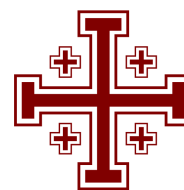


A weekly email publication for the community of St. James Church in College Hill.

Message of the Moment from Mother Dawn

Returning to In-Person Worship

For those who are confident in their health, comfortable with risk, and desiring to return to in-person worship services now, we are preparing to offer the opportunity to come together and worship at St. James. This chance is being offered when more local cases of the virus are being diagnosed. Worship in person is not being offered to make you feel pressured to come to church. Online worship will still be provided. God's love will embrace you no matter where you are when you pray. Please don't take unnecessary chances with your health - or ours. We are wearing masks to protect each other.



Be advised that **you must have reservations** - especially these first few weeks - if you plan to come to a worship service. We are gauging interest by number of reservations. So far, they are coming in slowly and there is time for you to call and reserve a spot. If community cases continue to rise and demand for in-person services remains very low, we will re-assess the availability of these services. At this time, our first in-person worship services will be held at these times on these dates:

Saturday, July 4 at 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 5 at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, July 11 at 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 12 at 9:30 a.m.

Reservations are required to attend worship services. Attendance is limited.

Call the church office 316-683-5686 or email office@stjameswichita.org.

Holy Communion will be shared in one kind (bread only).

Services will be kept intentionally short because we are wearing masks and avoiding restroom use. There is no singing.

No nursery or child care will be available.

For everyone at home – Saturday evening services will be recorded and made available on YouTube www.youtube.com/c/stjameswichita at your usual worship time Sunday morning.

To see detailed information about the guidelines we are following, visit our website at www.stjameswichita.org, or go to the diocesan website at <http://www.episcopal-ks.org/>

A prayer when putting on your mask - We bless you and we praise you, Lord Christ, for commanding us to love one another. Let this mask be a sign of our love and let my behavior be filled with love for my neighbor. Amen.

Yours in Christ, Mother Dawn+

First Things First

Parishioner, Jim Lewis, who recently passed away - Is being remembered by family and friends on a website celebrating his life. Visit www.rememberingdrlewis.com. You are invited to contribute memories or to enjoy the stories of others. Watch the St. James YouTube channel next week for a video of his funeral service.

Help Prepare for "The Way of Love" VBS - by saving cardboard paper towel tubes, cardboard boxes the size of cereal boxes, and little glass jars or water bottles (with lids, 2 - 3" high). Your collection can be dropped by the church until Friday, July 10.

Endowment Annal Report - The PMEF 2019 Annual Report is printed and available for each member at St. James Church. They are in the front lobby of the church (to your right as you enter the front doors) with your name on the mailing label of an envelope. Stop by and pick up your copy, or get it when we return to in-person worship soon.

Giving Options To find out more about your options, [click here to explore](#) the variety of ways you can give to the church. Please contact the [bookkeeper](#) if your plans to give change, and if you have any questions or concerns contact me, [Bert Clark](#), Treasurer.

We are praying for you . Please send prayer requests to the [church office](#).

Readings This Week

The Lessons appointed for use on the 4th Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 8

The Collect of the Day - Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

[Click here to go to the Lectionary Page](#)

[Click here for a free PDF download of the Book of Common Prayer](#)

[Jeremiah 28:5-9](#)

[Romans 6:12-23](#)

[Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18](#)

[Matthew 10:40-42](#)

Children and Youth

Children's Ministry [LATEST email link](#)

Children's Sunday School - The latest video is available on our

[Youtube](#) channel. Next one will be out on July 5th.



VBS 2020: Walk the Way of Love

Virtual only

A terrific new way to learn about sharing the love of Jesus has been prepared by Chelsea and other members of the Diocesan Staff. Children are invited to Vacation Bible School from Sunday, July 12 to Sunday, August 9. During VBS, each week, different online activities will be offered on Google Classroom and completed at home. You and your child can choose Saturday morning or Sunday evening each week to log in for a brief session with the rest of the children in VBS to show and tell about completed projects.

The in-person start-up session for VBS (includes packet pick-up and all supplies) is from 6:00-7:00 p.m. on July 12 at St. James.

There will be safe activities (chalk art!) for children in the

parking lot. The closing in-person program is Sunday, August 9 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. when we will celebrate what we've learned about the way of love and share ice cream in the church parking lot. Other than the opening and closing events, all VBS activities are online. Details: July 12-August 9. Free! Kids ages 3 through rising 6th graders. [Click here to register.](#)

Please save cardboard paper towel tubes, cardboard boxes the size of cereal boxes, and little glass jars or water bottles (with lids, 2 - 3" high). Bring your collection by the church until Friday, July 10.

[Check out the VBS Email for specific information including a calendar of events.](#)

Service to the Community

Global Faith in Action hosts its second online panel discussion "A Conversation in Action," about multi-faith and multi-race issues in our local community. Mother Dawn will be among the panelists. Watch live on Sunday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m. on the [Global Faith in Action Facebook](#) page. Or see a recorded version which will be offered later on YouTube. Watch our Facebook page or YouTube channel for updates.

Kindness Moves Me Walk - Breakthrough / ESS Annual Kindness Moves Me Walk will be virtual this year! This is to help ensure everyone's safety and maintain a healthy community. Walk by yourself, with your family, or with your team anywhere you like! Stroll your own neighborhood or favorite park, or choose a new path to explore. Walk at your convenience anytime from Thursday, July 23 to Saturday, July 25! To learn more about this year's walk and register, click here: <https://www.breakthroughwichita.org/.../kindness-moves-me-wa.../>

Breakthrough ESS - Breakthrough ESS needs water bottles. Providing water bottles for Breakthrough ESS has been a St. James tradition for many years. Please consider taking water bottles to them, 1010 N. Main. Thank you!

Red Cross - Blood donations are needed and appreciated by the Red Cross. Schedule an appointment at 1-800-RED-CROSS. The downtown donor center is located at 707 N. Main. Thank you!

Blessings Video. To help St. Francis Ministries celebrate World Refugee Day virtually this month, our Outreach Ministry Committee made a short video in which 10 parishioners read Celtic blessings to the immigrants. We hope to adapt the video for use with newcomers. To join the United Nations' celebration of refugees and the difficult journeys take, record the miles you walk or run on this website: <https://stepwithrefugees.org/en-us/>

Save Your Pocket Change - Save your coins for the Pocket Change Ministry in a big envelope, bag, or box until we can resume worship services. We will want to catch up on our donations. Your Outreach Committee thanks you.

The Calendar This Week

Sunday, June 28

Sunday Worship Service <https://www.youtube.com/c/stjameswichita>

9:30 a.m. - Adult Forum on Zoom. We are discussing Radical Love
Meeting ID:518-235-773; Password: 167534

<https://zoom.us/j/518235773pwd=Wk1yTWtvdDcvVHN3cXZZTkRIMHVCDz09>

11:00 a.m. - Coffee Hour on Zoom. All are welcome.

Meeting ID: 423-371-950; Password:759930

<https://zoom.us/j/423371950pwd=NEZ0TGxiVWdvV2syUXVMd0hoRUh1dz09>

7:00 p.m. Global Faith in Action Online Panel Discussion -

<https://www.facebook.com/gfianow/>

Monday, June 29

5:30 p.m. - Contemplative Prayer on Zoom - contact [Mary Kay Chavez](#), 316-210-5699.

7:00 p.m. - Graduate EfM on Zoom - contact [Jeff Roper](#), Deacon.

Tuesday, June 30

10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting on Zoom

Wednesday, July 1

Midweek Worship from Home <https://www.youtube.com/c/stjameswichita>

7:45 p.m. - Choir on Zoom - contact [Marlene Hallstrom](#), Choir Director

Saturday, July 4

5:30 p.m. Saturday evening in-person Worship Service at church (prior reservation required)

Sunday, July 5

8:00 a.m. Online Worship Service <https://www.youtube.com/c/stjameswichita>

9:30 a.m. Sunday morning in-person Worship Service at church (prior reservation required)

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Possible Improvements to Worship at Home – Jay Price, professor of history at WSU, tells us to keep this time of staying at home for our health in perspective. He suggests that we think of this an opportunity to reconnect with an ancient form of spiritual practice. Whether you are holding family worship time, having a personal prayer routine, or joining in on St James's services on YouTube, you can enhance your experience. You are invited to view a brief video hosted by Jay Price, about worshipping at home. It is available online at: <https://youtu.be/usW2Rd2tle4>

Congregational Book Read - You are invited to join the congregation in reading two books together. The purpose is to study and discuss injustice based on race and our role in structural injustice. As these sold-out books become available again at the end of the month, we will establish ways from which to choose to discuss these books with a small group. The books we are reading:

**Biased: Uncovering the Hidden Prejudice That Shapes
What We See, Think, and Do**

By Jennifer Eberhardt, published in 2019 by Penguin Random House

Listen to a review from NPR:

<https://www.npr.org/books/titles/705115309/biased-uncovering-the-hidden-prejudice-that-shapes-what-we-see-think-and-do>

White Fragility: Why It's So Hard For White People To Talk About Racism

By Robin DiAngelo, published in 2018 by Beacon Press

Download a Reader's Guide:

<https://www.beacon.org/assets/pdfs/whitefragilityreadingguide.pdf>

Youth Garage Sale: Please save your items for a Labor Day Weekend garage sale September 3-5. We will be taking donations the week before. We will need additional help with - setting up August 30-Sept 2, selling, and keeping organized Sept 3-5. We will also need help tearing down Sept 5 and 6 and taking leftover donations to agencies the next week. Plastic bags are a valuable need. If you are able to help, please let Anne Clark know at 816-797-6177 or email: aws1155@yahoo.com.

Phishing Scam - Someone is impersonating Mother Dawn on email (still, again). Please be very careful about responding to email requests for money, account numbers, or credit cards. Mother Dawn will not send you an email or a text message asking you for a favor. Please do not be taken in by this criminal activity. If you receive a message like this (Mother Dawn's authentic email addresses DO NOT have numbers in them) you can report it to Google, forward it to Mother Dawn, or delete it. If you have already given money to this scam, contact your bank or credit card company to get the payment stopped. Be vigilant.

Parish Office Hours - We are returning to a normal office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday). If you come by the office, please remember, we are observing safety measures for the sake of those around us. When you enter the building, there is a hand-sanitizer dispenser on the wall on the right (before you get to the front desk). Please use the hand sanitizer as you enter (or wash your hands immediately). Stay home come if you feel sick in any way. Wash your hands frequently, keep your distance, and let us know you are here. We are keeping track of everybody who comes in case we have to do contact tracing later. When you arrive, if no one is at the front desk, please let Jinger know you are in the building.

Volunteers at the front desk - who answer the phone and monitor the front door, are also returning. Their help has been very missed. Some, in vulnerable populations, will not return at this time. Others of you may find yourselves with some extra time on your hands. If you would help us out at the front desk for several hours one day a week, we would consider ourselves very blessed by your generosity. Contact Jinger at office@stjameswichita.org or 316-683-5686.

Small Group Meetings Make a Modest Come-Back – In addition to returning to in-person worship in July, the small groups with the need and desire to return to meeting in person may ease back into doing so. Beginning in July, if a group of ten or fewer people meet, they must:

- Confirm arrangements with the office for use of specific space at a definite time.
- List of all who attend the group and turn it into the office before leaving.

- Follow health guidelines. No one attends without being 100% healthy. All attendees wear a mask. Hand sanitizer is used upon arrival. A minimum distance of 6 ft. is kept between individuals.
- Service of food or drinks to the group is not allowed.
- Restroom use remains strongly discouraged, but allowed, with the understanding that except during periods of public worship, the restrooms are cleaned once a day. Avoid restroom use if possible.

Prayer

Parish Prayer List for Week of June 28, 2020

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the United Church of Pakistan.

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the people of Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay.

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer: Pray for St. Michael and All Angels, Mission.

Pray for those serving in the military: Alexis (Lexi) Reed, Quentin Spinhowser, Will Corkins, J. David Anderson-Lusk.

Pray for those who have died: James (Jim) Lewis, Joann Trimble, Ira Wilson, Sr., Mike Murray, Vesta Mae Cotner, Carol Konek,

Pray for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity: Iola, Jim, Pam, LouAnn M., Jayne, Bill, Larry, Bob, Jackie, Martha, Betty, Gus, Richard, Marilyn and Loren, Sage, Jean, James, Nancy, George, Donna, Lynn, Katherin, José, Joan, Bill R., LouAnn S., Nathan D., Jonathan, Tim W. and Kitten

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

God of love, we pray for your church: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Cathleen, our bishop; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.

God of love, Hear our prayers for the church.

God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.

God of freedom, Hear our prayers for the world.

God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

God of justice, Hear our prayers for the earth.

God of peace, we pray for this community: For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home.

God of peace, Hear our prayers for this community.

God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice

or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons.

God of mercy, Hear our prayers for all who are in need.

God of grace, we pray for those who have died: For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light.

God of grace, Hear our prayers for those who have died.

Amen.

Helpful Links

[Watch and listen to Last Week's Service](#)

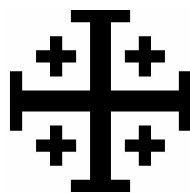
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of faith, you are welcome here.**