

St. James Journal

FEBRUARY 2020

FEBRUARY SCHEDULE

8:00 AM Worship
9:15 AM Bible Study
9:30 AM Worship
10:30 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Chapel
Worship

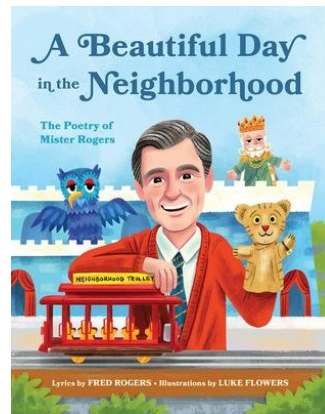
WEDNESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE

5:15 pm Meal
6:00 pm Small Group Study
6:15 pm Confirmation, ONE & WOW
7:00 pm Choir

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE:

Worship at 11 AM and 6:30 PM
Confirmation, ONE, and WOW will not meet that evening.

INTRODUCING OUR LENT 2020 SERMON SERIES “Hi, Neighbor: Spiritual Lessons of Mr. Rogers”



Fred Rogers, a famous children’s television series host AND Presbyterian Minister brought much love to the world through his theology, philosophy of life, and kindness. Much of the music and poetry that he produced through his time on television has a lot to teach us about how to live in this world as people of faith.

During our time of Lent this year, we will be looking at some of those poems and songs and finding ways they can give us strength, remind us of God’s grace, and teach us to be better neighbors.

Join us beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 26, for our series “Hi, Neighbor: Spiritual Lessons of Mr. Rogers.” On the Sundays and Wednesdays of Lent, we will explore The Scriptures, along with some of the poems and songs of Mr. Rogers.

Wednesday Worship services through Lent will be held at 11 AM and 6:30 PM. Lenten meals will begin in March. There will be take home devotions and Bible Studies throughout the series so please watch the Journal and bulletins for more information about those. In April, we will watch the Mr. Rogers Movie “A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood” together.

St. James News

Prayer Concerns and Blessings:

Our deepest sympathy:

- To the family of Harold Helm
 - To Dave and Karrie Frenz and family at the death of Dave's mom
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Remembered in prayer in January: Margaret Christensen, Mike Hjelle, Leonard Johnson, Barb Medlin, Dorothy Nuehring, Merv Sletten, Sandy Thede, Jane Trainer
When there is a death in your family, please call and let the church office know so we can remember you in prayer.

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New Blessings!

- Congratulations to Brian and Krystal Garl and family at the birth of Ledger Lee, born on January 9.
 - Congratulations to Ashley and Derek Haxton and family at the birth of Hudson Edward, born on December 12.
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THANK YOU: Karrie and I would like to thank our St. James family for your prayers, cards and food given to us at the time of my Mothers death. It was very much appreciated!! Dave Frenz Family

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Congregation Game Day and Soup Contest!



Join us on Sunday, February 9 at 11:30 for games and soups!

You are invited to bring a soup to share for the competition!

We will have Board Games available for all ages! You can also bring board games to share!

Beat the winter blahs and join us for our Annual Game Day and Soup Contest!

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Mark Your Calendars!
And get ready for a Railroad Adventure!
VBS: Coming August 2-5, 2020



CHRIST IN OUR HOME AND PORTALS OF PRAYER for January thru March, 2020 are available on the table in the Narthex.

2020 FLOWER MINISTRY

sign up sheets are now available in the Narthex. Flowers are \$21.

THE February JOURNAL deadline is February 20th by 12:00 PM.

THE March JOURNAL will be assembled on February 27th at 10:00 AM. Please call the church office if you are able to help.

BULLETIN ARTICLES are due on Wednesday by 9:00 AM every week.

WELCA & CIRCLE NEWS

LOVE CIRCLE will meet on February 17th at Kathy Follmuth's home, 10 Silver Lane at 7 pm.

KOINONIA: We will be going out to eat at Hy-Vee East on Sunday, February 23rd at 5:30. Come on out for food, fellowship and fun!

PRAYER SHAWLS: We will meet between the first and second service in the Fireside Room on Sunday, Feb. 23rd to pray over finished shawls. Keep stitching on these long winter nights.

CARE TEAM: Our Valentines boxes will be packed up on Sunday, February 9th. We need more help with small items for our college and military kids away from home. We send 17 boxes and if you are able to help and don't know what to bring, talk to Gloria Hesley or Kathy Follmuth. Bring your goodies to the stage in the Fellowship Hall between the first 2 services. You can really help these St James kids smile!!! If you have no idea what they'd like....what kind of treat do you like around Valentines Day? We want them to know they are missed. Thank you!!!!!!

WEDNESDAY EVENING MEALS February, 2020

Meals are served from 5:15- 6ish in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!

FEBRUARY 5

Chicken Ranch Wraps
BBQ Chicken Sandwiches
Chips
Hot Dogs

FEBRUARY 12

Walking Tacos, Soft Tacos
Nachos & Cheese
Hot Dogs

February 19

Spaghetti & Meatballs
Alfredo Spaghetti & Buttered Noodles
French Bread
Hot Dogs

FEBRUARY 26

ASH WEDNESDAY
NO MEAL

MEAL DONATIONS:

\$5 per person

All meals include lettuce salad, dessert, and beverages.

St. James News and Upcoming Events



ANNUAL SOUPER BOWL OF CARING! On Sunday, February 2, before you watch the big game and feast on your Superbowl Snacks, we will collect non-perishable food items for the Hawkeye Harvest Food Bank and dollars for ELCA World Hunger here at St. James. Join our youth in helping to feed hungry people in our community and around the world by bringing your donations. **You are welcome to bring your donations through February 9.** Thank you!



Join our young people celebrating First Communion at a reception in their honor on Sunday, February 2 following the 9:30 service. There will be cake and treats in the Friendship Room. All are encouraged to attend.

2020 CHURCH COUNCIL AND BOARD MEMBERS will be installed at the 8 and 9:30 services on Sunday, February 9. A retreat for council and board members will be held in February.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: Periodically, members of our congregation are in need of financial help. We would like to be able to provide gift cards for groceries or gas or other funds when those needs arise. If you would like to contribute to that fund, you can donate money or bring Hy-Vee or Wal-Mart cards to the church office or give them to Pastor Jeni. Thank you!



IT'S PANCAKE DAY!! Join us for Mardi Gras Pancake FUN on Tuesday, February 25 from 5:30 pm–7 pm. Pancakes and all the fixings, plus ham and lots of Mardi Gras activities all for a free will donation!

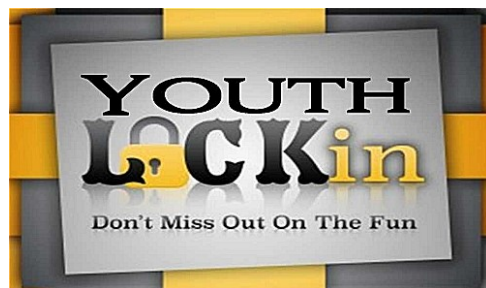
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New Fundraising Policy: The council has set a new policy that we will no longer set up fundraising tables in the Narthex. If you have items you are selling, you are welcome to use a table in the Friendship Room, Fireside Room, or Gym with pastoral approval. We are happy to help advertise fundraising for Church activities and help you find places for signs for your event.

Exceptions to this policy include tickets to church-related events and certain mission projects.

JOIN US ON FRIDAY, February 28 from 7 PM-7 AM for a St. James Youth Lock-in for grades 7-12.



We'll have games, activities, food, worship, and lots of fun!

You are encouraged to bring friends!

Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board by the pastors' offices by Sunday, February 23.

We need chaperones. If you are interested in donating a few hours of your time, please contact the pastors. Thank you!

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH:

SIGN UP NOW for our Summer Mission Trip to St. Louis, Missouri.

WHEN: July 5-10

WHAT: We will be traveling to St. Louis where we will partner with local organizations to come alongside St. Louis's homeless population, local children, and the elderly.

HOW to sign up: Get a form from Pastor Jeni or from the Youth Bulletin Board and turn it in along with a \$50 deposit. DEADLINE FOR SIGN UP is February 26.



Please talk to Pastor Jeni if you have any questions.

REMINDERS!

- Bring your canned goods or dollars for ELCA World Hunger Sunday, February 2 or 9 for our Annual SOUPER BOWL Collection.
- Invite your friends and family and have some fun at our *Annual Game Day and Soup Contest* on February 9, immediately following Sunday School. You are encouraged to bring soup for the competition!
- JOIN US FOR A MARDI GRAS PANCAKE SUPPER on Tuesday, February 25 from 5:30-7. Invite others to join you!!
- ASH WEDNESDAY worship services will be held on February 26 at 11 AM and 6:30 PM. Join us for this Holy Service of ashes and communion as we begin the Season of Lent.
- MISSION TRIP REGISTRATION DEADLINE is February 26. We are going to St. Louis from July 5-10. All youth in grades 8 and above are invited to attend. A \$50 deposit is due on the 26th.
- Our Adult Class on What it means to be Lutheran continues each Sunday in the Fireside Room at 10:30 AM. All are welcome to join us.

FEBRUARY Readers

Schedule	8:00 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
February 2	Linda Schmidt	Alyse Hesley	Grant Bohls
February 9	Judy Clarke	Bob Follmuth	Gene Larsen
February 16	Lynn Christensen	Kim Ostrander	Pastor
February 23	Jeanette Priebe	Cindy Rumeliote	Pastor

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