

St. John's Ministers

- All people of the Parish
- The Most Rev'd Michael Bruce Curry, Presiding Bishop
- The Rt. Rev'd Brian Prior, Bishop
- The Rev'd Phil Boelter, Transitional Rector

St. John's Vestry—

Wardens: Audrey Splinter & Stephen Druschel

Class of 2015: Missy Manderfeld & Paul Dobratz

Class of 2016: Mary Babcock & Jack Lindsay

Class of 2017: Chris Corley, Meg Stump, & Nickie VanStelten

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Agnus Day



Weekly Evangelist (4)

Many Thanks To Our Liturgical Ministers

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in Honor of Family, Near and Far, by Gay Schultz.

930am:

Greeter: Leslie Peterson

Lectors: Cathie Neitge, Tim Secott

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Ann Clark and Meg Stump

Acolytes: Ryan Wiehr, Grace Mackie, Jonah Westberg

Coffee Hour: Fischer/Paul

Dishwashing Angel: Paul Dobratz

Altar Guild: Jan Mickelson, Pat Johnson, Nickie VanStelten.

During this time of transition if you have questions or concerns, please know that you may contact either of our Wardens. Audrey Splinter: 507.720.8571 or rasplinters@gmail.com or Steve Druschel: 978.766.5252 or stephen.druschel@mnsu.edu



SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Praying, Working, Growing, Dancing. In Christ

THE WEEKLY EVANGELIST

The Feast of All Saints

05 November, 2017

What's Going On This Week

Today, The Feast of All Saints

830a—Choir Rehearsal

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Children's Chapel

Monday:

4p—Mission Outreach @ Panera

Wednesday:

530p—Finance Committee

Friday:

2p—Mankato Area Lifelong Learners
Presentation: Capitalism

Saturday:

745a—Men's Group @ Weggies

9a—Fall Yard Cleanup at the Church

Next Week, Pentecost 23

Sunday:

830a—Choir Rehearsal (new!)

930a—Holy Eucharist, New Zealand Liturgy

1030a—Confirmation Meeting

For complete details visit the St. John's Website:

<http://stjohnsmankato.org/calendar>

Becoming the Beloved Community!

Two good things will blend this Sunday to make worship at St. John's even more fulfilling.

First, this Sunday is All Saints, the time when we remember those MIP's (Most Important People) in our faith community and in the world whom we will see no more. In particular I will join my stepmother Beverly and sons Matthew and Eric in remembering my dad, Mel Boelter, who died suddenly during Thanksgiving Week in 2016.

Please do plan to remember all those whom we have lost in this past year ... those near and related to us and those whose names we may not know but are still close to God's heart. The victims of flooding, mass shootings, and our own government's actions or neglect immediately come to mind, ... but no doubt, there are others. Please bring them to prayer.

The second good thing is that this Sunday we continue to celebrate and support the Beloved Community—which is St. John's Episcopal Church!

Now through November we will be discerning our involvements and financial support for 2018, aka Stewardship. Look for a letter and pledge card in the next week or so in your surface mailbox. As we initiate our November Icon Festival this Sunday we will be considering how those saints who surround us built up their own Beloved Communities, and asking for help and strength to continue that work in our own time and place.

See you Sunday!

Phil B.



Weekly Evangelist (1)

Offering Update

*Offering Needed Each Week.....\$3,599
Offering Collected Last Week.....\$1,807
*Offering Needed Year-to-Date.....\$154,757
Offering Collected Year-to-Date.....\$129,815
**Amounts to meet budgeted expense totals*

Minnesota Cycle of Prayer

For the month of November, please pray for the Minnesota Commission on Indian Work (MCIW), and for the Hispanic, Hmong, Liberian, Karen and numerous multi-cultural ministries and faith communities throughout the Episcopal Church in Minnesota. (from: <http://episcopalmn.org/resources-for-faith-communities>)

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Please see our website homepage for access to the Anglican Cycle of Prayer each week, <http://www.stjohnsmankato.com/>
or: http://www.stjohnsmankato.com/files/8315/0731/6508/acp_2017_quarter4.pdf

St. John's Prayer List

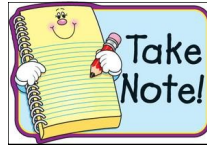
For those in need: Jim, Paul, Vi, Amy, Andy, Ann, Eric, Carrie, Jason, John, Jamie, Kate, Julie, Nick, H., Donna, Barbara, Eric, Sheryl, Alex, Tom, Karl, John, Peter, Justin, Jan, Carol, Steven, Tom, Danielle, Sawyer, Phil, Cindy, Dave, Libby, Colby, Karla, Bobbie, Jonathan, Helen, Gary, Karen

For Birthdays: Brennen Canavin, Cullen Canavin

Anniversaries: Mark and Randi Manderfeld

Check out st. John's WEBSITE at:

<http://www.stjohnsmankato.com>
calendar, updates, pictures and more!



Choir Rehearsal today
(Sunday, Nov 5) @
8:30am!
ALL ARE WELCOME!

TODAY: Children's Chapel during church!

SAVE THE DATES:

Wednesday, November 22, 7pm—Community Wide Interfaith Thanksgiving Service @ First Congregational United Church of Christ (UCC) (located at Stadium and Stoltzman). Choir rehearsal at 5:45pm

Thursday, November 23, 11am-1pm—Thanksgiving Meal Service at First Presbyterian, Mankato. See below for details!



FROM THE GREEN TEAM: Mankato city leaders will soon be reviewing the Organics Recycling program and free city drop-off service, and considering how to approach organics recycling in the future. If you are a Mankato resident, now is an ideal time to let them know your wishes!

By November 15th, please complete the 5-minute, on-line survey on organics recycling by visiting the "mankatomn.gov" website. Click on the link: "Take Organics Recycling Survey on the left hand side.

Opportunities for Service

- **Fall Yard Clean Up:** The Properties Committee needs help with our fall outside clean up on Saturday, Nov. 11 from 9-12. Will be raking leaves, cleaning gutters, and trimming trees and shrubs. Come for a little while or the whole morning.
- Once again St. John's will be partnering with First Presbyterian to serve a **Thanksgiving meal** from 11am to 1pm November 23rd at First Presbyterian Church, corner of Broad & Hickory. All are welcome! If you'd like to donate a

pie, work a shift, or donate \$ for food, please sign up by the greeters table. Checks may be made out to First Presbyterian Church.

- **Lights!** As in previous years, your help is being requested by the Kiwanis with the local Holiday lights. Five volunteers 16 or older are needed on Saturday November 18th from 1-4 p.m. for general set up at Sibley Park. OMG youth will be decorating the Kiwanis tree after Church on Sunday, November 19th. Then, on opening night, Friday, November 24th, we need 8 volunteers who can meet at the park by 7:15 pm and work until 10:00 p.m. closing. Sign up sheets are available downstairs in the Fellowship Hall and see Jordin Johnson if you have any questions.
- **Connections Ministry Update:** The shelter is up and running serving 7 guests the first night. Training for volunteers is offered at Crossview Covenant, 2000 Howard Dr., N. Mankato on Nov 7, 6:30-8pm or Nov 9, 6:30-7:30pm for those that have not yet attended a training. The link to sign up for volunteer shifts is: <http://signup.com/go/cepRdNL>. We will host 11-26 to 12-2. Any questions, contact coordinators Chris Corley or Ray Splinter.

What's Happening Right Now?

- **All Saints Celebration:** This Sunday, Nov 5 we will celebrate the Feast of All Saints. We will mark the passing of our beloved dead and also begin our November Icon Festival. Please bring pictures of your beloved dead to church on Sunday, Nov 5th for carrying in procession and/or displaying among the other icons. These icons are generously on loan from the Rev, Keith Holmstad of Northfield, MN, noted Iconographer and ELCA pastor. Keith will join us on Sunday, Nov 19th to share about his work.
- **Episcopal Confirmation Call:** Are you or any folk in your household interested in confirmation in the Episcopal Church? Please let Phil know by Sunday, November 5 and/or attend the meeting schedule for Nov 12, after services

- **STEWARDSHIP:** During November Sunday worship, we will be exploring together what it means for us to be the Beloved Community. As part of that exploration, in a few weeks you will receive a letter with a pledge card for 2018. Our prayer is that you will return it to the church by the end of November with an indicated amount of your weekly giving to St. John's. Please respond generously!
- **Episcopal Church Women (ECW)** are selling \$5 coupon booklets for Herberger's Community Days Sale November 8 thru November 11. ECW keeps the full \$5 for its missions. Get your coupon booklet today from Bobbi Hovren or Ann McGuire.
- **Mankato Peace Vigil:** every Wed. noon-1pm, across from the Post Office on Second Street. Call or email Sister Gladys Schmitz at 507-389-4114 or gschmitz@ssndcp.org, or call Richard Reisdorf at 507-625-6904 for more info.
- Join the **Minnesota Valley Chorale** for a "European Tour" highlighting the works of composers like Durante, Handel, and Mozart. Concerts will be held on Friday, November 10 at 7 pm at Nicollet School, Nicollet, and on Saturday, November 11 at 7 pm at Bethany College, Trinity Chapel. Pre-sale tickets are \$10 per person and can be purchased thru any MVC member. Tickets are available at the door for \$12.

SDG/Fair Trade Update: SDG Goals

Each year, St. John's gives .7% of its annual budget to a nonprofit whose mission addresses one or several of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). This year, St. John's has decided to support the Ayal Community Development Association (ACDA) and its work in south Sudan. Current St. John's member, James Lueth, is the organization's President.

Stay tuned! We will have more information in next week's Weekly Evangelist and on the website about the history and the work of the organization.