



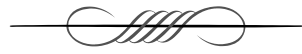
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to proclaim release to the captives



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## The Third Sunday after the Epiphany during the Week of Christian Unity January 24, 2016



### The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

#### Gathering Music

##### Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome

Holy Spirit, Thou art welcome in this place.  
Holy Spirit, Thou art welcome in this place.  
Omnipotent Father, have mercy and grace.  
Thou art welcome in this place.

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#### Procession to the Altar Hymn #8

*Morning has broken like the first morning*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

*Gloria*, said at 8am;  
*Benedictus es, Domine*, sung at 10am  
(printed on page 11 of the Worship Guide)

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

#### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## A Reading from Nehemiah (8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10)

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 19

(Read in unison after the first asterisk)

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, **\*and the firmament shows his handiwork.**
- 2 **One day tells its tale to another, \*and one night imparts knowledge to another.**
- 3 **Although they have no words or language, \*and their voices are not heard,**

- 4 **Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*and their message to the ends of the world.**
- 5 **In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.**
- 6 **It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; \*nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**
- 7 **The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; \*the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.**
- 8 **The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; \* the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**
- 9 **The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; \*the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.**
- 10 **More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**
- 11 **By them also is your servant enlightened, \*and in keeping them there is great reward.**
- 12 **Who can tell how often he offends? \*cleanse me from my secret faults.**
- 13 **Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; \*then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.**
- 14 **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

## A Reading from 1 Corinthians (12:12-31a)

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one

body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord  
*People*     **Thanks be to God**

### **Gradual Hymn #508 vs. 1, 2**

*Breathe on me, Breath of God*

## **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke**

(4:14-21)

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

The Gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

### **Gradual Hymn #508 vs. 3, 4**

*Breathe on me, Breath of God*

### **The Sermon**

Fr. Haynes

*Silence for reflection*

### **The Nicene Creed** (Standing, as able.)

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**

Let us pray.

For all Christian Churches and Faith Communities, that they may be faithful witnesses to the Gospel proclaiming the mighty acts of the Lord.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For church leaders everywhere during this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, that they may work together and promote unity among Christians.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For the Church, that God would inspire God's people to continue the quest for Christian Unity and that our hearts be filled with the gift of Jesus' love for all .

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For the leadership of the Church throughout the world during this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, that they may witness to Christ's prayer "That All May Be One".

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For each of us, that we may hear the call to proclaim the mighty acts of the Lord and live faithfully the Good News of the Gospel.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For the various ecumenical dialogues between our church and other denominations, that they bear witness to the quest for Christian unity in Jesus' name.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For those who bear witness to Christ through the ministry of ecumenism, that they always seek the unity that is found in Christ.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For the Anglican Communion, especially Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil; our diocese, especially St. David Emmanuel, Shoreline; St. Dunstan, Shoreline and Henry Memorial Chapel in the Highlands; and our parish, especially for our parishioners Rachel, Kevin & Stella Bacon; Don & Rose Barg; Brita Berry.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For all the leaders and people of the world, especially Barack, our president, that reconciliation and peace may overcome conflict and oppression. We pray for our armed forces and those who are deployed especially for those we now name....

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For the hungry in body, mind or spirit, that they may be nourished by your presence and truth.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For those who are in danger and distress in this world, especially those suffering from terrorism. We pray for an end to religious fundamentalism which distorts your vision of Glory for all people.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For the sick and those in pain, for the lonely and the forgotten, for the dying and all who mourn, that your healing grace may shine forth in the shadows of this world. We pray for all those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, especially Lyn, Areewa, Eloise, Dave, Brenda, Rose, Shirley, Scott, Alisande, Ted, Crystal, Elliott, Don, Marisa, Laura, Adam, Cesar, Cherie, Alice, Sandy, Lloyd, Julie, Justin, Edith, Mark, Leanne, Jazmin, Norm, Bev, Pam and for those we now name...

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the gifts of joy and love, that we may bear witness to the manifestations of your glory. We give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name...

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those who have died and now abide in Christ's presence, remembering especially Glen More, and for those we now name...,

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant*

God of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Father of Glory, may you give to all Christians, and especially to those entrusted with leadership in your church, the spirit of wisdom and revelation. With the eyes of our hearts, may we see the hope to which you have called us: one body and one spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above and through all in in all. This we ask through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

## Confession of Sin

We pray also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Leader and People*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Celebrations and Healing Prayers

**Offertory** *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me*

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because our Lord has anointed me.  
He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor and to heal the broken hearted,

To proclaim liberty to the captives and to set the prisoners free,  
To announce a year of favor from the Lord, and our day of vindication,  
to comfort all who mourn.

Refrain:

The Spirit of God is upon me  
The Spirit of God has anointed me  
The Spirit of God now doth sent me  
To the poor, to heal the broken hearted.

(repeat)

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## The Great Thanksgiving - B

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a Proper Preface is said as appointed.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

## **Sanctus**

**8:00 am (spoken), 10:00 am Sanctus (sung)**

*(Printed on page 12 of the Worship Guide)*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified + by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

**Lord's Prayer** *said at 8 am & sung at 10 am*

*(Printed on page 13 of the Worship Guide)*

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our father in heaven  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

**The Breaking of the Bread and  
Holy Communion**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**  
**Alleluia**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

*This is our Lord's Table, and He is our host. All persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who have yet to be baptized are encouraged to speak with the clergy after the service about becoming baptized into Christ's Body.*

*Gluten-free hosts and alcohol-free wine are available upon request at the rail.*

## Communion Music

### Thy Word

Chorus: Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path.  
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path.

1. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,  
still you're there right beside me.  
And nothing will I fear as long as you are near.  
Please be near me to the end.
2. I will not forget your love for me, and yet,  
My heart forever is wandering.  
Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side,  
And I will love You to the end.

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## One Bread, One Body

*Refrain:*

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man  
no more.

*Refrain*

2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord  
of all.

*Refrain*

3. Grain for the fields, scattered and gown,  
gathered to one, for all.

*Refrain*

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### **COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

*Celebrant:* In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*Celebrant and People:* **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## The Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray:

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

## The Blessing

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

## Procession to the Neighborhood Hymn #536

*Open your ears, O faithful people*

## St. Matthew Mission Statement

*St. Matthew Church: To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.*

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

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## Special Ministers Today

<b>Priest</b>	The Rev. Kendall Haynes
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Dick Elofson
<b>Worship Leader in Training</b>	
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Anne Hartwig
<b>Lector</b>	Pamela Reed
<b>Acolytes</b>	Nicholas Yun Zawadi Chege
<b>Ushers</b>	Frank Blacker Dick Collins
<b>Greeters</b>	Claire Scharmach Janet Witter
<b>Eucharistic Visitor</b>	Chuck & Lyn Zimmerman
<b>Bread Maker</b>	Marian Oberg
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Sandy Goretti Janet Witter Danielle Hull Sandy Hust Linda Pomeroy-Hull
<b>Counters</b>	Jackie Whorton Dick Collins
<b>Nursery</b>	Micaela Detrick

## Coffee Hour

Frank Blacker  
Mary Blacker  
Lorina Goodjoint  
Florence Nabaggala  
Linda Pomeroy-Hull

## Altar Guild Director

## St Matthew Episcopal Church Staff

<b>Head of the Church</b>	Jesus Christ our Lord
<b>Bishop of Olympia</b>	The Rt. Rev. Gregory Rickel
<b>Priest</b>	The Rev. Kendall Haynes
<b>Parish Administrator</b>	Dave Noll
<b>Bookkeeper</b>	Beth Rich
<b>Church Sexton</b>	Saray Yourn
<b>Pianist</b>	Maria McKanzie
<b>Nursery Care Attendant</b>	Micaela Detrick
<b>Church Photographer</b>	John Hibben

## St Matthew Episcopal Church Vestry

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<b>Christian Education Liaison</b>	Mark Lepkowski
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## St Matthew Episcopal Church Vestry Officers

<b>Treasurer</b>	Frank Blacker
<b>Clerk of the Vestry</b>	Sandy Goretti

## Today's Prayer List

Lyn Zimmerman – Myotonic Dystrophy  
Areewa Saray – imprisonment  
Eloise Page (friend of Tom & Elaine Taylor) – hospice  
Dave Hopkins – pain management and balance  
Brenda Gilbert – fighting severe health problems  
Rose Barg – recovery from surgery  
Shirley Ryan Rose – (neighbor of Linda Pomeroy-Hull) – continued recovery from a vascular stroke  
Scott Candoo – undiagnosed medical issues  
Alisande Watterson – tests for a health issue  
Ted Blattenbauer – (friend of Dan & Linda Pomeroy-Hull) – grieving and diagnosed with multiple myeloma  
Crystal Rose – kidney issues  
Elliott Feit – (friend of Abby Smith) – for complete healing from pain (pancreatic cancer)  
Don Barg – holding the family together  
Marisa La Rue – (friend of Kathleen Manning) – struggle with Parkinson's disease



Laura O'Donnell – (mother of Alex and Savannah Sloan) for recovery and healing from heart surgery  
 Adam – (friend of Liz Latsis brother) – who is very sick with acute Leukemia, spine, lung and fungal infections.  
 Cesar Gatbunton – (Agueda Fernandez-Webster's sisters husband) – for recovery and healing from heart surgery  
 Cherie Peterson – (sister of Bud Nalder) – suffering from dementia  
 Alice Medin – (cousin of Kitty Walker) – complications following knee replacement surgery  
 Sandy Green – (brother-in-law) of Alex Ringstad) – just entered into Hospice care  
 Lloyd Wood – (brother of Sue & Sandy Goretti's uncle) – Incarcerated for a DUI offense)  
 Julie – (friend of Fred & Sherry Vogel) – who is facing breast cancer treatment  
 Justin Smith – (husband of Abby Smith) – continued health  
 Edith – (friend of Abby Smith) –  
 Mark – (friend of Sherry & Barney Hartley) – who was diagnosed with prostate cancer  
 Leanne Gaunt – (mother of Sueann & Sandra Goretti) – who was diagnosed with early stage lung cancer  
 Jazmin – (granddaughter of Bud Nalder) –  
 Norm Jackonen – (brother-in-law of Ken St. John) – battling aggressive intestinal cancer  
 Bev More, Pam Halsan – (wife and daughter of Glen More) – Glen died on January 16<sup>th</sup>

**To add someone or take someone off the prayer list, email [saintmatthewpastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:saintmatthewpastoralcare@gmail.com) . Thanks!**

## Announcements

**Newcomers for Sunday School** - Dear St. Matthew members. It's a new year and we longtime teachers need you to join us with new ideas and interactions with the Sunday school children who are also members of our beloved church.

Anne, Jackie and Liz have been bringing Godly Play into the new Sunday worship hours and also providing time for other activities. If you haven't spent time in the Sunday school to make some new connections with the kids, **now is the time!** The class is held at 9:00am, before the 10am service and then the children go into the nave for the remainder of the liturgy.

Think of what you could do to broaden the experiences of our younger St. Matthew family and **SIGN UP!** There will be fun and learning and your skills and knowledge would be very welcome. Do you like to read to children? Do you enjoy making a

craft? What travels have you made that would interest any age and plant ideas for artwork and seasonal celebrations? Give it thought and pair up with a friend.

**Look in the narthex for the new signup sheet.** You can try it for one session and add to our ability to serve the young Episcopalians. They will look forward to the opportunity of knowing you better. Any questions? Contact Anne, Jackie or Liz. Thank you.

**Socks Donation** - Thanks to everyone that contributed to our sock tree. We have provided **499 pairs of sox for the homeless of our community. GREAT JOB!**

**Annual Meeting** - The Annual Meeting is January 31 immediately after the 10:00am liturgy. At the annual Meeting a summary of the past year and plans for the year 2016 are shared. Furthermore, food and fun are included in the event.

**Annual Meeting Potluck** – The annual meeting will be followed by the renowned St Matthew potluck. Your participation would be welcome. The potluck assignments requested are:

- Last Name A through H – please bring a main dish to share
- Last Name I through R – please bring a side dish to share
- Last Name T through Z – please bring a dessert to share

**Meet The New Dean of Saint Mark's Cathedral** – The Cathedral Foundation of the Diocese of Olympia invites you to join us for a reception at St. Mary, Lakewood to meet the new Dean of Saint Mark's Cathedral, the Very Reverend Steve Thomason and for conversation with members of The Cathedral Foundation. Thursday, February 4, 2016, 5:30pm – 7:30pm. Address is 10630 Gravelly Lake Dr SW, Lakewood WA 98499. Please respond to Heather Hodsdon at [hodsdon@fastmail.fm](mailto:hodsdon@fastmail.fm)

**Altar Guild Team Meeting** – The Altar Guild will host a team meeting on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am in the library. New members are welcome and training will be provided. If you have considered this important ministry service please attend to learn more.

## **Mark your calendar—**

- Saturdays, 8AM, Men's Breakfast in the Parish Hall
- Fridays, 7:00PM, Bell choir practice
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month, 9AM-Noon, Julia's Gulch
- Choir Rehearsal, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays, 11:45am, (first Sunday only at 9:15am)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 11:45am Instrument Rehearsal
- Sundays, 9AM Bridging the Gap
- Bible Class, 11AM Thursdays
- 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month, 7PM JLS (Just Love Singing)
- Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, Annual Meeting after 10am liturgy
- Altar Guild Team Meeting, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 9am
- Cascade Blood Drive, Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> 10am – 1pm
- Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, the next big BOOK Sale!