

The Coming Week at St. John's Episcopal Church

Sunday, 5/25

8:00am - Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 9:00am - Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 10:00am - Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary & Livestream)
 11:00am - Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 5:00pm - NA (McNab Room)

Monday, 5/26 - PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

12:00pm - AA (McNab Room)
 6:00pm - Popup Bible Study (Library)

Tuesday, 5/27

10:00am - Samaritan Fund (Library)
 1:00pm - Knitpickers (Williams Hall)
 6:00pm - MHS Choir & Orchestra Senior Recital (Sanctuary)*

Wednesday, 5/28

10:30am - Women's Bible Study (McNab Room)
 12:00pm - Holy Eucharist (Chapel - please use office entrance)
 1:00pm - AA (McNab Room)
 6:30pm - Christian Meditation (Activity Room)

Thursday, 5/29

9:00am - Alissa's Drop In Coffee Shop Office Hours (Grove)
 1:00pm - Women Journeying Together (Activity Room)
 7:00pm - Taizé Service (Elliott Chapel)

Friday, 5/30

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

Saturday, 5/31

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

Sunday, 6/1

8:00am - Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 9:00am - Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 10:00am - Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary & Livestream)
 11:00am - Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 2:00pm - EYE Youth Group (Activity Room)
 5:00pm - NA (McNab Room)
 6:30pm - Bible in the Basement (Activity Room)

*Private event for the group's members only

Point your phone's camera here to view 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, Dean, Char Bakeman, Betty Kirkley, Ronnie, Henry Youngquist, Chris, Yvonne, Charlene Adams, Dennis, Kendra Kleber, Alice & Fred Stoll, David, Paul, and Faye Ebach.

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... 25-Lori Pung, Mary Jo Schuetz, 27-Mary Ann Tolly, 28-Olga Fagan, Karen Roberts, 30-Jenni Stoll

Pray for the Diocesan Standing Committee and the people of the Diocese of the Great Lakes; PRAY for St. Gregory's Abbey, Three Rivers, & Fr Andrew, Abbot; St. Peter's Seasonal Chapel, Lake Leelanau—Charles Bennison, Vicar; St. Luke's, Kalamazoo—Randall Warren, Rector
In our international Anglican prayer cycle; PRAY for The Anglican Church of Kenya

Pastoral Care

Members of the congregation who have received Pastoral Care training are available all year for friendly visits. Members who are in the hospital, nursing homes, or homebound may request a visit from our team to receive communion, a comforting prayer shawl or a pocket cross.

Team members include:



The Rev. Alissa Anderson and parishioners

Chris Esquivel
Chris Lauckner
Jan Marcou

Pat Roush
Chris Schuster
Fred Schuster

*Call the parish office (989-631-2260) with a pastoral care request. In the case of a pastoral emergency outside office hours, please contact **The Rev. Alissa Anderson at 616-540-9102 (cell).***

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

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 - June 1, 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:16-34 Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

Psalms 97

John 17:20-26

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 28, 2025

Commemoration: Mechthild of Magdeburg

Song of Songs 3:1-5

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Psalms 71:17-23

Mark 8:22-26



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.)



Organ Project Update

Exciting progress is continuing to be made on our Organ Project! The new instrument is scheduled to be completed by October, and we can't wait to hear it fill our sanctuary with music. So far, we've raised **\$168,930.28** of our \$330,660 goal—thank you to all who have given so generously! 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!



The Parish Office will be closed

Monday, May 26,

in observance of Memorial Day



All are invited to our Taizé service on **Thursday, May 29,**

at 7 PM in the Chapel. Taizé is a contemplative form of prayer and includes readings, songs, and a period of silence. Come and check it out if you've been looking to try something new or are familiar with Taizé.



Community

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Second Friday of each month starting June 13, 7-9 PM, in Williams Hall. Play our games or bring your favorites! Bring your friends or join in with us! All ages welcome!

Companion Needed

Elderly woman, diagnosed with dementia, needs an in-house companion for Saturday and Sunday coverage for approximately 8 hours per day. Pay rate is: \$20-\$25 per hour. Patient is calm, a cat lover, and appreciates companionship. Please call Ms. Jan Hartman at 813-469-0762 if you are interested or other individuals who might be interested in this ministry opportunity. It is possible that two individuals would be considered for the two-day slots if that arrangement can be worked out. Legal guardian lives out of state; however, Ms. Hartman originates from Midland (Great Lakes Bay Region) and is an ordained minister. ~Chris Lauckner



SJEC Handbell Choir
presents:

2025 SUMMER

Handbell Retreat

June 7 @ 11am-5pm & June 8 @ 9am

Please join us for the 1st annual **St. John's Episcopal Church Handbell Retreat** June 7th and 8th!

Saturday, June 7th will be from 11am-5pm, and the weekend will culminate with all Retreat participants ringing at the 10am service at St. John's on June 8th. Beginners are welcome and highly encouraged to join! No prior musical knowledge or experience is needed. The cost for the entire retreat is \$5, which will cover the materials you will need for the Handbell Retreat as well as lunch. If interested, please speak to Nykkoa Lurie after service, or email her at nykkoalurie@gmail.com for information on how to register.



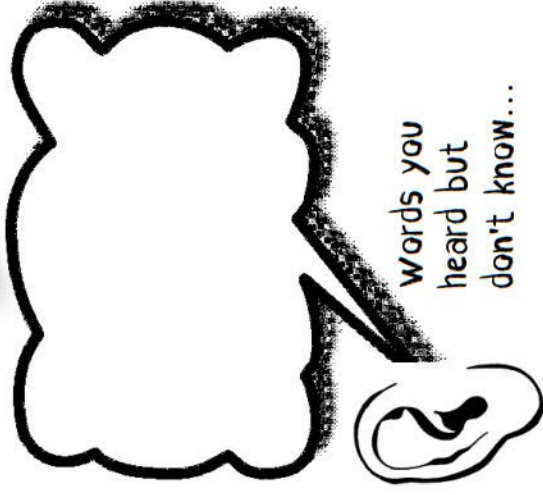
Sermon Notes FOR KIDS



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...

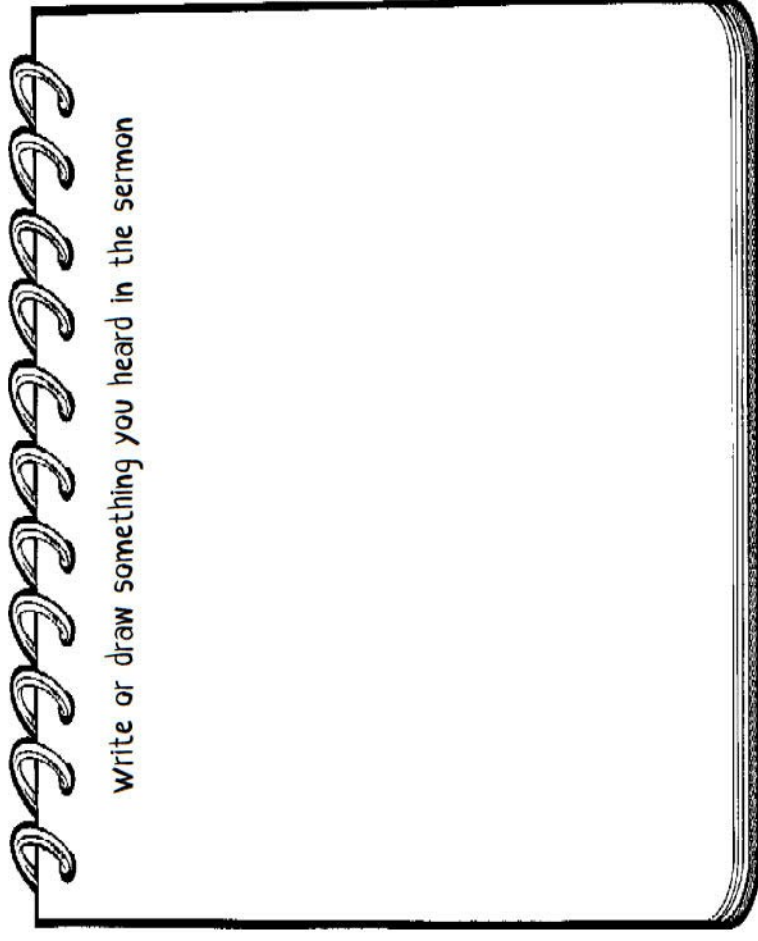
What is the main passage we are reading today?

Book:

chapter:

verse:

Favorite song
today was:



Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

Questions?

The most important thing you learned was:

How does today's message apply to your life?

what are we learning about
God from this passage?

