



**STAYING IN TOUCH...
HAPPENINGS WITHIN OUR**

Steve's Corner

HI, GRACE! FIRST A SHOUT OUT TO TWO OF OUR MEMBERS WHO HAD A LEADERSHIP PART IN LAST WEEK END'S MARTIN LUTHER KING CELEBRATION. KATELYN CORCORAN WAS ON THE PLANNING COMMITTEE WHICH HAS BEEN MEETING ALL YEAR TO PLAN THE WEEKEND. AND LILIANA BILLINGS WHO READ THE SCRIPTURE IN AN EXTRAORDINARY WAY AT THE SUNDAY AFTERNOON SERVICE.

JOHN AND XOCHITL AND WE ALL WERE SO PROUD OF HER. LAST WEEK I BEGAN TWO SUNDAYS ON THE THEME OF DISCIPLESHIP. THIS WEEK'S TEXT IS MATTHEW 4:18-22. THE TITLE IS "FOLLOWING JESUS, TODAY!" WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO CALL ONESELF A CHRISTIAN IN TODAY'S WORLD? WE WILL PROBE THIS QUESTION TOGETHER THIS SUNDAY. THE ANSWER IS NOT AS OBVIOUS AS ONE MIGHT THINK.

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE CALENDAR FOR FRIDAY, JAN. 31 AS WE PLAN TO JOIN THE BROADER COMMUNITY AT CONGREGATION EMANUEL.

RABBI JUDY SCHINDLER WILL SPEAK AT 7 PM ON ANTI-SEMITISM TODAY. (THEY MAY ASK ME TO BRING A FEW WORDS, IF A BAPTIST MINISTER EVER HAS FEW WORDS.) AT 6 PM WE ARE ALSO INVITED TO THEIR SHABBAT SERVICE. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE. HATRED IS A CONTAGIOUS DISEASE WHICH MOVES FROM ONE OBJECT OF HATRED TO ANOTHER. LET US WITNESS ANOTHER WAY.

Calendar

Sunday

10:00am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship

Contact us at gracestatesville@gmail.com or visit us at www.gracestatesville.org.

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Our friends on homebound:
Tressie Starrette,
Ernestine Lanford,
Barbara Robinson,
Mary Jean Grose.

Those issues close to us:
Susie Wiberg, Puerto Rico,
JD and Marie Harris, Tim Alexander, Kevan Bytner, Spencer Cox, Larry Hedrick, Phyllis Munson, Kim Osucha, Sandy Gordon, Vera Webster, Marian Carney, Becky Cass, Peggy Chamberlain, Parlier family, Phyllis Roger's parents, Bertie Vaughn, Linda Sample, Karen Marlowe, Casey Leslie, caregivers, and healthcare workers, homeless children, our nations immigrants.

Those facing tough times, those who are mentally ill, those who are affected by violence, those who are incarcerated.

In our community and in our world, children who are a part of the Guardian ad Litem program, local law enforcement officers and fire fighters.

Those in the military:
Molly Murphy, Greg West, Josh Wingfield, James Pulliam, Mark Staley, Adam Ivey, Austin Frutig, Anthony Corcoran, Mary Jane Johnson, Caleb Sisk, Brian Saxton, 30th Brigade

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

Celebrations:
Birthdays

- 19 - Clay McDougall
- 23 - Paxton West
- 23 - Allison Copeland

Concerns:

Solomon's friend had a great report.
Gay's sister, Brenda, ended up having her heart shocked back into rhythm. She will be having a heart ablation very soon.

Linda Mithchell and her family.
Gun Violence.

Turmoil in the Middle East.
People of the city of Richmond
Tressie Starrette was at the emergency room 3 times this week.

UMC- splitting issues over Gay rights.

Immigrants in the community and around the nation.

The week of January 19-25, 2020

Upcoming Events

**January 27 -
Cabinet meets. 4:30pm.**

**January 27 -
Theology on Tap
5:30pm. At Mezzaluna
Restaurant.
115 SOUTH CENTER STREET.**

**January 31 -
Congregation Emanuel
6pm - Shabbat Service
7pm - Rabbi Judy Schindler will
be speaking about Anti-Semitism
in our nation.**

**We are co-hosting this event.
There will be some fellowship
and refreshments following the
event.**

**If you are interested in bringing
an hors d'oeuvre to share
please let Lisa know.**

Scripture for the Week

Matthew 4:18-22

**SUNDAY'S SERMON
Following Jesus, Today!**

Budget

Needed year to date: \$5929.14
Received year to date: \$6437.00
OVER budget: \$507.86
Weekly needs: \$1976.38

Weekly Assignments

**Church Maintenance
Koppelmeyer/Adams**

Worship Leader

David Comer

Worship Reader

Phyllis Munson

Second Hour Helpers

**Chris Brown/
Sue Shoemaker**

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