

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presiding Priest The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Presiding Priest Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent thy messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

 THE FIRST READING (seated)

Isaiah 11:1-10

READER: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence is marked by the ringing of a bell.

THE RESPONSE (remain seated, read responsively)

Psalm 72:1-7,18-19

1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;

2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;

3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.

4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.

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7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

18 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 15:4-13

READER: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL (standing as able)

Matthew 3:1-12

The Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.



THE SERMON (seated)

Jan C. Heller



THE NICENE CREED (standing as able)

(BCP p. 326)

Presiding Priest and People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon or other person appointed says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

After each paragraph of this prayer, the People may make an appropriate response, as directed.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people. In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Karnataka North (South India) and The Rt Revd Ravikumar J. Niranjana, Bishop. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Augustine in-the-Woods in Freeland, as well as for St. Aidan in Camano Island. Receive our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth unity and concord and grant that those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Gregory, our Bishop; Jan, Nancy, Judith and Patricia, our priests; and Dan, our Deacon, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Lord, hear our prayer.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Barack, our President, and Donald, our President-elect, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Guard and protect all those who serve in harm's way, both in lands far away and here at home, returning them to safe reunion with their families and all who love them.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bestow upon us the gift of gracious hospitality, welcoming into fellowship our sisters and brothers in Christ who are visiting, remembering that in welcoming a stranger we may be welcoming angels unaware.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bless and guide our St. Barnabas vestry, wardens and search committee that they may discern your will for us and call a faithful pastor who will be our companion in ministry, reaching out with us in worship, prayer and action to bring the reconciling peace of Christ to one another and this world.

Lord, hear our prayer.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor, [especially...] and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Lord, hear our prayer.

I invite your petitions and thanksgivings aloud or in your hearts...[pause], let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially...], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Barnabas and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. ***Amen.***



CONFESSON OF SIN (kneeling as able)

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Presiding Priest and People

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Presiding Priest says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



THE PEACE (standing as able)

Presiding Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION



An offering of money is collected.



At the conclusion of the organ voluntary, please rise as able as the bread and wine and money we offer to God for our nourishment and the life of the world are brought forward and presented at the altar.

Presiding Priest All things come of thee, O Lord,
People and of thine own have we given thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Eucharist Prayer II, BCP p. 340)

The people remain standing. The Presiding Priest faces them and says

Presiding Priest The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Presiding Priest Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Presiding Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presiding Priest proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we man without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Presiding Priest and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.



The people kneel or stand as able.

Then the Presiding Priest gives thanks for God's work in creation and for the salvation of the world through Christ, and prays over the bread and wine.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God...

...By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Presiding Priest

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presiding Priest breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Facing the people, the Presiding Priest may say the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

This is the Lord's Table around which we gather.

All baptized Christians are encouraged to come forward and receive the Body and Blood of Christ in the bread and wine of the Eucharist. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms across your heart.



THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (kneeling or standing as able) (BCP p. 339)

Presiding Priest and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**



WELCOME, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS (seated)



HYMN (standing as able)

Prepare the way, O Zion

HYMNAL 65

DISMISSAL

The Deacon or Presiding Priest dismisses the people with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PROCESSION

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Wake, awake, for night is flying

Johann Gottfried Walther

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Presiding Priest & Preacher

The Rev. Dr. Jan C. Heller

Organist

Paul Roy

Acolyte

Mike Killion

Eucharistic Minister

Mike Killion

Lectors

Mike Killion, Judy Tingley

Prayers of the People

Judy Tingley

Usher

George Brooker

Altar Guild

Honora Dunkak, Ellie & David de la Vergne,

Kirsten Kramer, Genevieve Kramer, Judy Tingley

Bread Baker

Babe Kehres

Coffee Hour

Roger Fredericksen

This Week @ St. Barnabas

Sunday, December 4

8am | Holy Eucharist {Rite I} | Sanctuary
9am | Coffee Hour | Parlor
9:15am | Choir Rehearsal | Sanctuary
10am | Holy Eucharist {Rite II} | Sanctuary
11am-5pm | Christmas in the Country | TH
5:30pm | Compline Rehearsal | Sanctuary
8pm | Office of Compline | Sanctuary

Monday, December 5

9am-1pm | Church Office Open
9:30am | Little Sisters of St. Clare | RWV
10:30am | Devotions | Messenger House
11am | Reunion Group | Rector's Office
5pm | ANNOUNCEMENTS for the weekly service
leaflets are due to the office
7:30pm | Al Anon | RWV

Tuesday, December 6

9am-1pm | Church Office Open
9am | Centering Prayer | Sanctuary
9:45am | Contemplative Book Study | Library
7:30pm | Finance Committee | Library

Wednesday, December 7

7am | BI Kiwanis Breakfast | TH
7:15am | Meditation Group | Sanctuary
8am | Kiwanis Membership Committee | Library
9am | Senior Warden Office Hours | Rector's Office
10am | The Elijah Project Committee | Library
10:30-2:30pm | Church Office Open
1:30pm | Staff Meeting | Library
7pm | AA Women's Group | Library
7pm | Buddhist Priory | RWV
7:30pm | Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

Thursday, December 8

9am-1pm | Church Office Open
9:15am | Healing Eucharist | Sanctuary
11am | Parish Profile Committee | Library
1:30pm | Devotions | Wyatt House
3pm | Devotions | Madison Avenue House
7:30pm | AA | RWV

Friday, December 9

9am-1pm | Church Office Open
10am | Women's Parable Group | Library
3pm | Girl Scout Troop #45182 | Library
3:30pm | Girl Scout Troop #42694 | RWV
5pm | Ordway Teachers' Holiday Party | TH

Saturday, December 10

8am | Buddhist Priory | RWV
9am | Altar Guild | Sanctuary

Sunday, December 11

8am | Holy Eucharist {Rite I} | Sanctuary
9am | Coffee Hour | Parlor
9:15am | Choir Rehearsal | Sanctuary
10am | Holy Eucharist {Rite II} | Sanctuary
11:15am | Coffee Hour | TH
3:30pm | Schola Rehearsal | Sanctuary
4:30pm | Madrona School's Spiral of Light | TH
6pm | Office of Evensong | Sanctuary

RWV | Room with a View TH | Tierney Hall

WELCOME TO ST. BARNABAS CHURCH

We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today. Here at St. Barnabas, we believe that everyone who enters these doors is God's guest. If you are seeking a church exclusively for today, we thank you for celebrating with us and may God be with you as you travel. If you are searching for a new church community and home, we hope that you will inform us. Please introduce yourself to one of our parish clergy. We invite you to complete one of the cards in the pew rack and simply hand it to a person of the clergy.

LARGE-PRINT PRAYER BOOKS (BCP) & DIGITAL RECEIVERS FOR AUDIO AMPLIFICATION are available during services for those requiring hearing assistance – just ask an Usher.

GLUTEN FREE EUCHARISTIC HOSTS are available for those who need them. Please alert the usher to your need.

ARE YOU ON THE PARISH PICTURE BOARD? We would like our entire parish to be represented on the Parish Picture Board. The **FIRST SUNDAY** of every month, Sue Hylen will be at the Welcome Table to take individual, couple, & family photos. We especially invite new members to add their picture to our board or update the photo they have. This also helps new members and visitors to connect names with faces!

NAME TAGS Name tag sign-up sheets will be on the Welcome Table the **FOURTH SUNDAY** of each month. If you would like a name tag, please let us know. Name tags should be ready to be picked up the next SUNDAY. When you have your name tag on, newcomers find it easier to both approach and remember you, and all the other friendly St. B people they have just met.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR AGES 4-11

St. Barnabas offers Sunday School for children ages 4-11 in the Room with a View (opposite the Gowen Library). Michael Killigrew and Becky Miller will be leading the Sunday School program this year. They are excited to be implementing a new curriculum that incorporates aspects of the Godly Play lessons along with new material that will enhance the children's learning experience and help prepare them for joining in the worship and life of the congregation.

Each class session will begin at 9:45 with singing in the Room with a View and then the children will gather together to hear one of "God's stories." The children respond to the stories they have heard through an activity, art media or any of the story materials in the room. The class re-gathers to pray together and celebrate a feast, which provides indirect teaching about communion. The children then say the Lord's Prayer, and are sent out with a blessing. Contact Michael Killigrew | mkilligrew@gmail.com

NURSERY AVAILABLE St. Barnabas has a fully furnished nursery (located just beyond the Room with a View) that is available to any family who would like to use it. It is not currently staffed but can be if there is demand for this service. For those interested, please contact the church office.

WELCOME TABLE Don't forget to visit the Welcome Table at Coffee Hour. Everyone, new visitors and long-time members, is urged to stop by regularly to check on sign-ups for parish events, to volunteer for programs, to learn more about our ministries, to purchase tickets to events, and to meet and talk with parishioners of every age and stage. Guests and newcomers are especially encouraged to visit the Welcome Table.

COFFEE & COMMUNITY Please join us for body and soul food! Coffee hour after the 8am service is in the Parlor just across the courtyard from the church. Coffee Hour after the 10am service is downstairs in Tierney Hall. A sign-up sheet is posted for the 8am coffee hour. This is a chance to meet other parishioners informally and enjoy the hospitality of St. Barnabas.

CHURCH OFFICE

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mondays – 9am to 1 pm

Tuesdays – 9am to 1 pm

Wednesdays – 10:30am to 2:30 pm

Thursdays – 9am to 1 pm

Fridays – 9am to 1 pm

Also, Senior Warden Virginia Walker will hold office hours on Wednesdays from 9am to 2pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS for inclusion in the weekly service leaflets are now due by 5pm on MONDAYS. Contact Kathy Irvin | kathy@stbbi.org

Hard copies of the of the church directory are available in the Church Parlor or you can request that a copy be emailed to you. Please also email and let us know of any changes in your address, phone or email. **Contact Kathy Irvin | kathy@stbbi.org**

WORSHIP

MISSED A SERMON OR WANT TO HEAR IT AGAIN? SHARE IT WITH A FRIEND? Listen to podcasts of sermons and music available on our church website | www.stbbi.org

SEEKING PAGEANT ORGANIZER

Traditionally, St. Barnabas holds a Christmas Pageant – featuring children of the Parish – at 4pm on Christmas Eve. We are seeking an organizer for this event. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Irvin in the church office at 206/842-5601 or kathy@stbbi.org.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR WORSHIP

We need a few more folks for the following three ministries: **Acolyte, Eucharistic Minister and Altar Guild**. If you believe God is calling you to one or more of these ministries, please contact Interim Priest Jan Heller (jan.c.heller@gmail.com) or Joan Collins (jmariec277@msn.com).

THE MEN'S COMPLINE CHOIR sings the Office of Compline at St. Barnabas at 8pm on the first Sunday of the month. Compline, also called Night Prayer, is the last of the traditional daily services sung by monastic communities and dates back to at least the 8th century. The service consists of chant, readings, psalms, prayers, petitions and hymns, sung in a contemplative setting in a darkened church. **Next service: Tonight at 8 pm.**

THE WOMEN'S SCHOLA NOVA CHOIR of Bainbridge Island sings the Office of Evensong at St. Barnabas at 6pm on the second Sunday of the month. Come hear traditional plainsong, anthems, psalms and chants – and let the grace of sung prayer

refresh you for the week to come. **Next service: Sunday, December 11, 6pm.** Contact **Anne Pell | apell@bainbridge.net**

MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES AT ST.

BARNABAS Do you sing or play an instrument? There are musical opportunities awaiting you here at St. Barnabas! Contact **Paul Roy | proy@stbbi.org | 206-842-5601 x4**

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR WREATHS

Thanks to everyone who purchased a holiday wreath or garland from the St. Barnabas Day School. If you haven't already done so, please pick up your orders today. All orders have been sorted by name and placed outside of Tierney Hall. For more information, please email Carrie Corns at dayschooldirector@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY EVENT TODAY AFTER 10AM WORSHIP SERVICE

Please don't forget to come down and visit the Christmas in the Country event today in Tierney Hall after the 10am worship service. Arts and crafts vendors from all around the area will be displaying handmade items including jewelry, soaps, roasted nuts, fused glass art, luminaries, pottery, wood art and even Mongolian quilts to raise funds for our Mongolian Quilting Center. St. Barnabas volunteers have also organized a bake sale benefitting the Parish.

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AFTER 10AM CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Members of the Dogwood coffee hour team will not be available on Christmas Day to provide the usual coffee hour after the 10am service. They can provide cookies, but would need a small crew of volunteers to make coffee and run the clean-up operation. **If you are planning to come to Christmas Day service and can volunteer, please contact Caroline Smith Cox, 206-842-6236 or carosmit8@msn.com.**

MUSICAL EVENTS

KITSAP CHORDSMEN CHRISTMAS SHOW Saturday, December 10 | 2pm & 7pm

Here's a great way to get into the holiday spirit. The Kitsap Chordsmen Barbershop Chorus is presenting

“We Need a Little Christmas” at the North Kitsap Community Auditorium (across Hostmark from the high school in Poulsbo). Tickets are \$15 for general seating and \$20 for VIP front/center seating. For more information, visit www.singkitsap.org or contact Ric Cederwall at 206/855-0900, ric@stanfordalumni.org.

BODY, MIND & SPIRIT

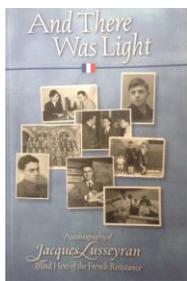
CENTERING PRAYER

Tuesdays | 9am | Sanctuary

Centering Prayer is based on an ancient form of Christian Meditation that was developed during the 20th Century. The simple process of consent and letting go invites us into a deeper place where the life of God can transform us to be the loving people of Christ in the world. Anyone, whether new or experienced, is welcome to join us for silence, chanting and 20 minutes of prayer. **Contact Rev. Patricia Rome Robertson, Assisting Priest for Contemplative Ministries | revprome@hotmail.com**

OUR CONTEMPLATIVE BOOK STUDY GROUP MEETS AGAIN DECEMBER 6

The Contemplative Book Group is reading “And There Was Light,” an autobiography of Jacques Lusseyran. It tells the story of a French man who became blind at age 8 and went on to become a leader of the French Resistance during World War II. The journey of this young man teaches us much about what it means to live from the inner wisdom inside ourselves. **Meetings to discuss the book will be held monthly (October 11, November 8 and December 6), at 9:45 am in the library after**



Centering Prayer. For more information, contact Rev. Patricia Rome Robertson, Assisting Priest for Contemplative Ministries | revprome@hotmail.com

CHRISTIAN HEALING THROUGH REIKI

St. Barnabas offers Christian Healing through Reiki on a regular basis. We have a team of six trained ministers available to offer healing sessions to Parish members and others in our community. Sessions last about 40 minutes, and are a quiet time with gentle music. Reiki promotes healing and

wellness of body and mind, and is a consistent and gentle means for relieving stress and tension in the mind-body complex that accumulate in day-to-day activities. If you have questions or would like to schedule a session: **Ric Cederwall | 206-855-0900 | ric@stanfordalumni.org or Sr Mary Louise Sulonen | 360-626-3264 | sjpsulonen@comcast.net**

CHRISTIAN ACTION

ST. BARNABAS PRAYER CHAIN is a group of people devoted and committed to prayer for others. The chain is divided into two groups coordinated by Lee-ann Holland. She serves as a contact to activate the chain and pass on requests. Lee-ann makes contacts by email and telephone. The prayer chain will pray for anyone who requests prayer or who is submitted by someone else for prayers. All the members honor confidentiality and do not discuss those for whom they pray. It is not necessary to have a lot of detail or even a name to pray for someone or a situation. Unless instructed otherwise, the chain usually prays for about two weeks for a person or situation. The chain can be alerted by contacting the Parish Administrator at the office or Lee-ann Holland | hollandx263@me.com | 206-842-3204.

OUTREACH

COME VISIT OUR GIVING TREE

This year, St. Barnabas is working with three organizations to make Christmas more enjoyable for people who rely on them:

- the Chaplains on the Harbor ministry in Grays Harbor County,
- the Kitsap County Health Department serving HIV/AIDS families, and
- the Kingston Food Bank.

To participate, please visit the Giving Tree down the hall from the Church parlor. On the table near the tree are detailed instructions about how to handle gifts for each organization. Please bring your gifts to St. Barnabas by Thursday, December 15. **For more information, contact Bill Galvani at 206/855-8074 or bpgalvani@comcast.net or Joan Collins at 206/780-2167 or jmariec277@msn.com.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO DELIVER CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

The Outreach Committee is cooperating with the Kitsap County Health Department to make Christmas more enjoyable for 60 people in the HIV/AIDS community. We are looking for people to help deliver Christmas presents in Kitsap County on December 19 or 20. We may also need people to help shop for presents with funds we will provide. Please contact **Bill Galvani (206/855-8074 or bpgalvani@comcast.net)** or **Joan Collins (206/780-2167 or jmariec277@msn.com)** if you will help us with this project.

DONATIONS REQUESTED TO SUPPORT KINGSTON FOOD BANK

The Kingston Food Bank has been serving the Kingston community for 50 years by providing food and clothing to those in need. It operates solely on donations from individuals and local businesses. As the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays approach, the food bank is gearing up to provide extra food for more than 50 family dinners on each of those special holidays. **While local businesses are providing turkeys, we are providing funds to cover the other food items that will make the dinner complete.** The cost of our effort is expected to be about \$900, and the Outreach Committee will match the first \$300 donated. Please make checks out to St. Barnabas Episcopal and write "Outreach-Kingston FB" on the memo line. For more information, please contact Ric or Donna Cederwall, [206-855-](tel:206-855-0900)

[0900](tel:206-855-0900), ric@stanfordalumni.org). Thank you for helping our neighboring community during this time.

COMMUNITY HOLIDAY EVENTS

HELPLINE'S HOLIDAY BOOK NOOK

This season, Helpline House has organized a Book Nook that offers parents in need an opportunity to "shop" for books as holiday gifts for their children. Please consider donating new, unwrapped books (age appropriate for children up to 12 years old) to Helpline House by December 13. For more information, contact Megan Markley, mmarkley@helplinehouse.org or 206/842-7621.

CATERER DINNER

TRY THE WORLD DINNER - IRISH

Saturday, December 17 | 6:30pm

One of the St. Barnabas resident caterer's, Claire Younker Moe of Fig & Spice Catering, prepares World Dinners highlighting cuisines from the around the world. This month, it's an Irish dinner. The menu is still under development, but it will feature Guinness cake for dessert. **For tickets (\$45 including tax) and to make a reservation, contact Claire Younker Moe at figandspice@yahoo.com or 206-842-3069.**



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