

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

Clerk: Amy Wiehr

Financial Secretary: Gerry Schneck

Treasurer: Nickie VanStelten

Organist: Mary Schuldt

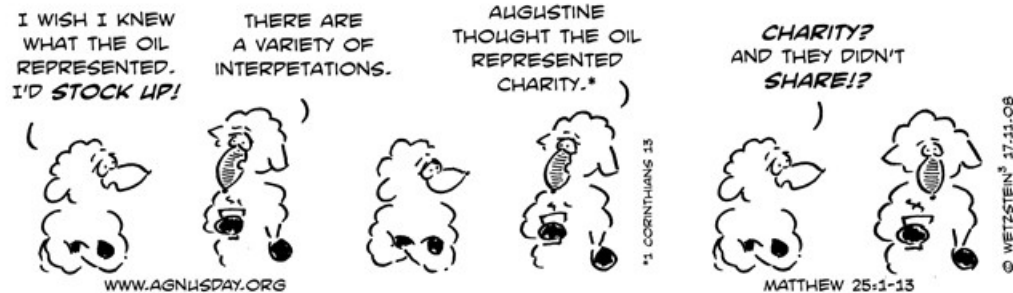
Sexton: Jordin Johnson

Office: Jan Mickelson, Peter Poulos, & Jill Fischer

Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10 am—1 pm.

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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 Loving Memory of John R. Neitge & Mary Ellen Neitge How by Cathie, John, & Elizabeth Neitge.

930am:

Greeters: Jordin Johnson, Pat Johnson

Lectors: Margo Druschel, Steve Druschel

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Nickie VanStelten, Karl Mundell

Acolytes: Liz Paul, Lydia Paul, Renn Corley

Coffee Hour: Tim and Lynn Secott

Dishwashing Angel: Donna Casella

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

Special Music: The Westberg Family

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

Pentecost 23

12 November, 2017

What's Going On This Week

Today, Pentecost 23

830a—Choir Rehearsal

930a—Holy Eucharist, New Zealand Liturgy

1030a—Confirmation Meeting

Tuesday:

2p—Mankato Area Lifelong Learners

Presentation: Human Rights and Torture

Wednesday:

noon—St. John's Lunch @ MSU, Faculty Dining Area

Thursday:

630p—Vestry Committee

Friday:

2p—Mankato Area Lifelong Learners

Presentation: Socio-Economic Free Markets & Fair Markets

Saturday:

1p-4p—Kiwanis Lights Set-Up at Sibley Park

Next Week, Pentecost 24

Sunday:

830a—Choir Rehearsal (new)

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

Time tbd—OMG Youth Group—Kiwanis Lights Christmas Tree decorating

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

<http://stjohnsmankato.org/calendar>

Members And friends of St. John's:

This week we will continue our discussion of what it means to be the *Beloved Community* at St. John's.

Last week we talked about God's dream of universal compassion. This week we focus on how that love manifests itself concretely in our lives, individually and together.

There is to be universal compassion in the world, we have a lot of work to do. But really the instructions are pretty simple: wherever you go, manifest that love. Specifically, God calls us as a community in relationship to God to repair the breaches among ourselves and in the world.

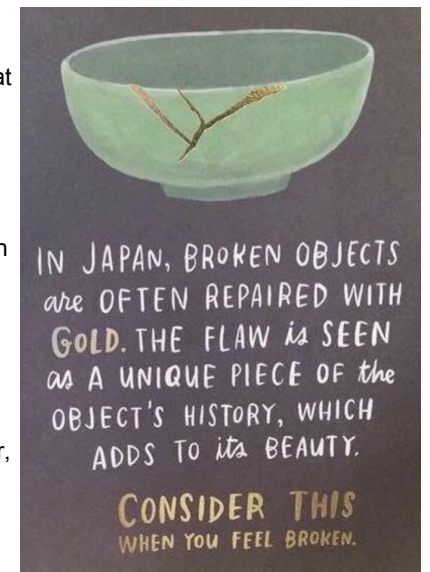
These breaches are actually the catalyst for the change God dreams, and the world we long for.

So, when we asked the question "where should we be and what should we be doing?" the answers aren't rocket science.

God asks us to attend to the broken places in our lives and our world. God asks us to apply the simple rule of love to those wounds.

What could be simpler, as well as more profound?

—Phil B.



Weekly Evangelist (1)

Offering Update

*Offering Needed Each Week.....\$3,599
Offering Collected Last Week.....\$3,639
*Offering Needed Year-to-Date.....\$158,356
Offering Collected Year-to-Date.....\$133,454
**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

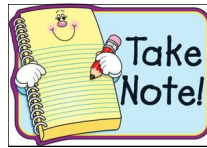
For those in need: Jim, Paul, Vi, Amy, Andy, Ann, Eric, Carrie, Jason, John, Jamie, Kate, Julie, Nick, H., Donna, Barbara, Eric, Sheryl, Alex, Tom, Karl, John, Peter, Justin, Jan, Steven, Tom, Danielle, Sawyer, Phil, Cindy, Dave, Libby, Colby, Karla, Bobbie, Jonathan, Helen, Gary, Karen

For Birthdays: Jan Rozeboom

Anniversaries: None

Check out st. John's WEBSITE at:

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



Choir Rehearsal today
(Sunday, Nov 12) @
8:30am!
ALL ARE WELCOME!

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 at First Presbyterian, Mankato.
Volunteers Needed! 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

- **SDG/Fair Trade Team Meeting:** Join us at Margo Druschel's home at 312 W 7th at 7pm on Monday, Nov. 20th. We will make plans for staffing the Holiday Fair Trade Boutique and for researching SDG progress. See Margo or any other Team Member if you're interested in learning more and joining us.
- **Mitten Tree:** Your Outreach Committee will again be collecting warm hats, mitten, gloves, socks, and scarves to be distributed to those in

need. Last year the collection went to students in need at Hoover Elementary School. Staff at the school were very grateful for the donation. Thanks so much for your generosity!

- Once again St. John's is 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 5pm and work until 10:00 p.m. closing. Sign up sheets are available downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. See Jordin Johnson if you have any questions.
- **Connections Ministry Update:** The shelter is up and running! The link to sign up for volunteer shifts is: <http://signup.com/go/cepRdNL>. St. John's will host 11-26 to 12-2. The rooms we'll be using in our church building are cleaned and ready for cots! Contact coordinators Chris Corley or Ray Splinter with questions.

What's Happening Right Now?

- **Episcopal Confirmation Call:** Are you or any one in your household interested in confirmation in the Episcopal Church? **Please attend the meeting scheduled for today (Nov 12)**, after services
- **Sustainable Development Fair Trade Team Update:** Our Team has selected the Ayual Community Development Association, a non-profit in South Sudan, to receive our SDG 0.7% donation for the next 3 years. James Lueth, from our St

John's community, is a leader of Ayual and James will do a presentation early in 2018 during Coffee Hour. Watch for the date! In the meantime, check out the website: <https://www.aycda.org/index.php?id=1>. Education is an important part of Ayual's mission, and girls and boys have to opportunity to attend school.

- **November Icon Festival:** Many of the icons on the alter 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.
- **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, early next week 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!
- **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.

Connections Shelter Fundraiser!

Support the work of **Connections Ministry** and enjoy some pizza at their Fundraiser
Saturday, November 11
noon—2pm
at Elevate Church, Victory Drive, Mankato
Pizza slice & drink under \$5
Gluten free pizza will be available.