

The Coming Week at St. John's Episcopal Church

Sunday, 8/30

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary)
 9:00am – Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 10:00am – Holy Eucharist (Sanctuary & Livestream)
 11:00am – Fellowship Hour (Williams Hall)
 11:15am – Choir Kickoff (McNab Room & Sanctuary)
 5:00pm – NA (McNab Room)

Monday, 8/31

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

Tuesday, 9/1

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

Wednesday, 9/2

9:00am – Investment Committee (McNab Room)
 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, 9/3

9:00am – Alissa's Drop-in Coffee Office Hours (Live Oak)

Friday, 9/4 – PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

12:00pm – AA (McNab Room)

Saturday, 9/5

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

Sunday, 9/6

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)

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, Henry Youngquist, Julie, Vicki Leigeb, Bob Estabrook, Mandy, Randy Woodard, Glenden Rayner, Daina A., Gordon E., Mary Jo Hudson, and John Adams.

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating

anniversaries this week... 8/31-Jim & Brenna Jackson, 9/2-Stephen & Charlotte Jacqmain, 9/5-Mike & Michelle Spencer

Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating

birthdays this week... 8/30-Taryn Velma, 9/2-Ava Massey, 9/3-Jack Philo, 9/5-Ellen Woodard

Pray for the Diocesan Standing Committee and the

people of the Diocese of the Great Lakes; PRAY for St. John's-by-the-Lake, Onekema - Dave Emenheiser, Chapel Committee Chair; William Fleener, Chancellor of The Diocese of the Great Lakes

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

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 Very 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 Very Rev. Alissa Anderson at 616-540-9102 (cell).



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

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 – September 6, 2026

15th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 18

Ezekiel 33:7-11

Romans 13:8-14

Psalms 119:33-40

Matthew 18:15-20

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 – Sept. 2, 2026

Holy Eucharist

Commemoration – The Martyrs of New Guinea

1 Chronicles 22:11-13

Revelation 7:9-12

Psalms 130

Luke 12:4-12



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 September, you'll be able to find her at Live Oak Eastside (2405 Abbott Rd.).



Meet with Travis

Appointments can be scheduled at your convenience by scanning the QR code, at left, or by visiting:

<https://calendly.com/travis-sjec-midland>

**The Parish Office will be closed
Friday, Sept. 4, AND Mon., Sept. 7,
in observance of the Labor Day
holiday weekend**



Sunday School and Nursery will begin their normal weekly schedule on Sept. 13. We will continue our split classroom approach: K-2nd grade enjoying Godly Play stories with Ms. Alicia and 3rd-5th grade enjoying lessons with Ms. Linda. Our nursery care team, Ms. Jenni and Ms. Leah, will continue to engage our youngest friends with their morning fun and help in other rooms as needed. Please join us starting at 9:45am until the end of church service on Sunday mornings.



Youth Group Needs Assistants

We have secured a couple of leaders, now we need a couple of assistants. Duties include helping with discussions, interacting with youth & engaging them within the group, & being a second adult in the room. Please reach out to Linda Germain (linda@sjec-midland.org or stop in the office) to discuss if you are interested.



Choir Kickoff | TODAY!



The choir is back, and we'd love for you to be part of it!

Join us **TODAY**, immediately following the 10 AM service for our **Choir Kickoff**. We'll gather at 11:15 AM for a shared meal in the

McNab Room, followed by our first rehearsal of the season in the Sanctuary from 12-1 PM.

Whether you've sung in the choir for years or have been thinking about joining for the first time, this is a great opportunity to meet the fellow musicians and make music together. Bring a favorite dish to share if you're able, we'd love to have you with us!

Questions? Contact Travis at travis@sjec-midland.org.

**SIGN UP
NOW!**

Ministry Fair

Ministry Fair 2026 will take

place on **Sunday, Sept. 20,**

during the Fellowship

Hours following both

worship services. If you

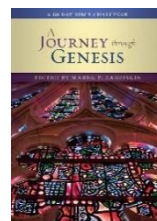
would like your St. John's

ministry to be represented,

contact Ann Wright to reserve table space.

aewright0702@gmail.com / 989-859-4118

Women Journeying Together will resume meeting on **Thurs., Sept. 10**. We will begin at 12:45 in the church library (the Waring Room opposite the church office) to pick up resources for our study of *Genesis*. I will be in the library between 12:45 and 1:15 to help you find what you need. We will finish our meeting in the Activity Room as usual. Women of all ages are invited to join us **Thurs., Sept. 10, ~12:45pm**. Questions? Contact Marnie Bash, mpbash@ameritech.net.



St. Martha's Guild is the hands and feet of the church in many ways. We are women who get together to socialize, but we also raise money and support many charities throughout the Tri-cities. We host the annual ladies Prayer Breakfast each fall, coordinate or provide food for funerals, and have speakers and social functions throughout the year. Please scan the QR code to access the meeting day/time Survey Monkey. Options include Sunday afternoons once per month, a weeknight once per month, or keep meetings on the 2nd Tues. of the month at 10 AM. **Note that the Sept. meeting has been moved to the 15th due to the holiday weekend.** If you would like to provide in-person feedback instead, please chat with Denée Koonce, Charlotte Jacqmain, Christy Hopper, or Michelle Spencer with your meeting day and time preferences.



WWJD? Good question. One minute I'm the rock on which the church is built. The next I'm Satan. This guy is unpredictable.



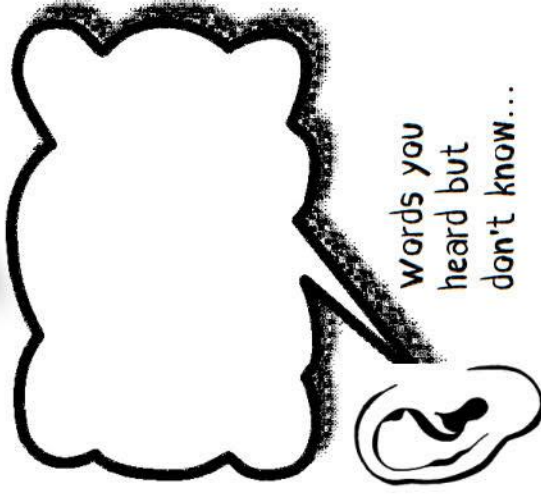
Sermon Notes FOR KIDS



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?

Write or draw something you heard in the sermon