EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ASCENSION Announcements for January 17, 2021

Our Rector is The Reverend Stewart Mason Tabb. Her contact is <u>stabb@ascension-norfolk.org</u>; (757) 423-6715. The Church of the Ascension is a Eucharistically-centered Christian community committed to sharing the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ through worship, teaching, fellowship, outreach, and personal example.

Today

The service will be streamed at 8:30 a.m. Our organist is Bill McCoy <u>https://m.facebook.com/AscensionEpiscopalVA/</u> Here is a link to the bulletin <u>https://files.constantcontact.com/837184a7201/302c461a-a2d3-449b-9b82-e32f4548ff6d.pdf</u>

Streamed Service: Our worship services are streamed. Please join us on Facebook. You do not need to have a Facebook account to view the service. <u>https://m.facebook.com/AscensionEpiscopalVA/</u>

Rector's Schedule: Stewart and Bill will be out of town from Wednesday, January 20 through Sunday, January 24 for the wedding of their son, Jeremy. In her absence, The Rev. David LaSalle will officiate the Sunday service on January 24 and The Rev. Connie Jones will be available to respond to pastoral emergencies. Should you have a pastoral emergency, please call Senior Warden Debra Griggs or Junior Warden Anji Harris and they will contact Connie.

The Office will be closed on Monday, January 18, 2021 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Formation, Fellowship and Fun

Bible Project: Beginning January 27th, join Stewart as we use the Bible Project to begin to understand what the Bible says about God and God's will for the world. The hour long class will be on Zoom Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. The first five weeks we will explore the character of God as described in Exodus 34:6-7. The short videos are informative and invite us to consider our lives through the lens of the Biblical witness.

Topic: Who is this God we worship? Time: Jan 27, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Every week on Wed, 5 occurrence(s) Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85647434010?pwd=SnliZkN5TjBjTytxYnNZRINNMEtnZz09

Meeting ID: 856 4743 4010 Passcode: Bible

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Centering Prayer meets at 6:45 Tuesday mornings on Zoom for one hour. Our meeting involves reading a book a chapter at a time. We are currently reading "Interior Castle" by St. Teresa of Avila,

a 16th Century mystic. We have 20 minutes of silent prayer followed by a discussion of the reading. You are invited to join us at any time. Please call Sally Miller.

Women's Bible Study: We will watch a video, read the scripture passages and discuss the questions together. I recommend joining the meeting early in case you have any issues connecting. I hope to see everyone Thursday at 10:00 AM! If you are not on the email group, please email Susan Meredith.

JULIET GROUP TAKING A BREAK: The Juliet group (Just Us Ladies Interested in Eating Together) will not be meeting this month. This is a precaution during COVID and the cold weather preventing outdoor dining. Once numbers look better this group will schedule a lunch.

Mission

Outreach: The Catholic Worker has requested help with their Homeless Outreach. They serve Breakfast on the Street at 7:00 AM every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. They can use the following: Ground Coffee, Family Size Tea Bags, Iced Tea Mix, Peanut butter, Jam or Preserves, Rice, Pasta, Beans, Quinoa, Spaghetti & Sauce, Chunky soups, Mac & Cheese, Liquid Dish Soap, Laundry Detergent Pods, Socks, Washcloths, and Adult Size Rain Ponchos. There will be a bin at church to collect items. If you want to make a financial contribution, you may send it to The Catholic Worker 1321 West 38th Street, Norfolk 23508 or for more info call 757-423-5420.

Info at a Glance

Automated giving: Please keep us in mind during this time. We are still paying our staff, and our expenses are ongoing. Now is a great time to set up bill pay with your bank. For many banks, this is a free service, and it helps the church with steady cash flow when things like vacations, holidays, or pandemics hit. You don't have to do anything after the initial setup; you even save a stamp every month. This automates your giving and gives us an idea what to expect each week.

PRAYER CHAIN: if you would like to be added to the prayer chain emails, please contact the office <u>Office@ascension-norfolk.org</u>

Prayer

In Our Prayers: The Butler Family, Chuck Beers, Mason Beers, Margaret Daly, Jimmy Fields, Peggy Hackett, Barbara Jones, Buzz Miklos, Sadie Miklos, Don Miller, Megan Miller, Cecelia Osteen, Marian Parsons, Shana Paul, Sydney Ruloph, Diane Shepheard, Chuck and Louise Steinbruck, William Strohl, Nancy Whitman.

Note: Names of those not directly connected to the church will be in the bulletin for three weeks.

For those who have died: The Rev. Don Black, Barbara Butler, Jim Shaw, William Strohl and Judy Wirt.

For those celebrating birthdays: Makenna Stallings, Daniel Stead, Marina White, Ariya Burks, Christ Killmon, San Hedgecock, Jr., Marilyn Meek, Cooper Killmon, Lindsay Shepheard.

For those celebrating anniversaries:

Lay reader & Intercessor: Pam Knight Altar Guild: Michael Murphy (Jan 11-17); Suzanne Tate and Jane Webster (Jan 18-24) The church's calendar is available at https://73961520.view-events.com/calendar/73961520

Your Vestry is here to serve you: Debra Griggs Senior Warden Anji Harris Junior Warden Chuck Beers Stewardship/Finance Chester Long Ann McMellin Outreach Melvin Phillips Liturgy/Worship Harry Porfert Fellowship Phillip Todd Pastoral Care liaison Doug Thompson