

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

**Sunday 5/7**

9AM KinderChurch  
10:00AM Worship  
Greeters/Ushers: 1st Sunday Team  
Acolyte/Crucifer: Sharon Meany  
Eucharistic Ministers: Clarence Carbon, Mary Jean Reckelberg  
Readers: Eleanor Agnew, Glenn Davidowich, Bob Feller  
11:15AM Fellowship - Saints  
Cursillo Closing Eucharist 3PM at Spencer Lake Camp - Waupaca

**Monday 5/8**

**Tuesday 5/9**

3PM Homework Club  
5PM Worship Service  
6PM Cursillo Grouping Chapel

**Wednesday 5/10**

5PM Choir Rehearsal  
6:15PM Grief Support

**Thursday 5/11**

3PM Homework Club  
5:30PM Vestry Mtg  
6PM Girl Scouts #8420

**Friday 5/12**

6:30AM Morning Prayer

**Saturday 5/13**

7AM Birds of the Air starts at St. James  
8AM Men's Breakfast Lighthouse Inn  
9AM Diocesan Conference Waupaca  
9AM Women's Breakfast at Dali's (after bird viewing)

**Sunday 5/14**

9:00AM KinderChurch  
10:00AM Worship  
Greeters/Ushers: 2nd Sun. Team  
Acolyte/Crucifer: Mary Jean Reckelberg  
Eucharistic Ministers: Mark Hunner, Sudi Johnson  
Readers: Richard Hall, Peggy Turnbull, Dianne Wilson  
11:15AM Fellowship - Saints

**Milestones**

**May Anniversaries**

May 4 Kelly & William Schultz  
May 6 Leonard & Margaret Coombs  
May 9 Todd & Mary Jean Reckelberg

**Many, many thanks** to all who helped with Sunday Supper. Thanks to those who donated food, helped set up, serve and clean up. We got numerous compliments on the food. Many folks said it was one of the best meals they had. Thanks again to all for helping. Mary Burckle

**Scrip Orders Due Sunday, May 7**

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**Polka Mass Sunday, May 21 at 10AM**

**Open rehearsal Wed, May 10 at 5PM**

The Bob Kuether Band returns to St James Episcopal Church for our 10AM worship on Sunday, May 21 to provide music for a Polka Mass. Polka music with lyrics adapted to a worship setting will replace our hymns and service music on that day, and some dancing in the aisles is encouraged! Anybody who would like to run through the congregational music ahead of time is welcome to meet in the Sanctuary at 5PM on Wednesday, May 10. Bob is the son of long-time member Lee Kuether and formed his own band in 1970. His band plays polkas and dance music at venues all over northeast Wisconsin. The polka mass tradition began in the 1970s. Various bands have adapted and shared commonly used hymn lyrics and popular polka tunes. Bob's son Mark has been offering a piano prelude before our 10AM Easter morning services since 2014. Please feel free to invite friends, neighbors and polka enthusiasts to St James on this fun day!

**"Being Mortal" film - Aurora Medical Center May 10 and 11**

We are invited to view a video and take part in a discussion is based on the book "Being Mortal" by Atul Gawande, at Aurora Medical Center - Wed., May 10 from 2-4PM in the Lake Michigan conference room. Thursday, May 11 from 6 - 8PM in the hospital cafeteria. Our Book Group read this book in March and found that Dr. Gawande's insights into decision making for late and end-of-life care were extremely helpful. "Have you and your family had these important conversations and planned ahead?" Contact Hospital Chaplain Kathy Reid (794-5056) or Anne Schuette (242-2819) if you have any questions about this event.

May 23 Laura & Andrew Hooker

### May Birthdays

May 4 Mayra Short  
May 5 Audrey Bean  
May 7 Noah Short  
May 7 Owen Short  
May 15 Shirley Ouradnik  
May 16 Simon Schultz  
May 20 Doris Hansen  
May 26 Nick Reckelberg  
May 28 Chase Huss  
May 29 Oliver Schultz

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](#)

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

920-860-5152

#### Sunday Worship Ministries:

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

[Ministry Schedule March 5 - May 14, 2017](#)

[Ministry Schedule May 21 - August 6, 2017](#)

#### Greeter/Usher Teams

\* Head Usher

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

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday:** Dave Haefke, Anne Schuette, Mary Green

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

### Homework Club Last Day is Thursday, May 11

The 2016-17 school year is drawing to a close and our Homework Club volunteers will host a Last Day party for the Madison Elementary School students enrolled in the club on Thursday, May 11 in the church Fellowship Hall, starting at 3:30 PM. This will conclude the TENTH year of Homework Club at St. James. Organizers Mary Burckle, Debbie Rhein, and Anne Schuette have appreciated all of the support from the St. James community and have decided to end the program on this very successful note. All St. James members, former volunteers, and others are welcome to attend the end of the year party, and please talk to Mary (905-9690) or Anne (242-2819) if you have any questions.

### Women's Breakfast Special "Birds of the Air" on Saturday, May 13 at 7 AM

The women of St. James, friends and family, are invited to meet in the St. James parking lot at 7 AM on Saturday morning, May 13, for our annual bird walk. Anne Schuette will lead the group to one or more birding hot spots and end up at Dali's on the corner of N. 8th and York Streets for breakfast at 9 AM. Dress for the weather and bring binoculars if you have them. We'll carpool to our destination, within the city limits, so if you are running late just call Anne (242-2819) to find out where we are or with any questions. Non-birders are also welcome! Also welcome is anyone who just wants a fun Saturday morning breakfast - meet us at Dali's at 9 AM.

### Discuss "When Breath Becomes Air" with the St. James Book Group on May 24

The St. James Book Group is reading "When Breath Becomes Air" by Paul Kalanithi during the month of May. Dr. Kalanithi's memoir concerns his diagnosis of cancer while he is completing his medical residency. The book is full of a young man's insights about life and death. Please join us to discuss the book on Wednesday, May 24 at 7 PM in the church library. We have a number of copies of the book available to sign out from the downstairs cloakroom and return on the day of the meeting. Please contact Anne Schuette (242-2819) or Marie Hawkins (683-9032) with 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. **We are highlighting the various ministries of St. James.** For more info, please talk to: Amma Diane, Liz Gordon, Sally Hunner, Tony Karl, Chuck Wernecke, and Dianne Wilson

### Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed to End May and Start off June

St. James volunteers will deliver Meals on Wheels during the week of May 30 through June 2. A sign-up sheet will be available in the back of the church, and please talk to Judy Lavicka (684-1445) with any questions. This activity takes about one hour and involves picking up the meals at the Manitowoc Senior Center at 10:30 AM on your day, and dropping meals off at 4 or 5 senior living facilities. Thank you so much for helping out!

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday:** Steve Thuss\*, Liz & Jim Gordon

Fifth Sunday Months:  
July 30 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday team  
October 29 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday team  
December 31 - volunteers.

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

### **Fellowship Hour Teams**

#### **\*Team Coordinators**

#### **Saints Team** (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)

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> 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**

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.3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

### **Scrip Order Dates**

May 7  
June 11  
July 9  
August 13  
September 10  
October 8

### **Worship Feedback Sessions June 4**

You are invited to help shape our worship life at St James Episcopal Church! A worship feedback session is scheduled for Sunday, June 4 at 11:30AM. All are welcome to attend. Plan on an hour, but we'll run up to a max of 90 minutes if there is a lot of sharing. Worship is something very personal in our relationship with God, yet we do it together. The session will be designed to help us share positively about what we have found meaningful and memorable in previous worship at St James and in other settings. We'll work to find common language as we reflect upon the recent seasons and occasions in our worship and offer ideas for upcoming seasons. This is not a committee, so you can attend if you are able/interested without commitment. Your feedback will help our Rector and Music Director plan liturgies and music. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Diane Murray or Tony Karl.

### **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, Steve & Mary Beth, Susie & Dave, Bill, Steven, Mike & Laura, Karen, Matthew, Karen & Bob, Bonnie, Ray, Joan, Richard, Johnny & Sally, Audrey, Virginia, Judy, Marty & Nancy, Susan, Bonnie, Don, Beth, Laura, Liz, Geralyn, Chris, Stephanie & Zaine, Chip, Janice, Megan, Emily, Richard, Mike, Beverly, Tiger, Kim

#### **For guidance and discernment we lift up. . .**

Those serving in the military: Kyle Kurschner, Zach Truett, Jordon Rosenthal, Brady, Shannon, Logan, Jesse Hansen

We also pray for: Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Tyler, Lisann, Ronald, Kellen, Pat

#### **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 Trinity, Oshkosh. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for Ndokwa - (Uganda). We pray for the people of Lowveld Churches and our companion Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe and their bishop The Right Reverend Godfrey. We pray for the incarcerated in Wisconsin - especially those in solitary confinement. For people living with mental illness. Hope House Families. The men of the Haven. We pray for those working in government in our cities, state, country and the world. We pray for our neighborhood

#### **We offer thanks for...**

Diane our Rector, Richard and Tammy, 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, Howard, Bob, Cindy, Stan, Dale, Ray, Bill, Mary, Randy, Jill, Andy, John, Michelle, Clayton, Elaine, Carolyn, Ernie, Pat, Michael, Dorothy.

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 check calendar  
Sundays KinderChurch at 9AM; Main Service 10AM  
Tuesdays Homework Club 3PM

November 12  
December 3 & 10

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Tuesdays	Worship 5PM
Tuesdays	Cursillo Grouping 6PM
Wednesdays	Choir Rehearsal 5PM
Wednesdays	Grief Group 6:15PM (not first Wednesday)
Thursdays	Homework Club 3PM
Fridays	Morning Prayer 6:30AM
May 7	Scrip Orders Due
May 10	Rehearsal for Polka Mass 5PM
May 11	Homework Club Last Day Party 3:30PM
May 11	Vestry 5:30PM
May 11	Girl Scouts #8420 6PM
May 13	Men's Breakfast Lighthouse Inn 8AM
May 13	Women's Breakfast Birding 7AM
Dali's	9AM
May 13	Diocesan Conference - 9AM - 3PM
	Waupaca "Taking God's Mercy & Delight Into the Neighborhood"
May 16	RUTH Mtg 8:30AM
May 18	Rainbow Acts Crafting 1PM
May 18	Vestry Retreat Part 4 5:30PM
May 18	Girl Scouts #8420 6PM
May 19-20	Hope House Rummage Sale
May 20-21	Diocesan Congregation Development Inst
May 21	Polka Mass 10AM
May 21	Carpool to Taize at St. Norbert's 6PM
May 24	Sharing Faith Stories 5PM
May 24	St. James Book Group 7PM
May 25	Girl Scouts #8420 6PM
May 25	Hope House Open House 3 - 6:30PM
May 29 - June 2	Meals On Wheels Delivery all week

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

## Hope House Updates

**Hope House of Manitowoc County empowers homeless families and individuals to progress toward self-sufficiency, one household at a time.**

**Amma Diane has joined the Board of Directors of Hope House.**

### Volunteer to Help with the Hope House Rummage Sale the Week of May 15

The Hope House annual rummage sale - May 19 and 20 at Hamman Construction (4613 Custer St. in Manitowoc) is a major fundraiser and volunteers are needed during the week of May 15 to move and sort items, and on the days of the sale to run the concessions stand, grill brats, and check out customers. Please call Steve Carlson (688-1436) if you are able to help on any day from Monday, May 15 through Saturday, May 20. Thanks!

### We Are Invited to Visit the New Hope House - Thursday, May 25 from 3 - 6:30 PM

Thursday, May 25th is the next Hope House open house for the following congregations: St. Johns Lutheran Church, First Presbyterian, Lakeshore United Methodist, St. James Episcopal Church, Unitarian Universalists, Pax Christi, and St. Johns United Church of Christ. All are welcome to drop by the new location (corner of Custer and S. 35<sup>th</sup> Streets) between 3 - 6:30 pm. These open houses are not only for congregation members to come and be a part of the move and see the new building, but this will be a great opportunity to bring a friend or family member who is not currently volunteering at Hope

House to come and see what we are all about! I am so excited for all of you to come and experience the new locations and see how we will be able to nearly double the amount of families we can serve! Please contact Steve Carlson, Volunteer Coordinator, at 686-1436 with any questions.

Hope House residents will be moving into the new house hopefully by mid-summer!

**St. James is helping fund the Hope House move**

The St. James Outreach Fund will match up to \$2,500 that is donated to Hope House through St. James. Our goal is to be able to contribute a total of \$5,000 (or more) over a three year period. The loose plate offering on the first Sunday of the month, every other month is being donated to Hope House and we have had other specific Sunday donation days. Individual donations can also be made.

**St. James volunteers regularly help at Hope House. We share a volunteer week with United Lakeshore Methodist Church. If you want to know how you might be able to help, please talk to Amma Diane.**