

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 2015: Missy Manderfeld & Paul Dobratz

Class of 2016: Mary Babcock & Jack Lindsay

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

Clerk: Amy Wiehr

Financial Secretary: Gerry Schneck

Treasurer: Nickie Van Stelten

Organist: Mary Schuldt

Sexton: Jordin Johnson

Office: Jan Mickelson, Peter Poulos, & Jill Fischer

Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10 am—1 pm.

Phone: 507-388-1969

Many Thanks To Our Liturgical Ministers

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for their visiting family by Bill and Jan Mickelson.

930am

Greeter: Leslie Peterson

Lectors: Joan Hertel, Bobbie Seberson

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Meg Stump and Ann Clark

Coffee Hour: Berner

Dishwashing Angel: Dobratz

Altar Guild: Jan Mickelson, Jordin Johnson, Pat Johnson

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

Agnus Day



Weekly Evangelist (4)



SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Praying, Working, Growing, Dancing. In Christ

THE WEEKLY EVANGELIST

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

30 July, 2017

What's Going On This Week

Today, Pentecost 8:

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Next Week, Pentecost 9—The Transfiguration:

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

St. John's Prayer List

For those in need: Jim, Paul, Vi, Amy, Andy, Ann, Eric, Carrie, Jason, John, Jamie, Kate, Christina, Julie, Nick, H., Donna, Barbara, Eric, Sheryl, Alex, Tom, Karl, John, Peter, Justin, Jan, Carol, Don, Steven, Tom, Danielle, Sawyer, Bernie.



For Birthdays: Andy Anderson, Joe Hogan

Anniversaries: none

For more details: <http://stjohnsmankato.org/calendar>

A note from Rev'd Phil Boelter ...

Wow! I'm still digesting this past Sunday – our first Sunday together in worship. It was terrific to see so many of you!

A reminder: all of you should have received from our warden Audrey an email with a link to our faith community survey. If you haven't seen it yet, please check your junk folder. Those without email addresses should've received a copy via surface mail. In either event, if you did not receive it, let the church office know.

For the next several Sundays after 9:30 AM Eucharist, I invite you to go downstairs and pick up your refreshments. Then, head to a corner of the hall where you can join me for some informal conversation.

July 30th the topic will be getting to know each other – our faith community's hopes and dreams.

August 6th we will narrow the conversation a bit to the areas of pastoral care and social justice – what are your needs? What are you passionate about?

Finally, on **August 13th**, we will discuss the topic of worship – styles and times – where to go from here?

I urge you to attend all or as many of these sessions as you wish – these get-togethers and the survey are valuable ways for us all to get to know each other better.

See you Sunday!

Phil B.

Weekly Evangelist (1)

Offering Update

*Offering Needed Each Week.....\$3,599
Offering Collected Last Week.....\$1,298
*Offering Needed Year-to-Date.....\$104,371
Offering Collected Year-to-Date....\$93,563
**Amounts to meet budgeted expense totals*

Minnesota Cycle of Prayer

For the month of July, please pray for all Ecumenical Ministries throughout the Minnesota, especially for the Minnesota Council of Churches and all those who work with social service agencies; also pray for all those who work on behalf of the Millennium Development Goals, which are eight integrated targets for the eradication of extreme poverty, and for Episcopal Relief and Development.
from: <http://episcopalmn.org/resources-for-faith-communities>

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Sunday: Pennsylvania - (III, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Daniel Gutierrez; Pittsburgh - (III, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Dorsey W M McConnell

Monday: The Most Revd Winston Halapua Bishop of Polynesia and Primate and Archbishop of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia; Polynesia - Vanua Levu and Taveuni - (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia) The Rt Revd Apimeleki Nadoki Qiliho; Polynesia - Viti Levu West - (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia) The Rt Revd Apimeleki Qiliho

Tuesday: Port Elizabeth - (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Nceba Nopece

Wednesday: Popondota - (Papua New Guinea) The Rt Revd Lindsley Ihove; Port Moresby - (Papua New Guinea) The Rt Revd Denny Bray Guka

Thursday: Port Sudan - (Northern, Sudan) The Rt Revd Abdu Elnur Kodi

Friday: Portsmouth - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Christopher Foster

Saturday: Pretoria - (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Johannes Seoka

Time of Worship: Vestry has included a question on the transition survey about the time and number of worship services; we look forward to hearing your input! In the meantime, Vestry has decided to continue the summertime practice of one service at 9:30 am through September, when we will discuss the survey answers and incorporate everyone's input.

Survey Reminder: We want your input!

The survey from HolyCow! Consulting was sent as a link to your computer on July 16th. If you haven't yet done so, please take the time to complete this survey called the Congregation Assessment Tool (CAT). More than one person in the household can use this link to complete the CAT. If you did not get the CAT please let us know by contacting the office at 388-1969. We will make sure you get one. Paper copies are in the mail for those who do not have email. Thank you so much for being part of the CAT and for helping to build St. John's future.

—Audrey, Senior Warden

What's Happening Right Now?

- **Connections Ministry Update:** Based on discussion with members and a sense of our ministry, mission and outreach, Vestry has joined the Connections Ministry

of downtown churches in supporting the rotating shelter model. Specifically, we will use our church education spaces as a professionally staffed woman/family shelter for a few times in the winter, a week at a time. More information and volunteer/helper training will be available during outreach meetings in August and September.

- **VBS** "Discovering our Strength in God" begins July 31 until August 3. Registration forms are in the narthex!
- We would like to update the **prayer list**. If you have names that can be removed or names you would like to add, please leave a message for the office at 388-1969 or stjohns@hickorytech.net. Thank you.
- Annual Summer Noontime **Organ Recitals**. Tues, June 13–Aug 15, 2017 @ 12:10 pm. June 13–July 18 at Christ the King Lutheran Church; July 25-Aug 15 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.
- Prairie Oaks Institute (POI), a Belle Plaine based retreat center, is offering **Finishing Strong: What's Next** on August 18-20. A retreat for mature individuals www.facebook.com/PrairieOaksInstitute/ or www.prairieoaksinstitute.org for more info.
- In partnership with Saint John's Episcopal Church, Mankato the **Saint John's Illustrated Bible** and 25 prints are on exhibit at the Blue Earth County Historical Society (BECHS) at 424 Warren St in Mankato through Friday, September 1.

Here are some special events related to this exhibit:

—Exhibit location, dates and hours: The Bible and prints will be available (free!) for viewing Tuesday through Friday 9am to 5pm and Saturdays 10 to 4. While visiting the Bible exhibit please consider a

donation (any amount) or an annual membership (beginning at just \$30) to the Blue Earth County Historical Society.

—Sunday, August 9 and August 13, 11am to 2pm: Extra exhibition hours added for "after church" viewing. Saint John's Outreach Committee will be organizing treats to be served during this special time at the exhibit.

—Thursday, August 17, 12 noon: A special presentation by MSU professor Brad Coulter on the typography techniques (free!)

—Friday, September 1: The Bible exhibit will close at 4pm.

Please contact Leslie Peterson with questions or to get involved. Leslie's weekday daytime phone is 389-2290 and evening and weekend phone is 625-8939.

Opportunities for Service

- **Mankato Pridefest** is Saturday, September 9! If interested in being a participant in Pridefest, contact Meg Stump at 507-344-1894 or Joan Hertel at 507-388-3080.
- **Fair Trade SDG Team!** Watch for an announcement about an upcoming meeting of the Fair Trade Sustainable Development Goals Team! See Margo Druschel for details. Call her at 978- 771-1787 or email at mdruschel@gmail.com

St. John's Lawn Fund!

This is your yearly reminder that our **lawn** is still growing and needs our care. The cost of mowing, edging, and cleaning up the grass has risen to \$40 per time. **We could use 17-18 donations.** If you feel called to donate, the sign-up sheet is in the stairwell. Thank you!