

St James Weekly — May 31, 2020

St James Episcopal Church

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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.

Watch for mail from Vestry the week of 6/1

The Vestry will be mailing a letter to all households in our congregation the week of June 1. This letter will contain information about the phases to re-open churches in our diocese, and what that means/may look like for St James. Please note that we will give ample notice prior to re-opening our building for any in-person church activities of any size. Watch for the letter for more details.

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 June supports our Rector's Discretionary Fund to help those in need—please label gifts accordingly.

Vestry Meeting Wed 6/3 at 6:30PM

The Vestry will hold a regular business meeting using **Zoom video conferencing** on Wednesday, June 3 starting at 6:30PM. Guests from the congregation are welcome to attend. **The Vestry asks that all participants (including guests) have their video cameras active throughout the meeting.**

You can use this link to register for this meeting (you'll automatically receive a personal link for the meeting):

zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0rf-GhrDouHtPicm2Jr9TCmhfeR8nCUIKD

We'll have a somewhat focused Agenda, with topics including: Opening prayer

- ♦ Faithful Innovations Bible study
- ♦ Update on leak/water damage from rain
- Painting Pathways Clubhouse relocation to St James update on progress
- Stewardship—how we'll adapt stewardship for our congregation for the remainder of this year
- Continuing pandemic response (feedback, opportunities, things we've learned, etc)
- ♦ Approving April minutes & financial reports.
- We've temporarily suspended a few projects we were working on as we've focused on adapting to the pandemic.
- ♦ Closing prayer

If you have any questions, please contact Amma Diane.

Your St James Episcopal Church Vestry is having weekly executive session meetings in response to the pandemic, to check in with each other as leadership of the congregation and to respond as quickly as possible to changes due to COVID-19 that could affect St James and our congregation. The next regular public meeting date is to be determined.

If you have any questions, ideas, or concerns, please talk to anybody on the Vestry: Amma Diane (Rector), Tammy McVeigh (Senior Warden), Chris Eggert-Rosenthal (Junior Warden), Nick Doszkewycz (member), Mary Green (member), Richard Hall (member), Tony Karl (Clerk), Kim Kaufmann (member), Peggy Turnbull (member/ Treasurer).

Endowment Trustees: Eleanor Agnew, Mark Hunner, & Mike Laughrin. **Delegates to the 2020 Diocesan Convention:** Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Michael Laughrin, & Sharon Laughrin. **Alternates:** 1st Mary Green, 2nd Richard Hall, & 3rd Sherry Paszkiewicz.

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.

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 St James, Mosinee and Diocesan Summer Camp. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia. 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, Murray Sim's mother

We Pray for those celebrating milestones in June: *Anniversaries*: 6—Nancy & Murray Sim; 8—Shirley & Mel Ouradnik; 11—Dianne Wilson & Chuck Wernecke; 13—Anne Schuette & Dan Hornung; 16—Peggy & Bob Turnbull; 19—Karleen & Skip Cole; 29—Sharon & Mike Laughrin.. *Birthdays:* 4—Amma Diane Murray; 9—Jill Short; 15—Sally Hunner; 22—Sandy Olson; 28—Peggy Turnbull; 29—David Grams.

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

A special prayer in time of pandemic

As we join with others around the world in steps to slow the spread of this pandemic may we all join in "A Prayer for Facing Uncertainty" from the New Zealand Prayer Book:

"God of the present moment, God who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart; bring hope and courage to us as we await in uncertainty. Bring hope that you will make us the equal of whatever lies ahead. Bring us courage to endure what cannot be avoided, for your will is health and wholeness; you are God, and we need you. AMEN."