

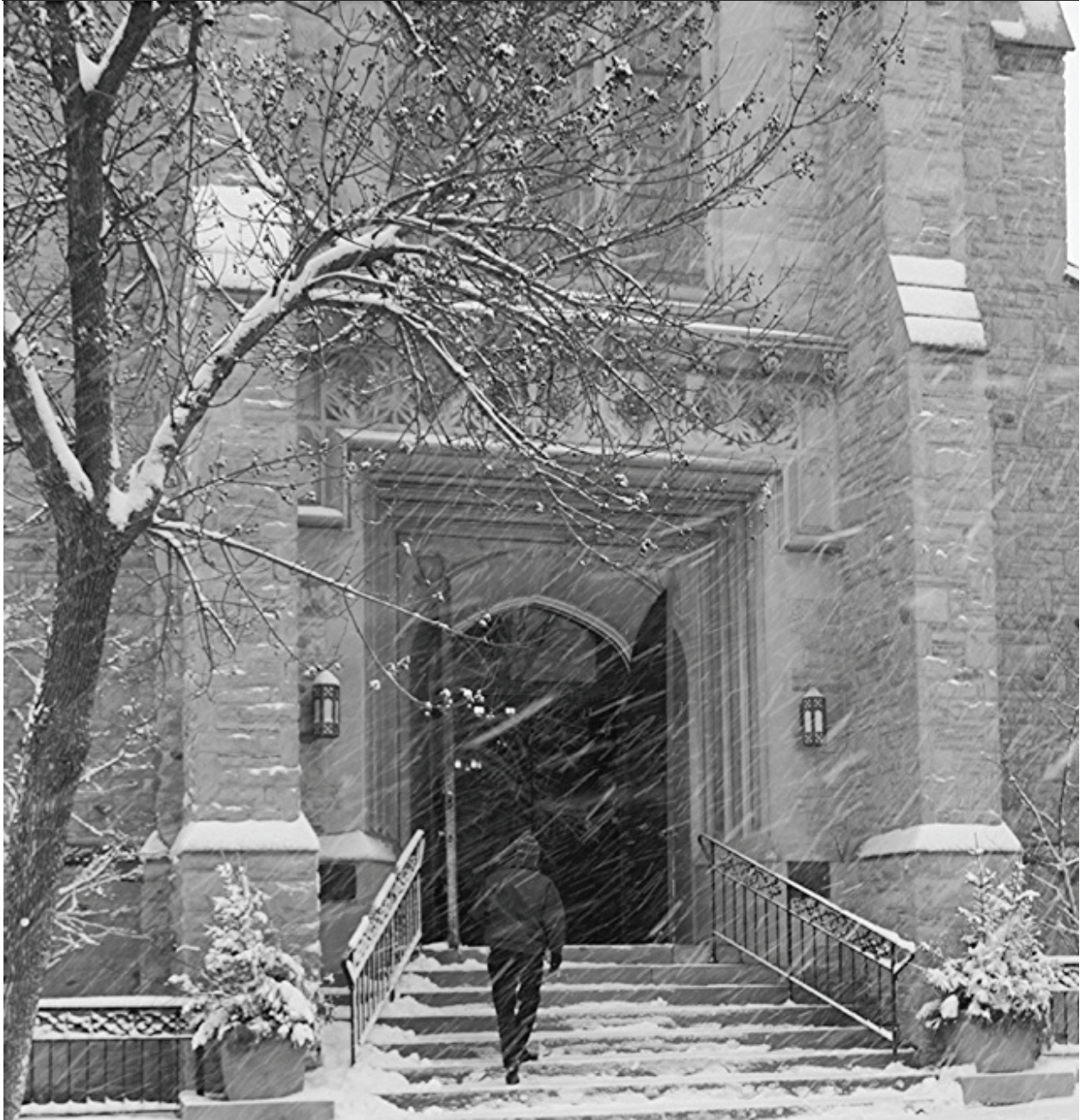


THE EVANGELIST

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Coming Home

COME...

JOIN US IN WORSHIP

SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Service:

Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:00 a.m. Services:

January 6 -

First Sunday

Holy Eucharist Rite II

January 13 -

Holy Eucharist Rite I

January 20 -

Holy Eucharist Rite II

January 27 -

Morning Prayer

Holy Eucharist Rite I



February Issue

January 9th at 4pm

All groups & individuals are ENCOURAGED to submit news and items of interest to *The Evangelist*. E-mail, mail, or bring your fully written and titled piece and/or photos to the church office before the deadline date shown above. Thank you!

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9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

FROM THE REVEREND JERED WEBER-JOHNSON

Dear Friends in Christ,

If the tragic events of December in Connecticut have taught us anything, it is that life is fragile, tenuous, and often unpredictable. We face into this reality forced to confront our own limits. "God, we have no idea where we are going." So begins the Thomas Merton Prayer which our discernment team has been using as it listens together with two individuals from our parish for God's call on their life – as we listen and look for God's grand vision, we begin in the humble acknowledgement that we often have no idea where we are going. This is not merely a truth for the life of faith. It is true of much of life.

Never has this truth made more sense to me than in these past 9 months as my wife Erin and I have waited for the arrival of our second son Simon. It is quite possible that by the time you read this he will be here – or not. If pregnancy has taught us anything it is that there is little about which we can be certain. Will he come early or late? Will he be colicky or quiet?

The season of Advent, which we have just been through, highlights such an expectant waiting. However, as Sam Portaro writes, such waiting is not "like the ... pregnant mother's and expectant father's apprehensions of birth—but a more difficult waiting, a waiting with no tangible outcome accessible to us, exactly the kind of waiting demanded of us just now: waiting for that which we cannot yet see. Or even imagine."

Such waiting and discerning is the work of faith communities like ours trying to constructively and strategically plan for the future. And, yet, as Portaro notes, connecting the difficult spiritual practice of waiting and discerning to planning and building necessitates the even more difficult step of letting go, of "our own fantasies of a personal or congregational future conforming to our own desires and designs, we open a space ready to receive God's surprise, the life promised us."

As you've been hearing, St. John's is embarking on a process toward a strategic plan for the future. And, while we endeavor to seek and serve Christ through that plan, we are humble enough to admit that just like our forebears in faith, indeed like the holy family themselves, we do not always know what the future will hold. In that unknowing we stand ready, we perk our ears, and train our eyes in hope that God's light will break upon us, that we will be granted an epiphany, a moment of clarity and that we will be drawn inexplicably into a full realization of God in our midst. The Merton prayer concludes:

"Therefore, we will trust you always though we may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. We will not fear, for you are ever with us, and you will never leave us to face our perils alone."

In confidence of this presence, then we can truly begin to do the work we've been given to do. God with us is a powerful thing indeed, and in the assurance of that truth, God only knows what we can accomplish.

Faithfully,

Jared + 2



Coming Home

"You know that point in your life when you realize the house you grew up in isn't really your home anymore? All of a sudden even though you have some place where you put your stuff, that idea of home is gone.



You'll see one day when you move out it just sort of happens one day and it's gone. You feel like you can never get it back. It's like you feel homesick for a place that doesn't even exist. Maybe it's like this rite of passage, you know. You won't ever have this feeling again until you create a new idea of home for yourself, you know, for your kids, for the family you start, it's like a cycle or something. I don't know, but I miss the idea of it, you know. Maybe that's all family really is. A group of people that miss the same imaginary place."

From the movie "Garden State"

Most of us long to come home – to a place, to a person, to a spiritual community, to our true selves, to God, to heaven.

The focus for Adult Education, this winter and spring and for the Lenten series is "Coming Home." Music, preaching and other events and activities may plug into this theme as well.

I love this theme – oh, the places we'll go together.

- Barbara Mraz

St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church 2013 Lenten Program



Shrove Tuesday
February 12th

Pancake Dinner, 5:30 pm
in the Undercroft



Weekly Compline
Thursdays at 7 pm

February 12th through March 21st
in the Choir Stalls



Ash Wednesday
February 13th

Services at Noon & 7 pm
in the Church



Weekly Lenten Study
Wednesdays at 6 pm

February 20th through March 20th
in the Undercroft

The Reverend Susan M. Moss

We are pleased to welcome the Reverend Susan Moss to St. John's. She began as the interim Assistant Rector on Sunday, December 9th. Susan brings over 25 years of ministry experience in the priesthood, has served multiple parishes in the Diocese of Minnesota, and just concluded a time of serving the East Metro Deanery as dean. Susan will cover pastoral care, Sunday morning celebrant duties, and oversight of the Faith in Action program as we search for a new full-time Assistant Rector. During the month of January, Susan will also serve as Priest in Charge while Jered is out of the office on paternity leave. Please make Susan feel welcome and introduce yourself when you meet her at coffee hour or around the church. We are blessed to have her in our midst.



Phil Rose's Diaconal Ordination

Our seminarian Phil Rose will be ordained to the transitional Diaconate on Thursday, January 24th, 2013, at St. Mark's Cathedral in Minneapolis at 7:00 pm. Phil will serve as a deacon here at St. John's for several months, and then, God willing, be ordained to the priesthood in the spring.

Please consider taking a trek across the river to attend the ordination. If you have attended an ordination before, you know that it is a beautiful liturgy – if you haven't been to an ordination, come and see for yourself. Showing up not only supports Phil, but also the Ministry we share at St. John's.

(Note: we will arrange carpools for those who want to avoid the Cathedral parking challenge. Let the office know by January 20th if you would like to share rides.)



Baptisms on Epiphany Sunday, January 6th

Have you been thinking you might like to be Baptized? Would you like to have your child baptized? If so, one of our five annual dates for baptisms at St. John the Evangelist is just around the corner, on Sunday, January 6th (at either the 8 or 10 AM service).

If you are considering Baptism, either for you or a child, one of the clergy at St. John's would like to meet with you at least once for a conversation about baptism, Christian faith and commitment, and what it means to be incorporated into the Body of Christ for you and for this community.

At St. John's we believe that Baptism is first and foremost not about us, but about what God is doing through the Spirit and about what God is up to in the life and death and resurrection of Jesus. For us, Baptism is less about a rite of passage or even about one individual, but rather about locating our individual lives in the wider life and story of God and God's grace. If you are interested, please contact the parish office: church@stjohnsstpaul.org or 651-228-1172 x10.

If January 6th is too soon, please consider the following dates:

- March 30, 2013 – The Easter Vigil (Saturday evening)
- April 19, 2013 – Pentecost/Whitsunday
- August 11, 2013 – Transfiguration Sunday

Welcome Cathy Burke

"I was looking for a new spiritual home, and I chose St Johns because it seemed like a really good fit. I liked the welcoming atmosphere and environment, the people were super friendly, and the liturgical aspect was very appealing. I did the new member workshops, which solidified for me the choice in staying at St Johns.

Among my interests are reading, knitting, and spending time with friends, but my main interest is ballroom dancing.

I grew up in Edina and lived in St Louis Park for most of my adult life, but I moved to St Paul almost 5 years ago. My parents both grew up in St Paul, so there is a definite connection for me. I love the feeling in St Paul - urban yet residential. It too feels like home to me."

Thank You for the Bread

"I am on a search for a new church and looked at the web sites of several Episcopal churches in St. Paul. I was impressed with your site and thought I'd begin my quest at St. John's. I attended the 10 a.m. service last Sunday and felt very welcome. I knew about the bread from your web site and was touched when I got home from work yesterday and a loaf of bread was at my door!

What a kind and welcoming gesture. I have been very involved in the Catholic Church for years, I think it is time to renew my spirit and go in another direction. I plan on coming back to St. John's this coming Sunday and may attend compline on Thursday. Again, thanks for your kindness and for making me feel welcome." - Steve



New Member Gatherings

Are you new to St. John's and want to learn more about our church or how to join?

Please plan on participating in our new member gatherings: January 20th, January 27th and February 3rd. These fun and informative meetings take place on Sunday morning from 9:00 – 9:45 in the Meditation Room (in the undercroft- that's Episcopalian for basement). For more information please contact Phil Rose, 952.212.9890. We would love to see you there!

ANNUAL MEETING

This year's Annual Meeting will be held in the gym on **Sunday, January 27th, 2013**, after the 10:00 am service.

Have lunch, thank outgoing vestry members and wardens, approve the new slate of parish leadership and learn about the 2013 budget. Most importantly, come celebrate the wonderful work being done at St. John's!

Childcare provided, but please call the office to let us know how many children will be coming.

PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE

Vestry Musings

January 2013

by Don Postema



What's to become of **Hearts to Homes** (formerly *Project Kathleen*) upon the demise of Episcopal Community Services? Patty Pfalz, speaking for the Faith in Action Commission at the November 19 Vestry meeting, proposed a partnership with the St. Paul YWCA. The YWCA would provide services for future Hearts to Homes families and their St. John's mentors, including screening potential families who are homeless or at-risk of being homeless, supportive services for the families while in our program, training for St. John's mentors, consistent collaboration with us, and administrative services. Partnering with a local, well-established organization with a proven history of working with at-risk families is a God-send. Though the costs to St. John's for this upgraded support are greater (\$10,000 per family per year, compared to \$6,000 with ECS), the Vestry enthusiastically approved the new agreement trusting we will be able to increase our level of support for two new families in the new year.

The Vestry warmly welcomed the **Rev. Susan Moss**, our Interim Assistant Rector. On a half-time basis, she will assume some of Rev. Keely Franke's responsibilities until we call a new Assistant Rector. During January, Sue will step up to be Priest in Charge to cover some of Jered's responsibilities while he is on paternity leave, following the birth of Erin's and his second child. **Mr. Phil Rose**, our new Seminarian completing his requirements for the diaconal with us, will round out our staff and insure that our ministries continue uninterrupted through these changes.

The effort to house the **Crocus Hill Pre-School** at St. John's has entered the nitty-gritty phase. Upon recommendation of the City planner, and in order to receive approval for their occupancy at St. John's, an architect has been hired to compose a plan for approval by the appropriate St. Paul authorities. This may delay their move to St. John's, but we are still hopeful that it will come to pass in the near future.

The Vestry also consolidated four commissions into one, not to save paper and space on our organizational chart, but to advance our Discovery goals. The new **Formation Commission** will replace the Children's, Youth, Adult Education, and Spiritual Life Commissions in order to more effectively and coherently implement our vision of faith formation as a lifelong process. Lest you think parsimony is our only virtue, the Vestry also agreed to create a new **Strategic Planning Committee** to flesh out how we will move to realize our goals in the near and not-so-near future. Ms. Phyllis Goff and Ms. Gabrielle Lawrence, two of our parishioners with considerable experience in the strategic planning process, have agreed to head up this effort. Other members will be appointed shortly.

Review of the **Stewardship** campaign prompted intensified efforts to meet our goals. As you read this, you'll know if we were successful in doing so!

Remember to join your fellow parishioners at the **annual meeting** (and lunch) after the 10am service on January 27, 2013 to review all the good that has come about in our parish during 2012, and to catch the vision of the Spirit's work in our midst.

VESTRY MEMBERS

Libby Snelson, *Senior Warden*
Don Postema, *Junior Warden*
Kathy Brown, *Membership*
Marilyn Conklin, *Music*
Terri Fishel, *Communication*
Phyllis Goff, *At Large*
Tony Grundhauser, *Finance*

Rex Haberman, *Stewardship*
Jennifer Kinkead, *Faith in Action*
Anneke Krall, *Youth*
Patrick Schmidt, *Personnel*
Don Weinkauff, *Property*
Jerry Woelfel, *At Large*
Bob Baumann, *Clerk of Vestry*
Rick Rinkoff, *Treasurer*



Faith In Action

Project Home 2013

Beginning February 1st and for the entire month, St. John's will again be a participant in Project Home, which provides housing for homeless families. They come to us through the St. Paul Area Council of Churches. Last year we averaged about 15 individuals per night.

To make this successful, we need at least 4 volunteers per evening, two or more for the period 5:30 to 8:30 pm and preferably two for 8:00 pm to 7:00 am, when the guests will be picked up. This amounts to 112 different slots, although not necessarily 112 different persons.

What is asked of the volunteers is rewarding and not difficult. The evening volunteers will greet the guests, show them the layout and probably prepare a small snack from food that Project Home provides. The overnight/morning volunteers will wake them, and provide them with some breakfast such juice and a bowl of cereal. For those still hesitant, we will provide some training in the near future.

The success of this program depends on its volunteers; it does not run itself, so we are always looking for those with an interest. There is a link on the St. John's web site if you wish to enroll that way. And don't be shy – feel free to sign up as many times as you want. Also, someone will be down by the refreshments after the 10:00 service to help you sign up.

If you have any questions, you can also call Gary Hagstrom at 651-459-2969. Thanks for your support to this worthwhile project.

New Partner for Hearts to Homes

Hearts to Homes (H2H) is happy to announce their new partnership with the YWCA.

At the end of August, Episcopal Community Services (ECS) reported they would be closing before the end of the year. ECS had provided professional caseworkers and coordinated the rent subsidies and emergency funds for our Project Kathleen families. A sub-group of the H2H committee set out to find a new agency to work with. We met with other churches losing the same services we were losing and explored the idea of banding together in hopes of being a more "attractive package" for larger agencies. We met with and interviewed a number of agencies and found that the YWCA on Selby and Western best met all of our criteria.

Members of the H2H committee have met with YWCA staff to work out the process for our program to fit into theirs. There will be mentor training in February and we hope to have our first family in place by March 1. The mentors will agree to meet with the mother of the family over the phone once a week and face to face once a month over the course of a year. The mentor will help the mother with problem-solving and offer consultation. As special circumstances may come up, the mentor will represent the mother and family to the H2H committee and the caseworker.

Working with these families has been a very rewarding experience for several members of our church over the years and we hope that you might consider becoming a mentor, too. Contact Patty Byrne Pfalz (651-224-7784) for more information.

DRESSES FOR UGANDA

A sewing session is planned for Saturday, January 12th between 9:30 and 1:00. Bring your sewing machine and join the fun. For more information contact Roseanne Kassekert, 651-429-1974.

St. John's Kayoro Health Center

On January 25th, five members of our congregation will travel with Give Us Wings, our nonprofit partner, to Uganda to visit the clinic. The group includes Cammie Beattie (trip leader), Shirley Sailors, Don Husband, Patty Pfalz, Sue MacIntosh. Shirley and Cammie both traveled to Africa with Give Us Wings in January 2010. Return date is February 9th.



This is a unique opportunity for members of St. John The Evangelist to spend a significant amount of time with the people of Kayoro. Our travelers will be doing small business assessments, clinic work (both organizational and clinical), work with literacy programs, home repair, planting and likely doing some follow-up work on a grain grinder that was introduced to the people of Kayoro in January, 2010. The travelers will bring medical supplies and, once again, clothing for the orphans of Kayoro. The people of Kayoro are planning to celebrate the Grand Opening of the clinic during the visit. Adult Education will focus on the clinic and the trip on February 17th.

St. John's Kayoro Health Center is serving patients in the clinic and through community outreach. The Give Us Wings-trained Community Health Workers offer general health counseling, STD counseling, family planning, and other services. Clinic operations are overseen by a Health Unit Management Committee comprised of a doctor, clinic staff, community representatives and a person from each of the areas served by the clinic. The staff has daily clinic hours and also conducts health outreach in the community, counseling and testing patients who seek their services.

Some recent developments at the clinic include:

- * The District Government drilled a borehole and a month later installed a standpipe. The Clinic now has fresh water on the property.
- * The Health Center passed the final government inspection at the end of July and is waiting for the Registration Certificate from the Ministry of Health.
- * The Health Center has added new employees. There are a total of 8 employees working daily at the Health Center and 9 Community Health Workers.
- * Once the clinic receives its official registration forms, it will apply to various government and non-government organizations to form partnerships that will allow it to provide more medical services. For example, the Give Us Wings clinic in Nyaoga, Kenya, participates in an HIV/AIDS treatment and prevention program sponsored by the Kenyan government with free antiretroviral drugs used to treat infections, primarily HIV, provided by the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation. Patients come to the clinic to receive the free ARVs and eventually trust the clinic enabling them to receive care for other ailments at the clinic as well and encourage friends and family to seek care at the clinic in Nyaoga.
- * From February through June, St. John's Kayoro Clinic and the Community Health Workers have seen 1,018 patients. The most common conditions treated were: malaria, respiratory tract infections and STDs.

Thank you for your support of St. John's Kayoro Health Center. It is a fulfilling and rewarding project for St. John's on Kent Street and a life-changing project for the people of Kayoro, Uganda.



Youth Ministry

2012 Fundraiser Update

Thank you to everyone who purchased a beautiful poinsettia from us. We hope you enjoyed them. Our goal for this fundraiser was \$2,000. We made just over \$1,300.

Thank you too for your amazing bids on our Silent Auction fundraiser. We had so many wonderful things and everything had a bid on it. We had over 70 things up for auction: pottery, jewelry, gift cards, dinners, babysitting, baked goods, baskets, services, and more. Our goal for this fundraiser was \$4,000. We made \$5,000.

Next Fundraiser

Our next fundraiser is the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner and Mardi Gras celebration on February 12, 2013. This fundraiser will be held in the Undercroft from 6pm – 8pm. Tickets will be available for pre-sale beginning on Sunday, January 27 for a suggested donation of \$5 per person, or \$20 per family of four or more. All proceeds will go toward the youth pilgrimage fund.

Youth Pilgrimage to Alaska in June, 2013

Hello, my name is Rachel Clark. I am a freshman at Cretin Derham-Hall high school and participating in the pilgrimage to Alaska in June of 2013. I feel very blessed to even have the opportunity to go on a pilgrimage to Alaska. I am excited to be able to experience God through nature and outside of church or school. I think this journey will help me, and others who are going, to relax and find peace within as well as searching for a new reminder that God is always with us. I hope we are able to bring back many stories from Alaska to share with our church community. This pilgrimage is another way the youth group can become closer as friends while experiencing this life-changing journey together. I want to say thank you for all the support our church has given to us throughout this year.



Acolyte Schedule

- January 6: Madeline Weinkauff, Cooper Olson, Rachel Clark, Will Rinkoff, Matt Brooks
- January 13: Tim Krall, Alex Joyce, Samantha Rosendale, Emma Grundhauser, Helen Baxter, Linnea Krall
- January 20: Johannah Frisby, Charlie Olsen, Emily Brooks, Logan Finkel, Mason Kinkead
- January 27: Matt Richards, Eli Weinkauff, Caroline Krall, Lucy Grundhauser, Tessa Johnson,

Dinner Schedule

- January 9: Todd and Alice Johnson Family
- January 16: Mike and Cathy Brooks Family
- January 23: Wade and Camille Scheel Family
- January 30: Steve and Diane Elliot/Landon Family

Musical Notes



Evensong for Lent

With *The Peaceable Kingdom*

On March 10th at 4 pm, the parish choir will sing Evensong for the season of Lent, including a poignant setting of Psalm 102, one of the most beautiful of the seven penitential psalms. Following the service they will present a performance of *The Peaceable Kingdom* by the American composer Randall Thompson, a sequence of sacred choruses for unaccompanied choir, with texts from the prophet Isaiah, inspired by Edward Hick's painting of the same title. One of the more prominent movements is for double chorus.

Randall Thompson attended Harvard University and became assistant professor of music and choir director at Wellesley College, and he received a doctorate in music from the Eastman School of Music. He went on to teach at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, at the University of Virginia, and at Harvard University. Leonard Bernstein was one of his students at Harvard.

Evensong is one of the most treasured liturgies of the Anglican tradition. It features scripture readings, a psalm, and gospel canticles, with an anthem and congregational hymn, as the shadows in the church lengthen and candle light replaces the light of the sun, lending a quiet peacefulness to our hurried lives.

A free-will offering will be received to benefit the Winifred Bean Evensong Fund. A festive reception hosted by the Fellowship Committee will follow the service. Please join us for this service, and bring a friend who has not been to church in a while.

Sung Compline

Monthly Compline services resume in January!

Please mark your calendars for **Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 7pm.**

As the hectic festive season comes to a close, come and be nourished by the beauty of this quiet, contemplative liturgy, and reflect on the mysteries of life.

Compline is the last of the daily offices. In keeping with the earliest practices of the monastic communities, Compline is offered by candlelight at a time when the work of the day is finished and the quietness of evening begins to settle over the hearts and minds of those gathered in prayer. This is a short service of prayers, psalms, chanting, and brief passages from scripture.

Incense will be present at this service as well as the Holy Spirit so beware.



St. John's Goes to Carnegie Hall

Fifteen members of the parish choir (including the Reverend Keely Franke) will be flying to New York City on February 15 to perform at Carnegie Hall on Presidents Day, Monday, February 18th. Five other parishioners will go as companions, namely, Phyllis Merrill, Libby Snelson, Brett Gemlo, Cammie Beattie and Jim Frazier.

You may recall that the parish choir sang a Bluegrass Mass by Carol Barnett after Evensong on All Saints Sunday in 2011 with the famous bluegrass band Monroe Crossing. Sometime later, the band was invited by Distinguished Concerts International New York (DCINY) to perform the same work at Carnegie Hall. The band recommended to DCINY that several choirs with whom they had already performed the work be invited to do so with them again for the performance in New York City, since these choirs already knew the work. St. John's Choir was among them. So our fifteen singers will join a number of other choirs for the performance at Carnegie Hall for what will surely be a red-letter day in the life of St. John's music program. The performance will be conducted by Nancy Menk who is on the faculty of St. Mary's College in Notre Dame, Indiana.

Most members of the choir have group reservations on an early-morning flight on Sun Country airlines and will be lodging at House of the Redeemer, an Episcopal retreat house on the upper west side. The choir will spend three days in intense rehearsals at a hotel in Manhattan, allowing some time each day for sight-seeing. The performance itself will take place in the main concert hall at Carnegie Hall, one of the most prestigious performance venues in the world.

We extend our best wishes to all of the singers, and urge them to "break a leg."



Thank You to All who Helped Make Christmas Wonderful

Among them...

Dusty Mairs and Chris Tegeler for decorating the gym

Gary Hagstrom, youth and Men's Group for decorating the sanctuary

Chris Henry for helping in countless ways

Jennifer Kinhead for the Christmas card project

All of the children who delighted us in the pageant! (plus Ellen, Lizza and parents)

All choirs and musicians

Joan Potter and Anneke Krall for making the women's luncheon so beautiful

Caroline Krall for appearing as St. Lucia

Huge Sale team who worked on the new Christmas sale

The Amazing ("This will be fine") Fellowship Committee for the party

Youth group helpers for the Christmas party –

and their parents

Ellen Harrington and the nursery staff and helpers

All who helped with cleanup

Anyone else who should be on this list –

your name here!



Faith Formation

ADULT EDUCATION SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY

January 6: **Without Homes:** The director of the Restorative Art Project talks about people in Minnesota who have been buried in numbered graves with no names. The artwork in our hallway has been done by people with disabilities, depicting some of these unnamed souls.



January 13: **Leaving Home: Making a Home** -- Ria Newell talks about coming here from Germany with her soldier husband.

January 20: **Leaving Home: Making a Home** – the Reverend Susan Moss speaks about her experiences with immigrants from Mexico.

January 27: The Reverend Susan Moss - continued.



Bible Study: God's Road Map
Every Wednesday at 11:00am in
the Library

Happy Birthday to...

January*

1	Patrick Giese	11	Dorothy Ek	21	Stephen Brown
2	Olivia Bloomquist		Charlotte Rose Peterson		Cormac Graupman
	Thomas Giambetti	12	Vivian Scheel		Ashlyn Andrews
	Peggy Lemmon		Josh Colton		Kat Zerebiec
	Margaret Monette		Julia Ferguson	23	Beth Bowman
4	Daniel Brian Ropal		Joan McCanna		Katherine Meyer
	Judy Stack-Nelson		Dick Slade		Nancy Wellington
5	Keith Davis	13	Reverend Barbara Mraz	24	Lauren Westerhaus
	Payton Kinhead		Megan Richards	25	Colleen Wheeler
6	Michael Richards	15	Mary Ann Mason	27	Marilyn Conklin
7	Anne Hodgson		Kim Olson	29	Marty Brown, Jr.
	Bob Horn	16	Ann Booth		Gretchen August
	Dorothy Thompson		Marge Jeddeloh		Elizabeth Plummer
8	Joe Johnson		Terry Williams	30	Jonas Brown
9	Anne Elsinger	17	Dusty Mairs		
10	Pat Brynteson	18	Sandra Francis		
	George Power	19	Ray Frisby		
			Mary Soie Haberman		
			Shirley Sailors		

*If your birthday was missed,
please call or email the church
office so our records can be
updated.

Community Life



Come and Hear the Director of the Minnesota Historical Society January 4-7 pm, Fireside Room

Parishioner Steve Elliott will speak about the US-Dakota War of 1862. The History Center has a major exhibit running about this conflict. Among other things, Steve will discuss how those mounting the exhibit attempted to be “fair” and inclusive, seeking information from all sources: Native groups, descendent of settlers, government, etc.



From the history's center's website:

Though 150 years have passed since the U.S.-Dakota War of 1862, the war, its causes and its aftermath remain central to the story of Minnesota.

The historical trauma the war created still echoes in those living today.

“It can be tempting to turn away from the pain of these events, to deal with the trauma by suppressing it,” said Minnesota Historical Society Director Stephen Elliott. “But if history matters, we cannot turn away from it. We cannot shrink from our history.”

The Women of St. John’s cordially invite you to attend this event which will mark an inspirational start to the new year.

January Meetings

Prayer Shawl Group - Wednesday, January 2nd at 10 am in the Library and on Friday, January 18th at 7 pm, location to be advised. For more information contact Anneke Krall, 651-690-0579.

Men’s Group - Tuesday, January 8th at 7:30 pm in the Fireside Room. For more information contact Josh Colton 612-275-6004.

Men’s Breakfast - Saturday, January 12th at 9:00 am in the Gym Kitchen. For more information contact Jim Johnson 952-476-4585.

Down Syndrome Support Group - Tuesday, January 15th at 6:00 pm in the Undercroft. For more information, contact Lindsay Radford, LRadford@kstp.com.

Young Adults Dinner - Sunday, January 20th at 5 pm in the Undercroft. For more information contact Craig Lemming, 857.891.8780 or clemming@hotmail.com.

Planned Giving Update

By Jim Johnson, Planned Gift Chair

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

-Winston Churchill

Gradually, our list of Cornerstone Society members is growing! Here is the current list:

Bob Binger*
Pat Brynteson
Olivia Dodge*
Alden Drew and Mimie Pollard
Dr. Brett Gemlo and Libby Snelson
Dorothy Hand*
Jack Hannaford*
Alice Harrison*
Bob Horn
Jim Johnson
George Mairs*
Betty Myers
Shirley Sailors
Jill Thompson

*Deceased

An individual who tells St. John's about a planned gift automatically becomes a member of "The Cornerstone Society." Tell us if you have made a planned gift, so we can include you as a member of the society. Next year, we are planning a special event for members. We want to make sure that you receive an invitation! Write me at jimjohnson2034@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Phil Rose, *Seminarian*
Kent Furois, *Head Usher*
Jill Thompson, *Lay Reader Coordinator*
Paige Hagstrom, *Coffee Hour Coordinator*
Dusty Mairs, *Parish Coordinator*
Alden Drew, *Historian/Archivist*
Diane Power, *Altar Guild*
George Power, *Columbarium*
Artaria String Quartet, *Artists in Residence*

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The Reverend Barbara Mraz, *Deacon*

Altar Flowers Given to the Glory of God in Memory of:

January 6th

The Epiphany

Main Altar

Newton B. and Sarah S. Frost
Robin and Marguerite Baker Frost
David R. and Elizabeth Frost

Small Altar

Ruth and Ralph Brooks

January 13th

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

Main Altar

Dorothy B. and Adrian Drew

Small Altar

Virginia Lauren

January 20th

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Main Altar

Justin Meyer
Phyllis and Edward C. Brown

Small Altar

Debbie Pilacinski, Tom Woelfel, Bert Smith

January 27

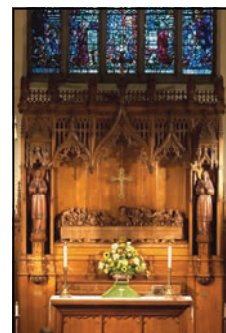
The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

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Joseph and Louise Milton
Ted Lottsfeldt

Small Altar

Phyllis and Allen Acosta



ALTAR FLOWERS 2013:

The memorial flowers on the Main and Little Sanctuary altars are given by parishioners on a perpetual calendar basis. There are a few Sundays available for donors to sign up to give the flowers for either of our altars. The cost is \$40 for the Main Altar and \$10 for the Little Sanctuary altar. If you are interested please contact **Dusty Mairs** or **the Church Office** to find out the available dates for each altar.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST JANUARY SERVICE SCHEDULE 2013

TIME	READERS*	ALTAR GUILD TEAMS	USHERS	GREETERS	GODLY PLAY GREETERS	COFFEE HOUR
January 6th, 2013 - The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ First Sunday Holy Eucharist Rite II						
8:00 am		Diane Power Team	Julia Ferguson, Rick Rinkoff, George and Mason Kinhead	Gabrielle Lawrence, Don Postema		Krall, Richards, Dueber
10:00 am	A - B -					
January 13th, 2013 - The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ Holy Eucharist Rite I						
8:00 am		Dusty Mairs Team	Marvin Cadwell, Alex Joyce, Lynn Hertz, Jay Debertin	Don Weinkauf, Libby Snelson		
10:00 am	A - B -					
January 20th, 2013 - The Second Sunday after the Epiphany Holy Eucharist Rite II						
8:00 am		Pam Strom Team	Aimee and Tom Baxter, Cammie Beattie, Bob Baumann	Phyllis Goff, Jennifer Kinhead		Shirley Sailors
10:00 am	A - B -					
January 27th, 2013 - The Third Sunday after the Epiphany Morning Prayer Holy Eucharist Rite I						
8:00 am		Pat Brynteson Team	Ian Ball, Diane Power, Shirley Sailors, Barbara Snowfield	Patricia Durst, Kathleen Hanson		Annual Meeting
10:00 am	A - B -					

STAFF

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Thank you from the Reverend Keely Franke

Dear friends at St. John's,

Thank you all so much for your generous send off. I was overwhelmed by your gifts, your kind words, and the love you expressed in my last days as one of your priests. I have taken many of your things – the beautiful afghan, the books, tea mug, and little fairy figurine with me to my new position at Methodist Hospital where they are bringing me much comfort. It has been an intense time of transition with a lot of new information to learn quickly. My units are Hospice, Oncology, Neurology, and Struthers Clinic (Parkinson's). Alongside visiting patients and running groups in these units/clinic, I meet with a group of residents daily to process our learning and reflect on our own growing edges. This truly is a rich time of learning and growth, which is both very life giving and exhausting. I can't imagine doing it without the experience I gained with you and your continued support and prayers. I continue to pray for you as well and trust God is working in your lives. I look forward to reconnecting with you all sometime in the future. Again, thank you so much for everything and blessings in this season of Epiphany, a time of new realizations and awakenings.

Blessings,
Keely

