

ST. JAMES WEEKLY E-NEWS

The week of September 29 to October 5, 2021

Announcements

This Sunday is World Communion Sunday. Currently we are planning for an outdoor worship with communion on the east lawn at 8:45 am.

Charge Conference has been set for **October 4th** at 7:30pm. This will be via zoom. Here is the link and passcode: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9314977935> / Passcode: JesusZooms. All are welcome to attend.

Upcoming Events (see a full calendar on page 3)

Sept. 29	James Bible Study (1:30pm)
Oct. 4	Charge Conference (7:30 pm via zoom) Video Game group (4-10pm)
Oct. 7	Leadership Bible Study (6pm)
Oct. 11	Video Game group (4-10pm)
Oct. 14	Leadership Bible Study (6pm)
Oct. 18	Video Game group (4-10pm)
Oct. 20	Embroiderer's Guild (6-9 pm)
Oct. 21	Leadership Bible Study (6pm)
Oct. 25	Video Game group (4-10pm)

Worship Information

Worship will be outside this week, weather permitting, at 8:45 a.m. A recorded worship video is also available on our [Facebook](#) page and our website umcsj.org.

If you would like to make an online contribution to St. James, you can do so by clicking on this link, [online giving](#).

Our **4th Quarter** mission offering
will go to **Salvation Army**

Website: UMCSJ.ORG

Email: office@umcsj.org

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REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:

9 A.M. - 1 P.M., MONDAY - THURSDAY



Thank you to Bill Kraemer for repairing a faucet aerator at the parsonage.

Thank you to Charlie and Kay Christenson for delivering the clothing for the Afghan Refugees. Also, a thank you to Chris Bahr for sorting the clothing and other items.

Thanks to Charlie Christenson, LuAnn Van Handel and Wendy Lind who did many things around the church this week. Hung new valances in two rooms, did paint touch-up, hung new pictures around the building, refurbished a chair in the narthex, repaired the paper towel holder in the men's bathroom, finished replacing clocks in classrooms with atomic clocks.

Thank you to all the un-named, who share of their time and talents for the ministries of St. James.

Please email the [office](#) or call at 734-5371, if you know of someone who does something special at the church. Thank you.

This Sunday's Laity Team

UsherNancy Von Der Osten
ReaderDeb Kraemer
Counters.....Chris Bahr & Nancy VDO
SoundBill Kraemer

Community Activities and Outreach Links

[The Thompson Center](#) (Retiree activities)

[St. Joseph's Food Pantry](#) (List of pantry needs)

[COTS](#) (Transitional shelter)

[Emmanuel UMC](#) (Wednesday night meals)

[Holy Spirit, Darboy](#) (Free Sunday Supper dates)

[Pillars](#) (Housing assistance)

[Esther](#) (Interfaith social-justice organization)

[Leaven](#) (Resources & financial aide)

[NAMI](#) (Nat. Alliance on Mental Illness, Fox Valley)

[Fox Cities Salvation Army](#) (meal assistance & pantry)

[Community Clothes Closet](#) (clothing)

God answers prayers for those who faithfully wait upon the answer and are alert to hearing it.

When God places something upon your heart, it could be the answer to someone's prayer. So, be mindful not to ignore those nudges, it could be God using your talents to further His kingdom.

You can now submit your prayer requests at any time by using this link, [prayer request](#). This link goes directly to Pastor Ben.

- For all the prayers of your heart, shared with God on your personal journey each day and may we give thanks for all the answered prayers.
- Prayers for those silently going through some tough issues.
- Prayers for all the devastating events that are occurring from Haiti to Afghanistan to those affected by hurricanes and other storms and fires. There is so much to be praying for.
- Continued prayers for a friend of Kay Christenson's, who is healing after breaking her leg in 4 places.

Ongoing intercessory prayer ...

- Joys for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week. May you find a special way to celebrate.
- Continued prayers for our nation. May we be understanding of all our neighbors near and far.
- Continued prayers for our church family, especially our shut-ins.
- For all who serve or have served in the military and other civil service areas.
- For those in the 'sandwich' generation and the challenges that can occur.
- For the United Methodist Church and it's leadership.

Lord, hear our prayers. Amen.

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12

Birthdays this week

10/02 Lilly Rowe
10/05 Rich Stewart
10/05 Jake King

Anniversaries

10/04 Tanner & Jayne Lang (18)



A Cheerful What?

Guideposts editor Mary Ann O'Roark recalls hearing the phrase "cheerful liver" so often in church as a girl, that she asked her grandmother what a liver is. "It's a part inside you, like your stomach or your heart," Grandma replied.

Rather confused, O'Roark tried to figure out how to be cheerful from the inside out. Then during Sunday school one week, a classmate explained that God loves a cheerful giver, not liver. Years later, however, O'Roark realized that her younger self wasn't too far off the mark. After all, God does indeed love someone who lives cheerfully, spreading the hope and joy that he longs for all people to know!

After all, it was Jesus who said, "I came that [all] may have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10, NRSV).

"It is in your hands to create a better world for all who live in it." —Nelson Mandela

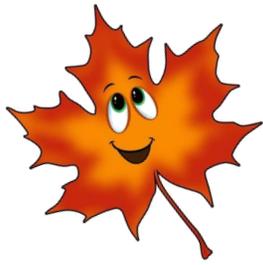
Holiday Fair Is Back! It Is Just Around the Corner December 4, 2021

Vendors from St. James: You may reserve your booth now! Beginning October 1 we will open up the vendor space to the public.

Contact Michelle Price at 920-851-7531 or Mamashellzabell@att.net for details.

There are many ways to give to St. James:

1. When you attend an in-person worship service.
 2. Mail in your gift or pledge to:
St. James UMC
100 W. Capitol Drive
Appleton, WI 54911
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3. Donate on our website at: umcsi.org/Give Online
 4. The Give Plus+ App is now **Vanco Mobile**. Go to the App Store or Google Play and search for "Vanco Mobile" and download for FREE. **Search** for your church name, **St. James UMC**, 54911. **Enter your payment method**. (You can save this information for future use!) **Choose** whether you want to cover processing fees. Click **Submit** to complete your donation.
 5. Set up auto withdrawal giving with our Financial Secretary, LuAnn Van Handel.



October



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			29 1:30 p.m. Bible Study	30	1 	2
3 World Communion Sunday 8:00 a.m. Praise Practice 8:45 a.m. Outdoor Worship with communion 10:15 a.m. GCC Worship	4 Charge Conference via Zoom (7:30p.m.) 4-10 p.m. Video Game group	5 6:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice	6	7 6 p.m. Leadership Bible Study	8	9
10 8:00 a.m. Praise Practice 8:45 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. GCC Worship	11 4-10 p.m. Video Game group	12 8 a.m. Men's Breakfast 6:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice	13 	14 6 p.m. Leadership Bible Study	15	16
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