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St. James Weekly for Jan. 17 - 24

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

Office Hours by Appointment

Sunday 1/17

8:45AM Synoptic Gospel Study
9:00 Kinderchurch
10:00AM Worship
Greeters/Ushers: 3rd Sunday Team
Acolyte/Crucifer: TBD
Eucharistic Ministers: Clarence Carbon, Mary Jean Reckelberg
Readers: Skip Cole, Richard Hall
Prayers: Jane Robinson
11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples Team
6PM Taize Carpool

Monday 1/18

6PM Care & Hospitality Mtg

Tuesday 1/19

8:30AM RUTH Mtg
3:00PM Homework Club
5:00PM Healing & Worship in Chapel
6PM Miracle League
6:30PM The Jesus Fatwah

Wednesday 1/20

5PM Choir Rehearsal
5:30PM Vestry Mtg
7PM St James Book Group

Thursday 1/21

1PM Rainbow Acts Crafting
3:00PM Homework Club
7PM Girl Scouts

Friday 1/22

6:30AM Morning Prayer

Saturday 1/23

REPORTS NEEDED BY SUNDAY, JANUARY. 24

If you are the facilitator, head of or however you want to refer being the leader of a ministry at St. James, PLEASE e-mail a written report of that ministry's 2015 activity to Amma Diane at dianemarie.murray@gmail.com or give her a written copy by Sunday, January 24, 2016 so that it can be included in the report for the St. James Annual meeting which will be held on Sunday, January 31 after the 10AM service. If you can't get it to her by then, please call her at 920-860-5152 by January 24.

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

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

Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8PM Jan. 19 - Feb. 2 OR

Thursdays, 10 - 11:30AM Jan 21 - 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

St. James Book Group This Week - January 20

The St. James Book Group will discuss *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt on Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00PM in the church library. 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

Sunday 1/24

8:45AM Synoptic Gospel Study

9:00AM Kinderchurch

10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 4th Sunday
Team

Acolyte: Mary Jean Reckelberg

Eucharistic Ministers: Rich Hall,
Dianne Wilson

Readers: Eleanor Agnew,
Chris Eggert-Rosenthal

Prayers: Bob Feller

11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples

Milestones

January Anniversaries

No known Anniversaries

January Birthdays

Jan 2 Tammy McVeigh

Jan 3 Kevin McVeigh

Jan 4 Jaylee Ziemer

Jan 5 Lynnn Rogers

Jan 9 Randy Hronek

Jan 11 Chris Eggers-Rosenthal

Jan 15 Jane Robinson

Jan 16 Bristol Huss

Jan 18 Deena Giriappa

Jan 20 Matt Ziemer

Jan 21 Clarence Carbon

Jan 21 Dianne Wilson

Jan 23 Michael Igniera

Jan 25 Skip Cole

Is your date missing? Please
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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!

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.

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

#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

***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 at St. James on February 9 from 5 to 6:30PM

Please plan to join the St. James crowd on Tuesday, February 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.

The pancake supper runs from 5:00 to 6:30PM. You, your families and friends are invited to attend, along with our Homework Club students and their families. The supper will include pancakes, sausage and other treats. Students from Madison School will be involved in this event and a free-will offering will help to defer costs. 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.

Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service - Feb 10, 6:30pm

Since we have been holding an ecumenical service with First Presbyterian and St. Francis of Assisi we have alternated holding the service between First Presbyterian and St. James. This year we have a new site! 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.

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 January theme is: "Vespers," an evening prayer service originating in ancient times celebrated with hymns, psalms, and ringing of bells. We've passed the longest night yet the days are still short. At the end of the day we praise God. What does vespers mean to you? Please share your thoughts this January with Liz Gordon will coordinate the board this month.

For more info, talk to: Amma Diane, Liz Gordon, Sally Hunner, Sudi Johnson, Tony Karl, Chuck Wernecke, Dianne Wilson

Rides to Church - Can You Help Out Our Members on Sunday Mornings?

Occasionally members of St. James need a ride to church because of health issues, others need a ride on a regular basis and Donna Franz coordinates this ministry. Right now the team is seeking St. James members to give Geri Walker a ride to church on Sunday mornings. Geri lives at River Hill Apartments, 1500 N. 3rd St. in Manitowoc and is ready to go by 9:15 am on Sundays. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church for volunteers to sign up for a specific Sunday. Please talk to Donna if you have any questions.

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), Joe, Bill, Del, Pat, Matthew, Mary Anne, Becky, Dale, Dorothy, Steven, The family of Lynn Prucha, Clayton, Bethany, Mike & Laura, Duane, Al, Dale, Lisa, Andrew, Jerry, Wade, Pat, Judy, Matthew, Mary, Audrey, Karen, Bob, Robin, Rita, Connie, The Shaw family, the Henderson triplets and their parents, Henry, Janet. Karen and Jacklyn, Sue, The family of Bill and Mary McVeigh, Simon

For guidance and discernment we lift up. . .

Bill, Tim, Kyle Kurschner and Zach Truett, Shane Rosenthal, Jordan Rosenthal and Brady, in the military, Kathy & Gary,

Guy & Mary, Susan, Caleb

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 Holy Apostles, Oneida. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for **The Church of Bangladesh**. The incarcerated in Wisconsin - especially those in solitary confinement. For people living with mental illness. The Homework Club, students, volunteers and parents.

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

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 19	RUTH meeting 8:30AM
January 19	Islam Study 6:30PM (Also 1/26 & 2/2)
January 20	Vestry 5:30PM
January 20	Book Group 7PM
January 21	Islam Study 10 - 11:30 AM (Also 1/28 - 2/18)
January 21	Crafting 1PM
January 25	Clergy Retreat begins until January 28
January 31	St. James's Annual Meeting

For a full calendar visit our website

www.stjamesmanitowoc.com

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

Next week we will include brief biographies of people who have been nominated for various positions. During the meeting we will need to nominate people for Diocesan Convention Delegates and alternates, if you want to know more, talk to one of this year's delegates: Bob Feller, Amy Healey or Anne Schuette.

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.