

This Week

The Weekly Letter of Parish News



For the weekend beginning
Saturday, January 7

This Week's Calendar

Sat., Jan. 7	2:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Holiday Organ and Piano Concert Holy Eucharist
Sun., Jan. 8	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Rite I Holy Eucharist Blood Pressure Screening Education Hour Rite II Holy Eucharist Blood Pressure Screening Jubilee Kids Club
Mon., Jan. 9	7:30 a.m. 5:15 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer Bodacious Women Bible Study Scouting Committee Meeting Men's Bible Study Dinner at Our House Stitchers' Group Jubilee Ministries
Tues., Jan. 10	9:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry Library Committee Boy Scout Troop 2/Venture Crew Vestry Meeting
Wed., Jan. 11	7:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Morning Prayer The Excellent Women Wednesday Supper Children's Choir Rehearsal Bell Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thurs., Jan. 12	1:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Brother Lawrence Guild Creative Worship Brainstorming
Fri., Jan. 13	7:00 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study Morning Prayer Women's Bible Study
Sat., Jan. 14	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist with Baptism Saturday Potluck Supper

This Week at the Altar

The Sanctuary Candle this weekend is offered to the glory of God by JoAnn and Peter Bryant in honor of the birthday of their granddaughter, Kylie Hanschman.

Calendar Items

Dinner at Our House, an ecumenical community group, invites everyone to the dinner table at Christ Church this **Monday, Jan. 9, at 6 p.m.** This group seeks to break down barriers that cause fear by offering people a chance to share a meal with someone they may not know. Getting to know others who may not cross our daily paths, helps us become more comfortable with people who differ from us. A simple meal is provided with time for conversation. Donations are accepted.

Wednesday Supper: Join us this Wednesday, **Jan. 11** for a homemade dinner and great fellowship, for only \$3 (\$10/family). What a deal! Supper is served from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

The Excellent Women will begin the New Year with lunch this Wednesday, **Jan. 11**, at the *Olive Garden Restaurant* located on Collins Rd at 12:30 p.m. Reservations will be appreciated! Please sign your name on the list in the narthex if you will be attending.

Pizza anyone? Come and brainstorm creative approaches and additions to our Lenten and Easter worship with the worship commission! All are invited and welcomed to bring their creative thoughts and suggestions to share with the group. Dance, art, decorations, prayers, readings, music and all areas of worship are open for suggestions to be considered. **Thursday, Jan. 12, 6 - 8 p.m.**, pizza and beverage included. **RSVP to the office by Jan. 12** if you can be with us so we know how many pizzas to order.

Bring a **warm or wintry pot-luck dish** to share at the second Saturday Supper on **Jan. 14th** after the 5:30 p.m. service. How about a casserole, stew, chili, warm side dish or a gooey dessert? If you have questions, please speak to Janet Leary – this month's hostess. All are welcome!

Start the new year with the joy of quiet, healing prayer. Healing touch sessions will be offered on Wednesday, **Jan. 18**, at 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. We invite you to make your reservation for the third Wednesday of this month, arrange for a private session or inquire about healing touch by calling the church office or contacting Melody.

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This Week at 9:15 (Sunday's Education Hour)

Heart-Land Godly Play: PreK - 4th
Montessori-style stories & response

Heart-Land Journeys: 5th & 6th
Lectionary-based activities

Youth Groups: Middle/Sr. High
*Journey to Adulthood: Rite 13, J2A, and YAC
Ongoing conversations*



Adult Forum: On Sunday Jim Sliney will begin the discussion of Judy Cannato's book "Field of Compassion" with chapters 1 and 2 that expand on the 'significance of story' and include a detailed explanation of what she means by the term 'morphogenic fields.' The first chapter explores the significance of the new story of our Universe that has been discovered by the research of modern scientists with serious implications for how we integrate this new knowledge into the story of our spirituality. She claims that we need to participate in the new morphogenic field of our new consciousness, in order fulfill the promise for our species and all life on our planet. This morphogenic field is rooted in love that she claims can be identified as the Field of Compassion.

Calendar Items (continued)

Brechin Service: On Jan. 22 at the 10:30 worship service we will celebrate our companion relationship with the diocese of Brechin, Scotland by worship from the Scottish liturgy. Coffee hour will feature a Scottish flavor also. Plan to come celebrate this growing relationship. Brechin Companions also meets Jan.15, at noon in the library to plan the service; all are welcome to attend.

St. Brigid's Feast: All women of the Three Rivers Chapter of the Diocese are invited to a Feast in Honor of St. Brigid and the coming of the Celtic spring. It will be from 6 - 9 p.m. at Trinity Church, Iowa City on **Tuesday, Jan. 31**, the eve of St. Brigid's Day. Macaroni & cheese and a keg of ale, foods special to the saint, will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and an offering of non-perishable food for your local food pantry. Wear bright colors in a comfortable style in which you are free to move. There will be storytelling and dancing. Please contact Barbara Schlachter at b.schlachter@mchsi.com or 319-351-4380 by Jan. 27 so we can set a place at the table for you.

The Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

Food Items:

Vegetable beef soup
Canned peaches
Canned spinach
Mustard

Hygiene Items:

Shampoo and deodorant

Collection basket at the main worship
entrance for
food & hygiene items.
No glass please

Other Items:

Greeting cards (all occasions)
2012 Calendars
Coupons (do not cut up)
Collection basket at north entrance.

Kids' Closet:

Children's clothing and shoes in sizes
infant to 16
Collection hamper at office entrance.

This Weekend's Servers

Saturday, January 7, 5:30 p.m.

Lector/Usher

Steve Meehleder

Chalice Bearer

Mary Lee Folkedahl-Meehleder

Sunday, January 8, 8:00 a.m.

Lectors/Chalice Bearers

Jerry Anzalone, David Hansen

Acolyte

Tony Bever

Ushers

Dick and Karen Schultschik

Healing Prayers

Linda Rance

Lay Eucharistic Visitor

Joyce Conley

Sunday, January 8, 10:30 p.m.

Lectors

Mark Sullivan, Lesley Fleming

Intercessor

Leslee Sandberg

Chalice Bearers

Lance Mack, Nancy Mortimore

Steve Mortimore

Acolytes

Kylie Hanschman, Hailey Sullivan

Grant Sullivan

Ushers

Brad Oppedahl and Julie Bryant

Ann Gerdts, Ron Hansen

Nursery Helper

Bailey Bloomhall

Greeter

Gail Kennedy

Birthdays

Jan. 9 Ann Ramsey, Tom Vogel
Jan. 11 Becky Youngkent
Jan. 12 Kylie Hanschman
Jan. 13 Dick Cummings
Jan. 14 Drinda Freriks, Rachel Manternach,
J. C. Willey, Dusty Kingery

Anniversaries

Jan. 9 Steve and Nancy Mortimore