



ST JAMES
EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MANITOWOC

An inviting safe community for all

St James Weekly for the week starting December 18, 2022

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Recurring Schedule

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

Join us as we discuss the season of Advent. 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
12/18 Fourth Sunday of Advent
12/25 Christmas Day
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—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]

NEW! Mid-week Worship on break after 12/21

Wednesday 12/21 at 4:30PM will be 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.

Christmas Eve Worship 12/24 at 6:30PM; **Christmas Day Worship 12/25 at 10AM;** **Christmas Hymn Sing Worship 1/1 at 10AM**

Join us starting at 6:30PM on **Saturday 12/24** for a musical prelude celebrating Christ's birth. Anybody who'd like to sing or play a song is welcome to do so--talk to Worship Coordinator Tony Karl if you are interested or have questions. Worship begins at 7PM, with a Lessons & Carols format and festive music, ending with our Sanctuary softly glowing by candle light.

Gather for Amma Diane's last Sunday with St James, at 10AM on **Sunday 12/25**, as we celebrate Christmas one last time together.

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.

NEW! Donations for poinsettia display were made by:

- ◆ 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

Cards for Amma Diane

We encourage everybody to make their own expressions of thanks for Amma Diane's ministry with us at St James. We'll have a decorative box in the Sanctuary for those who would like to add cards for Amma Diane.

NEW! 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! 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@mjsjec.com or share them with Clerk Tony Karl.**

NEW! 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.

NEW! 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

Would you like to be a Reader, Acolyte, and/or Eucharistic Minister? Let us know

Would you like to be part of our rotation of Readers, Acolytes, and/or Eucharistic Ministers? We are always happy to add new people to this ministry. If this is something that interests you, please talk to Worship Coordinator Tony Karl for more info. Let us know by December 12 if you'd like to be added to the schedule.



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

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 Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Fond du Lac; Cathedral Church of St Michael & All Angels, Masvingo, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church in Korea. 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. 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: 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 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, and all who have died.

UPDATED! Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 12/2 Todd Reckelberg, 12/4 Chris Couris, 12/11 Wyatt Franz, 12/20 Nancy Sim, 12/25 Sharon Meany, 12/28 Mary Kaufmann, 12/31 Joy Kuesel

Anniversaries: 12/18 Jack & Ruby Gunderson

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

FREE CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY DINNER

Wednesday, December 21

Drive-Thru at 5:30PM (preparing 275 meals)

- * First-come/first served. Elves bring to-go meals to your car
- * Christmas music playing while you wait
- * Surprises for kids
- * Donations for Community Dinners are welcomed

Dine-In at 6:00PM (limited to 75 people)

- * Reservation required by 12/19: email info@mcmunited.com or leave a voicemail at 920.682.4688 with name, number of people, and phone number. Please only call/email once, unless you are cancelling (*no need to confirm your reservation*).
- * The Kielbasa Bros LIVE music
- * Surprises for kids
- * Donations for Community Dinners are welcomed

Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Corn, Salad, Rolls, & Pumpkin Pie

Community Dinners at First Presbyterian Church started in 2008 for the purpose of feeding body and soul. In 2023 we need \$26,000 to purchase food, pay overhead, and add a paid coordinator. This is a big challenge but we believe your generosity makes our dream possible.

Donations can be mailed to First Presbyterian (*memo: Community Dinners*) or make secure donations online at www.mcmunited.com



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