

St. John's HERALD

*Through the grace of God we D.A.R.E. to Hear the Story,
Know the Story, Tell the Story, and Live the Story!*



JANUARY PRAYER

Each month we are asking that every gathering of St. John's people begin with the prayer below. Why not include the prayer in your personal devotions as well?

Let us pray:

Lord, we find ourselves in a place of new beginnings—for the New Year and at St. John's. Please be with us as we move forward as we are called to continue our faith journey together, moving forward faithfully in St. John's history and new beginnings. Be with us as we hear the story and know that story well so that we can go into our community and world to tell and live that story. We pray that You continue to use our hands to do Your good work, reminding us to celebrate the glory of God and doing our best to answer God's call to bring peace and justice to all His people. Let this New Year be filled with Your love and let that love radiate into all we do in Your name. Amen.

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8808 Harford Road
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Rev. David Asplin

Secretary:

Carol Erpenstein

Director of Music:

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Lisa Horst

Preschool Teacher's Aide:

Niki Thoeicht

Sexton:

Scott Becker

Pastor Emeritus:

The Rev. Richard Manning

Transition Updates



Council Appoints Call Committee

At its December 18th meeting, our Church Council appointed a seven member Call Committee. Beginning with over 65 potential names, these seven members of our congregation were asked, and they each immediately accepted this important responsibility. They are John Stevens, Shelby Haacke, Jennifer Brock, Jim Morrow, Kurtis Sommer, Kathleen Wiles, and Shirley Snyder, Chairperson. The Council truly made the effort to pick members who represent a real cross-section of our whole congregation. They will begin working with Assistant to the Bishop, Pastor Ed Kay, in January on the process of calling a new pastor. Please keep them in your prayers.

Yours in Christ, Tony Jasinski, Council President

As promised, the Transition Team finished its work during our sixth and last meeting on December 4th. We reviewed and used all the input received from the Congregation by way of the NCD Survey, two Town Hall meetings and numerous one-on-one conversations, along with our own interpretation of the demographic data received from the Synod to prepare the ELCA's Ministry Site Profile. The rough draft of the Profile is being typed and then reviewed by Pastor Ed Kay (assistant to the Bishop) before review and final adoption by the Congregation Council. Once approved by the Council, the Ministry Site Profile will be used by the newly elected Call Committee as a guide to the selection of a permanent pastor for St. John's.

I believe I speak for all the members of the Transition Team when I say it has been an honor and a privilege to have been selected help discern God's plans and the wants and needs of St. John's during the first phase of the Call process.

Lee Smith, Transition Team Chair

A tentative timeline for the process is provided below. While the timeline is not set in stone, it does serve as a guide for what will happen and a relative time frame for the transition process.

Remember this is a tentative schedule. Things may move faster or slower. But always remember to **PRAY**

Month, Year	St. John's Leadership	People of St. John's	DE-MD Synod Bishop's Office
January 2015	Call Committee prepares for interview process	PRAY	PRAY
February 2015	Call Committee begins interviews	PRAY	PRAY
April 2015	Call Committee finishes interviews; recommends candidate to Council	PRAY	PRAY
May 2015	Council meets to call a congregational meeting and approve the compensation package	PRAY	PRAY
June 2015	PRAY	Meet and greet with primary pastoral candidate; call vote	Representation at the call vote
July/August 2015	New Pastor begins		

Worship and Music

CHANGING CHURCH: MISSION & LEADERSHIP IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Adult Forum: Sundays in January (Jan. 4, 11, 18 & 25)

Pastor David will lead the Adult Forum on the Sundays (9:30AM) in January. He will share some of what he has learned (from many teachers, leaders, mentors and pioneers) and lived in the last 15 or 20 years as we have become more and more aware that so much has changed in our world regarding faith, the Church and how to be Christ's people in this new age.

Jan. 4th: "From Christendom to a New Apostolic Age": The decline of the church in the 20th century leads us to grasp new ways of being the People of God, reclaiming the Gospel of Jesus and His Mission. We are no longer a primary institution in North America or Europe; but we have "a calling".

Jan 11th: "The Importance of Mission & Vision" A church that doesn't know where it is going will always get there. We cannot simply rely on "doing or being church" as we've always done it. A thriving congregation will be bound by its shared, life-changing experience of Jesus and a common commitment to a shared God-given Mission.

Jan. 18th: "A Teaming Culture: And the Centrality of TRUST" The true currency of the Church is not money, it is "Trust". "Teams" always need to pay attention to the care and nurture of each member of the team. No team should ever meet just "to get the job done". Mission Teams embody trust and have a vision for the mission.

Jan. 25th: "Family Ministry: Home is the Primary Place of Faith Formation". As (pastor) Rich Melheim says, "Parents have been, are and always will be the most important faith guides, mentors and teachers a kid will ever have." So let's move from the "drop-off mentality" to the life long journey of raising a child and nurturing him/her, sharing faith and values through the most influential force that there is: parents!

Wondering 'weather' or not there's church?

In case of bad weather or poor road conditions, the postponement of St. John's Sunday services or other congregational activities will be available on the church voicemail, (410) 665-1234, and also on our website, www.stjohnsparkville.org.

God Bless and Be Safe!

Ushers for January

8:15 a.m.

Jim Morrow, Larry Conley, Chris Johnson, Jeannette & Milt Dutcher

11:00 a.m.

Terri Meekins, Claire Miller, Terry Little, Beth Gray

January Donut Schedule

1/4, 1/11, 1/18

Ann Macabee

Barbara Mueller

Anne Shelley

1/25, 2/1, 2/8

Terry Little

Candi & Chad Votta

Linda & Randi Burkhardt



Worship and Music (continued)

First Holy Communion at St. John's Lutheran

These young members of our Congregation came with their families to receive their First Communion on Christmas Eve 2014:

Annie Bennett, Karli Cappucci, Johanna Gray, Gabrielle Gray, Sarah Flagle, Austin Flagle, James Johnson, and Ava Mueller

Let us pray that being regularly fed with the Bread of Life in Holy Communion and in their shared faith journeys at home they will continue to grow as Disciples of Jesus Christ. And let us as a congregation continue to love and support them as we do all our children and youth.



Baptismal Anniversaries— January

- 1/5 Taylor Kraus
Colin Miller
Giavanna Tilton
Kayla Tilton
- 1/10 Katherine Barnes
- 1/15 Riley Baker
- 1/18 Nathan Perzan
- 1/19 Evan Snapp
- 1/21 Brynlee Stinchcomb
- 1/25 Amanda Bender
- 1/26 Bennett Kamp



New Comers Orientation

Feb. 15 or 22, 9:30AM

St. John's Parlor, 3rd Floor Front Lobby

Are you new to St. John's? Have you been visiting worship here and wonder what you must do in order to become more involved? Do you have questions about your faith life, or St. John's? Are you interested in becoming a member of St. John's?

If any of these questions apply, please come to a "Newcomers' Orientation" on either Sunday, February 15th or Feb 22nd in the Parlor (on the 3rd floor just off the main front lobby) at 9:30AM. Pastor David and other St. John's leaders look forward to meeting you and talking about our shared life of faith here at St. John's.

These are two identical sessions; just choose the one the best fits your schedule. Please call Pastor David at 410-665-1234 if you have questions about this process.

Congregation Council News

The church Council met on Thursday, November 20th, to discuss congregational needs and ministry team reports. The meeting began with prayer and the approval of the October 2014 Council meeting minutes.

Pastor David Asplin was present and led the Council in the evening's devotions.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Asplin's report was received and filed.

Executive Committee Report:

The report of the Executive Committee was received and filed.

Treasurer's Report:

The report of the Treasurer was received and filed.

Ministry Team Reports:

Reports were received and filed from the **Property Committee and the Preschool.**

1. The Property chairman reported that all the carpets on the second and third floors, with the exception of the church carpet, will be cleaned on December 5 and 6, 2014.

Unfinished Business:

1. Charles Bender, Personnel chairman, presented information he had obtained concerning using a private company to handle our background checks for those who work with children at St. John's. After discussion, it was motioned and approved to sign a contract with "Protect My Ministry, Package #2" at a yearly cost of \$200.00 to do background checks for St. John's. We will require all volunteers who work with children and youth to be background checked on a yearly basis.
2. It was motioned and approved to approve and submit the proposed 2015 budget to the congregation for their approval at the December 7th Congregational Meeting.

New Business:

1. The organ in the balcony is in need of repair. It was motioned and approved that David M. Storey, Inc., be hired to perform repairs to the pipe organ at St. John's for the sum of \$7,695.00 in accordance with their proposal dated 9/19/14 with the working beginning in January 2015.
2. The question was raised as to whether or not the family of a deceased person could designate the money given to the memorial fund in memory of the deceased to another fund, such as the building fund, for example. The matter was referred to the Executive Committee for study.
3. Each Councilperson submitted a written list of names of possible members for the Call Committee. The Executive Committee will choose names from the lists for the Call Committee and submit the proposed list to the Council for their approval.
4. It was motioned and approved that a new AL Anon group be permitted to meet in the Smith Building on Sunday afternoons.

There being no further business to come before the Church Council, a **motion was made and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.** This motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. with all present praying the Lord's Prayer.

Congregation Council News

2015 Congregational Council Members

Tony Jasinski, President
 Lee Smith, Vice President
 Chris Hills, Treasurer
 Cindy Weeks, Financial Secretary
 Sue Addison
 Charlie Bender



David R. Evans
 Lee Kreiger
 Donna McDonough
 Scott Miller
 Bonnie Spellman
 Kathleen Wiles

Fall Congregational Meeting

The Fall Congregational Meeting was called to order by the Church Council President, Tony Jasinski, at 11:30 a.m.

It was established that there were 74 people in attendance and, therefore, a quorum was present.

Pastor Asplin offered prayer.

The President introduced the members of the 2014 Church Council and thanked them for their service to the Congregation. A special "thank you" was expressed to Keith Duerling, Lee Smith, Shirley Snyder, and Bonnie Spellman who are completing their terms on the Council.

The nominees to fill three-year terms on the Council were introduced. They are Donna McDonough, Lee Smith, Bonnie Spellman and Kathleen Wiles. Mr. Jasinski asked if there were any additional nominees from the floor. Hearing none, a motion was made, seconded, and approved that the nominations be closed.

It was then motioned and approved that Donna McDonough, Lee Smith, Bonnie Spellman and Kathleen Wiles be elected to the 2015 Church Council for three year terms.

Lee Smith, Chairperson of the Finance team, presented the 2015 Budget, which was approved by the Church Council, to the congregation. He highlighted several of the line items in the Budget and made mention of the fact that for the first time in many years, the Budget, as presented, was a balanced Budget. The proposed total 2015 Budget was reduced over the 2014 Budget by \$64,364.00.

It was motioned and approved that the 2015 Budget be approved as presented.

The President introduced the members of the transition team, Lee Smith, chairman, Dave Ermer, Donna McDonough, Amanda Rash, Bonnie Rogers and John Stevens, and thanked them for their work developing the profile that will be used by the Call committee as they search for a new Pastor. Their work on the profile is just about completed.

Mr. Jasinski made the following announcements:

1. He thanked Laurie Krieger and the Hospitality committee for organizing the Pot Luck luncheon which will follow the meeting.
2. The Youth were thanked for the excellent job they did conducting the Worship Service this morning.
3. He also thanked Pastor Asplin for his service to the congregation during this interim period.

Congregation Council News (continued)

Shirley Snyder announced that there are still 125th Anniversary memorabilia items available for sale and that they would make wonderful Christmas gifts.

There being no further business to come before the congregation, a **motion was made and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Pastor Asplin offered prayer.

Did You Know?

Council meeting minutes will be posted on the bulletin board directly outside of the church sanctuary. Make sure to check them out!

Congregational Care

Please remember these individuals in your prayers:

For health and healing: *Carmen DeMarino, Alice Teel, Gladys Downs, Lee Krieger, Joan Swank, Tom McDonough, Anne Blackburn Suznick, Joan Kraft, Midge Schaaake, Linda Watts, Mark Vaught, Terri Murray, Lou Gerber, Clara Westphal, John McLaughlin, Carolyn Robey, Brenda Hedges, Shirley Watkins, Pat Becker, Sheena Bittner, Mill Baxter*



For family and friends: *Norma Weber, Fred Turkin, Ernest Schuman, Colleen Perzan, Estelle Nelsom, Sam Smith, Julianna Markel, Stephen Schaefer, Ann Christensen, Richard Chenoweth, Danielle Woolery & Fam., David Kaplan, Rebecca Hoffman, Joe Janovec, John Kucharski, Jr., John Schulze, John Beilat, Charles Stroup*

For the military and their families: *Warren Preston, Lt. Christopher H. Hall, Maria Burgos, Brian Hedges, Chaplain Chris Frigm ... and all those in harm's way.*

For those grieving—families and friends of *Dick Weger, Earl Swartzendruber, Eugene Pietra, Sr., Martha Leeper*

For our homebound parishioners: *Richard & Alma Arnold, Murhl & Evelyn Bauer, Mil Baxter, Alice Belth, Agatha Biensach-Daniels, George Cooper, Mary Curnoles, Carmen & Norma DeMarino, Lucille Dembeck, Ruth Derrickson, Georgia Franz, Ellie Fry, Mabel Gehring, Betty Glassband, Henry & Bernice Graf, Paul Huber, Paul Insley, Stew Jung, Eddie Kempske, Mildred Kempske, Bunny Kucharski, John Lotterer, Evelyn McGuire, Jerry Mead, Margaret Middleton, Eurith Morris, Edie Petr, Roland & Virginia Randall, Nancy Ritz, Carolyn Robey, Ruby Schaum, Elaine Schlicht, Bill & Midge Schaaake, Mary Sigmon, Charles & Dot Stairs, Gerry Stipek, Edna Stratmeyer, Cass Tracey, Helen Trainor, Elaine Turek, Emma Volz, Clara Westphal, Helen Wheeler, Phyllis Williams, John Winebrenner, Fran Wolinski*

Congregational Care (continued)

How do I add someone to our congregation's prayer list?

Write their name and information on the "Sunday Secretary" sheet in the narthex/lobby adjacent to the back doors of the Sanctuary

OR Email the church office at office@stjohnsparkville.org

Please note: Names on the "family and friends" and "those grieving" lists are removed after six weeks unless you update the pastor or the church office. You may always request that someone's name be added if special prayers are needed. Please be sure to get permission from your family/friends to add their names. Remember that not everyone is comfortable sharing prayer concerns publicly. Thank you!

January Congregational Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries



Birthdays:

1/1 Jana Leonard
Nicholas Schwab
1/2 Robert Berner
1/3 Eleanor Fry
Patricia Murawski
Barbara Pholman
1/4 Katherine Baile
Christina Buckless
Hannah Houston
Christopher Rother
1/5 Henry Ermer
Douglas Weeks
1/6 Mabel Gehring
Stewart Jung
Ruth Meyers
Leah Miller
1/7 Philip Ermer
1/8 Helen Lenz
Scott Shindel
1/9 Andrew Klinedinst
Mary Jo Rother
1/10 Olivia Calise
Timothy Dunn
Margaret Middleton
1/11 Scott Dougherty
1/13 Linda Watts

1/14 Nicholas Billman
Sharon Carletti
Paul Huber
Christian Wood
1/15 Katherine Davidson

Earl Hedges
1/16 Carmen DeMarino
1/18 Scott Miller
Janine Stevens
1/19 Michael Flagle
1/20 Ed Ford
Dorothy Smith
Happy 95th!
Arthur Pulket
Happy 85th!
Vernon Reid
1/22 Dennis Buckless
1/23 Sheila Bender
1/24 Rachel Hills
Keri Magness
Barbara Wright
1/25 Deborah Miller
Paige Morgan
Kevin Platt
1/26 William Carroll
Ryan Haacke
Raymond Miller
1/27 Meghan McGhin-Cloman
Nicole Testudine
1/28 Yoon Mee Chong
Linda Houston
Jerome Mead

Gina McCall
Linda Wiley
1/31 Stephanie Fitch
David Fitch, Sr.
Tammy Heyl



Wedding Anniversaries:

1/5 Victoria & Jeffrey Ring
1/8 Maureen & David
Vogtman
1/12 Janet & Franklin
Curnoles
1/23 Elaine & Vernon Reid

Did we miss your celebration?

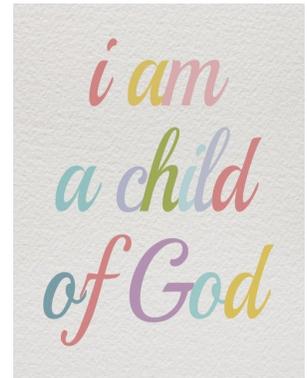
If so, please notify the church office at 410-665-1234 or office@stjohnsparkville.org. We appreciate your assistance! Many blessings!

Christian Education

Sunday School News

During October and November, children in the Sunday School classes collected 76 canned goods, which were donated to the food pantry that the church supports. Thank you for your generosity!

During January, Sunday School students in the nursery through grade 5 will be learning about Jesus as a boy in the temple; the baptism and temptation of Jesus; and how Jesus called the first disciples. Make sure you ask them to tell you about these Bible events.



Children & Youth: Signs of a Healthy Church! *By Pastor David Asplin*

Perhaps my greatest and most long lasting impression about St. John's from the last several weeks is all about the significant presence of children and youth and their families at St. John's. I want to tell you not to take this for granted! Here is one of the great and important building blocks of a thriving congregation.

On December 7th, there were 16 high-school age teens and 9 middle school youth actively participating in our Youth Service. Besides that I have been spending time with 8 younger children and their parents in preparation for their first Holy Communion that occurred on Christmas Eve. But also I want to mention the 14 children in our Children's Choir, the 9 children in the Tweens Handbell Choir and that there are two youth singing in our Adult Choir. This is without even recounting the number of children registered in our Sunday School: over 80; or the 50 young ones in our Preschool. I am especially impressed to see so many high school youth active in Youth Ministry here, especially in mission trips. For a congregation this size, this is extraordinary!

About 15 years ago I was struck by a *Time Magazine* survey of adolescents that showed that one of the things kids want more of is more time with their parents. Of course, they may never say that out loud. At the same time in the 20 years between 1990 and 2010, attendance in Sunday School across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is down 60%. The same trend is found in most all denominations. It is not news to anyone that our culture no longer respects Sundays as a time dedicated only to Church and Sunday School.

While that change is hard to swallow –especially for those who remember the days of confirmation classes of 40 or 50 teens; and Sunday School picnics that required 7 buses to get all the children there – we are rediscovering the centrality of parents and what happens in the home. You have and you will in future hear me stress the very significant role PARENTS play in the faith formation of their children. Even if children and youth were here every week for two hours, that still leaves 166 hours in the rest of the week. Parents do have the greatest influence on their children, so we as the Church need to support parents in their God-given role as coaches, teachers, nurturers, and faith-sharers. God knew as far back as the Book of Deuteronomy in the Old Testament that parents were the most significant ones in the lives of their children. The fact that kids are here at St. John's even some of the time is a sign that parents, grandparents, and families have the best interests of their kids at heart. It is a sign of a healthy church in a time when the world conspires against us. Let us love and value our children and youth at St. John's while we support and nurture their parents in their vital role.

Congregational Life



To The Altar Guild Team:

Thank you so much for the wonderful Christmas gift. Your generosity is so greatly appreciated. I couldn't ask for a better group of people to work with. I have many blessing in my life, but working here with all of you is certainly one of them. Have a blessed Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Carol Erpenstein

To My St. John's Family:

Thank you all so much for the wonderful treats that are given to me over the holidays. I am so grateful to work with such sweet and caring people. Many blessings are wished for you this holiday season.

Carol Erpenstein

To Our Dear Friends at St. John's

Linda and I want to thank so many of you who have welcomed us to St. John's in these past months; and we want to say a special thanks to the many of you who have sent us Christmas cards, and cookies, a cake and chocolates, and a wreath and gift cards and a check (from the Altar Guild). I've only been here since September, so it seems extraordinarily thoughtful of you all to remember us at Christmas time in this way. We pray that you all have been blessed by the profound purposes of Christmas; and we look forward to serving Jesus with you for months yet to come.

In Christ's service, Pastor David & Linda

**LUTHERAN
MEN IN MISSION**

Building men for Christ

The Men in Mission meetings will resume in the New Year on Tuesday, January 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the youth room. We are continuing with our Bible studies and our planning to help out at Church and in the community where we can.

In December we provided a grocery store gift card for a needed local family, helped another family pay for Christmas presents for their children, delivered used clothing to the Baltimore Rescue Mission, and provided new underwear to the Mission.

Our next Men's Breakfast get-together will take place on Saturday, January 3rd at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We have also been invited to breakfast by some of the ladies of St. Johns on Valentine's Day, February 14th.

We are saddened by the loss of our brother Dick Weger and extend our sympathies to his wife Beverly and their family. We will miss him!

Peace be with you! Keith Duerling

Congregational Life (continued)



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

Lutheran Disaster Response-EBOLA

taken from www.elca.org

In the last several months, the Ebola outbreak has claimed thousands of lives. The virus has spread rapidly and the World Health Organization is now calling it "one of the world's most lethal diseases." Ebola has spread to multiple countries, the hardest hit being Liberia, Sierra Leone and Guinea. In addition to health care, one of the most urgent needs is food. As people in affected areas are quarantined to their homes, towns are being shut down and people are not able to work, harvest crops or purchase food. Food shipments have stopped because people fear contracting the virus.

You can help. **Your gifts to the Ebola Outbreak Response will be used - 100 percent - to assist those impacted by this crisis.** Our partners and companion churches have requested our help in responding to the outbreak with food distributions, shipment of personal protective equipment, training health workers, outreach through education about prevention, and construction of an isolation unit at Phebe Hospital and School of Nursing in Liberia.

The ELCA and its predecessor church have walked with the people of Liberia for more than 150 years. Our long-standing relationship with our companions in Liberia and Sierra Leone provides a strong foundation to respond holistically to the needs of those who are suffering and living with the threat of Ebola.

Donate today at www.ELCA.org/disaster.
For more information about Ebola, go to the United States Centers for Disease Control (CDC) at
<http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/index.html>.

The Clare and Robert Moore Scholarship Fund awards a yearly \$1,000 scholarship to an incoming first-year student or to a current Notre Dame of Maryland University student who is interested in or currently majoring in English. The scholarship can be applied to tuition, room and board, books, or educational fees.

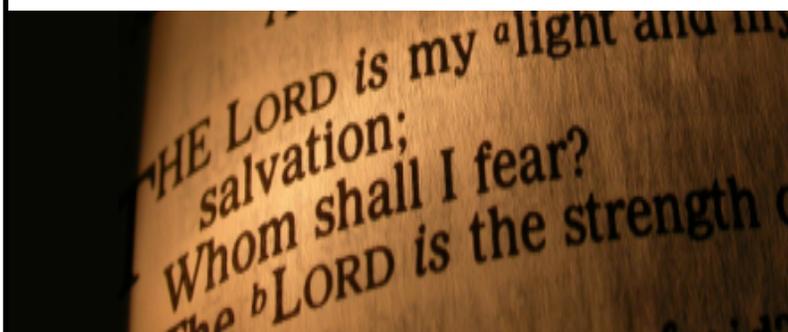
The tri-fold Scholarship brochure (attached) provides additional detail. An online application and full details may be referenced on the scholarship website: <http://crmoorescholarship.org>. Applications are due April 15, 2015. Send questions to the Scholarship Committee via email at appinfo@crmoorescholarship.org.



**Delaware
Maryland SYNOD**
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

Nominations Open!

At Synod Assembly this May, we will be electing several members of the Synod Council, new members to the Consultation and Discipline Committees, a new Synod Vice President, and voting members for the 2016 Churchwide Assembly in New Orleans. If you are interested in serving in any of these roles or would like to nominate someone you trust, please contact Pastor Dave Albertson at pda@livinggracelc.com.



Congregational Life (continued)



Souper Bowl of Caring

Sunday, February 1, 2015

Sponsored by St. John's Youth Ministry

MORE THAN 20 YEARS AGO, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

*"Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game,
help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat."*

Since that day, more than \$90 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. Through this mission, young people make a positive difference in the world – as they collect food, raise money, and volunteer to work in charities that provide shelter to the homeless, food to the hungry and compassion to those in need.

★ Please help us share God's love with those in need . . .

Bring a can of food to church on February 1st to help stock our local food pantries at Victor's Vittles and St. Peter's.

★ We will also be collecting a free will offering after both services on Super Bowl Sunday for donation to Victor's Vittles and St. Peter's food pantries and ELCA World Hunger.

Soup pots will be placed outside the Sanctuary for donations.

VOTE FOR YOUR TEAM & FEED THE HUNGRY!!

Thank you for your generosity and support,

St. John's Youth Ministry



Congregational Life (continued)



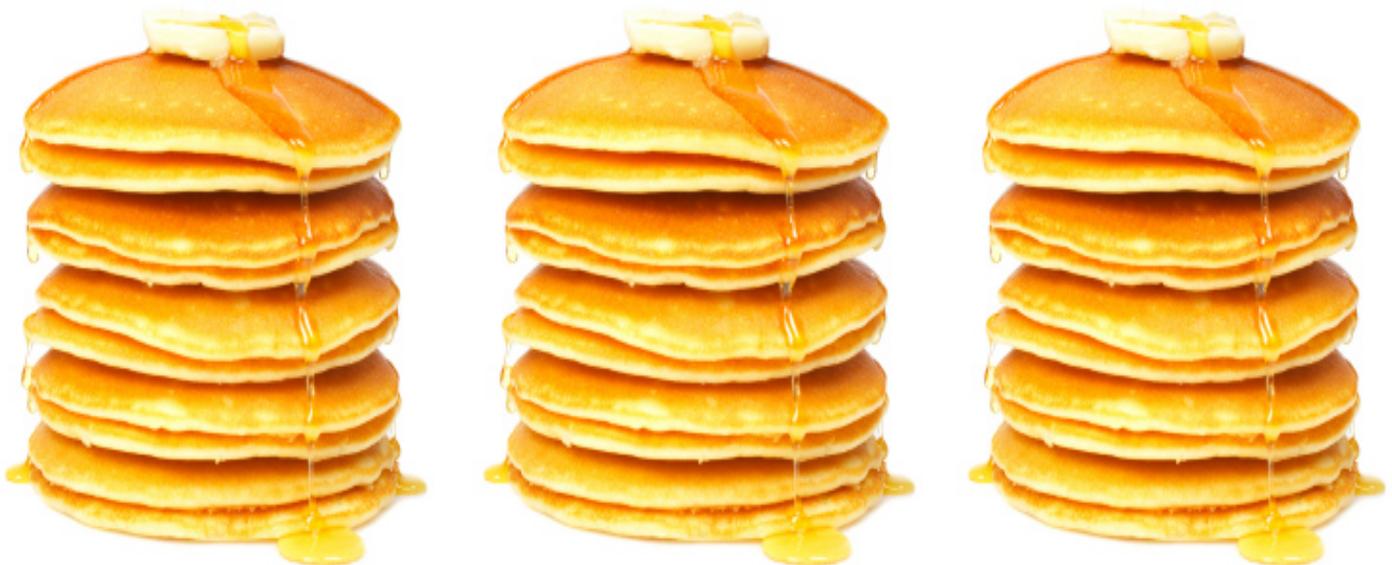
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17th

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

St. John's Fellowship Hall

Hope you can come!

Sponsored by the Youth Group



January 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Blessed New Year! <i>(office closed)</i>	2	3 9am Men In Mission Breakfast FH 10-3:30 Confirmation FH, YR, MR
4 Epiphany! 8:15 & 11 Worship 9:30 SS/AF/YF 9:45 Handbells MR 6	5 10:00 Bible Study SB	6 10a Pastors Meeting SB 7:00 Men in Mission YR	7 9:30-1:30 Busy Bees SB 12 Young at Heart 6-9:00 pm Choirs MR 6:30p Bible Study SB	8 10-12 Bible Study SB 7:00 Exec Mtg MR	9 Youth Quake	10 Youth Quake
11 8:15 & 11 Worship 9:30 SS/AF/YF 9:45 Handbells MR 12:30 Lunch Bunch Youth Quake	12 10:00 Bible Study SB	13 7:00p Trinity Circle SB 7:00 Men in Mission YR	14 9:30-1:30 Busy Bees SB 6-9:00 pm Choirs (MR) 6:30p Bible Study SB 7:00 Stewardship CE	15 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE 7:00 Council SB	16	17
18 Healing Sunday 8:15 & 11 Worship w/Healing Prayer 9:30 SS/AF/YF 9:45 Handbells MR	19 MLK, Jr. Holiday <i>(office /preschool closed)</i>	20 12:00 Ascension Cir SB 7:00 Men in Mission YR 7:00 Altar Guild SB	21 9:30-1:30 Busy Bees SB 12:00 Wed Lunch Bunch 6-9:00 pm Choirs MR 6:00 Tech Mtg-Tech Ofc 6:30p Bible Study SB	22	23 Road Trip	24 Road Trip
25 8:15 & 11 Worship 9:30 SS/AF/YF 9:45 Handbells MR Road Trip	26 10:00 Bible Study SB	27 7:00 Men in Mission YR	28 9:30-1:30 Busy Bees SB 6-9:00 pm Choirs MR 6 6:30p Bible Study SB	29 10-12 Bible Study SB	30	31

- CE Christian Ed. Room
- CR Confirmation Room
- FH Fellowship Hall
- K Kitchen
- SB Smith Building
- TO Tech Office
- YR Youth Room
- MR Music Room
- P Parlor
- PS Preschool Room
- S Sanctuary

Worship Leaders Schedules--January 2015

DATE	TIME	LECTOR	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	CRUCIFIER	ACOLYTE
January 4	8:15 A.M.	Milt Dutcher	Milt Dutcher Wilma White	Kyle Cappucci	Andrea Nufea
	11:00 A.M.	Bob Hastings	Bob Hastings Rachel Hills	Corinne Brock	Joshua Hills Matthew Miller
January 11	8:15 A.M.	Jim Morrow	Jim Morrow Karen Ermer	Abbie Coffman	Carly Coffman
	11:00A.M.	Laurie Krieger	Laurie Krieger Sharon Carletti	Ethan Sommer	Katie Neal Jennifer Holland
January 18	8:15 A.M.	Bob Berner	Bob Berner Barb Berner	Autumn Winterling	John Meyers
	11:00A.M.	Bonnie Spellman	Bonnie Spellman Sue Addison	Matt Scheindlinger	Hannah Houston Nate Grisez
January 25	8:15 A.M.	Keith Duerling	Keith Duerling Lisa Duerling	Mara Wolfe	Brandon Crites
	11:00 A.M.	Claire Miller	Claire Miller Shirley Snyder	Ryan Cummings	Hayden Evans Emma Nicholson

Notes

Lectors and Communion Assistants: If you cannot serve on your designated date, contact Sheila Bender, Lector/Communion Assistant Coordinator, at 410-592-3084. The church office will send out your reading. If you have not received your reading by the Wednesday before you are scheduled, please call the church office at 410-665-1234 or send an email to the church office at office@stjohnsparkville.org. The schedule is posted monthly on the bulletin board in the Vestry where you robe.

*Communion Assistants who did not lector- It is requested that **you** commune the Pastor and the Assisting Minister at the conclusion of communion. Also, please fill the communion cups up at least 2/3 filled.

Acolytes: If you are unable to keep your scheduled time, please use the Acolyte List to find a replacement. Contact Rachel Hills at 410-592-3587 with any schedule changes as soon as possible.

Assisting Ministers Schedule

Early Service (8:15)	Month	Late Service (11:00)
Bob Berner	January	Donna McDonough
Lee Smith	February	Bob Hastings
Jim Morrow	March	Tony Jasinski

Donna McDonough is now the Coordinator for Assisting Ministers and will be forwarding "prayers of the church" to the assisting ministers on a regular basis. If you would like to join the team of assisting ministers, please contact Donna.

Thanks Be to God!!!



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