



St. James Weekly for April 14 - 21, 2019

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

Sunday 4/14

Palm Sunday

SCRIP Orders Due

9AM KinderChurch

10:00AM Blessing of Palms & Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 2nd Sunday Team

Acolyte/Crucifer: Marian Doszkewycz

Eucharistic Ministers: Richard Hall, Sharon Meany

Readers: Bob Feller, Dianne Wilson

11:15AM Fellowship - Saints

Monday 4/15

12:30PM Living the Questions

Tuesday 4/16

RUTH Mtg 8:30AM

Wednesday 4/17

4PM Service with Healing Prayers

5:15PM Choir

Thursday 4/18

Maundy Thursday

6PM Girl Scouts

6:30PM Worship followed by overnight vigil

Friday 4/19

Good Friday

Vigil continues until noon

6:30AM Morning Prayer

12:15PM Worship

Saturday 4/20

8PM Great Vigil of Easter followed by reception in Fellowship Hall

Sunday 4/21

EASTER Sunday

9AM KinderChurch

10:00AM Worship

Greeters/Ushers: 3rd Sunday Team

Acolyte/Crucifer: Geri Walker

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Jean Reckelberg, Dianne Wilson

Readers: Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Richard Hall

11:15AM Fellowship - Disciples

Easter Flower Donation Envelops & Memorial Sign-up sheet are located at the Info Station at the rear of the sanctuary.

Holy Week & Easter Worship Opportunities

We have a variety of opportunities to Worship and celebrate Holy Week and Easter. On **Palm Sunday 4/14**, we'll start 10AM Worship with an outdoor blessing of palms and procession, then continue inside with the passion reading (we'll also have KinderChurch at 9AM). On **Maundy Thursday 4/18** we'll Worship together at 6:30PM followed by an overnight vigil either in your home or the church chapel. On **Good Friday 4/19**, we'll have Worship at 12:15PM (if you're unable to attend during the day, there's also a Community Good Friday service hosted at First Presbyterian Church at 6:30PM). On **Holy Saturday 4/20** we celebrate a highlight of the church year with the **Great Vigil of Easter** beginning at 8PM. This service begins with kindling new fire and is followed by a joyful reception in the Fellowship Hall. Feel free to bring something to share for the reception after the Vigil. **Easter Sunday 4/21** we'll celebrate with 9AM KinderChurch and 10AM Worship.

Maundy Thursday Vigil - April 18

We encourage those who are interested to spend an hour (or more) in prayer and reflection between our services on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Some find this tradition a way to remember the time Jesus spent praying in the Garden before his arrest and crucifixion. You can spend this devotional time at home or in our Chapel, which will remain open overnight. If this is something you'd find meaningful, you can sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary.

Living the Questions Mondays 12:30-1:30PM Schedule

Not everyone can make every meeting, but you can join in any time, you don't need to see the previous videos as each has a different subject. There is NO homework! We meet in a lower level classroom, elevator accessible. All are welcome to attend.

Date - Topic

April 15 A Kingdom without Walls

April 22 No Meeting (Easter Monday)

April 29 Social Justice: Realizing God's Vision

May 6 Incarnation: Divinely Human

May 13 Prayer: Intimacy with God

May 20 Compassion: The Heart of Jesus' Ministry

May 27 No Meeting (Memorial Day)

June 3 Creative Transformation

June 10 Embracing Mystery

Lenten Challenge/Opportunity to help Kan Cool

St. James helped launch Kan Cool Back to School, the community supported school supply program that helps to provide school supplies each August for lower income families in all of Manitowoc County. Kan Cool has for a number of years offered gently used or new clothing to all ages on supply pick-up day and also stocks some children's clothing in school clothing closets.

So here's the challenge/opportunity thanks to the suggestion of Mary Burckle.

Lent is 40 days long, starting on Ash Wednesday March 6. Everyday in Lent find a piece of clothing, clean and gently used in your home that you can give thanks for having been able to use, but now will pay that thanksgiving forward into God's Kingdom by donating that item of clothing to Kan Cool for someone else to use and value. Please no underwear and make sure clothes are clean and in good condition.

Milestones

April Anniversaries

April Birthdays

- 2 Henry Schultz
- 5 Jim Gordon
- 6 Shelley Richardson
- 9 Leah Handl
- 16 Michael Reckelberg
- 22 Donna Franz
- 23 Eleanor Agnew
- 26 Laura Hooker

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
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920-860-5152

Sunday Worship Ministries:
Greeters/Ushers,
Crucifer/Acolyte, Eucharistic
Ministers, Readers, Fellowship
Hosts

[April 14 - June 30, 2019
Ministry Schedule](#)

Greeter/Usher Teams
* Head Usher

1st Sunday: Skip & Karleen Cole,
Donna Franz

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

3rd Sunday: Murray Sim,

We will collect the items at St. James during Lent. Either bring items with you weekly as you come to church or bring them at the end of Lent (Easter). We'll offer a thanksgiving for all we collect during the Easter Season!

St. James Book Group Meets on Wed., April 24

The St. James Book Group will meet on Wednesday, April 24, at 7:00 PM in the church library to discuss "Born a Crime" by Trevor Noah. This autobiography tells Noah's story of growing up in South Africa. "These true tales are anchored to his portrait of his courageous, rebellious, and religious mother," according to *Booklist*. The St. James Book group meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month, and we obtain books through the Manitowoc Public Library. Copies of the books we read are available to sign out - check the shelf in the lower level cloakroom. All are welcome to attend our meetings even if you haven't read the book. Please contact Marie Hawkins (683-9032) or Anne Schuette (242-2819) with any questions.

St James Hosts Sunday Supper - April 28

St. James will once again be hosting Sunday Supper on April 28. Sunday Supper is a free meal provided on the last Sunday of each month, serving at 5pm. It is held at St. Francis on Grand (Corner of S. 14 & Grand Avenue). Sunday Supper started as a Lenten project here at St. James and has grown into a community event. We provide a ham dinner with all of the fixings. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church. Please consider helping with this event, either by donating food, helping or both. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Burckle.

"Keep it Green April" for Fellowship Hour

Let's try cutting down on plastic single-use items at Fellowship Hour during the month of April. This month the Fellowship Hour teams will wash coffee mugs and tableware on a trial basis. Instead of plastic utensils and Styrofoam cups "keep it green" by using these non-disposable options. We've had coffee mugs available for a while and hope to take "keeping it green" to the next level, but plan to continue use of paper plates for now. Please talk to Anne Schuette, Judy Lavicka, or Eleanor Agnew with any questions, and if you are not a Fellowship Hour "regular" you are cordially invited to come downstairs after worship on Sunday and check it out! Thanks for your help.

Polka Mass Sunday, May 5 at 10AM

The Bob Kuether Band returns to St James Episcopal Church for our 10AM worship on Sunday, May 5 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 1. 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!

REQUEST PRAYERS FROM BCP

Is there a prayer or thanksgiving from the Book of Common Prayer (pages 250-261 and 810-841) that you'd like prayed during Worship? A "Request Sheet for Prayers from BCP" is available in the back of the Sanctuary. Please print the specific BCP page number & prayer/thanksgiving number, as well as your name so we can notify you when the prayer is used in Worship. We will include requested prayers/thanksgivings as space and theme permit. If you have any questions, please talk to Amma Diane.

Bob & Ellen Feller, Michael Laughrin

4th 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 (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.)

Joan Estes, Dave Haefke, Judy Lavicka*, Steve Thuss, Murray Sim

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.

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!

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Steve Thuss 920-323-6595
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Murray Sim 414-617-9291
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If there is an emergency, please call 911

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, Karen, Matthew, Karen and Bob, Bonnie, Joan, Audrey, Virginia, Judy, Marty, Don and Beth, Tiger, Billy, Ben and Gail, Mary, Brenden, Cherity, Silas, Bonnie, Andrew, Bob, Mary and Vince, Faith, Peggy Jane, Emily, Carol, Maggie, Joe Mike, Lizzie, Nancy, Margaret, Vanessa, Sally, Charlie, Scott, Lucy, Becky, Len

For guidance and discernment we lift up. . .

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

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 Palm Sunday. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East. 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, Tammy and Chris, 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

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
Fridays Morning Prayer 6:30AM

Apr 14 SCRIP orders due
Apr 14 Palm Sunday Bless Palms & Worship 10AM
Apr 15 Living The Questions
Apr 16 RUTH Mtg 8:30AM
Apr 16 Chrism Mass - Fond du Lac 11AM
Apr 17 Choir 5PM
Apr 18 Girl Scouts 6PM
Apr 18 Maundy Thursday 6:30PM
Apr 19 Good Friday 12:15PM
Apr 20 Great Vigil of Easter 8PM
Apr 21 Easter 9AM KinderChurch 10AM Main Service
Apr 22 NO Living The Questions
Apr 24 St. James Book Club 7PM
Apr 24 NO Choir
Apr 25 Girl Scouts 6PM
Apr 28 Sunday Supper at St. Francis on Grand
Apr 29 Living The Questions 12:30PM

Opportunities to Help Each Other

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!

May 5 Polka Mass 10AM

For a full calendar visit our website 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.

Your St James Episcopal Church Vestry met on Wednesday, April 3. Meeting highlights:

- * Began with sharing, prayers, and reflection based on a Lenten confession.
- * Approved February meeting minutes and received February and March financial reports.
- * Re-scheduled Vestry retreat dates for early May (we cancelled March retreat dates due to multiple illnesses).
- * Discussed candidates for Sexton position and decided to offer the position to Murray Sim.
- * Approved plan for Operations Group, with Wardens (Tammy McVeigh and Chris Eggert-Rosenthal) coordinating. This group will take on various tasks delegated by the Vestry and makes recommendations to the Vestry, freeing the Vestry to focus on bigger spiritual and strategic work. Tammy and Chris will be seeking people with a variety of gifts and skills to help with specific projects, when needed.
- * Participated in a building walk-around, learning about the inside and outside of our building and making notes of ideas and things that might need attention.
- * Learned about various new members and others who have started to attend.
- * Closed with Compline

The next regular Vestry meeting is scheduled at 5:30PM on Thursday, June 13 (retreat days in May). If you have any questions, ideas, or concerns, please talk to anybody on the Vestry.

Vestry Members: Sr. Warden - Tammy McVeigh (new); Jr. Warden - Chris Eggert-Rosenthal (new); Vestry - Mary Green (new), Richard Hall (new), Kim Kaufmann (new), Mike Laughrin, Peggy Turnbull (new); Treasurer - Peggy Turnbull; Clerk - Tony Karl (Treasurer & Clerk have been appointed by the 2019 Vestry)

Endowment Trustees: Eleanor Agnew (new), Dan Hornung, Mark Hunner

Delegates to the 2019 Diocesan Convention: Eleanor Agnew, Mary Green, Tony Karl;

Alternates: 1st Kim Kaufmann, 2nd Murray Sim, 3rd Richard Hall

Scrip Order Dates for 2019

Apr 14 May 12 Jun 9 Jul 14 Aug 11 Sep 8 Oct 13 Nov 10 Dec 8

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 the following week with the gift cards being available one to two Sundays later.

The Diocese of Fond du Lac will be hosting a Way of Love Revival on October 26, 2019. This will be in conjunction with the visit of Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and the Diocesan Convention, October 25. Please pray the prayer below and watch for other ways to become involved in addition to attending the Revival.

Way of Love Revival Preparation Prayer

Almighty God, Giver of every good gift: Bless the Diocese of Fond du Lac and surrounding communities as we plan for the October 26 Way of Love Revival. Equip and empower the committees preparing for the Revival. Give them strength and clarity to do your will. Give each one of us courage to reach out to our neighbors and friends inviting them to the Revival so that all may know the power of your love and forgiveness. Bless Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and other leaders with a Spirit-filled message that will be truly heard. May this Revival be the impetus to relight the fire in our churches and in our hearts so that we may live even more into our Baptismal Covenant. All this we ask in the name of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen