



ST JAMES
EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MANITOWOC

An inviting safe community for all

St James Weekly

for the week starting August 14, 2022

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

Recurring Schedule

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

We're discussing *Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path for Healing Ourselves and Our World* by Nobel laureate Archbishop Desmond Tutu & his daughter, Anglican priest Mpho A Tutu. This book helps answer "How do I forgive?" The Tutus lay out the simple but profound truths about the significance of forgiveness, how it works, why everyone needs to know how to grant it and receive it, and why granting forgiveness is the greatest gift we can give to ourselves when we have been wronged. They explain the four-step process of forgiveness as well as offer meditations, exercises, and prayers.

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
8/14 Pentecost 10: Becoming Beloved Community series
8/21 Pentecost 11: Becoming Beloved Community series
8/28 Pentecost 12: A New School Year

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 #
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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 #
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UPDATED! Book Group 8/24 at 7PM (in-person/Zoom)

Starting this month, the St James Book Group is meeting in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom. Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 8/24 at 7PM. We're reading and discussing the book *The Island of Doves* by Kelly O'Connor McNees. Chris suggested this book after meeting the author during a virtual meeting in Chicago. A story takes place on Mackinac Island. We hope to see you either on Zoom or in person.

Our book for 9/28 will be *The Stranger in the Lifeboat* by Mitch Albom. 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 Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Joan Estes, or Amma Diane.

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/bookgroup
To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799

When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 873 5481 2492 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

NEW! Monthly congregational chats starting 9/4

The Vestry invites all to stay after worship on Sunday 9/4 for the first of our monthly congregational chats. We will 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. Two topics planned for 9/4:

- 1) We're planning movie viewings at the church, and we'd like your input on days/times to offer these.
- 2) We'd like your input on topics you are interested in learning more about, as well as days/times/ frequency you are interested in, and formats (book, video, bible study, discussion, etc) you prefer. This will help us determine if our current offerings are meeting needs or what else we can provide.

Please join us for these chats!

NEW! Vestry Notes

- St James has been an ecumenical partner of the Manitowoc Warming Shelter since its early planning stages.. This new community ministry is being developed for launch this coming Winter and will initially be housed at First Presbyterian Church. The MWS will now be seeking approval from teh City of Manitowoc Plan Commission and Common Council to move forward. The Vestry submitted a letter of support for thie important program. Volunteers will also be needed—visit manitowocwarmingshelter.org for more information.
- Beginning a new monthly congregational chat about various topics (*see separate announcement*).
- After a long year of plaster repair at St James, final touches will be completed in the Chapel, including re-installation of heating, and carpet replacement.
- To avoid volunteer burnout, we are slowing down the pace/start of some our desired projects. We are grateful for the time, skills, and gifts shared!
- As of 6/30/2022, our year-to-date income is \$58,154 on a YTD budget of \$57,144. Our YTD expenses are \$60,478 on a YTD budget of \$63,295. This results in a YTD deficit of \$2,324. Thank you for your continued support of our mission and ministry! Complete financial reports are posted outside the office.

Celebrating Our Mission, Service, & Ministries

Help us grow the St James Tree of Life! One of our sub-goals is to *“Regularly celebrate the mission, service, and ministries of individuals, inviting them to share these experiences to educate and encourage others”*.

We invite you to sign up for a date to share briefly (1-3 minutes) about any mission, service, or ministry you are involved in through St James, another organization, or in your own way. You can share what you do, why you became involved, and anything else you'd like to add. If you're involved in more than one mission, service, or ministry, we invite you to sign up to share on more than one date. It's okay if more than one person shares about the same thing on different dates. Thanks!

If you have any questions, please talk to Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Tony Karl, or Amma Diane.

“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).



UPDATED! 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, Judy M & Misty, Mike, Pete, Tony C., Dave, Nancy T, Brian M, Sharon, Connie & Harley, Mary Ann, Gregg, Ken

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 those discerning a call to ordained ministry or mission work. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Extra-Provincial Churches. 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 appointment of Reverend Friar Fungai Nyandoro as the Vicar General of Masvingo Diocese until a Diocesan Ordinary (Bishop) is elected. The birth of Cedric Gerard on July 30.

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

Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 8/12 Karleen Cole; 8/25 Mary Burckle.

Anniversaries: 8/12 Fred & Eleanor Hass ; 8/24 Mark & Sally Hunner.

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).