



The Salter

*You are the salt
of the earth.*
Matthew 5:13

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Please remember

T.E.A.M.!

The need is always present especially during the holidays. Please donate often.



Friday Lunches

Our December Lunches will be December 1 and 15 at 12:00 p.m. January lunches will be January 5 and 19 at 12:00 p.m.



Join us for our Annual Christmas Brunch on December 10 following the 10:00 a.m. Eucharist.

The Greening of the Church



Sunday, December 17

The decorating of the church for the Christmas season will be on Sunday, December 17 following our Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 6 Prayer Service at St. Rose Philippine Duchesne
- December 10 One Service of Holy Eucharist with Christmas Brunch to follow
- December 13 Prayer Service at St. Rose Philippine Duchesne
- December 24 Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols with Holy Eucharist
- December 25 Christmas Day Eucharist, office closed
- December 26 Office closed
- January 2 Office closed - Happy New Year!



Senior Warden

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you and to your families. This is time of year I give thanks for the gift of Jesus in my life. I also find myself reflecting on events which occurred in my life during the past year, examining what I did correctly and what I could have done better. The next step of my reflection process utilizes the information from the examination to perhaps make necessary changes for the coming year. This year I feel compelled to also take stock of this past year at St. Barnabas. Looking back, we celebrated 60 years of ministry to Florissant and to the greater St. Louis metropolitan community. The celebration included several fundraising gatherings where we shared meals and watched recordings of heart-warming stories. The highlight of our anniversary occurred in two parts. The first was the evening celebration with a spectacular meal, uplifting music, and presentation of our history, and presentation of an official proclamation from the city of Florissant by the mayor. We also took initial steps to discern the future of St. Barnabas by taking the Church Assessment Tool Survey and beginning discussions with St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church, Ferguson. The data from the survey indicates that our strengths lie in our worship services, in our music, and our hospitality. I am encouraged by what we have learned and with the initial discussions with the folks from St. Stephen’s. I have high hopes that our efforts should yield a path for us to follow. I have mentioned that there is no instruction manual for this effort. It will take discussion, ideas from a wide host of individuals, and prayers for wisdom and guidance to determine our path forward.

With the New Year approaching, we need some new Vestry members to help us chart our course. I am making a personal appeal to ask each of you to prayerfully consider running for a Vestry position at our annual meeting in January. Please contact Rev. Renee, a current Vestry member or me if you wish to join us with this mission.

I would like to thank everyone who worked so very hard to keep St. Barnabas functioning and to plan and hold the many events throughout the year. You folks know who you are. You are the Saints of St. Barnabas and I treasure all of you.

May you all have a blessed Christmas season and a prosperous New Year.

Dennis Haefner
Sr. Warden

ANNUAL REPORTS – Please note that all Annual Reports are due in the office no later than Friday, December 22. Thank you.

Marlene, Church Secretary

**Please remember
your pledges!**

**SHARING
BRINGS JOY**
TO US. TO OTHERS. TO GOD.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT ST. BARNABAS

1st Sunday of Advent

On Sunday, Dec. 3, we celebrate Holy Eucharist with the blessing and lighting of the Advent Wreath at 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Advent Wednesday Prayer Service

On Wednesday, Dec. 6, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne will host a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. which includes the familiar *Holden Evening Prayer* and guest speaker, Dr. F. Javier Orozco, OFS, PhD, Executive Director, Intercultural & Interreligious Affairs for the Archdiocese of St. Louis. A reception will follow.

2nd Sunday of Advent

On Sunday, Dec. 10, there will be ONE service of Holy Eucharist with the lighting of the Advent Wreath at 10:00 a.m. Our annual Christmas Brunch will follow.

Advent Wednesday Prayer Service

On Wednesday, Dec. 13, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne will once again host a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. which includes the familiar *Holden Evening Prayer* and guest speaker, Rev. Penny Holste, Pastor, Christ Lutheran Church, Webster Groves, MO. A reception will follow.

3rd Sunday of Advent

On Sunday, Dec. 17, there will be ONE service of Holy Eucharist with the lighting of the Advent Wreath at 10:00 a.m. The Greening of the church will follow immediately after the service.

4th Sunday of Advent/ Christmas Eve

On Sunday, Dec. 24, we celebrate ONE service of Holy Eucharist with the lighting of the Advent Wreath at 10:00 a.m.

At 9:00 p.m. all are invited to celebrate 'A Festival of Lessons and Carols' with Holy Eucharist.

Christmas Day Monday, December 25

We invite you and yours to join us in celebrating the birth of our Savior with Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

1st Sunday of Christmas/ New Year's Eve

What better way to end 2017 by coming to Sunday Eucharist, Dec. 31, at 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.!

The Feast of the Epiphany

On Saturday, Jan. 6, we join the Church in celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany with Holy Eucharist at 10:00 a.m.

1st Sunday after the Epiphany/ The Baptism of the Lord

On Sunday, Jan. 7, join us for Holy Eucharist at 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. As we honor Christ's baptism at the Jordan River, we will renew our own baptismal promises.

Come, celebrate with us!





Season of Outreach, 2017

Summons of Joy

This year we will again join area churches in raising funds for needy people in our community. Last year the Florissant Police Department distributed \$6200 worth of Target gift cards. That means that 62 families had a merrier Christmas! Both KMOV Channel 4 and KSDK Channel 5 did stories on this project last year, and all agree that this has quickly become one of the most important efforts in building relationships between our police and community members. This year's goal is \$7500, enough to help 75 families in our area.

Grace Hill Settlement House Christmas Giving Tree

Our annual Giving Tree is up! Many children will need socks, hats, mittens, gloves, underwear, diapers, and toys. Let's help to make their Christmas joyous! The last Sunday to give donations is **Sunday, December 3.**

'Adopt a Family' for Christmas

We are now collecting items and gift cards for our Christmas family! We are blessed to once again to make one Florissant family's Christmas bright! Our family consists of a mother and her four children. The eldest son is 17 and would love gift cards. He wears 2XL men's clothing and a size 15 shoe. The eldest daughter is 11 and would appreciate gift cards as well and loves colorful socks (size 8 ½ shoe). The two remaining children are 5 year old twin boys! They wear size 7 clothing and love Paw Patrol, Ben 10, Transformers, Legos, and Marvel action figures. Their mother is currently undergoing chemo and loves to read. The family would love an air fryer. Anything you can contribute towards gifts will certainly bring smiles to their faces!

A box for your large donations can be found near Tudor Hall. A box for cash, checks, and gift cards is on the Ushers' Table. All donations are due by Sunday, December 17.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

It is time to submit your forms and donations for Christmas Memorials/Honorariums. We will have the normal poinsettias display but we would also like to get larger centerpiece flower arrangements.

The regular Christmas Memorials/Honorariums forms and donations need to be submitted by Monday, December 11, to the church secretary, Marlene. Please place your check in the offering plate or turn into the office. If you would to make a special donation to dedicate a larger centerpiece arrangement, please contact Diana Howarth.

Please **CIRCLE** in ‘Memory of’ or in ‘Thanksgiving for’.

THANK YOU!!!!

How to thank all of you that helped me to make this year's Holiday Dinner such a success? You are wonderful. When I agreed to co-host with Nancy, I had no idea how much help I would need and like every other time there all of you were stepping up to the plate. The cooks who made three, count 'em, turkeys at home, you know who you are. The set-up, the serving, the clean-up, etc. all went flawlessly.

We tried a new serving procedure that was very successful and actually helped to make the clean-up easier. Dusty, your dishwashing skills are awesome. Denny and Marlene, your ideas, suggestions and physical efforts were spectacular. Nancy, you ran Tudor Hall so efficiently with the people you had and the service was great. It is not easy to keep up with drinks, all the table items, bussing tables, and making people's meals pleasant.

A special shout out to Aaron Fenner, Alanna Fenner, and her friend, Caroline. Aaron rolled all the silverware, vacuumed, and washed windows on his day off from school and Alanna and Caroline received community hours by policing Tudor Hall, keeping up with the drinks, table set-up, and in general being helpful.

To everyone, my deepest thanks and sincere respect.

Carol

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

Please don't forget to bring your Ornaments on Greening Day, December 17, for the Church Family Christmas Tree. Please label the ornament with your name and it would be helpful if there is a hook or ribbon for hanging.

Everyone is encouraged to stay to help with Greening and place their ornaments on the tree.

All ornaments may be retrieved after Christmas. Please contact Diana Howarth for more information.

VESTRY CANDIDATES

We are seeking candidates to run for Vestry. There will be three positions open.

To serve on Vestry, you must be at least 18 years of age, confirmed or received in the Episcopal Church, and be a "member in good standing" (attend Eucharist regularly and be an active participant in the life of the church for at least one year).

Each potential candidate is to submit a short bio by early January to the Office.

Voting will take place during our Annual Meeting.

HUNGER SUNDAYS

Hunger Sundays are December 17 and January 14. Let us all pull together to make December and January great donation months and send out 2017 with a bang and start the New Year off right.

- Suggestions:
- Instant potatoes
- Rice
- Stuffing mix
- Canned vegetables

Please give generously.
Thank you, Jim Hollenberg



EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

Seeking Sharing Serving

A busy but highly productive meeting was held in November. Evaluations of the Vendor Fair and Bake Sale were discussed and plans for tweaking/improving these activities in the future were made.

We re-visited the budget for 2018 and made some changes so that we were able to donate \$300.00 to St. Barnabas to help offset the cost of purchasing the *Lift Every Voice II* hymnals and still complete our outreach commitments. We were glad to be able to help.

It's not all work and no play at an E.C.W. meeting. We do plenty of laughing. E.C.W. has a deep commitment to our spiritual side also and we express this through prayer, worship, and outreach.

Join us for lunch too. We share sandwiches and someone brings chips, salad, and dessert. See you at the meeting.

Lana Maggart, Chairwoman for December
Mary, Chairwoman for January.

January 10, 2018
9:30 a.m. – Eucharist
10:00 a.m. – Meeting
11:00 a.m. – Lunch

Chips – Karen
Salad – Lana
Dessert – Sylvia

February Chairwoman – Karen Birr
March Chairwoman – Julie Manton

ECW VENDOR FAIR



HALLOWEEN 'TRUNK OR TREAT'



HOLIDAY DINNER AND BAKE SALE



December 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
					12:00 p.m. Parish Lunch (th)	9:00 a.m. Weekly Maintenance
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
First Sunday of Advent 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist	7:00 p.m. N.A. (u)	10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (th) 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (th)	7:00 p.m. Prayer Service at St. Rose			8:30 a.m. Croppettes (th) 9:00 a.m. Weekly Maintenance 1:30 p.m. Bridge Group (th)
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Second Sunday of Advent 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Brunch to follow	7:00 p.m. N.A. (u)	10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (th) 10:00 a.m. Painting Class (u) 6:30 p.m. Bible Study	9:30 a.m. ECW (th) 7:00 p.m. Prayer Service at St. Rose		11:00 a.m. Ladies Bridge Group (th) 12:00 p.m. Parish Luncheon (th) 7:00 p.m. Dollar and Dish	9:00 a.m. Weekly Maintenance 6:30 p.m. Gourmet Group (off site)
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Third Sunday of Advent 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Greening of the Church to follow	7:00 p.m. N.A. (u)	10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (th)			ANNUAL REPORTS DUE	9:00 a.m. Weekly Maintenance
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Christmas Eve 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:00 p.m. Lessons and Carols with Holy Eucharist	Merry Christmas Office Closed 7:00 p.m. N.A. (u)	Office Closed 10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (th)		6:30 p.m. Bunco (th)		9:00 a.m. Weekly Maintenance
31						
New Year's Eve 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist						

December 2017 Serving Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship Leaders</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Bursars</u>	<u>Babysitter</u>
12/3 8:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Terry Toolen Clark Burton Lynn Grames	Terry Toolen Ron Grames Harry Ragland	<u>C</u> Dave Sinclair	Harry Goff	John Holmes Nancy Hienze Lana Maggart Mary Johnston	Carol Stout Nancy Heinze	Jim Howe John Palmer	Tricia Heffner Arbie Hollenberg
12/10 10:00 a.m.	Holly Garrett Ron Grames	Susan Oris Sam Nwaobasi	<u>C</u> Ethan Grames	Harry Goff	Vivian Hartsfield Janetta Roberts	Arbie Hollenberg	John Palmer Dave Sinclair	Tricia Heffner Ajike Deinbo
12/17 10:00 a.m.	Harry Goff Lana Maggart	Holly Garrett Nancy Heinze	<u>C</u> Ryden Grames	Harry Goff	Jim and Karen Birr	All Altar Guild	Dave Sinclair Jim Hollenberg	Tricia Heffner John Palmer
12/24 10:00 a.m.	Dave Sinclair Carol Stout	Harry Ragland	<u>C</u> Meri Grames	Harry Goff	Nancy Heinze Andrea Bogue	Diana Howarth Terry Toolen	Jim Hollenberg Dusty Hassler	Tricia Heffner Sheron Howe
Christmas Eve 9:00 p.m.	Harry Goff Holly Garrett	TBA	<u>C</u> Kelly Snider <u>T1</u> Ethan Grames <u>T2</u> Meri Grames		Dave Sinclair John Palmer	Diana Howarth	John Palmer Dusty Hassler	
12/25 10:00 a.m.	Terry Toolen Harry Goff	Terry Toolen Harry Goff	<u>C</u> Mike Dobbs	Harry Goff	Carol Stout Nancy Heinze	Carol Stout	TBA	
12/31 8:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Carol Stout Lana Maggart Ron Grames	Nancy Heinze Sharon Love Andria Sinclair	<u>C</u> Dave Sinclair	Harry Goff	Jim Hoefener John Holmes John Palmer John Anselmo	Vivian Hartsfield Janetta Roberts	Dusty Hassler Debbie Haefner	Tricia Heffner Gwen Ragland
Epiphany <u>1/6</u> 10:00 a.m.	Clark Burton	Clark Burton		Leah Milton	TBA	Diana Howarth		
1/7 8:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Carol Stout Holly Garrett Lana Maggart	Carol Stout Andria Sinclair Debbie Haefner	<u>C</u> Dave Sinclair	Leah Milton	Andrea Bogue Nancy Heinze Jim and Karen Birr	Diana Howarth Terry Toolen	Debbie Haefner Dave Palmer	Tricia Heffner Arbie Hollenberg

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January 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Office Closed Happy New Years 7:00 p.m. N.A. (u)	2 10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (th)	3	4	5 12:00 p.m. Parish Luncheon (th)	6 10:00 a.m. Feast of the Epiphany with Holy Eucharist
7 First Sunday after the Epiphany 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist	8 7:00 p.m. N.A. (u)	9 10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (th) 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (th)	10 9:30 a.m. ECW (th) 7:00 p.m. Vestry (th)	11	12 Episcopal City Mission Birthday Party	13 8:30 a.m. Croppettes (th) 9:00 a.m. Weekly Maintenance 1:30 p.m. Bridge Group (th)
14 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist	15 Martin Luther King Day Office Closed 7:00 p.m. N.A. (u)	16 10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (th) 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (th)	17	18	19 11:00 a.m. Ladies Bridge Group (th) 12:00 p.m. Parish Luncheon (th)	20 9:00 a.m. Weekly Maintenance 6:30 p.m. Gourmet Group (off site)
21 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist	22 7:00 p.m. N.A. (u)	23 10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (th) 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (th)	24	25 6:30 p.m. Bunco (th)	26	27 9:00 a.m. Weekly Maintenance
28 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist/ Annual Meeting	29 7:00 p.m. N.A. (u)	30 10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (th) 6:30 p.m. Bible Study (th)	31			

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1/14 <u>8:00 a.m.</u> <u>10:45 a.m.</u>	Terry Toolen Lynn Grames Harry Goff	Terry Toolen Susan Oris Sharon Love	<u>C</u> Ethan Grames	Leah Milton	John Holmes Carol Stout Jim Hollenberg Dave Sinclair	Arbie Hollenberg	Dave Palmer Jim Howe	Tricia Heffner Sheron Howe
1/21 <u>8:00 a.m.</u> <u>10:45 a.m.</u>	Carol Stout Clark Burton Dave Sinclair	Nancy Heinze Mary Dobbs Rita Collins- Page	<u>C</u> Dusty Hassler	Leah Milton	Andrea Bogue Jim Hoefener John Palmer Lana Maggart	Diana Howarth	Jim Howe John Palmer	Tricia Heffner Ajike Deinbo
1/28 <u>10:00 a.m.</u> Annual Meeting	Ron Grames Lana Maggart	Harry Ragland Lynn Grames	<u>C</u> Kelly Snider	Leah Milton	Jim and Karen Birr	Vivian Hartsfield Janetta Roberts	John Palmer Dave Sinclair	Tricia Heffner John Palmer
2/4 <u>8:00 a.m.</u> <u>10:45 a.m.</u>	Holly Garrett Harry Goff Lynn Grames	Holly Garrett Sam Nwaobasi Ron Grames	<u>C</u> Ethan Grames	Lynn Grames	Jim Hoefener John Holmes Vivian Hartsfield Janetta Roberts	Carol Stout Nancy Heinze	Dave Sinclair Jim Hollenberg	Tricia Heffner Arbie Hollenberg

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Vestry

Senior Warden: Dennis Haefner (2018)
Junior Warden: Kelly Snider (2020)
Clerk: Marlene Martens

Vestry Members:

Sally Boyd (2019)
Diana Howarth (2019)
Sharon Love (2018)
Margaret Nwaobasi (2018)
Susan Oris (2020)
Deb Palmer (2020)
Dave Sinclair (2018)

Convention Delegate
Debbie Haefner (2020)

Alternate Delegate
Diana Howarth (2020)



***Please remember
St. Barnabas in your will.***

**Please remember our members who are
unable to attend:**

**Rosalie Cox, Jeanne Geise, Betty Hoefener,
Sara Henry, Yvonne Jones, Cornelius Manuel,
Bill Wardle, and Kitty Whitling.**

**10 (plus one) Rules of Respect
Rule # 11 Pray for one another.**

That's not just a throwaway line. Lifting one another to God in prayer is how we learn, slowly and sometimes painfully, but ultimately joyfully, to see each other with God's eyes, hear each other with God's ears and love each other with God's heart. My holding you in prayer will always include me asking God to love you through me. Pray that for me and for one another.

Our St. Barnabas family has a covenant with our rector and each other to live by 11 "Rules for Respect." We will highlight one each month in our Salter as a reminder.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



December Birthdays

Boyd	Kimberly	1-Dec
Sinclair	Andria	1-Dec
Boyd	Sally	6-Dec
Palmer	John	14-Dec
Haefner	Allyse	23-Dec
Williams	Charlotte	23-Dec
Birr	Karen	29-Dec

January Birthdays

Nwaobasi	Margaret	15-Jan
Milton	Leah	18-Jan
Howe	Sheron	21-Jan
Johnston	Mary	22-Jan
Holmes	John	27-Jan