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St James Weekly for the week of October 10, 2021

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Weekly Schedule

Study/Discussion Sundays at 8:30AM (Zoom)

On October 3 we begin a study of the 13 chapters of 2 Corinthians, which will take us through the end of the year. Use any bible translation(s) you like; no other book/guide needed. We read through and discuss one chapter each week, with the following questions in mind: 1) What stands out to you in the passage we are studying?; 2) What do you have a question about or want to know more about?; 3) What can you apply from the passage to your daily faith journey?; and 4) If you were to talk to a friend about this passage what would you talk about?

10/10 chapter 2; 10/17 chapter 3; 10/24 chapter 4

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 computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/biblestudy

Worship—Sundays at 10AM (in-person/online)

Attend in-person at 10AM, or participate LIVE at 10AM or view at any time after on Facebook or YouTube: go.mysjec.com/facebook or go.mysjec.com/youtube

10/10: Mental Health Awareness
10/17: Homelessness Awareness
10/24: Pentecost 22
10/31: Pentecost 23
11/7: All Saints Sunday

Mid-Week Worship—Wednesdays at 4PM (Zoom)

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 670 567 006 #
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By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/wednesday

Morning Prayer—Fridays at 7:00AM (Zoom)

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When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 831 5230 0483 #
When prompted for Participant ID, press #
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]
By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/friday

COVID precaution: Masks and distancing are currently required for all present for all St James Episcopal Church indoor group activities. Thanks!

Volunteer at Hope House 10/24-10/30

The next scheduled week for St James to volunteer at Hope House (one of our area shelters) is October 24–30. Training is now available online, with an in-person tour of Hope House and a time spent shadowing a current volunteer to make sure this ministry is right for them. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or would like more information, please talk to Amma Diane.

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Order Scrip Gift Cards!



Scrip upcoming order dates 10/10, 11/14, 12/12

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 we receives goes into our Outreach Fund. Contact Eleanor Agnew or Amma Diane if you need an order form or have any questions.

Thanks for your support!

We appreciate your continued financial support while we are being the church in these different ways. Checks can be mailed to or dropped off at the church. You can also set up payments through your bank or donate online at mysjec.com/donate. Please contact Amma Diane if you need help connecting to assistance or resources. **Our special offering for the month of October goes to the Rector's discretionary fund—please label accordingly.**

NEW! Vestry Meeting 10/18 at 5:30PM

The Vestry will hold a regular business meeting using Zoom video conferencing on Monday 10/18 starting at 5:30PM. Guests from the congregation are welcome to attend. The Vestry asks that all guests also have their video cameras active throughout the meeting. Use the following link to connect to the meeting:

go.mysjec.com/vestry

Agenda topics will include:

- ◆ Sharing/Opening prayer
- ◆ Study/Reflection
- ◆ Updates from Diocese
- ◆ Treasurer transition
- ◆ Other planning
- ◆ Approve minutes
- ◆ Receive financial reports
- ◆ Closing prayer

If you have any questions, please contact Amma Diane.

If you have any questions, ideas, or concerns, please talk to any of the Vestry: Amma Diane (*Rector*); Chris Dee Eggert-Rosenthal & Mary Green (*Wardens*), Nick Doszkewycz, Rich Hall, & Kim Kaufmann (*Vestrypersons*), Tony Karl (*Clerk*); and Peggy Turnbull (*Treasurer*).

Make a Joyful Noise!

Here are some of the ways you can be a part of the music ministry at St James Episcopal Church.

Special Music: Are you an instrumentalist or singer who'd like to share music? Voice, piano, guitar, organ, violin, banjo, trumpet, flute, bagpipes, accordion, or any other instrument... we invite you to share your gifts! You can offer a special piece for a one-time occasion, or music on an occasional or regular basis.

Choir: Do you like to sing? Our Choir's primary mission is to help lead music at 10AM Worship on Sundays. We also occasionally offer special music/anthems. We're a flexible, casual, welcoming group that enjoys sharing our love of God through music. The Choir will be regrouping in the near future and is seeking new members (we've shrunk in the past few years). Our schedule and format will be planned to fit participant schedules.

Accompanists: Do you play piano, organ, guitar, or another instrument and have an interest in accompanying music on an occasional or regular basis? We invite you to enhance our worship by accompanying one or more songs, or even a full service. Accompanists are welcome for a one-time occasion or to provide music on a more regular basis.

For more info: All are welcome to participate in the music ministry at St James Episcopal Church... there are opportunities for any skill level or experience. If you are interested in any of these opportunities or would like more information, please contact Music/Worship Coordinator Tony Karl.

Vestry Notes

- ◆ **UPDATED!** Unable to identify a volunteer from our congregation to replace retiring Treasurer, Peggy Turnbull, we will outsource most of the treasurer tasks, which will cost approximately \$4000+ per year. **The Vestry has elected Linda Molitor (wife of Jerry Molitor) to serve as our Treasurer in a paid capacity and will also be contracting with Burbey CPA for payroll and other financial needs.**
- ◆ **NEW!** Father Jerry Molitor's time with St James has drawn to a close. Jerry began ministering with us 13 months ago as part of the path to ordination as a priest. Jerry is serving as a supply priest in various locations and has begun interviews. Blessings, Jerry!
- ◆ **NEW!** On 9/39, leaders from the Episcopal dioceses of Milwaukee, Fond du Lac, and Eau Claire have unanimously agreed to pursue reunion. This idea has been talked about since the 1970's. It was agreed that now is the time to explore the option. A reunion would incorporate the three dioceses back to the one from which they were formed. Other paths could be followed, but pursuing reunion first provides clarity of purpose. It is understood doing so now is following opportunity rather than responding to necessity.
- ◆ Our Media Team (Glenn Davidowich, Pat Hanson, Tony Karl, Father Jerry, and Amma Diane) recently gathered for the final date of pre-recording our online worship services. Tony will be editing and uploading the videos through October 17 (as we've been doing since last March). We've ordered most of the hardware we'll need to transition to live-streaming our worship services. A special thank you to Pat Hanson for researching and installing. Our goal is to begin live-streaming worship services on October 24. Videos will still be available to view at a later time/day for those who can't watch live.
- ◆ New equipment purchased through our Technology Fund will also include a monitor in the Sanctuary that we can use for special videos, slide shows, etc.
- ◆ Thank you to Murray Sim, Dave Haefke, Mark Hunner, and Steve Thuss for their work on various building and grounds projects.
- ◆ We will be repaying the Diocese of Fond du Lac for our \$84,000 loan (0% interest for one year), used to pay for our 2020 roof replacement. We will make this repayment using some of our quasi-endowment funds in the Diocesan Common Trust. If you'd like to make a special contribution toward this project, please label your donation "roof replacement".
- ◆ The Executive Council of the Diocese of Fond du Lac determined in a unanimous vote that the 2021 Diocesan Convention will be held via Zoom on Saturday, October 30, from 9AM to Noon; the previous plan had been to gather in-person in Fond du Lac. The Diocesan Office is working on details. Amma Diane will make arrangements for St James participants (delegated and others who are interested) to gather at the church.

A Prayer for Entering the World Again

If you're uncertain how to move forward
if you're unsure of how to be and who to see
if you're weary of the long days of isolation
if you're tired and worn out
if you're eager for hugs and handshakes
if you're excited to explore and travel —
this prayer is for you.

May you be gentle with yourself
tread lightly if needed
trust the small movements taken in hope
and lean into the One who walks with you.

May you be gentle with others
take time to listen
breathe deeply
take a posture of compassion
and lean into the One who walks with you.

May you be gentle with the world
celebrate the consistency in the changing of seasons
listen for the sounds of spring's renewal
splash in a river's water
and lean into the One who walks with you.

As you move forward,
may the God of infinite love
and boundless grace
bless you and keep you
now and forever.

~ Posted to the Episcopal Café web site by Kimberly Knowle-Zeller. Kimberly is an ordained ELCA pastor, mother of two, and spouse of an ELCA pastor. She lives with her family in Cole Camp, MO.

UPDATED! Prayers for the Week

Healing/Comfort/Strength: Brenden, Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Carol, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Terry, Debbie, Bonnie, Don & Beth, Faith, Susie, Peggy, Chip, Steven, Len & Margaret, Ray, Mollie, Liese, Walter, Mary, Vicki, Randy & Cindy, Charlie, Grace, Silas, Cathy, Don, Laurie, Chris & Nicole, Sharon and her family, Jenny, Jean, MaryJo, Judy C., Pat Karl, Sally, Ron B, Donna, Karleen, Lisa B, Candace

Guidance & Discernment: Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Frankie, Brian & Lisa, Ginny & Karen, Annie & Tom, Mary, Sara, Ethan, Scott.

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

Additional Prayers we offer include: For Peace in our world... for the people of Afghanistan, Haiti, Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. James, Mosinee 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 West Africa. For the Dioceses of Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, and Milwaukee. 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 related damage, injury, and deaths. For our continued safe return to in-person worship, other ministries and groups.

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. Father Jerry Molitor and his wife Linda. 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 their Bishop, The Rt Rev Godfrey and his wife Albertina.

We Pray for the Departed: Tom & Audrey, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul, Clarence, Deena, Tauno "Joe" Mike.

UPDATED! Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

Birthdays: 10/1 Julie Jenkyn; 10/1 Nick Doszkewycz; 10/8 Barb Cook; 10/11 Cadance Sleger; 10/18 Marissa Sleger.

Anniversaries: 10/8 Eleanor Agnew & Ron Hansen.

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).

MLK Freedom School Fall 2021—series of panel events in-person and online

The MLK Freedom School is in honor of Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr and Mrs Coretta Scott King and their civil and human rights legacy. Events will detail the central focuses of the Kings's lives and how their contributions inspire poor and working people today to build a better world. There'll be featured speakers from Wisconsin and across North America and opportunities to become engaged in today's civil and human rights activities. All events will have cultural components. **The events will be in-person and Zoom.** See the event page on Facebook for more information:

<https://fb.me/e/2vDS4SWIn>

OCTOBER 14, 2021: STRIKE A WOMAN?

STRIKE A ROCK! THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN CIVIL & HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENTS

Women have always been central to any activity focused on civil and human rights. The title of this event is inspired by a South African women's slogan that was especially taken up during the fight against apartheid which was defeated by a united worldwide people's movement largely led by women and girls. Mrs. Coretta Scott King and a diverse array of other women's contributions will be highlighted. Women on the front lines of the civil and human rights movements of today will be leading this event.

NOVEMBER 18, 2021: PEOPLE'S NEEDS NOT PRISONS AND WARS

Combined, the amount of tax dollars spent on prisons, bank bailouts and wars by the U.S., state and local governmental entities is hundreds of billions of dollars. Dr. King in his April 4, 1967 "Beyond Vietnam" speech, said: "A nation that continues year after year to spend more money on military defense than on programs of social uplift, is approaching spiritual death." This event will highlight the King's steadfast opposition to wars that only benefit the rich. Peace and anti-war activists from Wisconsin and beyond will raise up their activities focused on ending poverty, racism and war.

DECEMBER 9, 2021: VOTING IS A HUMAN RIGHT! STOP RACIST ATTACKS!

The basic democratic right to vote is under increasing Jim Crow style attacks in Wisconsin and across the United States. These attacks include ever more restrictive voting laws and gerrymandering. The King's work to ensure voting rights included numerous protests, marches and the 1965 Voting Rights Act that is always under threat of being overturned. Voting rights activists will highlight the King's work and engage participants in defending our democratic right to vote today.



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