

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 VanStelten

Organist: Mary Schuldt

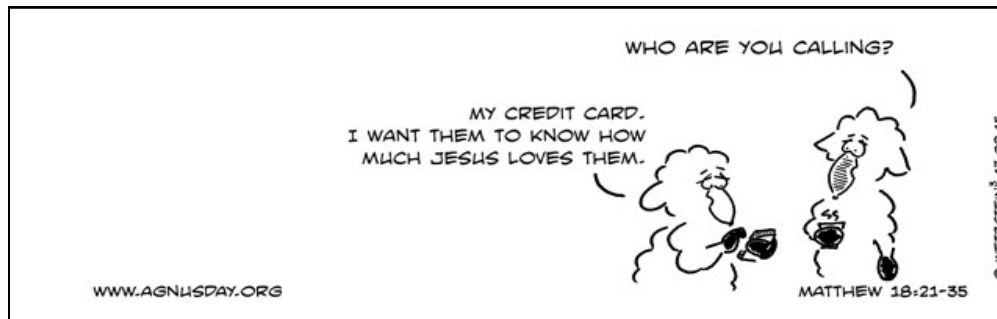
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Agnus Day



Weekly Evangelist (4)

Many Thanks To Our Liturgical Ministers

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for their 42nd Anniversary by Audrey and Ray Splinter.

930am:

Greeter: Candace Black

Lectors: Joan Hertel, John Paul

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Meg Stump & Nickie VanStelten

Acolytes: Ronan Corley, Renn Corley

Coffee Hour: Lindsey & Mickelson

Dishwashing Angel: Richard Reisdorf

Altar Guild: Jan Mickelson, Audrey Splinter, Elsie Olson

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

Holy Cross Sunday

17 September, 2017

What's Going On This Week

Today, Holy Cross Sunday

930a—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Monday:

4p—Outreach Committee @ Panera

Thursday:

630p—Vestry

Saturday:

930a—SUM-SC (Stand Up Minnesota South Central) Voter Registration Event—Fellowship Hall

Next Week, Pentecost 16

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, Julie, Nick, H., Donna, Barbara, Eric, Sheryl, Alex, Tom, Karl, John, Peter, Justin, Jan, Carol, Steven, Tom, Danielle, Sawyer, Phil, Colin, Cindy, Dave, Libby, Colby, Karla, Bobbie



For Birthdays: Renn Corley

Anniversaries: Paul & Jan Rozeboom, Kevin & Amy Wiehr

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

Piggy Bank!

This coming Sunday is the third Sunday of the month. Each third Sunday of the month, our faith community sets aside the loose plate (non-envelope) offering and puts it in an account called the discretionary fund.



At my discretion, it's my privilege to disperse these funds as needed. Specifically, much of this money which you all have donated goes to help those in need, either directly or through other programs.

Another use of the money is to fund special projects or activities among us that are not in our regular operating budget, but come up from time to time.

You might call it the piggy bank – please help us refill the piggy bank this weekend and every third Sunday of the month.

Then, together we can continue to help others in a variety of situations – with the costs of daily living, spiritual refreshment, and other needs that our communities have.

In generosity,

Phil

Weekly Evangelist (1)

Offering Update

*Offering Needed Each Week.....\$3,599
Offering Collected Last Week.....\$939
*Offering Needed Year-to-Date.....\$129,564
Offering Collected Year-to-Date.....\$116,362
**Amounts to meet budgeted expense totals*

Minnesota Cycle of Prayer

For the month of September, please pray for the Episcopal Homes of Minnesota, Episcopal Group Homes, Guardian Angels, and all other institutions that do ministry for and with the elderly. Please pray for your local senior residential facilities and care centers. Please pray also for the 160th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota to be held September 15-16, 2017 in Duluth. (from: <http://episcopalmn.org/resources-for-faith-communities>)

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Sunday: Sodor & Man - (York, England)The Ven Peter Eagles

Monday: Sokoto - (Kaduna, Nigeria)The Rt Revd Augustin Omole

Tuesday: Soroti - (Uganda)The Rt Revd George Erwau

Wednesday: South Ankole - (Uganda)The Rt Revd Nathan Ahimbisibwe; West Ankole - (Uganda)The Rt Revd Johnson Twinomujuni

Thursday: South Dakota - (VI, The Episcopal Church)The Rt Revd John Tarrant

Friday: South Kerala - (South India)The Rt Revd Dharmaraj Rasalam

Saturday: South West Tanganyika - (Tanzania)The Rt Revd Matthew Mhagama; Western Tanganyika - (Tanzania)The Rt Revd Sadock Makaya

Time of Worship

Reminder: 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 Update:

Please join us in the fellowship hall after service today, September 17th, for time to talk about the survey results. Discussion will include time of service and future plans for worship and education. Our people's warden, Steve Druschel, has offered to facilitate this conversation. - *Audrey, Senior Warden*

Opportunities for Service

- **Food for Friends:** Our community is serving the meal at Salvation Army on Saturday, Oct. 14th. Because of a change by the health department we can no longer bring in homemade meatloaves or jellos. Everything must be made in the Salvation Army kitchen. Because of this we are asking for cash donations only. (If you usually provided a meatloaf we would ask that you donate the price of 2 pounds of hamburger.) Our chefs, Dale VanStelten and Ray Splinter, will be ready to make meatloaf for 100 that morning! We will still need workers, so look for a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. Checks can be made out to Food for Friends and given to Nickie VanStelten or Audrey Splinter. We'll still be the "meatloaf church!"
- **Connections Ministry Update:** St. John's is on the schedule to host the rotating shelter **November 19th to 25th**. This is Thanksgiving week. Volunteers will be needed on the set-up team from 6-7pm, on

Transition Team

A transition team has been established. Members of the team are Candace Black, Jill Fischer, Meg Stump, Mike Kolbinger, Steve Druschel, and Audrey Splinter. The team oversees the work of discovery, community identity, search, interview, and welcoming of a new Rector. Completing a community portfolio called the Office for Transition Ministry (OTM) will be part of their work to be done in October or November along with guidance from Karen Olson, Missioner for Ministry with the Episcopal Church of MN.

the hospitality team from 7-9:30pm, snack team to drop off snacks or serve with hospitality team, an overnight team (2 volunteers) from 9:30pm to 6am (one volunteer may sleep at a time), and on the morning team from 6 to 8:30am. More details on these team duties and sign-up sheets will be coming. Volunteer training will be offered in October. Cots for our guests will be provided. We have already received a substantial donation of linens and pillows thanks to the Kearneys. Please let coordinators Chris Corley or Ray Splinter know your questions or concerns.

- **Rummage Sale:** Coming soon! The women of St. John's will host a fall rummage sale. Dates to be announced! Start collecting your gently used items/stuff!



"Remember: you are not who you think you are. You are what you do. Be the kindness of soft rain. Be the beauty of light behind a tall fir. Be gratitude. Be gladness."

-Kathleen Dean Moore

What's Happening Right Now?

- **VINE** is hosting an open house on for the Adult Respite Center on September 27, 3:30pm—5:30pm @ 421 E. Hickory St., Mankato.
- **CALLING ALL CHILDREN!** OMG, Sunday School, and Church Acolytes/Crucifers! See Lisa Westberg if you would like your child to participate & you are not already on her lists: westberg.lisa.lw@gmail.com or cell 507-995-8634.
- **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 gshmitz@ssndcp.org, or call Richard Reisdorf at 507-625-6904.