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St. James Weekly for February 21 - 28, 2016

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Office Hours by Appointment

Sunday 2/21

8:45AM Rule of Life Study
9AM Kinderchurch
10AM Worship
Greeters/Ushers: 3rd Sunday Team
Acolyte: Geri Walker
Eucharistic Ministers: Clarence
Carbon, Sudi Johnson
Readers: Eleanor Agnew,
Chris Eggert-Rosenthal
Prayers: Bob Feller
11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples
11:15AM Vestry - Quick Discussion
11:30AM Leadership of the Heart

Monday 2/22

3PM Homework Club
5PM Healing & Worship in Chapel

Wednesday 2/24

5PM Choir Rehearsal
6:15PM Grief Support Group
6:30PM Leadership of the Heart
7PM Book Group

Thursday 2/25

1PM Rainbow Acts Crafting
3PM Homework Club
6PM Girl Scouts

Friday 2/26

6:30AM Morning Prayer

Saturday 2/27

Sunday 2/28

8:45AM Rule of Life Study
9:00 Kinderchurch
10:00AM Worship
Greeters/Ushers: 4th Sunday Team

St. James Book Group Meets on February 24

The St. James Book Group will discuss *Annie Freeman's Fabulous Traveling Funeral* by Kris Radish, on Wednesday, February 24 at 7:00PM in the church library. Copies of the book are available for sign-out in the lower level cloakroom. All St. James members and friends are welcome to attend even if you haven't read the book. Contact Marie Hawkins (683-9032) or Anne Schuette (682-7723) with any questions

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.

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 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.

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

Milestones

February Anniversaries

Feb 14 Tony Karl & Chris Couris

February Birthdays

Feb 6 Libby Steckmesser
Feb 10 Alex Handl
Feb 10 Zach Handl
Feb 10 Rick Roubal
Feb 11 Anne Schuette
Feb 13 Charity Wright
Feb 14 Annalisa Valli
Feb 16 Andrew Hooker
Feb 18 Alison Weinert
Feb 20 Mark Hunner
Feb 21 Marian Flint
Feb 27 Rich Hall
Feb 27 Kim Kaufman
Feb 28 Levi Short

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](#)
- [NEW Ministry Schedule](#)

[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**

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.

Themes are: **Week 1, Leadership by Who You**

Are: Learning to tell your story, listen to others and lead
from a place of authenticity. **Week 2, Leadership by Love
and Compassion.** Learn how to lift others up, include
others and stay true to yourself. **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.

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!

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!

3PM on Thursday

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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!

The Altar Guild invites new members.

The Altar Guild is a lay ministry to serve God by preparing



the Sanctuary for worship, maintaining and
caring for the sacred vessels, altar
linens, and vestments. Are you
interested in why things are done the way
they're done? Do you feel a spiritual

connection to the Eucharist? Do you enjoy decorating the
church for the various holidays? If you'd like to learn more
about you can serve, please speak to

Liz Gordon, Anne Schuette, or Sudi Johnson. Thank you

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

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 . . .

Bill, Tim, Kathy & family, Guy & Mary, Caleb, Lisa, Kurt,
Corey

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. Paul's Cathedral, Fond du Lac. In
the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for **Iglesia Anglicana
de laRegion Central de America** 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

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

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: February Calendar Dates

February 21	Rule of Life 8:45AM
February 21	Vestry Mtg - About Elevator 11:15AM
February 21	Leadership of the Heart 11:30AM
February 21	Taize Carpool 6PM (for DePere)
February 24	Grief Support Group 6:15P<
February 24	Leadership of the Heart 6:30PM
February 24	Book Group 7PM
February 25	Girl Scouts 6PM
February 28	Rule of Life 8:45AM
February 28	Leadership of the Heart 11:30am

For a full calendar visit our website

www.stjamesmanitowoc.com

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, especially during this season of Lent.

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.