

ST. JAMES WEEKLY E-NEWS

"Putting Christ first in all that we do."

Join us for worship every Sunday at 8:45 am

100 W. Capitol Drive, Appleton

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The week of July 3-9, 2024



Announcements

There will be **no Dinner Church** tonight. We will resume next Wednesday, July 10th at 5:30pm.

Ladies Breakfast has been moved to July 11th at 9am due to the July 4th Holiday.

Communion Sunday for July has been moved to **July 14th**.

Pastor Ben will be away this Sunday enjoying some family time. Deb Kraemer will be delivering the message.

Lawn Mowing Help Needed

Help is needed with mowing the lawn. We have a nice riding lawn mower that handles the task very well, we just need more volunteers to help out. If you would like to be part of the mowing team, talk to either Tom Graf, Rick Bahr or Bill Kraemer.

If you would like to help but don't have the time or ability, donations for gasoline for the lawnmower are appreciated.



Thank you to Tom & Mary Schemm for hosting hospitality this past Sunday. And thanks to all who donated the delicious treats.

A BIG thank you to LuAnn Van Handel for spreading new mulch on the flower beds.

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 920-734-5371, if you know of someone who does something special at

Recent Birthdays

7/6 Todd Trueblood

The Annual Circuit Golf Outing for Senegal is on Wednesday, August 14th at High Cliff beginning at 8:30am sharp. Registration forms are available at the 'Connection Center.'

Last year 36 golfers participated and approximately \$6,000 was raised for the United Methodist Church in Senegal.

Prize donations are welcome.

Sunday's Laity Team

Usher Joan Clark / Lois Bodam
Reader Kay Christenson
Counters Deb Ebben & Rich Stewart
Music Praise Team
Sound Bill Kraemer

"Food for Thought" Summer Dinner Church Starting Wednesday, June 12th

St. James is providing free summer meals to those in our community through August. There are several way you can help...

1. Making or providing main dishes or desserts for 60 guests,
2. Setting up,
3. Serving,
4. Clean up and
5. Monetary donations. Pastor Ben wrote a grant to the Wisconsin UMC Foundation and St. James was awarded \$2,400 to help cover some of the costs.

Another part of Dinner Church involves a **short Jesus Story** during dessert time. Pastor Ben is looking for people who would be interested in doing this. He has the stories planned out for the summer.

If you are someone who likes to cook, please talk to Mary to see what the needs are and for questions. **We ask that even if you do not want reimbursement for food you supply, we need you to hand in your receipts so that we can receive the grant funds from the Foundation.**

All are invited to attend and share in welcoming our new friends to the table.

Thank you,
Mary Schemm



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

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

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

Joys, Prayers & Concerns...

- For all the prayers of your heart, shared with God on your personal journey each day and may we give thanks for all answered prayers.
- Continued prayers for those who remain affected by the extreme weather. Especially the flooding in North West Iowa.
- Prayers for Lois Bodam's family for the loss of 2 family members and a close family friend.
- Mary Flanders asked for prayers for an extended family member, Cindy, who had a severe heart attack and is not expected to recover.
- Continued prayers for the people of Ukraine, and the Middle East.

Ongoing intercessory prayer...

Prayers for Pastor Ben...

"Father God, clothe Pastor Ben with the garment of praise and hope. We call our pastor an oak of righteousness, a planting of the Lord to display your spender. Amen.

- Joys for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week.
- Prayers for our neighbors, near and far.
- Prayers for all who serve or have served in the military and other civil service areas.
- Continued prayers for our church family, and special prayers for our shut-ins.
- Prayers for all those who are mourning the loss of loved ones.
- Continued prayers for the loss of life and property because of various natural disasters around the world.
- Continuous prayers for our nation and our neighbors at home and around the world.

Lord, hear our prayers. Amen.

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

Henderson Settlement part 4 of 6.

GROWING PAINS: 1980S

For more than fifty years the center of the Frakes/Henderson Settlement Community was the school. Since the closing of the school there has been an extensive study to determine the new center of the community. The Community needs were offered: Adult Education classes, GED classes are being taught, book-mobile, recreation, Thrift Store, crafts, Christmas, macramé class.

Since the way of travel had become easier in the Laurel Fork Valley, less children were needing to live in the dorms. They could travel by bus. This opened up for more child care, children with problems who were brought here to live. Then Henderson Settlement was helping children from Lexington and Louisville not from Frakes area. The Community saw this as a problem in the area.

Community people also felt that people away from here were getting jobs at Henderson Settlement which should be the local people getting jobs to make a living.

To help raise the needed \$5,825 for this year's project supplies, our final brat fry is July 20. To help, contact Lloyd Eggert at 920-716-5470. Any financial donations can be made to St. James and marked as "Henderson."

Henderson Settlement mission trip is Oct. 5 – Oct. 12.

Zoom with the District Superintendent

North East DS Park Hunter offers an open Zoom devotion and Q&A time for laity in the district. The next one will be **July 8th** at 6:30pm. The Zoom link is...

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5027449756>



Custodial Needs

St. James is seeking someone to work 5 hours per week cleaning the tile floors in Fellowship Hall, the Kitchen and the narthex, as well as cleaning the Women's and Men's Bathrooms. This is a paid position. Tasks need to be performed weekly. Because of the many users in the building, the time is somewhat limited to between Friday after 10:30am and any time on Saturday.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in picking up a few extra dollars, please let them know of this opportunity. They should contact Mary Schemm, SPRC chair, for more information. 920-450-1963.





JULY



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 4-11pm Gamer club	2 6:30pm Praise Team Practice	3 NO Dinner Church	4 Office Closed 	5 Office Closed	6 
7 7th Sunday after Pentecost 8:10 am Praise Practice 8:45 am Worship Deb Kraemer preaching 9:45 am Fellowship	8 4-11pm Gamer club 6:30pm Laity zoom meeting with the D.S. (See page 2 for details.)	9 6:30pm Praise Team Practice	10 8:00am Men's Breakfast Black Bear 11am-1pm V&Fs Lunch 5:30pm Dinner Church	11 Office Closed 9:00am Ladies Breakfast Mary's Family Restaurant	12 Office Closed 8am-10am Vets & Friends Breakfast	13
14 Communion Sunday 8:10 am Praise Practice 8:45 am Worship 9:45 am Fellowship 	15 COTS Delivery 4-11pm Gamer club 5:30pm Ladies Nite Out Electric City Lanes, Kaukauna	16 6:30pm Praise Team Practice	17 11am-1pm Vets & Friends Lunch 5:30pm Dinner Church 6:45-9:00 pm Embroiderer's Guild	18 Office Closed	19 Office Closed 8am-10am Vets & Friends Breakfast	20 Brat Fry for Henderson Festival Foods on Northland Set up begins at 8am
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REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:
9 A.M. - 2 P.M.
MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY



St. Joe's Food Pantry

Non-perishable donations are always welcome.

There is a continuing need for the

12-count egg cartons. (*no 18 count please*)
Thank you for your continued generosity!

Here is a hyper-link (*you just need to click on it*) to the Thompson Center Newsletter which is filled with all kinds of activities for those over 50 years of age.

[BUZZ Newsletter - Thompson Center on Lourdes \(thetcol.org\)](http://thetcol.org)

Used Medical Equipment Needed

The Lions Clubs of the Fox Valley have joined together to open a place that will loan out medical equipment. Late July is our target date to open in Appleton. We need to gather gently used and clean medical equipment listed below.

- Wheelchairs
- Rollators
- Gait Belts
- Walkers
- Ice Machines
- Grabbers
- Canes
- Travel Chairs
- Crutches
- Toilet Risers/Commodes
- Bed Rails
- Knee Scooters
- Transfer Benches
- Shoe Horns
- Incontinence Supplies

Take to:
312 W. Northland Avenue, Appleton

Cans for COTS

(**C**ommunity **O**utreach **I**nterstitial **S**helter)

Did you know that St. James collects aluminum beverage cans? If you find that you don't know what to do with yours, you may bring them in and we will recycle them. There is a collection container near the furnace room. All proceeds will go into the **COTS** mission.

Thanks to Chris Bahr for cashing in our cans and always looking for the best value. To date we have collected **\$96.25** since we began cashing in cans.

New participants are welcome to join this ministry at any time. Each person makes a component of the meal (such as dessert) at home, and then someone delivers the completed meal. For more information, contact Kay Christenson at christenson4@live.com.



Our **2nd Quarter** mission offering goes to **Henderson Settlement**.

Did You Know?

If you have an old pair of **eye glasses** that are no longer useful to you, you may donate them to the Lion's Club. Place them in the square bucket that is on the shelf next to the Connection Center table. If you need help finding it, ask Deb K.



Repurposed Pill Bottles

We are collecting clear pill bottles for "**Doctors without Borders**." It does not matter what color they are as long as you can see through them. Just remove the label, which will usually peel off, and bring to church. A white basket on the shelf near the Connection Center table is available to deposit them.



Community Activities and Outreach Links

[Vets and Friends](#) (meals and companionship for Vets and one friend or family member and more)

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

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

[COTS](#) (Transitional shelter)

[Emmanuel UMC](#) (Wed. night meals)

[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 assist & pantry)

[Community Clothes Closet](#) (clothing)

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