

St James Weekly for the week starting September 25, 2022

St James Episcopal Church

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anv pastoral care or other needs.

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

Recurring Schedule

Bible Study Sundays 8:30AM (in-person/Zoom)

Join this 12-week Bible study discussion of the book of Hebrews. 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 9/25 Pentecost 16: Season of Creation, week 3 10/2 Pentecost 17: St Francis/Blessing of Animals 10/9 Pentecost 18: Mental Health Awareness 10/16 Pentecost 19: Homelessness 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—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]

Blessing of Animals 10/2

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 blessing options this year:

- 1. During 10AM worship at the church on Sunday, October 2 we'll bless animals, whether they can be present or not. We ask that people bringing animals 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 2 worship service online live or at a later time, which will include a blessing of pets.

If you have any questions, please talk to Worship Coordinator Tony Karl.

NEW! Monthly congregational chat 10/2

The Vestry invites all to stay after worship on Sunday 10/2 for the second of our monthly congregational chats. We 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. Please join us for these chats! If you are unable to attend in person, send your thoughts to info@mysjec.com

Barb Cook performs at Rahr-West on 10/12

St James member Barb Cook occasionally shares her musical gifts at the Rahr West Art Museum (610 N 8th St)., filling the exhibition wings with the rich and soothing tones of the beautiful baby grand piano in the Ruth West Gallery. Barb's next performance time will be 10AM-Noon on Wednesday, October 12. This is free and open to the public. If you have any questions, talk to Barb.

NEW! Meals On Wheels

America's seniors are lonely. And, as a nation, we've allowed them to fall into the shadows. Families are living farther away, and neighbors are more strangers than ever before. We all have the power to help change that.

Meals On Wheels has been guided by a single goal since the first known U.S. delivery by a small group of Philadelphia citizens in 1954 – to support our senior neighbors to extend their independence and health as they age. What started as a compassionate idea has grown into one of the largest and most effective social movements in America, currently helping nearly 2.4 million seniors annually in virtually every community in the country.

Nearly 7.4 million seniors have incomes below the poverty line. Half of seniors living alone lack the financial resources to pay for basic needs. That's an income of \$240 a week or less, which, after housing, utility, and medical expenses, leaves very little for food.

St James Episcopal Church has been involved with Meals On Wheels for a long time and we are joined by others in the community. About every 5 weeks we go to the Senior Center at about 10:30 and pick up both hot and cold foods, already prepacked, plus milk. We go to Park View Haven next to Piggly Wiggly, Valley View Apartments, Manitou Manor Apartments, and River Hill Apartments, all north of Reed Ave.

We deliver the nutritious meals, friendly visits and safety checks that enable Manitowoc's seniors to live nourished lives with independence and dignity. If you are interested in helping with Meals On Wheels, or trying it out, please talk to Eleanor Agnew or Amma Dianne

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

Would you like to be part of our rotation of Readers 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 or Amma Diane for more info. The next schedule will come out at the beginning of October, so please let us know by the end of September if you'd like to be added.

"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).



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., Lisa B., Anne, Mayra, Karen K., Richard, Brad & Lizzie, Linda, Xavier

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 St. John the Baptist, Wausau and St Michael's Mission Makonese Shurugwi, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Burundi. 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.

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

Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 9/7 Mel Ouradnik; 9/7 Hugh Foster; 9/10 Julianna Handl; 9/26 Glenn Davidowich; 9/26 Mary Jean Receklberg

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)