



St. James Journal

Our Mission Statement:

"We Proclaim and Practice Christ's Love"

August, 2021

www.stjamesmc.org

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday
8:00 am -1:00 pm

Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship

9 am Outdoor Worship
(weather permitting)
9 am Service will be
streamed live online

In case of technical difficulties,
the online service will be
uploaded later in the day.

*Masks are no longer required at
the outdoor service, but you are
encouraged to wear them as you
feel comfortable.*

*Bulletins are now available at
worship. We will also continue
to email them.*

2021 FLOWER MINISTRY

A poster size sign up sheet is available
on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

There are plenty of dates yet to be
filled if anyone would like to Honor
or Remember a loved one with
Altar flowers.

Flowers are \$21.

HOP, SKIP, AND JUMP INTO GOD'S LOVE! AUGUST 6, 7, & 8

Join us for a **FUN WEEKEND** of Hopping,
Skipping, and Jumping into God's love!

Friday : ***THE WHOLE CONGREGATION*** is
invited for a family/community night! We will have
food, games, and fellowship outside for all ages! Lots of
fun for everyone! Invite your friends, family, and
neighbors and join us beginning at 6 PM! You can bring
a lawn chair or we can provide chairs for you. If it is
raining, we will meet in the gym.

Saturday: 9-4 PM—A FULL DAY OF VBS FUN for
pre-school through 5th grade. We will have lots of
activities, crafts, songs, and skits as we learn more about
God's love! You can find a registration form on page 3
of the Journal, or just call or email the church office and
let us know you are coming!

Pizza will be served for lunch. If you would prefer to
bring your own lunch, you are welcome to do so.
All activities are outside, weather permitting, so please
bring sunscreen and a water bottle.

Older youth and adults are needed as helpers!
Please contact Pastor Jeni or a member of the
Education Board if you are able to help.

Sunday: Join us for worship at 9 AM as we celebrate our
day of VBS with more skits and songs!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!

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LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF school kits!

We are going to be sending school kits to Lutheran World Relief this fall. It's getting to be the time of year when school supplies will be going on sale.

Please consider purchasing items for the school kits.

Below is a list of items needed for the kits.

They can be placed in the brown wicker baskets in the narthex.

- * 70 page notebooks (4 are needed for each kit)
 - * boxes of 24 crayons
- * blue or black ink pens (no gel pens) (5 for each kit)
 - * No. 2 pencils (5 for each kit)
 - * pencil sharpeners
- * 12 inch rulers (centimeters on one side)
- * blunt scissors (safety scissors work well)
 - * 2 1/2 inch erasers

Thank you! WELCA Mission Action

LIVING WATERS CLUSTER

September 18th at 8:30 am.

We will be having a Fall gathering at St James Lutheran Church. Our featured speaker will be **Kim Dickey** from **Global Health Ministries (GHM).**

LOVE/HOPE CIRCLE

will not meet in August. Join us again in September!

DO DAYS NEWS

Thank you for your generosity of sheets and fabric!!

At this time we are overflowing with material and are not in need of anymore.

We will put out a pleas when we need more again.

Thanks so much !!

MEN'S BREAKFAST

is every Wednesday at 7 AM.

Join us for a light breakfast and Bible Study on the Sunday Scripture readings.

BUILDING USE: Rooms are available for meetings and other events on a limited basis. There is a COVID capacity limit posted on the doors of each room. Please adhere to these guidelines. It is extremely important you contact Jill with the meeting date and time as cleaning will be needed following all events.



IT'S TIME FOR POLKA SUNDAY! Dust off your dancing shoes and join us on Sunday, August 15 at 9 AM for the RETURN of our annual Polka Service.

BACKPACK BLESSING! On August 22, you are invited to join us for our annual Blessing of the Backpacks as we prepare for a new school year! All students, teachers, and school staff will be invited to come up during the service to receive a blessing. Bring your backpacks/bags if you have them! *You are also encouraged to*

bring donations that day for our WELCA school supply drive (supplies needed are listed above).



Blessing of the Backpacks

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OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY:

- To Sherri and Mike Fitzgerald and family at the death of Sherri’s mom, Phyllis Masiker
- To Kathy and Bob Grant and family at the death of Kathy’s sister, Marilyn Norcross
- To Luci and Tom Tisor and family at the death of their brother-in-law, Al Jordi
- To the family of Marilyn Monahan

RECENTLY REMEMBERED IN PRAYER: Carol Bahnsen, Mike Cervantes, John Clarke, Tony Fitzgerald
Leonard Johnson

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THANK YOU!

- To Diane Francis and her crew for organizing the blood drive, and to all who donated blood that day!
- To all who helped with the worship services while the pastors were on vacation. Special thanks to Dean Johnson and Bill Grant for leading the service on the 11th; to Jennifer Hansen and the ushers and worship assistants for keeping things running smoothly; to Bob Grant for running the recording on July 4th. We are so blessed with wonderful talent, staff, and volunteers at St. James!
- Thank you to all who have been helping with outdoor worship—including set-up, tear down, technical support, and musicians, singers, & worship assistants!

It’s a HOP, SKIP, AND A JUMP into VBS!

Registration Form

JOIN US **August 6, 7, and 8th** for a WEEKEND, outdoor Bible School where we will hop, skip, and jump into God’s love!

You are encouraged to invite your friends and neighbors! ALL are welcome! You can fill out the form below and mail it in or drop it off at church. You can also email us your registration.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Age: _____ Grade (if applicable): _____

Phone Number: _____

Parents’ names: _____

Email Address: _____

Emergency Contact information:

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Food Allergies or other health concerns:

NEW MEMBER MEETING!

All those who are interested in joining St. James or who have joined in the last year are invited to a new member meeting immediately following the worship service on August 22. We will meet in the Friendship Room. New members will be welcomed during the worship service on August 29. Please talk to Pastor Jeni or Pastor Sid if you have any questions or would like more information about joining.

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ASSIGNED OFFERING ENVELOPES

are sitting in the Narthex for pick up. If you would like to be assigned a box, please call or stop by the church office.

Thank you for your continued support of our ministry at St. James! Offerings can be received on our web-site: www.stjamesmc.org at the "give online" tab, where you can sign up for one-time or recurring donations. Offerings can also be mailed to the Church office at 1148 4th St SE, Mason City, 50401.

COMMUNION WILL BE HELD

only on the first and third Sundays of the month. *If you are not comfortable with in-person worship or unable to attend and would like to set up a communion time, please contact one of the pastors!*

SUNDAY MORNING DONATIONS NEEDED

If anyone is willing to donate small bottles of water and juice boxes/pouches, we would greatly appreciate it. Thank you!!!

GREETER & USHERS NEEDED

We are working on scheduling greeters & ushers for the fall.

If you're interested please contact Diane or Tim or Jill in the church office.

HOME, NURSING HOME, AND HOSPITAL VISITS

If you, or a family member, would like to schedule a visit with Pastor Sid, please contact him or the office to set that up.

ST. JAMES STAFF

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