

The Coming Week at St. John's Episcopal Church

Sunday, 7/19

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 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)
 1:30pm – College for Congregational Development
 5:00pm – NA (McNab Room)

Monday, 7/20

7:30am – College for Congregational Development
 12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 1:00pm – Pastoral Care Committee (Library)
 6:00pm – Popup Bible Study (Activity Room)

Tuesday, 7/21

7:30am – College for Congregational Development
 10:00am – Samaritan Fund (Library)
 1:00pm – Knitpickers (Williams Hall)

Wednesday, 7/22

7:30am – College for Congregational Development
 10:30am – Women's Bible Study (McNab Room)
 12:00pm – Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

1:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 5:30pm – Tai Chi in the Garden (Courtyard)

Thursday, 7/23

7:30am – College for Congregational Development
 9:00am – Alissa's Drop-in Coffee Office Hours (Live Oak)
 10:00am – Love Knots (Williams Hall)

Friday, 7/24

7:30am – College for Congregational Development
 12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)
 6:00pm – Community Game Night (Williams Hall)

Saturday, 7/25

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

Sunday, 7/26

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 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)

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 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, Henry Youngquist, Chris, Yvonne (Denée Koonce's mom), Charlene Adams, Julie, Vicki Leigeb, Shelby, Bob Estabrook, Guy & Tony (Geoff Newhouse's brothers), Tellie, EllaRose, Jayden & Elaine, Betty & Bud Schartow & family, Justin & family, Tom, and Ed.

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating anniversaries this week... 20-Bill & Jenny Kent

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating birthdays this week... 19-Basil Clark, 21-Mary Jo Hudson, Ralph Rye, 24-Grace Robinson, Cathy Strong, 25-Aaron Koonce, Gordon Roush, Zach Young

Pray for the Diocesan Standing Committee and the people of the Diocese of the Great Lakes; PRAY for Christ Church, Owosso - Paul Brunell, Rector; St. Peter's-by-the-Lake, Montague - David Meyers, Rector
In our international Anglican prayer cycle; PRAY for Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

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

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:



Next Sunday's Readings – July 26, 2026

9th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 12

1 Kings 3:5-12

Romans 8:26-39

Psalms 119:129-136

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

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 – July 22, 2026

Holy Eucharist

Commemoration – Saint Mary Magdalene

Judith 9:1, 11-14

2 Corinthians 5:14-18

Psalms 42:1-7

John 20:11-18



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 the month of July, you'll be able to find her at Live Oak Eastside (2405 Abbott Rd.).



Thinking about Baptism?

We've been blessed to celebrate baptisms at St. John's two Sundays in a row! Baptism is a joyful sacrament that marks the beginning of the Christian life and our belonging in the Body of Christ.

If witnessing these baptisms has stirred your curiosity—whether for yourself, your child, or simply because you'd like to learn more—Mo. Alissa would be delighted to explore further with you: alissa@sjec-midland.org



The Episcopal Diocese of the Great Lake's branch of the College for Congregational Development (CCD), an Episcopal Church program focused on parish development, will be meeting at St. John's this week. Because such a substantial footprint of our building will be in use, many regular activities are in a different location or even canceled, so please check the calendar or contact the office for meeting locations.



August 3 to 6 – 2 to 5 PM

Get ready for a great week of fun this Summer! You are invited to join us on an epic quest to discover God's Kingdom. Experience games, music, crafts, and more during this week of adventure. Point your smartphone camera at the QR code or [CLICK HERE](#) to register as a volunteer and/or to register a child.



WE NEED YOU

Help ensure the success of VBS. Click the link or scan the QR code and sign up to volunteer!!



Altar Flowers

The Altar Guild invites friends and parishioners to donate weekly altar flowers and asks that you consider contributing. Choose a Sunday with special meaning, noting that NO flowers are placed on the altar during the season of Lent. Requested donation is \$45 and forms are available in the Narthex or from the parish office.

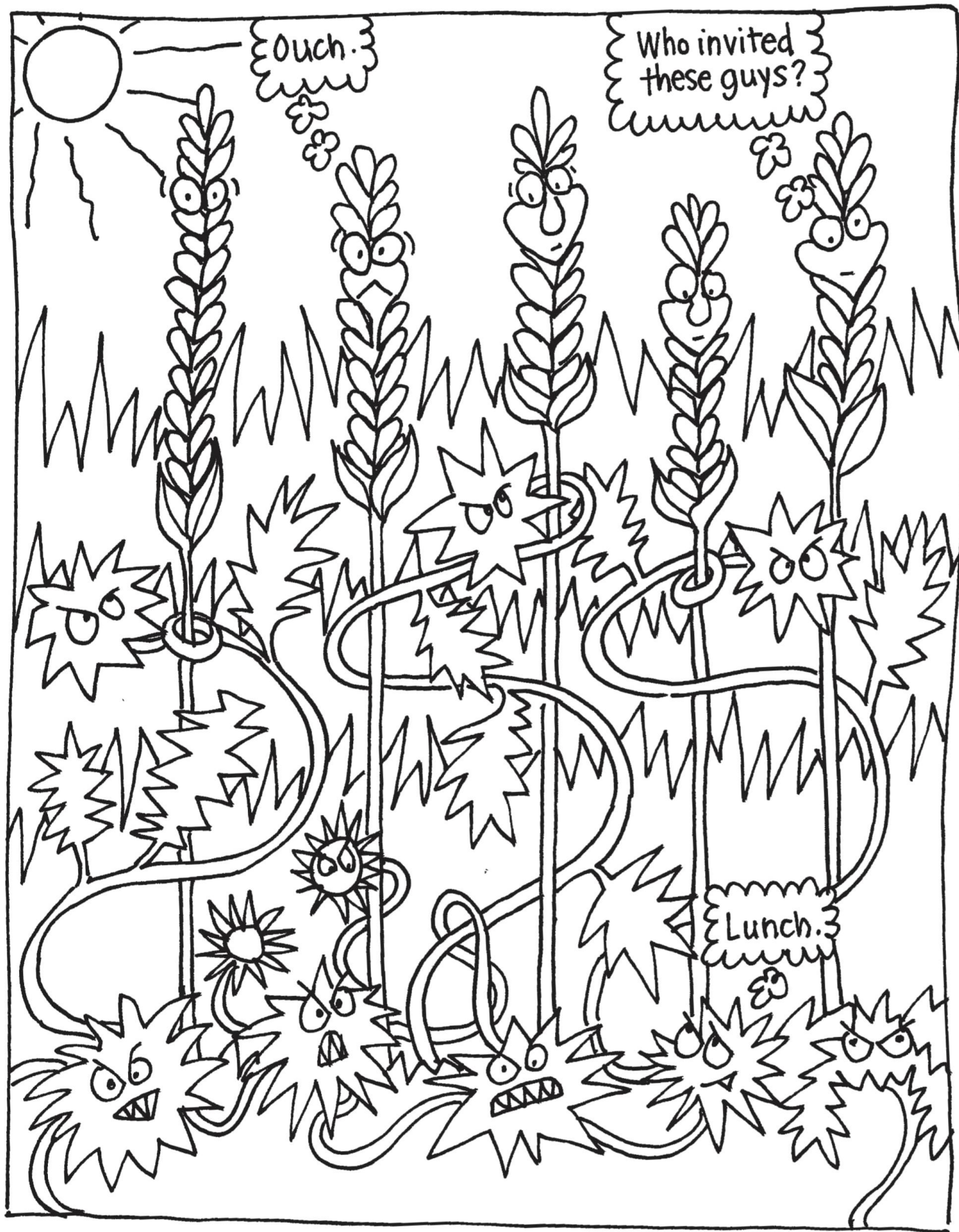


Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.



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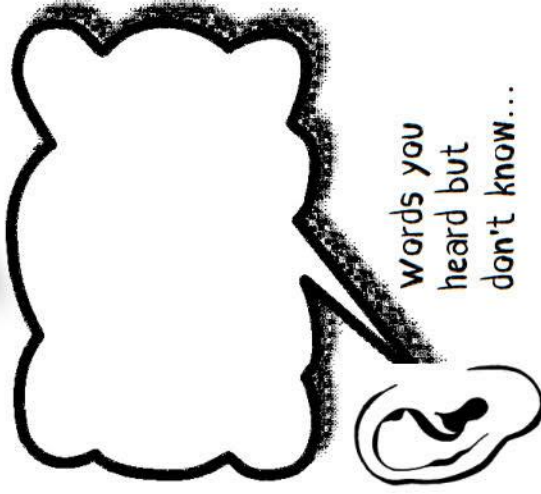
Sermon Notes FOR KIDS



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