

The Coming Week at St. John's Episcopal Church

Sunday, 5/4

8:00am - Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 8:30am - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
 9:00am - Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 10:00am - Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary & Livestream)
 11:00am - Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 11:30am - Handbell Choir (Bell Zone)
 2:00pm - EYE Youth Group (Activity Room)
 3:00pm - Lux Women's Choir Concert (Sanctuary)
 5:00pm - NA (McNab Room)
 6:30pm - Bible in the Basement (Activity Room)

Monday, 5/5

8:00am - St. John's Men's Breakfast (Big Boy)
 12:00pm - AA (McNab Room)
 6:00pm - Popup Bible Study (Library)

Tuesday, 5/6

9:00am - Building & Grounds Committee (McNab Room)
 10:00am - Samaritan Fund (Library)
 1:00pm - Knitpickers (Williams Hall)
 5:00pm - Prelude Music (Bell Zone)

Wednesday, 5/7

10:30am - Women's Bible Study (McNab Room)
 12:00pm - Holy Eucharist (Chapel - please use office entrance)
 1:00pm - AA (McNab Room)

5:30pm - Preschool Board Meeting (McNab Room)
 5:30pm - Tai Chi (Williams Hall)
 6:30pm - Christian Meditation (Activity Room)

Thursday, 5/8

9:00am - Alissa's Coffee Shop Office Hours (Grove)
 10:00am - Love Knots (Williams Hall)
 1:00pm - Women Journeying Together (Activity Room)

Friday, 5/9

12:00pm - AA (McNab Room)
 5:45pm - Peer Support Meeting (McNab Room)

Saturday, 5/10

12:00pm - AA (McNab Room)
 7:00pm - NA (McNab Room)

Sunday, 5/11

8:00am - Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 8:30am - Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
 9:00am - Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 10:00am - Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary & Livestream)
 11:00am - Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 11:30am - 2nd Sunday Sharing (Williams Hall)
 11:30am - Handbell Choir (Bell Zone)
 2:00pm - EYE Youth Group (Activity Room)
 5:00pm - NA (McNab Room)

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 these announcements electronically →



Online Calendar: Click on the "Events" link at top right of our website & explore in a dynamic monthly or weekly format. Click on an entry and, if info is available, a brief description will share more about that ministry or event. Keep tabs on all going on at St. John's and share those happenings with others!

Our Daily Prayers

Please keep the following people in your prayers...



Cathy Chang & Juan Lopez, Susan & Bob, Norma & Dean, Char Bakeman, Betty Kirkley, Ronnie, Henry Youngquist, Chris, Yvonne, Eric Carlson, Charlene Adams, Dennis, Kendra Kleber, Alice & Fred Stoll, and David.

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating anniversaries this week... none

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating birthdays this week... 4-Alissa Anderson, 5-Jeanne Black, Chris Lauckner, 7-Deborah Blackhurst, 8-Brandon Angell, Alicia Watt, 10-Anthony Dizon-Webb

Pray for the Diocesan Standing Committee and the people of the Diocese of the Great Lakes; PRAY for Camp Chickagami & Episcopal Youth Camp; for all staff, campers & volunteers; St. John's, Otter Lake - Ministry Team: Rev. Dcn. Joanne St. Pierre; St. Mary's Church, Cadillac - Radha Kaminski, Rector

In our international Anglican prayer cycle; PRAY for The Church of Ireland

Contact the church office

989-631-2260 / office@sjec-midland.org)

- To add someone to the prayer list
- Request receipt of the weekly Worship++ email
- Request receipt of the monthly Epistle

Pastoral Care

Do you know someone who would appreciate a pastoral visit from our clergy or lay visitors?

- ... who is a patient in one of our area hospitals?
- ... who should be added to our prayer list?
- ... who would like a comforting prayer shawl?

With their permission, please contact our church office and pass this information along to us so that we may respond appropriately. It's always better to get a message more than once than not at all! In the case of a pastoral emergency outside of office hours, please contact: **Rev. Alissa Anderson 616-540-9102 (cell).**

These parishioners serve St. John's through our Pastoral Care ministry. St. John's is grateful for their time and love of neighbor: **Chris Esquivel, Chris Lauckner, Jan Marcou, Pat Roush, Chris Schuster, and Fred Schuster.**

We appreciate your ongoing support!

St. John's depends on the generosity of our friends and members. Please consider making a gift today. Visit tinyurl.com/Give2SJEC, mail your check to the church, place it in the drop box outside the office entrance, or point your phone's camera here:



Next Sunday's Readings - May 11, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:36-43

Revelation 7:9-17

Psalms 23

John 10:22-30

Spend some time this week looking at next Sunday's readings. It's a great way to prepare for worship & build a personal spiritual discipline of regular bible reading.

The Episcopal Church provides a Lectionary Calendar with links to all the upcoming and past readings:

<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/lectionary/>

Wednesday Noon in the Chapel - May 7, 2025

Commemoration: Gregory of Nazianzus

Jonah 1:1-16

Ephesians 3:14-21

Psalms 19:7-14

John 8:25-32



How to Connect with Rev. Alissa

Schedule a time via Calendly:

<https://calendly.com/sjec-rector>.

Drop in for Coffee Shop Office Hours:

Thurs., 9-11 AM. This month you'll find her at Grove Tea Lounge (2405 Abbott Rd.)



Calling all St. John's Men— Mon., May 5, 8:00 AM!!



Join us for food and fellowship at the Big Boy Restaurant at 1513 S. Saginaw Rd.

Organ Project Update



We're still accepting donations through *The Mair Alsgaard Memorial Organ Fund*, and every contribution brings us closer to the finish line. In addition, grant applications have been submitted to several local foundations, and we hold these requests in prayerful hope. Thank you for your continued support and prayers!!



Applications for garden boxes are now available on the bulletin board outside Williams Hall and from the parish office. Weather permitting, planting day will be **May 17 at 10am**.

Contact Lee Smith with questions and if you can help on May 17 and/or with ongoing tending and harvesting (optimalvalue@att.net / 989-859-9746).



The May **2nd Sunday Sharing** will be on the **3rd Sunday, May 18**, after the 10 am worship service. The topic will be *Pastoral Care* facilitated by Fred Schuster.

Calling all Grads!!



Preschool, elementary school, middle school, high school, trade school, college, grad school, medical school...

We want to celebrate **ALL GRADS!!** Send a photo and information (name, graduating from, what's next) to Ellen in the parish office (office@sjec-midland.org) **BY MAY 5 (THAT'S TOMORROW FOLKS!!)**. We will honor all grads in worship next Sunday, May 11.



Join Artistic Director, *Megan Farison*, and the women of *Lux* in the Sanctuary **TODAY** for what promises to be an unforgettable evening of song. *Lux* (Latin for "light") will present "*The Music of Living*," a powerful exhibition that explores the many facets of life, from joy and love to the challenges and triumphs that define our shared human experience. You really don't want to miss this!!

St. Martha's Annual Baby Shower

is in memory of Suzanne Kaba and Barb Sovereign. These ladies were instrumental in organizing the baby shower over the years for young mothers in need in our area. A table has been set up in Williams Hall where you can find a list of items needed and leave your donations. The shower will end on Mother's Day (**May 11 - THAT'S NEXT SUNDAY!**) and all items will be distributed to local organizations serving young mothers in need the following week.



Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

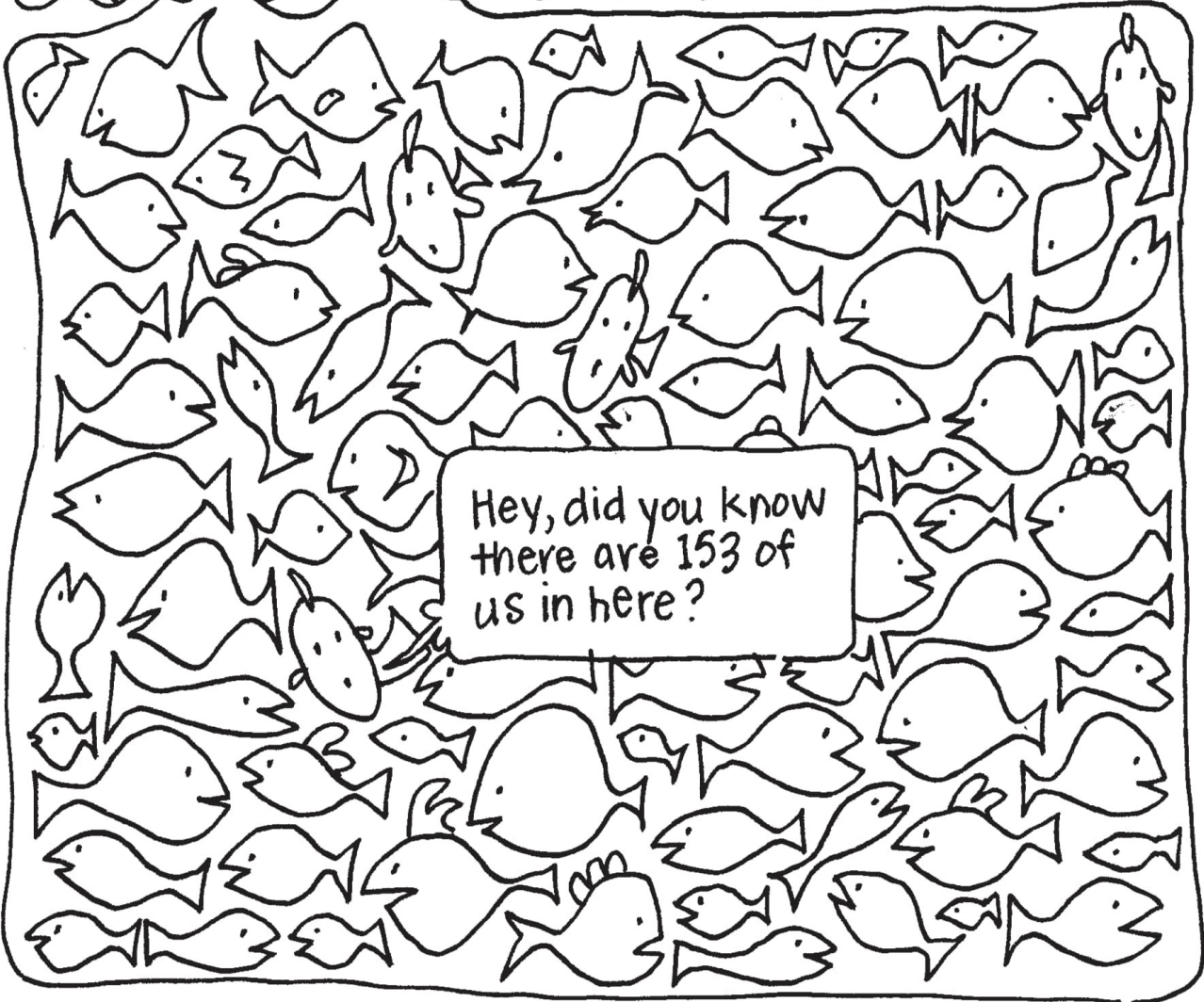
Volunteers are needed to help transport items from the post office dock to SAMS Pantry and to process the donations at SAMS on **Saturday, May 10, starting at 3:30pm**. Text or email both Anthony Dizon-Webb & Dana Pressnall for details and to volunteer, especially if you can help transport items so they can assure adequate coverage.

Anthony: 989-430-3150 / aedizon123@gmail.com

Dana: 989-859-3756 / dpressnall@charter.net



Come and have breakfast!



Hey, did you know
there are 153 of
us in here?

Sermon Notes FOR KIDS

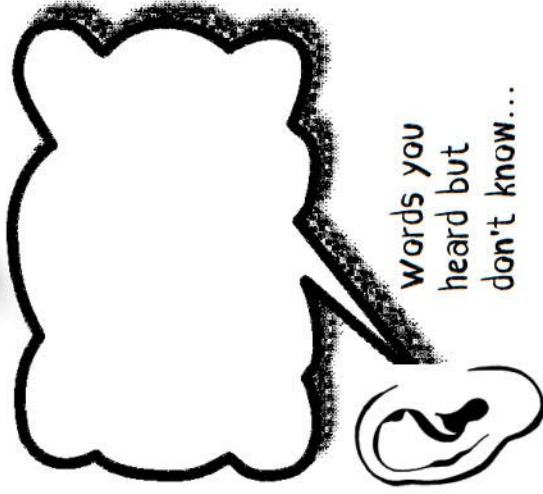


As you attend church services with your family, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.

Date:



who is speaking?



words you
heard but
don't know...



what are we learning about
God from this passage?

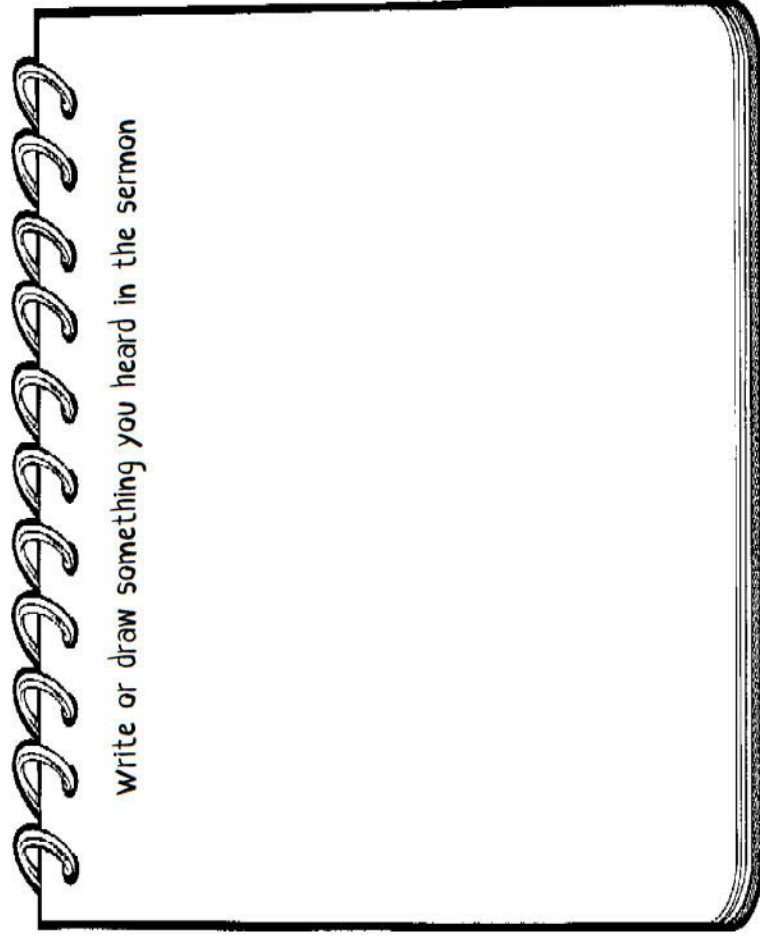
what is the main
passage we are
reading today?

Book:

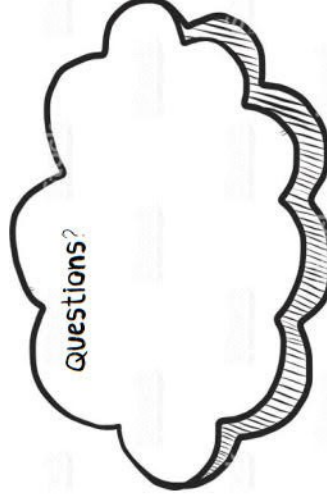
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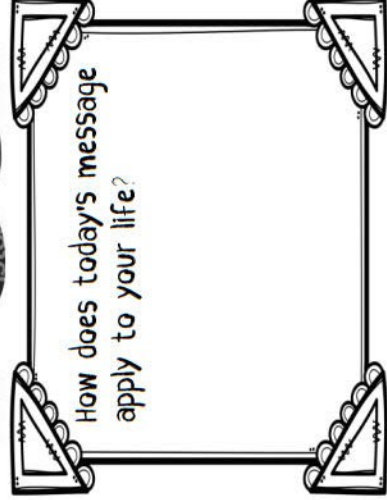
Favorite song
today was:



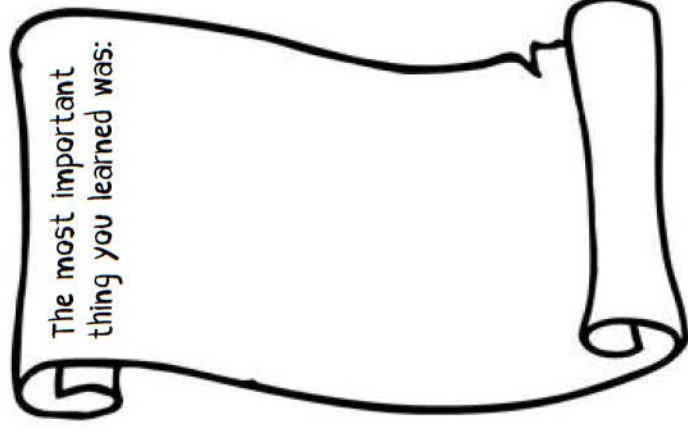
write or draw something you heard in the sermon



Questions?



How does today's message apply to your life?



The most important thing you learned was: