

Glad Tidings

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ST. ANTONY OF EGYPT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Rev. Bill Fulton, Vicar



Vicar's Voice

As our stewardship campaign approaches, I'd like to offer a few reasons to give generously to St. Antony's. All of us who support our church deserve to know that our money is well spent on our mission, "Gather, Grow, and Go."

A good portion of our budget is spent in our mission to "Gather" for the worship of God and for fellowship every Sunday morning. We offer worship with dignity, warmth, and hospitality to all who come. I think all of us deeply value the experience of Holy Communion that is so central to our spirituality. The salaries of our priest, musicians and secretary are essential to making the Eucharist available. And don't forget that we now pay substantial rent to have the use of our worship space.

Not only do we gather on Sundays for worship and fellowship, but we also gather many other times during the week, for Bible Study, outreach, education, eating together, "knitting wittily," and for the Wednesday Eucharist and program. We offer a family church atmosphere that has a place for everyone - something that is deeply needed in a world where many people are lonely.

We're committed to "Growing" as part of our mission, and we offer numerous opportunities for spiritual and personal growth. Our weekly Bible study and Wednesday night programs have enjoyed steady attendance, as well as the Sunday afternoon Contemplative Service, book studies and seasonal offerings like Ash Wednesday and Holy Week. All these activities require budgetary support.

A thriving church needs a good support system and we're fortunate to have a secretary who is gifted at doing all the unseen background work that keeps things running: bulletins, newsletters, directories, phone calls and emails. And of course we have expenses for internet service, telephone, website hosting, copier contract, and so on. It's easy to take for granted all the behind-the-scenes activities that a successful organization requires.

The last part of our mission is to "Go" out into the world to spread the Gospel and serve the world. Not only do we make a difference in our community through our support of outreach organizations and our service at the Lord's Neighborhood Diner, but we also make a difference in the way we live our personal lives as shaped by our faith and the spiritual nourishment we receive from our church. Our communities would be poorer without the strength, integrity, and morality that we gain from our participation in St. Antony's.

In short, the world is a better place and we are better people because of the existence of St. Antony's. The money we give to our parish budget is used wisely and carefully managed by our Treasurer and Bishop's Committee. I'm confident that my pledge of ten percent of my income to St. Antony's is money well spent. I hope you'll feel the same about your pledge.

*The mission of St. Antony's is to be a loving and welcoming people
who worship God, grow in Christ, and serve others.
Gather, Grow, and Go!*

Communications Commission

The news article announcing our new church building project has been accepted by our Diocese. On October 6, 2017 the announcement was made through the "Across the Diocese", Local, National and World News. A copy of that article is posted on our church bulletin board, and is included in this month's Newsletter. (See below)

Our Bishop's Committee is planning ahead now for the time when we all occupy the new church facility on our Field of Dreams. Considering the required Bishop's Visitation event to bless our new sanctuary and in addition, to plan for our first open house reception, a new BC commission has now been established as the Hospitality Commission. It is set up primarily as an ad hoc 2-year (2018 - 2019) commission to plan these two occasions, and to be available to assist other events. I look forward to being part of that Hospitality team as it develops.

Tovi Andrews

FIELD OF DREAMS BECOMES A REALITY

Episcopal Mission Church Begins Construction

Located on 7 acres of pastoral farmland in Silverdale, this building site at 11885 Old Frontier Road NW is a field of dreams for Saint Antony Episcopal Church. The new church building is designed to reflect the Northwest style of simplicity and fine architecture. Tall fir trees have been donated and specially milled by a local mill. The timbers and beams have been hand selected to re emerge into the life of the sanctuary and appointed areas about the church. One of the features on the campus of this Northwest style church will be a uniquely designed large timbered, covered, open sided Event Shelter. This will be an original work of art designed by the architect.

The Diocese of Olympia founded and established St. Antony Episcopal Church as a mission church in 1983, and purchased property at 10239 Old Frontier Road NW in Silverdale in 1985 to serve as a place of worship. As the congregation and programs have grown more space is needed. Over the years, the parishioners have been contributing to a designated fund to enable the purchase of new land and new buildings to accommodate their growth and future dreams. Now, after purchasing the beautiful 7-acre parcel and working with Rice Fergus Miller Architects and Westsound Company LLC, the congregants are getting their new church.

The new church building complex is being constructed in two phases. The projected completion time for Phase I is Spring 2018. The progress of construction will be noted on the church website and Facebook page. A public open house will be announced when Phase I is complete.

Website: www.saintantonys.org / <http://www.facebook.com/saintantony>

For more information contact: Tovi Andrews, Church Communications
or The Reverend Bill Fulton, Vicar, at 360 698-0555

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Bishop's Warden Musings

As I write this I am sitting on the ferry returning from a Kairos weekend. A song written by Don Moen is running through my memory. It begins

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One

I find myself with many things to give thanks for as we approach Thanks-giving. A short list would be
All the souls who pledged to and those who give to the building fund
All the souls who contributed to the event shelter
That concrete has been poured for the new building's footings and the floor, the stem walls and the slab for the event shelter will be poured soon (possibly before these words are in print)
All those who pledge and those who give so the operations of St. Antony can be planned, budgeted, and funded
A diocese that has reduced its assessment several times in the last 10 years and still manages to propose a balanced budget to diocesan convention
All the souls that came to Jesus at Kairos
The prayer support St. Antony gives to Kairos
The support (prayer, letters, team members, sponsors, guests) that St. Antony's gives to Cursillo / Come and See...Go and Tell
The Bishop's Committee
Our acolytes
Our clergy (past and present)
Our missionaries (Leroy and Amanda Ray)
Our Sunday School

_____ what are
_____ you
_____ thankful for?



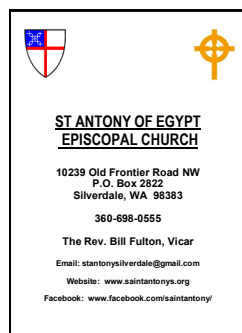
Happy Thanks - Giving

Welcoming Committee

The Welcoming Committee met recently to update the informative Welcoming Brochure that describes all our offerings and ministries here at St. Antony's.

We ask that you pick one up and check it out! But more importantly make sure to offer one to any new visitor that comes to St. Antony's. We have had a number of new families and new members over the past few weeks, and this pamphlet is the best way for them to get a better idea of who we are and what we offer.

Thank you,
Sarah Rogers



Guest Speaker

The Rev. Dick Middleton, Speaker

"The Gospel of Thomas"
7:00 pm, Wednesday, November 15
in the Parish Hall

The Rev. Middleton is a retired Presbyterian pastor and an expert on the Gnostic Gospels. He'll offer an introduction to the Gospel of Thomas, a literary work about Jesus written around the time of the four Gospels but not included in the Bible.

Come explore this fascinating work with us.



Lord's Diner

It is once again time for St. Antony's to serve at the Lord's Diner. The Lord's Diner is located in the basement of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Bremerton. The lunchtime meal is served every Saturday and is available to anyone who desires a hot meal.

Volunteers from St. Antony help prepare and serve the food and perform clean up on the second Saturday of every other month. St. Antony is scheduled to perform these services again on **Saturday, November 11, 2017.**

There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex at St. Antony for anyone interested in volunteering for this worthy cause. The times for the various functions are stated on the sign-up sheet.

If you feel inclined to volunteer, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet as quickly as possible. If you find you cannot work after having signed the sign-up sheet, please call the Church (698-0555) and have our secretary remove your name. Thank you.

We really need your help!

Contact Janet Steller for more information.



Moving to the Light: A Veteran's Pilgrimage

Saint Mark's Cathedral, Seattle | November 11, 10:00am-12:00pm

An event focused on veterans, their family members, and those who know and love them to heal from the moral injuries incurred through military service and war. This two hour pilgrimage provides a time and place to honor friends and family who have served with veterans, a place to lament what they grieve, an opportunity to express what is troubling them, and a safe space with empathetic listeners who love them to help them work on their healing. It is called a pilgrimage because all that walk this way, know this is an ongoing journey.

Bring a token/icon of your service.
Light lunch will be served.

Please RSVP Deacon Brian Wright:
deacon@stjohnskirkland.org
or 206-325-4200 Ext. 3507

*Mobility impairment accessible

GODLY PLAY LIGHTS US UP WITH WONDER

“Once there was someone who said such amazing things....and did such wonderful things....that people started to follow Him. But they did not know who he was, so one day they asked Him and He said: I AM THE LIGHT”. Using matches to strike the first light with a flourish, our Godly Play story teller (Kathy Little) lit the Christ Light candle and began our first Godly Play Sunday school lesson. If a pin were dropped, it would have been heard. “Those who come near to THE LIGHT can become ONE WITH THE LIGHT.” And then we wondered together about what that means.



The second week, Emily Nickerson was our story teller. Using a large multi-colored puzzle of the Church Year and also a beautiful wall calendar that Emily purchased for us, she told the story of how time in the church wraps around into a circle. With the three BIG weeks of Christmas, Easter and Pentecost clearly displayed on “the clock of the Church Year,” we counted the Sundays leading up to each BIG day. We were so blessed that St. Paul’s Church had TWO Church Calendar puzzles and gifted one to us. Emily refurbished it and repainted all the blocks so it looks brand new and it is now part of our permanent Godly Play collection of materials.

The third Sunday, Mary Zabinski was story teller and retold the story of THE GREAT FAMILY that Father Bill presented at both the 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM Eucharist Services early in September. Mary and Kathy split the cost of our very own DESERT BOX and it has arrived along with 50 pounds of white sand. The mystery of the desert where so many Bible stories take place is present right there in front of the children. The sand shifts and it is hard to know where you are. It can be very hot....and very cold. There is no water. It can be dangerous. This draws the children deeply into the stories and starts them wondering many things. And the children are extra-quiet “because someone may be speaking with God.”



The beautiful, well-made materials we use to tell the stories in Godly Play are very important. Not only are they used by the story teller to tell the story, but they are used by any child who wants to choose them as their “work” for the day. By sitting with the materials and retelling the story by manipulating the parts, the story goes deep into a child’s mind and heart.

We are in the process of collecting these beautiful, well-made materials used in the Godly Play program and we need your help. Starting on Youth Sunday when Aina Zabinski presents the story of THE EXODUS at the 9 AM Eucharist on October 29th, a Harvest Tree will be in the Narthex bearing tags naming items we need for the program. If you are willing and able, please choose a tag and write the number on the tag on the signup list on the table along with your name. Check off that you have written a check for the amount on the tag and placed it in the envelope provided. Some of the items are a bit pricy. Perhaps more than one person could go in together on a larger item like Mary and Kathy did for the desert box. However some of the items might be hand made by someone with a gift for carving, sewing, woodworking, etc. If you would like to make an item instead of purchasing it, please indicate that on the sign-up sheet. Please talk to Mary about needed dimensions, etc.

We are grateful that we can build our Godly Play classroom together. Thank you so very much. Also, we invite others to be a story teller and/or shepherd on our team. Please just let any one of us know! Come visit the classroom after church to tour our Holy Ground.

A Discussion Circle for Folks Living with Unusual Family Members

Over the past few weeks discussion has come up during Coffee Hour for the need for some of us to gather on a regular basis to discuss our experience with raising children of all ages who do not fit the usual cultural mold. These "children" are different, dearly loved, and gifted and in many ways. They struggle with addictions, autism, mental illness, or other challenges. We struggle to know how to be supportive in healthy way in their lives. If this rings true for you, please read on.

This is an official invitation to begin a discussion circle for members of our St. Antony's community.... A place where we each can each tell our stories in a healthy, supportive environment among friends and maybe take home some new ideas about how to better manage our own lives and be more wise about how we walk with our "unusual" loved ones. We will work out how to do this together. Norms like confidentiality, speaking from our own experience and not giving advice will hopefully top the list.

Larry and Kathy Little would like to host the first discussion at their home at 7790 NW Wildcat Lake Road, Bremerton 98312. DATE; Saturday, November 18th at 7 PM. Please RSVP to kathyllynnelittle@gmail.com or call Kathy at 360-649-8970.



Witty Knitters

You have probably all seen the monthly announcement that Witty Knitters will be meeting at someone's home. For those who are new or just curious, here are a few facts regarding Witty Knitters.

#1 You don't have to be WITTY to join us!

#2 It is not necessary that you already know how to knit or crochet (yes those one-handed crafty people are welcome). There are a number of us who will be happy to teach or assist.

#3 If you think you are unable to host a gathering at your home, there are others who can do it for you. We usually meet from 11:00am until about 2:00pm, but you may come and go as you please. The hostess provides tea/coffee and a light dessert as a rule, not mandatory.

#4 The items we craft are usually caps/hats, scarves, lap rugs, shawls of all shapes and sizes. These are then distributed to Nursing Homes, Veteran's Homes, Homeless, and any others who might be considered in need. We compile and sort the garments in November; they are blessed at a church service before going out into the community.

#5 YOU ARE WELCOME to come and join us purely for companionship and sharing.

Questions? Please contact Ruth Lindstrum or Janet Steller.
Thank you.



Deacon Bill Thaete assigned to St. Antony's

by Bill Fulton

We've been fortunate to have had Bill Thaete as our deacon intern the last few months, and many of us have come to know him and enjoy his warm and pleasant personality.

Bill will be ordained a deacon in Christ's holy catholic church at Diocesan Convention on Saturday, October 28. I'm happy to announce that Bishop Rickel has assigned Bill to serve as deacon at St. Antony's.

I hope you'll especially welcome him on his first Sunday with us on November 5, All Saints' Sunday, as he models a servant ministry as he reads the Gospel, leads the Confession, serves at the table, and pronounces the dismissal. Welcome, Bill!



Kairos

My sincerest thanks for those of you who prayed for Kairos as we took the love of Christ into the prison in Monroe, Washington, this past weekend. Once again, God was incredibly faithful to take our inadequate words and actions and transform men's lives in some very powerful ways. During the talks, times of worship, and hours of small group discussion and prayer, God was on the move among us. Here are some comments shared by the inmates during our closing:

- + "I came here expecting a miracle... and I got one!"
- + "I can't wait to talk to my son [10 years old] who told me about the weekend."
- + "This weekend has opened up my eyes and my heart to a lot of things."
- + "I used to have a mask of anger. God came in and touched my heart."
- + "I have felt more joy in the last two days than in the last two years."
- + "I've been building a wall [around my heart] for 32 years and today that wall started crumbling."
- + "Forgiving myself was the big issue... I feel like my relationship with the Lord has gone much deeper."
- "I'll hold this experience forever in my heart."

During the closing session, inmates were given an opportunity to share their answers to three questions:

IN WHAT SPIRITUAL CONDITION DID YOU COME TO THE KAIROS WEEKEND?

Some answers: "Angry.... pessimistic... alone... anxious... uncertain... feeling sad... stressed ... spiritually broken..."

WHAT DID YOU FIND AT KAIROS?

"A fire hose of love... brotherhood... God's agape love... community... faith... a beginning walk with Christ... the power of God... God opened our eyes and ears so we could see His power beginning to work through us..."

WHAT ARE YOU TAKING AWAY FROM THIS WEEKEND?

"Good friends.... family... friendship.... knowledge... joy... love... hugs... a new born-again life... courage to stay with Christ... a responsibility to take the words of Christ and share them with others..."

Here's how one inmate summarized the weekend: "For the past three days I've felt freedom ... that's what I've been chasing for the past 15 years [in prison]."

On the opening night each person has an opportunity to share why they came to Kairos. Many say that it was the invitation of others in the yard [graduates]. One said that his three-year-old son told him he needed to do something to find Christ. That was seven years ago [and he keeps bringing it up] so he signed up. Now he can't wait until the next time he gets to talk with his son so he can share the love of Christ he experienced in Kairos.

2019 Sabbatical Grant Proposal

The Bishop's Committee has been discussing how we might help Fr. Bill get a sabbatical in the summer of 2019. A sabbatical is a time when clergy step away from their regular duties and engage in a time of reflection and renewal. The sabbatical can be funded by a grant of up to \$50,000 from the Lilly Foundation. The grant would also cover the cost of a supply priest who would function in Bill's absence.

The purpose of the sabbatical would be to help reflect on the transition from our old location to our new church. By the summer of 2019, we will have been in our new church about a year. For Bill, this will be a good time to reflect on the next phase of his ministry at St. Antony's. For the congregation, it's a good time to reflect on the changes we've experienced in our new location.

A small committee is working on the grant application which is due next April. We'll keep you updated with our progress and we'll be asking for your input on the grant proposal.

Thanks,

Gail Ferguson, Charles Smith, and Bill Fulton

Meet Your Bishop's Committee



Charles Smith
Bishop's Warden



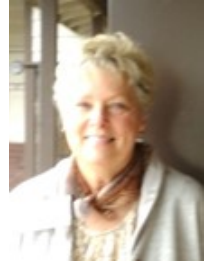
Heather Carnocki
People's Warden
Parish Life



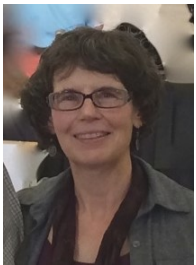
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New Facilities

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Olivia Stalter
Outreach
Welcoming



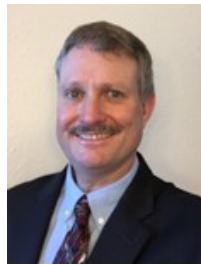
Tovi Andrews
Communications



Loretta McGinley
Parish Life



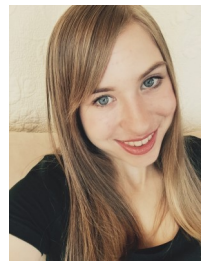
Beth Rohlfiing
Environment
Welcoming



Jim Foley
Stewardship/Finance



Sarah Rogers
Welcoming



Aina Zabinski
Youth

Our Field of Dreams Update





November Birthdays

12	Kathy Little
19	Heather George
24	Donna Hilton
	Laurel Rogers
26	Melanie Reeder
	Steve Fabry
27	Nick Nickerson
30	Bill Cleveland



November Anniversaries

6	Dean & Laurie Wagner
25	Stu & Carol Smith
26	John & Debbie Stockwell

Deadline for the December Glad Tidings is **Tuesday, November 21st** at 10 am.
Please send all submissions to:
stantonysilverdale@gmail.com. Thank you.






Financial Report September ***Preliminary***			Account Balances	
		Year-to-date		
Operating Income	\$15,775.46	\$149,398.32	Local Checking	\$81,983.18
Operating Expenses	\$19,769.85	\$151,237.59	Local Savings	\$51,942.91
Net in September	-\$3,994.39	-\$1,839.27	Diocesan Investment Funds	\$1,576,443.62
			Total	\$1,710,369.71

November 2017 Schedule

JOBS	November 5 All Saints Day	November 12 23rd Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 27	November 19 24th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 28	November 26 Last Sunday after Pentecost/Christ the King
EM 7:30 am	Bill Thaete	Ruth Lindstrum	Donna Hilton	Elizabeth Moorhead
LC/OT & NT 7:30 am	Norma Tipton	Donna Hilton	Elizabeth Moorhead	Ruth Lindstrum
GREETER 7:30 am	Jim Smith	Darrow Lindstrum	Rod & Marin Mash	Jacque Walker
EM 9 am	Peter Stockwell	Shane Carlson	Charles Smith	Bill Thaete
LC/OT 9 am	Stu Smith	Jim Foley	Elizabeth Flagg	Larry Little
LC/NT 9 am	Elizabeth Flagg	Declan Jarry	Cris McCarty	David Wilkinson
ACOLYTES 9 am	Aina Z. Kate Z. Charles S.	Christina E. Chelsea R. Cris M.	Christina W. Benjamin W. Jason W.	Mackenzie W. Collin H. Drew W.
GREETER 9 am	Nancy Ladenberger	Liz Haney	Tovi Andrews	Elizabeth Flagg
USHER 9 am	Dave & Jan Peterson	Carolyn & David	Mark Westin	Ray Flagg
COUNTERS	Heidi F-W David Wilkinson	Jim Foley Chris Crowson	Bill Cleveland Norma Tipton	David Wilkinson Jacque Walker
COFFEE HOUR	Loretta McGinley	Sylvia Campbell	Amy Wentworth	Sarah Rogers
Eucharistic Visitors	P. Olivia B. Beth	P. Beth B. Olivia	P. Tovi B. Beth	P. Olivia B. Kathy
1st LESSON	Revelation 7:9-17	Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25	Judges 4:1-7	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
PSALM	Psalms 34:1-10, 22	Psalms 78:1-7	Psalms 123	Psalms 100
2nd LESSON	1 John 3:1-3	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Ephesians 1:15-23
GOSPEL	Matthew 5:1-12	Matthew 25:1-13	Matthew 25:14-30	Matthew 25:31-46

Roster of Volunteers for Services If you cannot serve on your assigned Sunday, please call someone from this list. (A strike through a name means they are not available now but will be back.)					
LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS	COUNTERS	USHERS	ACOLYTES
7:30 AM	7:30 AM	7:30 AM	Bill Cleveland A	Chris Crowson	Carleton M.
Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Donna Hilton	Chris Crowson B	Ray Flagg	Christina E.
Ruth Lindstrum	Ruth Lindstrum	Darrow Lindstrum	Jim Foley A	Pete Morris	Collin H.
Elizabeth Moorhead	Elizabeth Moorhead	Rod & Marin Mash	Nancy Ladenberger B	Dave & Jan Peterson	Declan Jarry
John Teller	Bill Reeder	Jim Smith	Norma Tipton B	Ed Segrist	Cris McCarty
Norma Tipton	Charles Smith	John & Jane Teller	Jacque Walker B	Dave & Carolyn S.	Chelsea R.
Mardi Dawson (sub)	Bill Thaete	Jacque Walker	David Wilkinson A	Mark Westin	Drew W.
			Heidi Feenstra-WilsonA		Mackenzie W.
9 AM	9 AM	9 AM	A - computer		Benjamin W.
Shane Carlson	Shane Carlson	Tovi Andrews	B - non computer		Christina W.
Gail C- Ferguson	Kathy Little	Ray & Elizabeth Flagg			Jason W.
Elizabeth Flagg	Carolyn Segrist	Liz Haney			Aina Z.
Jim Foley	Charles Smith	Nancy Ladenberger			Kate Z.
Declan Jarry	Peter Stockwell	Carole Nau			
Larry Little	Bill Thaete	Malcolm & Sylvia (substitute)			
Cris McCarty	Mary Zabinski				
Carolyn & Ed Segrist					
Stu Smith					
David Wilkinson					

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9 am Morning Prayer 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7:00 pm Program	2 Noon Vicar's Bible Study 7 pm Building Committee Mtg.	3 Vicar's Day Off	4 1-6 pm Writing Group 
5 7:30 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Holy Eucharist Sunday School & Nursery 5 pm Rite 13	6	7 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 6 pm Scouts	8 9 am Morning Prayer 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7:00 pm Program	9 Noon Vicar's Bible Study 6:30 pm BC Meeting	10 Veteran's Day 	11 10 am Lord's Diner 1-6 pm Writing Group
12 7:30 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Holy Eucharist Sunday School & Nursery 5 pm Contemplative Prayer Service	13 4:30 pm Outreach Team Mtg.	14 7 am Sonshine Fellowship Standing Committee	15 9 am Morning Prayer 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7:00 pm Program	16 Noon Vicar's Bible Study	17 Vicar's Day Off	18 1-6 pm Writing Group 1-4 pm Ladies Tea and Crumpets
19 7:30 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Holy Eucharist Sunday School & Nursery 5 pm Rite 13	20 11 am Witty Knitters at Janet Steller's	21 7 am Sonshine Fellowship 10 am Newsletter Deadline	22 9 am Morning Prayer 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist 6:15 pm Potluck 7:00 pm Program	23 Thanksgiving 	24 Vicar's Day Off	25 1-6 pm Writing Group
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