



St. James Weekly for Feb 4 - 10, 2018

434 N. 8th St., Manitowoc, WI 54220 920-684-8256 (*church office*)
The Rev. Diane M. Murray, Rector 920-860-5152 (*cell*)

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

Sunday 2/4

9:00AM Bible Study

9:00AM KinderChurch

10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 1st Sun. Team

Acolyte/Crucifer: Kim Kaufmann

Eucharistic Ministers: Mark Hunner,
Sudi Johnson

Readers: Bob Feller, Dianne Wilson

11:15AM Fellowship - Saints

11:30AM Christian Book Circle

Monday 2/5

Meals On Wheels

Clergy retreat begins

Tuesday 2/6

Meals On Wheels

Clergy Retreat Continues

Wednesday 2/7

Meals On Wheels

Clergy Retreat Ends

4PM Worship

Thursday 2/8

Meals On Wheels

5:40PM Vestry

6PM Girl Scouts

Friday 2/9

Meals On Wheels

6:30AM Morning Prayer

Saturday 2/10

8AM Men's Breakfast Lighthouse Inn

9AM Women's Breakfast Potluck - St.
James

Sunday 2/11

9AM Bible Study

9AM KinderChurch

10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 2nd Sunday Team

Acolyte/Crucifer: Mary Jean
Reckelberg

Eucharistic Ministers: Ruby
Gunderson, Dianne Wilson

Readers: Richard Hall, Peggy Turnbull

11:15AM Fellowship - Saints

11:30AM Wonder Book Discussion

Feb. 11 is Scrip Sunday see left column for info

Weekday Late Afternoon Service Time Change!

Starting with the first Wednesday of February, 2018 our weekday late afternoon weekday service will be held on Wednesdays at 4PM. Our first Wednesday service will be Feb 7, 2018. At this service we offer healing prayers for those who wish them, some discussion/sharing around the scripture themes, most weeks we have some simple music and generally we have communion. If you haven't attended or haven't for a while come and join us! The service is held in the chapel.

Bible Study - Feb. 4, 2018 9AM

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Journey with others into the mystery of God; come with a spirit of searching and we'll look for answers together. We will be reading and discussing scripture with the guidance of the book *We Make the Road by Walking* by Brian McLaren. Our focus will be on the topic *Alive in the Adventure of Jesus*. There will be No Study Feb 11. Bible Study will resume Feb. 18 with a new theme for Lent.

St. James Book Circle Sunday Feb 4 11:30AM

Come and share with those gathered the contemporary Christian literature you are enjoying. if you're not currently reading a book, come and get some good ideas for your next read. We typically meet the first Sunday of the month in one of the rooms on the lower level. We meet for an hour or less depending on who comes and what we have to share. Everyone is welcome.

Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed Feb. 5 - 9

Volunteers from St. James are assigned to deliver Meals on Wheels during the week of February 5-9. 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. 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 Bulletin Boards: "Come and See"

Stop downstairs before or after worship and take a look at photos of the Annual Meeting posted on the "Come and See" bulletin board. All are welcome to submit photos and stories for our church bulletin boards. If you have a story but don't know how to "write it up" please talk to Liz Gordon or Anne Schuette. We've been changing the bulletin boards regularly and love to have suggestions. We want the St. James bulletin boards to be a source of inspiration and information. Watch Lent arrive this month on the bulletin board upstairs.

Milestones

February Anniversaries

Feb 14 Tony Karl & Chris Couris

February Birthdays

Feb 10 Alex Handl

Feb 10 Zach Handl

Feb 10 Rick Roubal

Feb 11 Anne Schuette

Feb 14 Annalisa Valli

Feb 16 Andrew Hooker

Feb 20 Mark Hunner

Feb 21 Marian Flint

Feb 27 Richard Hall

Feb 27 Kim Kaufmann

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 Dec. 24, 2017 - Mar 4, 2018](#)

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

St. James "Books & Groups" Tri-fold Available

Check out the new informational handout "Books & Groups at St. James", in the rack at the back of the sanctuary. Representatives from the Book Group, the Book Circle, and the Discover & Grow committee came together to create a clear description of each group, as well as meeting times, and current reading options. This tri-fold handout is designed for new St. James members. Please talk to Amy Healey, Sally Hunner, Sudi Johnson or Anne Schuette if you have any questions.

Rev. Jerry Hancock on Prison Reform – Feb. 6 at Grace UCC

Rev. Jerry Hancock will use the book *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson as a focus for his discussion about the prospects for prison reform in Wisconsin - on Tues., Feb. 6 at 6:30 PM - at Grace Church in Two Rivers. This is the second part of a talk planned for January 15, but rescheduled due to weather. Please talk to Anne Schuette with any questions or for a ride to this talk.

St. James Saturday Morning Women's Group - meets Saturday, Feb. 10 at 9AM

Come and join us for a potluck breakfast at 10AM in the Fellowship Hall. This month Chris Eggert-Rosenthal will provide a reflection. You need not be a member of St. James to attend.

St. James Reads: Wonder Discussion -

Sunday Feb. 11, 11:20AM, following Fellowship

Come together to discuss the book *Wonder*. Even if you've followed the discussion on Facebook, explore what Auggie's story teaches us about how to live our lives. If you can't read *Wonder* right now, read and discuss the book in June with the St. James Book Group.

If you have any questions, please talk to Sally Hunner

Zimmer Forum Resumes on Tuesday - Feb.13

The monthly Zimmer Forum, "a book discussion for people of faith," resumes, after a winter break, on Tuesday, February 13, at 12:00 noon. Norbertine Brother Steve Herro will present *Jesus Christ, Peacemaker: A New Theology of Peace* by Terrence J. Rynne. Zimmer Forum discussions are open to the public without charge and take place in the Heritage Room (room 238) on the second floor of the main building of Silver Lake College, [2406 South Alverno Road](#), on the second Tuesday of each month during the school year. Contact Anne Schuette (242-2819) with questions or to arrange a ride to this event.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Feb.13 at 5PM

Girl Scout Troop 8420 and members of St. James invite you to a pancake supper on Shrove Tuesday - Feb. 13. Pancakes and sausages will be served starting at 5:00 PM. If you'd like more information or to help out, please talk to Anne Schuette 2424-2819.

Two Ash Wednesday Worship Services 2/14

Ash Wednesday (February 14 this year) marks the beginning of the season of Lent with worship designed to help us prepare for the season. A daytime service will take place at 4PM in the Chapel at St James Episcopal Church.

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, Ron Hansen, Amy Healey, Dan Hornung, Anne Schuette*, Bob & Peggy Turnbull, Geri Walker.

Disciples Team (3rd & 4th Sun.)

Dave Haefke, Judy Lavicka*, 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. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church. Please call Donna Franz 973-3017 if you have questions.

In the evening, we'll participate in the ecumenical Ash Wednesday worship service at 6:30PM at St John's United Church of Christ. For 12 years we have been gathering each Ash Wednesday with ecumenical partners including First Presbyterian Church, First Reformed UCC, St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, and St John's United Church of Christ. Both worship services on this day will include imposition of ashes, the symbolic reminder of our humanity and mortality: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

St. James Volunteer Week at Hope House - Feb. 18 - 24, 2018

There are many ways you can volunteer some time at Hope House during our volunteer week. We share the work for the week with people from Lakeshore United Methodist Church. There are opportunities to be an overnight host (you get your own room to sleep in), an evening host, help with a meal or provide some other service. For more information talk with Dan Hornung, Sally & Mark Hunner, Sudi Johnson, Anne Schuette or Amma Diane.

Lent Bible Study - Feb. 18 - March 18, 2018 9AM

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Journey with others to explore how following Jesus leads us into a lifetime of learning and action; come with a spirit of searching and we'll look for answers together. Without homework, we will focus on Jesus's teaching through the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5 - 7) with the guidance of the book We Make the Road by Walking by Brian McLaren. No prior Bible study experience needed.

St. James Book Group Reads "Hillbilly Elegy" in February

The St. James Book Group is reading *Hillbilly Elegy* by J. D. Vance in February. The book is sub-titled "a memoir of a family and culture in crisis." Vance describes Appalachia, where he grew up, and life as it is lived there today. You can sign out a copy of the book and return it by the date of our meeting - Wed., Feb. 28, at 7:00 PM. Our copies are loaned by the Manitowoc Public Library and are available in the lower level cloakroom. Please contact Anne Schuette (242-2819) or Marie Hawkins (683-9032) with any questions.

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 . . .

Steve and Mary Beth, Susie and Dave, Bill, Steven, Mike and Laura, Karen, Matthew, Karen and Bob, Bonnie, Ray, Joan, Johnny and Sally, Audrey, Virginia, Judy, Marty, Don and Beth, Laura, Liz, Tiger, Dan and Maria, Billy, Murray, Melissa. Ben and Gail, Mary, Brenden, Cherity, Debbie, Susan, Silas, Bonnie, Andrew, Simon, Richard, Candace

For guidance and discernment we lift up. . .

Those serving in the military: Kyle Kurschner, Zach Truett, Jordon Rosenthal, Brady Cook, Shannon, Logan, Jesse Hansen
We also pray for: Tim, Guy and Mary, Kurt, Lisann, Ronald, Alison

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 Holy Trinity, Waupun, and St. Jude's Mission District, Masvingo, Zimbabwe. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Burundi. For people living with mental illness. Hope House families. The men of the

Scrip Order Dates

February 11
March 11
April 8
May 13
June 10
July 8
August 12
September 9
October 7
November 11
December 2
December 9

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.

Vestry Updates

Approved Vestry Minutes, Financial Statements and Agendas for our meeting can be found on the bulletin board across from the office on the lower level.

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, Dan 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, Cindy, Dale, Bill, Mary, Randy, Clayton, Pat, Geralyn, Reggie, Jean

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
Wednesday Worship 4PM
Wednesday Cursillo Grouping - follows worship
Wednesday Choir Rehearsal 5PM (check calendar)
Fridays Morning Prayer 6:30AM
Feb 4 Bible Study 9AM
Feb 4 Christian Book Circle 11:30AM
Feb 5 - 7 Clergy Retreat - St. Norbert's Abbey
Feb 5 - 9 Meals On Wheels Delivery
Feb 7 NEW DAY Worship 4PM
Feb 7 NO Choir Rehearsal
Feb 8 Vestry 5:40PM
Feb 8 Girl Scouts 6PM
Feb 10 Men's Breakfast 8AM Lighthouse Inn
Feb 10 Women's Breakfast 9AM St. James
Feb 11 Book read "Wonder" discussion 11:30AM
Feb 11 SCRIP Orders due
Feb 13 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner 5PM
Feb 14 Ash Wednesday 4PM St James
Feb 14 Choir Rehearsal 5PM
Feb 14 Ash Wednesday 6:30PM St. John's UCC
Feb 15 Rainbow Acts Crafting 1PM
Feb 15 Girl Scouts 6PM
Feb 18 - 24 Hope House Volunteer Week
Feb 19 Parish Life Meeting 4:30PM
Feb 20 RUTH Mtg 8:30AM
Feb 20 Miracle League 6PM
Feb 21 Choir Rehearsal 5PM
Feb 22 Girl Scouts 6PM
Feb 23 Vestry Retreat 5:40PM
Feb 24 Girl Scout cookie distribution - morning
Feb 28 Choir Rehearsal 5PM
Feb 28 St. James Book Group 7PM
Mar 3 Traces of The Trade - 9AM - 12 Noon

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

Highlights from the Annual Meeting

ELECTIONS:

Dan Hornung was elected Senior Warden for a first 1-year term.

Tammy McVeigh was elected Junior Warden for a second 1-year term.

Jim Gordon was elected Vestry member for a 3-year term.

Mark Hunner was elected Endowment Fund Trustee for a second 3-year term.

Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Murray Sim, and Mike Laughrin were elected Lay Delegates to Diocesan Convention for 1-year terms.

Peggy Turnbull, Kim Kaufmann, and Richard Hall were elected Lay Alternates to Diocesan Convention, and agree that if needed, they would serve in the order they volunteered (Peggy, Kim, Richard).

Thank-you to all who served in these various capacities in 2017!!

FINANCIAL REPORTS & BUDGET:

Treasurer Mary Jean Reckelberg explained handout and answered questions.

a. 2017 REPORTS: 2017 income was \$100,330, which was \$7,525 more than the budgeted \$93,550.

2017 expenses were \$100,330, which was \$1,450 less than the budgeted \$101,780. This resulted in a budget surplus of \$745, rather than the projected deficit of \$8,230.

b. 2018 BUDGET: The Proposed Budget for 2018 was presented. Projected income is \$99,550, which is \$1,525 less than our 2017 income. Projected expenses are \$101,250, which is \$920 more than our 2017 expenses. This results in a planned deficit of \$1,700. The Vestry continues to work hard to reduce and eliminate planned deficits each year.

c. Motion to receive the 2017 Treasurer's Report and approve the 2018 Budget with appreciation to Mary Jean Reckelberg, Kim Kaufmann, Amma Diane, and the entire Vestry, made by Mark Hunner, seconded by Judy Lavicka, and approved unanimously by voting members.

STATE OF THE CHURCH:

a. We watched a brief video called "The Jesus Movement" featuring The Most Reverend Michal Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church.

b. Amma Diane shared briefly about our 2017 Conversations in Community and celebrated the sharing that was done. She mentioned that the first action coming out of the second set of conversations will be having newer member Candace Groth use her expertise to evaluate our physical structure to help us begin to explore some options for our future.

c. Amma Diane reviewed some of our successes and the types of growth we've experienced. She acknowledged we've had some bumps in the road during her nearly 9 years as Rector of St James, but have continued to be a very fruitful congregation serving God and our community.