

# St. John's E-news

7/30/2020

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

## Father Tom's message

Click the button to read Father Tom's weekly message

## Deacon George's message

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## Sunday Morning Prayer at SJEC (via Zoom)

### WHEN

Sunday, Aug. 2nd, 10am

### WHERE

This is an online event.

### MORE INFORMATION

Watch your email for the Zoom link.

Please send any prayer requests to [Father Tom](#).

## Online Worship Opportunities

Click for links to different worship opportunities.

# Serving Our Community During COVID19

[Click here](#) for a list of ways to help.

The ongoing list of ways to serve our community during COVID19 is on our website. If you have an idea or suggestion to add to the list, please contact [Jen Lessinger](#).

## Red Cross Blood Drive - Save the Date

### WHEN

Friday, Sep. 11th, 12-6pm

### WHERE

1111 Cooper Avenue South  
St. Cloud, MN

### MORE INFORMATION

The Red Cross is organizing a blood drive at our church site. Volunteers will be needed for advertising, some tasks leading up to the drive, and on the day of the drive. Additional information will be coming as we get closer to the date.

## Protecting Yourself from Scammers

The SJEC community has been receiving scam emails. The scammer poses as Deacon George or Father Tom and asks for help. The emails can be quite convincing. **Please know that we have an emergency fund for clergy access and requests for financial help will not come by email.**



Here are a few steps you can take to protect yourself and your information:

1. **Check the sender's email address.** Is it a new address that you have not seen before? If so, it might be a scam. In the scam last week, the scammer email was different by one number from Father Tom's actual email - so look closely!
2. If you are receiving a request, **compose a separate email** to the sender and verify the request. Don't reply to the original email.
3. **Never click a link in an email** to log in to an account.
4. If you think you have been scammed, immediately change the password to your account and check with your bank.

# Book Study: America's Original Sin by Jim Wallis

## WHEN

Sunday, Aug. 2nd, 9am

## WHERE

This is an online event.

## MORE INFORMATION

This is week 6 of a 10-week book study. Contact [Deacon George](#) with any questions.

## Intercessions

For the month of August, please pray for all hospital chaplaincies, counseling chaplaincies and Spiritual Directors throughout the Episcopal Church in Minnesota. Pray for your faith community nurses, health ministers and all those who minister to the sick. And pray also for all farmers and laborers working with the harvest, especially San Jose Obrero Mission in Montgomery. We pray also for the congregation of Calvary Church in Rochester.

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, Sallie Bellicot, Aaron Boatz and family, Casey, Barbara Frank, Lindy Frank, Frances Frederickson, Sally Fulweiler, Gary, Joshua Hart, Jade, Court Kenaston, Lisa & family, Sandy Logeman, Nicole, Karen Olson, Brian Pratt, Rose R., Raejean, Ruth, Phyllis Schindeldecker, Evyn Schneider, Mary Ellen Smith, Mike Smith, Amara Strande, Nancy Titus, Tommy, Rocky White, Queen Williams, Kathy Yackley, and Norman & Evelyn Ykema.

We pray for comfort and peace for the families and friends of Ed Zins, father of Larry Zins, and Justine Boldine, long time member of SJEC, who passed away this week.

*Rest eternal grant to Ed and Justine, O Lord;*

*And light perpetual shine upon them.*

*May their souls, and the souls of all the departed,*

*Through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

We pray in thanksgiving for our friends and members, especially, Kendra, Michael, Gabe & Lucas Dando, Tom & Mary Darnall, Dave & Jeanne DelZoppo, Elsa Ditty, and Stephen & Elizabeth Dolence.

# Scripture for Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

[Genesis 32:22-31](#)

[Psalm 17:1-7,16](#)

[Romans 9:1-5](#)

[Matthew 14:13-21](#)

OR

[Isaiah 55:1-5\\*](#)

[Psalm 145: 8-9, 15-22](#)

[Romans 9:1-5](#)

[Matthew 14:13-21](#)

\*The worship committee has chosen the second set of readings (Track 2) for the remainder of this church cycle. If you are streaming church services from another site, e.g., St. Mark's Cathedral or the Washington National Cathedral, the readings may be from the first set listed.

## Leadership & Staff

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



## St. John's Contact Information

Usual Office Hours:

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