

LENT 2020

SAINT JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH



GO IN PEACE, FOR THE LORD IS WATCHING
OVER YOUR JOURNEY

Are We There Yet?

Worship & Education

Sundays in Lent _____

During the season of Lent, we journey with Jesus as he travels to Jerusalem and the cross. In these weeks, we walk with Jesus as he approaches the place of ultimate victory over sin and death, and as he meets others on the way. Each encounter reveals the glory of God and a glimpse of the joy of Jesus' resurrection and the empty tomb.

Sunday morning Worship begins at 10:15 am

- ✝ Lent 1 ▪ March 1 Jesus' journey in the Wilderness
- ✝ Lent 2 ▪ March 8 Nicodemus' Journey under Darkness
- ✝ Lent 3 ▪ March 15 Samaritan Woman's Journey to the Well
- ✝ Lent 4 ▪ March 22 The Blind Man's Journey with Jesus
- ✝ Lent 5 ▪ March 29 Jesus' Journey to Bethany

The sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday.
All are welcome to worship and join at The Table.

Sunday School

9:00am - 10:00am

- March 1 Adam and Eve
- March 8 Abram's Call
- March 15 Woman at the Well
- March 22 Pool of Siloam
- March 29 Lazarus
- April 5 Palm Sunday

Adult Forum

9:00 am - 9:45 am

- What do Lutherans believe?
- Saint James' History
- Saint James' ministries
- Saint James' leaders
- Explore Holy Week & Triduum
- No Forum*

Wednesdays in Lent

✚ Spoken Eucharist	12:00 noon
Fellowship	6:30 pm
✚ Worship	7:00 pm



The Pilgrimage We Share

March 4

The Journey out of Paradise

Adam & Eve ▪ Genesis 1-3

March 11

The Journey of Trust

Abraham & Sarah ▪ Genesis 12-22

March 18

The Journey to the Promised Land

Moses ▪ Exodus 2-20

March 25

The Journey to Strength and Maturity

Peter ▪ Matthew 16:13-19 & Matthew 26:69-75

April 1

The Journey to Forgiveness & Freedom

The Prodigal Son ▪ Luke 15:11-32

Grow in faith and receive God's grace as together we walk a pilgrimage journey. Stories of modern personal pilgrimages and the journeys of biblical travelers guide this year's Lenten theme. These people model faith and by sharing their pilgrimages point to God at work in the world, not only in the past, but also today!

As you travel throughout the Lenten season consider: Where is our Lord leading. What signposts mark the way? What baggage do we need to drop? Where do you find the strength to walk on when the night is dark and the road full of potholes? Are we there yet? When will we arrive at the destination?

Each Wednesday of Lent, we will gather at 7:00pm in the sanctuary for worship that includes scripture, familiar hymns, prayers, and reflection on our shared pilgrim journey.



Kids Coalition Against Hunger!

Saturday, March 7, 2020

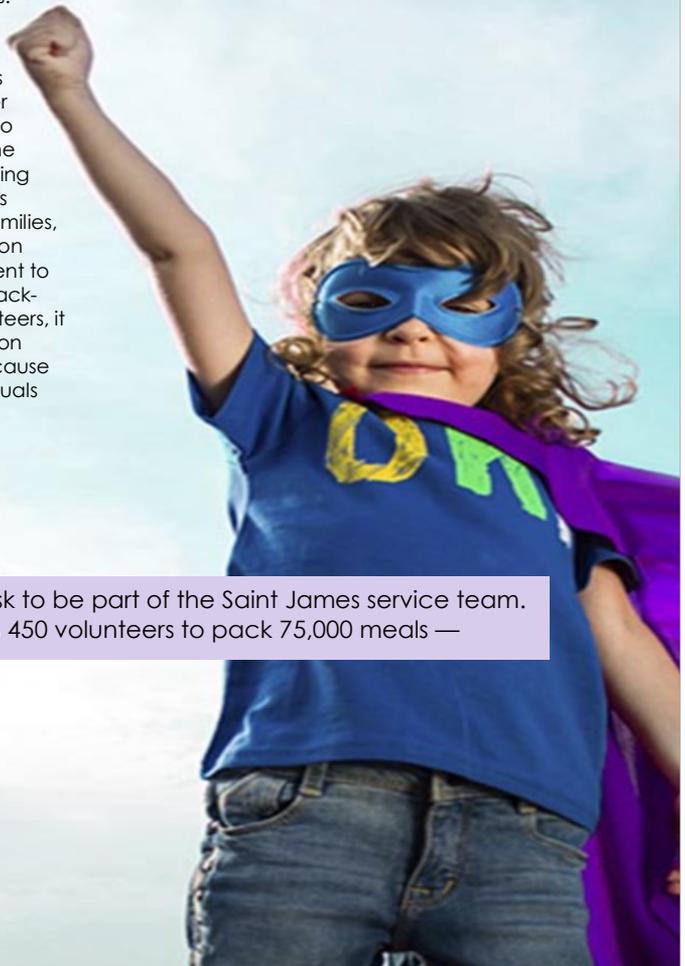
**packing meals for kids around the globe
at Grosse Pointe Memorial**

10:00am to 12:00pm

Again this year Grosse Pointe Memorial Church is partnering with KCAH™ to package meals for hungry children around the globe and in our own metro Detroit neighborhoods. SAINT JAMES is forming a group to go and fight hunger by packaging these meals.

The unplanned, but very real beneficiaries of Kids Against Hunger are the volunteers who package the food. The manual food packaging process not only feeds many children and families, it also brings satisfaction and deep engagement to the volunteers who package it. For most volunteers, it is the ultimate hands-on contribution that, because of its simplicity, individuals from age 8 to 80 can perform.

SIGN UP on the kiosk to be part of the Saint James service team.
GPMC needs 450 volunteers to pack 75,000 meals —



Service & Outreach

Lenten INKIND OFFERING

Nutrition Blessing Bags

In the book of Genesis, the LORD blesses Abram so that he will be a blessing to others (Genesis 12:2-3). When Paul writes to the people of Corinth, he reminds them that "God is about to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may also share abundantly in every good thing." (2 Corinthians 9:6-8) In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus commands us to feed the hungry (Matthew 25:31-40.)

Our Lenten inkind offering creates **Nutrition Blessing Bags** to supplement the nutritional needs of people facing food insecurity in Detroit, especially those who are without homes or have limited resources for cooking.

Each **Nutrition Blessing Bag** will contain a variety of nutrition foods and will provide a ready to eat bag lunch to those whom Genesis Lutheran (Mack Ave at Grand Blvd.) regularly welcome.



Foods to be collected: individual servings of tuna salad or chicken kits (with crackers,) single serve peanut butter, Ritz crackers that come in a 14-count sleeve, single serving nuts and dried fruit, single serving fruit cups, Vienna sausages with a pull-top lid, Van Camp



Beanie Weenies, soft granola bars, BelVita biscuits in any flavor, and any other nutritious single serving foods.— The inkind offering will be collected on the ledge in the Welcome Area.

Each of us has been richly blessed with abundance in many ways and thus we are called to share what we have. Jesus reminds us (Matthew 25:31-45) when we show our love (John 13:34-35) and when we serve the least of these, we care for Jesus himself.



Socks & individual bottles of **lotion** are also needed.

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Daily Prayer



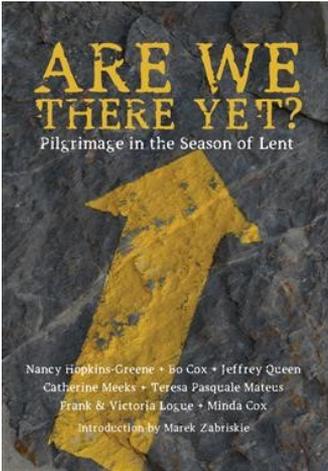
Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7 NRSV

Let every member & friend of the Saint James community offer these prayer:

Feb 26	sincere repentance (Ps. 51:10)	Mar 24	church unity (Ps. 133:1)
Feb 27	spiritual renewal	Mar 25	St. James Church Council
Feb 28	Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	Mar 26	St. James staff
Feb 29	unexpected moments of joy	Mar 27	teachers
Mar 1	keep us from temptation	Mar 28	artists and musicians
Mar 2	Grosse Pointe communities	Mar 29	doctors, nurses, and all who practice the practice the healing arts
Mar 3	the hungry (Mt. 25:35)	Mar 30	spread of the Gospel & global mission
Mar 4	to be salt in the world (Mt. 5:15)	Mar 31	those seeking deeper knowledge of God
Mar 5	to let our light shine (Mt. 5:16)	Apr 1	those who are victims of human trafficking
Mar 6	the underemployed	Apr 2	those in civil authority
Mar 7	those imprisoned (Mt. 25:35)	Apr 3	farms, farmers and agricultural workers (James 5:7)
Mar 8	for protection and shelter	Apr 4	Bishop Elizabeth Eaton
Mar 9	those who are sick (Mt. 25:35)	Apr 5	Bishop Don Kreiss
Mar 10	those who lack proper clothing	Apr 6	the lonely
Mar 11	to maintain a Lenten discipline	Apr 7	renewal of the church
Mar 12	teenagers & young adults	Apr 8	our enemies (Mt. 5:44)
Mar 13	those in their middle years	Apr 9	the work of the Holy Spirit
Mar 14	those approaching retirement	Apr 10	the ability to see God's presence in the world
Mar 15	older adults	Apr 11	quietness of mind and spirit
Mar 16	to bear good fruit (Gal 5:22-23)	Apr 12	joy in the community of faith
Mar 17	those who mourn (Mt. 5:4)		joy in the resurrection
Mar 18	freedom from worry		
Mar 19	those who have been abused		
Mar 20	youth who are being bullied		
Mar 21	those discerning vocation to rostered ministry (Isaiah 6:8)		
Mar 22	for reconciliation and forgiveness		
Mar 23	those preparing for baptism		

+ Saint James meditation room and sanctuary are open Monday through Thursday, 9am to 1pm for silent prayer. + Personal pastoral prayer and private confidential confession and absolution are available by appointment.



Lenten Devotions and Reflection Questions

One component of our journey together is the devotional book

Are We There Yet? Pilgrimage in the Season of Lent

which shares stories of five people on both physical and spiritual journeys. The book can be ordered online or by seeing Pastor for a copy. Consider a \$5 offering to cover the cost of the book.

➔ **Receive a daily reminder of The Pilgrimage We Share in your email box.**

Would you like to receive a daily question for reflection and brief comment connecting to the *Are We There Yet?* theme? Would you like a journal prompt, occasional meditative image, or a place to ask questions about what you've read? Would you like a place to ask questions of faith?

Take your connection to this devotional book to the next level to strengthen your Lenten pilgrimage. Even if you aren't following the daily pages of the book, but would like to receive what's described above, this is for you.

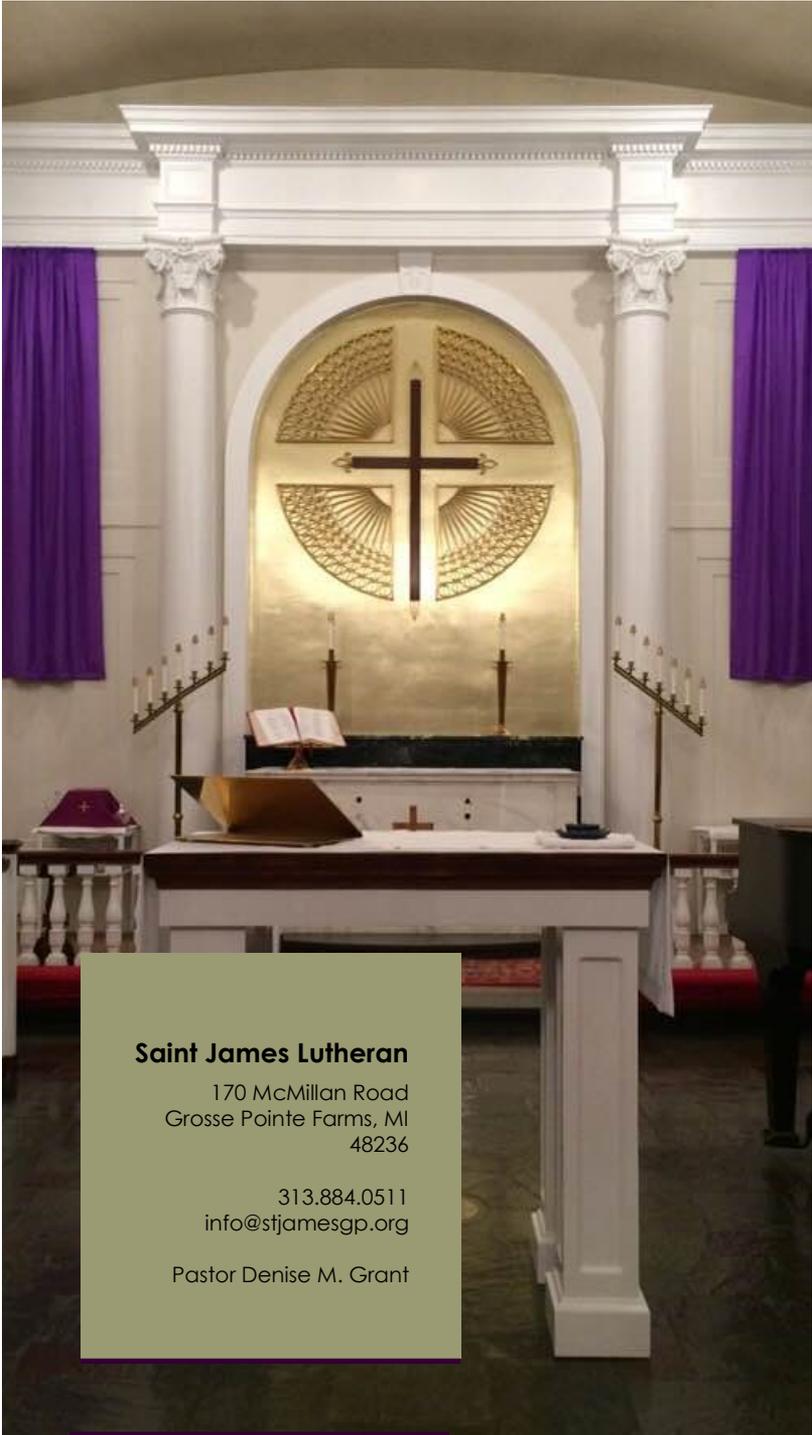
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