

The Coming Week at St. John's Episcopal Church

Sunday, 2/15

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 8:30am – Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
 9:00am – Chronicles of Narnia (Williams Hall)
 9:00am – Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 10:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary & Livestream)
 11:00am – Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 11:30am – Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Bell Zone)
 5:00pm – NA (McNab Room)
 6:00pm – Lux Women's Choir Rehearsal (Williams Hall)
 6:30pm – Bible in the Basement (Activity Room)

Monday, 2/16

12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 1:00pm – Pastoral Care Committee (Library)
 6:00PM – Popup Bible Study (Activity Room)

Tuesday, 2/17

10:00am – Samaritan Fund (Library)
 1:00pm – Knitpickers (Williams Hall)
 5:00pm – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper (Williams Hall)

Wednesday, 2/18 – ASH WEDNESDAY

7:00am – Drop-in Ashes (Sanctuary)
 10:30am – Women's Bible Study (McNab Room)
 12:00pm – Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)

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

Thursday, 2/19

9:00am – Alissa's Drop-in Coffee Office Hours (Live Oak Eastside)
 1:00pm – Women Journeying Together (Activity Room)

Friday, 2/20

12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)

Saturday, 2/21

12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 5:00pm – Preschool Kid Prom (Williams Hall)
 7:00pm – NA (McNab Room)

Sunday, 2/22

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 8:30am – Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
 9:00am – "Being Here" Sunday Formation (Williams Hall)
 9:00am – Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 10:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary & Livestream)
 11:00am – Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 11:30am – Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Bell Zone)
 4:00pm – Lux Women's Choir Board Meeting (Library)
 5:00pm – NA (McNab Room)
 6:00pm – Lux Women's Choir Rehearsal (Williams Hall)

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, Char Bakeman, Ronnie, Henry Youngquist, Chris, Yvonne (Denée's mother), Charlene & John Adams, Phillip, Michelle Monto Metry, Julie, the family of Lynn Miller, Lee Smith, Dennis, Mike, Paul Trautman, and Duane.

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating anniversaries this week... 15-Larry & Marianne Girardin

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating birthdays this week... 16-William Koonce, 17-Charlene Adams, Doug Germain, 19-Stephanie Hayden, 21-John Marcou

Pray for the Diocesan Standing Committee and the people of the Diocese of the Great Lakes; PRAY for Ausable Inclusion Center - Beckett LeClaire, Deacon; Church of the Holy Cross, Kentwood - Jonathan Bratt Carle, Rector

In our international Anglican prayer cycle; PRAY for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

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!

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**Next Sunday's Readings – February 22, 2026
First Sunday in Lent**

**Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19
Psalm 32 Matthew 4:1-11**

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 – February 18, 2026

Ash Wednesday

**Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10
Psalm 103:8-14 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21**



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 Eastside (2405 Abbott Rd.)



Please join us for a dedication concert honoring St. John's new custom **Allen RLX-90 organ** on **Sunday, March 8 at 4:00 p.m.** Featured artist **Paul Fey** is a German concert organist and composer whose

career has taken him to major churches and concert halls throughout Europe and the United States, including performances at the Vatican and within the historic Thomaskirche tradition in Leipzig. Widely recognized for his expressive musicianship and deep grounding in the sacred music tradition, Fey brings a compelling blend of traditional and contemporary artistry to the organ. This concert marks an important milestone in the musical life of the parish. **Admission is free, and donations are gratefully accepted.**

Save the dates for two upcoming organ concerts in May and October.

Abby Germain, from Girl Scout Troop 50593, will be selling **GIRL SCOUT COOKIES** after both services **TODAY**, to support her scouting adventures. Cookies are \$6 per box. Cash, check and Venmo will be accepted. She will also accept donations to purchase boxes of cookies to be donated to Shelter House. If you would like to support Abby's sale but are not able to attend in person, please contact Linda Germain (lkestabrook@gmail.com / 989-670-5210)



Join us on Tuesday, February 17, at 5pm, in Williams Hall for our annual **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**, hosted by some of the men of St. John's. This beloved tradition is a time for fellowship and a festive way to prepare for the season ahead. This event is open to the public and

donations will be accepted.



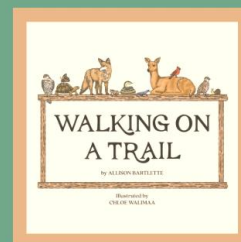
Walking on a
TRAIL

Book Event During Church

When: Sunday, February 22nd
at 10:00am

Where: St. John's Episcopal
Church of Midland

What: This book event will be during the service time and will include a nature craft, a book reading, & a scavenger hunt.



Lent



Ash Wednesday – February 18

7-8 am Drop-in Ashes (Sanctuary)
12 noon Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)

Wednesdays, 12 noon – Healing Service

Laying on of hands, anointing

Sundays, 9:00 am – "Being Here" Sunday Formation

A Lenton exploration of what it means to live well in a fractured world.

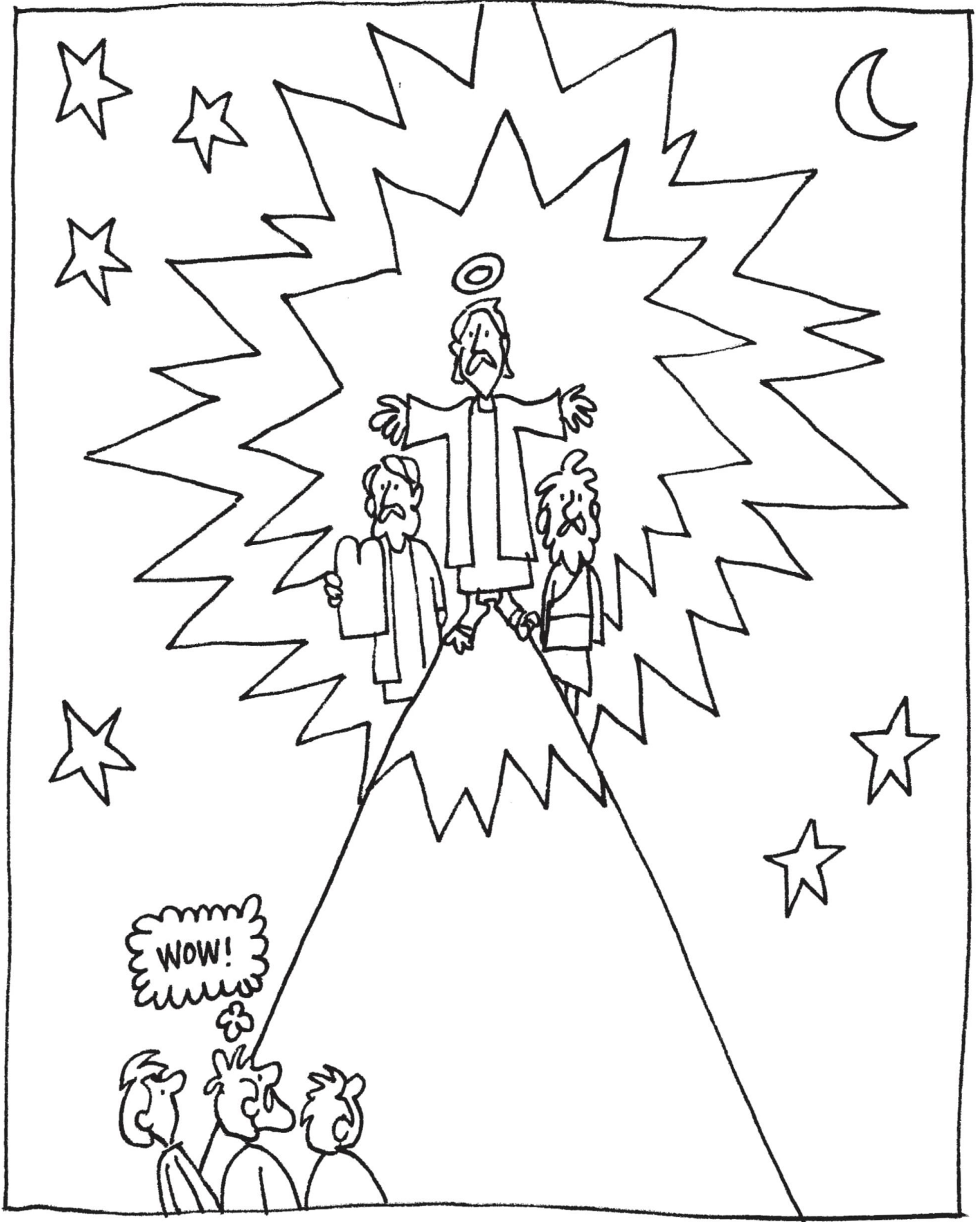
March 12, 19 and 26, time TBD – Lenten Prayer Series

Exploring migration, memory and the stories that shape our faith with Chris Lauckner

March 8, 4:00 pm – Organ Dedication Concert

Featured artist, Paul Fey

[Refer to the February Epistle for additional details.](#)



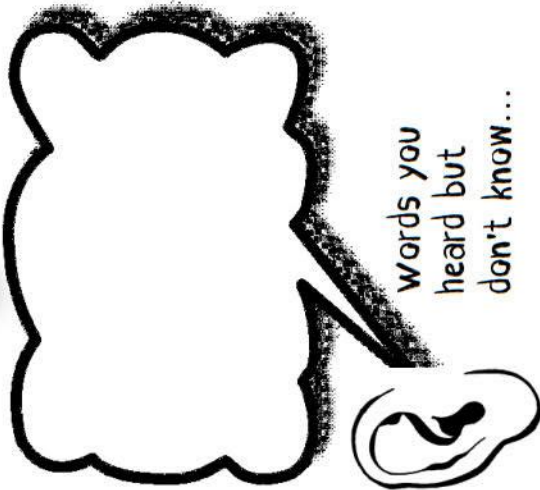
Sermon Notes FOR KIDS



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:

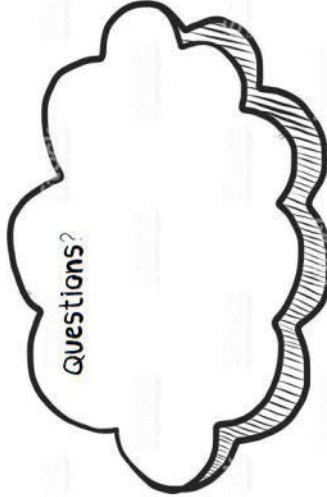


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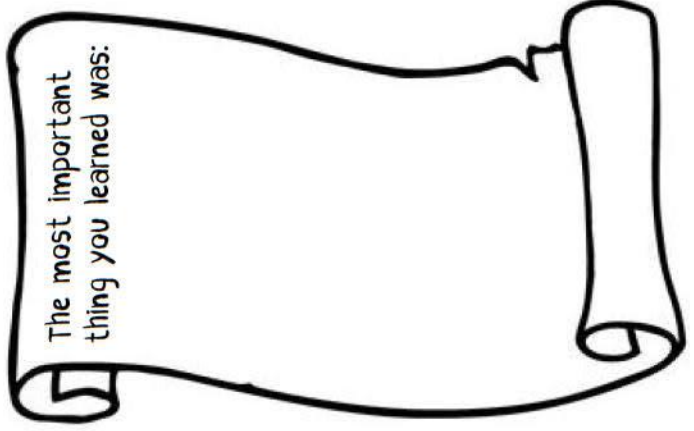


Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

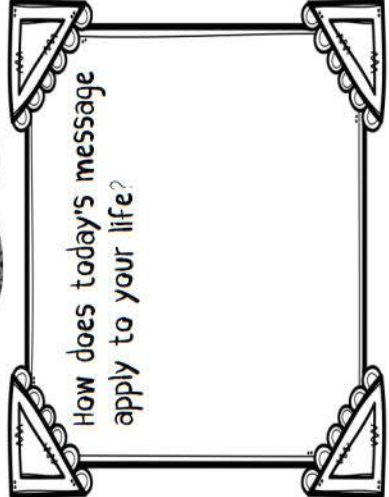
Questions?



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?

