

The Messenger

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The Reverend Margaret Sterchi, Rector
Annual Parish Meeting - Lent 2017

Annual Parish Meeting February 5th

The annual meeting for our parish will be held on Sunday, February 5, 2017 immediately following the 10:00 a.m. service. Even if you attend another service, please make every effort to attend this important meeting. This is where the work of the church begins and we need everyone to be there.

The agenda includes a review of the past year's events and ministries, the presentation of the 2017 budget, election of new Vestry members and other important information. Although this is Super Bowl Sunday, we always finish in plenty of time for folks to get home and enjoy the pre-parties as well as all the Super Bowl commercials.

We will open with nominations for our leadership positions, then have a great pot-luck lunch, we will then return to business for elections and reports. We need people to serve in leadership roles including Warden (2), Vestry (3 full terms, 2 unexpired terms), Convention Delegate (3) plus alternates, and Convocation Delegate (3) plus alternates. A packet can be found church pews in the church describing the Vestry position if you are interested and want to learn more. Convention Delegates attend the pre-Convention meeting if possible, plus the Annual Convention March 3rd & 4th, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency in Princeton, NJ. so prayerfully consider. Convocation is 2 meetings per year (in the spring and in the fall). Please advise Senior Warden Matt Torpey or Reverend Margaret if you are interested serving in any of these positions.

Nominations are still being sought. As of this writing nominees thus far are Mike Lutz (Sr. Warden), Pat Bosch (Jr. Warden), Barry McManaman (3 year term), Lou DeCecco (2 year term), Linda Ambler (1 year term), Bob Goodman (Delegate to Convention), Jason Komanchek, and Pat Bosch, (Delegate to Convocation).

During the meeting, there will be activities for the children on the lower level of the Parish Hall. The meeting should adjourn around 1:00 pm.

It's Pancake Supper Time

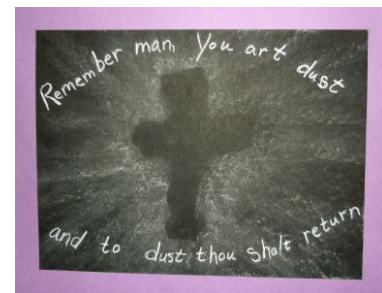
The annual Pancake Supper will held be on Tuesday, February 28th from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. Helpers are needed!!! Please consider coming in during the afternoon to help prepare the meal and help set up. Clean up folks are also needed. Come enjoy delicious pancakes and fellowship as we prepare to begin Lent. Suggested Donation is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

Souper Bowl Outreach

Sunday, February 5th is Super Bowl Sunday. At St. John's, it is also Souper Bowl Sunday. You will be able to vote for the Atlanta Falcons or the New England Patriots for just \$1.00! (Also, Saturday February 6th). Cheer on your favorite team and support our outreach as all proceeds go to help feed the homeless at St. Paul's in Camden.

Bring a can of soup too! Cans of soup will be passed on to SCUCS to warm a senior citizen's tummy on a cold night. Thank you for your support of our outreach ministries.

Ash Wednesday



March 1st Ash Wednesday Services will be held 7:30 am 11:30 am, and 7:30 pm. The evening service will include music. The morning services will be as short as possible for those needing to get to work.

IHOC Outreach

Gretchen Sweeten is collecting items for the IHOC shoe boxes. Razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, small shampoo, conditioner, and body soap, deodorant, shaving cream, small mouthwash, hair brushes, combs, floss, socks, underwear, feminine care items (small sizes), small toys, deck of cards, etc. to put in shoeboxes are needed. Put in the box at the back of the church or in the parish hall. Please remember everything must fit in a shoebox, shampoo, conditioner, etc. travel-sizes (no full-sized) are what is needed. Deadline is March 31.

Yoga Sundays

Yoga is available on Sunday evenings, followed by Zumba and then Tai-Chi. Class begins at 7:00 pm and runs until 9:30 pm. Be sure to bring water and wear comfortable clothes!

Lenten Program for 2017

This year we will have a repeat of the Lenten Program done a few years ago, on 'End of Life' issues. Each week one topic will be covered. We will meet following the 10:00 am service on Sunday Mornings. If possible, handouts will be made available in the parish hall for those who cannot attend.

March 5: Legal documents. A Surrogate representative will be with us to discuss the necessary documents that all adults should have, no matter your age.

March 12: Hospice: Shelby Myers will talk to us about Hospice, what it is and what it is not.

March 19: No Program

March 26: Funeral Planning. A representative from a local Funeral Home will talk to us about pre-planning your funeral to take the burden off your family.

April 2: Planning your service. The Rector will walk us through the funeral service and will have forms available to fill out and keep on file in the office, again to take the burden off your family.

As stated in the past, participating in this program and doing this work is the best gift you can ever give your family. At the time of your death, amid their shock and grief they will not be forced to make quick decisions. You will have already done that for them. This is open to anyone and everyone. Please invite your family, friends, and neighbors! We will meet from about 11:30 am until 12:30 pm with coffee and snacks provided.

Confession

This is one of those things we do offer in The Episcopal Church but few are aware. Lent is one of those times of year this is often done. The Rector is available for appointments for confession at any time.

Diocesan Convention

Diocesan Convention will take place the weekend of March 3rd & 4th in Princeton, NJ. The Convention begins with Eucharist at 10:00 am followed by a lunch break and then the business session in the afternoon. At the close of the business session we will go out for dinner as a delegation instead of attending the banquet. Saturday begins mid-morning and the convention usually ends about 2PM. You may either commute to the convention or stay the night in the hotel. The Parish will pick up your hotel tab if that is your choice as well as pay your registration for Convention. We usually go out for lunch on Friday instead of having the box lunch. Convention is interesting and there are exhibits that will allow you to see the ways in which the Diocese of NJ is a work in the world.

Wawa Shortie Coupons

Coupons for Wawa 'Shortie' hoagies are available from the office and from Mary Wonderlin 783-6805. Coupons are \$4.00 each and can be used to purchase any Wawa Shorti sandwich or be used towards the purchase of any larger sandwich. Proceeds benefit St. John's.

Stewardship Corner

by Linda Ambler — Stewardship Committee

Although we've already started the New Year, I'd like to go back to give a big thank you to Matt Torpey for another successful and delicious spaghetti dinner that was held the weekend before Thanksgiving. While Matt had several helpers throughout the day, including Steve DeBaun, Don Martel, and Dave Ambler, I'd like to give a special thanks to Kathy Horne who worked in the kitchen with Matt the entire day. While I may not have named everyone, who participated in this event, here's a thank you to all the good stewards that helped to put together this fund raiser for St. John's.

Stewardship is more than monetary contributions to St. John's; it is also a commitment to give of your time and talent to help support the functions of our Church home. We have several good stewards in our congregation who work tirelessly to support the many functions to keep our Church programs running. Saying that, our Annual Meeting will be held on February 5th when we will ask for volunteers to fill spots on the vestry, convention, and convocation delegates. Please give some thought as to how you can serve St. John's.

Understanding the many financial obligations, we all face, I would also like to mention that we are still falling behind in weekly contributions. Please consider increasing your donations just a little to help us meet our expenses.

Thank you for all that you do to support our Church home.

Parish Operating Fund:

Needed Weekly Income	\$ 3,300
Needed Year to Date Income	\$ 9,900
Received Year to Date Income	\$ 7,797
Weekly Capital Fund:	\$ 280
Total Project Costs:	\$ 25,000
Total Capital Campaign Fund Receive to Date	\$ 11,327



Bible, Books & Coffee Club
Next BBC Book Club, February 16
7:00 pm, Panera Bread, Voorhees

The BBC meets every month at Panera's in Voorhees (across from Target on White Horse Road), usually on the third Thursday of the month. It is a wonderful place to meet, get something to drink and/or something to eat, and talk about many things, including the book we are reading. Even if you have not read the book, it is still fun to come to talk because we seldom have a night in which we don't go down a few rabbit trails! So please join us! February 16 & March 16 will be our next gatherings. Watch for the next readings in the weekly service bulletins.

Please contact the parish office with any changes in address, phone number, or e-mail address.

St. Paul's Feeding the Hungry Outreach



Matt Torpey & Barry McManaman prepare turkey and ham to take to St. Paul's, Camden to feed the hungry. (Photo courtesy Bob Goodman)

We join St. Andrews to help feed hungry men, women, and children at St. Paul's whenever there is a month in which there are five (5) Sundays, we take the fourth Sunday of that month. We will next participate in this wonderful outreach April 23rd. If you have any toiletries that you picked up and realize you really don't need them, the homeless are in desperate need of them. Bring them to the parish hall and we will see to it they get into the hands of folks who will really appreciate them. If you are sorting your winter/ spring wardrobe, we can also take warmer clothes in April. Please wait until that weekend to bring them to the parish hall. Also, please use kitchen size bags as the stairs leading up to the parish hall at St. Paul's is very steep!

Plaudits to our Choir

Each year we celebrate the week of Christian Unity with an ecumenical service. The choirs of several churches to get together, sing some individual anthems and then sing a couple of joint anthems. There are scripture readings as well, but the focus is on the choirs and the music. The service took place January 19th at the Catholic Parish of the Holy Family in Runnemede. This is a wonderful fun service.

The choir did a fabulous job last night at the Ecumenical service for Christian unity. We are very grateful for our small but mighty choir of St. John's. Once again knocked it out of the park. The choirs from four parishes all sang individual anthems and then they sang a combined choir anthem. Always the smallest (although this year there was a youth praise band even smaller who also did a wonderful job) our choir sings with a rich, full sound. Great job and kudos to their fearless leader Dan Nelson. Thank you to Dave Ambler, Jude DeBaun, Chris Goodman, Louis Gross, Phyllis Sowers, and Judy Vaughan-Sterling, Jude DeBaun, for a wonderful, worshipful representation!

SCUCS

One of our major outreach efforts is donation of food for SCUCS, an organization in Camden County that provides food for senior citizens in the county. With the current economy, there are many seniors who go hungry every day. We provide reusable grocery bags with suggested items attached to the handle. Pick one up, purchase whatever items you choose, and return the bag the following week. Joyce Root will make sure the food gets to the proper location. They always send us a thank you and are most appreciative of our help. No matter the weather, our older folks all need to eat, so consider helping with this wonderful outreach opportunity.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

February 5:	Annual Parish Meeting following 10:00 am service
February 6:	ECW Morning meeting 10:00 am
February 7:	ECW Evening meeting 6:00 pm
February 20:	ECW District Meeting 10:30 am
February 21:	Vestry Meeting 7:00 pm
February 28:	Pancake Supper 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
March 1:	Ash Wednesday Services - 7:30 am, 11:30 am, & 7:30 pm
March 3-4:	Diocesan Convention (Princeton)
March 5:	Lenten Program, End of Life issues, begins – Legal Documents
March 6:	ECW Morning meeting, Irish Potato preparations! 10:00 am
March 7:	ECW Evening meeting 6:00 pm
March 12:	Lenten Program - Hospice
March 21:	Vestry 7:00 pm
March 26:	Lenten Program – Funeral Planning
April 2:	Lenten Program – Planning Your Service
April 4:	ECW Basket Auction- doors open 6:00 pm
April 9:	Palm Sunday
April 13:	Maundy Thursday
April 14:	Good Friday
April 15:	Easter Vigil
April 16:	Easter Sunday

Remember to mark your calendars

Parish Prayers for Joys and Concerns

Pray for those in Special Need

John Worsham, Eric Quintavalle, Abby Collins, Matthew Sterling, Bill Cox, Bill Peters, Jimmy Yang, Joan Shupp, Margie Schwartz, Theresa DeCicco, Nancy Hosey, Denise Stricker, Jeff Boggess, Jenny Yocum, Cynthia Yeh, Julian Yeh, Sean Santos, Steve Montgomery, Maria Grace, Anna Black, John Kuchler, Barney Snyder, Jean Perkins, Robert Brancati, Ann Roney, Harry Smith, Maria Velez, Jared Callen, Hadley Benfield, Phyllis Mancuso, Bill Rigney, William Mayer, Sr., Joseph Mancuso, Nicole Youngs, Kym Lundy McCalla, Nancy Klobnak, Lori Onorato, Danny Nelson, the Haughton Family, Ann Waller, Andrew, Gemma and Finn Hermann, Ralph Brancati, Joseph Reily, Joe Waller, Judy Gore, Stephanie, Lee Jones, Nick Giambri, Dot Lutz, Brad Siracuse, Lisa Green, Atwood Shupp, & James Wagner.

Pray for our Shut-In and Home-Bound

Kay Taylor, Betty Knipe, Dorothy Sabot, Anna Scalise, and Barbara Houghton.

Pray for those serving or entering the military, police, and fire departments

Samantha Sanders, Matthew Sanders, Adam Miller, Henry Yang, Amanda Collazzo, Frank Vanore Jr., Steven Barhmaier, Anthony Moss, Michael Truszkowski, Abbey Wilkins, Janet Prince, Ken Sweeten, Andy Misinkavitach, Nigel P. Shockley, Catherine Marie Wilson, Mike Millisky, and Derek Walton.



From the Rector's Desk

Dear Ones,

It is the end of January. The storm is blowing through, literally. No snow, just wet, cold wind, and rain. This time of the year is hard for many. The joy and anticipation of Thanksgiving and Christmas is over and we enter the still seemingly dark days of winter. It seems the world is dead, but we know that in reality, creation is simply resting, awaiting the annual resurrection of spring when suddenly one day the trees take on the pale green of new leaves; the daffodils and crocus will quickly open their buds while yellows, oranges, purples, and many other colors fill yards and flower beds; and the light begins to stretch later into the evening each day. But THIS time, this time of quiet, of sleeping, of death-like stillness is necessary for the spring to come. This is when the plants are resting and gaining energy.

On March 1st, we will begin our annual Lenten season. This is our time for stillness, for quiet, for re-energizing our faith as we quietly away the Resurrection celebration of Our Lord. It is later this year, thanks be to God. Accordingly, we have a bit more time in Epiphany to gain an epiphany as to what our Lenten time will look like. Just as we prepare our land for the quiet winter month, we need to prepare our lives for the quiet season of Lent. This is the time to check our libraries to see if there is that one book crying out to be read. This is the time to check our busy schedules to intentionally schedule time for quiet and stillness. This is the time to decide how the season of Lent might be used to increase our awareness of God's incredible love towards us. This is a time that with that awareness we cannot help but reach out to help those of our brothers and sisters who are in deep need: physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Finally, this is the time to realize just how little time we sit quietly with God, listening for God's gentle urgings toward new and exciting ministries. Because this is how we re-energize our faith and love of God.

We will gather on February 28 for a delicious and decadent meal of pancakes and syrup, sausage and bacon, fruit, and dessert. We will laugh and trade stories of our lives. We will hug and be glad we are in such a fun, inviting community of faith. Then the following day we will return to the church, in to receive our ashes and begin our individual journeys toward a closer relationship with God. What is that journey going to look like to you? What companions will you take on your journey? What ways will you nourish yourself and your soul? These questions, examined and answered now, will make your Lenten Journey so much more fruitful and powerful.

Lent is a favorite time of year for me. Some years I am better than other years at listening for God and creating an atmosphere for hearing God speak to me. My prayer is that all in the parish will take this year to be the one in which we all take the time for prayer, study, contemplation, and action. Take the time now to prepare,

and then let us become filled with the Spirit so we can change the world, one person at a time.

Reverent Margaret Kentigern+, AF

The Warden Speaks

By Mike Lutz

Welcome to the new year hope your family enjoyed the holidays now as we move into the new year there is much work to be done at st John's we have several projects to be worked on and hopefully completed this year. The church parking lot handicap access to the church and parish hall and the start of some attention and upgrading to the rectory my hope is that as we move through this year each of you would consider committing your talents and some time to allowing us the vestry improve our facilities for all who worship here. Be safe in your daily activities god bless you all.



Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour Hosts are needed for the fall and winter. A signup sheet is posted in the Parish Hall. Coffee Hour is the perfect venue welcoming our visitors and newcomers as well s getting to know each other better. Coffee Hour follows the late service and it is an important opportunity to meet and greet people. Keep this a success and join us for some refreshments and good fellowship. Also please consider finding a buddy and hosting a Coffee Hour. A signup sheet is posted in the Parish Hall.



Spotlight on our Youth:

Know Your Story, Tell It Boldly!!!

We challenged our children to read 11 Bible stories last fall and then tell them to an adult. Several children met the challenge and during the 10:00 am service Sunday, January 22nd, they were presented awards from Reverend Margaret.

Following the service, they were photographed in the Parish Hall in front of the 'You're your Story, Tell it Boldly' bulletin board. Information about the challenge and the group photo were sent to Bishop Stokes and the Diocese of NJ by Reverend Margaret.

We are very proud of these children for taking on and successfully completing the challenge. Well done!



Reverend Margaret with the "Know Your Stories, Tell Them Boldly" challenge children.
(Photo Courtesy Bob Goodman).



Pictured are some of the children of the read 11 Bible Stories challenge.
(Photo courtesy Bob Goodman)

Vestry meetings are held in the Parish Hall on the 4th Tuesday evening of each month 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Breakfast with Santa



The children anxiously awaiting the 'Jolly Red Elf' at Breakfast with Santa, December 10th.
(Photo Courtesy Stefanie DeKraft Torpey).

Another Wonderful Christmas Pageant

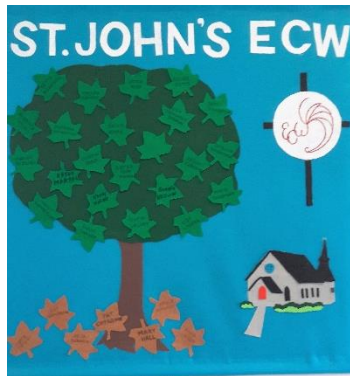
Once again, our children out did themselves with another spectacular Pageant Christmas Eve. Thank you, Susan Jones, the parents & Sunday School teachers who helped, and to all the children & adults who participated making this one of the best pageants ever.



"for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people".
(Photo courtesy Reverend Margaret)



Remember to bring your non-perishables to church and put them in the basket by the door.



Scenes from the annual ECW Cookie Exchange on Monday, December 5, 2016.



Soup Sale Success

Thank you for making our annual 'Soup Sale' the weekend of January 21st a success. We made \$551 on the soup sale.

Irish Potatoes Time!

We make the Irish potatoes on March 6, and they go on sale immediately.



Annual ECW Basket Auction



It's not too early to start thinking about the ECW Annual 'Basket Auction' which is scheduled for Tuesday, April 4th. Now is the time to ask businesses to donate to our annual basket auction. Who do you patronize? Will they donate to help St. John's? Letters for that

purpose are in the back of the church.

ECW Bake Sale

The next bake sale will be held the weekend of May 14th.

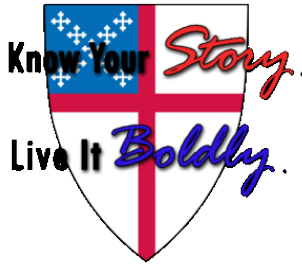


'Paint A Wine Glass'

We are considering having a "Paint Wine Glasses" event. We hope to determine a good date soon. Look in the weekly services bulletin for an announcement.



From the Diocese of New Jersey



The 233rd Convention of the Diocese of New Jersey will take place on March 3 & 4, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency, Princeton, NJ. The featured speaker will be Becca Stevens of 'Thistle Farms'.

17th Annual Diocesan Acolyte Festival

February 11th 9:30 am - 3:30 pm Trinity Cathedral, Trenton
Theme: The Saints of God

Is designed to offer the acolytes an opportunity for fellowship and learning in a day-long celebration of their ministry.

A Celebration of the Holy Eucharist – in the cathedral will close the day. Be sure to bring your vestments, processional crosses, thuribles, torches, banners, kites, or whatever else you use in a service. (Don't forget to bring stands if you have them.) Parents and other guests are invited to join us for the service, which will begin at 2:00 p.m.



2017 Special Workshops



Walking in the Footsteps of the Saints – For close to 2000 years, the saints of the Church have walked a path of faith, hand in hand with their loving Savior. The Labyrinth offers us as Christians a unique opportunity to take a closer walk with God through meditation and prayer. This workshop designed for adults and older acolytes will offer an introduction to the Labyrinth and give participants a chance to walk the sacred path.

Saint's Scavenger Hunt – If you found all the items on last year's scavenger hunt, don't worry – we're always on the lookout for more for you to find! This workshop provides Acolytes of all ages with a chance to learn about the cathedral and search for some very saintly figures hidden in the art and architecture of the Cathedral.

Taking the Next Step – Are you ready to take the next step? Learn the role of the server at the credence table and altar. Be part of this hands-on lesson in assisting the Celebrant at the Eucharist. Recommended for intermediate acolytes.

Annual Workshops

You're an Acolyte—Now What? – Offered each year, this basic course in processions, procedures, and teamwork, is highly recommended for younger acolytes and beginners of all ages.

Making a Joyful Noise –

For young people and adults who like to sing, this workshop will offer an opportunity to learn a piece of choral music that will be sung during the closing Eucharist. No experience is necessary, but, this workshop is not recommended for the very young who might have difficulty reading the words.



Artistic Flairs -This hands-on workshop gives participants a chance to explore the creative world of liturgical crafts. Recommended for acolytes of all ages.



Games and Practical Tips for Teambuilding – This workshop features lots of teambuilding games that will help your acolytes develop skills they need to work together effectively. Recommended for acolytes of all ages.

Adults Roundtable – Designed for acolyte masters, clergy, and other adults involved with acolytes, this workshop will provide an excellent forum for sharing ideas with other involved adults from across the diocese and discussing many aspects of ministry with Bishop Stokes.

The Cost of the festival is \$27 per person in advance (\$32 at the door). Lunch, morning refreshments, and an event t-shirt are included in the price. (Please make a note on your registration form if anyone in your group is on a restricted diet.)

The Registration form on line at the Diocese of NJ web site. Please mail the form and check to:

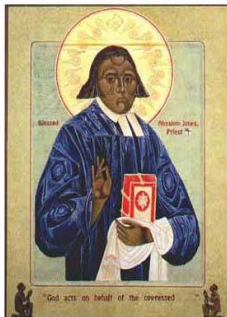
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For additional Information contact Fr. Mark Chattin at Holy Trinity in Collingswood by phone at (856) 858-0491 or via email at holytrinity1@verizon.net.

"Sundays at Four"

"Sundays at Four" is an ongoing concert series presented by St. Mary's in Haddon Heights. The February 12th offering, of "Opera and Valentine Treats" is a wonderful event for the whole family. Soprano, Teresa Bonilla, and an outstanding group of singers in the Church where they will perform several well-known operatic selections. We will then adjourn to the Parish Hall where everyone will enjoy a selection of their favorite Broadway show tunes while devouring a bountiful chocolate buffet. This is a wonderful pre-Valentine's Day's event to share with that special someone. If outstanding music & chocolate were not enough, this event is free!

Absalom Jones Service of Witness to Black Ministry
February 12 @ 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm



Celebrating
the
Life and Ministry of
The Reverend
Absalom Jones
The first African-
American ordained priest
in the Episcopal Church
1804

A service designed for all to
witness and share in the
spirit of
Absalom Jones
Sponsored by
The Black Clergy Caucus and
The Union of Black
Episcopalians,
Earl B. Scott Chapter

Con-Celebrants
Rev. Ryan Boyce
Rev. Lorraine Harris
Rev. Joseluis Memba
Rev. Ricardo Sheppard
Rev. Angelo Wildgoose

Join the Celebration!

The Annual
Absalom Jones
Service of Witness to Black
Ministry

An Afternoon Eucharist

Trinity Cathedral

Trenton, NJ

Sunday,

February 12, 2017

3:00 P.M.

*Clergy invited to vest -- white stoles
Acolytes invited to participate*

Welcoming

The Rev. Canon Dr. Brian Jemmott
Canon to the Ordinary/Transitions Officer
Preacher

Recognizing

St. Augustine's, Asbury Park
A Historical Black Church in the
Diocese of New Jersey

Honoring

The Rev. Dr. Francisco Pozo
The Rev. Robert Turner, Deacon

Presiding

The Rt. Rev. William (Chip) Stokes

*Reception follows in Synod Hall!
Contact the Venerable Lynn H. Johnson for information
609-396-1484*

'All' are invited to sing two anthems, "Walk Together Children" and "Jesus, You're the Center of My Joy".

Rehearsal is at 1:30 PM on February 12 at Trinity Cathedral To sing: RSVP to Canon Deborah Ford (609-392-3805 ext. 102) with voice part and participants' names. Please bring Choir Vestments if possible Please practice music ahead of time.

OUTREACH & FELLOWSHIP



Preparing Turkey Dinner for St. Paul's feed the hungry. (photo courtesy Coffee Hour! (Photos courtesy Bob Goodman).



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Deadline for the Easter Messenger

Wednesday, March 22, 2017

Items should be e-mailed to Robertgoodman1@comcast.net
(Please show The Messenger in the subject line).

Help Our Counters!

Those who count our donations and those who record them in the computer are volunteers from among the vestry and congregation. They spend time every week in making sure our deposit and the recording of donations is accurate. There are ways you can make their job easier and faster that will mean very little extra time for you. It may mean the counters will be able to come up and enjoy a bit of coffee hour however.

1. When preparing your envelope, please make sure you print information neatly and completely. Indicate what account you want your donation to go for. If you indicate other, please specify. Otherwise it will go into the general fund. Under your amount, please indicate if it is cash or check and put the check number down as well. If you don't do this, the counter must, which takes time when you are dealing with over 40 envelopes.
2. Remember that Operating Fund and Capital Fund are two (2) different accounts. We cannot tear your check in half, so please put in two separate checks, one for each account. Please put the check numbers on the envelope under the proper fund.
3. Flower and Oil money go into the Operating Fund. They are not memorial account donations. If you are donating in memory of someone who has died, please use a separate check. Shirley Mullen and Rev. Margaret handle this. Rev. Margaret will send you a letter acknowledging your donation for tax purposes. It does not get put into the computer.
4. If you miss a week or more you can use one envelope to "catch up". Enclosing multiple envelopes is not helpful. The donation is recorded on the date it is received, not the date on the envelope. It is fine to write one check for the entire amount for the same reason.
5. Unless you are enclosing coins or mailing in your envelope, it is not necessary to seal the envelope. The counters just must "unseal" the envelope, which takes more time. If you are compelled to seal it, please do so lightly!
6. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mary Wonderlin, Chris Goodman, Sarah Carter, or Craig Keisling.

If you are willing to be included as one of our counters, please contact Mary Wonderlin. We can always use another counter or two.

Weekly Schedule

Saturdays

5:00 p.m. Rite II Eucharist with Sermon

Sundays

8:00 a.m. Rite I Eucharist with Sermon

9:30 a.m. Church School

10:00 a.m. Rite II Family Eucharist with Sermon

Wednesdays

11:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist