

St. James Weekly for Oct. 2 - Oct 9, 2016

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Amma Diane is typically in Manitowoc Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and Sundays or by appointment at other times.

Weekday hours coming in October

Sunday 10/2

Hope House Week 8:45AM Fearless Generosity Study 9AM Kinderchurch 10AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 1st Sunday Team Acolyte: Mary Jean Reckelberg Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Sharon Meany Readers: Len Coombs, Glenn Davidowich, Bob Feller 11:15AM Fellowship - Saints

Monday 10/3

Hope House Week

Tuesday 10/4

Hope House Week 3PM Homework Club Training 5PM Healing & Worship in Chapel 6PM Cursillo Grouping Chapel 6:30PM Fearless Generosity Study

Wednesday 10/5

Hope House Week 6:15PM Grief Support 7PM Christian Book Circle

Thursday 10/6

Hope Hose Week 3PM Homework Club 5:15PM Vestry Mtg 7PM PFLAG

Friday 10/7

Hope House Week 6:30AM Morning Prayer 1:30PM St. Faith's Guild

Saturday 10/8

Hope House Week 8AM Men's Breakfast Lighthouse Inn 9AM Women's Breakfast St. James 5PM Agnew-Hansen Wedding

Sunday 10/9 Pet Blessing during services

8:45AM Fearless Generosity Study 9:00AM Kinderchurch 10:00AM Worship Greeters/Ushers: 2nd Sun. Team

Acolyte/Crucifer: Geri Walker

CCV at to St. James Sat., Oct 1 9am-12

Please plan to join us on Saturday, October 1 from 9am - 12 noon, for an energizing time of conversation with fellow parishioners as we reflect on and share our hopes for our common life and ministry, identify where we'd like to focus attention to grow in vitality as a congregation, and suggest ways the diocese can support us as we strive to be God's people planted in this time and place. Someone from the diocesan Commission on Congregational Vitality (CCV) will be with us to facilitate the event. We can promise you interesting conversation and refreshments! Your voice is important: we hope you will join us!

Support the Appalachia Service Project - Buy a Christmas Wreath

October 1st is the deadline to order a hand-made Christmas wreath to support St. James members who are going on the Appalachia Service Project (ASP) mission trip July 15 - 22, 2017. This will be the 22nd year that high school students and adults from Manitowoc County will travel to Appalachia to meet families who live there, and work on their homes. St. James is fortunate to partner with Grace Evangelical United Church of Christ in Two Rivers to make this trip happen. The ASP trip is almost entirely funded by selling wreaths, and other Christmas greenery. The wreaths are made by those going on the mission trip from fresh greens, and are delivered during Thanksgiving week. Please see Mike Laughrin, Joe Hoover or Anne Schuette to order a wreath or for more information about ASP. THANKS so much!

ST JAMES QUARTERLY: PLEASE SHARE YOUR CONTENT BY 10/5

Any member or friend of St James Episcopal Church may submit content for inclusion in the next issue of *St James Quarterly*, which is planned for distribution in mid-October. All are invited to share photos, event recaps, poems, book/movie reviews, personal news/stories, recipes, longer feature articles, suggested items for reprint, and other non-time-sensitive content. Content can cover this past summer or look forward through the end of the year. Please email content to tony.karl@att.net or drop off/mail a hard copy of any content/photos to the church office by Wednesday, October 5. If you have any questions or ideas about content for future issues, please talk to Tony Karl or Amma Diane. Thanks!

Homework Club Update

We have successfully completed our first week of Homework Club! There are 17 students from Madison Elementary School registered this year in grades 2 - 6. St. James members are welcome to drop by for a visit to Homework Club on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 3:00 and 4:30 pm. You can also contribute an after-school snack such as fresh fruit,

Eucharistic Ministers: Clarence Ccarbon,

Sudi Johnson

Readers: Richard Hall, Peggy Turnbull,

Dianne Wilson
11:15AM Fellowship - Saints

Milestones

October Anniversaries

Oct. 2 Dave & Pat Haefke
Oct. 21 Adam & Rachel Huss

October Birthdays

Oct. 1 Julie Jenkins

Oct. 3 Laura Ignera

Oct. 14 Garrett Ziemer

Oct. 15 Joanna Sanchez

Oct. 17 Scott Henderson

Oct. 18 Mona Wright

Oct. 25 Liz Schrank

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

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

Sunday Worship Ministries:

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

Ministry Schedule Through November 6, 2016 bagels, pretzels, juice - or something from your own kitchen. Please talk to Mary Burckle (905-9690) or Anne Schuette (242-2819) for more information on other ways that you can be involved. THANKS!

Blessing of the Animals Sunday, October 9

Blessing animals is a long tradition associated with St. Francis of Assisi, who is known as the patron saint of animals. Francis is said to have referred to animals as his brothers and sisters. This year's blessing of animals is scheduled for Sunday, October 9. We will bless animals, whether they can be present or not. Live pets, photos of your pets, and toy pets are welcome (or just tell us the name of your pet if they cannot be present). We ask that the human bringing the animal(s) is able to control the animal and clean up after the animal if an accident occurs. Blessing of the animals will take place both at the 9AM KinderChurch service and at the BEGINNING of 10AM Worship.

Zimmer Forum on October 11 - The Class of 1965 by Jim Auchmutey

Deacon candidate Tom Tomaszewski will discuss *The Class of 1965*, by Jim Auchmutey at the Zimmer Forum on Tuesday, October 11, at 12:00 noon. Silver Lake College and St. Francis of Assisi Parish are the sponsors of the monthly forum to honor Father Bill Zimmer. The talk will 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. There is no charge for this event. Please call Anne Schuette (682-7723) if you need a ride.

Save the Date, October 20, for Spaghetti!

St. Faith's Guild will again host a Spaghetti Supper on Thursday, October 20, at 5:00 p.m. You are invited to participate in preparation and/or bring friends to enjoy the meal! There is a sign-up sheet at the info station at the back of the sanctuary. Please see Amma Diane, Judy Lavicka, or members of the Guild for more information

Book Group Meets on Wednesday, October 26

The St. James Book Group is will discuss *Shotgun Lovesongs* by Nickolas Butler on Wednesday, October 26 at 7:00PM in the church library. This novel is set in present-day small-town Wisconsin and features some remarkable characters. The St. James Book group meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month and all members and their friends are welcome to attend. We obtain books through the Manitowoc Public Library. The books are stored on a shelf in the downstairs cloakroom at church and copies can be signed out at any time during the month, and returned on the day of our meeting. Please 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. **Our new Theme is: "Seasons in Our Lives"** For contributions and more into, please talk to: Amma Diane, Liz Gordon, Sally Hunner, Tony Karl, Chuck Wernecke, and Dianne Wilson

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*,

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.

Opportunities to Help Each Other

Chris Eggert-Rosenthal had surgery on her neck June 8 and she could use a bit of help with her yard work! The lawn needs mowing, and the ever present thistles and other things

that go with having a home entails. If you can help, please give Chris a call at 334-546-4282 or talk to her at church

Our Next Meals on Wheels Week is Oct 31-Nov 4

Volunteers from St. James will deliver Meals on Wheels during the week of Oct. 31 through November 4. This ministry 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. This job is most fun when done with a friend, and it takes about an hour. If you can help on one or more days during the week, please sign up on the clipboard at the back of church. Contact Judy Lavicka (684-1445) or Anne Schuette (682-7723) with 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 and Dave, Mary, Bill, Del, Steven, Bethany, Mike and Laura, Al, Dale, Karen, Pat, Matthew, Audrey, Karen, Bob, the Herndon triplets, and their parents, Sue, Bill, Bonnie, Ray, Janet, Joan, Richard, Johnny and his wife Sally, Ed, Audrey, Virginia, Margaret, Chris, Betty, Andy, Cherity, Dave, Fr. Okkerse, Jeff, Art, Jeanne, Judy, Robby, the Family of Clayton Burckle.

For guidance and discernment we lift up. . .

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

Also for: Bill, Tim, Kathy & family, Guy and Mary, Caleb, Lisa, Kurt, Corey, John, Tyler, Lisann, Ronald, Greg & Tiger

Additional prayers we offer include...

Peace in our world...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. Olaf, Amherst. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa.The incarcerated in Wisconsin - especially those in solitary confinement. For people living with mental illness. Hope House Families. The men of the Haven

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, Bill, Mary, Randy, Jill, Andy, John, Michelle, Clayton.

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:

Sundays Adult Formation at 8:45AM

Sundays KinderChurch at 9AM; Main Service 10AM

Tuesdays Homework Club 3PM

Tuesdays Worship 5PM

Tuesdays Cursillo Grouping 6PM Wednesdays Choir Rehearsal 5PM 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.

Wednesdays Grief Group 6:15PM Thursdays Homework Club 3PM Fridays Morning Prayer 6:30AM Oct. 1 Congregational meeting with the CCV 9am-12 Oct. 1 ASP Wreath order deadline Oct. 2 Fearless Generosity Study 8:45AM Oct. 2-8 St. James Week at Hope House Oct. 4 Fearless Generosity Study 6:30PM Oct. 5 Articles & Info due for St James Quarterly Oct. 5 Christian Book Circle 7PM Oct. 6 Vestry Meeting 5:15PM Oct. 6 PFLAG 7PM Oct. 7 St. Faith's Guild 1:30PM Oct. 8 Men's Breakfast 8AM Oct. 8 Women's Breakfast 9AM Oct. 9 Blessing of the Animals 9AM & 10AM Oct. 11 Fearless Generosity Study 6:30PM Oct. 16 Taize Service Carpool 6PM Oct. 18 **RUTH 8:30AM** Oct. 18 Miracle League 6PM Oct. 18 Fearless Generosity Study 6:30PM Oct. 20 Rainbow Acts Crafting Group 1PM Oct. 20 St. Faith's Spaghetti Dinner 5PM Oct. 22 Diocesan Convention at Kimberly Oct. 25 Fearless Generosity Study 6:30PM Oct. 26 Book Group 7PM Oct. 27 NO Homework Club

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



"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." (Ephesians 3.20-21). These encouraging words from the Apostle Paul are truly words of blessing. God is able to do far more abundantly than anything we are able to ask or even think about asking for. And perhaps even more amazingly, God chooses to work through us to accomplish more than we can imagine.

In October we will introduce a stewardship emphasis for our congregation called Fearless Generosity. Together we will learn how to become more faithful stewards as we explore what it means to practice Fearless Generosity. A different sub-theme will be explored each week during 10AM Worship and during Bible Study

at 8:45AM Sunday and 6:30pm Tuesday (the same study on Sunday and Tuesday). Themes include: Oct 2 & 4 - Fearless Living (Genesis 1 and 2); Oct 9 & 11 - Fearless Service (Luke 4.16-21); Oct 16 & 18 - Fearless Sowing (Mark 4.1-9); and Oct 23 & 25 - Fearless Giving (Luke 21.1-4). We hope you'll join us during these weeks.

On Sunday, November 6, we will offer a one-hour overview of the four parts of Fearless Generosity at 11:30AM for those who couldn't participate other weeks. The Fearless Generosity theme will carry through the rest of the year and in to 2017, where we will spend four months expanding on these the Fearless Living, Fearless Service, Fearless Sowing, and Fearless Giving themes.

On Sunday, November 13, we will join together in worship to present our estimates or commitments of financial giving in support of the ministry and mission to which we are called as St. James Episcopal Church. As we strive to practice Fearless Generosity, we can remember Paul's blessings to the church in Ephesians 3.20-21. Using us as willing vessels, God through the Holy Spirit--the power at work within us--is able to accomplish abundantly far more than we can ask or imagine.

In your personal prayers, and as you gather in fellowship with others, please remember to invite God's guidance through this special emphasis. May Paul's prayer for the church at Ephesus be our prayer as we begin this exciting time of exploring how God is calling us to be fearless givers and fearless stewards--as individuals and as a community of faith.

In Christian fellowship, Mary Jean Reckelberg, Tony Karl, Tammy McVeigh, and Amma Diane (Stewardship Task Force)