

St James Weekly — August 23, 2020

St James Episcopal Church

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Crafting Opportunity

Shady Lane is looking for "Twiddle Sleeves" for their dementia patients. These are colorful knitted sleeves decorated with buttons, beads, yarn etc. which a patient can twiddle. They create stimulation along with protection. You can find information on Shady Lane's Facebook page. A link to pattern:

dementiaehub.files.wordpress.com/2018/12/twiddle-sleeve-guidelines.pdf

You can also Google twiddle sleeves for other ideas. If anyone would like a printed copy of the linked material, I can mail a copy, just call me at 684-6260. Thank you. Mary Jean Reckelberg

St James Book Group 8/26 at 7PM

The St James Book Group will discuss "Untamed" by Will Harlan on Wednesday, August 26 at 7PM. The subtitle for this book tells what it's about: "the wildest woman in America and the fight for Cumberland Island." Thanks to the Manitowoc Public Library we have copies available for anyone who wants to read this book and talk about it. Use the info below to participate. Please call Anne Schuette (920-242-2819) to obtain a copy of the book, if you have any questions, or if you have problems connecting on the evening of the meeting.

To participate from any phone, dial 1-224-501-3415 When prompted for Access Code, enter 922 381 637 # If prompted for Audio Pin, enter # Join by computer or other device: <u>go.mysjec.com/bookgroup</u>

Diocesan Eucharistic Festival 8/29 at 11AM

The Diocese of Fond du Lac's annual Eucharistic Festival will be held virtually on Saturday 8/29 at 11AM (and viewable at any time after that). The service will include Celebration of the Holy Eucharist and the Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Following the service all are invited to join the virtual Bishop's Picnic. For more info visit: <u>diofdl.org/ef</u>

Becoming Beloved Community conversation 9/13 at 11AM

Thank you to everybody who has participated in this worship series designed to help us grow as a community of reconcilers, justice-makers, and healers who share a passion for the dream of God. Join us for a conversation at 11AM on Sunday 9/13 to share your thoughts on this series and where you feel God may be leading us in response. The conversation will be facilitated by Pat Hanson. You can skim through the services on Facebook or YouTube if you missed any or want to review.

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799 When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 865 7336 7198 # When prompted for Participant ID, press # When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

An inviting safe community for all

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] Join by computer or other device: <u>go.mysjec.com/biblestudy</u>

Worship Sundays at 10AM

Participate LIVE or at any time after on Facebook or YouTube: go.mysjec.com/facebook or go.mysjec.com/youtube

Mid-Week Worship Wednesdays at 4:00PM

TIME CHANGE: Wednesdays have returned to 4PM

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] Join by computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/wednesday

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 #

Join by computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/friday

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.

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 August supports the Rector's discretionary fund, supporting those in need in our community—please label gifts accordingly.

Join by computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/beloved

Watch for mail from Vestry

The Vestry mailed a letter to all households this past week with news and important updates about several topics, including our building. *Note: Mail has been taking longer than usual.*

Vestry Notes—updated 8/21

- Your St James Episcopal Church Vestry continues to have 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 Vestry meeting will be 6:30PM on Tuesday 9/22. Information to connect to the meeting and the agenda will be included in St James Weekly prior to the meeting.
- Manitowoc County Covid-19 total positive cases was at 443 as of August 21, up from 388 on August 14. Current active cases increased to 223. The lowest number of positives have been in those 76-85 and 85+; the highest have been 25-35 and 56-65. Wisconsin cases continues to increase significantly. The Manitowoc County Health Department recommends limiting non-essential travel, including within the state. We can all do our part to continue to help limit the spread. Limiting interaction outside your household is still the safest option. When interacting in public settings, maintain physical distance and wear masks. If you have symptoms, get tested.
- We recently home-delivered reusable bags and other items featuring our St James logo in celebration of the Feast of James. If you would like more of any of these items for yourself or to give away, please contact Amma Diane or Chris Eggert-Rosenthal.
- Our Diocesan Faithful Innovations program will be finding new ways to move forward after a break due to the pandemic. Our Vestry team will begin a second phase in the near future, and share more info at that time.

KAN Cool for School

Thanks to everybody who donated or helped in any way with this year's KAN Cool for School on August 15.

Celebrate Mary Burckle's retirement 8/27

Mary Burckle is retiring from her career at the Manitowoc-Two Rivers YMCA. She and fellow retiree Carolyn Jensen will be socially distanced on stage near the Y entrance (205 Maritime Dr, Manitowoc) on Thursday 8/27. Drive-through anytime between 12PM-1PM to wish them farewell and good luck!

Margaret Coombs update

Longtime member Margaret Coombs entered palliative care at Laurel Grove as of Thursday, August 20. She and her husband Len have a new address: 1239 S 24th St, Apr 373, Manitowoc, WI 54220. We offer our prayers for Margaret, Len, their daughter and son-in-law Peggy and Bob Turnbull, and the rest of their loved ones.

When Volunteering in Our Community

One way we "Share God's Love through Action" is by volunteering our time to support local non-profit organizations. When volunteering as a representative of St James, face masks must be worn, physical distancing must be maintained, and additional directions from the volunteer organization should be followed. If you are in one or more high risk categories, we urge you to take extra care for your health when volunteering or in any enclosed environment with people you don't live with. If you have questions, please contact Amma Diane at 920-860-5152.

Prayers for the Week

Healing, Comfort & Strength: Karen & Bob, Bonnie, Andrew, Emily, Brenden, Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Tom, Mary, Silas, Carol, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Terry, Debbie, Bonnie, Don & Beth, Faith, Susie, Marty & Nancy, Peggy, Joe Mike, Chip, Jim, Bill, Steven, Billy, Cherity, Len & Margaret, Hugh, Geri, Candace, Ray, Audrey, Joan, Jane, Mollie, Clarence & Liese, Lori, Sharon, Toby and family with prayers for healing for Toby's father Walter, Chris, Jim, Mary Jean, Jim, Tim, Becky, Kevin, Geno, Jim, Terri's son and his family, Jim and his co-workers, Peter, Stephen, Mary, Bronson and family Bart, Jen & Torin.

Guidance & Discernment: Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Scott, Margaret, Frankie, Brian & Lisa, Tom, Johnathon, Ginny & Karen, Annie & Tom, Kim, Lishane, Mary, Kevin, Cherity, for all who must discern the right path for a new school year.

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

Additional Prayers we offer include: For Peace in our world... for the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, Lebanon and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Matthias, Minocqua, Ngundu Church District, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Church of the Province of Southeast Asia. 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 weather related damage, injury and deaths.

We offer thanks for: Diane our Rector, Tammy and Chris, our Wardens, our Vestry & other ministry leaders, staff and every person in this congregation. Bishop Matthew Gunter & 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 & Bishop The Right Reverend Godfrey & his wife Albertina. The publishing of Peggy Turnbull's book of poetry "The Joy of Their Holiness".

We Pray for the Departed: Tom, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul, Scott.

We Pray for those celebrating milestones:

Anniversaries: 8/24 Sally & Mark Hunner. *Birthdays:* 8/12 Karleen Cole; 8/25 Mary Burckle; 8/27 Cherity Laws

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