

## The Coming Week at St. John's Episcopal Church

### Sunday, 4/26

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 Rehearsal (Bell Zone)  
 2:30pm – Music of Schubert – George Fee (Sanctuary)  
 4:00pm – Youth Group (Activity Room)  
 5:00pm – NA (McNab Room)  
 6:00pm – Lux Women's Choir Rehearsal (Williams Hall)

### Monday, 4/27

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

### Tuesday, 4/28

10:00am – Samaritan Fund (Library)  
 1:00pm – Knitpickers (Williams Hall)  
 3:30pm – Investment Committee (McNab Room)

### Wednesday, 4/29

10:30am – Women's Bible Study (McNab Room)  
 12:00pm – Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
 1:00pm – AA (McNab Room)

5:30pm – Tai Chi (Williams Hall)

6:00pm – Planning for Ladies Prayer Breakfast (McNab)

### Thursday, 4/30

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

### Friday, 5/1

12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)

### Saturday, 5/2

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

### Sunday, 5/3

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 Rehearsal (Bell Zone)  
 2:00pm – Girl Scout Troop 50593 (Activity Room)  
 2:00pm – Lux Women's Choir Spring Concert (Sanctuary)  
 5:00pm – NA (McNab Room)  
 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, Char Bakeman, Ronnie, Henry Youngquist, Chris, Yvonne (Denée Koonce's mom), Charlene Adams, Phillip, Julie, Dennis, Mike, Bronda (Wendy Thompson's mom), Steve Jacqmain, Rod, Don Marcou, Vicki Leigeb, Duane, and Linda & Dan.

*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...* 26-Geoff Newhouse, Marie Stoll, 30-Jim Bakeman, 5/1-Bruce Ellis

*Pray for the Diocesan Standing Committee and the people of the Diocese of the Great Lakes;* PRAY for The Bishop Whittemore Foundation; St. Matthew, Saginaw - Donna Periard, Senior Warden; Church of the Epiphany, South Haven - John Wakefield, Rector

*In our international Anglican prayer cycle;* PRAY for The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

## 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).***

### Contact the church office

**989-631-2260 / [office@sjec-midland.org](mailto: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

### 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](http://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 – May 3, 2026  
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 7:55-60                      1 Peter 2:2-10  
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16          John 14:1-14**

*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 – April 29, 2026  
Holy Eucharist**

**Commemoration – Zita of Tuscany  
Exodus 1:15-21                  James 2:1-7  
Psalm 16                          Mark 12:41-44**



**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.** During April, you can find her at Live Oak Eastside (2405 Abbott Rd.)

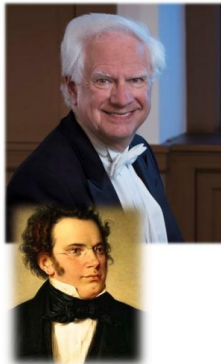


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*Piano*

RECITAL

Featuring works of Schubert



**Pianist George Fee** will present a solo piano recital consisting of works by **Franz Schubert** on **Sunday, April 26, at 2:30 pm**. The free, 65-minute concert will be held in the Sanctuary at St. John's Episcopal Church, Midland.



**Loaves & Fishes RETURNS!**

**St. John's Popular  
Fellowship Dinner Groups**

For more information, see the sheets on the bulletin board outside Williams Hall. **TODAY is the final day to sign up!** Contact Bob Stoney with questions: 989-835-2494. *Bon appétit!*

Are you interested in helping plan our next **SJEC Ladies Prayer Breakfast**? The first meeting will be on April 29 at 6pm in the McNab Room. The breakfast is planned for the first Saturday in November.



**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](mailto:office@sjec-midland.org)) **BY MAY 4**. We will honor all grads in worship on Sunday, May 10.

For St. John's annual **Mother's Day**

**Giving** this year, four Midland agencies who help mothers and children have been contacted. Their needs are many and varied. New this year is the opportunity to donate to the mother's personal needs. We also have a unique opportunity to help Shelterhouse build a supply of outdoor toys for young children. A table has been set up in Williams Hall where you can find a list of items needed and leave your donations **by Mother's Day, May 10**. All items will be distributed to the local organizations the following week.



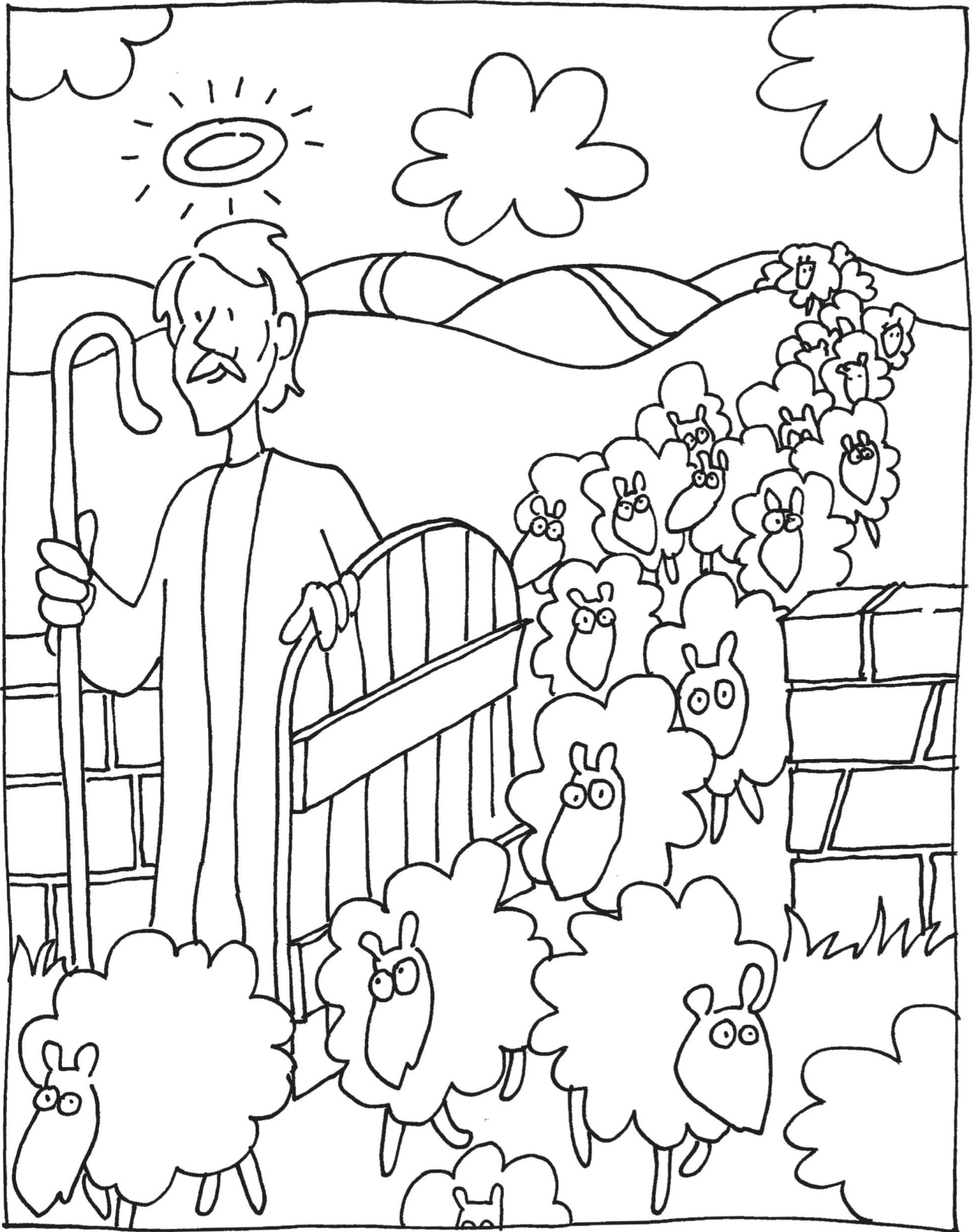
St. John's will be hosting an in-person **Safe Church** training session on **Wednesday, May 20, at 1 PM** in Williams Hall. If you are unable to attend and still need to complete the training for volunteering at St. John's, please reach out to Linda Germain ([linda@sjec-midland.org](mailto:linda@sjec-midland.org)) for alternate options.



**ACT UGANDA 2025 ANNUAL REPORT -**

2025 was a busy year full of exciting steps forward for ACT. Students attended and graduated from University, primary and high students were educated, healthy babies were born, and new adventures began for the future of ACT. Please take some time to read our 2025 Annual Report to learn about all these accomplishments. You can access the report on our website ([actuganda.org](http://actuganda.org)) in the "nonprofit data" section under the **About ACT** pulldown. While you're on our website, enjoy shopping at our online store! Thank you.

**The Sound of Dreams**  
LUX WOMEN'S CHOIR  
Sunday, May 3, 2026 at 2 PM  
St. John's Episcopal Church  
405 N. Saginaw Rd. Midland, MI  
Free Admission - Donations Welcome  
Dessert Reception to Follow Concert



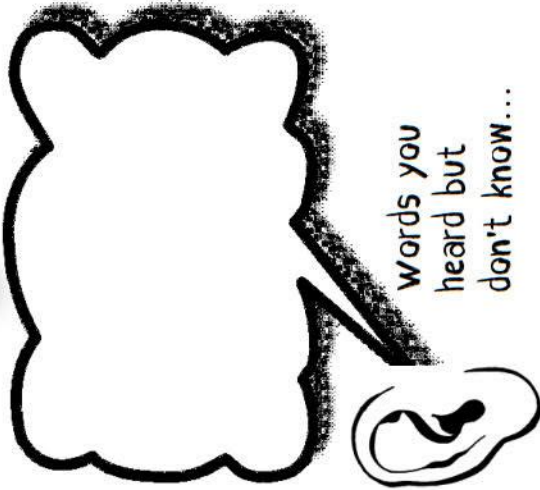
# Sermon Notes FOR KIDS



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:

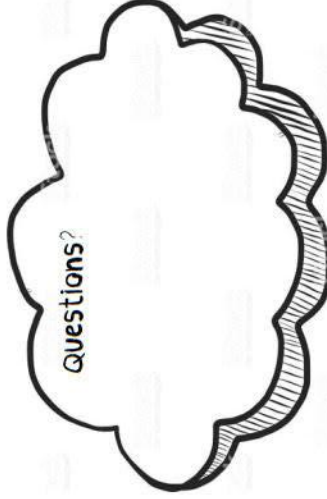
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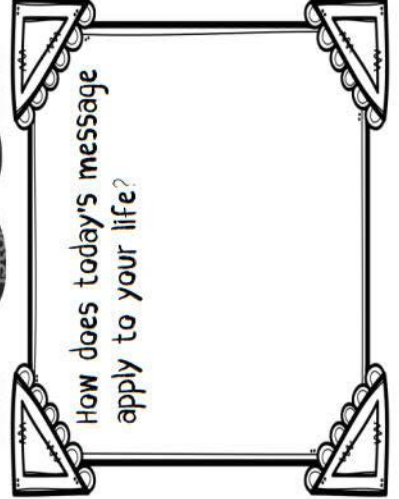


Write or draw something you heard in the sermon

Questions?



How does today's message apply to your life?



The most important thing you learned was:

