

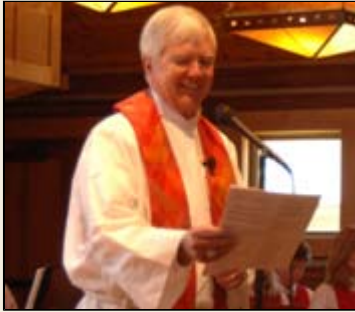


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REVELATIONS NEWSLETTER: January 2010

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More announcements...

If you have an item you would like included in Revelations please submit it to sarah@stjohnsjackson.org by the third Friday of the Month

HOURS OF OPERATION

The **Administrative Office** is open Monday- Friday from 9am to 4:30pm

Sunday:
8am- Holy Communion, St. John's Chapel, Holy Communion, Chapel of the Transfiguration (Summer Only)

Annual Parish Meeting

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The Annual parish Meeting is the only general meeting of the congregation each year. It is a business meeting in which Vestry and Staff reflect on our performance in 2009 and look ahead to 2010. The several business items include:

- Replacing retiring Vestry members Sally Becker and Ed Schmitt
 - A nominating committee will place before the meeting T.R. Pierce and Carmina Oaks for these positions. Nominations are also welcomed from the floor
- The 2010 budget, theme and mission plan will be presented
- The recipient of the Annual Rector's Award for service to the parish will be announced.

Please plan on joining your fellow members of St. John's as we look forward and backward at God's mission in this parish. Light refreshments will be served. The start of the 10 o'clock service may be delayed due to the meeting. Come be a part of it!

A Message from Father Ken:

Brothers & Sisters in Christ, The three month winter period that the church observes the cycle of Advent/Christmas and Epiphany seasons is a timeless reminder of the providence of God. Technically, it is the annual remembrance of the Incarnation, when God became one of us to open us to the mystery that we are one with God and in God.

The word remembrance in a Christian context is, perhaps, the most loaded and mysterious of all those "stained glass" words we pronounce with such solemnity, even if not with much understanding . . . but I digress! Remembrance, which is among other things the central theme of the service of Holy Communion, is a much stronger word than its "cousin" that we often treat as a synonym, remember. While remember means look back and recall, remembrance

8:45-11:45am- Creche open for preschool children (opens at 9:45 in the summer)

9am- Children's Sunday School in the Children's Building (school year), Adult Formation Class in Hansen Hall or Undercroft, Youth Sunday School in the Youth Room (school year), Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday:

4:00pm- Centering Prayer in St. John's Church

Wednesday:

12:00pm- Holy Communion in St. John's Chapel

Every Weekday:

Noon- Noonday Prayer in St. John's Chapel Parking

RESOURCES

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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means "re-live, or re-experience." Remembrance in the context of Holy Communion means through the mystery of liturgical time, we are transported to the Upper Room and we join the twelve at the table with Jesus.

In the context of the incarnation, remembrance means our redemption is at hand, not merely the redemption of long ago Jewish peasants and shepherds. It means God became one with us, not some ancestor, to save us from all our short-sighted attempts to go it our own way. This season recalls us to remember whose we are and, in gratitude, reclaim our holy heritage.

No less that the twelve, we are called to a holy mission for inviting an unseeing world into a remembrance of God's love and God's passion for human kind. Once we recognize this essential essence, the things that divide us, whether politically, or socially or in those terribly divisive, and ultimately unimportant church arguments you read about will pale in significance to the mission, the heritage and the great blessing we are to treasure . . . by giving it away. The theme of the Epiphany Season is "light." I have every confidence that the Episcopal Church / Jackson Hole will, in its 102nd year, continue to be the light in this community and the bearer of tidings of a great joy!

God's blessings and peace.
(The Reverend) J. Kenneth Asel, D. Min. Rector

Young Families

Cabin Fever Playgroup
Too cold to go to the park?
Need an adult conversation?

Join us Wednesdays
January, February and March
2:00-3:30
Nursery of St. John's Episcopal Church



For more information contact Margaret Hutton
margaret@stjohnsjackson.org or 733-2603 ext. 105

Invite a friend—All are welcome!
Family Service January 10
Join us for a Family Service

Sunday, January 10
10:00 Service
Children's Sermon

Youth News

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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The **Youth Alliance Targhee**

Ski Retreat will be taking place January 22-24, 2010! This year we will be staying at the Targhee Lodge! Cost per age group: 18 and above \$170, 17 to 13 \$140, 12 and under \$100. The deadline to sign up is **Friday, January 15th by 5:00pm!**

Youth Calendar

Sunday, Jan. 3 Youth Fellowship at 9:00am in the Underground

Monday, Jan. 4 High School Youth from 7:00-9:00 in the Underground

Wednesday, Jan. 6 Young Life Club from 6:30-8:00 at the Ranch Inn

Sunday, Jan. 10 Youth Fellowship at 9:00am in the Underground

Monday, Jan. 11 High School Youth from 7:00-9:00 in the Underground

Wednesday, Jan. 13 Middle School Youth from 6:30-8:00 in the Underground

Friday, Jan. 15 Deadline to sign up for the Ski Retreat!

Sunday, Jan. 17 Youth Fellowship at 9:00am in the Underground

Monday, Jan. 18 High School Youth from 7:00-9:00 in the Underground

Wednesday, Jan. 20 Young Life Club from 6:30-8:00 at the Ranch Inn

Jan. 22-24 Ski Retreat!

Monday, Jan. 25 High School Youth from 7:00-9:00 in the Underground

Wednesday, Jan. 27 Middle School Youth from 6:30-8:00 in the Underground

Sunday, Jan. 31 Youth Fellowship at 9:00am in the Underground

Young Adult News & Calendar

Check out our young adult community website: linkjh.com.

Calendar

Tuesday, Jan. 5 WORD Bible Study in the Underground at 7:30pm

Tuesday, Jan. 12 Theology on Tap at the Town Square Tavern at 7:30pm

Tuesday, Jan. 19 WORD Bible Study in the Underground at

7:30pm

Tuesday, Jan. 26 Theology on Tap at the Town Square Tavern at 7:30pm

Be watching your virtual mail and PO Boxes for further information. As always, if you have any questions you are welcome to email or call me at: trent@stjohnsjackson.org or 733-2603 ext. 104 or Isabel at: isabel@stjohnsjackson.org or 980-522-0279.

Trent Moore
Youth and Young Adult Chaplain
St. Johns Episcopal Church
Thank You!

Thanks!

The Phantom of the Opera production on October 30 was a smashing event thanks to a large group of volunteers. The turnout was standing room only and the organist Todd Wilson was superb. The evening was better than I ever expected. Thanks to Pam and Keith Phillips for making the contact with Mr. Wilson.

Barbara Knobe and her team put on one of the best receptions ever, complete with wine, black roses, masks, black capes, and silver candelabra! Hosts included Amy and Herb Brooks, Joni and Rob Weed, Peter and Jeanine Karns, Nancy Porthan, Georgia Ligori, Deborah Lopez, Ed and Judy Schmitt, Devvie and Ken Asel, Karin King, Jean Webber, Patsy Murphy, Chet Knobe, and Marilynn Mullikin.

Dave and Marie Suhre shuttled Todd Wilson around town and took him on a picnic to the Park. He had never seen moose and elk in the wild! Also, thanks to Sheri Bickner who worked with Hugh's Production to install the screen and DVD equipment. Bruce Hawtin assisted with the Snow King reservation and Ed Schmitt was everywhere the last two days ensuring that equipment and seating were in place. Pam and Keith Phillips made the contact with Mr. Wilson. Joni Weed and Sarah Mitchell created the tickets, programs, and flyers mailed to the congregation.

Thanks also to St. John's for hosting this outstanding organ event. What a wonderful group of volunteers we have here!

-- Chuck Webber

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while Fr. Ken is in the Holy Land). We encourage learners and thinkers of all ages to join us, but we will make a special effort to make sure that our seniors are able to attend - even if we need to pick them up ourselves. Our first course will focus on J. Philip Newell's book "One Foot in Eden: A Celtic View of the Stages of Life." Please let Mary Erickson know by January 5 if you plan to attend as we have limited books and will need to order more if our numbers are high. Books are \$12.00.

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We remain looking for housing for our summer chaplains at the Chapel of the Transfiguration. While we would prefer to rent a house for the entire summer (last week in May through September), we would be open to different arrangements, especially if the price is right. Call Joni Weed if you can help with this very valuable part of the ministry of the Chapel of the Transfiguration.

A group from St. John's will be attending St. George's Anglican College in Jerusalem in late January and early February. The Palestine of Jesus course is one Fr. Ken took 10 years ago and it traces the life of Jesus through study and pilgrimage and encounter with the contemporary residents of the nations of Israel and Palestine. Participating are Gary & Jackie Childress, Bruce and Carolynn Hawtin, John & Ann Willott, Chuck and Jean Webber, Judith Schmidt, Karin King and the Asels. Fr. Ken will be gone for 3 Sundays. Melinda Bobo will be the celebrant those Sundays.

ONCE AGAIN YOU DID IT! Thank you to everyone who purchased "blue bags" and filled them with indispensable non-food items for the Community Resource Center. You are the best. Coming soon: Another Food Drive for the Jackson Cupboard.

Please welcome one of our own as our new Director of Development. Starting January 1, Greer Terry will continue the work of telling our story to the people of this parish and the larger Jackson Community. Greer grew up an Episcopalian in Dallas and became a member of St. John's several years ago. She has lived in the Valley for approximately nine years. Previously she has worked for the Jackson Hole Mountain Resort in the Communications department. She is joining our staff from her position as Director of Public Relations for the Four Seasons Resort. Greer is known by almost all the staff and we are thrilled to

have her as part of the team!

Live It!

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By Margaret Hutton and Ann Willott

"Live It!" is a resource designed for churches to offer families something short and simple that they can actually DO in the midst of today's busy lifestyles. Formed around key words (trust, gratitude, kindness, etc.), each table card provides a quote, a sentence prayer, a sharing suggestion and a Scripture lesson to help you grow. Live it inspirations are designed to provide a different inspiration each week. The following page provides you the month of December's inspiration.

You can purchase Live it! on line at www.leaderresources.org or check out this month's inspiration by [clicking here](#).

Centering Prayer

Our Centering Prayer support group meets weekly and each member, on a voluntary basis, takes a turn at being leader. The form of the sessions usually consists of reading a Psalm, having a 20 minute silent 'sit' and a short "lectio



divina," (divine reading.) In this reading from Scripture, a short bible passage is read four times, with pauses between each reading, during which members listen for meaning within themselves and their own lives.

In addition, the leader chooses readings from various sources which they would like to share with the group. My offering often consists of religious poetry or prose . The following is a brief example. It is a poem by the English Renaissance poet George Herbert (1593-1633.) He was a priest at the time of the early Anglican church.

The Call

Come, my way, my truth, my life;
Such a way as gives us breath,
Such a truth as ends all strife,
Such a life as killith death.

Come my light, my feast, my strength;
Such a life as shows a feast,
Such a feast as mends in length.
Such a strength as makes his guest.

Come my joy, my love, my heart;
Such a joy as none can move,
Such a love as non can part,
Such a heart as joys in love.

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