



ST JAMES

EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MANITOWOC

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St James Weekly **for the week starting April 10, 2022**

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**COVID update: as of 3/2/22, masks are optional for
all church activities, including worship. Distancing
is still a safer practice. Thanks!**

Recurring Schedule

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

We're discussing the book Looking for God in the Messy Places: A Book About Hope 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 #
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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

4/10: Palm Sunday (*full Holy Week schedule on right*)

4/17: Easter Sunday

4/24: Easter 2 — Creation Care Sunday

Fellowship—Sundays at 11:15AM (in-person)

Join us for a weekly time of conversation after worship in our lower level Fellowship Hall. We'll be resuming refreshments/snacks during Fellowship on Sunday 4/17.

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

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

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Holy Week & Easter schedule

PALM SUNDAY 4/10— 10AM Worship begins with the blessing of palms and a procession and continues with the Passion reading.

MAUNDY THURSDAY 4/14— 6:30PM Worship commemorates Jesus's last gathering with his friends.

GOOD FRIDAY 4/15— 12:15PM Community Worship, with St James hosting our ecumenical siblings.

HOLY SATURDAY 4/16— Starting at 8PM we celebrate a highlight of the church year, the Great Vigil of Easter. Worship begins with kindling new fire and lighting of candles throughout the sanctuary. Afterwards we gather for a joyful reception in the Fellowship Hall.

Maundy Thursday overnight vigil

We encourage those who are interested to spend an hour (or more) in prayer and reflection in the time between our services on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Some find this tradition a special way to remember the time Jesus spent praying in the Garden before his arrest and crucifixion. We invite you to take part in this vigil from home or wherever you may be.

Easter party 4/16 following the Great Vigil

Please join us for a special celebration in the Fellowship Hall following the Great Vigil of Easter on Saturday 4/16. If you are able, bring savory finger foods/appetizers or sweet treats to share. Water and tea will be available—you may also bring soda, juice, wine, or other beverages for yourself and/or to share. Items may be left in the Fellowship Hall or kitchen prior to Worship. (Please join us even if you can't bring anything for the pot luck.) Eleanor Agnew and Chris Dee Eggert-Rosenthal will be coordinating set-up and decoration—talk to either of them if you have any questions or would like to help.

Sunday Fellowship time update

On Easter Sunday 4/17 we will resume snacks and refreshments during Fellowship Time after Worship every Sunday. Coffee, tea, and water will be provided. As we transition back to this, we invite anybody who is interested to bring snacks/treats to share any week. Over the Summer, we'll determine if we want to adapt this as we move into the Fall.

Easter flowers donations

Help make our Sanctuary extra special during the Easter season. You may donate toward our Easter flowers in honor/memory of your loved ones and cherished moments. Donations may be put in the offering plate, sent to the church, or made online—include a note including any “in honor of”, “in memory of”, or “in celebration of” intentions. Please make donations and intentions by April 10.

Summer Camp opportunities

Registration is open for the Diocese of Fond du Lac's Summer Camp taking place at Waypost Camp. Our diocesan camp welcomes persons of all ages and faiths to learn more about God, community, and themselves while having lots of fun! Those who are age 4 through 12th graders and some adults with younger children attend as campers. Those who are adults as well as older youth may serve on the volunteer staff.

Senior Camp (those completing grades 9-12) is June 12-18 and costs \$475. Middler & Junior Camp (those completing grades 6-8 or grades 2-5) is June 19-24 and costs \$395. KinderCamp (ages 4-7 with an adult) is June 24-26 and costs \$155. Financial assistance is available—talk to Amma Diane if you're interested.

Waypost Camp is located on Mission Lake near Hatley, Wisconsin (about 15 minutes east of Mosinee). It offers cozy cabins, chapel, arts & crafts building, showers, bathrooms, hiking trails, gardens, open fields, low-ropes course, and modern meal facilities. The diocesan camp focus is on faith development through activities including arts & crafts, campfires, swimming, gardening & composting, field games, bread baking, boating, singing, games, storytelling, nature hikes, archery and low-ropes initiative activities. Pandemic protocols will follow CDC guidelines and Waypost Camp policy. To register:

diofdl.org/camp

Vestry Notes

The new 2022 Vestry held our regular monthly meeting via Zoom on Tuesday 3/22. Meeting highlights:

- At our 3/6 Annual Meeting we elected Convention Delegates Mary Green, Mike Laughrin, & Sharon Laughrin as Convention Delegates and Chris Dee Eggert-Rosenthal, Eleanor Agnew, & Ron Hansen as Convention Alternates. We recently learned we are only allotted 2 Delegates for 2022—the number is based on our 2020 average Sunday attendance. Mary Green offered to switch to Alternate (we can have more than the number of Delegates).
- Made plans for resuming food/refreshments for church activities, including the party after the Great Vigil and Sunday Fellowship time (*see separate announcements in St James Weekly*).
- Scheduled Vestry Spring Retreat day.
- Plaster repair work is continuing in the Chapel and will be finished as soon as possible. Winter temperatures weather have caused frequent delays.

Our next regular meeting will be 5PM on Tuesday 4/26.

Save the Date: Eucharistic Festival 5/13-14

The Diocese of Fond du Lac's 2022 Eucharistic Festival will be held Friday, May 13 and Saturday, May 14.

Friday offers Evensong at the Cathedral of St Paul, Fond du Lac, and a banquet, with speaker, at the Hotel Retlaw in downtown Fond du Lac. Overnight accommodations are available at the Retlaw for those desiring to stay overnight.

Saturday includes the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at the Cathedral at 11AM, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, the Bishop's Picnic, and Cathedral tours.

All are invited to attend any or all of the Festival activities. A link for reservations for the Friday Banquet will be available in February.

The Homilist and Banquet Speaker will be Dr Elizabeth (Liza) Anderson, a Resident Scholar at the Collegeville Institute, Collegeville, MN. A graduate of Swarthmore College with a Bachelor of Arts in religion and peace studies, she earned a master's degree from Trinity



College Dublin in ecumenical studies, graduated from Harvard Divinity School, and completed her PhD in religious studies at Yale University. Liza's research focuses primarily on the languages, literatures and histories of Middle Eastern Christianity and on Muslim-Christian dialogue. She has taught at seminaries in the United States, Ukraine, and

Iraq, and has also studied Arabic and Islamic theology in Yemen, Morocco and Egypt. She has served the Episcopal Church in a variety of roles, including the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music, the General Board of Examining Chaplains, the Liberian Covenant Committee, and on the churchwide Executive Council. She is the Vice President of the North American Academy of Ecumenists and has been an active member of Religions for Peace USA, the North American Interfaith Network, and Christian Churches Together in the USA.

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 April goes to the Rector's Discretionary Fund—please label accordingly.**

Monthly fellowship gathering 9AM on Sat 4/9

Our next monthly fellowship gathering will take place at 9AM on Saturday, April 9. We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall at St James (bring your own food/snacks, if you like). A Zoom option is available for those who can't be present in-person. All are welcome!

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799

When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 822 4207 3112#

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

Book Group meets 4/27 at 7PM (Zoom)

The St James Book Group is meeting via Zoom until further notice. Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 27 at 7PM. We're reading and discussing the book *A Long Petal of the Sea* by Isabel Allende. Our book for 5/25 will be *While Justice Sleeps* by Stacey Abrams. Books are available for pick up at the main desk of the library (tell them you are a member of the St James Book Group) or from another source of your choosing. You do not have to have read the book to join in our discussions, so join us when you are able. Please feel free to invite others to participate. If you have questions or technical issues contact Amma Diane.

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Helping the people of Ukraine

As we pray for an end to violence and for those fleeing Ukraine, please also pray for Episcopal Relief & Development (ERD) and other ecumenical agencies working to respond with humanitarian assistance to people fleeing the violence in Ukraine. **If you'd like to donate to ERD for this cause, please make your check payable to the church and indicate "ERD-Ukraine" in the memo, or label your cash gift accordingly.**

Thanks to all who supported the item collections coordinated by the Wisconsin Ukrainians and the Ukrainian Cultural School of Green Bay.

Celebration of New Ministry—Waupun

A Celebration of New Ministry will be held at 6:30PM on Wednesday, April 27 at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Waupun. Fr Jerry Molitor, who spent a year working with St James prior to ordination, has been serving as Vicar at Holy Trinity since he was ordained. All are invited!

Help support Painting Pathways Clubhouse

St James pledged to contribute \$3,000 from 9/2019-9/2022 to Painting Pathways Clubhouse (a local mental health nonprofit) for their capital campaign toward their new building. While we started strong, our contributions toward this have been behind due to COVID interrupting. We have so far raised a total of \$1,350—thanks for your generosity! We're looking to raise the remaining \$1,650 in the next few months, if you're able to give. Anything we don't raise, we will pay using our Outreach Fund.



Prayers for the Week

Healing/Comfort/Strength: Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Debbie, Silas, Laurie, Geno, Mitch, Bonnie, Bonnie & Charlie, Marcia & John, Chip & Janice, Steven, Len & Margaret, Mary, Vicki, Tom, Grace, Matthew, for the family of Nelson, Sid, Shelley, Jim & Stacey, Karleen, Steven, Barb.

Guidance & Discernment: Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Susie, Brian & Lisa, Frankie, Deb & Jim, Joy's grandson, Donna.

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 St. Ambrose, Antigo; Mufudzi Wakanaka Mission District, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Church in Nigeria. For the Dioceses of Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, and Milwaukee and the dialogue 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 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.

We Pray for the Departed: Tom & Audrey, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul, Clarence & Liese, Shirley, Nelson, Bethany, Shawn.

Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 4/5 Jim Gordon; 4/6 Shelley Richardson; 4/16 Michael Reckelberg; 4/22 Donna Franz; 4/23 Eleanor Agnew; 4/29 Joan Estes

Anniversaries: None we know of

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).