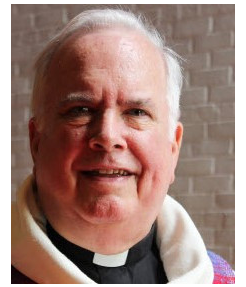




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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

by Fr. Tom Gehlsen

Wishing everyone rest after the holiday and a Happy New Year!

More to come in next month's newsletter.

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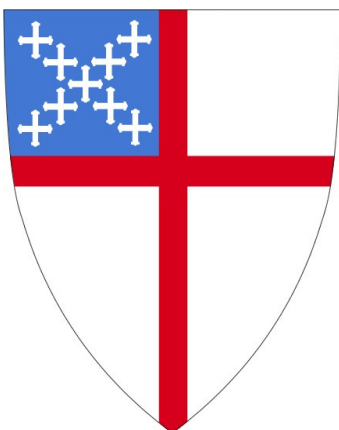
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EDUCATION UPDATE

by Heather Whitesell, Children & Youth Coordinator

Children's Corner

We are in the Advent season now, waiting and preparing for the coming of Jesus. We have been talking about the significance of the Advent wreath and the candles: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.



Youth News

The young people spent last month mixing and stirring the Chai tea recipe for our fundraiser project. We also resurrected the Christmas tree and decorated it with the All Saints chain. Be sure to take a look at it and remember your loved ones at this time of year.



KIDS CAFÉ MONDAY, JAN. 28 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



by Gregg Jacobson

Please come join us the fourth Monday of each month at Perspectives Kids Café, 3381 Gorham Ave. in St. Louis Park. We help elementary-aged children prepare an evening meal and set the tables. Then we help clean up afterwards.

We need two shifts of volunteers. The first shift is from 3:30-5 p.m. and then 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Please sign up in the Parish Hall, and feel free to reach out to Gregg Jacobson for further information, 952-938-4194.

January Birthdays

- 4 Tom Boe
- 6 Jillian Zaun
- 9 Carole Leonard
- 18 Patti Wales
- 21 Kathy Eckstrom
- 22 Diane McGowan
- 24 Myrt Glynn
- 25 Tom Zaun
- 29 Katherine Cady



ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE!

Annual reports of committees, wardens and staff are due in the office by Monday, **January 14.**



Winter Fun Day! in St. Louis Park

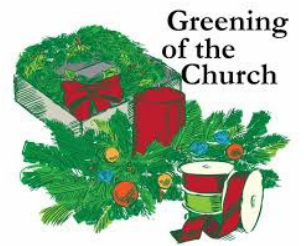
Join in on the winter fun for all ages! The fun day activities include: bonfires, sledding, snowshoeing, music, raptor, cocoa, hay rides, s'mores and more!

January 26, 2019 12:00 PM -
4:00 PM

Location: Oak Hill Park
3201 Rhode Island Ave. S.
St. Louis Park, Minnesota
55426

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone that helped with the greening of the church. It looks stunning.



Thank you to Bill Stromberg for all your help around St. George's.

Thank you to everyone that assists with the Christmas Services. (And every Sunday Service). It is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Carole Leonard for everything you do for St. George's. You help with so many projects, we don't know how you find the time!

Thank you to the St. George's Praise Group for bringing their love of music and the church for all of us to enjoy.



I offer heartfelt love and gratitude to all who helped me celebrate my 96th birthday on December 9th; it was truly a memorable event in my life. St. George's is a special place full of people who care about each other. May God continue to Bless each of you.

Lovingly, Glennis Williams

JANUARY

Check out the events in January!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 10:30 am - Scripture Study (PH)	3 6:30 pm – AA (LL)	4	5
6 8 am - Rite I 9:15 am –Adult Forum (PH) 10:30am – HE, Rite II 11:30 am –Education Committee Meeting	7	8 2-4 pm – Grief Support Group (LL) 7 pm – Finance Meeting (CEB)	9 10:30 am - Scripture Study (PH) 7pm – Nurses Support Group (LL)	10 6:30 pm – AA (LL)	11	12
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20 8:00 am - Rite I 9 am – Choir Rehearsal 9:15 am –Adult Forum (PH) 10:30am – HE, Rite II	21 12 pm – St. Mary’s Circle (PH) 7 pm – Vestry (PH)	22 2-4 pm – Grief Support Group (LL)	23 10:30 am - Scripture Study (PH) 7pm – Nurses Support Group (LL)	24 DAYD 6:30 pm – AA (LL)	25 DAYD	26
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SECOND SUNDAY/ SECOND OFFERING - January 13

NOTE: The Second Sunday offerings collected during the year for St. George’s Charitable Outreach Program will be distributed in the fall of 2018 when they will be matched through the Give to the Max Day.





MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARISTIC ASSEMBLY

	January 6 Epiphany Sunday	January 13 First Sunday after the Epiphany	January 20 Second Sunday after the Epiphany	January 27 Third Sunday after the Epiphany
Readings	Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 Ephesians 3:1-12 Matthew 2:1-12	Isaiah 43:1-7 Psalm 29 Acts 8:14-17 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22	Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 36:5-10 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11	Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:14-21
Lectors	Carole Leonard Mary Kuhfeld	Marilyn Clark	Jean Wayne	Tom Harmon
8 am				
10:30 am	Kathie Brown Marion D. Miller	Ron Ottsen Darlynn Benjamin	Mike Schulte Mary Poulsen	Devin Snyders Sarah Schulte
Chalice	Mary Kuhfeld	Marilyn Clark	Jean Wayne	Laura Harmon
8 am				
10:30 am	Devin Snyders Kathie Brown	Jessica Olson John Rash	Amanda Turgeant Cyprian Troyer	Kris Kelley Devin Snyders
Ushers: 8 am	Tom Harmon Gregg Jacobson	Ron Holbach Ron Erickson	Mike & Jane Sandsmark	Tom Harmon Gregg Jacobson
10:30 am	Bill Stromberg Sarah Schulte	Tom Zaun Lou Michelich	Bob Jones Mark Schulte	Deb Rash Tom Zaun
Acolytes:	Lilly Schulte	Ian Rash, Sarah Rash	Brendon Snyders Calista Snyders Nolyn Snyders	Lilly Schulte, Nolyn Snyders
10:30 am				
Altar Guild	Kitty Reese/Bill Stromberg/Kris Kelley	Kathleen Boe,/ Katy Campbell/ Rachel Santos	Nancy Becker/ Bruce Becker/ Kristin Malone	Geri Alberg/ Barb Behrens
Coffee Hour:	Betty Bauer	Mary Kuhfeld, Mike & Jane Sandsmark	Betty Bauer	Carole Leonard Geri Alberg
8 am				
10:30 am	Al & Mary Poulsen	Bob & Bonnie Jones	Don & Patricia Janke	John & Jane Carlson





JOIN US

Want to join a group or committee at St George's? Get in touch with the contact in the directory for more information

STEP

ST. LOUIS PARK EMERGENCY PROGRAM

UPDATE: STEP TOY SHOP
by Camille Schroeder

The ST. LOUIS PARK EMERGENCY PROGRAM'S TOY SHOP gave out toys on Thursday, December 20th. Two hundred ninety one children, ages birth to ten years of age, received toys and two hundred sixty five children, ages eleven to eighteen, received \$30.00 in Target gift cards. That is a total of 556 children whose Christmas was a bit brighter because of the St. Louis Park community's generosity. Thanks to all of you who donated toys or gift cards. It makes a huge difference in the lives of people who are in need. The event is staffed by volunteers and it is incredibly rewarding work. Consider volunteering and joining us next year. Thanks so much.

ADULT FORUM 2019

by Tom Boe

Please mark your calendars for 2019 Sunday Forums, in the Parish Hall from 9:15 to 10:00. This year's Forums will feature:

- A regular monthly series on the Ten Commandments in today's life, called Renewing the Mind
- Seasonally-themed sessions for Epiphany and Lent
- Selected individual topic sessions

A full schedule through June, including brief session descriptions, is available on the St. George's Home page. See the Take Note section. Print copies will also be available in the Parish Hall on the piano. Join us!

Adult Forum		January 2019 – April 2019	
Date	Topic	Synopsis	Presenter
January			
1/6/2019	Fr. Tom's Journey	Fr. Tom will share insights from his journey to St. George's	Rev. Thomas Gehlsen
1/13/2019	Renewing the Mind	CH 1 Introduction CH 2 The Decalogue	Rev. Dr. Alison Bucklin
1/20/2019	Hospitality – Welcoming the Stranger	Scripture study, Part 1 of 3: Duty to Strangers	Marilyn Clark
1/27/2019	Renewing the Mind group discussion	Discuss our findings from Ch. 1 & 2	Tom Boe
February			
2/3/2019	Hospitality – Welcoming the Stranger	Scripture Study, Part 2 of 3L The Feeding of the Five Thousand	Marilyn Clark
2/10/2019	Renewing the Mind – Word 1	Ch 3 The First Word – You shall have no other gods before me	Rev. Dr. Alison Bucklin
2/17/2019	Annual Meeting		
2/24/2019	Renewing the Mind group discussion	Discuss our findings from Ch. 3	Lay Leader
March			
3/3/2019	Hospitality – Welcoming the Stranger	Scripture study, Part 3of 3: The Exercise of Hospitality	Marilyn Clark
3/10/2019	Renewing the Mind – Word 2	Ch 4 The Second Word – You shall not make for yourself an idol	Rev. Dr. Alison Bucklin
3/17/2019	Wisdom from the Rule of St. Benedict for today	Lectio Divina, the foundation for African Bible Study and Gospel-Based Discipleship	Tom Boe
3/24/2019	Renewing the Mind group discussion	Discuss our findings from Ch. 4	Lay Leader
3/31/2019	Wisdom from the Rule of St. Benedict for today	Tools for Good Works	Tom Boe
April			
4/7/2019	Wisdom from the Rule of St. Benedict for today	Obedience, Speech & Humility	Tom Boe
4/14/2019	Renewing the Mind – Word 3	Ch 5 The Third Word – You shall not take the name of YHWH your God in vain	Rev. Dr. Alison Bucklin
4/21/2019	Easter	Community Coffee	
4/28/2019	Renewing the Mind group discussion	Discuss our findings from Ch. 5	Lay Leader



SUPPER CLUB
FRIDAY, February 1,
6:30 P.M.

The February Supper Club will be at Tom & Roxy Zaun's home on Friday, February 1, at 6:30 p.m. This is an evening of talk, laughter, stories and music (as well as good food) that the adults of St. George's will enjoy.

All are invited and included. It is a potluck, so you need to contact Roxy and let her know what you will be bringing: an hors d'oeuvre, a main dish, a salad or a dessert. Plan for a very enjoyable evening.

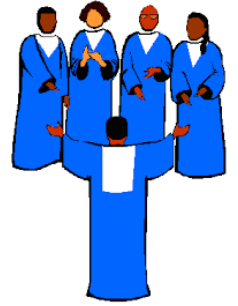


You can reach Roxy at 612-590-2587 or 763-593-0687. Hope you will be there.

A RESPITE FOR THE SINGERS

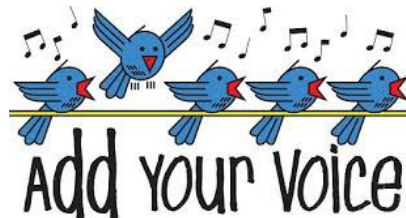
by Randy Egan, Organist & Choirmaster

Though we all revel in the beloved music of Christmas, the singers of St. George's choir can get a little hoarse after all that singing! So that they may rest and rejuvenate their cords, the choir will take a mid-winter furlough in January. They will return to the choir loft on January 20.



We extend our hearty appreciation to all the musicians of St. George's who go the extra musical mile at Christmas. The season would be much diminished without their presence.

When the choir returns to the loft - remember there is plenty of room for you too!



PLEDGE ENVELOPES ARE IN

by Heather Grieger

Pledge envelopes are located in the Parish Hall if you have pledged for 2019 for those that do not have auto withdrawal. If you do not have a box and would like one, please contact the office at office@stgeorgesonline.org.

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Dorothy Benham, soprano;
Elizabeth Woolner, mezzo-soprano;
Darrius Jacob Morton, tenor;
Don Moyer, bass

VESTRY

Kathleen Boe, Rector's Warden;
Carole Leonard, Parish Warden;
Cathy Asgian, Lindsay Benjamin,
Marilyn Clark, Caryl Eschweiler,
Kristin Malone, Lou Michelich,
and Jessica Olson.

CLERK OF THE VESTRY

Laura Harmon

PARISH TREASURER

Connie Kotula



ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

REMINDER: SAVE THE DATE - ANNUAL MEETING FEBRUARY 17 AT 9AM

Service at 9am followed by a Brunch and the Meeting

