

# *NeverTheLess – December 17, 2017*

## **TODAY AND COMING SOON**

**WELCOME TO ALL**, especially if you are visiting us today. We are delighted to have you here. Nametags are an outward symbol of radical hospitality. If you don't have one, please see an usher or a greeter for assistance. If you are visiting, we also invite you to fill out a pew card and put it in the plate.

**BISHOP'S VISITATION** Next Sunday, December 24, join us at 9 am for an Adult Forum led by Bp. Ted, in Brydon Hall; at 10 am for Holy Eucharist with a celebration of Confirmations, Receptions, and a Reaffirmation, with the St. Cecilia Children's Choir, the Handbell Choir, and the Singing Choir; and ~11:30 am for a reception to follow the service. Please bring a favorite finger food for the reception. Contact Margaret in the office if you'd like to contribute, or if you have questions. All are welcome!

**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS** if you would like to donate a poinsettia to the Christmas altar in memory or thanksgiving, please let Margaret know by December 20 to have the name(s) included in the Christmas Eve service bulletin. Suggested donation is \$35.00.

**ADVENT CLASS – "CHRISTMAS STORIES"** Come join with Father Rock as we read and discuss fictional stories to help get our minds and hearts prepared for Christmas. We will have some coffee and cocoa, gather in the library, and read seasonal tales both known and new. This Wednesday, Dec. 20, feel free to bring the children and grandchildren. Hope you can join us! Wednesday, Dec. 20, at 11 am.

**BIBLE STUDY/ADULT FORMATION** Come join us in Adult Bible Study — Sundays at 8:45 in the Rectory. For the first three Sundays of Advent, we'll be visiting with John the Baptizer. You might find out more about yourself than you think. All are welcome!

## **OUTREACH**

**HANOVER ARC** As in the past, we have "adopted" 4 Hanover ARC families who have among them 12 children. There are labeled boxes and brief biographies and wish lists for each of the children in the hallway at Information Central. Please wrap your gifts for these children and have them in the boxes by December 20.

## **GETTING IN TOUCH**

**We Are Now .church!** We were recently able to acquire the web extension **.church** (*emphasis added*) which clearly says just who we are! Our website is now [stjamestheless.church](http://stjamestheless.church) and our emails are also migrated to [name]@stjamestheless.church. The old .com extensions will continue to work for a while, but you may now reach us at .church as well.

**VESTRY MEMBERS:** Yancey Jones (Senior Warden); Rebecca Cline (Junior Warden); Dawn Davis; Richard Grosse; Beth Markwood; Ricki Carson; John Hoar; George Spagna; Janet Taylor

## **PRAYER LIST – December 17, 2017**

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Pray for the clergy and congregations of Piedmont, Madison; and Creator, Mechanicsville

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Wyoming - (VI, The Episcopal Church) The Rt. Rev. John Smylie

**Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer:** This month, we pray for the families of Metropolitan Richmond: For the care and protection of infants, children, and youth; and for the intimate knowledge that each one is a beloved child of God.

**For our parishioners requesting our prayers:** **GUS** Miller, **MAUD** Brumback, **PAT** Funk, **DICK** Harman, **HENRY** Mayer, **ERIN** Yagla, **STEWART** Dishman, **DON** Jones, **CHARLIE** Thompson, **NED** Stiles, **JOANIE** Burgoyne, **GAYELLEN** Wagner, **SALLY** Ellithorpe, **STEVE** Pace

**For those serving in the diplomatic corps, the military, and as missionaries:** **KEMPER** Jones, **GREG** Ericksen, **ROBERT** Ham, **MATTHEW** Thomas, **PHILIP** Morison, **JAMES** Ashley, **ANDREW** Brunson, **AUSTIN** Price

**Relatives & Friends:** *(people added this week are in italics)* **MAC** Pace (father of Steve Pace); **ANNE MARIE** Fisher (friend of the Jones family); **PATRICIA** Reppert (aunt of PK Kinser; friend of the Meyer family); **WILL** Holman (friend of the SJTL Parish); **JOHN** Murphy (father of Erin Murphy); **ORIANA** Hargrove (friend of Bobbie & Tom Street); **LYNN** Forehand (cousin of Joyce Blunt); **VICKI** Snelgrave (cousin of Joyce Blunt); **HAMILTON** family (friends of the Roberts family); **BETTY FAY** Thomas (sister of Mary Lou Brown); **CAROL** Brown (sister of Bob Brown); **BETH** Vannais (cousin of Bob Brown); **GINNY** Walker (niece of Karl and Ginny Meyer); **JANET** Cobb (sister of Jim Cobb); **KATHERINE** Anderson (friend of Katherine Tinker); **KATHY** Balducci (friend of Jenny Bruce); **WIL** Lawrence (son of Ann & Wilbur Lawrence); **DONNA** Hoffman (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer); **CONNIE** Barney (friend of the Pace family); **PAM** Whittaker (friend of Beth Markwood); **SUSAN** Adams (sister of Steve Pace); **MARK** Longaker; **SHARON** Hooper (friend of Dawn Davis); **BILL** Russell (friend of Margaret and Chris Belyea); **RUTH** Syman-May (friend of the SJTL parish); **SAM** Hulsey and Family (friends of Lula Hopkins); **DAVID & TRACEY** (family of Ricki & Jim Carson); **ERIN** Carroll Cullather (friend of Aleta Meyer); **SAVANNAH** Wood (friend of Beth Markwood); **SHELBY**; **BETSY** (sister of Jim Carson); **ANDY** Roberts (friend of Mary Lou & Bob Brown); **TERRY** Shaw (friend of Sandi Shirey); **JOANIE** Watkins (sister-in-law of Bobbie & Tom Street); **STEVE** (family member of Fran McConnell); **JP** Temple (nephew of Alice & Jim Cobb); **MELANIE V.** (friend of Ruth Savino); **DUFF** Green (brother of Melissa Hoar); **AUBREY** Fletcher (friend of Ann and Wilbur Lawrence); **TOM** Slaughter (brother of Ann Lawrence); **DAN** Brummitt (uncle of Margaret Rush); **SUZANNE** Huff (friend of the SJTL parish); **JUDY** Sledd (friend of the Jones family); **LEROY** and **JOSEPHINE** (friends of Pat Jordan); **KAREN** Fetty (friend of Doris and Harry Hassell); **BILL** Turpin (friend of Teva Rittenhouse); **ANNE** Taylor (friend of the SJTL parish); **DAVID** Willis (friend of the parish and the Ashland community); **CAMILLE** Loya (friend of Aleta Meyer); **DARLENE** Swinson (friend of Ginny Tweel), **DENISE** Buxton (sister of Sylvia Spagna), **LOISANNE** Rockwell (sister of Ginny Meyer), **MOLLY** Harrison (daughter of Beth and Bill Harrison); **KATHY** Luten (family of Keith Redington); **JACKIE** Redington (family of Keith Redington); **KIM** Redington (family of Keith Redington); **JAKLYN** Redington (family of Keith Redington); **KEN** Perry (friend of Teva Rittenhouse); the Rev. **JEANNE** Pupke (friend of Margaret Rush); **FLO** Speidell (friend of the parish), **BOB** Giordano (friend of the Meyer family), **LARRY** Zupancic (family of Kris Holt); **FRAN** Shareck (mother of Stephanie Shareck Werner); the Rev. **JEN** Kimball (friend of the Spagnas); **JAMIE** Hopkins (brother of Ron Hopkins)

The altar flowers today are given by Steve Pace in loving gratitude for the St. James the Less parish family.