



## St. James Weekly for Dec 16-23, 2018

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

### Sunday 12/16

#### 3rd Sunday of Advent

#### Hope House Week

8:45AM Adult Study Group

9AM KinderChurch

10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 3rd Sunday Team

Acolyte/Crucifer: Kim Kaufmann

Eucharistic Ministers: Sudi Johnson &

Chris Eggert-Rosenthal

Readers: Richard Hall,

Mary Green

11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples

11:30AM Special Worship Service

Planning Meeting

### Monday 12/17

#### Hope House Week

#### Meals On Wheels

### Tuesday 12/18

#### Hope House Week

#### Meals On Wheels

8:30 RUTH Mtg

6PM Miracle League

### Wednesday 12/19

#### Hope House Week

#### Meals On Wheels

4PM Blue Christmas Worship

5PM Choir

### Thursday 12/20

#### Hope House Week

#### Meals On Wheels

6PM Girl Scouts

### Friday 12/21

#### Hope House Week

#### Meals On Wheels

6:30AM Morning Prayer

### Saturday 12/22

#### Hope House Week

### Sunday 12/23

#### 4th Sunday of Advent

8:45AM NO Study Group

9AM KinderChurch

10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 4th Sunday Team

Acolyte/Crucifer: Geri Walker

Eucharistic Ministers: Richard Hall,

Mark Hunner

Readers: Peggy Turnbull, Glenn

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11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples

### Thank-you! Thank-you!

Thanks to all who supported the Y Swim Team Pizza Ranch fundraiser on December 10. We raised \$286.00 which will go toward sending a coach (to accompany our swimmers) to Nationals. We truly appreciate your support.

Mary Burckle

Swim Team Manager

Manitowoc-Two Rivers YMCA

### Advent Study: Sunday before Church, Dec. 16

8:45 Gather in Church Library, Downstairs

9-9:45 Read & Discuss

- Read together & discuss ***Your Untold Story: Tales of a Child of God*** by Jake Owensby, Bishop of Western Louisiana.
- Learn about how God's presence works in our lives.
- Presiding Bishop Michael Curry says, "Bishop Owensby is one of the finest thinkers and writers on today's scene, religious or secular. I read everything he publishes, and I learn something, think deeply, and am moved every time I do. This book is no different. **You'll learn, think, be moved, and live a bit differently.**"

### Special Worship Service Planning 12/16 & Beyond

One of our 2021 goals is: "*St James is known as a spiritual and healing place, responding to local needs and national events*". In order to help work toward that goal, we are going to begin preparing some special Worship services based on specific events or themes. The first step will be a brief Conversations in Community gathering after 10AM Worship on Sunday 12/16. Participants will be invited to contribute ideas for a list of special Worship services that are a response to a specific event (natural disaster, shooting, terrorism, etc) or that are based on a specific theme (peace, suicide, domestic violence, etc).

The next step after 12/16 will be to invite those who are interested to help research, adapt, or write prayers, texts, music, and other items for one or more special Worship services that they are interested in. Your involvement can be flexible based on your schedule and interest. You can help with any or all parts of the planning stages, and you can choose to help with just one special Worship service or as many as you like. Once we have these resources prepared, we'll be able to respond with short notice to needs and events by scheduling and hosting a special Worship service for our congregation and community.

Those who'd like to help with this project will also have the option to help develop ways to target, promote, and evaluate these special Worship services. If you have any questions, please contact Amma Diane or Tony Karl.

**BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE:** The holiday season can be a difficult time for those who have experienced loss. We invite you to a special "Blue Christmas" themed Worship at 4PM on Wednesday 12/19 to remember and honor our loss and grief.

## Milestones

### December Anniversaries

13 Randy & Cindy Hronek

### December Birthdays

2 Todd Reckelberg  
4 Chris Couris  
5 Bill Schultz  
11 Geri Walker  
14 Grace Valli  
15 Kelly Schultz  
20 Nancy Sim  
25 Sharon Meany  
27 Patrick Byrd

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](#)
- [Diocesan & Anglican Cycles of Prayer](#)

[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](mailto:dianemarie.murray@gmail.com)  
920-860-5152

### Sunday Worship Ministries:

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

[Nov 11 2018 - Jan 27 2019 Ministry Schedule](#)

**CHRISTMAS EVE:** Join us starting at 6:30PM on Monday 12/24 for a musical prelude celebrating Christ's birth. Anybody who would like to sing or play a song is welcome to do so-talk to Tony Karl or Amma Diane if you are interested or have questions. Worship begins at 7PM, includes festive music, and ends with our Sanctuary softly glowing by candle light.

**CHRISTMAS DAY:** Christ is born! On Christmas morning, Tuesday 12/25, join us for Morning Prayer at 9AM.

**CHRISTMAS HYMN SING:** 10AM Worship on Sunday 12/30 will continue the celebration of Christ's birth with a Christmas hymn sing. Be ready to request your favorite Christmas songs from our blue Hymnal 1982 books.

### Advent Calendars for 2019

Thanks to Marian Flint, Liz Gordon, Amy Healey, Sophia Handl, Clara Handl, Macy Schultz, and Anne Schuette for contributing squares to our Advent bulletin board. There are still copies of the color-able Advent calendar from Forward Movement available -- feel free to take one home.

### Meals on Wheels Volunteer Week is December 17 - 21

Volunteers from St. James will deliver Meals on Wheels during the week of December 17 through 21. This ministry involves signing up, arriving at the Senior Center at 3330 Custer St. at 10:30 AM, 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 (242-2819) with any questions.

### Nominations are now open

Nominations are open for Vestry, Endowment Trustees, and Delegates and Alternates for our 2019 Diocesan Convention. See nominations forms at the back of the Sanctuary for details. Elections will take place at our Annual Meeting in early 2019. People may be nominated for more than one position. Nomination close two weeks before our Annual Meeting, which will be in early 2019. Nominations received so far:

Senior Warden (1 position) - Tammy McVeigh  
Junior Warden (1 position) - Chris Eggert-Rosenthal  
Vestry Member (2 positions) - Kim Kaufmann & Richard Hall  
Endowment Trustee (1 positions) - none  
Convention Delegate (3 positions) - none  
Convention Alternate (3 positions) - none

### 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, Bill, Steven, Mike and Laura, Matthew, Karen and Bob, Bonnie, Ray, Joan, Audrey, Virginia, Judy, Marty, Don and Beth, Tiger, Billy, Ben and Gail, Mary, Brenden, Cherity, Silas, Bonnie, Andrew, Bob, Mary and Vince, Faith, Mary Jean, Peggy Jane, Emily, Robin, Carol, Maggie, Joe Mike, for the family of John Hunner

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

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

## 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

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

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

**Disciples Team** (3<sup>rd</sup>& 4<sup>th</sup> Sun.)

Dave Haefke, Judy Lavicka\*, Steve  
Thuss, Ruby Gunderson, Murray Sim

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.

## St. James Church Building Contacts

If you are aware of anything inside or  
outside our building that needs  
attention or maintenance, please call  
or e-mail one of our building contacts.  
Please try Dave first and work your  
way down the list. Thanks!

Dave Haefke 920-860-4127  
dhaefke@gmail.com

Steve Thuss 920-323-6595  
schnidrr@tm.net

Murray Sim 414-617-9291  
murray.sim@cenallc.com

If there is an emergency, please call  
911

## 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 the  
Diocesan Staff and Ministries. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for  
the Kivu (Rwanda). 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, 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, Audrey, John Hunner

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. Thanksgivings 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

Fridays Morning Prayer 6:30AM

Dec 16 Planning Special Services after 10AM Service

Dec 16-22 Hope House Week

Dec 17-21 Meals On Wheels Delivery week

Dec 19 Blue Christmas Service 4PM

Dec 20 Girl Scouts 6PM

Dec 24 Christmas Eve Music 6:30PM Worship 7PM

Dec 25 Christmas Day Morning Prayer 9AM

Dec 26 NO 4PM Service

Dec 30 Christmas Hymn Sing during 10AM Service

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

## Vestry Updates:

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

Vestry Members: Sr. Warden - Dan Hornung; Jr. Warden - Tammy McVeigh;  
Vestry - Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Jim Gordon, Ron Hansen, Sally Hunner,  
Mike Laughrin; Treasurer - Peggy Turnbull; Clerk - Tony Karl

## **Opportunities to Help Each Other**

### Green Bay Airport Transportation for Chris Rosenthal and dog Abby

Chris's employment in Little Rock, AK may be extended further than she anticipated. Please consider taking a turn- either picking her up on a Thursday/Friday (typically 1 pm) or returning her on a Monday am (departing Two Rivers around 7:45 am). We will try again, the Meal Train Plus 'on line' calendaring system (which seemed to work well for Sudi's medical appointments.)

Sign up with your email address. You will then be invited to the Meal Train website to sign up for a Thursday/Friday or a Monday time slot. Chris is happy to pay you for your time/gas. Or In lieu of payment, Chris is making donations to St James per your request (ie. outreach, Amma Diane's discretionary fund etc)

### Rides to Church

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.

### Share One of Your Talents/Gifts

If you are able to share something you can do such as offering a ride, mowing grass, cleaning the house, caring for a pet, etc. Please contact Donna Franz at 973-3017 and let her know what you can do. Donna links those in need of some help with those who are able to offer the help!

## **Scrip Order Dates for 2019**

TBD

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.