



St. James Weekly for Feb. 28 - Mar. 6, 2016

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Office Hours by Appointment

Sunday 2/28

8:45AM Rule of Life Study
9:00 Kinderchurch
10:00AM Worship
Greeters/Ushers: 4th Sunday Team
Acolyte/Crucifer: TBD
Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Mary Jean Reckelberg
Readers: Karleen Cole, Skip Cole
Prayers: Leonard Coombs
11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples
11:30AM Leadership of the Heart

Monday 2/29

Tuesday 3/1

3PM Homework Club
5PM Healing & Worship in Chapel
6PM Discover & Grow

Wednesday 3/2

5PM Choir Rehearsal
6:15PM Grief Support Group
6:30PM Leadership of the Heart

Thursday 3/3

3PM Homework Club
7PM PFLAG

Friday 3/4

6:30AM Morning Prayer
1PM St. Faith's Guild
7PM Happening begins- DePere

Saturday 3/5 Happening continues

Sunday 3/6

8:45AM Rule of Life Study
9AM Kinderchurch
10AM Worship

A Prayer Net for St. James Manitowoc

A while ago at the cathedral in Ely, England, fishing net was hung on one of the ancient interior columns. When persons visiting or worshipping at the cathedral began tying lengths of yarn to the net, a prayer net was born. As persons from around the world have taken this idea to their home churches, the practice is growing. Each piece of yarn expresses the prayer of someone's heart without having spoken a word. As the Holy Spirit moves you, use the prayer net just once or use it often.

Together we are a community of pray-ers. Through rituals like this, we come closer to the Holy Spirit who prays within us "with sighs too deep for words."

Look for our prayer net in front of the double doors under our amazing stained glass window.

This fishing net is a "real" one, donated to St. James Episcopal Church by the Susie Q Fish Market in Two Rivers. We learned about prayer nets through the Building Faith website of the Virginia Theological Seminary, one of eleven accredited seminaries of the Episcopal Church.

Rule of Life Program for Lent - Sundays 8:45AM

Looking for a fresh way to begin Lent this year?

Beginning Feb. 14 at 8:45AM for the 5 weeks prior to Palm Sunday. The last session will be March 13.

We will use a new resource called "Growing a Rule of Life" produced in partnership with Virginia Theological Seminary and The Society of St John the Evangelist. ***"This series focuses on God as the Chief Gardener of our souls, and we seek out ways to grow into the fullness he desires- exploring our relationships with God, Self, Others and Creation."***

Using readings, videos, and guided questions, we will work together through a workbook - provided in a paper format or 'paperless' for those who have access to the internet to follow daily on line with the videos and readings. (For this on line option you would need to use the link below to sign

Greeters/Ushers: 1st Sunday Team
Acolyte: Mary Jean Reckelberg
Eucharistic Ministers: Richard Hall,
Dianne Wilson
Readers: Glenn Davidowich,
Peggy Turnbull
Prayers: Dianne Wilson
11:15AM Fellowship - Saints
11:15AM Vestry - Quick Discussion
11:30AM Leadership of the Heart

Milestones

March Anniversaries

None Known

March Birthdays

Mar 1 Gerald Hansen
Mar 5 Liese Carbon
Mar 7 Cindy Hronek
Mar 11 Sophia Handl
Mar 13 Pat Stordahl
Mar 15 Ellen Feller
Mar 18 Ben Sanchez
Mar 22 Jackson Handl
Mar 22 Dan Hornung
Mar 22 Ryan Kitson

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](#)

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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**
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up with your email address- then once you have received
the email, click 'activate'.)

Won't you join us this Lent? If you can't, perhaps you'll join
us in spirit and use this as your daily Lenten devotional at
home. Check it out on

line: <http://www.buildfaith.org/2016/01/11/a-new-lenten-resource-from-ssje/>

For more information see Sudi Johnson.

Leadership of the Heart

Sundays, Feb. 14 - Mar. 13, 11:30-12:30PM

or Wednesdays, Feb. 17 - Mar. 16, 6:00-7:00PM

Join us for this Lenten series Sundays after worship
or Wednesday evenings (same session both days, you can
attend either as your schedule allows). Amma Diane will
lead this 5-week series that helps people of all ages and
walks of life explore healthy relationships and boundaries in
all areas of our lives. You'll learn the most if you attend all
5 weeks, but come as often as you are able. All materials
will be provided, no pre-class work or homework will be
required.

Remaining themes are: **Week 3, Leadership that
Transcends All Boundaries:** Collaborative Leadership,
hospitality of the heart. **Week 4, Leadership from
Humility and Servanthood:** Naming and claiming your
gifts for the sake of others. **Week 5, Leadership That
Believes:** Being able to know and express what you
believe using specific skills of spiritual leadership. This
program is based on material created by The Rev. Dr. John
Palarine of Youth Presence Ministries. Talk to Amma
Diane for more info.

***Leaving Home* by Garrison Keillor at the Zimmer Forum -- Tuesday, March 8**

Steven Meyer, Deacon at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish
in Green Bay, will discuss the novel *Leaving Home* by
Garrison Keillor at the Zimmer Forum on Tuesday, March
8, starting at 12 noon. The Zimmer Forum is sponsored by
Silver Lake College and St. Francis of Assisi Parish. The
monthly forum is described as a "book group for people of
faith," and is open to the public without charge. The
programs take place in the Heritage Room (room 238) on
the second floor of the main building of Silver Lake College,
2406 South Alverno Road, Manitowoc, on the second

Sunday Worship Ministries:

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

[Schedule for Feb 28 -
May 1, 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

Tuesday of the month. Contact Anne Schuette (242-2819)
with questions or to arrange a ride to this event.

**Hope House Training March 12 and
Volunteer Week March 20 - 26**

St. James members have the opportunity to partner every
7 weeks with Lakeshore United Methodist Church to cover
volunteer overnight hours and evening meals at Hope
House, our Manitowoc County homeless shelter for families
and single women. Our next partnering week is March 20
through 26. You can learn more about helping at Hope
House by attending a volunteer training on March 12 from
10:00 to 11:30AM at Trinity Alliance Church. Please let
Heather (686-1436) at Hope House know if you plan to
attend so that they can supply enough training materials.
The training is not a requirement for helping at Hope
House. Other Hope House opportunities include - daytime
help on weekends, and helping with the annual rummage
sale May 13-14. St. James does not currently have a
parish coordinator for Hope House so please contact Gary
Drohman, the Lakeshore Methodist coordinator - to let him
know you'd like to help out (email marygary@lakefield.net)

St. James Women's Group Schedule for 2016

Plans made at the February meeting of the St. James
Saturday Morning Women's Group:

- We will continue to meet on the Second Saturday of
every month at 9:00AM ending about 10:15 or
whenever folks have to leave.
- Meetings will be in the St. James Fellowship Hall
and will start with COFFEE and a pot luck breakfast,
followed by a program led by our members.
- This group welcomes all St. James women, their
families, and friends - please feel free to invite folks
even at the last minute.

Programs scheduled (so far) for 2016:

March 12 - Rosaries and Prayer Beads. We will have all
the components necessary to make your own, led by Chris
Eggert-Rosenthal, Amy Healey and Nancy Hoover.

April 9 - Coloring for Adults. Try out this way of using
colors and design to free your mind for meditation or
spontaneity, led by Liz Gordon and Chris Eggert-Rosenthal.

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.

May 14 - We will go wherever Sally and Alison Hunner are inspired to lead us.

June 11 - Prayer Books and Collage. Also known as holy scrapbooking, led by Amy Healey.

July 9 - Eat Breakfast and Take a Walk. This program will involve some walking and we may see some birds, check out our neighborhood, or end up at the Farmer's Market, led by Anne Schuette.

August 13 - Special Morning Prayer at the Beach - joint meeting of the Men's and Women's Saturday Morning Groups at the home of Sally and Mark Hunner. Meet at the church to carpool at 7:45AM.

Please contact Amy Healey, Sally Hunner, Sudi Johnson, or Anne Schuette if you have any questions.

Meals on Wheels Volunteer Week - March 14 - 18

Volunteers from St. James will deliver Meals on Wheels during the week of March 14 - 18. This ministry takes about an hour and involves signing up, arriving at the Senior Center at 3330 Custer St. at 10:30AM, loading the meals into your car, and delivering the meals to several senior living apartment buildings (the "purple route") around Manitowoc. If you can help, please sign up on the clipboard at the back of church. Contact Judy Lavicka (684-1445) or Anne Schuette (682-7723) with any questions.

"Icons and Iconography: The Revelation of the Spiritual Life" workshop March 15

Katherine de Shazer, iconographer, will present a workshop on icons at the Rahr-West Art Museum on Tuesday, March 15 at 5:00pm. Learn what icons are and where they come from, understand how they reveal the spiritual life and how they are used in churches and private residences. The process of making an icon will be discussed along with demonstrations of the materials. Katherine de Shazer paints icons in the Russian Byzantine style, using not only art and technique but also canons, theology and symbolism. Cost of the workshop is free to museum members and \$5.00 for non-members. Call 686-3090 for more information.

***Write Your Spiritual Story* ~ March 19, 9-3 at The Bridge-Between**

Members of the St. James Saturday Morning Women's Group invite others to take part in this workshop at The

Bridge-Between Retreat Center on Saturday, March 19. A number of us had a very positive day-long retreat at "The Bridge" last spring and found the description of the March retreat intriguing:

"We all approach our spirituality, that link between the sacred and ourselves, in unique ways. Join us for a day of honoring and exploring our connection to God and self through writing. Using guided exercises, readings by well-known spiritual writers, and discussion over an inspirational Bridge-Between lunch, participants will enjoy a day of nurturing themselves and learning to give a written voice to their spiritual story. Everyone will leave with inspiring tools and strategies created to deepen their spiritual journey through writing."

Retreat facilitator: Joanne Nelson, Author. Suggested donation: \$80.00 which includes a delicious homemade lunch. The retreat center is located west of Denmark and carpooling can be arranged. This day-long retreat can be started with a Friday overnight at the Bridge. Please contact Anne Schuette (242-2819) for more information or to reserve a space.

St. James Book Group Reads

Creatures of a Day in March

The St. James Book Group is reading *Creatures of a Day* by Irvin Yalom during the month of March. Yalom is a psychiatrist and accomplished author, and generously lets the reader into the ways his patients have contributed to his own growth and ability to cope with major life milestones. The 10 copies of this book on loan to us through the Manitowoc Public Library are all signed out so please let Anne Schuette (242-2819) or Marie Hawkins (683-9032) know if you would like to be on the waiting list for a copy. The group will meet to discuss the book on Wednesday, March 30 at 7PM in the church library.

What is our "Next Big Thing"?

The Vestry is helping guide a process to develop the "Next Big Thing" that our congregation will spearhead. The idea is to find a need we can begin to address that perhaps grows into a longer-term ministry beyond the scope of our congregation. Sunday Supper and KAN Cool for School are two examples. Our congregation did some brainstorming at the Annual Meeting. The Vestry encourages you to continue to share any of your ideas and dreams, possible needs, and possible resources. Sheets listing current ideas will be posted in the Fellowship Hall, and you are encouraged to add your own ideas between now and April 3. If you have any questions, please talk to Amma Diane or anybody on the Vestry. Thanks!

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. **The theme for the month of February is: "Love in our Lives"** - blessings to be shared. This Sunday-- Expressions of Love surrounding St. Valentine will be shared. For more info, talk to: Amma Diane, Liz Gordon, Sally Hunner, Sudi Johnson, Tony Karl, Chuck Wernecke, Dianne Wilson

Elevator support - Thank-you Thank-you!

The St. James Vestry would like to thank all of you who volunteered to help with the cost of unexpected elevator repairs! Your continued support allows for amazing ministry to happen!

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, The Maloney family, Richard, Ray, Janet, Joan, Ann Marie.

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

Additional prayers we offer include...

Peace in our world. . . The people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza and Sudan and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. John, New London. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for **Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo**. 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.

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, Howard, Bob, Cindy, Stan, Dale, Paul, Ray, Emily, Peter, Gwyneth., Bill, Mary, Randy, Jill

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: March Calendar Dates

March 1	Discover & Grow Mtg 6PM
March 2	Grief Support 6:15PM
March 2	Leadership of the Heart 6:30pm
March 3	PFLAG 7PM
March 4	St. Faith's 1pm
March 6	Rule of Life 8:45AM
March 6	Vestry Mtg - Parochial Report 11:15AM
March 6	Leadership of the Heart 11:30AM
March 8 -12	Operation Prom will be using space
March 9	Grief Support 6:15PM
March 9	Leadership of the Heart 6:30PM
March 10	Vestry 5:30PM
March 10	Girl Scouts 6PM
March 12	Men's Breakfast 8am Lighthouse Inn
March 12	Women's Breakfast 9am Church
March 12	Hope House Training 10AM
March 13	Rule of Life 8:45AM last one
March 13	Leadership of the Heart 11:30AM last one
March 13	Girl Scout Cookie Sale 5PM at Feestival
March 14-18	Meals on Wheels Delivery
March 15	Icon Workshop Rahr-West 5PM
March 15	Miracle League Mtg 6PM
March 16	Grief Support 6:15PM
March 16	Leadership of the Heart 6:30PM last one
March 17	Rainbow Acts Crafting 1PM
March 17	Girl Scouts 6PM

March 19	Chrism Mass 9AM Fond du Lac
March 19	Spiritual Writing Workshop 9AM Denmark
March 20	Procession of Palms 9:30AM
March 20	Taize 7PM DePere (carpool 6pm)
March 20-26	Hope House Week
March 22	RUTH mtg 8:30AM
March 23	Tenebrae Service 6:30PM
March 23	Girl Scouts 6PM
March 23	Maundy Thursday Service 6:30PM
March 25	Good Friday Service 12:15PM
March 26	Great Vigil of Easter 8PM
March 30	Grief Support 6:15PM
March 30	Book Group 7PM
March 31	Girl Scouts 6PM

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

Madison Elementary School and Homework Club Update for March 2016

Great things are happening at Madison Elementary School and for the students of our Homework Club:

- Elva Miranda (third grade) and Jamie Crowley (sixth grade) are Madison Elementary School Students of the Month for March.
- Madison Elementary School earned a "Beating the Odds" award and was named a "Title I School of Recognition" for the 5th year in a row! The staff, students and families at Madison deserve our congratulations and we can celebrate their success! Representative of the school will receive the award on March 14 - - and will get a special flag to acknowledge their 5th year.

Criteria for school eligibility for this award include being a Title I school which enrolls a high percentage of economically disadvantaged children, and demonstration of above-average achievement in reading and math. Of the 169 schools in the state which received this honor from the Department of Public Instruction in 2016 only 19 have been winners for 5 or more years in a row. Franklin and Jefferson Elementary and Washington Junior High were also Schools of Recognition this year.

- Youth Art Month at the Rahr-West Art Museum runs from Sunday, February 28 through March 26, and several Homework Club students have entries in this show.
- Madison School Girl Scout Troop will hold a cookie sale on Sunday, March 13 from 5:30 to 7:00PM at Festival Foods.

- The Madison Students vs Staff basketball game is Thursday, March 31 at 6:00PM in the school gym. A number of our students will be playing in the game or performing as part of the cheer squad.

There's still time to check out Homework Club this spring - there is always a place at the table for anyone who would like to listen to a young reader, check math homework, or just enjoy the company of these great kids. Our Manitowoc Public Schools will be on Spring Break during the week of March 7 - so there will be no Homework Club on March 8 or 10 - and also no Homework Club on March 24. Please see Mary Burckle or Anne Schuette for more information or with any questions about Homework Club.