Week and Easter season. There were many things we “were”.

Joyfully, the Body of Christ scattered is still the Body! As we prepare to celebrate the Church’s birthday—Pentecost—we continue to find new ways to gather, to spend time together, to care for one another, to serve others, and all those other things we enjoy as the St James community. We’ve adapted and learned new ways to be the Church.

There is much we’ve learned that we’ll carry forward—and there are things we can look back on and maybe decide to leave behind. We want nothing more than to see all of you in person and long for the day we can safely join together in worship, fellowship, and community. We have faith that God continues to hold us together, even in this extended time of physical absence.

Our Bishop and the Diocesan COVID Task Force are developing guidelines for how we will can come together again safely. Until then, we continue to learn, adapt, and love each other.

- ♦ Painting Pathways Clubhouse (PPC) is continuing to move into our lower level. We’re sharing our space with them during their building project through November.
- ♦ With last week’s heavy, extended rainfall we experienced a water leak through the ceiling in the inner office (currently shared by our Treasurer and Rector while PPC is with us). We’ve temporarily moved into the Church Library while we work with insurance and the restoration company who helped us with our recent carpet replacement to see what steps might need to be taken to prevent this from recurring.
- ♦ Our next regular Vestry meeting is tentatively scheduled for 6:30PM on Wednesday, June 3. A link will be posted in our 5/30 & 6/2 emails for those in the congregation who are interested in attending by Zoom.



## Prayers for the Week

**For Healing, Comfort & Strength:** Karen & Bob, Bonnie, Andrew, Emily, Brenden, Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Tom, Mary, Silas, Carol, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Terry, Debbie, Bonnie, Don & Beth, Faith, Scott, Susie, Marty & Nancy, Peggy, Joe Mike, Chip, Jim, Bill, Steven, Billy, Cherity, Len & Margaret, Hugh, Geri, Candace, Ray, Mike & Laura, Robin, Madeline, Audrey, Joan, Jane, Mollie, Clarence & Liese, Lori, Sharon, Toby and family with prayers for healing for Toby’s father Walter, Chris, Jim, Monica.

**For Guidance & Discernment:** Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Scott, Margaret, Frankie, Brian & Lisa, Tom, Johnathon, Ginny & Karen, Annie & Tom, Kim.

**For Those Serving in the Military:** Jordan, Kyle, Zach, Daniel, Ian, Logan, Keaton.

**Additional Prayers we offer include:** For Peace in our world... for the people of the Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Sudan and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Intercession, Stevens Point, St. Peter’s Mission District of our Companion Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the all members of the Anglican Communion around the world. 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 Teddy serving as a missionary in rural Russia. For the people around the world affected by the coronavirus pandemic.

**We offer thanks for:** Diane our Rector, Tammy and Chris, our Wardens, our Vestry and other ministry leaders, staff and every person in this congregation. Bishop Matthew Gunter and his wife Leslie and family. Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and his wife, Sharon. Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby. For our companion Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe and their Bishop The Right Reverend Godfrey and his wife Albertina.

**We Pray for the Departed:** Tom, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul.

**We Pray for those celebrating milestones in April:**

Anniversaries: 6—Margaret & Leonard Coombs, 9—Mary Jean & Todd Reckelberg, 20—Marian & Nick Doszkewycz.

Birthdays: 4—Mayra Short, 5—Audrey Bean, 7—Noah & Owen Short, 15—Shirley Ouradnik, 20—Doris Hansen, 23—Patrick Hanson, 26—Nicholas Reckelberg.

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

## Forward Day by Day

If you regularly pick up a Forward Day by Day devotional book at the church, please contact Amma Diane and she’ll arrange delivery to your home. Forward is also available online.

## Are you in need of a washable face mask?

There are people who will be happy to sew a washable face mask for you. Please contact Amma Diane or Mary Green if you would like one.