

# THE FISHERMAN

WE ARE A CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF LOVING, CARING MEMBERS, WHO REACH OUT TO WELCOME OTHERS THROUGH SOCIAL ACTION, MINISTRY, AND INSPIRATIONAL, SACRAMENTAL WORSHIP.

## Traditions and Facts about the Christmas Tree

Some sources concerning the history of the Christmas tree indicate that the birthplace of the first Christmas tree was Riga, Latvia, in year 1510. Another legend has it that Martin Luther began the tradition of decorating trees to celebrate Christmas. One crisp Christmas Eve, about the year 1500, he was walking through snow-covered woods and was struck by the beauty of a group of small evergreens. Their branches, dusted with snow, shimmered in the moonlight. When he got home, he set up a little fir tree indoors so he could share this story with his children. He decorated it with candles, which he lighted in honor of Christ's birth.

The Christmas tree tradition most likely came to the United States with Hessian troops during the American Revolution, or with German immigrants to Pennsylvania and Ohio. But the custom spread slowly. The Puritans even banned Christmas in New England. Even as late as 1851, a Cleveland minister nearly lost his job because he allowed a tree in his church. Schools in Boston stayed open on Christmas Day through 1870, and sometimes expelled students who stayed home.

The Christmas tree market was born in 1851 when Catskill farmer Mark Carr hauled two ox sleds of evergreens into New York City and sold them all. By 1900, one in five American families had a Christmas tree, and 20 years later, the custom was nearly universal.

As you recall stories of past Christmases and observe the many traditions of this sacred season, rejoice during this joyous time of year as you behold the glimmering lights of your Christmas tree, draped on its evergreen boughs, and remember that the light of God has come into our midst to bring us everlasting life.

*Merry Christmas!*  
Fr. Frank



## Advent and Christmas Services

### *The Service of Advent Lessons and Carols*

The Service of Advent Lessons and Carols will be held on Saturday, December 8 at 5:30 p.m.

### *Christmas Services at St. James the Fisherman*

**Family Celebration of the Holy Eucharist**

Christmas Eve, at 6:00 p.m.

**The Festival Celebration of the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ**

Christmas Eve, at 10:30 p.m.

**Celebration of the Holy Eucharist**

Christmas Day, at 10:00 a.m.

## A Voice from the Deacon's Bench



Dear Friends in Christ,

I am still in amazement whenever I think about the very generous response St. James gave to the Hurricane Relief and Recovery Projects for Brunswick County. I am listing them to share with you all the good works and hands-on projects St. James contributed:

- Food and clean-up items for BFA and SBIC for food pantry.
- Food, clean-up items, sweat shirts, toiletries and paper products for *Street Reach Ministry for the Homeless*.
- Monetary donations to *Motel Blessings*, also a Street Reach Ministry.
- Volunteering at BFA to pack and hand out government food and water supplies on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Extra Coat Vouchers packets sent out to Hurricane R&R for distribution.

I cannot begin to tell you how these programs have thanked us for our generosity and selfless giving of our time. I often wish you could experience what I do when donations are taken to the Hurricane R&R programs and I witness the coming together of faithful to help those in need. My words just won't explain the sense of God-Networking and love that surrounds such faith in action.

We often forget how blessed we truly are because we have become used to our abundance of wealth and security. The recent hurricanes and many national concerns may have woken us up to the ongoing needs of others, and with warm hearts we did respond, but now we journey into the Advent Season and it is time to take one step further: to look into our self-centered egos, and try to become more aware every day of "*meeting Christ in all experiences and all people*" — sort of like having an angel on your shoulder, nudging you to open your heart and your eyes to the little things that can mean so much to those in need. What simple gift of love can you give to the Christ Child this Christmas?

*Blessings,  
Deacon Jean*



## Advent Study Series

A 4-session series on the Story of Anglicanism and the Episcopal Church will be offered during Advent. Beginning November 29<sup>th</sup>, these one-hour classes will explore the beginning of Christianity in England, the Reformation, the origins of the Episcopal Church in America and the Anglican Communion today. The dates for the series will be November 29, December 6, 13 & 20 at 4:00 pm in Bliss Hall. This is a great introduction to the Episcopal Church for new members, as well as a great refresher for long time Episcopalians. I hope you will participate in this informative education opportunity!

*Fr. Frank*

## The Man and the Birds

The man to whom I'm going to introduce you was not a scrooge; he was a kind decent, mostly good man. Generous to his family, upright in his dealings with other men. But he just didn't believe all that incarnation stuff which the churches proclaim at Christmas Time. It just didn't make sense and he was too honest to pretend otherwise. He just couldn't swallow the Jesus Story, about God coming to Earth as a man. "I'm truly sorry to distress you," he told his wife, "but I'm not going with you to church this Christmas Eve." He said he'd feel like a hypocrite. That he'd much rather just stay at home, but that he would wait up for them. And so he stayed and they went to the midnight service.

Shortly after the family drove away in the car, snow began to fall. He went to the window to watch the flurries getting heavier and heavier and then went back to his fireside chair and began to read his newspaper. Minutes later he was startled by a thudding sound...Then another, and then another. Sort of a thump or a thud...At first he thought someone must be throwing snowballs against his living room window. But when he went to the front door to investigate he found a flock of birds huddled miserably in the snow. They'd been caught in the storm and, in a desperate search for shelter, had tried to fly through his large landscape window.

Well, he couldn't let the poor creatures lie there and freeze, so he remembered the barn where his children stabled their pony. That would provide a warm shelter, if he could direct the birds to it. Quickly he put on a coat, galoshes, tramped through the deepening snow to the barn. He opened the doors wide and turned on a light, but the birds did not come in. He figured food would entice them in.

So he hurried back to the house, fetched bread crumbs, sprinkled them on the snow, making a trail to the yellow-lighted wide open doorway of the stable. But to his dismay, the birds ignored the bread crumbs, and continued to flap around helplessly in the snow. He tried catching them...He tried shooing them into the barn by walking around them waving his arms...Instead, they scattered in every direction, except into the warm, lighted barn.

And then, he realized that they were afraid of him. To them, he reasoned, I am a strange and terrifying creature. If only I could think of some way to let them know that they can trust me...That I am not trying to hurt them, but to help them. But how? Because any move he made tended to frighten them, confuse them. They just would not follow. They would not be led or shooed because they feared him.

"If only I could be a bird," he thought to himself, "and mingle with them and speak their language. Then I could tell them not to be afraid. Then I could show them the way to safe, warm...to the safe warm barn. But I would have to be one of them so they could see, and hear and understand." At that moment the church bells began to ring. The sound reached his ears above the sounds of the wind. And he stood there listening to the bells listening to the bells pealing the glad tidings of Christmas. He caught a glimpse of the mystery of the Incarnation, and he sank to his knees in the snow.

-- A story told by Paul Harvey



## Parish Angel Tree Program

It is almost time to deliver our gifts to Brunswick Family Assistance, for distribution to our sponsored families!

*Please use the request 'angel' as a gift tag when you return the wrapped items* to the church, so we can identify the family that the gift is for. Place your gifts under the tree **NO LATER THAN SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH**, so we can prepare items for delivery by December 10<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions, contact Lisa Jennings, 910-575-1068, or Susan Sprouse, 910-842-5872.



# Parish Annual Meeting December 2nd

In accordance with the Church's Constitution and Canons, we will hold our annual meeting on Sunday, December 2nd, immediately following our 10:00 am worship service. As this meeting is part of our corporate life together, we will celebrate only one service that weekend on Sunday at 10 am, during which we will: present a few reports from our Senior and Junior Wardens, Treasurer, Deacon, and Interim Rector; see the proposed 2019 spending plan; elect three new Vestry members; and select Diocesan Convention Delegates. Recall that, in accordance with the Canons of the Episcopal Church, to vote you must: "have received the Sacrament of Baptism; be at least 16 years old; been faithful in corporate worship, unless prevented by good cause; and been working, praying and giving for the spread of the kingdom of God in the parish during the past year." There is no absentee or proxy voting.

# Lumina Divina

*... a quiet day in the divine light of Advent*

The Mary and Martha chapter of the Daughters of the King, of St James the Fisherman invite you to join in this day of Advent worship, fellowship, and lunch. Lisa Richey, ObjN, will lead us in reflection and prayer. God, as usual, will provide the surprises.

Saturday, Dec 8, 2018  
9:30am - (no later than) 2pm  
St James the Fisherman  
4941 Main Street  
Shallotte, NC 28459

To help with planning, please contact Susan Sprouse by December 1, for more information and to register. 910.842.5872 or [sprmouse@atmc.net](mailto:sprmouse@atmc.net)



## Neighbor to Neighbor Outreach Ministry

We opened the Coat Closet on October 30, 2018, and within two weeks gave out more 105 coats to 35 families. In addition, 100 coats which were too lightweight for use in our program were given to other charity programs. The volunteers are in full working mode and continue to serve, offering to find coats that best fit the client's need. Right now, we are in need of children's coats sizes 4/5 and 10/12, adult men's small and adult 2x and above. The Orthopedic Equipment Lending Program is also in need of wheel chairs.

Just a reminder that coats are only given out on Tuesday and Saturday mornings, when the Coat Closet is open and trained volunteers are present to follow the directions that have been set up to meet the grant guidelines and our inventory. If there is a situation when a coat is needed when the Closet is closed, please contact Deacon Jean, Dawn Kellerman or Connie.

*Deacon Jean*

# Upcoming Events

## Long Range Calendar:

Thur., Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>, 4pm – Advent Study Series, 4-part Christian Ed Series in Bliss Hall

Sun., Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10am – Parish Annual Meeting (Single Service Weekend), Service at 10am followed by the annual Meeting in the Church

Wed., Dec. 5      ECW Christmas Luncheon

Sat., Dec 8<sup>th</sup>      Deadline to have Angel Tree Gifts placed under the tree at Church  
5:30pm –      Advent Lessons & Carols

Sun., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, Greening of the Church (Single Service Weekend), service at 10am followed by Greening of the Church

Sun., Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>, We will celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent, Holy Eucharist

Mon., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>,      Christmas Eve  
Family Eucharist Service with Music – 6 pm  
Festive Choral Eucharist Service – 10:30 pm

Tues., Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>      Christmas Day – Said Eucharist Service – 10am

Wed., Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>      Office Closed

Dec. 29/30      Standard Eucharist Services

## ECW

The ECW of St. James the Fisherman had our November meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup>. There were 21 women in attendance. We all had a great time following Betty Herren's instructions, and created our own paintings using her flowing paint technique. All were unique and beautiful!

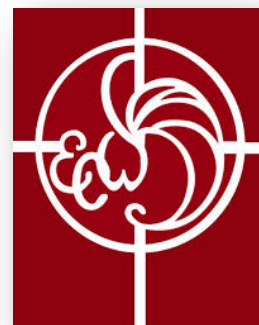


Our December meeting will be on December 5<sup>th</sup>. We'll have our annual luncheon at Sea Trail with the Coastal Harmonizers as our entertainment this year. Look for the sign-up sheet in the gathering area. Checks for the luncheon should be given to Ruth Ann Campbell.

Our yard sale was a huge success this year. With the Craft and Bake Sale on a separate weekend this year, we are hoping for success for those as well on November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Have a Wonderful Holiday Season!

**Barb Freeman,**  
2018-2019 ECW President



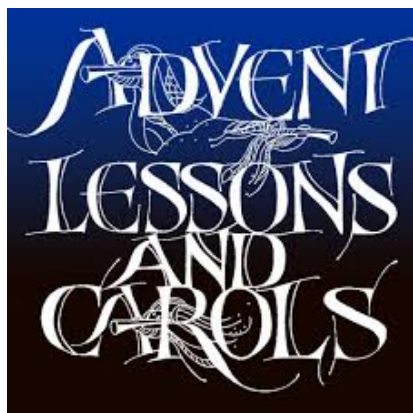
## Come Join Us!

The Order of the Daughters of the King invite you to come join us! Share our daily journey of *Prayer, Service, and Evangelism*. Call any member for more information.

*For His Sake,*  
*Pat Neff*

## Mary and Martha Chapter





**The St. James Episcopal Choir** is busily preparing for the Christmas season with some beautiful choral music!

On December 8th, the choir and readers will present a Service of Lessons and Carols at 5:30 pm. Lessons and Carols is a traditional service that began in England in 1918 at King's College, Cambridge. There are customarily nine lessons taken from scripture. Each lesson or reading is followed either by an Advent hymn sung by the choir and the congregation, or an anthem sung by the choir. It is a lovely way to begin the season of Advent and prepare for Christmas. The regular Saturday service will not be celebrated that evening.

Our traditional candlelight Christmas Eve Service will also feature some festive choral music, with a prelude that begins at 10:30 pm. Some of the prelude selections are: *On This Day Earth Shall Ring*, *Ave Maria*, *O Little Town of Bethlehem*, *The Infant King*, featuring a quartet, and *Good People, All Rejoice*, which includes *Bring A Torch, Jeanette, Isabella*. The anthem during the Offertory will be *Before The Marvel Of This Night*, by Carl Schalk – a hauntingly lovely piece. The closing lyrics of the anthem are:

*The love that we have always known,  
Our constant joy and endless light  
Now to the loveless world be shown,  
Now break upon its deathly night.  
Compress the love that rules our universe above;  
Sing love, sing love, sing God is love,  
Sing love, sing God is love!*



There will also be the traditional Christmas Carols during the service, with candles held during the singing of *Silent Night* after Communion, and the triumphant *Joy To The World* as the recessional hymn, followed by an organ postlude.

We look forward to sharing this joyous season with you!

## Operation Christmas Child

Once again our shoebox collection efforts in support of this program were tremendous. Many thanks who helped in your response allowing us to send out 68 boxes to children worldwide; helping make their Christmas season a bit more joyous and hope-filled.

*Your Fellow Servant in Christ,  
Fr. Frank*



## Preliminary Results of 2018 CROP Hunger Walk



The 2018 CROP Hunger Walk was held on Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at Mulberry Park in Shallotte. It was a beautiful day for a walk, whether

you did the 3.2-mile walk or the new one-mile walk. Upon return from their walks, everyone had wings and pizza to enjoy while listening to the Cedar Grove Baptist Missionary Choir who raised the roof off of the pavilion. As of November 8<sup>th</sup>, the CROP Hunger Walk Treasurer has reported that 77 walkers raised a total of \$12,606. More monies are still coming in, however. He also reported that St. James had 8 walkers (Bubba drove the

lag car) and raised a total of \$1,910. Ruth Ann took a photo of the St. James group at the Walk.

We would like to thank everyone who walked and/or sponsored a walker, in addition to the ECW who made a generous donation from their Yard Sale. St. James is helping to end hunger one step at a time. God bless you all.



*Ruth Ann & Vera  
St. James Recruiters*



## Seen at the ECW Bake and Craft Sale...

Shoppers were welcomed on Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> by a historically familiar figure: Father Frank the Pilgrim! Many thanks to the parish for their tremendous support of this fundraising effort, and a special note of thanks to Father Frank, for being such a great sport!



## Vestry Notes

The Vestry met Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, in Bliss Hall at 5:30 p.m. Lots of discussions and reports were brought forth. Bill McLennan reported our pledges are behind, and we are thinking of new ways to improve. If you haven't pledged or want to, please do so. Also, Father Frank presented several possible new outings and programs for getting parishioners out for fun events. As you are all aware of the damage the church sustained from Hurricane Florence, our Junior Warden has been getting bids not only for repairs of the immediate damage, but possibly replacing all of the roofs which are in need of attention. Our Treasurer is dealing with not only the insurance people, but also with FEMA. He also is setting up and proposing a 2019 Budget for approval.



Our Neighbor to Neighbor Coat Closet has opened and has passed out 200-plus coats so far. Thanks to Deacon Jean, Dawn, and all those who volunteer for that and all our outreach missions.

Lastly, I wish to personally thank our Interim Rector for providing the strong leadership and direction for St. James the Fisherman. As was stated at the meeting by several members, Connie, our Administrative Assistant, has been the glue keeping things in order, going above and beyond her duties. We are truly blessed with these two dedicated people. Once again, thanks to all our Fishermen and -women for making St. James what it truly is: God's workings here on Earth.

*Yours in Christ,  
Bill Grothe  
Sr. Warden*

## FOYERS



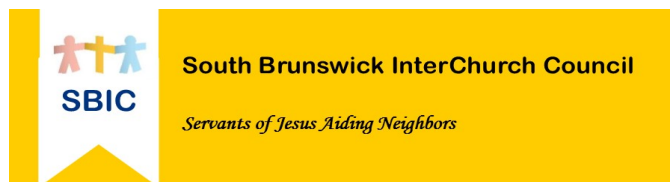
It is time for Foyers sign up. For those of you who don't know what Foyers is all about, it is a once a month get together with other members of St. James the Fisherman to eat together, go out and enjoy a movie, a play, a concert, to go bowling or just to sit around a table after a meal and talk and get to know each other. Come and get to know other members of your St. James Family; no skill or talent is needed, just a willingness to be part of small social groups with 8-10 members who plan each month's activities together as a group.

The first group meeting will be in January, that time of year after Christmas when everyone wants something to do, and the groups will meet through May.

There will be an organizational luncheon sometime during the first week in January, time and place to be announced. At that luncheon everyone will get their group assignments.

The sign-up sheets for Foyers will be in the gathering area starting the first week in December. All are welcomed and encouraged to sign up for this very special "social only" group. Singles as well as couples are invited. Please make this a great year for Foyers, come and have FUN with other members of your St. James family.

Any questions, please call Ruth Fernandez at (910) 579-1904 or E-mail [rtfbeach@atmc.net](mailto:rtfbeach@atmc.net).



The South Brunswick Interchurch Council (SBIC), held its monthly meeting on Monday, November 5, 2018, at Shallotte Presbyterian Church at 8:45 a.m.

Paul Carman, Treasurer, reported that the SBIC had received \$500 from an anonymous donor to use for hurricane relief. The motion was made and passed to donate this money to the Soldier Bay Baptist Church because residents in that area suffered a great deal of damage from the flood and Soldier Bay has been very active in helping those affected by the storm. It was also motioned and passed to take \$1,000 from the non-designated funds and transfer it into Emergency Assistance.

Status on Past and Upcoming 2018-19 fundraising events:

1. Sunset @ Sunset (October 6). Patty Brisson, Event Coordinator, reported a total of \$1,323. Patty thanked everyone who helped.
2. CROP Hunger Walk (November 4). Bonita LeGoullon, Event Coordinator, reported that the food was donated by Zaxby's, Little Caesar's Pizza, and the Purple Onion. The Boy Scouts, Knights of Columbus, and the Brunswick Recovery Center all helped. The deejay was Gray Johnson. There is no final report as yet because monies are still coming in.
3. Thanksgiving Meals on Wheels (November 22). Ruth Ann Campbell-Grothe, Coordinator, has contacted BSRI for the number of dinners needed. Letters went out to the churches on October 4<sup>th</sup> and RSVP's were due back on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Only two churches have responded. Ruth Ann will follow up with the churches.
4. Christmas Dinner Boxes for the SBIC Food Pantry (December 15). If you wish to donate \$20.00 to help pay for a dinner, please send a check to SBIC Treasurer, P. O. Box 1461, Shallotte, NC 28459, with Christmas Box in the memo line. The boxes will be distributed on December 15<sup>th</sup> at the SBIC Food Pantry.
5. Run for Food (January 19). Mary Pritchard reported that printed cards with information about the Run are being redone because of a printing error.
6. Spring Concert (April 7). Beach Assembly of God will host the concert in the spring of 2019.
7. Quilt Raffle (April 7). The Brunswick Quilters Guild has once again donated a quilt to the SBIC for raffle. The quilt is 80" x 96" (queen size) and all cotton. Tickets are on sale for \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. All proceeds go to the SBIC Food Pantry and Emergency Assistance. The winner will be announced at the April 7<sup>th</sup> Concert. Please contact Ruth Ann, your St. James SBIC Representative, at 910-575-1247 or at [nolanie@atmc.net](mailto:nolanie@atmc.net) if you would like to purchase tickets.

Mary Pritchard, Food Pantry Coordinator, reported that the Food Pantry received \$1,025 from the Carolina Shores Golfers; \$100 from the Calabash Lions Club; and \$1,323 from Sunset at Sunset. The SBIC also received a Landfall Grant of \$3,500. The SBIC Food Pantry has served 2,576 children, 4,753 adults, and 3,554 seniors for a total of 10,883 January-October 2018. Mary also reported that we will have a guest speaker next month, Lindsay Maher, from the Brunswick Wellness Coalition. The topic will be improving health in Brunswick County. We will be changing our SBIC Food Pantry menu to offer healthier foods, doing our part to make Brunswick County the healthiest county in NC. Ms. Maher provided a refrigerator that will enable us to offer fresh produce and maybe adding milk and frozen veggies. The SBIC Food Pantry is looking for someone to pick up bread from Panera Bread in North Myrtle Beach every Friday night at 9:00 p.m. and eggs from Walmart. Walmart will bring the eggs out to your vehicle.

Mitch Hewett, Technology Chairperson, reported that last month we had 29,000 hits on our website.

Gloria Wimmer, Membership Chairperson, is still working on getting a new representative from Calvary Baptist Church. She is also trying to get an official representative from St. Brendan's Catholic Church. Reps should follow up with their churches on dues.

Denise Reiner, Publicity, asked to be kept in the loop when doing things or sharing information on the SBIC.

Ruth Ann has lots of photos from the CROP Hunger Walk.

The updated By-Laws have been properly notarized.

Donna Phelps announced that StreetReach will be partnering with Camp UMC starting on Friday, November 23 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. to have a community feeding. Brenda Register will be the person to contract for donations or to volunteer.

The next SBIC General Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 3, 2018, at Shallotte Presbyterian Church at 9:15 a.m. where we will have a healthy Christmas breakfast for our volunteers.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ruth Ann or Bill Grothe, your St. James Representatives, at 910-575-1247 or at [nolanie@atmc.net](mailto:nolanie@atmc.net). Until next month...

## Saint Nicholas to Visit St. James the Fisherman Again This Year

The true story of Santa Claus begins with Nicholas, who was born during the third century in the village of Patara. At the time, the area was Greek, and is now on the southern coast of Turkey. His wealthy parents, who raised him to be a devout Christian, died in an epidemic while Nicholas was still young. Obeying Jesus' words to *"sell what you own and give the money to the poor,"* Nicholas used his whole inheritance to assist the needy, the sick, and the suffering. He dedicated his life to serving God, and was made Bishop of Myra while still a young man. Bishop Nicholas became known throughout the land for his generosity to those in need, his love for children, and his concern for sailors and ships.

Nicholas attended the Council of Nicaea in AD 325. He died December 6, AD 343 in Myra, and was buried in his cathedral church. Today his feast day is celebrated every December 6.

Through the centuries, many stories and legends have been told of St. Nicholas' life and deeds. These accounts help us understand his extraordinary character, and why he is so beloved and revered as protector and helper of those in need.

One story tells of a poor man with three daughters. In those days, a young woman's father had to offer prospective husbands something of value — a dowry. The larger the dowry, the better the chance that a young woman would find a good husband. Without a dowry, a woman was unlikely to marry. This poor man's daughters, without dowries, were therefore destined to be sold into slavery. Mysteriously, on three different occasions, a bag of gold appeared in their home-providing the needed dowries. The bags of gold, tossed through an open window, are said to have landed in stockings or shoes left before the fire to dry. This led to the custom of children hanging stockings or putting out shoes, eagerly awaiting gifts from Saint Nicholas.

Saint Nicholas will be our guest on December 9 at 10 AM, speaking to the congregation and then going to visit our children in Sunday school. Come and meet the original Santa Claus.



## Greening of the Church

This is an ancient tradition of the Church in which the congregation comes together following Advent to help decorate the Church for their Christmas celebrations. Come join us immediately following our **10 a.m. service on Sunday, December 16th**, when we'll

joyously prepare our altar, place wreaths and poinsettias, decorate our pews, and put up our Chrismon tree in anticipation of our Christmas services. Remember that many hands indeed make the task easier and more of an embodiment of our life together as a parish family. This is a single-service weekend.

*Peace – Father Frank*

## *Birthdays and Anniversaries:*

Dec 2 Larry Eldridge  
 Dec 3 Bob & Barbara Beadling  
 Dec 4 Richard & Marilyn Seidler, Bonnie Dolph  
 Dec 6 Stephanie Lynott, Russ Mavis, Suzy Bryant  
 Dec 9 Al Haley, JoAnn Jenkins  
 Dec 10 Bill Chase  
 Dec 11 Ilene Palmer, Ernie & Rowena Sewell  
 Dec 14 Paul Worley  
 Dec 16 Nancy Dougherty  
 Dec 17 Patricia Nunnenkamp, John Walsh  
 Dec 18 Ed & Sue Sandidge  
 Dec 23 Gayle Robertson  
 Dec 24 Stephen & Gayle Robertson  
 Dec 26 Sheila McLennan  
 Dec 27 Chris Walters  
 Dec 28 Paul Boileau, Debs Fosbury  
 Dec 30 Bill Somers, David Fosbury  
 Dec 31 Bruce Zawacki

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The Rt. Rev. Robert Skirving - Bishop  
 Rev. Frank Russ, Interim Rector  
 The Rev. Jean Miller, Deacon  
 The Rev. Michael Ligon, Deacon  
 Rev. Dr. Richard Warner, Jr., Rector Emeritus  
 Paul Bertelsen, Verger

### **Worship Services**

#### **Sunday:**

Holy Eucharist: 8:00 a.m.  
 Choral Eucharist: 10:00 a.m.

#### **Saturday:**

Holy Eucharist: 5:30 p.m.

### **Vestry**

Bill Grothe	Senior Warden
Jim Parsch	Junior Warden
Jack McElroy	Treasurer
Jackie Wright	Clerk of the Vestry
Pat Neff	Nancy Dougherty
Sam Farag	Bob Lynott
Dawn Kellerman	Joyce Winnie
Anne Neely	

## **Directory of Ministries**

### **WORSHIP - Vestry Liaison - J. Winnie**

Coordinators -  
 Acolytes - P. Bertelsen  
 Altar Guild - Individual Team Leaders  
 Daughters of the King - K. Roberts  
 Eucharistic Ministers - R. Fernandez  
 Eucharistic Visitors - Deacon J. Miller  
 Music - M. Smicklas  
 Newcomers/Greeters - K. Crane  
 Nursery - V. Redin  
 Ushers - B. Chase

### **PROGRAMS - Vestry Liaison - D. Kellerman**

Christian Education - Father Frank Russ  
 ECW - B. Freeman  
 Coffee Hour - Weekly Hosts

Foyer Groups: R. Fernandez  
 Quarterly Parish Dinners - Dawn  
 Kellerman, B. & G. Freeman  
 Special Projects - P. Bertelsen  
 Holy Stitches - D. Kellerman  
 Bridge Group - B. Bartell

### **OUTREACH - Vestry Liaison - Anne Neely**

Angel Tree - Daughters of the King  
 BFA Food Pantry - Second Helpings Volunteers  
 Communities In Schools - Daughters of the King  
 ERD - *Volunteer Needed*  
 Inter-church Council - B. & R. Grothe  
 Lobster Sale - B. Chase, J. Washington, J. Kellerman  
 Neighbor to Neighbor - Deacon J. Miller  
 Second Helpings- J. Bryant

UTO/CPC - ECW Coordinators

### **ADMINISTRATION - Vestry Liaisons - S. Farag, P. Neff**

Endowments - Ernie Sewell  
 Stewardship - B. & S. McLennan

### **COMMUNICATIONS/DEANERY - Vestry Liaison - N. Dougherty**

### **BUILDING & GROUNDS - B. Lynott, J. Parsch**

*Fisherman Newsletter* - L. Jennings

*Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2*

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