

St. John's E-news

5/28/2020

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

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.

Developing SJEC's Response to COVID19

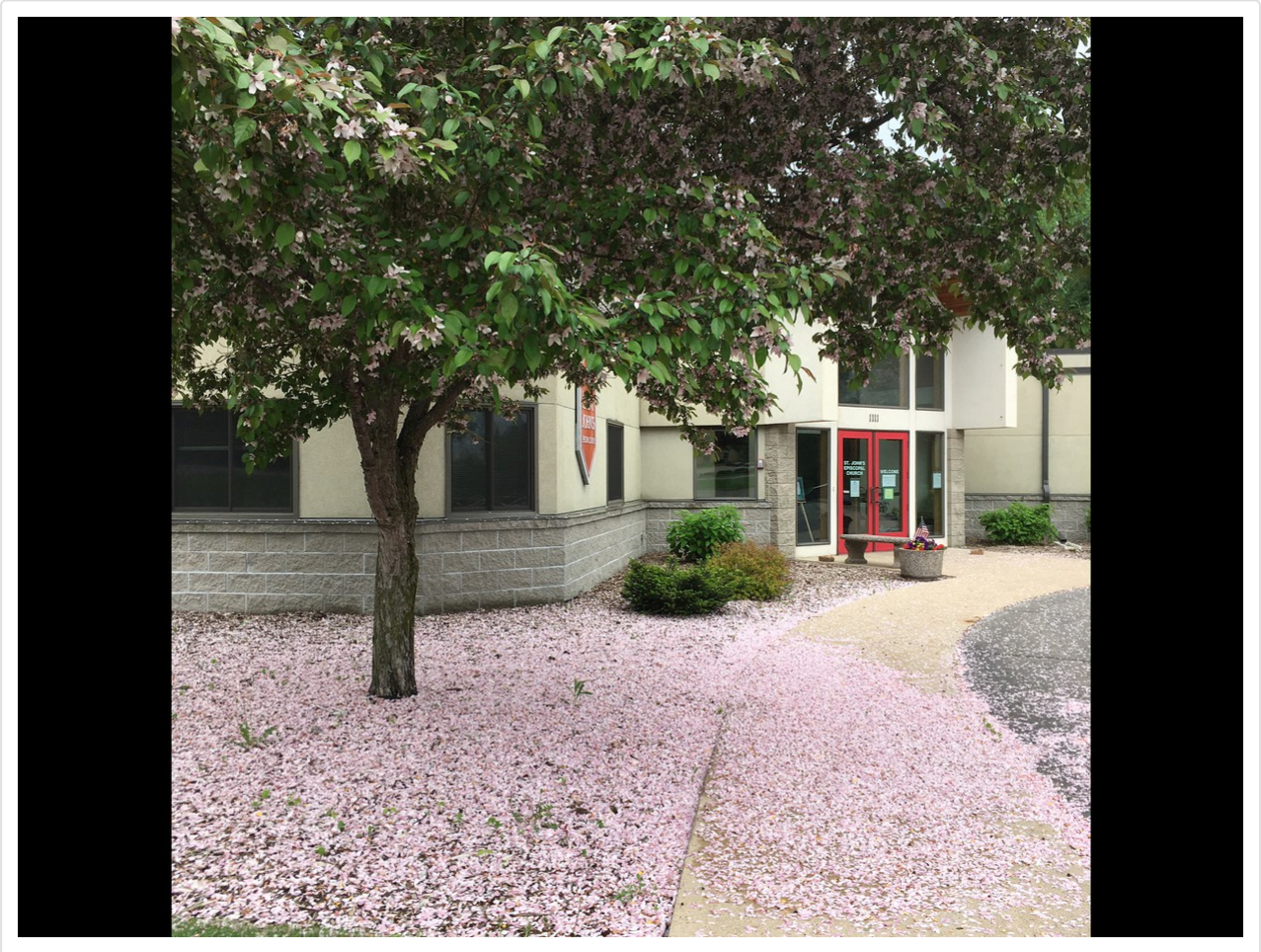
At its last meeting, the vestry voted to form a COVID committee to respond to our current context. The committee will analyze different ways to provide a safe environment for worship and fellowship. This includes virtual events to keep us spiritually nourished.

Watch the e-news and the SJEC website for updates and ideas.

Have You Noticed that the E-news Looks Different?

You might have noticed some changes to the e-news. My name is Jen Lessinger, and I'm the person behind the keyboard. I've taken the communications shared ministry role, and will be working to keep our congregation informed about different things happening (or not happening, in these times of COVID) at St. Johns. The [church website](#) has also been updated and in a good place to check for current information.

If you have updates you would like shared in the e-news, you can send continue to send them to the office and also include me on the email (jen.lessinger@gmail.com).



Spring is here! If you haven't been by St. Johns lately, the crabapple tree is creating its yearly carpet of pink petals. Photo credit: Peg

Looking for Ways to Help?

Many of you want to serve our neighbors and community during the pandemic. Check out this list of ways to show the love of Jesus both inside our church community and to our larger St. Cloud community.

THANK AN ESSENTIAL WORKER

Send a note of thanks to hospital staff, nurses, grocery workers, or anyone else that is an essential worker

MAKE MASKS

Whitney Senior Center, the YMCA, and other community organization are still in need of masks. Call Mary Krippner at the United Way (320-223-7991) to get details.

CHEER CARDS

Send note to church members and friends who are isolated at this time. Contact Peg at the office for a list of names. Nick, our Starfish Dwelling resident, also welcomes cards.

FOOD SHELF

Donations can be dropped off M W F from 12:30-1:30 pm at 157 Roosevelt Road or can be brought to Church.

RED CROSS

Donate blood if you can. Go to www.redcrossblood.org to set up an appointment.

CHURCH GARDENING

The two small gardens in back of the church are in need of lots of attention.

LAUNDRY LOVE

Contact Nancy Dyson to donate.

LAKE GEORGE

Help provide meals for people experiencing homelessness. Meals are served at Lake George. Contact Nancy Dyson for more information.

Intercessions

During the month of June, we pray for Bishop Prior as he concludes his ministry as the 9th Bishop of Minnesota and for Bishop-Elect Craig Loya who is, God willing, to be consecrated and ordained as the 10th Bishop of Minnesota on June 6. Pray also for all Ecumenical Ministries throughout the Minnesota, especially for the Minnesota Council of Churches and all those who work with social service agencies. We pray also for the congregation of Holy Apostles 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, Charles Grayston, Joshua Hart, Jade, Court Kenaston, Nick Kroeger, Lisa & family, Sandy Logeman, Nicole, Raejean, Ruth, Phyllis Schindeldecker, Mary Ellen Smith, Mike Smith, Amara Strande, Nancy Titus, Tommy, Rocky White, Queen Williams, Kathy Yackley, Norman & Evelyn Ykema and Ed Zins.

We pray in thanksgiving for our friends and members, especially, Tom & Marty Peterson, Margaret Potter, Victoria Powell, Charlie & Jana Preble, and Vicki, Noah, & Emma Rajkowski.

Scripture for Pentecost

- [Acts 2:1-21](#) or [Numbers 11:24-30](#)
- [Psalm 104:25-35, 37](#)
- [1 Corinthians 12:3b-13](#) or [Acts 2:1-21](#)
- [John 20:19-23](#) or [John 7:37-39](#)

Leadership & Staff

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



St. John's Contact Information

Usual Office Hours:

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

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