

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 & Jack Lindsay

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

Organist: Mary Schultdt

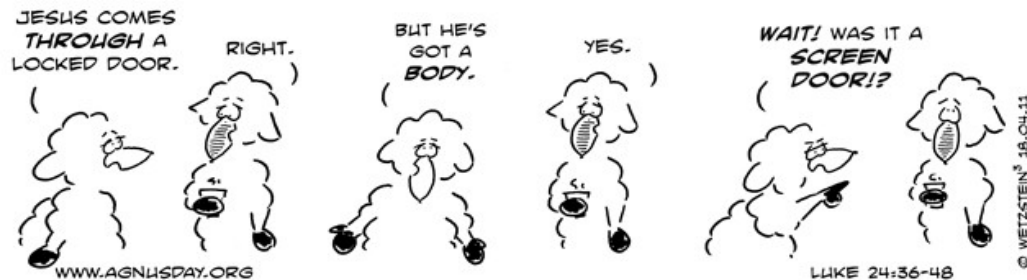
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Agnus Day



Weekly Evangelist (4)

Many Thanks To Our Liturgical Ministers

930am Service:

Greeters: Jordin Johnson, Pat Johnson
Lectors: Cathie Neitge, Andrew Westberg
Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Gerry Schneck, Pam Bartholomew
Acolytes: Liz Paul, Lydia Paul, Elyzah Erickson
Children's Chapel: Audrey Splinter
Music: Mary Schultdt
Coffee Hour: Mackie
Dishwashing Angel: Donna Casella
Altar Guild: Bobbi Hovren, Ann McGuire

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

Third Sunday of Easter

15 April, 2018

What's Going On This Week

Third Sunday of Easter

830a—Choir Rehearsal

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite 2,
Children's Chapel

11a—Liturgy Meeting

Wednesday:

630p—Vestry Meeting

Next Week, Fourth Sunday of Easter:

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

1045a—Brianna Baker, Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light during Fellowship

1130a—OMG Youth group—tbc

1p—Connections Ministry Thank You Party @ Grace Lutheran Church, Mankato

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

The winds of change!

We all need to cope with change. An ancient Chinese proverb reminds us "when the winds of change blow, some people build walls and others build windmills."

The change of seasons, the shifting political climate, and the change of leadership at St. John's ... all of these call us to refocus our attention on what's important. As we continue to journey through the Easter season together we get some tips for the journey from the letters which the Apostle John wrote to other followers of Jesus' way.

This week we will hear these words:

"What we do know is this: when Christ is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure."

How is Christ pure? Jesus lived his earthly life and he still lives his life in full communion with God's love. So, he majors in the majors and lets the other stuff go. How important it is for us to be able to do that too - to let go of the guilt of our past and our fear of the future and live in the now. We will all face change in our lives.

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~Chinese proverb

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Weekly Evangelist (1)

Offering Update

*Offering Needed Each Week.....\$2,558
 Offering Collected Last Week.....\$4,414
 *Offering Needed Year-to-Date.....\$35,612
 Offering Collected Year-to-Date.....\$36,646
 *Amounts to meet budgeted expense totals

Minnesota Cycle of Prayer

For the month of April – please pray for the work of the House of Prayer and all spiritual directors serving in 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/2515/1742/4869/acp_2018_full.pdf

St. John's Prayer List

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

For Birthdays: Nannie Clements, Barbara O'Brien

Anniversaries: none

Check out St. John's WEBSITE at:

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

TRANSITION UPDATE

Your transition team has completed first interviews of our two candidates for the part-time clergy position. We're happy to report we have two excellent people interested in our position. We will continue conversations with them as the discernment process continues. Thanks for your on-going thoughts and prayers for our St. John's community.

Opportunities for Service

- **OMG Youth Group**—is seeking a St. John's adult leader for the April 22 gathering. Neither Father Phil nor Jill will be available.
- **CHOIR REHEARSAL**—next rehearsal will be Sunday, April 15 @ 8:30am. All Are Welcome!
- **ECW Rummage Sale**—Help and Donations needed! See info in the box to the right!
- **United Thank Offering**—Envelopes available April 29. IN-GATHERING May 6.
- **"Get on the Beam" campaign** —St. John's will again participate in this important fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity. We will receive our "beam" (a 2x4) the week of April 16 and it will reside in the narthex until May 21. All beams find their home in a Habitat for Humanity home. Please consider making a donation to "Get on the Beam".

What's Happening Right Now?

- **Brianna Baker**, outreach worker for **Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light**, will come and do a short presentation on MNIPL's work at coffee hour on Sunday, April 22nd, Earth Day.
- **ECW EVENTS**
 —April 24, Lunch with the women of St. Martin's at Amboy Cottage Café. (RSVP Ann Mcguire).
 —May 9, Charley's restaurant, 920 Madison Ave. Noon luncheon-meeting.

- **St. John's Confirmands** will be confirmed on Saturday, May 12 at 11 :00 a.m. at St Martin's Episcopal Church in Fairmont. Mark your calendars!
- **Connections Ministry Thank You Dessert Party**—Connections Ministry Board is having a "Thank-you Dessert Party" for all the volunteers who played a part in the Rotating Shelter. Whether you donated time, money, food, linens, or labor, you are welcome! The Party will be at Grace Lutheran Church on Sunday, April 22nd between 1 and 3 pm. If you are planning to go, please let Audrey know by April 15th. Hope to see you there!

Hey OMG Youth Group!

Upcoming Meetings:

Sundays April 22 & May 6
 11:30am-1:30pm @ St. John's

[We are looking for a St. John's person to head up the April 22 session](#)

Let Father Phil or Jill know if you are interested in helping out.

ECW — RUMMAGE SALE

Set-up: May 16 & 17
 (please volunteer to help)

Sale: May 16—19

It's time for spring cleaning + organizing. Please donate your clean, gently used items: household good, clothing, shoes, kid's clothes, kitchenware, toys, treasures, CDs, books, almost anything that will sell.
****no exercise equipment or electronics.**



March Food Drive

In addition to the \$1300 cash given to ECHO Food Shelf by St. John's, 135

pounds of food helped stock the shelves! These donations are matched by MN Food Share helping food shelves across the state. Thanks again!

Food for Friends

On Saturday, April 14th, St. John's served a delicious meat loaf dinner at Salvation Army. Thanks to all who contributed so generously!

Missional Innovative Partnership Grant

The money is in! We have received \$4980 from the Episcopal Church of MN to purchase a trailer and other items needed to continue the work of Connections Ministry Rotating Shelter. Thanks again ECMN!

St. John's Children's Chapel Leaders

Thank you also to everyone who signed up to teach Children's Chapel for the rest of the year. The remaining schedule is:

April 15—Audrey Splinter
 May 6—Ann McGuire
 May 20—Meg Stump

winds of change... (Continued from page 1)

The question is - how will we respond? We can close ourselves off, or we can open ourselves once again to the power of love and embrace whatever comes.

-Phil