



The Epistle

A Monthly Newsletter for Friends and Members of
St. Paul's on-the-Hill Episcopal Church



February 2012

The Rector's Message—*The Very Rev. Dr. Hilary B. Smith*

Dear Companions in ministry,

I hope you will be able to attend our Annual Meeting on February 5th, following the 10:30am service. We will be electing new vestry members who represent you in making decisions about the direction our church takes, what sort of ministry we choose to do, and many other matters. Your participation in their election is important. We will also have reports from our Food Pantry leaders, Scott Lang and Linda Binder, as well as reports from Pastoral Care, your Senior and Junior Wardens, and your rector. During our Annual Meeting, we consider the ministry we have shared in the last year, and we look to the future as we seek to know God's vision for what we are to do and who we are to be as faithful followers of Christ in 2012.

Our Annual Meeting is held in the season of Epiphany, which is most appropriate. Each season of the church year gives us a focus for our attention as we seek to grow spiritually. In Epiphany, we are particularly focused on how God has been known to us in Christ and how God continues to be known in our world, in our church community, and in our personal lives.

In February, we will enter the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, which is on February 22nd this year. Lent is a time to be refreshed by God. Our focus for these days is one of repentance and recommitment, or seeking a deeper commitment to God. If you do "give up" something for Lent, do so because it helps you think more about God during your day and/or helps you find

that you are dependent on God rather than something else for your joy. Perhaps "taking something on" for Lent would be better for you than giving something up...perhaps finding a little more time in the day for Bible reading and/or prayer would be helpful to your spiritual growth. Lent, rather than being "a downer" or an empty time, is a great gift to us from God and a time to experience God's grace anew. May God bless you with a deep and abiding knowledge of God's love for you during the holy season of Lent.

Faithfully yours,

Hilary +

**Annual Parish Meeting
February 5, 11:30 a.m.**

**Lenten Quiet Day Retreat:
Letting go & Living in Freedom**
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MISSION STATEMENT

ST. PAUL'S ON THE HILL IS A WELCOMING AND DIVERSE COMMUNITY HELPING PEOPLE TO GROW IN THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER SO THAT WE CAN SERVE THE WORLD IN CHRIST'S NAME.

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Out Reach: Helping Our Community!

CCAP Sunday

The last Sunday of each month we collect an offering that goes to help the needy of our area through CCAP (Congregational Action Project). Thank you for your generosity, which makes a difference in many lives.

St. Paul's Table: Food Pantry and Mission

Our church has a Food Pantry on the first Sunday of every month from 1 - 3pm. Our next Food Pantry is February 5th

We really need fresh produce, cereal and oatmeal!
We always need **meat –1-lb packs of hamburger, hot dogs; leave in the freezer.**

Thank you for your help! If you can help or for more information, contact: Scott Lang (smlnva@aol.com, 540-662-0216) or Linda Binder (lbinder798@comcast.net, 540-665-0675).

Men's Rescue Mission Ministry

The last Sunday of each month, our members prepare and serve a meal at the Men's Mission, Cameron St. If you can help or for more information, contact Scott Lang (smlnva@aol.com, 540- 662-0216).

The next Men's Rescue Mission meal will be served January 29th, 4:30-5pm.

In February, our Sunday to do the Mission will be the 26th, 4:30-5pm.



The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets 10:00 a.m. Thursdays in the Library.

Food Pantry Update: January

Thanks so much to the 16 wonderful workers that helped at the food pantry on January 8th and also our helpers after our church service. Getting prepared for our pantry on Sunday takes so many wonderful people.

Everyone does a little bit throughout the month to prepare for this day. My husband said to me, "It is like Jesus feeding the Five Thousand with five loaves of bread and two fishes." We start out the month with just a few items of food and by Sunday's Food Pantry there is enough food to feed everyone that comes. We wish to thank all of you for donating fruits and vegetables to our pantry. It means so much to the people we serve. Also it helps to keep our expenses down.

Our budget is being expended very rapidly and we need to find ways to raise money if we are going to keep our food pantry running.

We are also looking into ways we can raise funds for the food pantry. If you have any thoughts, ideas, etc., please let us know.

We gave away the poinsettias that were left over from Christmas. The people really enjoyed getting them. We also want to thank everyone for the donations of meat. It was all given out.

This month we had a total of 224 individuals, which included 95 children, 111 adults, 18 elderly and 62 households served.

Each month brings new people in. We really need hamburger (one pound packages), hot dogs, cereal or oatmeal. Fresh fruit and vegetables we always need.

Thank you so much for helping.
Linda Binder



St. Paul's Table

Save the Date

The next **Food Pantry** will be on **Sunday February 5th, 1pm to 3pm.**

The next **Men's Rescue Mission** meal will be served **January 29th, 4:30-5pm;**

Parish Life Events



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

February 21 Parish Hall 6 p.m.

Please be sure to sign up for our annual Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner!!! Sign up sheet is on the mailbox table. We really need a count so we buy enough supplies to feed everyone.

Also, if you are the proud owner of a pancake type griddle, we could use both the griddle and your assistance in making pancakes!!!

Just make a notation on the sign up sheet if your griddle is available for the event, and your services.

Thanks!!!

Cindy Culbert
Junior Warden

New Sign to Welcome All!



Our new sign is located at the entrance to our parking lot and faces Senseny Rd. The sign advertising the Saturday service has been moved to the other side of the sign frame. If anyone driving by was wondering what type of church we are, there is no doubt now.

Stewardship

Don't worry, it's not too late! Our ingathering of pledge cards continues. Currently we have 44 pledging units that have pledged a total of \$94,276.00. Thank you for making a commitment toward this year's annual ministry budget. It takes all of us working together to be this community and continue our spiritual outreach. Each of you plays a vital role in making our shared ministry happen. I want you to know that your confidence and support is recognized and appreciated.

If you recall from last month's stewardship letter, we still have a ways to go if we intend to continue living into our ministries at St. Paul's on-the-Hill. My prayerful hope is that every family in our parish will continue to strengthen our community with prayer and sacrifice as we move forward into this fiscal year. Your financial commitment is considered to be a sacred covenant between you, the church and God.

Once again, thank you for your financial commitment and for all you do in our church. If you are unable to make a financial pledge, please consider pledging your time and talent. Each of us is a minister, where do you feel called to let your light shine?

Alisha King,
Senior Warden

Parish Life Events

**Lenten Program 2012
February 29th – March 28th**

Led by Roger Inger and Hilary Smith

We will meet on Wednesdays from 7pm to 8pm. We are calling this year's program: *"Everything you always wanted to know about the Church (or the Bible or liturgy or God), but were afraid to ask."*

Submit your questions now. Place them in the box in the narthex. Each week we will select five or six questions and ask participants to give their answers the following week. There is no limit to the number of questions a participant may ask and the submissions may be anonymous or may be signed. If you cannot come to the program, you may still submit questions.

At the end of the Lenten Season, we will publish the questions and answers. Some questions might be: *Why do we use baked bread for some services but not for others? Or, How long have women been able to be ordained in the Episcopal Church? Or, Every province in the Anglican Communion has an Archbishop...Why do we have a Presiding Bishop, and what is the difference? BTW, why does the Church of England have two archbishops?* Any question is welcome! What do you want to learn about our faith and our practices?

The program will be preceded at 6pm with a service of the Holy Eucharist with prayers for healing, and by a simple community meal at 6:30pm. Come for any or all of activities on the Wednesdays during Lent. Please sign up if you plan to attend the meal, whether you are bringing anything to the meal or not, so we can have a count for each week. If you would like to help with the food, please sign-up to bring a pot of soup, or salad, or bread for one or two of the weeks.

LENT

Events and Programs for Lent

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
February 21st 6pm - 8pm

Ash Wednesday Services
February 22nd, noon and 7pm
Holy Eucharist with the imposition of ashes, music at 7pm

Lenten Program, Supper, Service begins Wednesday February 29th
6pm Service of the Holy Eucharist with healing prayers
6:30pm Simple Meal of Soup, Salad, and bread
7pm - 8pm - *Program- Everything you Ever wanted to know about: the Church, the Liturgy, God*

Scheduling

Do you ever wonder why you are scheduled to serve as a reader or LEM or in another worship-related ministry on the day that you are? We need your help to make the scheduling work well. Please let us know by the 15th of the month if you cannot serve on a certain day in the next month. For example of you know that you will be out of town on Sunday March 18th, we need to know this by February 15th. Please contact the office spothoffice@gmail.com or 540-667-8110. Thank you!

Rector's Read Returns!

Join us on Tuesday January 31st, at 7:00 p.m. in the library to discuss *Living Faithfully in a Fragmented World*, by Jonathan Wilson. This book is available on Kindle.

Bible Studies

Join us for Bible study on Tuesdays at Noon for fellowship and please bring lunch for yourself if desired and the study begins at 12:30.

Our Wednesday Bible Study begins at 10:15am. Both groups meet in our library. Please contact the church office for more info spothoffice@gmail.com or 540-667-8110

Parish Life

Lenten Quiet Day Retreat: Letting go & Living in Freedom

Saturday, March 17th, 2012

1:30 PM -4:30 PM

St Paul's on the Hill

Winchester, VA

Led by: The Rev. Kira B Skala

“It was for freedom that Christ has set us free”

Galatians 5:1

The life of St. Patrick, the above Scripture, the sculpture “Freedom” by Zenos Frudakis and the current work *Breathing Underwater: The Spirituality of the Twelve Steps* by Richard Rohr have had a big influence on my spiritual journey. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we will create an atmosphere where you can enter where you are in your spiritual life, connect to God through experiential exercises, journaling, silent prayer, creativity, art and move through to a new place with God.

*“Letting go is not in anybody’s program for happiness,
and yet all mature spirituality,
in one sense or another,
is about letting go and unlearning.”*

~ Richard Rohr

Worship Happenings

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

FEBRUARY 22ND

THE HOLY EUCHARIST WITH THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES

NOON WITHOUT MUSIC

7:00 P.M. WITH MUSIC



Usual Worship Service Times

Sundays 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I or II
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist with prayers
for healing (will change to 6:00pm for Lent on
February 29th)

Saturdays 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II, once a month
we hold our Celtic Eucharist at this time.

Saturday Evening Service

Every Saturday at 5pm. Tell all your friends whose children play soccer on Sunday mornings! This service is also a good option for those who work on Sundays. Parents with small children may find this to be a better time to get everyone out the door. Everyone is invited! The service is much like the 10:30am Holy Eucharist Rite II service but with a blend of music.

Choir

The St. Paul's on-the-Hill choir is open to all who enjoy praising God through song. We rehearse on Sundays, 9:15am - 10:15am.

Altar Guild—Help is Needed, Really

Learn how to prepare the Altar for our worship services! Serve God and the church in this important ministry. Your help is needed to ensure that we are ready for every service. Call Diane O'Hara for more information or to offer yourself for this ministry, 540-667-7056.



Centering Prayer

Every Wednesday, 6:00-6:30 p.m.
Join us for 20 minutes of silent prayer. An explanation of the prayer will be given. If desired, we can walk the Labyrinth following the prayer.



Next Celtic Eucharist

Saturday, February 18th, 5:00 p.m.



Join us for special music and prayers from the Celtic tradition.



Parish Life

People: Welcoming



Welcome Drew & Mark Myers-Schurig by way of transfer from Christ Church Winchester. You may recognize Drew and Mark from their occasional visits to St. Paul's on-the-Hill over the last several years. Originally from Michigan, Drew and Mark live in Old Town Winchester with their 3 cats, Darwin, Stanley and Katerina. Mark works as an assistant binder operator at Berryville Graphics, and Drew works in Technical Support for Visual Link Internet and Tower-Beam Wireless. Both enjoy cooking, photography, nature hiking, camping, exotic foods, craft beers, and disc golf.

... and

Sending Forth

Divine Delay in Berryville

By Jeff Gruber

Location, location, location is not just a term to use for Real Estate, I have found my journey of discovery was all about location. A series of events (home sale & job search) relocated me to my sister's home in Berryville, an unlikely location to begin my "divine delay".

I began to read the book, *What is God waiting For?: Understand Divine Delays in your Life*, written by Marlinda Ireland. Each chapter served as an inspiration to a particular struggle that I was experiencing at that given time. One particular chapter discussed pro-

crastination. In my morning devotion, I was praying to find a new job and home, and THEN I would begin to attend church and volunteer.

My "divine delay" had a different plan.....Once reading this chapter, I decided to seek a church NOW. After contacting a close rector in Sag Harbor, New York, he suggested St. Paul's on-the-Hill.

Location, location, location, SPOTH was in just the right town. As I attended my first Sunday service, I immediately felt like I had found a home. During the sermon, I made eye contact with the rector, Hilary, several times, and felt she was speaking just to me. In the receiving line, Hilary said, "it's nice to see you again", we laughed, and I then asked how I could help with the spring cleaning. I was introduced to Cindy and within 2 weeks, Steve invited me to join the Usher team. Shortly afterward, I found myself reading the church bulletin to see where else I could be of service. Helping with the Men's Mission and Food Pantry were very rewarding experiences.

While attending church at SPOTH, my "divine delay" was preparing me for my moving to a new job in a new city. As I unpack in my new home, I know what I need in a church, and hope I can find another SPOTH family church in Williamsburg.

In memorandum

Give to the departed eternal rest
Let light perpetual shine upon them

Long-time friend to, and priest for, St. Paul's on-the-Hill (as needed over the years during interims and other times of transition), the Rev. David Wayland died in the early hours this morning (Jan 20). We give thanks for his life and hold in prayer his wife Rose, his children, other family, and friends.

George Boyd, a founding member of St. Paul's on-the-Hill, died this afternoon (Jan 20). George and his wife Ruth have provided their service and support to our church for these many years; the church was founded in 1967. As we give thanks for George's life, we continue to hold Ruth in our prayers, as well as their sons, Larry and Joe, and all the family.

Vestry Nominations

During our Annual Meeting on February 5th, we will elect four persons to serve on the vestry, three for a three-year term and one to finish an unexpired term of one year. We give thanks for those who are willing to stand for election: Bonnie Crawford; Allan Doonan; Mike Hummer; Mike Krueger; Brooke Parker; and Mike Teore. All of these persons have many gifts for ministry and our task as members of St. Paul's on-the-Hill is to discern who is called to serve on the vestry at this time in the life of our parish. Our Annual Parish Meeting and Vestry Election will begin at 11:30am on Sunday February 5th. Please read and consider prayerfully the information provided here about each of the candidates.



Allan Doonan

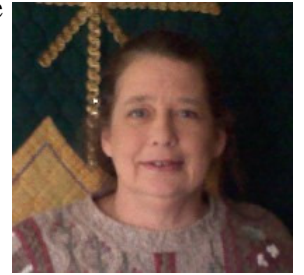
I was baptized and raised in a catholic family. Around 7th grade, my Mother changed to Baptist. I struggled with the Baptist faith through college, when I stopped going to church. I spent two years studying Buddhism. Deciding that the Buddhist path was not for me either, I started interpreting for the deaf at a catholic church. I also was running a support group for families impacted by AIDS at a local Episcopalian church. It was through that church and the priest's ministry that brought me back to church. I attended the Episcopal church and was confirmed by the Bishop in 2001. I became involved in different groups at church and was asked to be on the vestry at my church in Ohio. My job has moved me around a lot (8 states so far). I am currently a Vice President and division director for RR Donnelley in Strasburg. I also sit on the board of the Virginia Manufacturing Association and have lived in Virginia for almost three years, attending SPOTH the entire time. During my time at SPOTH, I headed up a committee that supported our summer seminarian, Catherine Hicks. Our committee met with Catherine several times over the summer, acting as a sounding board for her and giving constructive feedback regarding her efforts at the church. I also participated on a team to put together a parish survey. After the survey was completed, the team summarized the feedback and presented a consolidated report to the vestry. I'm looking forward to the future opportunities

that God will have for me at SPOTH.

Bonnie Crawford

To whom it may concern, in the matter of Bonnie L. Crawford, let it be known that: I am a cradle Episcopalian who over the years has explored other faith traditions. However, I have always found myself back in the arms of the Episcopal Church where faith, reason, and tradition guide our beliefs. I have served in the choir (as a child even though I was tone deaf). I had the honor of being the first female acolyte in the Diocese of Virginia. I have served on the Altar Guild, taught Sunday School, and helped to lead Vacation Bible School at St. Paul's on-the-Hill. St. Paul's on-the-Hill is very dear to my heart because during the times that my faith was shaken, St. Paul's carried the flame. Even more important, we are a welcoming community. We do not bring people in to change them. We are eager to know them and believe that God is present in all. I now that St. Paul's welcomes everyone and that we do not have a corner on God's will.

An area of particular interest to me, and possibly to others, is the Episcopal Church Women and diocesan resources for acolytes, specifically the state celebrations at the National Cathedral. The Episcopal Church and St. Paul's have been such a huge part of my growth that I now believe it is my time to offer myself



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Vestry Nominations

to the service of the Vestry.



Mike Hummer

I have attended St. Paul's on-the-Hill for about 6 years. I grew up Catholic but never felt a spiritual bond or calling to the church. I started attending St. Paul's after my mother Barbie began attending. I was immediately impressed

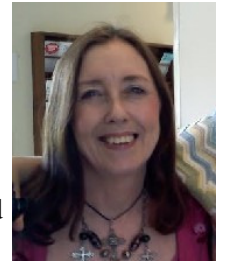
at how open and accepting the church was. We were quickly welcomed into the church family. I soon moved to Southern Virginia and began attending an Episcopal Church in Pearisburg, Virginia. That was an amazing experience and cemented my faith that there could be a spiritual connection within a church family. I officially joined the Episcopal Church in the fall of 2010.

I have always been very passionate about community service and giving back to the community where we live and work. I have been actively involved in The American Cancer Society's Relay For Life in the communities where I have lived. I have held several volunteer positions with Relay and was most recently Event Co-Chair of Relay For Life of Montgomery County, Virginia. I have also volunteered with Boys & Girls Club through my job as well as Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation, a national nonprofit that supports research for childhood cancers.

As part of the St. Paul's family I attended the Parish Retreat at Shrinemont in September 2011. I assisted with the Children's Christmas Pageant in December 2011. As a member of St. Paul's I believe it is important that we share our spiritual mission with the larger community. It is also important to build a solid youth foundation and welcome all who pass through our doors.

Thank You,
Mike Hummer

Brooke Parker



I have been so blessed...

I was baptized in the Methodist Church and attended in my youth and early teens. As an adult I found myself in church for weddings, funerals, and baptisms only, even though I considered myself a spiritual person. But God continued to seek me out for 26 years. Even though I knew I was being blessed, I still had no direction. I did not heed His call to try to be anything but a loyal friend and Good Samaritan. However, the more I was drawn to a spiritual life I realized "lucky coincidences" were not the case, but Divine Providence was. I began to see the hand of God continuously at work around me.

In 2005, I found the Episcopal Church and in 2009 I found my spiritual home at St. Paul's on-the-Hill; a church so blessed with talented, hardworking, and supportive clergy, musical direction, lay people and congregation. This church is filled with so many who truly have servants' hearts and bring countless unique gifts to share at God's table.

I have now been attending St. Paul's for 2½ years; most of you know me from our wonderful Saturday evening worship service. Those of you, who don't, probably won't escape me for long. I now also sing in the Sunday choir. I have a particular reverence for our Celtic service and other special services throughout the year.

I believe people are drawn to St. Paul's not because they have to come or are forced to, but because they truly want to be here. All of my immediate family has already been called home, but my church family supports me in countless ways...and it doesn't end there. I now have a whole world of brothers, sisters, mothers, and fathers, whoever is trying to follow the will of God.

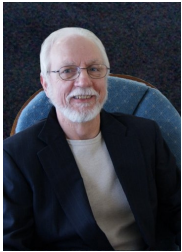
I am deeply honored to be asked to run for the vestry. Honestly, I was reluctant. Three things changed my mind. First, hearing this call reflected by some whom I love and respect and seemed to have so much confidence in my ability to serve. *Continued from p. 9)*

Vestry Nominations

Second, it was reiterated as I reread Ellen’s sermon about Samuel and Martin Luther King’s call, how anyone can serve thereby offering back the many blessings I’ve been given. Lastly, the refrain in our hymn, “Here I am Lord, is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

Stepping out in love and faith, Thy will be done.

Brooke



Mike Teore

I’m Mike Teore: I have skills to offer Saint Paul’s on the Hill as being part of the Vestry. Over the years I have acquired talents that will offer an objective view for the benefit of Spoth...My years of maintenance experience in building re-

pairs to help reduce operational costs.

I have leadership qualities from being part of the student union, a Cub Scout leader, molding young minds in the ideals of fair play (ethics) and helping the less fortunate.

I have an analytical mind that can be the ‘devils advocate’ looking at the worst-case type scenario of issues, to help create the best possible path to travel.

I’m not sure of what the vestry requirements are but I’m always willing to learn.

Please do keep me in mind for a position on the council.

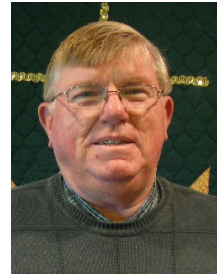
Respectfully Submitted

Michael Teore

Annual Council of the Diocese of Virginia

Clergy and delegates from all the churches in the diocese meet in Reston from Thursday January 26 to Saturday January 28th to conduct the business of the Diocese and to reconnect with friends and colleagues. Representing St. Paul’s on-the-Hill: our delegate, Roger Inger and our rector Hilary, accompanied by Joan Inger, Alisha King and two of our priests-in-residence, Meava and Ralph Bayfield. Roger Inger will give a report about the Council during our Annual Parish Meeting on February 5th, 11:30am.

J. Michael Krueger



I am 67 years old, self-employed, married to Mary Ellen for 47 years. We have 3 children and 6 grandchildren. I have considered myself to be well grounded, setting realistic goals in life and always motivated to do better and make positive contributions that would make the world a better place with God's will. We have been members of St. Paul's since 1980. I served on St. Paul's first Search Committee 1982-84, and was elected to serve on Vestry after our first Priest was called. I again served on Vestry in 2000. During my terms on vestry , I have served both as junior and senior wardens and feel equipped to serve our Parish again. In addition, I have been involved on Stewardship, Pastoral, Discernment and Properties committees.

J. Michael Krueger

Scenes from Annual Council 2012



Above Roger, Joan, Hilary, and Alisha

Below A view of the main meeting room



News from the Diocese

January 10, 2012

Tonight, the Fairfax Circuit Court issued its ruling in favor of the Diocese of Virginia and the Episcopal Church in litigation seeking to recover Episcopal church property. "Our goal throughout this litigation has been to return faithful Episcopalians to their church homes and Episcopal properties to the mission of the Church," said the Rt. Rev. Shannon S. Johnston, bishop of Virginia.

The court ruled that the Episcopal Church and the Diocese of Virginia have "a contractual and proprietary interest" in each of the properties subject to the litigation. The court ordered that all property subject to its ruling be turned over to the Diocese.

"We hope that this ruling will lead to our congregations returning to worship in their church homes in the near future, while finding a way to support the CANA congregations as they plan their transition," said Henry D.W. Burt, secretary of the Diocese and chief of staff.

Bishop Johnston added, "While we are grateful for the decision in our favor, we remain mindful of the toll this litigation has taken on all parties involved, and we continue to pray for all affected by the litigation."

January 13, 2012

At the 217th Annual Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia later this month, the Rt. Rev. David C. Jones, bishop suffragan of our diocese for 17 years, will retire. To honor his ministry, the Diocese has established the Bishop David C. Jones Evangelism Fund to provide support to small congregations seeking to implement new initiatives in their parishes or communities. The intent of the grants awarded through the Fund is to help smaller congregations fuel creative ideas and programs that will promote new growth and foster evangelism.

Contributions to this fund will help support fellow churches while recognizing the ministry of Bishop

Jones. We invite you to contribute, either online or by submitting a check via mail (made out to the Diocese of Virginia with "Bishop Jones Evangelism Fund" in the memo line).

Thank you for your support.

The Diocese of Virginia Bishop Suffragan Search

What is the Process for Electing Our Bishop Suffragan

From the Education Subcommittee of the Bishop Suffragan Nominating Committee

The 216th Annual Council of the Diocese of Virginia approved Bishop Shannon Johnston's call to elect a bishop suffragan to succeed Bishop David Colin Jones, who is retiring at the end of the 217th Annual Council after a long and fruitful ministry. The resolution authorized the appointment of a Nominating and a Transition Committee to perform the work required for the election of a bishop suffragan, as well as a timeline for the overall process.

The Nominating Committee received names of potential candidates from July 1-July 31, 2011. The Committee conducted the screening and interview process during the fall and early winter. The Committee announces a slate of nominees to the Diocese on February 3, 2012. The Standing Committee then opens the process for nominating additional persons by petition. The final slate of nominees is introduced to members of the Diocese in March 2012.

The election will be held at a special meeting of diocesan Council on Saturday, April 21, 2012. The Bishop Suffragan's consecration is planned for July 28, 2012 at St. Paul's, Richmond, assuming receipt of the necessary consents from General Convention to this election.

Produced as one in a series of bulletin inserts by the Education Subcommittee of the Bishop Suffragan Nominating Committee.

www.thediocese.net/BishopSuffraganSearchProcess

CERTIFICATION IN CPR AND AED LEARN BASIC FIRST AID

Learn how to save the life
others and yourself!

Denise Pouget has offered to train St. Paul parishioners in CPR, the use of the AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and Basic First Aid. Our hope is to assemble a SPOTM Emergency Response Team of 10 people who are trained in the event something should happen.

Classes are being held the second Saturday of each month from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Baden Room. The next class will be February 11th

A Donation of \$30.00 is requested. All proceeds go to St. Paul's General Fund. If you are interested, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

BOOK GROUP READING LIST 2012



Book	Month	Host
	FEBRUARY <i>The Summer Guest</i> by Justin Cronin	Joanne Killough
	MARCH <i>Acts of Faith</i> by Erich Segal	Joan Inger
	APRIL <i>A Single Thread</i> by Marie Bostwick	Barbara Epperson
	MAY <i>The Help</i> by Kathryn Stockett	Jan Ritter
	JULY <i>The Reader</i> by Bernhard Schlink	Amanda Epperson
	AUGUST <i>An Acceptable Time</i> by Madeline L'Engle	Jane Mauck

Scene from Annual Council of the Diocese 2012



Children and Youth

Sunday School for Children

Kindergarten
thru Middle
School meets

during our 10:30 Sunday Service.

Our program "Feasting on the Word" is based on readings we hear during our church services each Sunday. This exciting series is lead by these enthusiastic teachers and assistants; Brenda Wiens, Josh O'Hara, Linda Binder, Tricia Arthur, Mary Ann Herrmann, Amber and Barbie Hummer. If you would like to be involved, call Brenda at 722-8730 or Barbie at 667-2032.



Youth Group



Youth Group Bowling

On January 22nd, eight members of our youth group went bowling at Northside Lanes. When all the members are present we have ten now! Great to see the group growing. Thanks to all the adults who are helping our rector Hilary with the group.

Next Youth Group Meeting

Our next Youth Group meeting will be on Sunday February 26th. In the afternoon, exact time TBA.

Christian Formation, Adult Education

Sunday Adult Education

Meets in the Library from 9:15am to 10:10am. We will continue our Lectionary Study in February, but beginning on Sunday February 25th, we will start a Lenten Study on the topic of Economic Justice; the study has been developed by the Biblical Association for the Church of Ireland.

Sunday Adult Education during Lent from the Biblical Association for the Church of Ireland

"Last year BACI sponsored a Lent course on the theme of creation. Once again this year's theme has been chosen so that the Church of Ireland can participate in the Anglican Communion's "Bible in the Life of the Church" project (see www.anglicancommunion.org). This three-year project has two specific aims:

1. to discover how Anglicans worldwide read their Bibles and
2. to begin to provide some of the tools that will enable a deeper engagement with Scripture.

The Lent course for 2012 is, appropriately enough, on the theme of economic justice. Week by week, selected passages are given along with short commentaries, suggestions for further reading and questions for group discussion."

The information above is taken from the Lenten Study booklet, which can be found here <http://bibliahibernica.files.wordpress.com/2012/01/lent-2012-a42.pdf>

Please let Hilary, our rector, know if you would like a copy of the booklet printed for you. We will begin this study on Sunday February 25th. Adult Education meets in the Library from 9:15 am to 10:10am every Sunday.

February Calendar 2012

Every Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I or II (alternates week to week)

9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

9:15 a.m. Adult Education, Library

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

10:30 a.m. Sunday School for Children, ages 5-12

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

Nursery for the youngest, 5 and younger, begins at 9:15am ends when the 10:30 a.m. service is over. Older children may also be in the nursery for child-care from 9:15am to 10:15am while parents are in Adult Ed. or Choir Rehearsal.

Special Sunday Activities in February

Sunday February 5th

Food Pantry, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sunday February 26th

Youth Group, time *to be arranged*

Men's Rescue Mission Ministry, 4:00 p.m.

Every Monday

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Church Office Open

Rector's Day Off

Every Tuesday

9:00—1:00 p.m. Church Office Open

Noon Bible Study Fellowship Time

12:30 p.m. **Bible Study**

Special Tuesday Activities in February

February 10th, **Vestry Meeting**, 7:00 p.m.

February 21, **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner**, 6 p.m.

Every Wednesday

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Church Office Open

10:15 a.m. Bible Study

Special Wednesday Activities in February

Wednesday, February 22, **Ash Wednesday Services**, Noon and 7 p.m.

Wednesday, February 29, **Service, Meal Lenten Program. 6pm, 6:30pm, 7 p.m.**

Every Thursday

8:30 a.m. **TOPS** (take off pounds sensibly)

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Church Office Open

10:00 a.m. **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

7:30 p.m. **Girl Scouts, Daisies**—the 2nd and 4th Thursdays

Every Friday

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Church Office Open

Every Saturday

5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II with a blend of music

Special Saturday Activities in February

Saturday, February 4, **Preparing for the Food Pantry**, 6:00 p.m.



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

The 5th Sunday after the Epiphany February 5th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I

reader: Bill Stewart

LEM: Roger Inger

10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

vestry person of the day: Alisha King

greeter: Josh O'Hara

ushers: Jeff Hummer & Josh O'Hara

tellers: Jeff Hummer & Josh O'Hara

acolytes: Chris Wiens, Andrew Doney, Alex H.

readers: (1st) Mark Richardson & (2nd) Joan Inger

LEMS: Joanne Killough/Bill Scott

intercessors: Joan Inger

Sunday School: Brenda Wiens, Linda Binder

kitchen team leaders: Help Needed

Wed. February 8th LEM/Reader: Joan Inger

The 6th Sunday after the Epiphany February 12th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

reader: Diane Fadley

LEM: Flonnie Williams

10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

vestry person of the day: Cindy Culbert

greeter: Daria Rainieri and Matt Smith

ushers: Cindy Culbert & Vic Arthur

tellers: Cindy Culbert & Vic Arthur

acolytes: Mike Teore

readers: (1st) Vic Arthur & (2nd) Jenn Doney

LEMS: Lokie Voight/Joe O'Hara

intercessors: Barbie Hummer

Sunday School: Mary Ann Herman, 2nd teacher needed

kitchen team leaders: Help Needed

Wed. February 15th LEM/Reader: Roger Inger

The Last Sunday in the Epiphany February 19th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I

reader: Bill Stewart

LEM: Roger Inger

10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

vestry person of the day: Barbie Hummer

greeter: Rondo Pitta

ushers: Rondo & Greg Pitta

tellers: Rondo & Greg Pitta

acolytes: Denise Pouget, Maria Hoogeveen

readers: (1st) Bill Scott & (2nd) Joyce Scholes

LEMS: Joan Inger/Lokie Voight

intercessors: Barbie Hummer

Sunday School: Josh O'Hara, 2nd teacher needed

kitchen team leaders: Help Needed

Ash Wednesday February 22nd

Noon Holy Eucharist with the imposition of Ashes

reader: Diane Fadley

Chalice: The Rev. Meava Bayfield

7:00 pm Holy Eucharist with the imposition of Ashes

ushers: Steve Culbert and Bob Williams

acolytes: Mike Teore

readers: (1st) Mark Richardson & (2nd) Alisha King

LEMS: Brooke Parker/Roger Inger

The 1st Sunday in Lent February 26th**8:00 am** Holy Eucharist Rite I**reader:** Diane Fadley**LEM:** Flonnie Williams**10:30 am** Holy Eucharist Rite II**vestry person of the day:** Roger Inger**greeter:** Daria Rainieri and Matt Smith**ushers:** Steve Culbert & Bob Williams**tellers:** Steve Culbert & Bob Williams**acolytes:** Matt, Robert, Maddie Hummer**readers:** (1st) Jenn Doney & (2nd) Vic Arthur**LEMS:** Joe O'Hara/Joanne Killough**intercessors:** Joan Inger**Sunday School:** Help Needed – 2 teachers**kitchen team leaders:** Help Needed**Wed. February 29th** LEM/Reader: Joan Inger**The 2nd Sunday in Lent March 4th****8:00 am** Holy Eucharist Rite I**reader:** Bill Stewart**LEM:** Roger Inger**10:30 am** Holy Eucharist Rite II**vestry person of the day:** Diane Fadley**greeter:** Josh O'Hara**ushers:** Jeff Hummer, Josh O'Hara**tellers:** Jeff Hummer, Josh O'Hara**acolytes:** Chris Wiens, Andrew Doney, Alex H**readers:** (1st) Mark Richardson & (2nd) Joyce Scholes**LEMS:** Joan Inger/Lokie Voight**intercessors:** Barbie Hummer**Sunday School:** Mary Ann Herman; 2nd teacher needed**kitchen team leaders:** Help Needed**Wed. March 7th** LEM/Reader: Bob Sherwood*Saturday**Schedule***February 4th 5:00 pm
Holy Eucharist Rite II****greeter:** Brooke Parker**usher:** Allan Doonan**reader:** Sarah Gallup**prayers:** Alisha King**LEM:** Bruce Gallup**February 11th 5:00 pm
Holy Eucharist Rite II****greeter:** Alisha King**usher:** Brooke Parker**reader:** Alisha King**prayers:** Cari Sherwood**LEM:** Bob Sherwood**February 18th 5:00 pm
CELTIC Eucharist****greeter:** Brooke Parker**usher:** Michael Krueger**reader:** Alisha King**prayers:** Patty Scheder**LEM:** Cari Sherwood**February 25th 5:00 pm
Holy Eucharist Rite II****greeter:** Alisha King**usher:** Allan Doonan**reader:** Cari Sherwood**prayers:** Sarah Gallup**LEM:** Brooke Parker**March 3rd 5:00 pm
Holy Eucharist Rite II****greeter:** Brooke Parker**usher:** Bob Sherwood**reader:** Sarah Gallup**prayers:** Alisha King**LEM:** Brooke Parker

**February 2 Feast of The Presentation**

Malachi 3:1-4

Hebrews 2:14-18

Luke 2:22-40

Psalm 84

Collect

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

February 5 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 40:21-31

Psalm 147:1-12, 21c

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39

Collect

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

February 12 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

2 Kings 5:1-14

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Mark 1:40-45

Psalm 30

Collect

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

February 19 Last Sunday after the Epiphany

2 Kings 2:1-12

Psalm 50:1-6

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Mark 9:2-9

Collect

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

February 22 Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:1-2,12-17

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Matthew 6:1-6,16-21

Psalm 103

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

February 26 First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 25:1-9

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:9-15

Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

March 4 Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Psalm 22:22-30

Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38

Collect

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.





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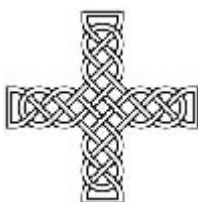
Come walk with us!



Happy Birthday!

Come to church for a special birthday blessing during a service on a Saturday or a Sunday on or near your birthday!

- 02/01 Molly Mintschenko
- 02/08 Alexander Davenport
- 02/09 Jessi Edwards
- 02/10 Katie Dennis
- 02/21 Hilary Smith
- 02/22 Maria Hoogeveen
- 02/22 Greg Pitta
- 02/23 Nancy Sawle
- 02/25 Alisha King
- 02/26 Daniel Corn



Happy Anniversary!

02/12 Amanda & William Davenport

We wish everyone happy birthday and anniversary for February.

If your birthday or anniversary has not been included, please help the office to keep our records current by giving us call or sending an email.

Thank you!