

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

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E-NEWSLETTER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing of the Garden Sunday April 24th. Immediately following the service we will process to the Community Garden for a special liturgy for the blessing of community gardens.

Landscape clean-up: Please mark your calendars for **Saturday April 30 from 9-12.** We plan to have a clean up the landscape, as best we can that morning. Please bring garden rakes to even out the rocks beds in front until they can be taken care of by the landscaper (no date set yet). Louise could use some help with the perennial bed in back. Kathryn could use some help with the landscape around the cross. The rock on the south and west sides of the church need to be cleaned up, any weeds pulled.

Hope to see you there! *The Landscape Committee*

Reminder from Elizabeth Feigh:

The Gospels of the past two Sundays have portrayed Jesus as the Good Shepherd who also asked Peter to feed His sheep and lambs.

Jesus knows His sheep by name.

Names are important.

We are not anonymous or just a number when we are called by our name.

That is one of the reasons we wear name tags at church.

It is also the reason behind a new poster by the door of the Sunday school room (compiled by Julie Gray).

Do we know who Summit is? Or Tim?

Let's follow the example of the Good Shepherd and expand our knowledge of the names of newcomers, children and others in our midst.

If you do not currently have a nametag just let the office know!

Pentecost is coming -- May 15th. Needed are readers in languages other than English. If you are willing to read, as part of a group, parts of the lessons for Pentecost in a language other than English please email David Wall: mkmwld@gmail.com

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ECMN Cycle of Prayers

We pray for the work of the House of Prayer and all spiritual directors serving in the Episcopal Church in Minnesota. We pray for the members of St. Mark's congregations in Annandale, Lake City and Minneapolis. For Gretchen Pickeral on the anniversary of her ordination;

Intercessions

We pray for our friends and members in need: Diane Hayes; Jane Broda; Barbara Straathof; Marlene Laudenbach's sister-in-law Pat Janu; Deb Savage's father Robert; Susan Sink; Michael B.; Rita D.; Katie & Shawn; Lisa Rickerson; Gerry Levos; Andrue Grabow; Steve Kalkman; Court Kenaston; Dawn Larson; Aaron Boatz and family; Evelyn Ykema; Lea; Ken Perry; Dick Studer; Diane K.; Don Krueger; Chance Bullock; Ike Yarmon; Kay K.; Connor Rohde; Emily G.

We pray in thanksgiving for our friends and members: Loren Goenner, Mary Wyman-Goenner, Kaitlyn & Sydney; Tano, Julie, Nathaniel, & Aaron Gray; Priscilla Gray; Al & Karrie Halbur; George Ham & Kathryn Pratt.

Ministers for 5th Sunday after Easter, April 24, 10:00 am

<i>Presider & Homilist:</i> Rev. Gretchen Pickeral	<i>Deacons:</i> Rev. Priscilla Gray or Rev. George Ham
<i>Acolyte:</i> Ric Studer	<i>Lectors:</i> Sandy Hofsommer & Kathy Wiant
<i>Eucharist:</i> Kathy Wiant & Ivan Schumann	<i>Communion Bread:</i> Myra Schrup
<i>Ushers:</i> Deb Krueger & Bill Daly	<i>Hospitality:</i> Deb Krueger
<i>Accompanist:</i> Denise Bernard	<i>Altar Guild:</i> Kathy Wiant
<i>Coffee:</i> Chris & Denise Bernard & Susan Atamian	<i>Cleaners:</i> Deb Krueger & Mary Swank
<i>Announcements:</i> John Hoover	<i>Recorders:</i> Ric Studer & Elizabeth Feigh

APRIL

- Thu 21 **Vestry Meeting, 7pm**
Therapy Dog Class, parish hall 6:45pm
- Sat 23 New Covenant of Christ service & Bible study 2:00pm
- Sun 24 Service at 10:00am, Rev. Gretchen Pickeral, presiding**
Blessing of the Community garden follows service
Mary Magdalene, First Apostle Congregation; service and reception, 1:00 – 4:00
- Mon 25 Central MN Youth Soccer officials training, 6:30 – 9
- Tue 26 Central MN Youth Soccer officials training, 6:30 – 9
- Wed 27 Jobs Transitions Group 11:45, choir room
- Thu 28 Therapy Dog Class, parish hall 6:45pm
- Fri 29 ARC Midstate 6-9pm
- Sat 30 New Covenant of Christ service 2:00pm

MAY

- Sun 1 Service at 10:00am, Rev. Randy Welsand, presiding**
- Mon 2 Jobs Transitions Monday Evening Session, 5:15 – 8:00
- Tue 3 Laundry Love 11 – 1:00 Kipps Laundry
Central MN Animal Association meeting, evening
- Wed 4 Jobs Transitions Group 11:45
- Thu 5 Therapy Dog Class, parish hall 6:45pm
- Sat 7 New Covenant of Christ service 2:00pm
- Sun 8 Service at 10:00am, Rev. Cynthia Bronson Sweigert, presiding**
Mary Magdalene, First Apostle Congregation; service 1:00
- Wed 11 Jobs Transitions Group 11:45
- Thu 12 Finance Committee

Sat 14 Therapy Dog Class, parish hall 6:45pm
New Covenant of Christ service & potluck 2:00pm

Sun 15 Service at 10:00am, presider TBA
Potluck follows service
Warne Music Recitals 3:30 – 5:30

Mon 16 – Fri 20 Home Delivered Meals

Tue 17 Laundry Love 11 – 1:00 Kipps Laundry
Lunch Bunch, 11:30

Wed 18 Jobs Transitions Group 11:45

Thu 19 Froelke Recital 5:30pm
Vestry Meeting, 7:00pm
Therapy Dog Class, parish hall 6:45pm

Fri 20 Sizer Piano Studio Recitals 6:30 – 8:30

Sat 21 New Covenant of Christ service & Bible Study 2:00pm

Sun 22 Service at 10:00am, Cynthia Bronson Sweigert, presiding

Tue 24 Bernard Music Recitals 6:30 – 8:00

Wed 25 Jobs Transitions Group 11:45

Thu 26 Therapy Dog Class, parish hall 6:45pm

Sat 28 New Covenant of Christ service 2:00pm

Sun 29 Service at 10:00am, Morning Prayer

Mon 30 MEMORIAL DAY –Office Closed

Tue 31 Laundry Love 11 – 1:00 Kipps Laundry

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