

St James Weekly — week of September 19, 2021

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COVID precaution: Masks and distancing are currently required for all present for all St James Episcopal Church indoor group activities. Thanks!

Weekly Schedule

Study/Discussion resumes October 3—Sundays at 8:30AM (Zoom)

On October 3 we'll begin a study of the 13 chapters of 2 Corinthians, which will take us through the end of the year. Use any bible translation(s) you like; no other book/guide needed. We read through and discuss one chapter each week, with the following questions in mind: 1) What stands out to you in the passage we are studying?; 2) What do you have a question about or want to know more about?; 3) What can you apply from the passage to your daily faith journey?; and 4) If you were to talk to a friend about this passage what would you talk about?

10/3 chapter 1; 10/10 chapter 2; 10/17 chapter 3

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]
By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/biblestudy

Worship—Sundays at 10AM (in-person/online)

Attend in-person at 10AM, or participate LIVE at 10AM or view at any time after on Facebook or YouTube:
go.mysjec.com/facebook or go.mysjec.com/youtube

9/19: Season of Creation wk 2

9/26: Season of Creation wk 3

10/3: Season of Creation wk 4—blessing of animals

10/10: Mental Health Awareness

10/17: Homelessness Awareness

Amma Diane & Father Jerry typically alternate preaching

Mid-Week Worship—Wednesdays at 4PM (Zoom)

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By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/wednesday

Morning Prayer—Fridays at 7:00AM (Zoom)

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NEW! Blessing of Animals 10/3

The blessing of animals is a tradition associated with Francis of Assisi, an Italian catholic friar who founded religious orders and is commonly known as the patron saint of animals and the environment. Francis is said to have referred to animals as his brothers and sisters. We will have several hybrid blessing options this year:

1. **During 10AM worship at the church on Sunday, October 3** we'll bless animals, whether they can be present or not. We ask that people bringing animal(s) are able to control the animal and clean up after the animal in the event of an accident. Live pets, photos of pets, and toy pets are welcome, and we can even bless your animal who remains at home if you mention them.

2. Amma Diane can **bless your animals at your home** if you are unable to make it to church. Please contact Amma Diane as soon as possible to make arrangements.

3. Watch our **October 3 worship service online**, which will include a blessing of pets.

Also, you can **send photos of your pets/animals** to Tony Karl to include in a special slide show in our video. Email them to info@mysjec.com, send them by text message, or he can scan photos for you. We'll also re-use photos from last year unless we hear otherwise from you. **Send photos by September 30.**

2021 Unity Walk Manitowoc on 9/26

All are welcome to come celebrate and support unity in our community Saturday, September 26 from 1PM-6PM. Join Lakeshore's United Visionaries, PFLAG Manitowoc County, local businesses, and other organizations as we walk together in unity! This is our 2nd annual Unity Walk. The walk starts at 1PM at the Briess Parking lot in downtown Manitowoc. The walk will proceed up 8th Street and turn right onto Washington St, arriving in Washington Park. Speakers will begin at 2:30PM in Washington Park. There will be food trucks, kids activities, and more at Washington Park! Feel free to join us at any point of the event between 1PM-6PM.

Volunteer at Hope House 10/24-10/30

The next scheduled week for St James to volunteer at Hope House (one of our area shelters) is October 24—30. Training is now available online, with an in-person tour of Hope House and a time spent shadowing a current volunteer to make sure this ministry is right for them. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or would like more information, please talk to Amma Diane.

**NEW! St James Book Group meets 9/22 at 7PM—
featuring book by member Peggy Turnbull**

This St James Book Group plans to meet in the St James Fellowship Hall and via Zoom on Wednesday, September 22 at 7PM. Those gathering in-person should wear masks and spread out. Please feel free to join the conversation even if you have not had a chance to read the book. If you have technical difficulties Amma Diane Murray 920-860-5152 will try to help you with these.

The book being read and discussed this month is ***The Joy of Their Holiness*** by Peggy Turnbull. The book group will honored to have Peggy in person for the discussion. Peggy and her husband, Robert, live in Manitowoc, WI and are members of St James Episcopal Church.



Peggy Turnbull's Amazon biography includes: I'm a former academic librarian who lives in the city of her birth, Manitowoc, Wisconsin. After four decades away, during which I lived in and fell in love with several geographies, my husband and I moved to live near four generations of my family. I love literature, Great Lakes, and wish I could live several lifetimes in order to learn all there is to know about the world, including geology, evolution, Spanish language and literature, and, especially, poetry."

Peggy's poems have been widely published in *Ariel Chart*, *Writers Resist*, *Verse-Virtual*, *Solitary Plover*, *The Wisconsin Poets Calendar*, *Your Daily Poem*, *Hummingbird*, and *Bramble*, and have appeared recently in *Poetry Super Highway*, *Ancient Paths Online*, and *Contemporary Haibun Online*. She won The Mill Prize for Poetry in 2019 and has been nominated for a Pushcart Prize.

The Joy of Their Holiness, was published by Kelsay Books (July 9, 2020) and is available in paperback.

Read more of her poetry at peggyturnbull.blogspot.com

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By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/bookgroup

Thanks for your support!

We appreciate your continued financial support while we are being the church in these different ways. Checks can be mailed to or dropped off at the church. You can also set up payments through your bank or donate online at mysjec.com/donate. Please contact Amma Diane if you need help connecting to assistance or resources. **Our special offering for the month of September goes to Painting Pathways Clubhouse—please label accordingly.**

NEW! Congregational Singing starts 10/3

We're going to re-introduce weekly music and singing starting October 3. Music/Worship Coordinator Tony Karl will lead our masked congregational singing as we ease back into regular singing. Masks will continue to be required during in-person worship in accordance with health guidelines.

NEW! Make a Joyful Noise!

Here are some of the ways you can be a part of the music ministry at St James Episcopal Church.

Special Music: Are you an instrumentalist or singer who'd like to share music? Voice, piano, guitar, organ, violin, banjo, trumpet, flute, bagpipes, accordion, or any other instrument... we invite you to share your gifts! You can offer a special piece for a one-time occasion, or music on an occasional or regular basis.

Choir: Do you like to sing? Our Choir's primary mission is to help lead music at 10AM Worship on Sundays. We also occasionally offer special music/anthems. We're a flexible, casual, welcoming group that enjoys sharing our love of God through music. The Choir will be regrouping in the near future and is seeking new members (we've shrunk in the past few years). Our schedule and format will be planned to fit participant schedules.

Accompanists: Do you play piano, organ, guitar, or another instrument and have an interest in accompanying music on an occasional or regular basis? We invite you to enhance our worship by accompanying one or more songs, or even a full service. Accompanists are welcome for a one-time occasion or to provide music on a more regular basis.

For more info: All are welcome to participate in the music ministry at St James Episcopal Church... there are opportunities for any skill level or experience. If you are interested in any of these opportunities or would like more information, please contact Music/Worship Coordinator Tony Karl.

Scrip upcoming order dates 10/10, 11/14, 12/12

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 we receives goes into our Outreach Fund. Contact Eleanor Agnew or Amma Diane if you need an order form or have any questions.

Would you like DVDs of our Worship services?

We will soon begin producing DVDs of our Sunday and Holy Day Worship services. If you would like to receive DVDs so that you can watch services that way, please leave a message for Amma Diane (920-860-5152) and we'll gladly add you to the list. If you need a DVD player, let Amma Diane know that, as well, and we can provide one of those for you.

UPDATED! Prayers for the Week

Healing, Comfort & Strength: Brenden, Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Carol, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Terry, Debbie, Bonnie, Don & Beth, Faith, Susie, Peggy, Joe Mike, Chip, Steven, Len & Margaret, Ray, Mollie, Liese, Walter, Mary, Vicki, Randy & Cindy, Charlie, Grace, Silas, Cathy, Don, Laurie, Chris & Nicole, Sharon and her family, Jenny, Jean, MaryJo, Judy Couris, Pat Karl, Sally, Ron B, Donna .

Guidance & Discernment: Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Frankie, Brian & Lisa, Ginny & Karen, Annie & Tom, Mary, Sara, Ethan, Scott .

Serving in the Military: Jordan, Daniel, Ian, Logan, Keaton, Ashlee, Adam.

Additional Prayers we offer include: For Peace in our world... for the people of Afghanistan, Haiti, Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Christ the King Holy Nativity, Sturgeon Bay and Jacksonport and for St Paul's Mission District, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda. For the Dioceses of Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, and Milwaukee. 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 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. For our continued safe return to in-person worship, other ministries and groups.

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. Father Jerry Molitor and his wife Linda. 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 their Bishop, The Rt Rev Godfrey and his wife Albertina.

We Pray for the Departed: Tom & Audrey, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul, Clarence, Deena, Bob Michels.

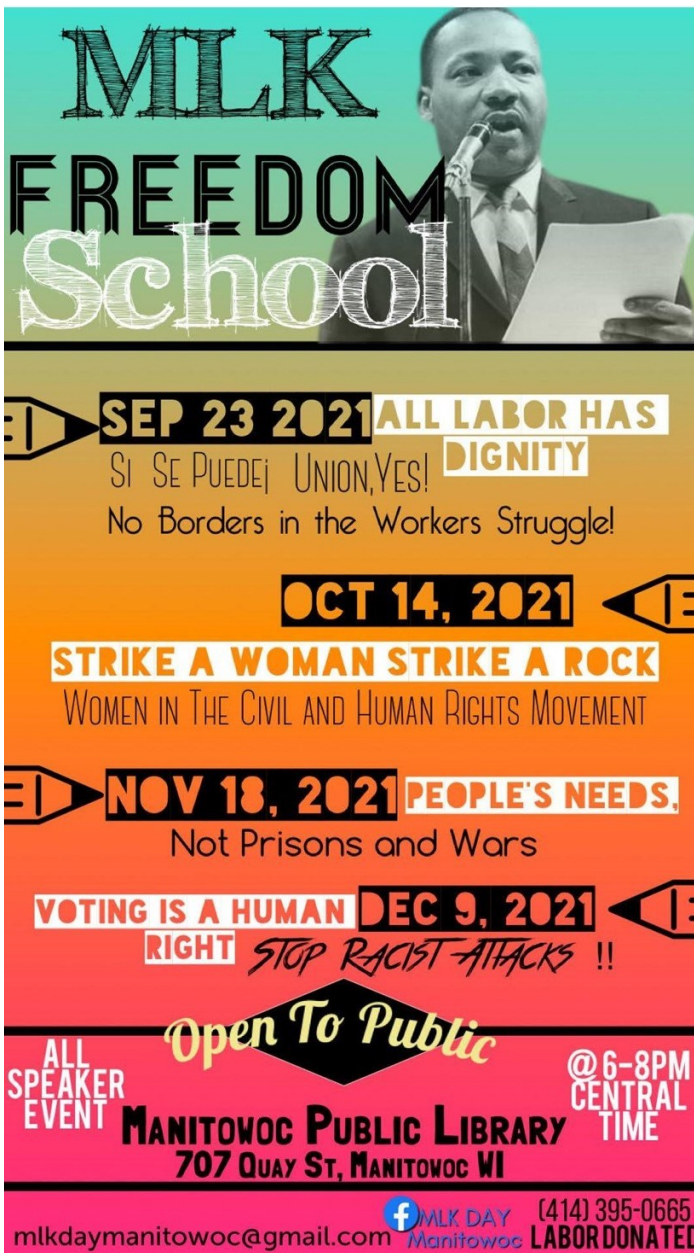
UPDATED! Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 9/1 Miguel Oropeza; 9/3 Sudi Johnson; 9/7 Hugh Foster; 9/7 Mel Ouradnik; 9/13 Cameron Essert; 9/15 Sean Essert; 9/26 Glenn Davidowich; 9/26 Mary Jean Reckelberg.

Anniversaries: 9/23 Jill & Mayra Short.

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).

A vertical poster for the MLK Freedom School Fall 2021. At the top, it says 'MLK FREEDOM School' in large, stylized letters, with a photo of Martin Luther King Jr. speaking into a microphone. Below this, the poster is divided into four horizontal sections, each representing a date and theme. The first section is for September 23, 2021, with the theme 'ALL LABOR HAS DIGNITY' and the text 'Si Se Puede! UNION, YES! No Borders in the Workers Struggle!'. The second section is for October 14, 2021, with the theme 'STRIKE A WOMAN STRIKE A ROCK' and the text 'WOMEN IN THE CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENT'. The third section is for November 18, 2021, with the theme 'PEOPLE'S NEEDS' and the text 'Not Prisons and Wars'. The fourth section is for December 9, 2021, with the theme 'VOTING IS A HUMAN RIGHT' and the text 'STOP RACIST ATTACKS !!'. At the bottom, it says 'Open To Public' in a large, stylized font, followed by 'ALL SPEAKER EVENT', 'MANITOWOC PUBLIC LIBRARY', '707 QUAY ST, MANITOWOC WI', and '@ 6-8PM CENTRAL TIME'. There is also a Facebook icon and the text 'MLK DAY ManitoWOC (414) 395-0665 LABORDONATED' and the email 'mlkdaymanitowoc@gmail.com'.

MLK Freedom School Fall 2021—4 panel events

The MLK Freedom School is in honor of Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr and Mrs Coretta Scott King and their civil and human rights legacy. Events will detail the central focuses of the Kings's lives and how their contributions inspire poor and working people today to build a better world. There'll be featured speakers from Wisconsin and across North America and opportunities to become engaged in today's civil and human rights activities. All events will have cultural components. **The events will be in-person and Zoom.** See the event page on Facebook for more information: <https://fb.me/e/2vDS4SWIn>