

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 Chris Beebe, Rector

St. John's Vestry—

Wardens: Audrey Splinter & Stephen Druschel

Class of 2016: Mary Babcock & Ann McGuire

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

Class of 2018: Paul Dobratz & Lisa Westberg

Clerk: Amy Wiehr

Financial Secretary: Gerry Schneck

Treasurer: Nickie VanStelten

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Agnus Day

I USED TO BE
DISGUSTED BY
JESUS' TALK OF
EATING HIS FLESH...



AND NOW?



NOW I FIGURE
YOU ARE WHAT
YOU EAT!



NICE!

JOHN 6:41-51

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Weekly Evangelist (4)

Many Thanks To Our Liturgical Ministers

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of my husband, Charlie, by Helen Dudash.

930am Service:

Greeter: Jan Mickelson

Lectors: Audrey Splinter, Ray Splinter

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Ann Clark, Steve Deeren

Acolytes: NA

Children's Chapel: NA

Music: Mary Schuldt

Coffee Hour: Babcock, Dobratz

Dishwashing Angel: Ray Splinter

Altar Guild: Ann McGuire, Nickie VanStelten



SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Praying, Working, Growing, Dancing. In Christ

THE WEEKLY EVANGELIST

The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

12 August, 2018

What's Going On This Week

Today, Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost:

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

Wednesday

6 p—8 p Vestry Meeting

Sunday

10 a—Mass In The Grass, Sibley

Next Week, Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost:

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

Email: stjohns@hickorytech.net

For complete details visit the St. John's Website:
<http://stjohnsmankato.org/calendar>

THE WAY WE DO THE THINGS WE DO (and why)

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry likes to say that we are the Episcopal Branch of the Jesus Movement. Absolutely! Yet we are also unique. If you speak about our beliefs or the way we practice our faith to anyone unfamiliar with our particular form of Christianity, you're likely to receive a puzzled look or a blank stare. And often we're unable to explain because it's been a long time since we attended confirmation classes and we haven't taken a refresher course, or maybe because we never knew in the first place.

Take our liturgy, for example. Many of us are Episcopalians because we love the liturgy. It's one of the things that makes us different from other protestant denominations. Its words and movements offer us comfort and security, the "sameness" we rarely find in the world outside the church. It also gives us stability. We're pretty much assured that we can find something familiar in the worship of any Episcopal church, no matter where it is, and that's a blessing we cherish. Every part of our liturgy has a purpose, but because it's repetitive from week to week it can also become so routine that we no longer pay attention to its purpose and meaning. Whether we've been Episcopalians all our lives or have come to The Episcopal Church more recently, remembering "why" can give us new insights about our faith.

Beginning next week and in the coming weeks, I'll be using this space for "Episcopal Explanations," exploring different aspects of our unique practice of faith—what we do and what we believe and why.

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Weekly Evangelist (1)

Offering Update

Weekly Expenses.....	\$2,558
Weekly Offering Collected.....	\$1,528
Year-to-date Expenses.....	\$79,098
Year-to-date Offerings.....	\$66,532
Year-to-date Difference.....	\$-12,566

Minnesota Cycle of Prayer

For the month of August, please pray for all hospital chaplaincies, counseling chaplaincies and Spiritual Directors throughout the Episcopal Church in Minnesota. Pray for your faith community nurses, health ministers and all those who minister to the sick. And pray also for all farmers and laborers working with the harvest, especially San Jose Obrero Mission in Montgomery
(from: <http://episcopalmn.org/resources-for-faith-communities>)

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Please see the following website for access to the Anglican Cycle of Prayer each week: <http://www.anglicancommunion.org/resources/cycle-of-prayer.aspx>

St. John's Prayer List

For those in need: Andy, Ann, Libby, Gary, Carol, Roxanne, Bobbie, Pat, Jason, John, Kate, G. Amundsen Family, Rica, Julie, Karen, Bruce, Barb, Jenny.

Birthdays: Helen Hudson (12), Audrey Splinter (14), Paul Dobratz (15)

Anniversary: Cliff and Ellie Canavin, Will and Barb Partridge

Check out St. John's WEBSITE at:

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

What's Happening Right Now?

- The Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists continues its **Summer Noontime Organ Recitals** at 12:10 pm on Tuesdays in Mankato at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 720 S. 2nd Street, with Christine Schultz (8/14) being the last to perform. Each recital is free. Visit www.agosiouxtrails.org for more information.
- Community Solar:** Tuesday, August 21, 2018, 6-8 pm. Brianna Baker of Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light (Southern Minnesota Organizer) will lead a **"Community Climate Conversation" and will provide information about opportunities to support clean energy in Mankato**, here at St. John's. This event is sponsored by the Minnesota Area Lifelong Learners and the St. John's Green Team. Please contact Al Berner at pvbritts@yahoo.com or 507 278-4490 for more information. There will be no charge to attend this event for any members of St. John's.

ALTAR FLOWERS

St. John's altar bouquets are a beautiful addition to our Sunday worship. After each Sunday service, the flowers are given or delivered to church members. If you wish to provide flowers for a particular day, please write your name by the date on the [Flower Calendar](#) in the stairway. Fill in the form (found just below the calendar) to dedicate "in memory" or "to honor" and leave in the office with your \$30 payment. Thank you!

Discretionary Fund

The 3rd Sunday of the month is designated as a special collection day for the Discretionary Fund. Any loose change offerings go into the Discretionary Fund.

save the date

MASS IN THE GRASS

Please join us at Shelter #3 at Sibley Park at **10:00am Sunday August 19th**. This is the shelter we've had for the last few years. It's located near the ballparks and playground on the river side. Pulled pork sandwiches will be provided and hopefully Andy's sweet corn. Please bring a dish to pass. Hope to see everyone there!

Celtic Service

The Celtic Church Service scheduled for today has been postponed. This will be rescheduled at a later date.



The Way ... (Continued from page 1)

Since we share the liturgy each Sunday morning I'll start there, but if there's any particular topic you'd like to know more about, I'll be happy to cover it.

Let me know what you think! As always, please feel free to call me at 828-748-1931, or email me at cfairbeebe@gmail.com.

Blessings in Christ,
Chris⁺

Responding to the Spirit's Invitation: Engaging God's Mission of the Beloved Community

Episcopal Church of Minnesota Annual Convention

September 14th (beginning at 6pm) and 15th (ending at 3pm). Verizon Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Mankato.

Register on line at ECMN Website. It's like a family reunion of Episcopalians. Please come!

St. John's Members have an opportunity to help at Convention. Please contact the church office or Audrey Splinter if you are interested. Volunteering will get you a break on the registration fee. Here is a note from our ECMN Missioner, Lizanne:

"I would LOOOOOVE it if I could get about 6 - 10 folks who would be willing to act as "greeters" at registration as well as actually help with registration! It would be nice if folks were comfortable using a computer as well because I typically will have a station set up for people to register on site. The volunteer time would be mainly for Friday afternoon and evening."

If you've never been to Convention, here is your chance! Try it, I think you'll like it! Having been to several conventions as a delegate, I can say that it is time well spent. I'm very excited about our Episcopal family coming to Mankato!

Please join us!

Audrey Splinter, Senior Warden