

# *NeverTheLess – June 12, 2016*

**THANK YOU!** Thank you to everyone at SJTL for a wonderful send-off last Sunday. I was deeply touched by your love and kindness. Thank you, most of all, for your prayers and good wishes. The reception was beautiful- the delicious food, the spectacular flowers, and the amazing personalized cake are memories I'll cherish. It was done with true SJTL hospitality and love. Thank you for your gracious gift. Craig and I will enjoy every minute at the Homestead and think of our dear friends in Ashland who are making it possible. We look forward to getting away this summer. Thank you to the children of the parish and their church school teachers for the bouquets of tissue flowers. The colors are beautiful, and they will remind me of you. God's blessings on all of you as you step into your future so full of promise.

With prayers and love,  
Claudia+

## **TODAY**

**WELCOME TO ALL**, especially if you are visiting us today. Today is the Senior High Youth Service. At 10:00 am church we will acknowledge **all** of our graduates and recognize our Youth Leaders and Sunday School teachers. We'll present a gift to our graduating high school seniors. Following church we'll gather for the Parish Picnic. We'll provide the fried chicken and lemonade. Please bring a dish to share. All are welcome!

**USHERS NEEDED!** Summer is a popular time to "church shop" and one of the most important roles in being welcoming to visitors is our ushers. Responsibilities include handing out bulletins and smiling! Currently, we have openings for much of July and all of August. Being an usher is not a difficult job, but it is vital to the worship experience on any Sunday morning. If you can help, please sign up at Information Central or contact Rich Holt, 368.0609 or [rich.holt8@gmail.com](mailto:rich.holt8@gmail.com).

## **WELCOMING**

**NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY COMING-**To assist newcomers (particularly our new Priest) in matching names and faces, the Newcomers' Committee will begin taking pictures and updating information for a new directory, to be published in-house on our current computer system. Our photographer, Dick Shirey, will begin taking photos at 9 a.m. and immediately following the 10:00 service on June 19th and 26th. Please try to get your family's photo taken on one of those two dates if possible. There will be a make-up date scheduled, but we want to have the directory completed over the summer. Two photos will be taken of each person or family for you to select your preference. Photos will be taken in the **Rector's Office**. (**NOTE: this is a location change!**)

## **COMING UP**

**SUPPER CLUB** The last Supper Club of the season is coming up on Saturday, June 25, at 7:00 pm, here at SJTL in Brydon Hall. Bring a dish to pass. Everyone is welcome!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** AUGUST 15 - 18th from 5:30-7:30 pm. VBS is a 3-day education program called "SURPRISE: Stories of Discovering Jesus"; the fourth night is an all-family dinner/fun night. Jesus surprised the people he met. Are you ready for your children to be surprised by Jesus? Everyone is welcome. The VBS educational program is designed for Pre-K - 5th Graders and we would love to have middle and senior high kids perform the dramas that are included with the program and to help with the children's activities. And of course we need volunteers to make this a special experience for our children! Questions? Interested in participating? Contact Jen Martin, [sjtlvbs@gmail.com](mailto:sjtlvbs@gmail.com).

## **OUTREACH**

**CARITAS** – CARITAS is one of our area's best ministries, providing shelter, food, and community to a group of homeless people, church by church, one week at a time. This is an opportunity for community-based hands-on ecumenical outreach. Our neighbors at St Ann's are hosting CARITAS guests from June 4 - June 18. As a collaborative effort, Duncan Memorial and St. James the Less are partnering to provide St. Ann's CARITAS guests transportation to the YMCA and laundromat. Van Driver & Rider Volunteers are wanted, Monday - Thursday evening of each week, **June 6 – 9**

**and June 13 - 16.** Each church is donating their own van with a volunteer driver and rider. It involves approximately two hours of your time on a night of your choosing. Driver/Rider pairs take very appreciative guests to wash their clothes or to shower. One evening, 2 hours, and you go home knowing you helped an appreciative person on their difficult path of getting their life back to normal. You will get more "Thank yous" in two hours than you'll get the rest of the day! Please consider volunteering.

**SJTL CARITAS Week July 9-16:** This year St. James the Less will host our ~40 CARITAS men the week of **July 9 - 16**. Volunteers are needed as overnight chaperones, transportation drivers and helpers to shuttle our guests, and liaisons supporting neighboring churches with navigating the church. If you'd like more information, or to volunteer, please contact Erik Helsley at (434) 760-1111 or [erik.a.helsley@gmail.com](mailto:erik.a.helsley@gmail.com). Sign-up sheets are at Information Central.

**SEEKING CARITAS DONATIONS:** In the hallway is a donation station for CARITAS. We need gently used (or new) pillowcases, towels, and washcloths for the guests' use during their stay. Also, we are accepting donations of travel size soaps, lotions, deodorants, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoos, and conditioners (no mouthwash, please.).

**VESTRY MEMBERS:** Steve Pace (SW); Bob May (JW); Julie Ericksen; Tom Fritter; Harry Hassell; Jenny Bruce; Rich Holt; Tanya Reagan; Dawn Davis; Richard Grosse; Beth Markwood, Matt Smith

**SEARCH COMMITTEE:** Derrick Rosser (chair); Sandi Shirey; Rebecca Cline; Bob Hughes; Bob Chamlee; Matt Meade; Ana Bajcsi

**SJTL COMMITTEES AND CHAIRS:** ADULT FORMATION, Harry Hassell; CHILDREN/YOUTH FORMATION, Aleta Meyer; STEWARDSHIP, Bill Harrison; PARISH LIFE, Steve Pace & Bob May; PASTORAL CARE, Stephanie Werner; FINANCE, Yancey Jones; OUTREACH, Ginny Meyer & Julie Ericksen; FUNDRAISING, Jenny Bruce & Sylvia Spagna; PROPERTY, Tom Fritter; CHENERY, Naomi Pace; COMMUNICATIONS, Dawn Davis; SESQUICENTENNIAL, Liz Chambers & Kris Holt; WORSHIP NUTS & BOLTS, The Rev. Claudia W. Merritt

### **PRAYER LIST – June 12, 2016**

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** PRAY for the clergy & congregations of Holy Comforter Vienna; St. David's Ashburn; St. Patrick's Falls Church; St. Peter's Arlington

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** PRAY for The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) The Most Revd Nicholas Okoh Metropolitan & Primate of all Nigeria & Bishop of Abuja

**For our parishioners requesting our prayers:** **GUS** Miller, **CONDÉ** Hopkins, **MAUD** Brumback, **PAT** Funk, **DICK** Harman, **HENRY** Mayer, **MOYA** Parmele, **ERIN** Yagla, **MEGAN** Rodman, **LAURIE** Rodman, **STEWART** Dishman, **TRUMAN** Parmele; **DON** Jones; **CHARLIE** Thompson, **JESSE**, **RAVEN & NATE** Blaisdell, **NED** Stiles, **TIM** Holt

**For those serving in the diplomatic corps and military:** **KEMPER** Jones, **HUNTER** Fines, **GREG** Ericksen, **ANDREW** Walton, **ROBERT** Ham, **MATTHEW** Thomas, **PHILIP** Morison

**Relatives & Friends:** *(people added this week are in italics)* **MAC** Pace (father of Steve Pace), **ANNE MARIE** Fisher (friend of the Jones family), **TRAVIS** Williams (friend of the SJTL Parish), **PATRICIA** Reppert (aunt of PK Kinser; friend of the Meyer family); **GINNY** Walker (niece of Karl Meyer), **ARLENE** Davis (mother of Dawn Davis); **WILL** Holman (friend of the SJTL Parish), **SANDIE** Litsinger (friend of the Shirey's), **WILLIAM** Micou (friend of Ron & Conde Hopkins), The Rev. **RACHEL** Lewis (friend of the Spagna family), **JOHN** Murphy (father of Erin Murphy), **PATRICK** Morris (friend of Harry & Doris Hassell), **BETH** Mallory (friend of Beth Markwood), **JANE** Markwood (mother of Tim Markwood), **RHONDA** Lewis (friend of the Tharrington family), **NANCY** Margie (friend of Aleta Meyer), **ANNETTE** Wisniewski (friend of Doris Hassell) **MARY & JIMMY** (family of Tammie & Bob May), **ORIANA** Hargrove (friend of Bobbi & Tom Street), **ALICE** Wallace (mother of Beth Markwood), The Rev. **NANCY** Cox (friend of the Meyer family), **JUANITA** Wightman (sister-in-law of Jane Howard), **LYNN** Forehand (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **GWEN** Bennett (sister of Hilda Kelly), **VICKI** Snelgrave (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **MELANIE** Watkins (niece of Bobbie Street), **LOISANNE** Rockwell (sister of Ginny Meyer), **BETTY** White (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer) **JANE** Moser (friend of Ron & Conde Hopkins), **BROOKSIE** Kuhl *(friend of the SJTL Parish)*, **JANICE** Halloran *(friend of Pat Jordan)*

The flowers on the altar today are in loving memory of Terry Raney.