

# The Coming Week

**Sunday, 7/8**  
9:00am - Bible Study

**Monday, 7/9**  
12:00pm - AA  
5:30pm - Bell Choir

**Tuesday, 7/10**  
10:00am - Samaritan Fund  
1:00pm - Knit Pickers  
7:00pm - Vestry

**Wednesday, 7/11**  
10:30am - Women's Bible Study  
12:00pm - Holy Eucharist

**Thursday, 7/12**  
10:00am - Love Knots

**Friday, 7/13**  
12:00pm - AA

**Saturday, 7/14**  
**Sunday, 7/15**  
9:00am - Bible Study

## Next Sunday's Readings - July 15, 2018

### Eight Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19      Ephesians 1:3-14  
Psalm 24      Mark 6:14-29

*Spend a bit of time this week looking at next Sunday's readings. It's a great way to prepare for worship and build a personal spiritual discipline of regular bible reading.*

*"Preparing for Sunday" on our website:*

[www.sjec-midland.org/devotional-resources](http://www.sjec-midland.org/devotional-resources) provides scripture passages.

# Our Daily Prayers

**Please keep the following people in your prayers.....** Rev. Mike Wilson, Ryan Bash, Emilee Sabourin, Olga Fagan, Joe Cleland, Diana Cleland, Ian Alsgaard, Kate Kirksey Johnson, Lynn Purves, Teresa Oliver, Kay Trautman, Karen Tafel, James Robinson, Phil Robinson, Rev. Cathy Chang and Juan Lopez, Rev. William Elliott, Jean Wilson.

**Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating anniversaries this week** ... July 12-Andy and Karen Roberts, Randy and Kathy Romain

**Give thanks with those from St. John's celebrating birthdays this week** ... July 8-Helen Srodes, 9-Bill Barnett, 10-Wendy Powers, Rev. Todd Ousley, Ella Plishka, 11-Gary Poindexter, 12-Bud Schartow, 14-Adam Philo

**Pray for the Diocesan Standing Committee and for the people of the Diocese of Eastern Michigan;** pray for St. Andrew's, Gaylord.

**In our international Anglican prayer cycle;** pray for The Church of Pakistan (United) The Most Rev Humphrey Peters Bishop of Peshawar & Moderator of the Church of Pakistan

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## Office Hours

Monday to Thursday ... 9am-3pm  
Friday ... 9am-noon

## Rector Hours

Monday to Thursday ... 9am-5pm  
*Please call to make an appointment.*

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*The flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Garth Johnson by his children, Bonnie Hayward, Sharon Abel, Barb Massey, Mary Koski and Darryl Johnson.*

## SERVING AT 8 AM

Lector.....Betsy Greenwood  
Eucharistic Minister.....Betsy Greenwood

## SERVING AT 10 AM

Announcer.....Marnie Bash  
Greeter.....Bob and Jenny Estabrook  
Ushers.....Bob Estabrook  
.....Jenny Estabrook, Dave Whisler  
Acolyte.....Charles Bash  
Lector.....Marnie Bash, Pat Roush  
Intercessor.....Charles Bash  
Element Bearer.....Bob and Jenny Estabrook  
Eucharistic Ministers.....Charles Bash, Marnie Bash

## OUR VESTRY - OUR ELECTED LEADERS

### Class of 2019

Deb Blackhurst.....859-3214      Ellen McVey, Clerk.....631-4169  
Pat Roush.....631-4149

### Class of 2020

Pat Wilson.....837-4066      Sara Philo.....859-5394  
Susan Rye.....642-3407

### Class of 2021

Anthony Dizon-Webb, Co-Warden...430-3150      Greg Gwaltney.....708-4636  
Thomas Lane, Co-Warden.....878-0261      Dana Pressnall.....859-3756

## HEAD OF THE CHURCH - JESUS CHRIST MINISTERS - ALL OUR MEMBERS

### Clergy

The Rt. Rev. Catherine Waynick  
*Bishop*

The Rev. Kenneth R. Hitch  
*Rector*

### Staff

Dr. Amon Eady  
*Director of Music*

Mair Alsgaard  
*Organist*

Betsy Greenwood  
*Director of Handbells*

Denise Isenbarger  
*Bookkeeper*

Ellen Woodard  
*Administrative Assistant*

Carol Sullivan  
*Ministry Coordinator*

Joseph Bushre  
*Sexton*

Gloria Stark  
*Janitor*

## Our vision

*WE JOYFULLY GATHER TO PRAY, WORSHIP, LEARN AND SERVE  
AS WE SEEK TO FOLLOW JESUS, AND INVITE ALL TO JOIN US  
ON A SACRED JOURNEY OF HOPE AND TRANSFORMATION*

## Our mission

*LINKING LIVES IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST*

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 8, 2018



## WELCOME!

*It is our pleasure to have you join us for worship today. If this is your first visit, or even if you've been attending for a little while, and you'd like to learn more about us, please take a 'Welcome' card from our pews, complete & place the 'Connect' side in the offering plate or hand it to one of our greeters or clergy so that we may follow up with you. Or, feel welcome to contact us using the information inside this bulletin.*

*For 10:00AM liturgy, please see inside.*

8:00AM

HOLY EUCHARIST

*Following the pattern of the BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER - RITE II*

**Salutation** p. 355

**Gloria** p. 356

**Collect of the Day** printed on insert

**First Reading** - 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 printed on insert

**Psalm 48** (To be read in unison) printed on insert

**Second Reading** - 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 printed on insert

**Gospel Reading** - Mark 6:1-13 printed on insert

**Sermon** *The Rev. Kenneth R. Hitch*

**The Nicene Creed** p. 358

**The Prayers of the People Form II** p. 385

**The Confession** p. 360

**The Peace**

**Announcements, Thanksgivings and Prayer Requests**

*We ask what you share to be prayerful, worshipful and brief.*

**Offering**

*Together* **All things come of thee, O Lord,  
and of thine own have we given thee.**

**The Great Thanksgiving** - Eucharistic Prayer A p. 361

**The Lord's Prayer** p. 364

**The Breaking of the Bread** p. 364

**Holy Communion**

**Post-communion Prayer** p. 365

**Blessing and Dismissal**

10:00AM

HOLY EUCHARIST

Prelude - "Air" Henry Purcell

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn - "All are welcome" #801 in The Worship Binder

Greeting

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Song of Praise



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First Reading - 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 printed on insert

Psalms 48 printed on insert

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Please stand for the Gospel Procession

Gospel Procession - "Blest are the pure in heart" #656 in The Hymnal
(verse 1, 2 before; 3, 4 after)

Gospel Reading - Mark 6:1-13 printed on insert

Sermon The Rev. Kenneth R. Hitch

Piano - "Capriccio" Scarlatti
Mair Alsgaard

Please stand to say

Nicene Creed p. 358 in The BCP

Prayers of the People

Leader Be our guide, O God, forevermore.
People Send us out to do the work you have given us to do.

The Confession p. 360 in The BCP

The Peace

Thanksgivings, Blessings and Prayer Requests
We ask what you share to be prayerful, worshipful and brief.

Offertory Sentence

Offertory - "As those of old their first fruits brought" #705 in The Hymnal

Doxology

Together Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Holy Communion - Eucharistic Prayer A p. 361 in The BCP

All are welcome to receive communion. Please follow the directions of our ushers.

Sanctus S-125 in The Hymnal

Hymn - "Eat this bread" #802 in The Worship Binder
Versus sung by Paul Tolly

Post-Communion Prayer p. 365 in The BCP

Blessing

Hymn - "Jesus shall reign" #544 in The Hymnal

Dismissal

The dismissal will be offered by one of our clergy, with the following response:
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude - "Voluntary" Dale Wood

General Convention

Please continue to pray for St. John's Ellen McVey and other deputies from our diocese who are in Austin, TX attending the 79th General Convention of The Episcopal Church. Orientations began this past Monday, and all heard presentations by PB Michael Curry and Rev. Gay Clark Jennings on July 4. Legislative sessions run July 5 through July 13. Follow via Episcopal News Service, social media or the convention website: www.generalconvention.org

Advocacy and the Episcopal Church

The Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations currently has 5 priority advocacy areas: immigration, veterans, food security, education & workforce development, and refugees. Their website, advocacy.episcopalchurch.org has letters for each area which you may easily electronically send to your members of Congress.

ACT Uganda - hiring!

The non-profit ACT Uganda is looking to hire someone interested in helping with their handcraft sales program. Ideal hire will love customer interaction, be passionate about helping others and able to spend several weekends a year managing handcraft sales booths (transport, set-up, sales, breakdown). Wage is \$10/hour or \$240/weekend. Must be 18 or older, with reliable transportation to transport handcrafts and booth set-up materials. Interested? Please contact Beth Martin, 989-835-2366 or bechmartin@sbcglobal.net. Learn more: actuganda.org.

NEXT SUNDAY!

Vestry Listening Session #2: ENGAGEMENT

Next Sunday, July 15, we'll conduct the second of our 4 Vestry Listening Sessions after that morning's 10am worship. We invite all to consider and speak to the barriers to leveraging your gifts and better serving the church. We'll gather in Williams Hall; look for Vestry moderator Tom Lane.



Spiritual Gifts Discovery Survey

Our vestry joins Rev. Ken in encouraging everyone (that includes you if you weren't sure!) to complete the "Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts" survey. Instructions accompany printed copies which you may find at church entrances/ exits.

This is a personal activity; you do not need to turn these surveys in. We only ask that you respond thoughtfully and, after tabulating your results, prayerfully consider how you currently share your gifts or might do so in the future.

Looking ahead to next Sunday's Vestry Listening Session on Engagement, we also believe the exercise or completing this survey will lead to a more fruitful discussion among attendees.

Children and Youth Formation News

While we regularly offer Nursery Care during our Sunday 10am worship throughout the year, children and youth classes wrapped up May 20, 2018. St. John's will host an evening Vacation Bible School July 16-19, before resuming Sunday classes in the fall. Please see below for VBS info.

VBS 2018: Shipwrecked: Rescued By Jesus

Help us spread the word >> Our theme for this summer's Vacation Bible School is "Shipwrecked: Rescued By Jesus." Our VBS will run Monday, July 16 - Thursday, July 19, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM nightly.

Registration forms are available in the narthex, office and online.

Be a VBS Volunteer >> Let our office know if you can help with any of the following: pre-VBS set-up; during VBS hours with crafts, teaching, etc; contributing a dish or grilling for the Thurs night picnic.
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