

St. John's E-news

5/21/2020

St. John's Episcopal Church building remains closed and all activities and services are suspended until further notice.

Deacon Tom's Weekly Message

[Click here to read Deacon Tom's message.](#)

Deacon George's Weekly Message

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Online Worship Opportunities

Please consider these options to worship virtually with our larger church community during the suspension of service at SJEC.



You can view the Lectionary calendar of readings [here](#).

We also have worship & music resources on our website [here](#).

- [Daily Office](#): Mon - Fri at 7:00 am & 9:00 am (CST); Friday Night Evensong at 8:00 pm
- [St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral](#) in Minneapolis
Click the link and scroll through the services.
- [Washington National Cathedral](#)
Click the link to see times. National Cathedral is in Washington, D.C., so times listed will be Eastern.
- [Washington National Cathedral previously recorded services](#)
- House of Prayer: Click [here](#) for an update and a Zoom invitation to join weekly meditative prayer on Wednesdays from 5:30pm – 6:30pm.

Mission Ministry Update: Laundry Love

Laundry Love is looking different these days. Instead of 100 people gathering in two laundromats sharing food and getting clothes clean, we are handing out baggies of quarters and Tide Pods to people living in hotels and on the streets.



It's a lot like what's happened in our church. Instead of 100 people gathering in a sanctuary sharing a meal and being cleansed by the renewing of our hearts and minds, we are doing church virtually from our couches.

What have we learned these past couple of months? We have learned that DOING something is different than BEING something. There are a lot of ways of DOING something. Quarters for laundry can be distributed in a lot of different ways. Church can be offered in a variety of ways too. DOING is the easy part.

But how can we BE the church and BE Laundry Love?

By showing up, whether it's in person or virtually. By bringing ourselves to each other. By checking in with each other by letter or phone call. By being honest about our thoughts and feelings. By being real. By loving our neighbors as ourselves.

Laundry Love and the church are not closed. They have been deployed. We have been sent out to BE

Neighbors to Friends

[Click here to find out how you can help our friends experiencing homelessness.](#)

Central Minnesota Job Transitions Group (CMJT)



Due to the current health crisis, the programming for the CMJT Group will be suspended until further notice. When deemed safe by all parties involved, we will reconvene for our weekly meetings. Please go to our website and Facebook for any updates. Continue to watch for those in need of support and networking. Share our information. The need will be great as we begin again.

This is a difficult time and we will gather one day soon. In the meantime, do what you can to stay connected, stay positive, stay motivated and stay healthy.

Connect to our website at: <http://jobtransitions.org/>

Like us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/centralmnjobtransitions>

Intercessions

During the month of May, we pray for all academic graduates, for all educational institutions, and for the specialized chaplaincies in those institutions. Remember especially ECMN's School for Formation, Breck School and Shattuck-St. Mary's and their chaplains, University Episcopal Community and all those who work with campus ministries. We pray also for the congregation of La Mision el Santo Nino Jesus in St. Paul.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation especially, Sydney Baker, Dorothy Bernardy, Aaron Boatz and family, Casey, Lindy Frank, Frances Frederickson, Sally Fulweiler, Gary, Joshua Hart, Jade, Court Kenaston, Lisa & family, Sandy Logeman, Nicole, Raejean, Ruth, Phyllis Schindeldecker, Mary Ellen Smith, Mike Smith, Bill & Kay Stambaugh, Amara Strande, Tommy, Rocky White, Queen Williams, Kathy Yackley, Norman & Evelyn Ykema and Ed Zins.

We pray in thanksgiving for our friends and members, especially, Amy & John Olson, Florence, Ganard, & Ganard, Jr., Orionzi, Bernie Ostendorf, Jim & Rosie Oswald, and Dorothy Paskvan.

Scripture for the Seventh Sunday of Easter

- [Acts 1:6-14](#)
- [Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36](#)
- [1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11](#)
- [John 17:1-11](#)

Leadership & Staff

[Click here to contact Wardens, Vestry, Clergy, and the office.](#)



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Usual Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday: 10:30 – 1:30

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