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St James Weekly — October 11, 2020

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any pastoral care or other needs.

Bible Study schedule update

We've concluded our study of John. Upcoming topics:

10/11: Short video and discussion—The Way of Love Overview: Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go, Rest. then discuss how these themes relate to our own lives.

10/18: Video/discussion—Way of Love Episode 6: Go

10/25: Video/discussion—Way of Love Episode 7: Learn

11/1: All Saints Day—Everyone bring a short introduction to share of a saint or person who you feel exemplifies living a life in the way of Jesus.

11/8: Video/discussion—We'll meet the nuns of Blue Stone Farm and see how they live in the rhythm of life on a small farm and how we might incorporate some of their thinking into our own lives

11/15—12/20: Bible Study on the Book of Galatians (1 chapter each week).

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] By compute or other device: go.mysjec.com/biblestudy

Worship—Sundays at 10AM

Participate in Sunday Worship LIVE or view at any time after on Facebook or YouTube:

go.mysjec.com/facebook or go.mysjec.com/youtube

> **Upcoming Sunday themes:** 10/11: Mental Health Awareness 10/18: Homelessness Awareness 10/25: For Our Nation 11/1: All Saints

Mid-Week Worship—Wednesdays at 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] 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 # By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/friday

St James Becoming Beloved Community conversation continues 10/18 at 11AM

Eleven people joined in conversation on 9/13 to share their thoughts on our 7-week Becoming Beloved Community series and where God may be leading us in response. Participants want to continue the conversation and invite others to join at 11AM on Sunday 10/18. This series is designed to help us grow as a community of reconcilers, justice-makers, and healers who share a passion for the dream of God. Services are 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] By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/beloved

St James Book Group 10/28 at 7PM

The St James Book Group is reading "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett in October. The novel covers five decades of life centered around a large house in the Philadelphia suburbs. All are welcome to join us for a virtual book discussion on Wednesday, October 28 at 7PM. Copies of the book, provided by the Manitowoc Public Library interlibrary loan service, are available. 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 1-312-757-3121 When prompted for Access Code, enter 868 097 381 # If prompted for Audio Pin, enter #

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

Learn & Discuss: Labyrinths - 11/8 at 11AM

Earlier in the year we introduced the idea of creating some form of labyrinth at St James. Different than a maze, labyrinths have been used by Christians for centuries as a spiritual tool. Join us at 11AM on Sunday. November 8 for an opportunity to learn more about labyrinths and then discuss and share ideas we might use to implement a labyrinth at St James.

Signing up in advance is not required, but if you let Amma Diane know that you are interested, she will provide you with materials in advance (especially helpful if you'll be phoning in). Call or email her to let her know.

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799 When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 862 9032 7376 # When prompted for Participant ID, press # When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero] By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/labyrinth

Vestry Notes—updated 10/9

- We welcome Jerry Molitor to the St James Episcopal Church community. Jerry is in the ordination process in our diocese, and Bishop Matt has assigned him to St James for practical experience.
- Materials have been ordered for our roof replacement and related building work. We expect to know a time frame for the project soon.
- Bishop Matt's visit to St James had previously been scheduled for Sunday, December 13. Most likely that will need to be in some virtual format this year. We'll share more information when it's available.
- Manitowoc County Covid-19 total positive cases was at 1618 as of October 9, up from 1342 on October 2. Current active cases increased to 975, with 5 deaths. Our county and northeast Wisconsin remain among the highest spread in our nation. Local and state health departments continue to urge making use of proper precautions and limiting non-essential travel.
- Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Mike Laughrin, Sharon Laughrin, and Amma Diane will represent St James as delegates and clergy for the annual Diocesan Convention, being held virtually on October 24. Visit diofdl.org/convention for info about how you can watch this year's convention.

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 Vestry meeting will be 5PM on Tuesday 10/27. Information to connect to the meeting and the agenda will be included in St James Weekly prior to the meeting.

Meals On Wheels/Hope House updates for October

Many thanks to St James members Eleanor Agnew, Ron Hansen, Deena Giriyappa, Michael and Sharon Laughlin, Liz Gordon, Anne Schuette, and Terry Alston for meal delivery in September, and to Joan and Dave Estes, Dan Hornung, and Anne Schuette for volunteering at Hope House. See below for October updates:

- Meals on Wheels delivery October 19 − 23. Volunteers deliver meals to six senior living facilities. Volunteers wear masks and do not enter the Senior Center. Meals are delivered at the doorway of each building with limited contact with residents. Shifts on Monday, October 19 and Wednesday, October 21 are filled. Call Anne (920-242-2819) to put a Meals On Wheels date on your October schedule or for more info.
- Hope House guests currently number 5 adults and 13 children. They are in need of toilet paper, baby wipes, and multipurpose cleaning spray. Items may be dropped off at the door during normal business hours, and even on the weekends just press the doorbell and staff or a volunteer with buzz you into the entry way.

Prayers for the Week

Healing, Comfort & Strength: Karen & Bob, Bonnie, Andrew, 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, Len & Margaret, Hugh, Geri, Candace, Ray, Joan, Jane, Mollie, Clarence & Liese, Lori, Sharon, Toby's father Walter, Chris, Jim, Mary Jean, Jim, Tim, Becky, Geno, Jim and his co-workers, Peter, Stephen, Mary, Chris's sister Vicki, Randy & Cindy, Glenn

Guidance & Discernment: Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Scott, Margaret, Frankie, Brian & Lisa, Johnathon, Ginny & Karen, Annie & Tom, Kim, Lishane, Mary, Kevin, Cherity.

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, and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Agnes, Algoma and those discerning a call to ordained ministry or mission work. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Church of the Province of Uganda. 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.

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

Milestones

We also pray for those celebrating milestones:

Anniversaries: 10/8 Eleanor Agnew & Ron Hansen.

Birthdays: 10/1 Julie Jenkyn; 10/1 Nick Doszkewycz; 10/11 Cadance Sleger; 10/17 Scott Henderson; 10/18 Marissa Sleger; 10/25 Elizabeth Schrank.

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).