

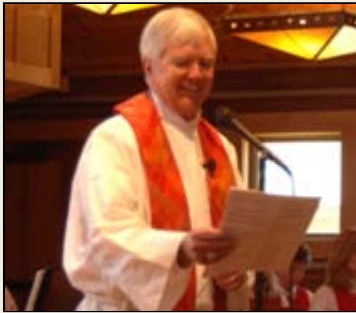


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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jackson Food Cupboard

The Jackson Food Cupboard needs volunteers to help one day a month. Please contact Amy Brooks amywbrooks@bresnan.net or 690.6097

World Day of Prayer

The annual World Day of Prayer will be held at Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church in Jackson on Friday, March 5, at noon. People around the world will say the same prayers and sing the same songs on this day, so the world is united in prayer. This year's service was written by the women of Cameroon, Africa. The interdenominational service will be followed by a light luncheon. The event is free and open to the public.

The Holy Land Experience

At 7:00pm, immediately following the Parish Dinner on March 17th, Fr. Ken and others who went on the Holy Land Pilgrimage will show pictures and talk about the experience. A number of people have requested information about the possibility of attending St. George's and we can share that information as well. If you know of people not members of St. John's but who are interested this would be a grand opportunity to invite them.

Bishop Election Convention

A Message from Father Ken

Beloved in Christ,

Recently I read an article in Newsweek from the Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams. The title was "God & Wall Street." The Archbishop had been in the United States for a series of lectures including the annual Trinity Institute, sponsored by Trinity Parish Wall Street. This year the subject centered on how we as Christians move forward faithfully as we recover from the financial devastation of the past several years. The actual title of the conference was "Building an Ethical Economy: Theology and the Marketplace."

The Archbishop is at his best and most effective when he can leave the demands for strong leadership behind and return to the nuance of the academic world. This skill and thoughtfulness has led to his being proclaimed the world's most significant living theologian. This is his turf and he knows it well.

Is the acquisition of money and influence the essence of what it means to be human? One of the results of the recent financial dislocation has been a reexamination of that question by many people. The temptation will be to fall into old habits and values, losing an opportunity to create something positive from what has caused so much suffering. Archbishop Williams writes, "Being human is learning how to ask critical questions of your own habits and compulsions, and it's learning how to adjust them against a model of human behavior – an idealized truth about the purpose of our humanity." Whether it has been how we have spent our time or focus, we have often built barriers between each other and God that have had the effect of separating us from our values and, ultimately happiness and personal fulfillment itself.

Later in the same article, Williams writes, "Our job as human beings is to imagine ourselves – using all the raw materials that science, psychoanalysis, and economics provide us – in the hope that the images we discover and shape will have the resonance and harmony with the rhythms of what Christians, and others, call the will and purpose of Almighty God."

Lent is a marvelous time to pause and reflect and redefine

The election of the IX Bishop of Wyoming is scheduled for Saturday, March 20th at the Cathedral in Laramie. St. John's Lay delegates are Brian Nystrom, John Willott, Dan Land and Wally Ulrich. Alternates are Anne Willott and Judith Schmitt. Clergy delegates are Fr. Ken, Mother Mary and Deacon Dennis.

More announcements...

If you have an item you would like included in Revelations please submit it to greer@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)

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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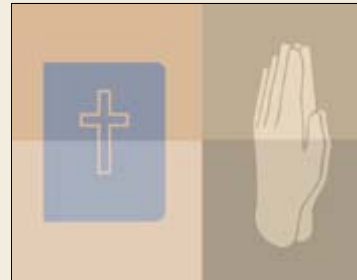
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our values and hopes for our life ahead. We will intentionally be creating opportunities for prayer and quiet and reflection this season to help you do that. I commend that to you.

God's peace.

Lent

You will note some seasonal liturgical changes for Lent. The vestments follow the Sarum Lenten Array, and are primarily sackcloth in color. The vessels are pottery and decorations are simple. No flowers are used until Easter.



Noonday Prayer

Please join us for Noonday Prayer in the Chapel Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, with Holy Communion on Wednesdays at noon throughout Lent.

Monday Contemplative Lunch Series

On Mondays throughout Lent, we will follow Noonday Prayer with a Contemplative Lunch in the monastic tradition in Hansen Hall. Please join us for soup, bread, and a peaceful, meditative time.

Lenten Devotionals

If you would like to receive a daily meditation in observance of Lent, please email greer@stjohnsjackson.org. You will receive a brief daily email containing a verse from scripture followed by a guided meditation and reflection questions.

Holy Week

Holy Week Schedule
March 28 – April 4, 2010

March 28:

Palm Sunday

8:00am – Holy Communion in St. John's Chapel

10:00am – Holy Communion in St. John's Church



Monday, March 29 – Thursday, April 1:

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

April 1:

Maundy Thursday

6:00pm - Agape Meal & Stations of the Cross

*During the Maundy Thursday liturgy there will be a multimedia presentation on the origins of the Sacrament of Holy Communion centered on the Upper Room in Jerusalem

April 2:

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Good Friday

12:00pm – Liturgy in St. John's Church

6:00pm – Liturgy in St. John's Church

April 3:

Holy Saturday:

9:30am – 11:00am – Confession in St. John's Chapel

April 4th:

Easter – Day of the Resurrection

6:00am – Vigil mass at the Chapel of the Transfiguration

8:00am – Holy Communion in St. John's Chapel

10:00am – Holy Communion in St. John's Church

9:00am – Easter Brunch in Hansen Hall

6:00 pm – Holy Communion in St. John's Chapel

If you wish to give flowers for the altar there will be a sign up sheet in Hansen Hall beginning March 21st. The Church offices will be closed Good Friday & Easter Monday.

Spring Adult Formation

Adult Sunday School:

Sundays

9:00am – 10:00am

Buchenroth Classroom

During March, Kelly French & Liz Masik will be leading a discussion on the "Holiness of Creation" and how our love of the environment can enrich our relationship with God.

Book Club

Beginning in April, Devvie Asel will lead a discussion group around the book *Fingerprints of God: the Search for the Science of Spirituality*. The author is NPR religion correspondent, Barbara Bradley Hagerty, who will be our next Sacred Conversations speaker the in June.

Christian Living in the 21st Century

Trent Moore, our youth director, will be preparing a group of adolescents to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the next visit of our bishop. Along these same lines, the clergy invite you to explore the shape of *Christian Living in the 21st Century*. This group will be open to anyone in the parish who would like to explore what it means to be a Christian in this turbulent age. It would be especially helpful for those who are new to the parish or returning to a more active involvement in the church. We'll read *Always Open*, which is an introduction to the Episcopal Church. There is a clipboard by the kitchen in Hansen Hall for you to sign up. We'll begin meeting after Easter and spring break. Please indicate a time that is best for you.

Summer Bible Study

The summer bible study book will be *A Palestinian Christian Cry for Reconciliation* by Naim Stifan Ateek. Those who went to the Holy Land heard Fr. Ateek speak. This book uses bible study to make the case for human reconciliation in the Holy Land and throughout the world. His views are challenging; his viewpoints can be controversial but they

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are a compelling window into God's holy word.

Church Dinner

Wednesday, March 17th
6:00pm – 8:00pm
Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with your church family. Wear green and build-your-own stuffed baked potato at our delicious baked potato bar. All are Welcome!



Children's Corner

Mark Your Calendars!
The Gospel According to Dr. Seuss
March 22-25
3:45pm—5:00pm



First Grade Communion Instruction

For those participating in Communion Instruction, we will meet after the 10:00 service March 14th. Parents and siblings are encouraged to join us for a discussion about Holy Communion. The participants in Communion Instruction will be recognized during the 10:00 service on March 21st.

Youth News

Confirmation Deadline

The deadline to sign up for our 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Program is **Wednesday, March 3rd**. Mentors and students will begin meeting the week of March 7-13. For questions or additional info, please contact Trent Moore at trent@stjohnsjackson.org.

A Note to Parents: We hope that you will discuss Confirmation with your child. We intend this program to support you in the Baptismal promise to "help this child grow into the full stature of Christ."

Summer Young Life & Mission Trips:

June 20-27 Middle School Young Life Camp at Lost Canyon in Williams, Arizona

July 11-18 Middle & High school Mission Trip to inner city Denver, Colorado

August 5-13 High School Young Life Camp at Malibu in British Columbia, Canada

Youth Calendar

Monday, March 1 Youth Bible Study from 7:00-9:00 in the Underground

Wednesday, March 3 Young Life Club from 6:30-8:00 at the Ranch Inn

Sunday, March 7 Youth Fellowship at 9:00am in the Underground

Monday, March 8 Youth Bible Study from 7:00-9:00 in the Underground
Wednesday, March 10 Youth Fellowship from 6:30-8:00 in the Underground
Sunday, March 14 Youth Fellowship at 9:00am in the Underground
Monday, March 15 Youth Bible Study from 7:00-9:00 in the Underground
Wednesday, March 17 Young Life Club from 6:30-8:00 at the Ranch Inn
Sunday, March 21 Youth Fellowship at 9:00am in the Underground
Monday, March 22 Youth Bible Study from 7:00-9:00 in the Underground
Wednesday, March 24 Youth Fellowship from 6:30-8:00 in the Underground
Sunday, March 28 Youth Fellowship at 9:00am in the Underground
Monday, March 29 Youth Bible Study from 7:00-9:00 in the Underground
Wednesday, March 31 Snow tubing at the King from 6:30-8:00

Young Adult News & Calendar

In continued use of our young adult Foundation Grant from The Episcopal Foundation of Wyoming, we have hired a young woman named **Gabby Kouchacji**. She will be assisting Trent in the areas of outreach, service, and communication to the young adult population. She has been a member of the St. Johns community for about a year mostly active in the 8:00am service. Please welcome her as she becomes a larger part of the church family and ministry. Check out our young adult community website: linkjh.com.

Calendar

Tuesday, March 2 WORD Bible Study in the Underground at 7:30pm
Tuesday, March 9 Theology on Tap at the Town Square Tavern at 7:30pm
Tuesday, March 16 WORD Bible Study in the Underground at 7:30pm
Tuesday, March 23 Theology on Tap at the Town Square Tavern at 7:30pm
Tuesday, March 30 Dinner and a Movie in the Underground from 7:00-9:00

Announcements

New Office Manager We are pleased to announce a new addition to the St. John's Staff. Ragan Chambers has accepted the position of Office Manager. Her first day in the office is today! Ragan can be reached at ragan@stjohnsjackson.org or 733.2603 Ext. 102

Thank You

We would like to give special thanks to Ronnie Rutter, David Suhre and Joan Schmelzer for their time and effort in painting the undercroft and the Chapel Sacristy .

Notes from the Worship & Arts Committee

Tapestries

The vestry has accepted a gift from Robin & Bill Weiss for tv fabric artist Mary Anne Caplinger of Ohio. Mary Anne design finalized, a model will be available while the tapestries are k

Stations of the Cross

A couple who participated in our Holy Land pilgrimage have meditation on Christ's Passion and Death. It was designed b has produced similar work for the Cathedral in Jerusalem. A Hansen Hall.

Icons

Several people have asked questions about the icons here ir mother and long time member of St. John's was of Russian House. In the North Chapel there is a Greek icon given to th is a Russian one (note that it is curved and designed to be p have great importance in the Orthodox family of Churches. but an aid in prayer. We have several booklets about icons i

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