



St. James Weekly for July 16 - July 23, 2017
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 The Rev. Diane M. Murray, Rector 920-860-5152 (*cell*)

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

Sunday 7/16

9AM KinderChurch
 10:00AM Worship
 Greeters/Ushers: 3rd Sunday Team
 Acolyte/Crucifer: Geri Walker
 Eucharistic Ministers: Richard Hall, Sharon Meany
 Readers: Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Richard Hall, Peggy Turnbull
 11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples

Monday 7/17

5:30PM Vestry Retreat Continues

Tuesday 7/18

8:30AM RUTH at 1st Lutheran
 5PM Worship
 6PM Cursillo Grouping
 6PM Miracle League

Wednesday 7/19

Thursday 7/20

1PM Rainbow Acts Crafting

Friday 7/21

6:30AM Morning Prayer

Saturday 7/22

Mexico Mission Team leaves

Sunday 7/23

9:00AM KinderChurch
 10:00AM Worship
 Greeters/Ushers: 4th Sun. Team
 Readers: Karleen Cole, Skip Cole, Bob Feller
 11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples
 Ice Cream Sundaes during fellowship

Milestones

July Anniversaries

July 4 Alison & Steve Weinert
 July 9 Mary & James Green
 July 13 Tammy & Kevin McVeigh

July Birthdays

July 1 Mary Green
 July 1 Kurt Hall
 July 1 Sherry Paszkiewicz
 July 1 Bob Turnbull
 July 11 Tony Karl
 July 12 Amy Healy

Miracle League Christmas in July Give Back Event!

Miracle League picks July as a time to give back to the community that helps them so much. You can help.

Backpack Buddies is a service group started by 4 Manitowoc County youth, Luke Smith, Jacob Herda, Lia Haile, and Jaylee Ziemer. This group will ensure the children in Foster Care will have a backback of supplies when they go to a home. It will have essential items such as soap, socks and toothbrushes along with a few games, or gift cards for the children to use on outings. The Manitowoc Foster Care Program is also supportive of Backpack Buddies.

Mondays & Thursdays in July bring items to the Miracles Park Goodwill Field of Dreams 1840 S. 35th St. Manitowoc between 5:30pm - 8:30pm

Needed items: Gifts cards to movies & local restaurants, decks of cards, new books, Shampoo/conditioner, wipes, diapers, bubbles, colored pencils, crayons, coloring books, night lights, lotion, sunglasses, hair supplies, journals. Monetary donations may be sent to: Manitowoc County Foster Care Program in care of Backpack Buddies, 914 N. 8th St. Manitowoc, WI 54220

Hope House has moved to S. 35th & Custer St. o

Training sessions for volunteers have been scheduled in July: Tues., July 18 at 10:00am, Wed., July 19 at 2:00pm, and Thurs., July 20 at 6:30pm. Training sessions last approximately 1 to 1½ hours and will highlight the changes we need to make as volunteers and staff for our new location. Please know you MUST RSVP for the training and you only need to attend one training. RSVP with your attendance to scarlson@hopehousemc.org

St. James and Lakeshore United Methodist Church are scheduled to work at Hope House the week of July 31 - Aug.5. Our coordinator, Gary Drohman will be out of town the week of July 15 - 22 so he'd like to have all of the overnight, evening host, and meal shifts filled in before he leaves town. Please help him out by signing up early - email Gary at marygary@gmail.com to let him know your availability.

St. James Book Group Meets on Wednesday, July 26 at PK's Beans and Cream

The St. James Book Group is reading Before the Fall by Noah Hawley in July - it's a thriller that opens on Martha's Vineyard. Copies of the book, on loan from the Manitowoc Public Library, can be found in the lower level cloakroom, and are available to sign out and return on the day of our meeting. The group will meet this month at PK's Beans and Cream on the corner of New York Ave. and N. 8th St. on Wednesday, July 26, at 7:00PM - so we'll have a chance to sample both literature and ice cream. Please contact Anne Schuette (682-7723) or Marie Hawkins (683-9032) with any questions.

July 13 Leonard Coombs
July 14 Judy Lavicka
July 22 David Haefke
July 24 Murray Sim
July 25 Gary Alsteen
July 25 Liz Gordon
July 30 Germaine Hall
July 30 Alison Hunner

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 May 21 -
August 6, 2017](#)

Greeter/Usher Teams

* Head Usher

1st Sunday: Skip & Karleen
Cole, Donna Franz

2nd Sunday: Dave Haefke, Anne
Schuette, Mary Green

3rd Sunday: Murray Sim,
Bob & Ellen Feller, Michael
Laughrin

4th Sunday: Steve Thuss*, Liz &
Jim Gordon

PLEASE SHARE CONTENT FOR *ST JAMES MAGAZINE*

Any member or friend of St James Episcopal Church may submit content for inclusion in *St James Magazine*. Suggested items to contribute: photos, event recaps, poems, book/movie reviews, personal news/stories, recipes, longer feature articles, and other content that is not time-sensitive. You can see the last issue displayed in color outside the church office, or on our web site. We hope to publish our next edition in early Summer 2017 if we receive enough content. **Thanks to those who have already shared content! We're extending our initial deadline because we are seeking more content from you.** Please either email it to Tony Karl (tony.karl@att.net) or drop off/mail items to the church office. If you have any questions or ideas about content for future issues, please talk to Tony Karl. Thanks!

KAN Cool For School - Seeking Help & School Supplies - Aug. 18 Setup & Aug. 19 Event

KAN Cool is an event that pulls the community of Manitowoc County together to provide school supplies for students in Manitowoc County. Begun by people from St. James a number of years ago, KAN Cool is now its own non-profit organization. Board meetings are often held at St. James. May people from St. James have or do serve on the KAN Board and many more help by donating school supplies, helping with Setup on August 18 or with the distribution event on August 19, 2017. YOU can help in any of these ways!! We will have a school supply collection bin for new school supplies at St. James. If you want to help with either setup and/or the event here is a link to register to help
<https://www.volunteersignup.org/AAYRK>

Wish list of school supplies for the tote in the entranceway: Backpacks, Beach Towels, Calculators, Clorox Wipes, colored pencils, Compasses, protractors, dry erase markers, erasers, two pocket folders, Elmer's glue, glue sticks, highlighters, Kleenex tissues, Loose leaf paper, spiral notebooks, pencil pouches, rulers, scissors (small), school supply boxes, Ziploc bags - Gallon, Quart & Sandwich. Buy supplies, bring to church, put them in the tote!

**See the Bulletin Board across from the office on the lower level for
more information**

Education for Ministry (EfM)

will be offered at two times in Sheboygan County starting Monday,
September 11 at 9:30AM or 5PM at St. Peter's Church House in
Sheboygan Falls. registration deadline is Aug. 1

Education for Ministry is a 4 year program Sept - May. You can start at
any time. please talk to Dianne Wilson, Chuck Wernecke or Amma Diane
to learn more about EfM.

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Explore the New Testament in the Original Language!

New Testament Greek

Grace Episcopal Church 1011 N. 7th St. (N.7th and Ontario Ave.)
Sheboygan, WI 53081

Thursday evenings, 7-9 p.m. Beginning Sept. 7, 2017

September-May (with a Winter break)

Fifth Sunday Months:

July 30 - 3rd Sunday team

October 29 - 4th 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 (1st & 2nd Sunday)

Eleanor Agnew*, Chris

Eggert-Rosenthal, Amy Healey,

Dan Hornung, Anne Schuette*,

Bob & Peggy Turnbull,

Gerri 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

Occasionally members of St. James need a ride to church. Right now we are seeking St. James members to give Gerri Walker a ride to church on Sunday mornings. Gerri lives at River Hills Apts. 1500 N.3rd St. in Manitowoc. Gerri 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.

Script Order Dates

August 13

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

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

For guidance and discernment we lift up. . .

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

We also pray for: Tim, Guy and 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 St. Matthias, Minocqua, . In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for Ontario, Canada. We pray for our companion Diocese of Masvingo and St. Peter's Parish, Beitbridge 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. The APS Mission Team going to Kentucky. The Mission Team going to Juarez, Mexico.

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. Arch Bishop of Canterbury Justin Welby

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 Worship 5PM

Tuesdays Cursillo Grouping 6PM

Wednesdays Choir Rehearsal 5PM (check calendar)

Wednesdays NO Grief Group in Summer call Amma

September 10
October 8
November 12
December 3 & 10

Scrip is a way for you to purchase store gift cards for your own use or to give as gifts. The card user gets full value for the amount and St. James receives a percent (varies with retailer). The money St. James receives is going into our Outreach Fund. Order forms are available at the info center at the back of church

Orders and payment for the orders can be given to Mike Laughrin or Tammy McVeigh at any time during the month, no later than the date above for that month. The order will be sent in on the 15th of the month with the gift cards being available one to two Sundays later depending on what day of the week the 15th falls.

Diane if you need help with grief
Fridays Morning Prayer 6:30AM
July 15 Appalachia Mission Team leaves
July 17 Vestry Retreat Continues 5:30PM
July 18 RUTH at 1st Lutheran 8:30AM
July 18 Hope House Training at Hope House 10am
July 18 Miracle League 6PM
July 19 Hope House Training at Hope House 2PM
July 20 Rainbow Acts Crafting 1PM
July 20 Hope House Training at Hope House 6:30PM
July 22 Mexico Mission Team Leaves
July 26 Book Clubs at PK's Beans & Cream 7PM
July 31-Aug 5 St. James week at Hope House
July 31-Aug 4 St. James Delivers Meals On Wheels
Aug 18 KAN Set Up
Aug 19 KAN Event

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

Have you been wondering what on earth are those people doing in Madison again!? Whose idea was this? CCV, DCDI.....too many acronyms! What does "IN THE GRIP" and " DO REFLECT DO" have to do with St James?

Thank you, St. James Vestry and congregation for supporting this two-year learning experience that took Amma Diane away from Sunday worship 3 times this past year. For 2017-18, it is re-formatted for "on line" study and gathering at Holy Wisdom Monastery in Madison for Saturdays only.

Before I try to share what we have been experiencing- **please note:** CCV (Commission on Congregational Vitality from the Diocese of Fond du lac) - the conversation last fall, the survey, results 'sharing' , and planned action- is **not** related to this course that Amma Diane, Chris Eggert-Rosenthal and I are attending. Having said that- of course there may be some similarities in topics and conversations - but they are not inter related at all!

The November and January sessions were very overwhelming-- lots of things to learn: new vocabulary, new learning approaches, new personalities, becoming a part of a learning application team, and how to sit and pay attention for 45 minutes at a time! Also- just like at summer camp-- at first it felt that everyone knew each other and we 3 were 'outsiders'.. AND- there were people in their year 2nd cycle-- along with we churches starting our year 1 sequence. I've wanted to share our experience-- but honestly, I didn't have the words until almost a year later! Key to the program are 3 projects to be completed locally-- one of which you are just hearing about.

DCDI means: Diocesan Church Development Institute- Leadership Training for Congregations.

St James is the only congregation from the FDL Diocese participating- the rest are Milwaukee Diocese churches. The Vestry and Bishop Matt Gunther supported our attending financially, expecting us to return and actively share our learnings within the diocese.

It focuses on "developing the spiritual community and organizational life of the congregations- engaging participants in the issues and dynamics that they face-- making them stronger, healthier, more rooted in Anglican spirituality, more responsive to God and more effective in their communities. " You may be thinking like I was--"Well-- of course we all want our churches to reflect these things and expect our group to share key learnings when we complete the program." Key however, it supports the concept that it is **through the diocese** that most congregations can best be resourced for their development efforts--**not through national programs providing expert advice.**

I have tried to summarize key things I learned or experienced for each weekend. Each session always included Morning and Evening prayer, learning and using surveys and their feedback, opportunities for active participation / group facilitation and 'real' life parish scenarios for which we could practice our new skills. I believe quite simply- this experience will help us understand what a healthy church is- and how to work towards becoming one. How to plan for change and navigate change, and thirdly, how our personalities impact the success of being a leader in the church and how to work together in planning.

Weekend 1: One of the best things- right away --we learned a few easy ways to 'get acquainted', or check in with each other in any group setting. I think what it does- is help us leave behind the 'day'..to remind us that we aren't at a 'work' meeting or another non-profit group's board-- we are a part of a leadership team at a church--

- Learning and using the 4 Core Frameworks / Visual models: (Parish Life, Benedictine Promise, Renewal- Apostolate, Shape of the Parish) - in our teams, we each took one and presented it to our team to describe the life (maybe **personality** is another term that makes sense) of our congregations -with each other as Anglicans- and thus to assess our parish health. Team members shared questions/reflections after we gave our presentations. (remember this is day 1 and we are making presentations !!)
- Practical Application: we learned about conducting a survey- and using a feedback session. For example: A congregation is given \$50,000 for outreach. How do you survey the congregation on how this money could be used? What do you need to have clarified before writing a survey? How will you share the results? For January, we each were to conduct 3 interviews with various members of St James with a survey that we were given. I think I can speak for all of us- just spending the time for a one on one conversation was so meaningful- regardless of what questions we were told to ask.
- (Using a Business model of Organizational Development), **Congregational development** is: the development of the congregation as a community of faith with a unique identity, purpose and dynamics. It is: intentional- looking at whole system (church). Assessing its health. knowing your reality and what areas need to be **nudged** to move forward, what **interventions** are needed. This develops a **capacity for change-- and takes time** based on behavioral science to see data and behaviors that define an organization.

It is also increasing the capacity and potential to be effective in proclaiming the Gospel, forming disciples of Jesus and serving Christ in the world. Another key concept: **planning with thoughtfulness and having a sense of where you are going and how you will get there -- this helps move the organization.**

Big words for you to remember: INTENTIONALITY and CHANGE