



St. James Weekly for Aug. 13 - 20, 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 8/13

9AM KinderChurch
10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers:2nd Sunday Team
Acolyte/Crucifer: Geri Walker
Eucharistic Ministers: Richard Hall,
Sharon Meany
Readers: Chris Eggert-Rosenthal,
Richard Hall, Peggy Turnbull
11:15AM Fellowship - Saints

Monday 8/14

Tuesday 8/15

8:30AM R.U.T.H.
5PM Worship

6PM Cursillo Grouping
6PM Miracle League

Wednesday 8/16

Thursday 8/17

Friday 8/18

6:30AM Morning Prayer
9AM KAN Set Up at Jefferson Elem

Saturday 8/19

8AM KAN Distribution Day -
Jefferson Elementary School

Sunday 8/20

9:00AM KinderChurch
10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 3rd Sun. Team
Acolyte/Crucifer: Kim Kaufmann
Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Eggert-
Rosenthal, Dianne Wilson
Readers: Karleen Cole, Skip Cole,
Bob Feller
11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples

Milestones

August Anniversaries

Aug 24 Mark & Sally Hunner

August Birthdays

Aug 2 Kathy Seidl
Aug 5 Clara Handl
Aug 12 Karleen Cole
Aug 24 Macy Schultz
Aug 25 Mary Burckle

**Is your date missing? Please tell
Amma Diane**

Scrip order Sunday is THIS Sunday August 13 read about Scrip in the left-hand column!

The Sunday Ministry Schedule for August 13 through October 22 is now published. A link is in the left column and on our website. Printed copies are available at the Info Center at the back of the sanctuary. Please contact Amma Diane if you are interested in volunteering for any of these ministries.

NEW DIRECTORIES - we have several people with contact info changes. If that includes you, please get new info to Amma Diane. We will publish an updated directory by August 27

St. James Book Group for August 16 and September 27

Our St. James Book Group is meeting a week early in August - on Wednesday, **August 16** at 7 PM at PK's Beans and Cream (corner of N. 8th Street and New York Avenue) to discuss "Me Before You" by JoJo Moyes. This book may generate some interesting discussion about the right to make end-of-life decisions. In September will be planning a pot-luck meeting as we discuss "Kitchens of the Great Midwest" by J. Ryan Stradel. Our meeting will start at 6 PM on Wednesday, **September 27**, at St. James in the Fellowship Hall, and bring a dish or beverage to share if you can. All St. James members, their friends and family, are welcome to sign out a copy of the "book of the month" from the cloakroom in the lower level at church. Please contact Anne Schuette (242-2819) or Marie Hawkins (683-9032) with any questions.

KAN Cool For School - Seeking Help & School Supplies - Aug. 18 Setup 9AM & Aug. 19 8AM 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. Many 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 9AM - 12noon or with the distribution event on August 19 8AM - 1PM. 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!

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

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920-860-5152

Sunday Worship Ministries:

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

[Ministry Schedule Aug.13 - October 22, 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

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, Geri Walker.

Disciples Team (3rd & 4th Sun.)

Marian Flint, Judy Lavicka*,

CONVERSATIONS IN COMMUNITY SEPT 10-24 - AN INVITATION FROM YOUR VESTRY

During September, your St James Episcopal Church Vestry is inviting everyone to be a part of **Conversations in Community**, a series of small groups engaging in holy conversations to share information, feedback, and hopes for our future together. **Anybody who cares about St James Episcopal Church is invited.** You are important to us, so we hope you will all participate!

These conversations can lead us to **a better understanding of who we are as a church in 2017** and **what our hopes are for our future.** Pairs of Vestry facilitators will lead each group and take notes. All are encouraged to listen with open hearts and minds as others share their own feelings and opinions relative to the questions that will be asked. Amma Diane has actively participated in planning these conversations and will be part of the follow-up, but has chosen not to facilitate or attend these groups.

Every participant will have the opportunity to respond to all questions; it's okay if you don't have a response for every question. We're including the questions in this announcement for those who would like to think about them in advance. In these small groups, we will seek **answers to the following:**

1. What originally brought you to St James Episcopal Church, and why did you stay?
2. Remembering your entire experience at our church, when were you most alive, most motivated, and most excited about your involvement?
3. What do you value most about our church?
4. Thinking about the present or short-term future (*your answers to parts A & B may or not be related*)...
 - A. What additional ministries or programs would you like to see offered?
 - B. What are any skills, gifts, or abilities you'd like to share with or teach others?
5. How would you imagine the future for St James?

Sign up for a Conversation at the back of the church starting Sunday August 13. If you can't be in church to sign up in August, contact Amma Diane and she can assist you. Some may find their experience enhanced by attending a group with a friend or family member, and others may prefer to attend separate groups. Groups of up to six participants and two Vestry facilitators will meet at St James for about 90-120 minutes. Water, coffee, and tea are available, and you are welcome to bring other snacks or refreshments. We've scheduled a variety of days and times: Sunday 9/10 at 11:30AM, Sunday 9/10 at 5:30PM, Monday 9/11 at 5:30PM, Tuesday 9/12 at 5:30PM, Wednesday 9/13 at 1:30PM, Monday 9/18 at 10:30AM, Tuesday 9/19 at 1:30PM, Wednesday 9/20 at 10:30AM, Thursday 9/21 at 5:30 PM, and Sunday 9/24 at 11:30AM.

We will all gather together to discuss feedback from Conversations in Community on **Sunday, October 29 after 10AM worship.**

We hope to see you all in Conversations in Community!

Your Vestry - Skip Cole, Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Richard Hall (Senior Warden), Ron Hanson, Sally Hunner, Tony Karl (Clerk), Kim Kaufmann (Assistant Treasurer), Mike Laughrin, Tammy McVeigh (Junior Warden), Amma Diane Murray (Rector), & Mary Jean Reckelberg (Treasurer)

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 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.

Scrip Order Dates

August 13
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.

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!

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

Explore the New Testament in the Original Language!

New Testament Greek

Grace Episcopal Church 1011 N. 7th St. Sheboygan, WI 53081

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

September-May (with a Winter break)

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 into, 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, Susan and Bonnie, Don and Beth, Laura, Liz, GERALYN, 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...The people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza Sudan and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for all educators and students. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for Remo - (Lagos, Nigeria). 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. Arch Bishop of Canterbury Justin Welby.

For our companion Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe and their bishop The Right Reverend Godfrey.

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

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:

Sunday Adult Formation at 8:45AM check calendar

Sunday KinderChurch at 9AM; Main Service 10AM

Tuesday Worship 5PM

Tuesday Cursillo Grouping 6PM

Wednesday Choir Rehearsal 5PM (check calendar)

Wednesday NO Grief Group in Summer call Amma

Diane if you need help with grief

Fridays Morning Prayer 6:30AM

Aug 15 R.U.T.H 8:30AM at St. James

Aug 15 Miracle League 6PM

Aug 16 Book Group 7PM PK's Beans 'N Cream

Aug 17 Rainbow Acts Crafting 1PM

Aug 18 KAN Set Up 8AM - 12N(see announcement)

Aug 19 KAN Event 8AM - 1PM (see announcement)

Aug 21 Vestry Retreat Part 3 5:30PM

Aug 24 Girl Scouts #8420

Aug 31 Girl Scouts #8420

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! Thank you, St. James Vestry and congregation for supporting this two-year learning experience. For 2017-18, it is re-formatted for some "on line" study and gathering at Holy Wisdom Monastery in Madison for Saturdays only.

Weekend

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Goals: Force Field Analysis and Change Model, Asking for and receiving feedback, Tuckman's stages of Team Development, Local congregation project design

Data Gathering techniques (review of the many ways to find out information)

*3 interviews, *Survey - Feedback (ie: where is the energy around xx?) *On chart place 0-5? (Asking is better than telling or raising hands), * talk in pairs (report out), * 4 corners of room (ie: how many years have you been in the Episcopal church?), *scales (ie: What kind of worship do you prefer? 0 - 5 on chart- put your name on chart where you are), *Intuition/observation, *Paper Survey (too time consuming), *Quick Process (use a model, ie: renewal and apostolate) mark where you are at in your church about xxx- a snapshot of the day)

This starts the conversation of your 'story'- Where it is safe to talk-we are making space to talk about things.

Case study: Decision to purchase new/second hymnals: The Music Director and new Priest decide to purchase supplementary hymnals. (money had been budgeted, so this did not go thru the Vestry). The younger members of the choir are enthusiastic- older members not sure how their peers will react. Four months into the new hymnals, tension is palpable, choir morale low. The Pastor wonders where she went wrong. An older choir member is leading the fight- spreading rumors - saying that " the previous rector tried something like that and he didn't last long!" As leaders in a church, things to consider: What is the level of conflict here? What were the causes of the escalation of conflict? What could have been differently? What are the 'RUBS'? What are your recommendations for the Rector and other leaders?

Tuckman's stages of Team Development:

This takes time, can't apply speed to people or systems. You will go thru these stages with each new person in the group as the group forms every year. (ie: vestry) Forming, Storming, Norming, Performing, Adjourning - mourning.

Force Field Analysis: Identify the 'now'. Identify the target - the change you want/expect. Identify what is going to be the restraining forces. (maintaining the status quo), Identify what is the driving forces. Prioritize forces, Prioritize strategies. Decide how to proceed.

Local Congregation "Project" Sharing and Design:

Year two cycle teams presented their projects. Examples are: **Narthex revamping:** moving coffee hour upstairs as there is no handicap access to fellowship hall and creating storage for food pantry donations etc. **Education:** teaching vestry the 'shape of the parish' model. **Education:** Educate the vestry on the need to be "externally" focused. Read one of the church development books together. **Safety and Wellness of congregation:** Assessing need for better First Aid knowledge/training/materials/AED.