

**Hope House Week!
Sunday 5/8**

8:45AM Luke Bible Study
9:00 Kinderchurch
10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 2nd Sun. Team
Acolyte/Crucifer: Geri Walker
Eucharistic Ministers: Mark Hunner & Mary Jean Reckelberg
Readers: Eleanor Agnew, Chris Eggert-Rosenthal
Prayers: Jane Robinson
11:15AM Fellowship - Saints

Monday 5/9

6PM Hope House Training at Hope House
6:30PM Miracle League Mtg.

Tuesday 5/10

3PM Homework Club (last one)
5PM Healing & Worship in Chapel
6:15PM Cursillo Group Gathers

Wednesday 5/11

5PM Choir Rehearsal
6:15PM Grief Group

Thursday 5/12

6PM Girl Scouts

Friday 5/13

6:30AM Morning Prayer

Saturday 5/14

8AM Men's Breakfast - Lighthouse Inn
9AM Women's Potluck Breakfast at St. James

Sunday 5/15

Pentecost

8:45AM Luke Bible Study
9AM Kinderchurch
10AM Worship
Greeters/Ushers: 3rd Sunday Team
Acolyte: Mary Jean Reckelberg
Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Sharon Meany
Readers: Len Coombs, Glenn Davidowich
Prayers: Bob Feller
11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples
11:30AM War Room Movie

Hope House May 8-14 St. James' Week to Help

St. James is a partner to Hope House, the Manitowoc homeless center. We share a volunteer week with Lakeshore Methodist Church. Our next week to volunteer is May 8-14. If you have already signed up THANK-YOU!

Not yet trained to be a Hope House volunteer?

There is a volunteer training scheduled for Monday, May 9th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Hope House! If you are interested in volunteering with Hope House or already do and want a refresher please attend. Let us know you will be attending by calling Erin at 920-686-1436 so she has enough training materials prepared! There is no cost to attend the training.

Homework Club Update -- Our Last Day is May 10

The last day of Homework Club for the 2015-16 school year is Tuesday, May 10. All members of St. James are invited to our end-of-the-year party, which will start at 3:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. The Madison School Spring Concert takes place on Tuesday, May 17 at 10AM and 2PM -- a great way to get a snapshot of our St. James neighborhood. This year 18 students from Madison Elementary School, grades 1 through 6, participated in Homework Club. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out by providing snacks, walking with our students from school to church, helping with homework of all kinds, and offering their prayers toward our success.

Women's Potluck Breakfast May 14, 9AM

For our program for this month's gathering, let's take a look at our favorite hymns and what moves us about them. Is it the melody that draws us in, or the lyrics, or the beat? Maybe when you hear the song you think of a special person or time in your life. If you can't resist, also bring a CD (or iPod) of a favorite secular song & we'll talk about it too. If you can't think of a particular song, just come and enjoy being together. For questions about the May program, contact Sally Hunner.

"Engaging One Another Across Our Differences"

Wisconsin River Deanery May 14 St. John's Wausau

Organized by the deans in cooperation with the Mosaic Taskforce, there will be gatherings in each deanery in May. Clergy and laity are encouraged to attend the session in their home deanery, though you are welcome to attend others as well. Each will run from 9am until 3pm with a lite lunch served. There is no charge to attend, though donations for the cost of lunch will be appreciated. The dates and locations are:
Sat., May 14 (Wisconsin River Deanery), St. John's, Wausau
Sat., May 21 (Lake Winnebago Deanery), Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Fond du Lac

Milestones

May Anniversaries

May 5 Jim & Dawn Steckmesser
May 6 Len & Margaret Coombs
May 9 Todd & Mary Jean Reckelberg
May 19 Mike & Laura Ignera
May 22 Corey & Nicole Lodl
May 23 Andrew & Laura Hooker
May 28 Marty & Lisa Luger

May Birthdays

May 4 Mayra Short
May 5 Audrey Bean
May 7 Noah & Owen Short
May 10 Nicole Lodl
May 10 Marty Luger
May 12 Lisa Luger
May 15 Pat Haefke
May 15 Shirley Ouradnik
May 16 Simon Schultz
May 18 Joan Becker
May 20 Doris Hansen
May 26 Nick Reckelberg
May 28 Chase Huss

Is your date missing? Please tell Amma Diane.

Quick Links...

- [E-Mail St James](#)
- [E-mail Pastor Diane](#)
- [Our Website](#)
- [Diocese of Fond du Lac website](#)
- [The Episcopal Church website](#)
- [NEW Discover & Grow Brochure - early 2016 learning opportunities](#)

[Join Our Mailing List!](#)

Shop at Office Max?

Use the Max Perks #331931799 and help buy school supplies for the *KAN Cool for School* program

To submit info for the weekly announcements, please contact Amma Diane Murray BEFORE 3PM on Thursday

dianemarie.murray@gmail.com

920-860-5152

There is no charge to attend, though donations for the cost of lunch will be appreciated.

PLEASE let Amma Diane know if you plan to attend so that she can register us.

"War Room" Movie showing May 15, 11:30AM

Join us after church for a viewing of the recently released movie "War Room". Learn how we can be mentored or be mentors to others in developing a vibrant prayer life. Prayer is a powerful weapon for making a difference in our lives. As Jesus affirmed,

"But when you pray, go into your private room, shut your door, and pray to your Father who is in secret,

and your Father who sees in secret will reward you." Matthew 6:6

Inspiring and entertaining, War Room is a compelling faith drama filled with humor and heart that has become the #1 movie in US theaters and received rave reviews from audiences of all ages. It's a story of restoration and hope, of grace and forgiveness found in trusting and believing God and His Word. As a recent reviewer says: "I really hope and pray that you will join me in 2016 however God leads you to walk with Him. Remember our focus is to please Him and Him alone not anyone else. So what do you say? Shall we embark together?"

Dine & Discuss: Mission and Meeting "the Other" Tuesday, May 17 and Thursday, May 26 6-8PM

Please bring a potluck dish if you are able

Topic: Mission and Meeting "the Other"

When people from St James Manitowoc have traveled on mission trips within the U.S., Central America and Africa, they have met others who have been different than themselves in some way, perhaps as Jesus would have called them, "the other". We'll explore these ideas:

- Who were "the others" that our mission trip travelers encountered?
- How did our travelers experience being "the other"?
- How have any of us experienced being "the other"?
- Different speakers will share their experiences and there will be time for discussion. The same speakers may not be at both sessions.
- If you have any questions, talk to Sally Hunner or Amma Diane. Hope to see you there!

Polka Mass Sunday, May 22 at 10AM

The Bob Kuether Band returns to St. James Episcopal Church for our 10AM worship on Sunday, May 22 to provide music for a Polka Mass. Polka music with lyrics adapted to a worship setting will replace our hymns and service music on that day, and some dancing in the aisles is encouraged! Anybody who would like to run through the congregational music ahead of time is welcome to meet at 5PM on Wednesday, May 18. Bob is the son of long-time member Lee Kuether and formed his own band in 1970. His band plays polkas and dance music at venues all over northeast Wisconsin. The polka mass tradition began in the 1970s. Various bands have adapted and shared commonly used hymn lyrics and popular polka tunes. Bob's son Mark has been offering a piano prelude

Sunday Worship Ministries:

Greeters/Ushers, Crucifer/Acolyte,
Eucharistic Ministers, Readers,
Fellowship Hosts

Schedule for May 1 - July 10, 2016

Greeter/Usher Teams

*** Head Usher**

1st Sunday: Liz & Jim Gordon,
Donna Franz, Karleen & Skip Cole

2nd Sunday: Pat & Dave Haefke,
Anne Schuette

3rd Sunday: Murray Sim,
Bob & Ellen Feller, Michael Laughrin

4th Sunday: Steve Thuss*,
Liz & Reimund Schrank

Please talk to anyone on the teams
to become involved in this ministry.

Fellowship Hour Teams

***Team Coordinators**

Saints Team (1st & 2nd Sunday)

Eleanor Agnew*, Chris
Eggert-Rosenthal, Amy Healey, Dan
Hornung, Anne Schuette*,
Bob & Peggy Turnbull,
Geri Walker.

Disciples Team (3rd & 4th Sun.)

Marian Flint, Judy Lavicka*,
Murray Sim, Steve Thuss,
Dianne Wilson*, Chuck
Wernecke.

If there is a 5th Sunday in a month
plan on potluck or a special event.

All are welcome to add to the
Fellowship Hour table or help set up
or clean up on any Sunday!

Please speak to one of the
coordinators to become
involved in this ministry.

before our 10AM Easter morning services since 2014. Please feel free to
invite friends, neighbors and polka enthusiasts to SJEC on this fun day!

5th Sunday Pot Luck Fellowship Hour on Sunday, May 29

Sunday, May 29 is the fifth Sunday of the month of May. Our Saints
(1st and 2nd Sundays) and Disciples (3rd and 4th Sundays) fellowship hour
teams encourage everyone to bring a dish to pass, enjoy pot luck
fellowship after worship, and help clean up afterwards. If you would like
to join a Fellowship Team please talk to Eleanor Agnew, Anne Schuette,
Judy Lavicka, Dianne Wilson or any of the team members (listed weekly
in the announcements.)

Getting to Know Our Neighbors

Pick up a neighborhood chart at the back of church. Write your address in
the center block then list 8 addresses of your neighbors. Then see if can
list the following about each neighbor: 1. Names, 2. Something you
know about the neighbor from a brief casual encounter, 3. Something you
learned from a more in-depth conversation. Can't answer these questions
about your 8 closest neighbors? Use this summer to get to know your
neighbors at least this much. St. James will be taking this to the next level
this summer. Have questions, talk with Amma Diane or a Vestry person.

Visual Arts Board--"Art Among Us"

The Visual Arts Board, located in the front foyer, presents and celebrates
the seasons and lessons of the church in art. Individuals are invited to
feature their creative gifts of the Holy Spirit in a variety of media
(paintings, crafts, photography, etc.) to share with our community. **This
week, according to the Gospel,**

**John 17:20-26, we remember that we pray, and are prayed for, by
Our Lord Jesus Christ.**

For contributions and more into, please talk to: Amma Diane, Liz Gordon,
Sally Hunner, Tony Karl, Chuck Wernecke, and Dianne Wilson

"A Journey With Luke -- The 50 Day Bible Challenge" Sundays April 10 - May 15 8:45AM

Regular engagement with the Bible develops a strong faith, enhances our
experience of worship, inspiring us to be courageous Christians, living
and moving in the world of today. You are welcome to join us for group
discussion for all or as many as you are able to attend at 8:45 A.M. before
church on Sunday. Reading Schedules are located in the back of church.
See Amma Diane for questions or further information.

St. James Prayers of the People

Let us each keep those in need in our prayers this week:

For healing, comfort and strength, we lift up . . .

Alison, Jim, Steve and Mary Beth, Susie & Dave, Mary, Barbara, Caroline(Tiger),
Bill, Del, Steven, Clayton, Bethany, Mike & Laura, Al, Dale, Karen, Pat, Matthew,
Audrey, Karen, Bob, Rita, The Shaw family, the Herndon triplets and their
parents, Henry, Jacklyn, Sue, Bill, Simon, Bonnie, Richard, Ray, Janet, Joan, Ann
Marie, Family of Stan Sweikar, Richard, Johnny and his wife Sally, Ed, Audrey,
Virginia.

Opportunities to Help Each Other

Occasionally members of St. James needs a ride to church. Right now we are seeking St. James members to give Geri Walker a ride to church on Sunday mornings. Geri lives at River Hills Apts. 1500 N.3rd St. in Manitowoc. Geri is ready to go by 9:15am. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church for Sundays in May and June. Please call Donna Franz 973-3017 if you have questions.

For guidance and discernment we lift up. . .

For those serving in the military: Kyle Kurschner, Zach Truett, Shane Rosenthal, Jordan Rosenthal and Brady.

Also for: Bill, Tim, Kathy & family, Guy & Mary, Caleb, Lisa, Kurt, Corey, John, Tyler

Additional prayers we offer include...

For Peace in the world...The people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza and Sudan and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Anne, DePere. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Korea. The incarcerated in Wisconsin - especially those in solitary confinement. For people living with mental illness. The Homework Club, students, volunteers and parents. Hope House Families. The Bible Challenge participants, The Diocesan Youth Mission Team, Summer Camp.

We offer thanks for...

Diane our Rector, Richard & Dianne, our Wardens, our Vestry and 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

We remember the departed...

Paul, Tom, Joe, Myrna, Bill, John, Dorothy, Becky, Howard, Bob, Cindy, Stan, Dale, Paul, Ray, Randy, Bill, Mary, Randy, Jill, Andy

If you would like prayers to be offered as part of The Prayers of the People, please fill out the written Prayer Request Form and place it in the PRAYER BOX. All are located at the back of the church. Prayers will remain on our active prayer list for one month and can be extended by filling out a new request form. Thanks and praises to the Lord for answers are most welcome also!

Looking Ahead:

May 8	Mother's Day
May 8-14	Hope House Week
May 9	Hope House Training 6-8PM
May 10	Last Homework Club for this school year
May 14	Men's Breakfast Lighthouse Inn 8AM
May 14	Women's Breakfast St. James 9AM
May 14	Wis River Deanery Wausau 9am-3pm
May 15	Pentecost Sunday
May 15	Movie - "War Room" 11:30AM
May 15	Cursillo Ultreya - St. Anne's DePere 2-5
May 17	R.U.T.H Meeting 8:30AM
May 17	Madison School Concert 10Am & 2PM
May 17	Dine & Discuss "Meeting the Other" 6-8P
May 21	Winnebago Deanery Fond du Lac 9-3
May 22	Polka Mass with Bob Kuether Band
May 26	Dine & Discuss "Meeting the Other"
May 27	Brat Fry for RUTH at Piggly Wiggly

For a full calendar visit our website www.stjamesmanitowoc.com

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