



LOGOS

The Newsletter for St. John's Episcopal Church, Arlington

"The light shines in the darkness and the darkness did not overcome it." John 1:5

From the Rector: The Mystery of Healing

I just found out that my friend Patty has stomach cancer. I am devastated. Patty and I were aspirants for the priesthood together. We were ordained together. She's a wonderful singer, wife, mother, and school chaplain. Patty is the epitome of positive and upbeat. When I am anxious she tells me everything will be fine, and she really believes it! She accepts me for who I am and never asks me to be anything else, even though my anxiety must drive her crazy sometimes. She lets me sleep in her guest room when I go to Atlanta and puts up with my goofy food things. She is always glad to see me.

The last time I talked with Patty in August, she told me her upcoming tonsillectomy had been put off because the doctors had found out she had an ulcer. I guess they found more than that. Patty is still fighting hard and I know she is, but I know this cancer does not have a good survival rate. (Patty's daughter is about the age I was when my mother died.)

I pray for Patty every day, more than once. I pray for healing. God, if anybody gets to survive this awful thing this year, I want it to be Patty. She's my friend, and I love her. Her daughter and son need her. Her husband needs her. The kids at Holy Innocents need her. And I need her!

During the past year, four women in the parish have been diagnosed with breast cancer (three or them in the past few months). When you think about our little parish, that's a huge number. Fortunately, their prognoses all appear to be good and we are grateful to God for that. But cancer is still a scary, scary word. We pray for their healing and give encouragement and support to them and their families.

I don't have cancer, thank God, but I am struggling with two chronic health conditions—an arthritic hip that will have to be replaced at some point sooner than I would like and a digestive system that is not working at all well. My stress and anxiety levels are up in general as I try to deal with these difficulties on a day-to-day basis.

It is no wonder I have been thinking about healing lately. Physical healing is a mystery. Jesus didn't heal every sick person in his world during his ministry and God does not do it now. People struggle with chronic illnesses for years. Tragic accidents and terminal diagnoses can happen to anyone. Some people are healed, but many more are not, and eventually everyone dies.

We all know life drops rocks on our heads; that bad things happen to good people. Where is God when these awful things happen? What can we ask God to do for us and for people that we love? God is always with us, no matter what happens to us. God

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knows what we are going through. Jesus had lots of rocks dropped on his head. There is nothing better when we are miserable and sick and grieving to know that someone walks with us through those times, especially someone who has been there. Jesus has been there, and he walks with us in our pain. Jesus asked to have his death sentence commuted, and so can we. It is never wrong to ask for physical healing, no matter what the difficulty. I have experienced healing in small ways and large ways in my life. Sometimes I wonder if I have a right to ask for help with small things because others are so much worse off, but God is a God of abundance. God doesn't have a limited supply of healing to go around, even though it may feel like it sometimes.

Another thing we can ask God to do for us is to help us live in the present, to help us heal emotionally. We can ask for help to do the next right thing, regardless of our situation. I know from personal experience that I can make matters so much worse by worrying about what might or might not happen tomorrow, but I can't turn off the anxiety receptors without God's help. I also can't give up my need to control the outcome, to think that if only I had done this or that or something else then I would feel better, or because I did this or that or something else, I feel worse and it's all my fault. And it is scary to make the best decision you can, knowing that you don't know everything. I have also learned to ask God for help with the obsessive spirals into which this kind of thinking pulls me. When I can manage to ask for help with this and I receive it, it doesn't necessarily make the pain go away, but at least I'm not full of emotional suffering that makes it worse.

God is also available to provide spiritual healing. As the old saying goes, it is the shoemaker's children who have no shoes. Well, it is the clergy person (at least this one) who had to be asked by her spiritual director if someone had laid hands on her for healing after weeks and months of difficulty. (No.) Would I like her to do that? (Oh yes). One of the things that she asked God to do for me was to lift me out of the fear. What a wonderful image, to be lifted by God's arms out of the fear and into love, because it is that love that sustains us and gives us life. And life in God, in this world or the next, is the real healing, the one we can trust to be forever.

I hope and pray that physical healing is possible for my friend Patty. But if it is not, I want her more than anything to know God's love with her every minute of every day. I want that for you and I want it for me, because God's perfect love casts out all our fear. And whether we are physically well or ill, it is God's perfect love that is our greatest need and our greatest joy.

Ann†

Vestry Seeks Fund Raising Ideas that Reach into the Community

We are looking for your ideas for fund raisers—ways to make money for St. John's and also attract people from the community. If you have a suggestion, please share it with Ann or a vestry member (see page 10 for vestry list). Here are a few suggestions made to the vestry:

International dinner, featuring food from different countries (perhaps quarterly). We need to know if a group or parishioners interested in sponsoring these dinners. Please let Linda or Ann or any vestry member know if you are.

Raffle or silent auction for weekend at a vacation home offered by a parishioner. We need someone to step forward to run this type of fund raiser.

If your group is cooking up an idea for a fund raiser, we need three to four months lead time for publicity and planning. A fundraiser held in early May should appear in the April LOGOS (March 16) and the spring issues of neighborhood papers (deadlines in mid-February). Since we want non-St. John's folks to come, we need to make these deadlines!

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

St. John's annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper will be held Tuesday, February 20, from 6–7:30 p.m. in the undercroft. We'll dine on pancakes, ham, and applesauce as we celebrate the ancient tradition of using up butter, eggs, and meat before Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 21. Jack Turner is the coordinator for the supper, and the men of St. John's will cook and serve. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 6–12. Children under 6 are free. Bring your friends and neighbors and come and join us.

A New Year—and a New Vestry

St. John's 2007 vestry had its first meeting on January 9. This included three new vestry members—Marshall Adair, Jan Hull, and Bill Thomson—who were elected on January 7 at our annual meeting. Our continuing vestry members are Pamela Corey-Archer, Bill Pritchard, Linda Trochim, and Jack Turner. Don Hess and Kay Wells, have finished their vestry terms, and Bill Thomson has finished a three-year term as assistant treasurer.

Linda Trochim was elected as senior warden for 2007, and Bill Thomson was elected junior warden. Jean Harrison will continue as treasurer, and Dave Dunlap will continue as register. John Restall is our new assistant treasurer. Don Hess and John Wilson have agreed to continue to co-chair the Building and Grounds Committee.

We are so grateful to all these folks for their dedicated service to St. John's.

Belonging ... to Christ, to St. John's, to the Episcopal Church

There are many ways of belonging to St. John's, and we describe most of them here. Also see the article "Learning About the Episcopal Church: Inquirer's Class" on page 6.

Belonging to Christ: Baptism

When you are baptised, you promise to "renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God" and "turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior." After being baptised with water in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, the bishop or priest marks the sign of the cross on your forehead and says, "You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever."

If you were baptised as a child, your parents and godparents made these promises on your behalf. To make these promises yourself, you need to be confirmed (see section below on being confirmed by a bishop.)

If you have never been baptised, and feel called to make this profession of Christian faith, please talk to Ann.

Belonging to St. John's: Just Show Up!

St. John's is a warm and welcoming community with a simple definition of membership. If you consider yourself a member of this community, then you are a member of this community. We put your name on the list to receive congregation-wide mailings, including the LOGOS and our Commitment Campaign letter. Your name is included in the parish directory. You are welcome to worship at St. John's and participate in all of our activities.

If you are a member of another Episcopal Church and wish to transfer your membership to St. John's, you simply ask your previous church to transfer your membership letter to St. John's. (Ann or Virginia can help you with this.)

Belonging to the Episcopal Church: Be Received or Confirmed by a Bishop

The Episcopal Church also has a definition of membership, which includes being confirmed or received by a bishop. This option is for people who want to join the Episcopal Church at St. John's, moving their membership from another branch of Christ's One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. We hope to have a bishop visit in late winter or early spring to receive and confirm those who wish to become members of the Episcopal Church. Those who have not made an adult profession of faith in another church are confirmed, while those who have done so are received. If you are interested in Confirmation or Reception, please let Ann know.

LOGOS

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The next deadline is Friday, February 16 at 10:00 am.

Parish News

Rest in peace

Castlen Bear, who entered the life of the Resurrection on December 5, 2006

Kurt Walsh, nephew-in-law of Harriet Rawls, who entered the life of the Resurrection on December 25, 2006

Thank You to

Faye and Bill Pritchard for coordinating the visit of Imam Mohamed Magid, the second speaker in our series, and for providing background information on Islam; and to everyone who brought goodies to share during that presentation

Kay Wells for the beautiful Christmas decorations in the undercroft

The Morning Guild, for coordinating the Secret Santa project again this year

Catherine Campbell from Cristo Rey, for delivering our Secret Santa gifts

Michael Beavin for coordinating the bicycle purchases for our Secret Santa family

Diane Henderson, for selecting and directing our brand new Christmas pageant

Carrie Harbin, Leslie Mead, Sheryl Pardo and Ksenia Shkaruta; to all the Sunday school teachers, parents and others who helped make this wonderful event possible

Pat Stewart for having the Christmas pageant banners updated, to Jack Turner for picking them up and to Virginia Pearson for hanging them

Jack Turner and Faye Pritchard for organizing the caroling

Choir director Lynn Robinson, organist Carol Dunlap, and all the singers and instrumentalists who provided such glorious music for Christmas

The altar guild and its helpers for a beautiful church in which to celebrate the birth of our Lord

Faye Pritchard, Lynn Christopher, Sheryl Pardo, Pamela Corey-Archer and Paul Stenger, who have agreed to help the altar guild out in various ways. Thank you so much!

See the article, "A New Year—and a New Vestry," on page 3 for our thanks to those who serve on the vestry and in other leadership positions at St. John's

Birthdays

John Restall, February 2

Lisa Broida (daughter of Patricia), February 3

Augustina (foster daughter of Brian & Beth Cavey), February 5, 2006

Anne Stenger, February 7

Heather Kollath, February 8

Alexis Lodsun (daughter of Beth Fowler), February 8, 1992

Jeff Petrich, February 11

Sheryl Pardo, February 12

Lynn Christopher, February 16

Amanda Eiman, February 16

Colin White (son of Liz White), February 18

Eileen Tallent, February 20

Peyton Del Gallo (daughter of Andy & Cathi), February 23, 1997

Carole Hunt, February 23

Michelle Aitken, February 25

Henry Held (son of Klaus & Lori), February 28, 2003

Kat Zarfes (daughter of Jane Edwards), February 28

Anniversaries

Keith & Keipo McCartney, February 11

Bryan and Carrie Harbin, February 21

Bill Schenck & Lynn Christopher, February 28

Secret Santas Deliver Bicycles, Tricycles, and Helmets

A mother and her three little boys had a Christmas this year—thanks to the generosity of St. John's parishioners. You opened your hearts, etc. Parish youth decided to give some of their coffee sales money to buy the tricycle the family had asked for. Special thanks go to Michael Beavin for coordinating the purchase of bicycles, tricycle, and helmets, and to Catherine Campbell, Cristo Rey's vicar, who delivered all of our gifts. She said the family was delighted, especially with the bikes and tricycle (we even sent an extra bicycle along). Thanks to the Morning Guild for coordinating this project, and to Samaritan Ministries for providing us with a family.

God's Work: My Christmas Gift from Hearts & Hammers

by Pat Bleicher

Right here in Arlington, people are doing God's work with tiles and paint brushes and grins and hugs. They've been working at my house for several weeks. Because of their work, my Christmas gift this year was just exactly what I needed: a handicap-access shower stall and grab bars.

Who are these people? They are people of faith who act out their beliefs in serving others; they truly are "doers of the Word." Roger, Karen, Steve, and Jim are ministers of the Gospel, for they certainly brought me good news!

These wonderful people are coordinators and volunteers for "Hearts & Hammers," a 501(c)3 organization that solves problems for handicapped homeowners. They replace frayed electrical outlets that might otherwise cause a fire, install handrails without which a fall might be deadly, trade inoperable faucet handles for a set that can be worked by someone without full use of hands, etc. Most efforts are small and time-limited, but there are occasional large-scale projects, such as rehabbing a house for parents whose son was in an accident and is suddenly quadriplegic.

Only a few volunteers see a project through to completion; most folks donate a couple of hours' work or small amounts of money for supplies. But sometimes local churches or synagogues commit to sponsorship of a single effort, providing all construction materials and volunteer labor for a large project that Hearts & Hammers might not be able to accept. A project that a contractor's crew could finish in days may take months; it all depends on the volunteers and their available time.

Volunteers are scheduled for jobs that use the skills they choose to offer. Jim knows how to install stuff, so he was scheduled into my bathroom rehab at the time the exhaust fan needed to be installed. Someone else will do the small amount of painting required when the rest of the work is complete. Everyone talks easily about God in their lives: no requirement to agree, just doing the work of God together—it is lovely.

It is also true that God is involved in many ways. We may be homeowners or helpers, Catholics and Jews and

Episcopalians and skeptics, but in this we are brothers and sisters. Hearts & Hammers creates a new community of faith in an incredibly short time. As soon as work began on my house, I began praying for the individuals whose labor and donations are making such an important difference in my life. One morning, Roger came in beaming. He told us that his son had just arrived home from Iraq, alive and well. Suddenly all work stopped for hugs and grins and thanking God!

When other hearts learn about the hammers, they also join God's work. News went around about my handicap-access bath, and people suddenly found stuff in their garages, things the workers could use...one leftover box of decorative tiles, a brand-new shower curtain rod, two towel racks and a fairly good toilet paper dispenser. Timing was perfect...the donated medicine cabinet came two days before wallboard was to be mudded—precisely the right time for it to be installed! Money donations arrived, and they were enough to cover the cost of plumbing supplies, 2x4's, concrete mix, wall tiles, grout, and more. Indeed, God is in the details.

People at St. John's have asked me if this is a Habitat for Humanity project. Not really, but the two groups have complementary ministries: Habitat builds new, while Hearts & Hammers does handicap rehab of existing homes. They refer people to each other, as both are in the God business, and both use the Habitat Re-Store in Alexandria, where big companies as well as individuals can donate building supplies for re-sale at very low prices. The store itself is a ministry to homeowners.

There is also a ministry of education involved. Justo, Margarita, and Lydia learned how to lay tile while tiling my bathroom and received ASTRACOR certification for the work. Now they can enter the building trades and earn a good living for their families. Even the teenagers who volunteer a couple of hours to paint watch experienced guys do other work, and they acquire skills they can use when they become homeowners. That's got to be good for the world.

Hearts & Hammers is God's work for people who like seeing concrete results of their labors. When Roger and Jim stand back and watch water finally flowing out of the damaged drain they have worked eight hours to correct, they high-five and grin. Somehow, I hear angels singing.

Adult Education

Proofs for the Existence of God

During February, St. John's seminarian Amanda Eiman, will facilitate Sunday morning adult education. Each week's discussion will focus around a traditional or modern argument for proving the existence of God. Amanda will also spend a week sharing with us the details of her time in Kenya last summer. Please come and share in what are sure to be fascinating discussions.

Lenten Class to Follow Wednesday Night Service

St. John's will host an evening education class on the five Wednesdays between Ash Wednesday and Holy Week. From February 28 through March 25, the Wednesday night service will move will begin at 7:00 p.m instead of 7:30. The class will begin about 7:40 and last an hour. Ann will be teaching the class. If folks have suggestions for class topics, please let her know.

Learning About the Episcopal Church: Inquirer's Class

Ann will teach a class focusing on the basics of the Episcopal Church sometime before the bishop's visit to confirm and receive people into the Episcopal Church. Inquirer's classes are often of interest to folks who are long-timers as well, because all of us have questions from time to time about certain things about our church's common life, from saints to vestments, to organization to history. People who are being received or confirmed need to be part of this class, and others may join in. Details will be announced as soon as we know the bishops' visitation schedules. Please let Ann know if you are interested in taking the class. If there is enough interest, we may just put it into our Sunday morning schedule during Lent. (See "Belonging ... to Christ, to St. John's, to the Episcopal Church" on [page 3](#).)

Service Booklets on the Way

Tired of flipping back and forth in the *Book of Common Prayer*? Try a service booklet! Sometime in the next few months, St. John's will provide service booklets at most of our 10:00 a.m. services. In these booklets, the entire worship service (except hymns) is printed in service order. Printed service booklets are helpful for

people unfamiliar with the *Book of Common Prayer*, the Episcopal Church, or liturgical worship. They are great for newcomers. Even those familiar with our style of worship may find them useful.

The booklets will be available sometime in February. Give them a try and see how you like them. Ann would really appreciate your feedback. Please remember to return the service booklets every Sunday so we can use them for the next week. We'll still provide the weekly bulletin with lessons, announcements, and service order to every worshipper.

Using Your Gifts

Here are some opportunities to use your gifts to God's glory at St. John's. If you are interested in any of the opportunities below, please let Ann know.

Delegate to Diocesan Council and Region 3.

Take part in the ministry of the larger church. The delegate to diocesan council and Region 3 attends our annual diocesan council meeting in January with the rector. We vote for members of the Standing Committee (the diocesan vestry) and other committees and positions. We also vote on resolutions brought before the council, enjoy fellowship with one another, and hear what is going on around the diocese. The delegate to council also attends meetings of Region 3 (the churches in Arlington) about four times a year with the rector. The regional meetings sometimes feature a speaker that is of interest to our churches. The region also plans group events, such as joint worship services, fund raisers, and youth activities. The delegate needs to be a confirmed or received Episcopalian.

Arlington Interfaith Council (AIC) Representative. If you are interested in social ministries and outreach, this is the place for you. The AIC meets the third Monday of the month, except for July and August. The representative attends the meetings and reports information of interest back to St. John's. This group is made up of faith communities interested in social justice issues, especially as they affect Arlington. AIC gives financial support to many local agencies that serve those in need, and works to influence county officials, especially on the issue of affordable housing. AIC representatives learn about mission trips, Habitat for Humanity projects, and other projects that need volunteers. Participation in AIC is a great way for folks from St.

John's to be involved in activities that we can't sponsor on our own.

Marketing Coordinator. We need someone with organizational, writing, and basic computer graphics skills to be the "Go-To" person for scheduling and placing advertisements and news releases about our activities. The coordinator is the contact for press releases and advertisements for all St. John's functions. The rector or others in charge of events work with the coordinator to get information to him or her on a timely basis. Since we are working to become known in the community and invite people in, this would be a great service.

Assistant Photographer. Can you take good digital or film pictures? Bill Pritchard, our official photographer, is looking for someone to help him take pictures of parish events and of newcomers. None of us can be everywhere and Bill is no exception. We post the pictures on our Web page and the bulletin board and keep them to put in scrapbooks (see next opportunity).

Photo Album Compiler. Calling creative types! Bill Pritchard, our photographer, has taken many pictures during the past few years. We would like to select some of them and put them in albums, so newcomers and others can see a record of what St. John's has done as a community. If you're interested in performing this greatly needed task of selecting and organizing pictures and placing them in albums, please let Ann or Bill know. This work can be done at home on your own time.

Gospel Lessons for February

February 4, Luke 5:1–11, Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Our Gospel is the story of the calling of Simon Peter, together with the brothers James and John, to be disciples of Jesus. This happens by the Lake of Genesaret or Galilee. Jesus amazes Peter by showing him where he can catch a great haul of fish. Peter pours out his feelings of unworthiness, but from now on, Jesus tells him, he will be catching people.

February 11, Luke 6:17–26, Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

In our Gospel passage, Jesus heals many of their

illnesses and teaches his disciples that the values of the kingdom of God are quite different from worldly standards. His words offer both comfort and challenge. Those who are now poor, hungry, sorrowful, and persecuted will find blessing, while the rich, satisfied, and well spoken of will experience emptiness. Jesus' disciples must learn to share in material and spiritual deprivation in the world if they are to know the joy of the kingdom.

February 18, Luke 9: 28–36, Last Sunday after the Epiphany

Our Gospel is the story of Jesus' transfiguration. The narrative is richly woven with themes and symbols drawn from Israel's past and its hopes for the future. Moses and Elijah represent the law and the prophets whose promise Jesus fulfills. While Jesus is praying, divine glory is reflected in his human person. Chosen disciples hear a voice from the cloud declaring that this is God's beloved son.

February 21, Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21, Ash Wednesday

In our Gospel, Jesus describes genuine charity, prayer, and fasting. For religious people the temptation is always strong to want to be recognized as full of piety more than to want honestly to be seeking God and the good of others. Praise and rewards for an outward show of religion all pass away. The real treasure is found in our relationship with God.

February 25, Luke 4:1–13, First Sunday in Lent

Our Gospel is the story of the temptations of Jesus by the devil. After his baptism Jesus is lead into the wilderness and confronted with the temptations that are inescapable in his ministry. He might seek to show that he is the Son of God by satisfying material needs, or he could control lives by ruling with worldly pomp and authority. Or, in what may be seen as the greatest temptation, he could direct allegiance through miraculous power. Instead Jesus three times confesses his obedience to the will of god.

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Meet Our Seminarian

by Bill Schenck

If Amanda Eiman had lived in the 19th century she could have been a Methodist circuit rider, as that calling combines her two passions: riding horses and spreading the gospel.

Amanda, a senior at Virginia Theological Seminary (VTS), has been with us since the fall of 2006. She spent her middler (junior) year as seminarian at St. John's in Georgetown; that suddenly changed when their rector died in January. Until she graduates in May, Amanda will work with youth at St. John's (and in the neighborhood), preach once a month, and participate in adult education programs.

Amanda is a New Jersey native; her home is in Lafayette (northwestern NJ). The Diocese of Newark is her home (and sponsoring) diocese. She graduated from Drew University in 2003 and entered

VTS in the fall of 2004. She selected VTS because of the age and diversity of the students, the strong feeling of community, the quality of its faculty, and its emphasis on mission.

At Drew she majored in biology and philosophy and was on the school's equestrian team. Amanda spent her Clinical Pastoral Education (part of her VTS curriculum) working with the hospital chaplains at the Emory University Hospital in Atlanta.

She experienced foreign mission work last summer, spending time in Kenya, where she took courses at a Catholic school in Nairobi and lived with a Kenyan family whose son attends VTS.

Amanda's hobbies, aside from riding, are gardening and hiking. She sings in the VTS choir. At St. John's she works with the Seminarian Committee: Carolyn Corlett (convener), Lynn Christopher, Beth Fowler, Del Hunt, Bill Thomson, and Betty Vertiz.

Where Are They Now?

by Bill Schenck

The recent notice in the Sunday bulletin with the address of our former seminarian, Peter Swarr, made me wonder where the other seminarians are. With the help of Liza Saunders and Carol Jubinski of Virginia Theological Seminary, I tracked down the seminarians who have served at St. John's since 1989.

Seminarian	Served at St. John's	Current Position	Address & Phone
David Archibald	1989-1991	Rector St. Mark's Millsboro, DE	Rt. 7, Box 58A Selbyville, DE 19975 302-436-1914
Scott Dillard	1991-1993	Rector Wicomico Parish Church Wicomico Church, VA	P. O. Box 70 Wicomico Church, VA 22579 804-580-6445
Russell Kendrick	1993-1995	Rector St. Paul's Newman, GA	9 Donnan Trace Newman, GA 30263 770-304-7698
Jerry Adinolfi	1995-1996	Rector St. Paul's Coffeyville, KS	105 Pullins Drive Coffeyville, KS. 67337
Louise Baker	1996-1997	Rector The Church of the Redeemer Kansas City, MO	7110 N. State Route 9 Kansas City, MO 64152 816-741-1136
Catherine Thompson	1999-2000	Rector Trinity Episcopal Church Natchitoches, LA	115 Jasmin Circle Natchitoches, LA. 71457
Sue Hardman	2003-2004	Pastoral Associate St. Paul's (Bailey's Crossroads), Falls Church, VA	1607 North Nichols Street Arlington, VA 22205
Peter Swarr	2004-2006	Associate Rector St. John's Plymouth, MI	1658 Heritage Drive Canton, MI 48188

St. John's Calendar

February

- Sun 5 Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany
- Tue 6 St. John's Book Club, 7:30–9:00 p.m., will discuss *Midnight at The Well of Souls* by Jack L. Chalker
- Wed 7 Candlelight Prayer Service, 7:30 p.m.
- Thu 8 Morning Guild, 10:00 a.m.
Choir Practice, 7:30–9:00 p.m.
- Sun 11 Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist Rite I, 8:00 a.m.
Christian Formation for all ages, 9:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:00 a.m.
- Tue 13 Vestry Meeting, 7:00–9:00 p.m.
- Wed 14 Candlelight Prayer Service, 7:30 p.m.
- Thu 15 Choir Practice, 7:30–9:00 p.m.
- Sat 16 Men's fellowship, 9:00 a.m., in the undercroft
- Sun 18 Last Sunday After the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist Rite I, 8:00 a.m.
Christian Formation for all ages, 9:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:00 a.m.
- Tue 20 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, 6–7:30 p.m.
- Wed 21 Ash Wednesday, HE and Imposition of Ashes, 12 noon and 7:30 p.m. (7:30 service with Cristo Rey is bilingual)
- Thu 22 Choir Practice, 7:30–9:00 p.m.
- Sat 24 Ordination of Peter Swarr to the Sacred Order of Priests
- Sun 25 First Sunday in Lent
Holy Eucharist Rite I, 8:00 a.m.
Christian Formation for all ages, 9:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:00 a.m.
- Wed 28 Candlelight Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m. (note time change during Lent), followed by class 7:40–8:40 p.m.

March

- Thu 1 Choir Practice, 7:30–9:00 p.m.
- Sun 4 Second Sunday in Lent
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- Wed 28 Candlelight Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m., followed by class 7:40–8:40 p.m.

April

- Sun 1 Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday
- Tue 3 St. John's Book Club, 7:30–9:00 p.m.
- Wed 4 Candlelight Prayer Service, 7:30 p.m. (note return to regular schedule)
- Thu 5 Maundy Thursday
- Fri 6 Good Friday
- Sat 7 Holy Saturday
- Sun 8 Easter Sunday

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To discover and share the transforming love of Christ

St. John's Vision Statement

St. John's is dedicated to making disciples for Jesus through

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- sharing faith-deepening worship, education, outreach, and pastoral care; and
- together carrying God's vision of the kingdom into the world around us.