



Hold on! Although the secular world has completed the Christmas season days ago, the Church is still celebrating. Before you pack away the last of the ornaments, we still have the feast of the Epiphany. Although there is no commercial support for this festival, it does have centuries of Christian tradition to fill it with beauty and power. The word “epiphany” comes from the Greek epiphainen, a verb that means, “to shine upon,” “to manifest,” or “to make known.” Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, especially through the visit of the Magi. The Wise Men or Magi who brought gifts to the infant Jesus were the first Gentiles to acknowledge Jesus as “King” and so were the first to show that Jesus came for all people and that the work of God in the world would not be limited to only a few.

On the Epiphany of Our Lord, January 6, an old tradition has been to have family and friends gather at the main entrances to homes or apartments (nursing home quarters, extended care facility, hospital rooms!), and ask God’s blessing on their dwellings and on all who live or visit there. If you can’t manage a get-together on January 6 or on Epiphany Sunday, then any day early in January will do just fine. The short liturgy that follows is a way of marking our homes with sacred symbols as we ask God’s blessing upon those who live, work, or visit throughout the coming year. In Exodus, the Israelites marked their doors with blood so that the Lord would pass over their homes; but in this service, we mark our doors with chalk as a sign that we have invited God’s presence and blessing into our homes. The chalk represents human flesh, created by God from clay, and is used as an emblem of the incarnation. Whether you live alone or with others, gather inside or outside the front door. This is a great time to include your family pets. St. Francis Day is not the only feast that they can join in on.

Traditionally we remember the names of the Magi as Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar – although these names are not to be found in Scripture. During the chalking ceremony, the first letters of these three names – C, M, B – are inscribed on the doorframe. Some suggest the C M B may also stand for “Christus, Mansionem Benedicat,” meaning “Christ bless the house.” These letters are inscribed between the numbers of the year of the ceremony 20 + C + M + B + 04.

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Lessons and Carols – December 14

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The symbols are usually written on the upper horizontal piece of the doorframe of the front entrance; but if younger children or people in wheelchairs participate encourage them to place the symbols anywhere on the doorframe they can comfortably reach. To find out more about fun filled activities for the season check out the book, **Winter Celebrating the Season in a Christian Home.** (Liturgy Training Publications)

Chalking the Door

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(L for "leader" C for "community")

L Peace be to this house and to all who enter here.

L A reading from Proverbs: "By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures."

L Let us pray: Gracious God, as a shining star once guided the magi to the birthplace of the infant Jesus, so enable those who dwell here to be your light in the world; through Jesus Christ we pray.

C Amen. Using chalk (hence, "Chalking the Door"), people are invited to inscribe the lintel of the home (the horizontal frame above the door) with the inscription shown below. Each person is afforded a turn to make one or more of the marks:

20 + C + M + B + 04

L A reading from Isaiah: "The effect of righteousness is peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever. My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and quiet places."

L Let us pray: Sovereign God, we pray that you will bless this home and all who live here with your gracious presence, that your love may be our inspiration, your wisdom our guide, your truth our light, and your peace our benediction; through Jesus Christ we pray.

C Amen.

L Lord, remember your children and teach us to pray:

C Our Father . . . People may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of their baptism.

L May the Lord watch over our going out and our coming in, from this time forth and forevermore.

C Amen.

May God bless us all in the New Year,

Father Mark



**Feast of St. Nicholas
December 7, 2003**

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Church of St. John in the Wilderness will occur on Sunday, January 18, 2004, at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. There will be two services at 7:30 and 10:30 a.m.

A slate of nominees for Vestry, Diocesan Delegates, Nominating Committee and Personnel Committee will be presented and voted on by all members in attendance. The budget will also be presented for discussion.

WELCOMING AND EVANGELISM COMMITTEE REPORT

At the beginning of a New Year it is well to take account of work well done and celebrate those accomplishments before tackling the challenges that lie ahead.

Thanks are due Bev Boyle, Vicki Canterbury, Krista Sullivan, Jodi Eick, Roger Smith, Kelly DeSmet, Sharon Lund, Sherri Afryl and new members Tim Hammond and Molly Anthony for the many hours of dedicated work it has taken to complete the tasks listed below.

- Recruited a dozen new ushers/greeters in tandem with the Liturgy and Music Committee. We also worked together to purchase badges for all ushers.
- Welcoming bags have been made available for guests at all services and a letter from the Rector is sent to each visitor the following Monday.
- Increased membership in the Welcoming & Evangelism Committee from two to nine active members.
- Sponsored three newcomer's events.
- Purchased two large banners to hang outside of the parish hall on the parking lot side of the Church. The banners were paid for with grant funds from the Diocese of Minnesota. More than 90% of the traffic in and out of the Church comes through the side doors.
- Renovated our side entrance by painting the inside doors red and putting a fresh coat of paint on the walls and ceiling. A stained glass window has been installed over the outside doors. An 8'x4' bulletin board with a tract rack across the bottom has been hung in the entryway. Episcopal Church pamphlets and information about St. John's is always available to folks who drop by. The Episcopal Shield beside the entrance has been spotlighted. This project was completed through the use of a \$5,000 gift received by the Gifts and Memorial Committee that had been designated for this purpose.
- The front of the Church has been virtually invisible at night due to a lack of lighting.

We have a beautiful rose window and another handsome stained glass window over the front doors that had never been backlit. Through the electrical expertise of Mark Hosfield and Roger Smith and a \$500 donation for materials, spotlights have been installed. The results are stunning.

- For the first time in recollection St. John's participated in the annual eight-week Market Fest along with other Churches in the area. The Fellowship Committee took the lead on this project that was funded in part by a marketing grant from the Diocese of Minnesota with additional funding from the ECW. Plans are under way for participation next summer.
- Posters were ordered through the Church Ad project and have been hung in strategic locations. The Liturgy and Music Committee selected the posters and paid for half of the costs.
- Coffee mugs were purchased as a marketing tool for St. John's. One per family was made available free of charge. The ECW granted the committee \$600 for seed money and, through sales of additional mugs, we hope to replenish our stock.

New members with good ideas are always needed. Make a New Year's resolution to join us on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 in the parlor. If you would like to discuss membership possibilities call Therese Branby at 651-653-3601.



**Christmas Pageant: "Little Drummer Boy"
December 13, 2003**



THE WILDERNESS WOMEN HOUSE GROUP

is seeking a few more members! Eight of us meet in Pris Campbell's and Barb Anderson's homes on alternate Sunday evenings. Meetings include time for fellowship, Bible study, and prayer. Join us and experience:

- A place to connect with women of the church in new ways
- Support to explore the Bible and what it can mean in our daily lives
- Fun ways to follow Christ in today's busy world

Here are the upcoming dates and topics:

January 18, No Patience at All, Job's Wife

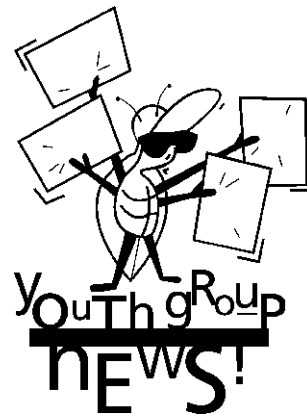
February 1, Exploring Hospitality, Are you Martha or Mary?

February 15, Recognizing Christ, Anna, the Prophetess

Call Pris at 651-426-3540 or Barb at 651-484-8203 to get started!



**Christmas Tree Decorating
December 6, 2003**



This month we feature Katelynn Aubrey Pope -



High School: Shakopee Senior High School
School/Community Activities: Jobs Daughters, DeMolay
Church Activities: T.E.C.
Favorite Song: *You Are My Sunshine*
Collections: Pig stuff
Favorite St. John's Memory: Anything that has to do with Alison.
Favorite movies: *Little Mermaid, Ever After, Mulan*
Last good book you've read: *Butter Battle Book*
Best advice you've been given: Life could be worse
Where you hope to be in 10 years: Alive and on my own
If you could have dinner with any person, whom would you choose? Sebastian (from *The Little Mermaid*)
How can church become more youth friendly? The services we have during EYE and stuff totally rock and I think that helps as a kid. You don't really understand what is going on during a church service so you tend not to listen, as you get older it starts to mean more.

Last month we featured Stephen James Anthony. He was mistakenly listed as James Anthony. Our apologies to Stephen!

A Few Words from our Youth Minister Alison Feigh . . .

This past March I was honored and humbled when I was asked to be a Godmother for the first time. The amazing thing about the experience was that it was my Goddaughter, Erin, who asked me to fill this role. I met Erin her junior year of high school at a TEC weekend and as I worked with her at various retreats, I was just blown away by her energy, wisdom and spirit. Erin was unchurched, but had been invited to TEC by a good friend. She continued to explore her faith through various leadership roles at TEC, EYE, and CLEC. As our friendship grew, we began to have faith discussions online, on the phone, and in person. I'll never forget her response to the first time I asked her if she had ever considered being baptized. Her response was, "I believe strongly in the love that I feel from God, but I don't know what I think about Jesus, yet."

She had the hard part down. She understood that she was loved in a community and that God was the center of the community. It was an amazing foundation to begin our discussions as to who Jesus was and how he was the ultimate act of God's love. All of the discussions in the world could not have replaced the fact that she saw this Christian community as one built on love and wanted to make that a part of her identity.

Erin did decide to get baptized and I was asked to be a Godparent, along with two friends who had been integral to her faith journey. I cried at the service because I felt so grateful to God for the person that Erin is and was so excited that I was going to get to see the person she was going to become.

Erin's journey gives me inspiration when I work with youth, or when I greet someone who is visiting our church for the first time. I want them to see God's love as the center of our community, and of our actions. If the love is central, it creates a wonderful, safe place to explore and ask questions. If we are lucky, some of the answers will allow us to build new friendships that will enhance our own faith forever.



Mission Trip

At our recent mission trip meeting, the youth decided that we will be heading to San Diego, CA from July 21st-July 27th. We will be working with ECS at various project sites including a women's shelter, a soup kitchen, and an AIDS clinic. We will also cross the border into Tijuana, Mexico for one afternoon to help construct a new church. We have spaces available for twenty youth (those entering 9th grade-college next fall). The cost will not exceed \$500. If you would like to register, please send a \$100.00 non-refundable down payment (made out to St. John's) to Alison. **The first twenty youth willing to commit will be registered. The deadline to register is January 15th, but the trip may fill up before that date.** Please talk to Alison if you need to arrange a partial scholarship.

Treasure Hunt

Our big event in January is our Third Annual Treasure Hunt where Junior High competes against Senior High in a battle of wits and creativity. Teams will meet at church at High Noon on January 10th and need to be back for judging at 2:00pm. Parent drivers will be needed for both teams. If you have any questions, talk to Alison or the team captains. Team Captains for the Senior High are Anne Moertel and Elizabeth Schmit. The Junior High Captains are Ellen Anthony and Libby Mahoney.

Spring Break Civil Rights Trip

The Diocese is hosting a Spring Break Civil Rights Tour from Friday Mar. 26th-Tuesday, Mar. 30th. This tour covers historic sites in Tennessee and Alabama and is open to those 14 and older. Deadline to register is January 15th. Please talk to Alison for information and forms.

Rite of Affirmation

Our parish will be honoring the Eighth graders of our parish at the Rite of Affirmation service scheduled for February 1st. The Rite of Affirmation is a special liturgy honoring the transition in faith formation for these youth and their parents.

Acolyte Festival

Movies, a dance, and acolyte training all wrapped into one overnight. If you are an acolyte in 6th-12th grade, you are eligible to attend the festival at the

St. Mark's Cathedral on January 24th and 25th. Schedules and registration materials can be picked up from Alison Feigh. The cost for the event is \$25 and scholarships are available. The registration deadline is January 5th.

Senior High DYE

The Senior High Diocesan Youth Event will be held at St. John's February 27th-29th. Megan Mahoney has been selected to be on the planning team for this event. More information will be available about the theme right after Christmas.

Junior High Ski Trip

The Diocesan Ski Trip to Giant's Ridge is set for March 5th-7th and is open to youth in 6th-9th grade. The downhill package is \$180 and cross-country is \$150. Alison is planning to attend as a chaperone and has registration forms for those interested in getting more information. Please turn in forms to St. Stephen's in Edina before Feb. 14th.

Quote for the Month

Some people, no matter how old they get, never lose their beauty - they merely move it from their faces into their hearts. ~Martin Buxbaum



HAPPY NEW YEAR! Sunday School resumes Sunday, January 11. There will be no Sunday School classes on Sunday, January 18, so the teachers may attend the Annual Meeting. Watch for information in the **Small Voice** about activities for the Sunday School age children during the Annual Meeting.

Children's Ministries will host Family Fellowship and Fun Potluck Lunch at 12:30 on Saturday, January 10. Hot dogs will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall to let us know you'll be joining us, and an option of bringing a dish to pass if possible. There will be "in-church" scavenger hunt for Sunday School age children. The Junior and Senior High Youth will be out on their scavenger hunt during our lunch.

Our next Children's Ministry meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 1, following Sunday School classes. We meet in the Parish Hall, and you are welcome to join us with questions, concerns, comments, and/or just to hear what is going on!

**HAVE YOU
TALKED
TO GOD
TODAY?**

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

The family of the late Liz Campbell has donated a painting of our original church to St. John's. The painting was done by Margarete Uppgren, the mother of the late John Uppgren. Liz, Margarete and John were all lifetime members of St. John in the Wilderness.

The Gifts and Memorials Committee is grateful to the Campbell family for their contribution.

E.C.W. PROGRAM CHANGES

The E.C.W. had originally scheduled a Bible Study Series with the Rev. Lydia Brown for February 5-12 and 19. Due to a conflict in her schedule, the Bible Study will be held on February 26 and March 4, 2004.

VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

The Vestry met on December 9. Banners have been hung outside the building to help make our church more visible from 2nd Street. Susan Voigt has requested and was granted permission to hold her art classes one day a week in our Parish Hall. Fr. Mark requested that his monthly housing allowance be increased from \$1,500 to \$1,800. This does not reflect a salary increase, as the housing allowance is included in his salary. His request was approved.

Here's what's happening!

OUTREACH PROGRAM

A new approach to our food shelf gifting: In January we will start a monthly program to focus on our offering of gifts to the area of food shelves. The need for non-perishable groceries is one that continues steadily throughout the year. Until now, St. John's parishioners have brought grocery donations and placed them in the grocery cart by the elevator, and we have had our annual Thanksgiving Ingathering. Our response to the Ingathering has been excellent, but donations during the year have only been piecemeal.

We are hoping that this new program will draw our attention to the continuing need for food stocks in the community. Each month we will ask for food donations on an alphabetic basis: January will be "A" (applesauce, alphabet soup, apricots, etc.) The food cart will be replaced with shelving to receive donations. Please watch for posters and notices about this program, and make a place on your shopping list for a food shelf selection.

ADULT EDUCATION

The stories of Jesus' birth are capsules summaries of the Old Testament, serving as a bridge between God's saving work in Israel and the fullness of the good news in Jesus Christ. On January 4, we will hold the second of two sessions studying the nativity stories, based on essays by the biblical scholar Father Raymond E. Brown, which in turn were based on his magisterial commentary, *The Birth of the Messiah*.

On January 11, we begin a new series on the Book of Revelation. Revelation was written to make known the gracious power of God, who stands over the forces of sin and evil that seek to dominate our world. Our study will be based on a seven part video series by Dr. Craig Koester, Professor of New Testament at Luther Seminary. Dr. Koester's book *Revelation and the End of All Things* will be a supplementary reference.

The tentative schedule for January is:

- Jan 4, 10am:** The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:22-40)
- Jan 4, 10:30 am:** The Finding of the Boy Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:41-52)
- Jan 11:** The End Times: A History of the Apocalyptic View
- Jan 18:** *Annual Church Meeting*
- Jan 25:** Christ and the Churches: Rev. 1 – 3
- Feb 1:** The Scroll Unsealed: Rev. 4 – 7.

Our meetings are held in the Parlor from 10:00 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

The **St. John in the Wilderness Adult Education and Formation web site** www.StJohnAdultEd.Org has information on past, present and upcoming series and the latest schedule. If you ever want to review the overhead transparencies or PowerPoint slides of a presentation, you can simply download them from the web site.

Anyone with any comments, questions or suggestions, or who is interested in joining the Adult Education and Formation Committee, please feel free to talk with me or drop me a note, David Monyak, d.monyak@comcast.net. The committee meets the third Sunday of each month after the late service.



DOLLARS & CHURCH

As I write this I find it hard to believe that 2003 is coming to a close and that this article is actually for the first issue of the ***Voice*** of 2004. Even harder to believe is that this will be the third year of my term as your treasurer.

We have received our 2004 Apportionment for the Common Good (ACG) pledge form from the diocese. I am pleased to report that for the first time in my tenure as treasurer we have returned our pledge form committing to the formula amount and not requesting a reduction. This was helped by the new formula that we are transitioning to. For 2004 this change resulted in a \$6,000 reduction in our ACG amount. By 2005 with full implementation

of the new formula this will result in an additional \$6,000 reduction for our church. In addition to the reduced payout, you should also be aware of some of the direct support we receive from the diocese. Our welcoming and evangelism committee received a grant this past summer to help support some of our activities such as the presence at Market Fest. More recently, we have colorful new banners to welcome visitors to our building. These were paid for by the diocese.

By the time you read this our vestry will be deliberating over the 2004 budget. We will bring a balanced budget to you at the annual meeting in January. At this time we are hoping that 2004 pledges will approach \$285,000. While this is a welcome turnaround from 2002 and 2003, it is barely higher than our 2001 amount. Allow me to remind you of what I think our goals need to be by repeating a paragraph from last year's annual report:

"I do believe our financial position is healthy and ready for a period of sustained growth with the calling of our new rector this year. We have been hovering at an annual budget level between \$300,000 and \$350,000 since 1998. To support the infrastructure and programs in place along with an assistant to the new rector, we will need to step it up to a range between \$400,000 and \$500,000 in the next few years. I am confident that we can accomplish this with your support and the leadership of our new rector."

We won't get there without adding new members to our congregation. As Father Mark says, invite someone to church next week!

Through the end of November we are still in line with our budget:

	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget
Total income	\$277,300	\$290,900
Total expense	<u>297,900</u>	<u>311,100</u>
Income - expense	(\$ 20,600)	(\$ 20,200)

Having begun 2003 with a general fund surplus of \$28,500, we still expect to end up 2003 with a small general fund surplus balance. We achieve this not only with the generous donations of money from this congregation, but also with the countless hours

of talent donated by our members that keep everything running so smoothly.

The Finance Committee is still always looking for additional volunteers. If any of you have an interest in joining the finance committee to contribute your talents and learn more about our parish finances, please let me know. Even if you do not want to serve on our committee, your input is welcome. If you have questions about our finances or suggestions as to items we should be communicating to you about, please let me know. You can ask me after Sunday services, drop a note in the Treasurer mailbox outside the office or send me e-mail at Lmahoney@mucr.com.

Larry Mahoney

LESSER FEASTS AND FASTS

St. Antony, Abbot in Egypt, 356 A.D.

Feast Day January 17

In the third century, many young men turned away from the corrupt and decadent society of the time, and went to live in deserts or mountains, in solitude, fasting, and prayer. Antony of Egypt was an outstanding example of this movement, but he was not merely a recluse. He was a founder of monasticism, and wrote a rule for anchorites.

Antony's parents were Christians, and he grew up to be quiet, devout, and meditative. When his parents died, he and his younger sister were left to care for a sizable estate. Six months later, in church, he heard the reading about the rich young ruler whom Christ advised to sell all he had and give to the poor. Antony at once gave his land to the villagers, and sold most of his goods, giving the proceeds to the poor. Later, after meditating on Christ's bidding, "Do not be anxious about tomorrow," he sold what remained of his possessions, placed his sister in a "house of maidens," and became an anchorite (solitary ascetic).

Athanasius, who knew Antony personally, writes that he spent his days praying, reading, and doing manual labor. For a time, he was tormented by demons in various guises. He resisted, and the demons fled. Moving to the mountains across the Nile from his village, Antony dwelt alone for twenty years. In 305, he left his cave and founded a "monastery," a series of cells inhabited by ascetics living under his rule. Athanasius writes of such

colonies: "Their cells like tents were filled with singing, fasting, praying, and working that they might give alms, and having love and peace with one another."

Antony visited Alexandria, first in 321, to encourage those suffering martyrdom under the Emperor Maximinus; later, in 355, to combat the Arians by preaching, conversions, and the working of miracles. Most of his days were spent on the mountain with his disciple Macarius.

He willed a goat-skin tunic and a cloak to Athanasius, who said of him: "He was like a physician given by God to Egypt. For who met him grieving and did not go away rejoicing? Who came full of anger and was not turned to kindness? . . . What monk who had grown slack was not strengthened by coming to him? Who came troubled by doubts and failed to gain peace of mind?"

O God, by your Holy Spirit you enabled your servant Antony to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil: Give us grace, with pure hearts and minds, to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lesser Feasts and Fasts

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AGNES **Martyr at Rome, 304** **Feast Day January 21**

As a child of twelve years, Agnes suffered for her faith, in Rome, during the cruel persecution of the Emperor Diocletian. After rejecting blandishments

and withstanding threats and tortures by her executioner, she remained firm in refusal to offer worship to the heathen gods, and was burned at the stake — or, according to another early tradition, was beheaded with the sword. The early Fathers of the Church praised her courage and chastity, and remarked upon her name, which means "pure" in Greek and "lamb" in Latin. Pilgrims still visit Agnes' tomb and the catacomb surrounding it, beneath the basilica of her name on the Via Nomentana in Rome that Pope Honorius the First (625-638) built in her honor to replace an older shrine erected by the Emperor Constantine. On her feast day at the basilica, two lambs are blessed, whose wool is woven into a scarf called the pallium, with which the Pope invests archbishops. Pope Gregory the Great sent such a pallium in 601 to Augustine, the first Archbishop of Canterbury. A representation of the pall appears on the coat of arms of Archbishops of Canterbury to this day.

Almighty and everlasting God, you choose those whom the world deems powerless to put the powerful to shame: Grant us so to cherish the memory of your youthful martyr Agnes, that we may share her pure and steadfast faith in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

As this year begins, the Communications Committee is reflecting on all the changes that have transpired at St. John in the Wilderness over the past year. A year ago we were initiating the search process, maintaining the services and basically getting along. After scrambling to find a new warden late in the year, it was business as usual. Sherri Afryl and Dianne Del Giorno immediately stepped up to the challenges of leading the church.

Throughout the year each of them as a team has done so much more than either would have done individually. They participated in most committee meetings; they volunteered time and energy if there were gaps in committee leadership. Sherri hosted numerous gatherings to meet rector candidates. They found time to publish articles about our search process, they met every candidate for a meal, throughout all of this, they provided the

leadership that we needed. More importantly, by example, they made us all go the extra mile.

I don't know where Sherri and Dianne found so many hours in the day to perform their regular jobs and to work tirelessly for the church. St. John in the Wilderness is in an entirely different place one year later, and a large part of the credit for the change goes to the commitment and leadership of our two wardens.

Communications is about taking the time to say "Thank You". Your committee would like to thank them for the great gift they gave to St. John's. Without their leadership, we would not be the forward-looking parish that we are today.

REACHING OUT FOR KIDS – SMALL QUILTS

Kits for making small quilts that go to the Police, Fire and Rescue Squad are still put together on the first and third Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. The finished quilts ease the fears and tears of those in trauma situations. We are very grateful to the Ladies of the Lake Quilters who have been aiding us and have dubbed our project "Cops Quilts". More kits are needed for those who like to provide the finished product.

BIBLE READINGS

January 4

Jeremiah 31:7-14
Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a
 Matthew 2:1-12
 Psalm 84:1-8

January 11

Isaiah 42:1-9
Acts 10:34-38
 Luke 3:15-16, 21-22
 Psalm 89:20-29

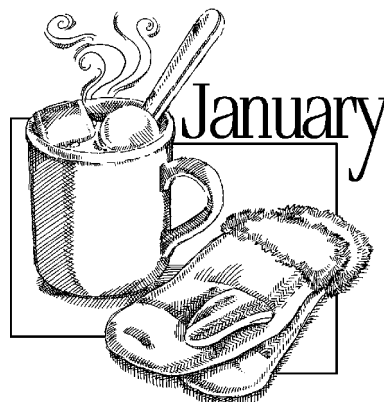
January 18

Isaiah 62:1-5
 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
 John 2:1-11
 Psalm 96

January 25

Nehemiah 8:2-10
1 Corinthians 12:12-27
 Luke 4:14-21
 Psalm 113

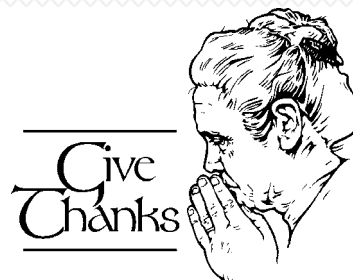
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BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Stephanie Allen
- 3 Judson Bemis, Jr.
Jackson Skeie
- 4 John Brunner
Helen Enlow
Bonnie Peck
- 5 Greg Cottle
David Gadbois
Carol Plocher
- 6 Bradford Carpenter
Joyce Jefferson
- 7 Deb O'Crowley
- 8 Susanne Wasson
- 9 Anne Johnson
- 10 Ashley Gildner
Kristen LeFevre
- 13 David Seitz
- 14 Maggie DeSmet
Karl Glander
- 15 Lucille Popp
- 16 Rachmat Kasmani
- 17 Kevin Kline
- 18 Andrew MacNally
- 22 Pauline Hannigan
- 25 Rich Johnson
- 27 Eric Eimon
Bill Pope
- 28 Geraldine Babcock
- 30 Betty Murphy
- 31 Ellen Anthony
James Johnston

If you have a birthday this month and you are not listed, please call the church office. We try to include everyone, but our records are not always complete. Thank you.





January 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Office Closed 	2	3
4 Epiphany 7:30/9:00/10:30 Holy Eucharist 	5 8pm AA & Alanon	6 7pm Vestry Meeting	7 6pm Children's Choir 6:15pm 1 st Year Confirmation 7pm Junior High Youth Group 7pm Chancel Choir	8	9	10 12pm Junior & Senior High Treasure Hunt 12:30pm Family Fellowship & Fun
11 1 Epiphany 7:30/9:00/10:30 Holy Eucharist 9am Acolyte Recognition 10am Christian Education 11am Youth Ministry Committee Mtg.	12 8pm AA & Alanon	13 7pm Altar Guild Mtg.	14 9:30am Line Dancing 10am St. Andrew's Communion 6pm Children's Choir 6:15pm 1 st Year Confirmation 7pm Junior High Youth Group 7pm Chancel Choir	15 Office Closed  9:30am Health East Care Center Communion	16	17
18 2 Epiphany 7:30/10:30 Holy Eucharist 9am Annual Meeting	19 8pm AA & Alanon	20	21 9:30am Line Dancing 1pm Quilting 6pm Children's Choir 6:15pm 1 st Year Confirmation 7pm Junior High Youth Group 7pm Chancel Choir	22	23	24
25 3 Epiphany 7:30/9:00/10:30 Holy Eucharist 10am Christian Education 6pm Sr. High Youth Group	26 8pm AA & Alanon	27 1:30pm Gifts & Memorials Cmte. Meeting	28 9:30am Line Dancing 6pm Children's Choir 6:15pm 1 st Year Confirmation 7pm Junior High Youth Group 7pm Chancel Choir	29	30	31

JANUARY ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Date	Lay Reader	Lector	L.E.M's	Acolytes	Ushers	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour
4	7:30 a.m. June Bennett 10:30 a.m. Cathryn Bashore	7:30 a.m. Bob Peck 9:00 a.m. Maureen Vruno 10:30 a.m. Wendy Muscanto	7:30 a.m. Jane Kyle 9:00 a.m. Kyle Domin Linda Monyak 10:30 a.m. Nate Watkins	9:00 a.m. C-Anne Moertel T-Elizabeth Moertel T-Stephen Moertel 10:30 a.m. C-Rachel Ford	9:00 a.m. Vicki, Bruce, Tiffany & Tyler Canterbury 10:30 a.m. Pat & Verne Pickering Bryan and Kelly DeSmet	Lynn Gadbois Judy Kroesch Bonnie Peck Elizabeth Uppgren	Sandy Stevenson Mary Bartley
11	7:30 a.m. Bob Peck 10:30 a.m. Jim Kroesch	7:30 a.m. Joe Afryl 9:00 a.m. Kim Severson 10:30 am Chris Johnson	7:30 a.m. Mary Whitney 9:00 a.m. Greg Schmit Barb Van Steen 10:30 a.m. Pris Campbell	9:00 a.m. C-Elizabeth Schmit T-Tyler Young T-Megan Ware 10:30 a.m. C-Jordan Warchol	9:00 a.m. Pam Burg Lynne Ware Nate Beske 10:30 a.m. Mark Hosfield Tom Medd Anne & Steve Johnson	Bette Smeed Nancy Brown Cindy Domin Mary Whitney	Joanna Torgerson
18 Annual Meeting	7:30 a.m. Cathryn Bashore 10:30 a.m. Dorothy Haas	7:30 a.m. June Bennett 10:30 a.m. Kate Johnson	7:30 a.m. Barbara Merrill 10:30 a.m. Jim Kroesch	10:30 a.m. C-Judy Kroesch	10:30 a.m. Alma Limbach Chris Hawley Therese & Chesley Branby	Jane Kyle Anne Johnson Pat Pickering Joann Smith	Roger & Joann Smith
25	7:30 a.m. June Bennett 10:30 a.m. Jan MacNally	7:30 a.m. Sherri Afryl 9:00 a.m. Jason Knauss 10:30 a.m. Josie Power	7:30 a.m. Jane Kyle 9:00 a.m. Susie Mahoney Ed Chilton 10:30 a.m. Nate Watkins	9:00 a.m. C-Megan Mahoney T-Julian Cox T-Shannon Warchol 10:30 a.m. C-Sarah Prochnow	9:00 a.m. Debbie & Greg Schmit Lisa & Christian Brock 10:30 a.m. Joann & Roger Smith Jaya & Gayle Kasmani	Deb Schmit Barb Anderson Barbara Merrill Gayle Kasmani	Alice Cox Jeanie Long

