

The Coming Week at St. John's Episcopal Church

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)

Monday, 11/10

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

Tuesday, 11/11

10:00am – St. Martha's Guild (Activity Room)
 10:00am – Samaritan Fund (Library)
 1:00pm – Knitpickers (Williams Hall)
 5:30pm – Midland Quilters Guild (Williams Hall)

Wednesday, 11/12

8:00am – Preschool Donuts & Dads (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, 11/13

9:00am – Alissa's Drop-In Coffee Shop Office Hrs. (Lv Oak)
 10:00am – Love Knots (Williams Hall)
 1:00pm – Women Journeying Together (Activity Room)
 6:00pm – Preschool Board Meeting (McNab Room)

Friday, 11/14

11:00am – DAR Good Citizens Program (Williams Hall)
 12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 5:45pm – Peer Support Meeting (McNab Room)
 7:00pm – Community Game Night (Williams Hall)

Saturday, 11/15

9:30am – Midland Quilters Squared Wrkshp (Wms Hall)
 12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 7:00pm – NA (McNab Room)

Sunday, 11/16

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 – Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Bell Zone)
 2:00pm – Girl Scout Troop 50593 (Activity Room)
 2:30pm – Solo Piano Recital – George Fee (Sanctuary)
 5:00pm – NA (McNab Room)
 6:00pm – Lux Women's Choir (Williams Hall)
 6:30pm – Bible in the Basement (Activity Room)

Point your smartphone'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, Char Bakeman, Ronnie, Henry Youngquist, Chris, Yvonne, Charlene & John Adams, Lynn Miller, Rebecca & the Roberts family, Ed Patterson, Laani, Don Marcou, Athena, Linda Johannsen, Aubrey, Andrew, Julie, Phillip, and Tellie & the Wright family.

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating anniversaries this week... 9-Gordon Thompson & Liz Davis

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating birthdays this week... 12-Bob Stoney, Margo Nielsen, Karen Newhouse, 13-Alli Thompson, 14-Aiden Carter, 15-Melissa Maxwell

Pray for the Diocesan Standing Committee and the people of the Diocese of the Great Lakes; PRAY for all deacons in the dioceses, Linda Crane and Beth Drew, Archdeacons; St. Martin of Tours, Kalamazoo – Mary Perrin, Rector

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

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

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

Jan Marcou

Pat Roush

Dave Schafer

Chris Schuster

Fred Schuster

Michelle Spencer

*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: →



Next Sunday's Readings – November 16, 2025
23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 65:17-25 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Canticle 9 Luke 21:5-19

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 12, 2025
Commemoration: Charles Simeon

Amos 6:1-7 Ephesians 3:7-12
Psalm 108:1-6 Matthew 22:1-14



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 Nov. 3, we've raised **\$328,931.84** 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.



Join us after the 10AM worship service **TODAY** for this month's **2nd Sunday Sharing!**

Yesterday, Nov. 8, members of our Handbell Choir traveled to Eaton Rapids to take part in an International Handbell Festival. They were able to play music with other ringers from across Michigan, other states, and Canada and learn new skills and techniques in classes taught by professional ringers! We are really excited to bring all that experience back to our community here at St. John's. If you've been curious about Handbells and want to join, contact Nykkoa Lurie by phone or email, or chat with her after service! And if you feel called to help the Handbell Choir in their endeavors, we gladly take donations! Talk with Nykkoa on how to help.



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 [\[https://forms.gle/3f4mbH5xufivEoBs5\]](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!

SOLO Sunday, November 16
Piano 2:30 PM
RECITAL St. John's Episcopal Church
 Free admission
 Pianist, George Fee
 featuring works of Mozart

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



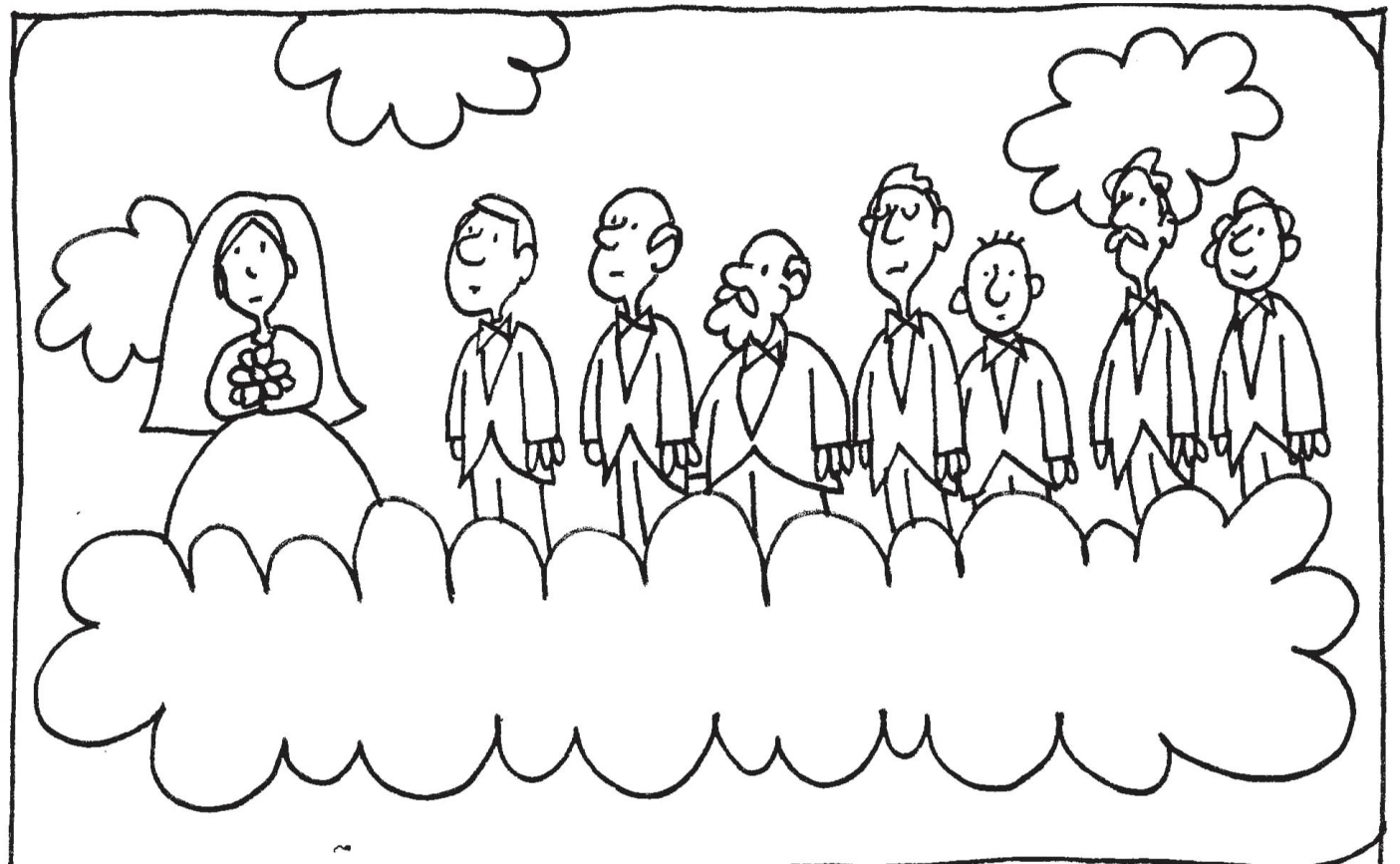
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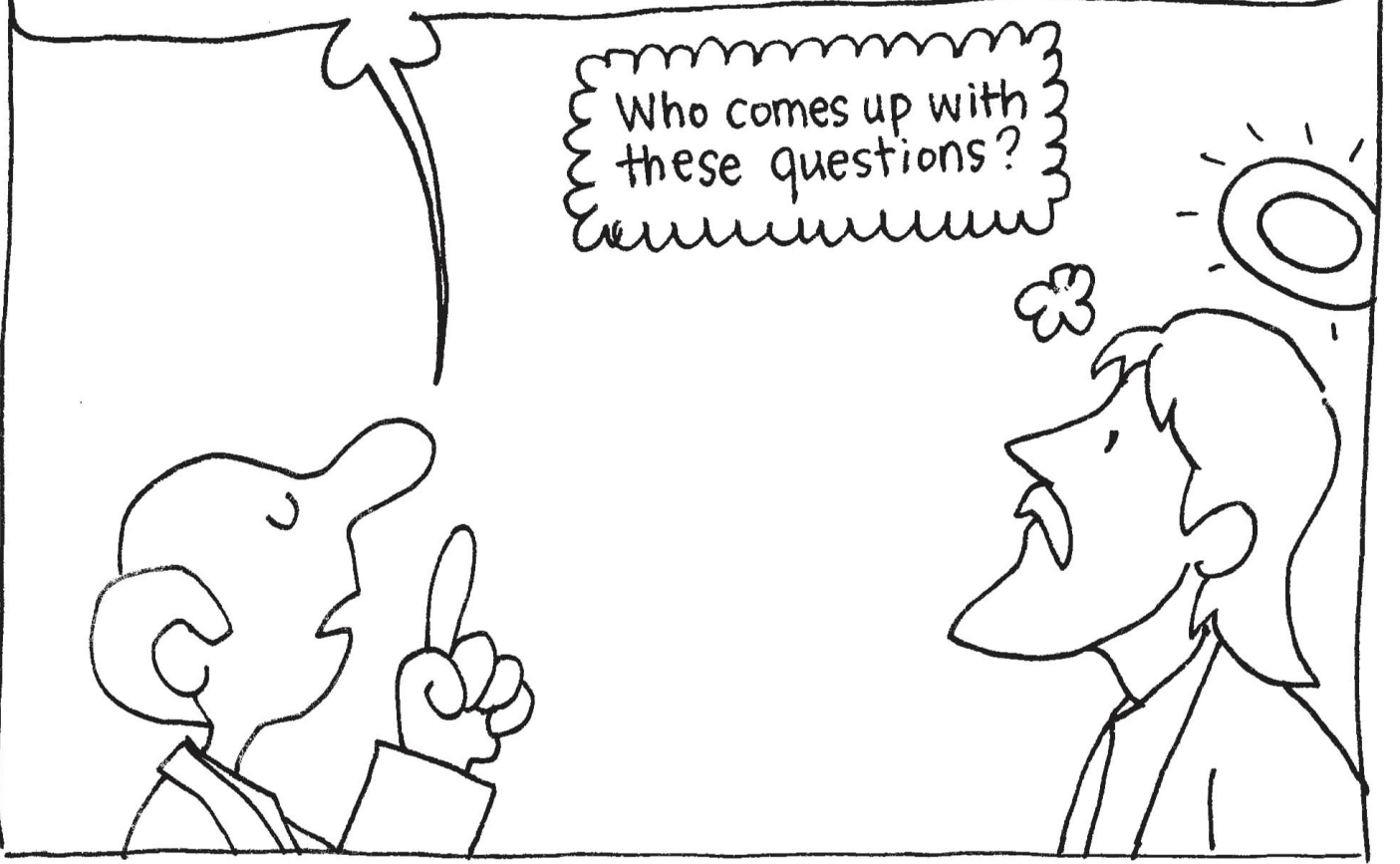
THE JIM PAGEL TRIO
 Renowned Jazz Guitar Combo
 November 16, 2025; 4pm

Reserve your free seat:

Free-will Offering to be collected
 105 S. Erie, Bay City, MI; Office: 989-892-4135
www.stalbans-baycity.org/concert-series & Facebook



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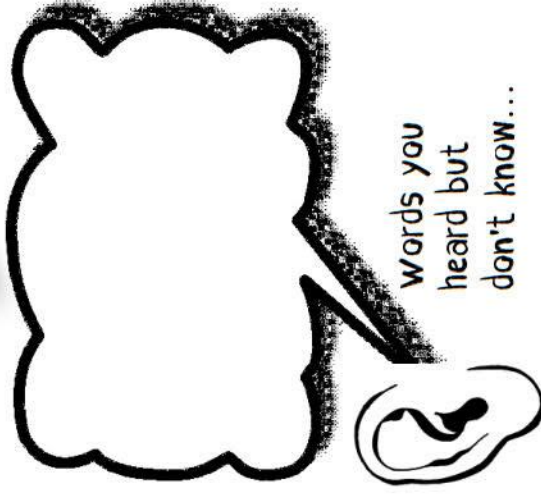
Sermon Notes FOR KIDS



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?



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?

Write or draw something you heard in the sermon