

## 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 Van Stelten

**Organist:** Mary Schuldt

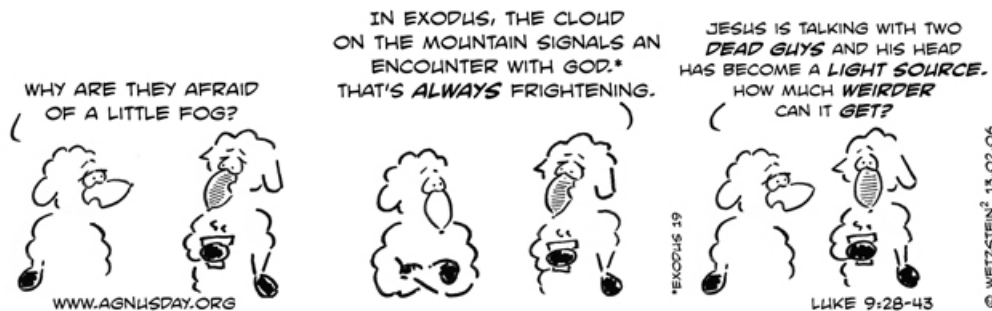
**Sexton:** Jordin Johnson

**Office:** Jan Mickelson, Peter Poulos, & Jill Fischer

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

**Phone:** 507-388-1969

## 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 Thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life from The Manderfeld Family.

930am

Greeter: Jordin Johnson, Pat Johnson

Lectors: Joan Hertel, Leslie Peterson

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Steve

Deeren & Meg Stump

Coffee Hour: Manderfeld

Dishwashing Angel: Ray Splinter

Altar Guild: Missy Manderfeld, Ann

McGuire, Nickie Van Stelten

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](mailto:rasplinters@gmail.com) or Steve Druschel: 978.766.5252 or [stephen.druschel@mnsu.edu](mailto:stephen.druschel@mnsu.edu)



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

## THE WEEKLY EVANGELIST

The Transfiguration and the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

06 August, 2017

### What's Going On This Week

#### Today, Pentecost 9—The Transfiguration:

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

1100a—Liturgy Team

#### Monday:

400p—Mission & Outreach @ Panera

#### Wednesday:

530p—Finance Committee

#### Saturday:

745a—Men's Group @ Weggy's

#### Next Week, Pentecost 10

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

#### St. John's Prayer List

For those in need: Jim, Paul, Vi, Amy, Andy, Ann, Eric, Carrie, Jason, John, Jamie, Kate, Christina, Julie, Nick, H., Donna, Barbara, Eric, Sheryl, Alex, Tom, Karl, John, Peter, Justin, Jan, Carol, Don, Steven, Tom, Danielle, Sawyer, Bernie.

For Birthdays: Candace Black, Helen Hudson

Anniversaries: Andrew and Lisa Westberg

For more details: <http://stjohnsmankato.org/calendar>

### A note from Rev'd Phil Boelter ...

Someone asked me after church on Sunday morning about how you get wisdom. Of course, it starts with asking God for guidance, and being willing to act on whatever guidance you receive.

The places where we receive guidance are many and varied. First, I think we find wisdom inside of ourselves – our true selves – the identity as a child of the Divine which God gave us at birth.

Awareness of that divinity inside ourselves is the tricky part. How do we know what voices to listen to? Here's a short and not exhaustive list of sources for wisdom in our life:

*meditation on scripture and/ or own circumstances;*

*wise counsel from a friend or group of friends;*

*openness to opportunities to serve others;*

*making a space in our lives to be comfortable with not knowing or ambiguity until what we need to do becomes clear.*

King Solomon, as I mentioned in my sermon last Sunday, was given the gift of wisdom from many sources. But in each instance the original source was Solomon's own connection with and trust in the divine.

We can remember that – as we discern both our individual lives and the future life we share as a faith community together.

I look forward to that discernment with you all.

Phil B.

Weekly Evangelist (1)

### Offering Update

\*Offering Needed Each Week.....\$3,599  
 Offering Collected Last Week.....\$1,283  
 \*Offering Needed Year-to-Date.....\$107,970  
 Offering Collected Year-to-Date....\$94,846  
 \*Amounts to meet budgeted expense totals

### 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

Sunday: Puerto Rico - (XI, The Episcopal Church)The Rt Revd Wilfrido Ramos Orench  
 Monday: Pune - (North India)The Rt Revd Andrew Rathod  
 Tuesday: Qu'Appelle - (Rupert's Land, Canada)The Rt Revd Robert Hardwick; Quebec - (Canada, Canada)The Rt Revd Bruce Myers  
 Wednesday: Rajasthan - (North India)The Rt Revd Darbara Singh  
 Thursday: Rayalaseema - (South India)The Rt Revd B D Prasada Rao  
 Friday: Recife - (Brazil)The Rt Revd JoÃ£o Cancio Peixoto  
 Saturday: Rejaf - (Loryko, Sudan)The Rt Revd Enock Tombe

**Time of Worship:** Vestry has included a question on the transition survey about the time and number of worship services; we look forward to hearing your input! In the meantime, Vestry has decided to continue the summertime practice of one service at 9:30 am through September, when we will discuss the survey answers and incorporate everyone's input.



**Survey Reminder:** We want your input! The survey from HolyCow! Consulting was sent as a link to your computer on July 16th. If you haven't yet done so, please take the time to complete this survey called the Congregation Assessment Tool (CAT). More than one person in the household can use this link to complete the CAT. If you did not get the CAT please let us know by contacting the office at 388-1969. We will make sure you get one. Paper copies are in the mail for those who do not have email. Thank you so much for being part of the CAT and for helping to build St. John's future.  
 —Audrey, Senior Warden

### What's Happening Right Now?

• **Connections Ministry Update:** Based on discussion with members and a sense of our ministry, mission and outreach, Vestry has joined the Connections Ministry of downtown churches in supporting the rotating shelter model. Specifically, we will

use our church education spaces as a professionally staffed woman/family shelter for a few times in the winter, a week at a time. More information and volunteer/helper training will be available during outreach meetings in August and September.

- We would like to update the **prayer list**. If you have names that can be removed or names you would like to add, please leave a message for the office at 388-1969 or [stjohns@hickorytech.net](mailto:stjohns@hickorytech.net). Thank you.
- Annual Summer Noontime **Organ Recitals**. Tuesdays @ 12:10 pm, July 25-Aug 15, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.
- Prairie Oaks Institute (POI), a Belle Plaine based retreat center, is offering **Finishing Strong: What's Next** on August 18-20. A retreat for mature individuals [www.facebook.com/PrairieOaksInstitute/](http://www.facebook.com/PrairieOaksInstitute/) or [www.prairieoaksinstitute.org](http://www.prairieoaksinstitute.org) for more info.
- In partnership with Saint John's Episcopal Church, Mankato the **Saint John's Illustrated Bible** and 25 prints are on exhibit at the Blue Earth County Historical Society (BECHS) at 424 Warren St in Mankato through Friday, September 1.

Here are some special events related to this exhibit:

—Exhibit location, dates and hours: The Bible and prints will be available (free!) for viewing Tuesday through Friday 9am to 5pm and Saturdays 10 to 4. While visiting the Bible exhibit please consider a donation (any amount) or an annual membership (beginning at just \$30) to the Blue Earth County Historical Society.

—Sunday, August 6 and August 13, 11am to 2pm: Extra exhibition hours added for "after church" viewing. Saint John's Outreach Committee

will be organizing treats to be served during this special time at the exhibit.

—Thursday, August 17, 12 noon: A special presentation by MSU professor Brad Coulter on the typography techniques (free!)

—Friday, September 1: The Bible exhibit will close at 4pm.

Please contact Leslie Peterson with questions or to get involved. Leslie's weekday daytime phone is 389-2290 and evening and weekend phone is 625-8939.

### Opportunities for Service

- **Mankato Pridefest** is Saturday, September 9! If interested in being a participant in Pridefest, contact Meg Stump at 507-344-1894 or Joan Hertel at 507-388-3080.
- **Fair Trade SDG Team!** Watch for an announcement about an upcoming meeting of the Fair Trade Sustainable Development Goals Team! See Margo Druschel for details. Call her at 978- 771-1787 or email at [mdruschel@gmail.com](mailto:mdruschel@gmail.com)



### St. John's Lawn Fund!

This is your continuing reminder that our **lawn** is still growing and needs our care! The cost of mowing, edging, and cleaning up the grass has risen to \$40 per time. **We could use 17-18 donations.** If you feel called to donate, the sign-up sheet is in the stairwell. Thank you!