

St. John's Ministers

- All people of the Parish
- The Most Rev'd Michael Bruce Curry, Presiding Bishop
- The Rt. Rev'd Brian Prior, Bishop
- The Rev'd Phil Boelter, Transitional Rector

St. John's Vestry—

Wardens: Audrey Splinter & Stephen Druschel

Class of 2016: Mary Babcock & Jack Lindsay

Class of 2017: Chris Corley, Meg Stump, & Nickie VanStelten

Class of 2018: Paul Dobratz & Lisa Westberg

Clerk: Amy Wiehr

Financial Secretary: Gerry Schneck

Treasurer: Nickie VanStelten

Organist: Mary Schuldt

Sexton: Jordin Johnson

Office: Jan Mickelson, Peter Poulos, & Jill Fischer

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Agnus Day

HUH. THE GRAVE CLOTHS ARE ALL NEATLY FOLDED!



WWW.AGNUSDAY.ORG

YEAH, THAT MAKES ME THINK OF THE CONTRAST WITH LAZARUS WHO NEEDED TO BE UNTANGLED FROM HIS GRAVE WRAPPINGS.



IT MAKES ME THINK THAT JESUS WOULD BE AN AWESOME ROOMMATE!



JOHN 20:1-18

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Many Thanks To Our Liturgical Ministers

630am Service:

Greeters: Jan Mickelson
Lectors: Margo Druschel & Steve Druschel
Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Stephen Deeren & Nickie VanStelten
Altar Guild: Bobbi Hovren, Ann McGuire
Music: Mary Schuldt

930am Service:

Greeters: Jan Mickelson
Lectors: Tim Secott & Meg Stump
Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Ann Clark & Karl Swede Mundell
Acolytes: Liz Paul, Lydia Paul, & Ryan Berlin
Children's Chapel: NA
Altar Guild: Bobbi Hovren, Ann McGuire
Music: Mary Schuldt
Special Music: Kristine & Todd Schuldt
Dishwashing Angel: Nickie VanStelten
Coffee Hour: Nickie VanStelten

During this time of transition if you have questions or concerns, please know that you may contact either of our Wardens. Audrey Splinter: 507.720.8571 or rasplinters@gmail.com or Steve Druschel: 978.766.5252 or stephen.druschel@mnsu.edu



SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Praying, Working, Growing, Dancing. In Christ

THE WEEKLY EVANGELIST

Easter Sunday

01 April, 2018

What's Going On This Week

Easter Sunday

630a—Easter Vigil
730a—Easter Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite 2

Monday:

4p—Mission and Outreach @ Panera

Wednesday:

10a—Mankato Area Lifelong Learners
noon—ECW @ Church

Next Week, Second Sunday of Easter:

930a—Holy Eucharist
1130a—OMG Youth Group @ St. John's

For complete details visit the St. John's Website:
<http://stjohnsmankato.org/calendar>

No fooling...It's Easter

As it does every so often, Easter this year falls on April Fool's Day. There is a very real sense in which Easter is the perfect display of foolishness. Against all odds, and contrary to expectation, Jesus who had died a gruesome criminal's death on the previous Friday is alive once again three days later.

As the disciples continued to try and process this totally unique circumstance, they sometimes appear to be foolish to outsiders - and perhaps even to themselves. When Jesus walks among them in this new way, they sometimes don't even recognize him, and often have difficulty believing it really happened. It is a good thing - but also an embarrassment because people don't rise from the dead every day, you know.

Or do they?

How like us. For Easter is still a wondrous and also



Offering Update

*Offering Needed Each Week.....\$2,558
 Offering Collected Last Week.....\$1,806
 *Offering Needed Year-to-Date.....\$30,496
 Offering Collected Year-to-Date.....\$29,744
 *Amounts to meet budgeted expense totals

Minnesota Cycle of Prayer

For the month of April – please pray for the work of the House of Prayer and all spiritual directors serving in the Episcopal Church in Minnesota. (from: <http://episcopalmn.org/resources-for-faith-communities>)

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Please see our website homepage for access to the Anglican Cycle of Prayer each week, http://www.stjohnsmankato.com/files/2515/1742/4869/acp_2018_full.pdf

St. John's Prayer List

For those in need: Jim, Paul, Vi, Amy, Andy, Ann, Eric, Carrie, Jason, John, Jamie, Kate, Nick, Donna, Barbara, Eric, Sheryl, Alex, Karl, John, Peter, Justin, Jan, Steven, Tom, Danielle, Sawyer, Phil, Dave, Libby, Colby, Karla, Jonathan, Gary, Elizabeth, Judy, Togo, Julie

For Birthdays: Mary Babcock, Barb Partridge
 Anniversaries: none

Check out St. John's WEBSITE at:
<http://www.stjohnsmankato.com>
 calendar, updates, pictures and more!

TRANSITION UPDATE

Bishop Prior is pleased to offer a *second* candidate for the Transition Team's further discernment. The Transition Team will keep you posted on next steps as they are taken. Patience and Prayer are greatly appreciated.

EASTER BELLS!

Reminder to bring your bells for Easter Services!



Opportunities for Service

- **Food for Friends** Opportunity Coming Soon — April 14! Sign up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks in advance for your help!
- **CHOIR REHEARSAL**—next rehearsal will be Sunday, April 15 @ 8:30am. All Are Welcome!
- **ECW Meeting**—ECW will gather on Wednesday, April 4 at noon @ church for a brief meeting and to organize the kitchen. Bring a brown bag lunch.

What's Happening Right Now?

- **St. John's Confirmation Class** next meets Wednesday, April 11 @ 6pm @ Corley's! And, Confirmation is now scheduled for Saturday, May 12 at 11 :00 a.m. at St Martin's Episcopal Church in Fairmont.
- **Looking Ahead to Spring**—Watch for the United Thank Offering and the ECW May rummage sale! ~Ann M.
- The **Minnesota Valley Chorale** will host their Spring concert "Crescendo" featuring works by Haydn, Britten, Mendelssohn, Mozart, and Handel on Friday, April 13 at Church of St. Peter, St. Peter, and on Saturday, April 14 at Bethany College, Trinity Chapel. Both concerts take

place at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased thru any MVC member, at the door, or on Eventbrite.

- **Intercultural Competency Workshop: Who Are Our Neighbors?** Hosted by Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Mankato, 937 Charles Ave., Mankato. Friday, April 13, 7— 9pm, Saturday, April 14, 9am-5pm. Fee \$20 (if before March 30), \$25 (if after March 30). Contact the church to register and for more info: 507-388-5022, uumankato@gmail.com
- **Mankato Peace Vigil:** The Mankato Peace Vigil seeks to promote awareness of our continued involvement in wars and to advocate for a peaceful resolution to those conflicts. Since November 7, 2001, we hold a weekly vigil to oppose war and related injustices, and we have maintained an unbroken presence each week since then. How to Get Involved: Attend one of our vigils, which occur every Wednesday from noon to 1:00 pm, and are located in Mankato across from the Post Office on Second Street. You may also call or email Sister Gladys Schmitz at 507-389-4114 or ggschmitz@ssndcp.org, or call Richard Reisdorf at 507-625-6904.

Hey OMG Youth Group!

Upcoming Meetings:

Sundays April 8, 22, & May 6
 11:30am-1:30pm @ St. John's

We are looking for a St. John's person to head up the April 22 session, and we are looking for lunch volunteers!

Let Father Phil or Jill know if you are interested in helping out.

March is Food Shelf Month in Minnesota. Thanks to those who contributed to the Food Shelf during this year's drive!

During the March campaign St. John's raised **\$1,300** for Echo Food Shelf! Wow! Thank you for giving generously and from the heart to support this worthy community cause.

St. John's Children's Chapel—Thank you also to everyone who signed up to teach Children's Chapel for the rest of the year. The remaining schedule is:

April 15—Audrey Splinter
 May 6—Ann McGuire
 May 20—Meg Stump



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somewhat foolish holiday...it takes us by surprise and invites us to participate in the wildly foolish and yet life changing celebration of new life. God said in the next to last chapter of the last book of the Bible, "Behold, I am making all things new."

Come join us.

Be made new.

Phil B. +