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## St. James Weekly for Jan. 31 - Feb. 7, 2016

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The Rev. Diane M. Murray, Rector 920-860-5152 (*cell*)

Office Hours by Appointment

### Sunday 1/31

8:45AM Synoptic Gospel Study

9:00 Kinderchurch

10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 1st Sunday Team

Acolyte/Crucifer: Geri Walker

Eucharistic Ministers: Clarence

Carbon, Sudi Johnson

Readers: Karleen Cole, Skip Cole,

Prayers: Len Coombs

11:15AM Fellowship - VESTRY

11:30AM Annual Meeting

Hope House Week

### Monday 2/1

Meals On Wheels Delivery all week

### Tuesday 2/2

3PM Homework Club

5PM Healing & Worship in Chapel

6:30PM The Jesus Fatwah

### Wednesday 2/3

5PM Choir Rehearsal

6:15PM Grief Support Group

### Thursday 2/4

10AM Islam Study

3PM Homework Club

7PM PFLAG

### Friday 2/5

6:30AM Morning Prayer

1PM St. Faith's Guild

### Saturday 2/6

Bishop's Ball Appleton 5-9PM

### Sunday 2/7

8:45AM Synoptic Gospel Study

9AM Kinderchurch

10AM Worship

### St. James Annual Meeting, January 31, 2016

This year our annual meeting will be held after the 10am service on Sunday, January 31. During the meeting we will elect people to serve on the Vestry, and the Endowment Trustees and as Delegates to our Diocesan Convention.

We will determine our financial budget for 2016. As part of the meeting, there will be a recap of things that happened in 2015 and discussion of what may happen in the future.

Over the years, St. James has been the catalyst for several BIG THINGS that have continued to this day and have become a valuable part of or integrated into the Manitowoc community. Among things birthed at St. James are: Sunday Suppers a monthly supper held for anyone in the community, free of charge; Kan Cool Back to School which supplies children and schools in the county with back to school supplies and Homework Club which helps students from Madison Elementary grow confident with their schoolwork by offering help with homework, reading and general study skills.

The Vestry hopes that at this year's annual meeting we can talk about what our NEXT BIG THING might be and that you will bring ideas to the gathering. Together we can do amazing things!

### St James Quarterly Content Request

Now is the time to submit photos, event recaps, stories, poems, recipes, book/movie reviews, personal news/stories, longer feature articles, suggested items for reprint, and other non-time-sensitive content for the upcoming first issue of *St James Quarterly*. Content can cover this past fall, Advent, Christmas, & Epiphany

Greeters/Ushers: 1st Sunday Team  
Acolyte: TBD  
Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Eggert-  
Rosenthal, Mary Jean Reckelberg  
Readers: Glenn Davidowich,  
Peggy Turnbull  
Prayers: Dianne Wilson  
11:15AM Fellowship - Saints  
11:30AM Discover & Grow Mtg

### Milestones

#### February Anniversaries

No known Anniversaries

#### 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](#)

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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**

seasons, and can also celebrate Lent, Easter, &  
Pentecost themes. *St James Quarterly* is not the medium  
for time specific event promotion; rather, it is intended to  
reflect more broadly on the previous seasons and look  
forward to the next. The quarterly will be distributed  
electronically and in print approximately quarterly,  
depending on content received. Any member or friend of  
St. James Episcopal Church may submit content for  
inclusion. Please email content to Tony Karl  
([tony.karl@att.net](mailto:tony.karl@att.net)) or drop off/mail a hard copy of any  
content/photos to the church office by Monday, February  
15. Thanks!

### Meals on Wheels Volunteer Week - February 1 - 5

Volunteers from St. James will deliver Meals on Wheels  
during the week of February 1 - 5. 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.

### The Jesus Fatwah: Love Your (Muslim) Neighbor as Yourself - Islam Study (5 weeks)

For your convenience, studies are being offered at 2  
different times:

Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8PM Last session Feb. 2 OR

Thursdays, 10 - 11:30AM Feb. 4 - Feb 18

*Jesus tells us to love our neighbors. Who are our Muslim  
neighbors? What is the religion of Islam?*

To develop an understanding to these questions, attend 5  
sessions of an Islam Study. Sign up at the back of the  
church or email Sally Hunner. Each person will receive a  
packet of information

### Grief Support Group to Resume Beginning Feb. 3

The grief Support Group that began meeting during  
December has decided to continue meeting. If you have  
suffered a loss through death, divorce, or any other reason  
you are welcome to attend. The group is open to anyone.  
The group uses a variety of ways to help the attendees  
work through the grief process. What is discussed within  
the group remains confidential. Meetings are Wednesday  
evenings from 6:15PM to approximately 7:30PM on the

**Amma Diane Murray BEFORE**

**3PM on Thursday**

[dianemarie.murray@gmail.com](mailto:dianemarie.murray@gmail.com)

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### **Greeter/Usher Teams**

**\* Head Usher**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday:** Liz & Jim Gordon,  
Donna Franz, Karleen & Skip  
Cole

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday:** Pat & Dave  
Haefke, Anne Schuette

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday:** Murray Sim,  
Bob & Ellen Feller, Michael  
Laughrin

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday:** Steve Thuss\*,  
Liz & Reimund Schrank

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

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### **Fellowship Hour Teams**

**\*Team Coordinators**

**Saints Team** (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun.)

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

**Disciples Team** (3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>  
Sun)

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

If there is a 5<sup>th</sup> Sun. in a month,  
it is 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!

lower level of St. James. If you have questions, please  
contact Amma Diane.

### ***When the Heart Waits* -- Zimmer Forum on Feb. 9**

Mary Domes, reading specialist and wife of Silver Lake  
College president Chris Domes, will present *When the  
Heart Waits - Spiritual Direction for Life's Sacred  
Questions*, by Susan Monk Kidd, at the Zimmer Forum,  
12:00 noon on Tuesday, February 9. Kidd is well known for  
her novels *The Mermaid Chair*, *The Invention of Wings*  
and *The Secret Life of Bees*. In this spiritual memoir,  
published in 1990, Kidd probes her own spiritual crisis and  
the hopeful recovery of her faith.

The Fr. Bill 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. Contact Anne Schuette  
(242-2819) with questions or to arrange a ride to this event.

### **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 9 serving from 5PM to 6:30PM**

Please plan to join the St. James community on Tuesday,  
Feb. 9 for our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper.  
It's a tradition in many cultures to mark the last day before  
the start of Lent with a big party. Making and eating rich  
foods, like pancakes, was a way to use up ingredients  
such as eggs and butter, in preparation for a time of fasting  
during Lent.

You, your families and friends are invited to attend. Special  
guests will include our Homework Club students and their  
families as will other Madison School students who will be  
involved with this event. The supper will include  
pancakes, sausage and other treats. A free-will offering  
will help to defer costs. There will be a Communion service  
in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30PM

If you'd like to be involved please talk to Pat Haefke, Liz  
Gordon, Mary Flint or Anne Schuette. Also please let one  
of us know if you need a ride in order to attend.

### **Ash Wednesday Services - February 10,**

There will be a 12:15PM service at St. James Episcopal.

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

At 6:30PM there will be an ecumenical service with St. James Episcopal, First Presbyterian and St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Congregation. This years' service will be held at: St. Francis of Assisi Parish - Waldo site. If anyone is interested in singing in a combined choir, please contact Tony Karl.

### **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.

### **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.

### **St. James Book Group -- New Book for February**

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

### **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. 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 . . .**

Alison, Jim, Steve and Mary Beth, Susie & Dave, Mary, Barbara, Caroline(Tiger), Bill, Del, Steven, Pat, 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.

**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 Religious Communities, especially the Sisters of the Holy Nativity. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for **The Anglican Church of Burundi**. 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: January Calendar Dates**

January 31	St. James's Annual Meeting
January 31	St. James Week for Hope House begins
February 1 - 5	St. James delivers Meals On Wheels
February 2	Islam Study 6:30PM
February 3	Grief Support Group begins again 6:15PM
February 4	Islam Study 10AM
February 4	PFLAG 7PM
February 5	St. Faith's Guild 1PM
February 6	Bishop's Ball 5-9 Appleton
February 7	Discover & Grow Mtg 11:30AM
February 9	Shrove Tuesday Pancakes 5-6:30PM with a Communion Service 6:30PM
February 10	Ash Wed. at St. James 12:15PM
February 10	Ash Wed. Eccumenical 6:30PM see note



February 13	Men's Breakfast 8AM
February 13	Women's Breakfast 9AM
February 14	Rule of Life for Lent begins 8:45AM
February 14	Leadership of the Heart 11:30AM see note
February 16	RUTH mtg 8:30AM
February 16	KAN board mtg 5PM
February 16	Miracle League 6PM
February 17	Rainbow Acts Crafting 1PM
February 17	Leadership of the Heart begins 6PM
February 21	Leadership of the Heart 11;30AM
February 24	Book Group 7PM
February 24	Leadership of the Heart 6PM

For a full calendar visit our website  
[www.stjamesmanitowoc.com](http://www.stjamesmanitowoc.com)

**Nominations for Vestry, Endowment Trustee & Diocesan Convention Delegates & Alternates are now closed until the annual meeting.**

***Richard Hall - Nominated for Senior Warden***

I was born in Manitowoc in the month of February, a long time ago, and was baptized at St. James by Fr. St. Clair on September 1, 1940. I don't remember when i started Sunday school, but I do remember attending in the 2nd grade. Later, as a teen of 13 or so, I served as an altar boy and sang in the junior choir.

After graduation from Lincoln High School, I enlisted in the U.S. Navy. After boot camp and several electronics schools, I served in the Washington d.C. area, The Philippines and Hawaii returning to Manitowoc after my four year enlistment was over. I started working for the Wisconsin Telephone Co., now AT&T, in December 1962 and retired in September 1999 at the tender age of 59.

I attended St. James rather sporadically from the time I returned to Manitowoc until the 1980's. I missed being in church and started to attend regularly. I became interested in being more involved and with the help of Fr. Klutterman, I became an Eucharistic Minister and served on the Vestry. I think that my dad, Deacon Sam and I may have done something special when dad was in the process of becoming a deacon, in that we both served as chalice bearers together at several services. A father and son team, if you will. I later joined the choir and became more active in our church, serving as chair person of the Building & Grounds Ministry and as Junior and Senior Warden.

God willing, I hope to stick around for a while and continue to do His work and serve when and where I can.

***Sally Hunner - Nominated for Vestry***

Being part of a church has been important to me for most of my life. While growing up in Duluth, MN, my family and I were Methodists. When I married Mark, I joined him at the Episcopal Church, where the liturgy drew me in and we raised our three children. Even so, I was 30 years old before I came to know that we worship a living God, whose love was so great that God sent Jesus to show us the way to live and the Holy Spirit to help us on the journey. When we moved to Manitowoc, we found St. James Church to be a place where we could grow

in our faith. Worship is meaningful, discussion is earnest and open, people are caring and kind while usually not judging others. Jesus feels alive here in a way I've never experienced before. This is the place I've learned to respond to the nudging of the Holy Spirit, which has taken me to experiences I had never imagined. People live their faith at St James and I am grateful to be walking my spiritual journey among you.

After serving a one-year vestry term, I don't feel that my work is done so I would be glad to serve another vestry term.

### ***Sudi Johnson - Nominated for Endowment Trustee***

'We love our church- we'll meet you by the front door next Sunday' - This was how Roger and I were introduced to the Episcopal Church back in 1975 as newlyweds in Sterling, Illinois. Both of us had grown up Methodist- but Roger's mom was Episcopalian. I have come to three conclusions about my faith story-

1. This simple invitation to join a faith community was simple and heartfelt. I've never forgotten it .
2. There were plenty of times over the years when staying home from church may have been easier (when children little, fighting with teenagers, while Roger was sick those many years, and surely while I've been able to travel these past few years). What I am learning is this: 'showing up' marks my spot in God's family wherever I am. Also, I become the 'other - visitor- stranger- ' and understand more deeply what Christian community and praying friends means. I'll never forget Glenn washing Deena G's hands many, many years ago at a Maundy Thursday service.
3. Lastly- the care and concern our family received while-struggling with Roger's hospice needs -created a new me - and definition of church and a faith community. No one could change that outcome - but what I experienced - and I know what others did as well- changed us all. We became Jesus for each other.

I'm grateful for each of you on this earthly journey - Blessings my friends. Sudi

Ps- I'm writing this from Mexico- hearing the birds- seeing poinsettia plants growing naturally-- as I experience a new culture and place.

### ***Dianne Wilson - Nominated for Junior Warden***

Since childhood, I have had a fervent desire to know and learn about God. I feel grateful to be in a time and place where this is possible. My church background begins and ends in Manitowoc while raising a family and being involved in all levels of education, beginning at St. Boniface - Chilton, Christ Church - Green Bay, St. Anne's - DePere, and back to St. James - Manitowoc. Faith in God is important to me as a true foundation of hope and trust in the promise of living in the walk of Christ's day by day. I began coming to st. James in the 1950's - by invitation of family friends who were members at that time. I was baptized and confirmed as a sophomore in high school. What keeps me at St. James is the weekly Eucharistic service and genuine fellowship.

Highlights of the year include the privilege of serving as Junior Warden on the Vestry, facilitating in the Discover & Grow Ministry, participating in the care & Hospitality Ministry, Prayer Chain, Reader, Chalice Bearer, Bible Studies, St. Faith's Guild and Rainbow Acts Crafting. My vision for our St. James Faith community is one of wholeness - experiencing God's loving presence as we "in the shadow of His wings" (Psalm 17:8) fulfill His purpose for our lives in grace and peace.

The nomination committee for the placement of names for openings for next year's Vestry and Endowment Trustees, and Convention Delegates includes: Richard Hall (Sr. Warden) chair of this committee, Dianne Wilson (Jr. Warden), Andrew Hooker & Sally Hunner (Vestry whose terms end), and Donna Franz (from the congregation). People remaining on the Vestry include: Skip Cole, Tammy McVeigh, and Murray Sim. Dan Hornung and Mark Hunner remain as



Endowment Trustees, Joanna Sanchez's Endowment Trustee term ends.