



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
HOLY EUCHARIST

December 11, 2016
8:00 A.M.

**Saint Barnabas Episcopal Church...reaching out through worship, prayer, and action
to bring the reconciling peace of Christ to one another and this world.**

We invite you to join as an active participant in the worship of God. This service is based on the Order for the Holy Eucharist: Rite One in the Book of Common Prayer. For ease of use, this leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. HYMNAL refers to the blue book: The Hymnal 1982. BCP refers to the red Book of Common Prayer.

Large-Print BCP and digital receivers for audio amplification are available during services
for those requiring hearing assistance – just ask an usher.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

My soul doth magnify the Lord

J. S. Bach



All stand as able at the sound of the tower bell and sing:

HYMN

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

HYMNAL 66

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

(BCP p. 323)

Presiding Priest

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presiding Priest and People

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Presiding Priest

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

HOLY GOD (said three times)

Presiding Priest

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,

People

Have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presiding Priest The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Presiding Priest Let us pray.

Stir up thy power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let thy bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end.
Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

 THE FIRST READING (seated)

Isaiah 35:1-10

READER: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

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 in unison)

Luke 1:46-55

My soul doth magnify the Lord, *
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded *
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth *
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him *
throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; *
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

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He hath filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed for ever.

THE SECOND READING

James 5:7-10

READER: A Reading from the Letter of James

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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 HOLY GOSPEL (standing as able)

Matthew 11:2-11

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.

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me." As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.' Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

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 the Diocese of Kericho (Kenya) and The Rt Revd Jackson Ole Sapit, Bishop. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Trinity in Everett; St. Philip in Marysville; and St. Hilda-St. Patrick in Edmonds. 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)

Savior of the nations, come

HYMNAL 54

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

Savior of the nations, come

Andreas Nikolaus Veters

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Presiding Priest & Preacher

The Rev. Dr. Jan C. Heller

Organist

Paul Roy

Acolyte

Roger Clairmont

Eucharistic Minister

Mark Morris

Lectors

Roger Clairmont, Mark Morris

Prayers of the People

Mark Morris

Usher

Angie Bickerton

Altar Guild

Joan Collins, Marilyn Abbott, Connie Albrecht,

Claire Hicks, Virginia Walker, Steve Schmitz

Bread Baker

Elaine Percival

Coffee Hour

Roger Fredericksen

This Week @ St. Barnabas

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

Monday, December 12

9am-1pm | Church Office Open
11am | Reunion Group | Rector's Office
11:30am | Rotary Luncheon | TH
5pm | ANNOUNCEMENTS for the weekly service
leaflets are due to the office
7:30pm | Al Anon | RWV

Tuesday, December 13

9am-1pm | Church Office Open
9am | Centering Prayer | Sanctuary
4pm | CAC/Outreach Committee | Library

Wednesday, December 14

7am | BI Kiwanis Breakfast | TH
7:15am | Meditation Group | Sanctuary
9am | Senior Warden Office Hours | Rector's Office
10am | The Elijah Project Committee | Library
10:30-2:30pm | Church Office Open
1:30pm | Lessons & Carols | Madrona House
2:45pm | Lessons & Carols | Island Rehab
7pm | AA Women's Group | Library
7pm | Buddhist Priory | RWV
7:30pm | Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room

Thursday, December 15

8am | Day School Christmas Program | TH
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 16

8am | Day School Christmas Program | TH
9am-1pm | Church Office Open
3:30pm | Girl Scout Troop #42694 | RWV

Saturday, December 17

8am | Buddhist Priory | RWV
9am | Altar Guild | Sanctuary
6:30pm | World Dinner – Irish | TH

Sunday, December 18

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

RWV | Room with a View TH | Tierney Hall

WELCOME TO ST. BARNABAS CHURCH

We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us today. At St. Barnabas, we believe that everyone who enters these doors is God's guest. If you are visiting just 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, we hope that you will introduce yourself to one of our parish clergy. We invite you to complete one of the yellow welcome cards in the pew rack and put it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or clergy member.

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 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 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).

SIGN-UPS FOR POINSETTIAS

The Altar Guild is now accepting names and donations as memorials for loved ones during the festive Christmas season. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. The customary contribution is \$50. Please make checks out to St. Barnabas and note that it is for Christmas flowers. There will be a list of all names and donors in the Christmas service leaflet.

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: Tonight at 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

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST. BARNABAS

Christmas Eve

Saturday, December 24

4pm - Christmas Eve Pageant with carols & organ

6:45pm - Prelude of Carols

7pm - Christmas Eve Service with singers & instruments

10:30pm - Prelude of Carols with choir & organ

11pm - Christmas Eve Festive Service (incense used) with choir, organ and trumpet

Christmas Day

Sunday, December 25

10am - Christmas Day Service with organ

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

MONGOLIAN BOOTH DID WELL AT CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY

Maggie Ball provided the following report from Christmas in the Country 2016:

Our booth had a good year, and we raised a total of \$3,103 for the Mongolian Quilting Center! As always, the slippers were hot items and our lovely



silk table runners and wall hangings did well too. I'd like to thank my fantastic crew of volunteers who made all of this possible and helped me manage my over-loaded schedule of singing in three Amabile concerts while running the booth. I couldn't have done it without you! Thanks go to Deena and Don Hanke, Prinnie Falkenhagen, Mo Godman, Suzanne Ivey, Dale Walker, Sue Hylan, Lynn Whipple, Heidi O'Brien, Angela Tinker, Caroline Kieble, Rebecca Robbins as well as Pat and David O'Morchoe.

As an aside, Christmas in the Country loves the St. Barnabas venue, including our bake sale. This venue outperforms all the other CITC locations in revenue and there's a waiting list of vendors. Thank you, people of St. Barnabas, for hosting and supporting this event!

PLEASE SECURE YOUR VALUABLES

At the holidays and throughout the year, please don't forget to lock your car and secure your valuables while you are at church.

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR WREATHS

Thanks to everyone who purchased a holiday wreath or garland from the St. Barnabas Day School. Most have picked up their wreaths already, but if you haven't already done so, please pick up your orders as soon as possible outside of Tierney Hall. For more information, please email Carrie Corns at dayschooldirector@gmail.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**

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 FORMATION

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY There are Christmas Catalogs from *Christianbook.com* in the library on top of the card catalog. Even though Barbara Herrick's name is on the order sheets, you may order on line or by phone under your own name. So feel free to borrow one. **For more information, contact Barb Herrick at herricks99@msn.com.**

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.**

SAVE THE DATE FOR SECRET PRAYER PARTNER IDENTITY REVEAL

Participants in the Secret Prayer Partner Program, please save the date for the annual Epiphany gathering where the group gathers and partner identities are revealed. This year it will be on Saturday, January 7 at Alice Reasoner's house. **For questions or more information, contact Alice Reasoner at 206/780-1585.**

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, 206-855-0900, 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 | Tierney Hall

One of the St. Barnabas resident caterers, Claire Younker Moe of Fig & Spice Catering, prepares World Dinners highlighting cuisines from the around the world. This month, it's an Irish dinner featuring Irish Stew & Champ (or vegetarian option of Shepherd's Pie), cured salmon, cheddar and potato croquettes, wild mushroom soup and decadent Guinness cake for dessert. **For tickets (\$45 including tax) and to make a reservation (deadline is December 14), contact Claire Younker Moe at figandspice@yahoo.com or 206-842-3069.**



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