

NeverTheLess - February 4, 2018

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.

BLUEGRASS MASS today, as an introduction, the Vassar Family Singers will be our musical guests at 10 am church. There will also be a baptism this morning. Then on February 11 at 5 pm, and subsequent 2nd Sundays, we'll have a Bluegrass Mass with Holy Eucharist. Amateur musicians are invited to join in. All are welcome!

VESTRY AND ANNUAL MEETING

VESTRY SLATE After careful consideration, the Vestry is pleased to announce the slate of nominees for the 2018 class to serve three year terms. Alexandra Meade, Mary Ann Kinser, and Randy Marshall have all accepted the invitation to stand and have received the Vestry's full support. Additionally, Dawn Stockbridge has graciously accepted to stand for the two-year term remaining after Ricki Carson stepped down, also with the Vestry's full support. Our annual meeting will be held between services at 9 am on February 11. We also want to express our appreciation for the hard work of our outgoing class, Dawn Davis, Richard Grosse, and Beth Markwood. Thank you all for your dedicated service.

ANNUAL REPORT **Team Leaders, please prepare a brief report to share with the parish. Please get your reports to Margaret (preferably by email) as soon as possible so that she can compile and copy the report.**

FORMATION NEWS

WELCOMING OUR CHRISTIAN FORMATION INTERN today, we welcome Celal Kamran as our Formation intern. He will serve with St. James the Less working on Christian Formation with the Children, Youth, and Adults. He will have varied responsibilities in these areas. Recently married, he is heading to Virginia Seminary in the fall seeking ordination to the priesthood. The internship will be with us through the rest of the program year. One key area will helping us shape a job description for a permanent Christian Formation position we hope to begin in the fall. Please help welcome Celal and his wife Erin when you see them!

LENTEN OFFERINGS On Wednesday evenings, for teens and adults, we will offer "The Path" put out by Forward Movement which is a scriptural overview of the whole Bible, and younger children will have their own Lenten practice in art and activities from Pathways of Faith. We will meet weekly for a simple supper and then two mini-lessons taught by Beth Harrison and Father Rock. We will begin Wednesday, February 21 and continue through March 21. Requested book donation: \$16. And, our Advent Story time was so much fun, we would like to do a novel for Lent. Starting at 11 am on Ash Wednesday (Feb 14) we will read through the delightful "The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane" by Kate DiCamillo. While a children's book, like the best of them, it is written on multiple levels and it has become a family favorite. Requested book donation: \$8.50.

STEWARDSHIP

GRATITUDE so much of the work of this church, across all of its ministries, is accomplished by a vast army of volunteers. Keep an eye on our Stewardship bulletin board for individuals and groups who have given generously of their time and talent to better our community. This week, we are especially grateful to our parish nurse, Bobbie Street.

PLEDGE ENVELOPES are available for pick-up in the hallway at Information Central. If you opted out of the numbered pledge envelopes, THANK YOU! And please note, for recordkeeping purposes, you still have a number assigned to your family; it may not be the same number you have always had. You will find colorful cards with your new pledging number on the same table as the envelopes. Please update your banking service to reflect your current designation.

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 – February 4, 2018

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the clergy and congregations of St. Mary's, Arlington; St. George's, Stanley; St. Andrew's, Arlington; St. Paul's (Shenandoah), Ingham

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Anglican Church of Burundi The Most Rev. Martin Nyaboho Archbishop of Burundi & Bishop of Makamba

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the coming of God's Kingdom in Metropolitan Richmond: For a spirit of unity and cooperation among all people in all jurisdictions. Fill us with your compassion for our natural environment. We pray that all would earnestly seek the common welfare of this metropolitan city.

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; **TRACY** Hughes; **ANNA** Stiles

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); **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); **GINNY** Walker (niece of Karl and Ginny Meyer); **JANET** Cobb (sister of Jim Cobb); **KATHERINE** Anderson (friend of Katherine Tinker); **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** Hulseley and Family (friends of Lula Hopkins); **DAVID & TRACEY** (family of Ricki & Jim Carson); **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); **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); **DAVID** Willis (friend of the parish and the Ashland community); **CAMILLE** Loya (friend of Aleta Meyer); **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); **FRAN** Shareck (mother of Stephanie Shareck Werner); the Rev. **JEN** Kimball (friend of the Spagnas); **JAMIE** Hopkins (brother of Ron Hopkins); **KEVIN** Johnson (friend of Keith Redington); **MELANIE** Watkins (niece of Bobbie Street); **CANDICE** Worley (friend of Joanne & Lou Flanagan); **KADE** (friend of Neale Smith); **STEPHEN** Woods (friend of the Kinser and Meyer families); **GARY** Michael Sanders (family of Tracy and Bob Hughes); **JERRY** Lee Pruitt, Jr. (friend of Rock Higgins)