

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 2016: Mary Babcock & Ann McGuire

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

Class of 2018: Paul Dobratz & Lisa Westberg

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Financial Secretary: Gerry Schneck

Treasurer: Nickie VanStelten

Organist: Mary Schultdt

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Agnus Day

WOW, HEROD IS A TRAIN WRECK! HE REALLY THINKS JESUS IS JOHN BACK FROM THE DEAD?



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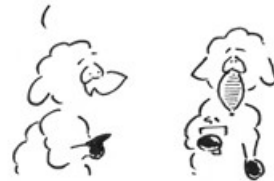
SO IT SEEMS.

HEROD MAKES A MESS OF THINGS, BUT GOD'S WORD WILL NOT BE SILENCED. IT WILL HAVE ITS WAY, EVEN WHEN YOU'VE LOST YOUR WAY.



Weekly Evangelist (4)

OR YOUR HEAD!



MARK 6:14-29

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Many Thanks To Our Liturgical Ministers

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of
The Rev'd Phillip Clark
by the Clark Family

930am Service:

Greeter: Jan Mickelson
Lectors: Tim Secott, Leslie Peterson
Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Pam Bartholomew, Gerry Schneck
Acolytes: NA
Children's Chapel: NA
Music: Mary Schultdt
Coffee Hour: Westberg
Dishwashing Angel: Ray Splinter
Altar Guild: Elsie Olson/Audrey Splinter

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 Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

15 July, 2018

What's Going On This Week

Today, Eighth Sunday After Pentecost:
930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
8 a—11 am VBS
First Congregational UCC

Wednesday
6:30 p Vestry Meeting

Next Week, Ninth Sunday After Pentecost:
930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

Sex, Politics and Religion

Friends:

Some parts of the Bible are more interesting and exciting than others.... One such interesting story is the beheading of John the Baptist.

Political intrigue, sexual attraction and religious rules make the tale surrounding John the Baptist's death worthy of a good cable TV show plot line.

Briefly, John the Baptist gets in trouble with Herod's family because he speaks publicly against Herod's bedroom habits. Herod is at once attracted to and repelled by the Baptist's honesty, but is trapped by his own lust into giving the family what they want- John's death and an end to the embarrassment of having John air their dirty laundry in public.

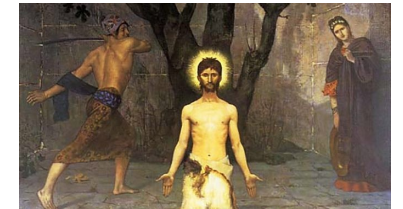
Why is this story important? Besides being an interesting storyline, it reminds us that God's history- God's story- is about as grimy, complex and messy as they come- kind of like real life, wouldn't you say?

I take comfort from that- for if God can shine through these gritty pages of real life trials and problems, then God can work through our messy lives also.

Phil B.+

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



Weekly Evangelist (1)

Offering Update

Weekly Expenses.....	\$2,558
Weekly Offering Collected.....	\$2,142
Year-to-date Expenses.....	\$68,866
Year-to-date Offerings.....	\$61,142
Year-to-date Difference.....	\$7,724

Minnesota Cycle of Prayer

For the month of July, please pray for the General Convention of the Episcopal Church held in Austin, TX July 3-13; and pray for all Ecumenical Ministries throughout the Minnesota, especially for the Minnesota Council of Churches and all those who work with social service agencies.

(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 and G. Amundsen Family.

For Birthdays:
Cliff Canavin, Gary Meidlinger, Will Partridge.

There will be a Memorial Service for the Rev'd Philip Clark on Saturday, August 4, 2018 at 11 am.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. John's Episcopal Church.

A lunch will be served after the service in the parish hall.

New Offering Update Format

The first and third numbers are based on our total expenses budgeted; the second and fourth numbers are the amounts of the actual offerings (not including investment distribution, parking lot rent, ECW income). The final number (difference) shows the amount we would still need to collect to be able to discontinue our draw on our investments. The previous offering totals included the draw on investments and the parking lot income.

• What's Happening Right Now?

- **St. John's Directory:** The updated directory is now available to be picked up at church. If you'd rather have an email copy sent to you, just let the office know and you shall receive!
- **Connections Ministry** will present a panel discussion on Mankato Homelessness on July 19th at 7:00 pm at Centenary United Methodist Church. The discussion will include updates and statistics from last season's rotating shelter along with what the future might look like for shelter services. Please come!
- The Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists continues its **Summer Noontime Organ Recitals** at 12:10 pm on Tuesdays in Mankato. For the first part of the month, organist Garrett Steinberg (7/17) will perform at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 222 Pfau Street. Then the series moves to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 720 S. 2nd Street, with David Lim (7/24) and Sean Connolly (7/31) performing. Each recital is free. Visit www.agosiouxtrails.org for more information.

Check out St. John's WEBSITE at:

[http://
www.stjohnsmankato.com](http://www.stjohnsmankato.com)

General Convention Day SIX!

It's day 6 of 9 at the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, and it has been a busy and full six days. In 2016, at ECMN Convention, we elected a Deputation that is now in Austin Texas. They have been hard at work and have been sharing about and reflecting on that work in a blog - ecmnatgc.org.

Here are some highlights:

[Prayer Service at Hutto Detention Center](#)

Episcopalians from General Convention boarded buses and traveled 40 minutes to a nearby detention center for prayer and presence. What resulted from this time was deeper than any words can express - an opportunity to encounter one another's humanity.

[Highlights from Day 4](#)

This post includes a roll-up of information, including videos with some ECMN folks, plus updates on resolutions about revising the Prayer Book, the inclusion of the Diocese of Cuba, and the issue of translation and interpretation at General Convention.

There's a lot happening. Keep following ECMN on social media ([Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)), and follow the blog to get notified as your deputies post news, updates and reflections from their time at General Convention.

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!

save the date

Mass in the Grass
at Sibley Park at 10 am on
Sunday, August 19

Details to follow!

Food For Friends



Some of the crew serving at the Salvation Army, July 7th

Thanks!

A special shout out to Jerry Stump for keeping up with the church lawn during these summer months.

Fond Farewell and Warm Welcome

On Sunday, July 22nd, we will celebrate and give thanks for the time we've shared with Rev'd Phil and for the start of our journey with Rev'd Chris. Chris is eager to be here and looks forward to meeting you all! Please join us for the service and eucharist celebration followed by a salad/sandwich pot luck in the fellowship hall. Thanks be to God!