

Journey Pages

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574 S. SHELDON ROAD, PLYMOUTH, MI 48170

“Welcome Home”

You are welcome and wanted here today!



Good morning and “Welcome Home” to St. John’s! Whether you are new to our community or have found yourself coming back again and again, we want you to know you are both welcome and wanted here among us. Church for some, is as familiar as stepping into a home you have lived in all your life– you know everybody, you can find your way around without instructions, and it simply feels comfortable and comforting. For many others, church is as foreign as visiting a different country– you can’t understand the language, you don’t know the customs and patterns of behavior and it can simply feel uncomfortable and unsettling. We get that people come here from both ends of the spectrum and everywhere in between. It is our hope and prayer that you can navigate your way smoothly enough to feel our desire to offer a kind of extravagant welcome reflecting our understanding of God’s inclusive love. We love our tradition and rituals but we love people more and are here to create a place of belonging for all. So, once again, Welcome Home!

Priest Lisa

JOIN US FOR CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST!



Please stop by the Gathering for continental breakfast **each Sunday at 9am**. This is a time for quick bite, a cup of coffee and fellowship with other SJP members you may not know!

Thank you to the Bass family for hosting this morning!

PALM CROSS MAKING & BREAKFAST SATURDAY, APRIL 8 ~ 9:00am



The Altar Guild will be hosting their annual Palm Cross Making and Continental Breakfast event on Saturday, April 8 at 9:00am in the Parish Hall. Bring

yourself, a friend and a pair of scissors. No experience needed! **Please sign up on the Sign-Me-Up board.** Contact Beth Wideman with questions at 734-722-0373.

FAMILY MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MUSIC OPPORTUNITY

Children & youth have the opportunity to join the choir on Easter and will be rehearsing on the following Sundays:

- **Today and April 2 in the music room**
- **Pre-K-5 at 9:35am and Middle School at 11:15am**
- **Questions? Contact Liza (lmaidens@stjohnsplymouth.org)**

INTER-GENERATIONAL CHOIR FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Those wishing to join the inter-generational choir on Easter Sunday are **required to attend a rehearsal on Sunday, April 9 right after the 10am service in the sanctuary. This includes children, youth and adults.** All are welcome!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Children's Easter Egg Hunt ~ Sunday, April 9 ~ 12:00pm

This event is for children 11 years of age and under. Kids are encouraged to attend rehearsal for the Easter choir after the 10am service and then join the group for Festive Coffee Hour, activities and the Egg Hunt.



Family Life Dinner ~ Sunday, April 23 ~ 5:45pm



Parents of SJP children of all ages are invited for dinner and discussion about Family Ministry with Director of Family Ministry Jayne Watson and Priest Lisa.

(Teens will meet at church and carpool to Starfish Family Services for dinner, and younger children will have a staffed program at church). Please mark your calendars and RSVP by April 16 to jwatson@stjohnsplymouth.org.

EASTER LILY AND EASTER MUSIC DEDICATIONS

Orders for Easter Lily and Easter Music Dedications will be taken beginning **today through Sunday, April 9**. You may find order forms on the table in the Narthex. Please complete the form, enclose payment and return to the parish office or simply put in the Sunday offering plate.



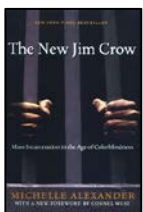
TODAY'S AUMBRY LIGHT DEDICATION
In Memory of Jean Fenwick Sigmon



Lenten OPPORTUNITIES

SEE THE LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES TABLE IN THE HALLWAY ~ TAKE HOME A PAMPHLET AND DEVOTIONAL

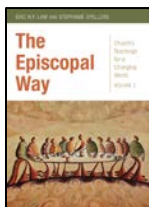
Lenten Learning & Events



Sunday Mornings in Lent

BOOK DISCUSSION ~ CONTINUES THRU APRIL 2

We continue book discussion using Michelle Alexander's book "The New Jim Crow." Grab a friend and meet in the Library from **9:00-9:50am**. This group continues to meet thru April 2.



Inquirer's Class with Priest Lisa

TODAY THRU SUNDAY, APRIL 2 ~ 5:00-6:00PM

Remaining classes: Today (Sunday) March 26 and April 2 from 5:00-6:00pm

Wednesday Evenings in Lent

EVENING DEVOTIONS, SOUP/SALAD SUPPER & LENTEN EVENTS

THE LAST OF WEDNESDAY EVENING EVENTS, MARCH 29



6:00pm Evening Devotions

6:30pm Soup/Salad Supper

7:00pm Join the opportunities on

Wednesday evenings -Acrylic Painting Class, or visit our Labyrinth and Prayer Stations (see article below).

ACRYLIC PAINTING CLASSES

WEDNESDAY EVENING ~ MARCH 29 ~ 7PM

The last of our Lenten Art classes will be held this Wednesday. The class is \$20 payable that evening. Sign up on the Sign-Me-Up board. Email Danisa (danisart1215@gmail.com) with questions.



Lenten WORSHIP

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP AT SJP

Wednesday ~ MARCH 29

Midweek Eucharist ~ 10:30am

Evening Devotions ~ 6:00pm

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP AT SJP

Palm Sunday ~ April 9 ~ 8am & 10am

Maundy Thursday ~ April 13 ~ 6:30pm

Good Friday ~ April 14 ~ 12pm

Easter Morning ~ April 16 ~ 8am & 10am

Easter Vigil ~ Saturday, April 15 ~ 8pm

The Cathedral Church of St. Paul Detroit

4800 Woodward Ave., Detroit 48201

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HOST TABLES FOR OUR MAUNDY THURSDAY AGAPE MEAL!



We gather on **Maundy Thursday, April 13 at 6:30pm** to share a simple family style Mediterranean meal before the Stripping of the Altar. We need 10 people to host the tables-helping with welcoming

and serving. If you are interested or would like more information about hosting, please contact Priest Lisa at priestlisa@stjohnsplymouth.org or 734-834-0132.

Lenten REFLECTIONS

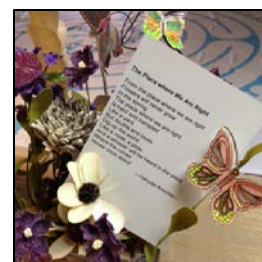
A prayer, a poem for the journey... A poem for the journey...*The Place Where We Are Right* by Yehuda Amichai...*"From the place where we are right, flowers will never grow in the spring. The place where we are right is hard and trampled like a yard. But doubts and loves dig up the world like a mole, a plow. And a whisper will be heard in the place where the ruined house once stood."*

"Lord, listen to your children praying..." What is your WORD, the one WORD that describes the purpose inside of you? If you have added your WORD, thank you...if not, what are you waiting for?! The **prayer loom** in the Narthex is waiting for your WORD. All our WORDS reflect who we are together. These WORDS are our prayers...



Come and see the labyrinth, come and walk the labyrinth. Walking the labyrinth, we become more connected to our intuition and inner sense of knowing. Sometimes we need to be reminded to return to our heart, our center. We need to be reminded to honor others and appreciate their journey and our own at the same time. We can all follow our heart path ... the labyrinth tells us this. It tells us everything is a metaphor. The labyrinth will mirror back whatever we need to see about ourselves that gets in the way. So come, come and see, come and walk the labyrinth and learn something --- not about the labyrinth, but something about yourself. Perhaps, consider as you walk this week, "in what ways am I blind?" What do you need to see?

And then consider visiting the **prayer station** to consider, to reflect on your possibilities for joy and love, to reflect on all you have to be thankful for.



ST. JOHN'S PRAYER LIST

We offer prayers today for those who have requested inclusion on our prayer list. Please visit our prayer station located in the Narthex to add names of those you wish to include. Prayers will continue for 30 days.

Ali	Corinne
Devin	Jeff
Lexy	Sharon
Gerry Bing	Ron Dehne
Jacquie Dutton	Doris Gable
Audrey Gulley	Irene Jarrell
Janis Kljun	Jean Laing
Bob Lupton	Becky Skoug
Family of Don Fleming	Family of Carolyn Stabene

For those in uniform

Matthew J. Mitchell - U.S. Navy Chief
Thomas Dolce - U.S. Air Force
Carly Bair - U.S. Navy
Joe James - U.S. Army
Ian Smith - U.S. Navy
Sierra Cavallaro - U.S. Marines
Dylan Racine - U.S. Army



SERVING TODAY - MARCH 26

Preacher Rev. Lisa Tucker-Gray
Altar Guild Jan MacLeod,
Penny Striegel,
Maribeth Sala-Gietzen

Lay Ministers

8:00 Ralph Reeves
10:00 Dick Bass, Carolyn Setty, Valerie Sanders
Sr. Magdalena, Ken Sanders

Acolytes

8:00 Emma Reeves
10:00 Kenneth Skoug, Karen Sole, Ella Binder

Ushers

8:00 Dee Fleming
10:00 Patricia Ponte, Sue Skaggs, Martha James

SERVING NEXT WEEK - APRIL 2

Preacher Rev. Lisa Tucker-Gray
Altar Guild Beth Wideman, Pat Sonntag, Tracy McCord

Lay Ministers

8:00 Susan Wainwright
10:00 Becky Nickels, Connie Hierta, Penny Striegel

Acolytes

8:00 Maya Crouse, Ryan Crouse
10:00 Kenneth Skoug, Amelia Dowswell

Ushers

8:00 Dee Fleming
10:00 Dave Smith, Sal Cavallaro, Sydney Good



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Monday-Friday, 8:30am – 4:30pm

TODAY - March 26

Holy Eucharist8:00 & 10:00am
Continental Breakfast – Gathering.....9:00am
Lenten Book Discussion-Library.....9:00am
Nursery (infant-3yrs) 9:30-11:45am
Sunday School..... 9:30am
Children's Youth Choir Rehearsal.....9:35am
Youth Choir Rehearsal.....11:15am
Middle School REMIX11:15am
Coffee & Tea11:15am
Choir Practice11:30am
Inquirer's Class.....5:00pm

MONDAY, March 27

Narcotics Anonymous7:00pm

TUESDAY, March 28

Women's Bible Study9:30am
Food Pantry2:00-4:00pm
Vestry Meeting.....7:00pm
Count MI Vote Town Hall.....7:00pm

WEDNESDAY, March 29

NO Women's Bible Study9:00am
Midweek Worship Service.....10:30am
Evening Lenten Devotion Service.....6:00pm
Soup/Salad Supper.....6:30pm
Acrylic Painting Class.....7:00pm
Houseband Rehearsal7:00pm

THURSDAY, March 30

OA Meeting.....8:30am
Men's Group.....10:00am
Food Pantry.....2:00-4:00pm

FRIDAY, March 31

SATURDAY, April 1

Men's Bible Study.....7:30am
Al Anon Meeting8:00am
Private Event in the Gathering.....4-6:00pm

SUNDAY, April 2

Holy Eucharist8:00 & 10:00am
Continental Breakfast – Gathering.....9:00am
Lenten Book Discussion-Library.....9:00am
Property Comm Mtg-Handbell Room.....9:00am
Nursery (infant-3yrs) 9:30-11:45am
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