



An inviting safe community for all

St James Weekly — May 3 to May 10, 2020

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Our building may be closed, but we are still active!

All activities are from home. Due to pandemic 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

We are continuing to study our way through the Gospel of John using NT Wright's book as our guide. If you need a copy of the book, please contact Amma Diane. We start at 8:45AM and end by 9:45AM (allowing a break before 10AM Worship).

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

Bulletins are mailed to those receiving St James Weekly by mail. Let Amma Diane know if you'd like to receive these.

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 #
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Everybody is invited to read/pray/sing at the appropriate times during Sunday Worship. We're keeping all phones muted throughout Worship so everybody can hear.

Fellowship Sundays at 11AM

We invite you to join us for Fellowship after Sunday Worship each week. We'll start at 11:00AM and end at 11:30AM. Feel free to drop in for some or all of this special time with our sisters and brothers in Christ.

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 554 946 801 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

Morning Prayer Fridays at 6:30AM

Join us for weekly Morning Prayer services 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.

Men's Group Meeting—Sat 5/9 at 8AM

All are welcome to join the monthly Men's Breakfast Group, meeting remotely for fellowship at 8AM on Saturday, May 9. Feel free to bring your breakfast along!

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 723 426 123 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

Women's Group "Birds of the Air"—Sat 5/9 at 9AM

All are welcome to join the monthly Women's Breakfast Group for a virtual bird walk on Saturday, May 9 at 9AM. During the meeting Anne Schuette will describe some birding opportunities in the Manitowoc area and show a few photos of common birds. Additionally, please share your own photos of birds taken during the week of May 2 - 8 and we'll work on identifying the birds together. Email photos to Anne (schuette57@hotmail.com) by Friday evening, May 8 for use during the Saturday morning program. Call Anne (242-2819) with any questions. We'll also make time to catch up with each other and decide on plans for summer meetings.

To participate from any phone, dial 1-571-317-3122
When prompted for Access Code, enter 799 097 213 #
If prompted for Audio Pin, enter #

Thanks for your support!

Several people have asked ways they can continue to financially support St James when we are not gathering in person. You can still mail checks to St James Episcopal Church, 434 N 8th St, Manitowoc, WI 54220. Contributions are being regularly counted and deposited. You can also set up one-time or recurring payments through your bank (most offer this for free). Look for "bill pay" or similar options online or call your bank. 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.

Scrip may still be ordered—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.

May 10 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.

Vestry Updates

- ◆ Replacement of damaged carpet on the lower level is almost complete. Insurance covered the Fellowship Hall and hallway. The Vestry (with endorsement of the Trustees) has authorized using \$6500 of our endowment fund to cover replacing the library and office carpets.
- ◆ We are moving forward with the plan to temporarily host Painting Pathways Clubhouse on our lower level during their construction project. Expected date to begin moving in is May 18, and may last until November 30. They will typically be in the building Monday through Friday 8AM-4PM (Thursdays until 5:30PM), the 3rd Saturday of the month, and 10AM-2PM on holidays. This is one way our congregation is helping support this ministry partner in our community.
- ◆ We'll continue to adapt what we do and how we do it based on direction from Bishop Matt as well as our government and medical officials.

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.

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."

Building Needs

Per our Bishop's direction, please do not enter the building unless you've talked to Amma Diane. During the coronavirus shutdown If you are aware of anything inside or outside our building that needs attention or maintenance, please call Amma Diane Mon-Fri 6AM-3PM at 920-894-5245 or other times 920-860-5152. If there is an emergency, please call 911.

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, Chris, Kris, the Rasmussen family.

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 Paul, Plymouth and St John's Mission District, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Anglican Communion in Japan. 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.

We Pray for those celebrating milestones in April:

Anniversaries: 6—Margaret & Leonard Coombs, 9—Mary Jean & Todd Reckelberg, 20—Marian & Nick Doszkewycz.

Birthdays: 4—Mayra Short, 5—Audrey Bean, 7—Noah & Owen Short, 15—Shirley Ouradnik, 20—Doris Hansen, 26—Nicholas Reckelberg.

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

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.