

The Coming Week at St. John's Episcopal Church

Sunday, 11/2

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 8:30am – Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
 9:00am – ACT Uganda Handcrafts Sale (Williams Hall)
 9:00am – Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 9:00am – Living the Covenant (Williams Hall)
 10:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary & Livestream)
 11:00am – Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 11:30am – Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Bell Zone)
 2:00pm – Girl Scout Troop 50593 (Activity Room)
 5:00pm – NA (McNab Room)
 6:00pm – Lux Women's Choir (Williams Hall)
 6:30pm – Bible in the Basement (Activity Room)

Monday, 11/3

8:00am – St. John's Men's Breakfast (Big Boy)
 12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 6:00pm – Popup Bible Study (Library)
 6:30pm – Midland ACS Volunteer Appreciation (W. Hall)

Tuesday, 11/4

9:00am – Building & Grounds Committee (McNab Room)
 10:00am – Samaritan Fund (Library)
 1:00pm – Knitpickers (Williams Hall)

Wednesday, 11/5

8:00am – Preschool Muffins & Moms (Williams Hall)
 10:30am – Women's Bible Study (Library)
 12:00pm – Holy Eucharist (Chapel—use office entrance)

1:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 5:30pm – Tai Chi (Williams Hall)
 6:30pm – Christian Meditation (Activity Room)

Thursday, 11/6

9:00am – Alissa's Drop-In Coffee Shop Office Hrs. (Lv Oak)
 1:00pm – Women Journeying Together (Activity Room)
 6:00pm – Preschool Board Meeting (McNab Room)

Friday, 11/7

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

Saturday, 11/8

10:00am – Scouting for Food Collection (Williams Hall)
 12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 7:00pm – NA (McNab Room)

Sunday, 11/9

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 8:30am – Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
 9:00am – Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 9:00am – Living the Covenant (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 Rehearsal (Bell Zone)
 4:00pm – Youth Group (Activity Room)
 5:00pm – NA (McNab Room)
 6:00pm – Lux Women's Choir (Williams Hall)

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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, Char Bakeman, Betty Kirkley, Ronnie, Henry Youngquist, Chris, Yvonne, Charlene & John Adams, Lynn Miller, Brad & Rebecca, Ed Patterson, Laani, Don Marcou, Athena, Andrew, Julie, and Phillip.

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... 3-Carol Sullivan, Mallory

Garlinghouse, 6-Greg Gwaltney, 7-Bonnie Hayward
Pray for the Diocesan Standing Committee and the people of the Diocese of the Great Lakes; PRAY for Standing Committee Members of the Episcopal Diocese of the Great Lakes; All Saints Church, Saugatuck - Jay Emerson Johnson, Rector

In our international Anglican prayer cycle; PRAY for The Church of the Province of West Africa

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 Schuster

Jan Marcou

Fred Schuster

Pat Roush

Michelle Spencer

Dave Schafer

*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).***

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 smartphone's camera here: →



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
- To update your membership directory info

Next Sunday's Readings – November 9, 2025
22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Haggai 1:15b-2:9 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5
Psalm 98 Luke 20:27-38

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 – November 5, 2025
Commemoration: Willibrord

2 Kings 2:19-25 Acts 1:1-9
Psalm 105:1-5 Luke 18:1-8

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 can find her at Live Oak (711 Ashman)



Organ Project Update

Exciting progress is continuing to be made on our Organ Project! Delivery of the new instrument is now expected in mid- to late-November or possibly early December. While it's a little later than first planned, our anticipation only grows as we look forward to hearing it fill our sanctuary with music. As of Sept. 25, we've raised **\$303,831.84** of our \$330,660 goal, which includes \$80,000 from Endowment—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.



Calling all St. John's Men

Monday, November 3, 8:00 AM!!

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

St. John's Williams Hall will be the food drop-off and sorting location for the **2025 Scouting for Food Drive** on **Saturday, November 8, 10am to 2pm**. If you receive a yellow collection bag at home, please fill it with food donations for scouts to collect. If you do not receive one, please drop off a food donation at the church during the event. If you would like to help, please join us in Williams Hall at any time during the event. Food collected will be delivered to **SAMS pantry** and the Memorial Presbyterian Church **HELP pantry**. Special thanks to the St Johns Endowment Committee for a generous grant to cover the cost of the bags used in this year's collection.

ANNUAL MICHIGAN CROSSROADS COUNCIL

SCOUTING FOR FOOD DRIVE

Supporting Local Food Banks

COLLECTING FOOD TO HELP FAMILIES IN NEED IN MICHIGAN!



Uniquely Uganda

handcrafts by ACT's artisans



ACT Uganda Baskets & Beads & Handcrafts Sale
TODAY after both worship services

The baskets & beaded jewelry are made by Ugandan women artisans in Muko SubCounty, who are supplied with materials & training & paid a fair wage for their handcrafts by ACT. Most of the handsewn fabric items are made by mid-Michigan ACT volunteers using beautiful fabrics brought back from Uganda by ACT. Many St John's Episcopal members are volunteers for ACT, serving by sewing lovely items from Ugandan fabrics, staffing sales, sponsoring scholarships for students from primary through high school, and working on ACT programs. All proceeds support ACT programs.

Living the Covenant

Exploring Episcopal Identity through Baptism

Continuing to meet on **Sundays at 9 AM through Nov. 16** (make-up Nov. 23) and also via Zoom (time and day TBD). Sign up at <https://forms.gle/3f4mbH5xufivEoBs5>. Sign-up required for Zoom; optional but encouraged for Sundays



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SHARING TREE



We are coordinating a sharing tree for those less fortunate this holiday season. The tree will be setup in the Sanctuary beginning **November 1** for you to pick a tag(s) to fulfill. Please return the items purchased and the tag affixed to them by Monday, **December 1**. Please see Jan Marcou or Linda Germain with any questions.



Mark your calendars: The next **St. Martha's** meeting will be on **Tuesday, November 11, at 10:00 am** in the Activity Room. Hope to see you there!

The Saginaw Valley Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and Memorial Presbyterian Church present this **FREE CONCERT**

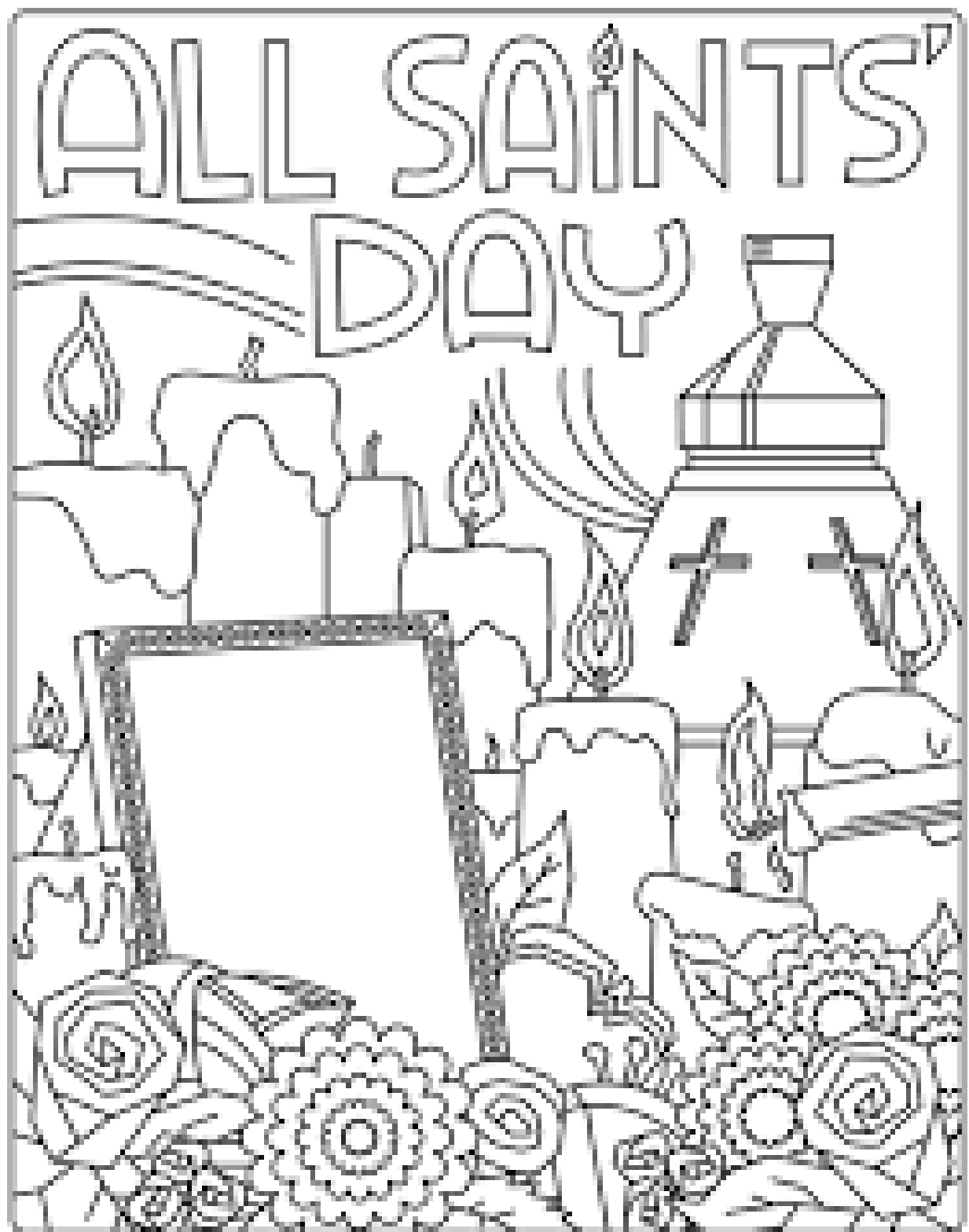
Sunday, November 9
4:00 p.m.

Kent Dennis
Memorial Recital

featuring Kent Dennis
 Memorial Scholarship Recipients



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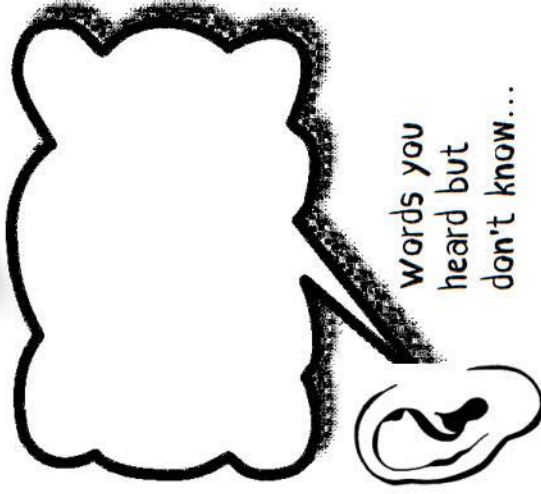
Sermon Notes FOR KIDS



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:

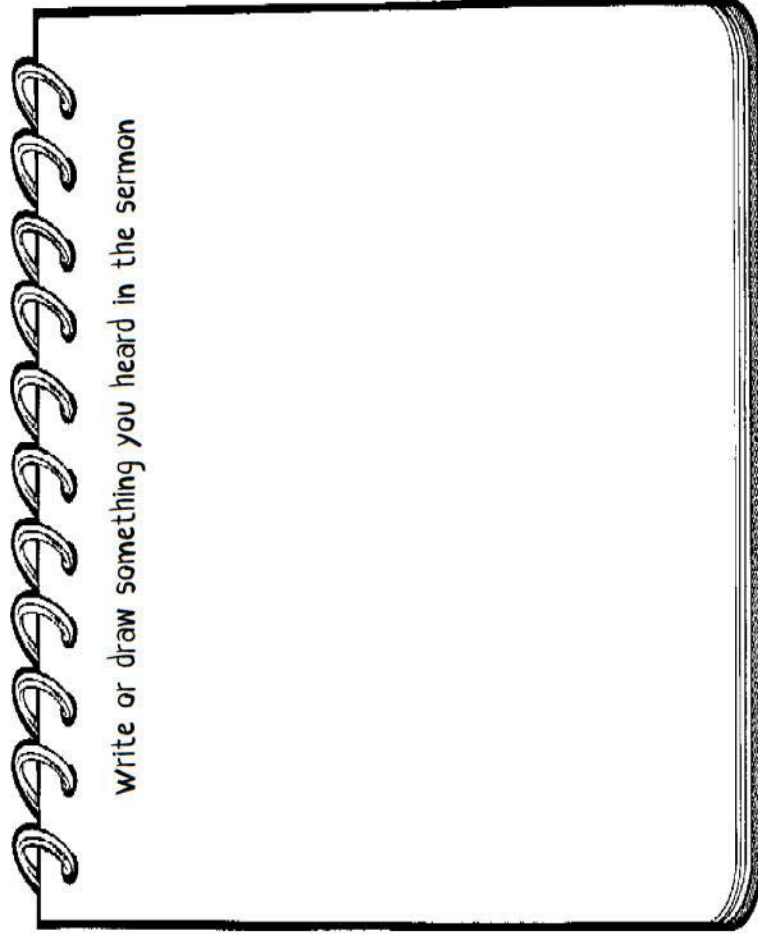
chapter:

verse:

Favorite song
today was:



what are we learning about
God from this passage?



Questions?

The most important thing you learned was:

How does today's message apply to your life?

