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Weekly Announcements for January 20 - January 27, 2019

Sunday Worship

Worship with Holy Communion, **8:30 am** and **11:00 am**
Discipleship Hour, **9:45 am**

Sunday, January 27

Worship with Holy Communion, **9:30 am**
Annual Congregation Meeting, **10:45 am**

Pastor Brian "Red" Burchfield

The Northwest Synod office has recommended Pastor Brian "Red" Burchfield to Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church to serve us, and our community, as a Transition Pastor. Members of the congregation leadership have affirmed this recommendation and Pastor Burchfield has accepted the appointment. Pastor Burchfield will formally begin on Tuesday, **January 22**, during which time he will be meeting with staff and congregation membership.

He will be in attendance and introduced at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, **January 27**.

Pastor Burchfield's first preaching Sunday will be **February 3**.

Please join me in welcoming Pastor Burchfield into Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church as we move forward in our Mission—Growing Together in Christ to Love and Serve All People.

WELCOME to WORSHIP

WE WELCOME PASTOR PAUL HOFFMAN as our Presiding Minister. Pastor Hoffman was Pastor of Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church in Seattle from 1996 through May 2013. He is a nationally-recognized author, preacher, and leader. His books include *Faith Forming Faith*, *Faith Shaping Ministry*, and *Stations of the Cross*.

HEALING PRAYERS are offered during the distribution of Holy Communion. Kneelers are provided on the east and west sides of the sanctuary. Trained healing ministers are waiting to receive your requests before or after receiving the Eucharist. It can be especially meaningful to have a laying on of hands and an anointing of oil, if desired. It is appropriate to bring ANY request or concern that you may have for yourself or someone else. These may be prayers for emotional, spiritual, or physical healing. It can be a peace that brings wholeness, according to God's will, in a number of ways. If you are unable to walk to the kneelers, please ask an usher to assist or move to the bottom of the stairs on the East side of the sanctuary (near the pulpit) and the Healing Minister will come to you.

COMMEMORATIONS:

Agnes, martyr, died around 304

January 21

Agnes was a girl of about thirteen living in Rome. The details of her martyrdom are not clear, but she gave witness to her faith and was put to death as a result, most likely by the sword. The church has honored her as one of the chief martyrs of her time.

Conversion of Paul

January 25

The week of prayer begun by the remembrance of Peter's confession now comes to an end as we recall the pivotal moment in the life of the other pillar of the early church, the apostle Paul. His encounter with the risen Christ turned him from persecutor of the followers of Christ to one of their leaders.

Timothy, Titus, and Silas, missionaries

January 26

These three early Christian men were missionary companions of the apostle Paul. Timothy became bishop of Ephesus, Titus bishop of Crete, and Silas was imprisoned with Paul at Philippi until they were delivered by an earthquake.

TODAY ~ JANUARY 20**EARLY SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...7:15 AM****through FEBRUARY 17****FIRST JOHN**

7:15 am, 322/Conference Room

Facilitators: Jean Wahlstrom, Marvin Kananen

It's really all about Jesus. The Winter Bible Study program is looking at First John, that five chapter, 105-verse, 2,523-word most gentle epistle.

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...9:45 AM**January 20****BUDGET 2019***301/Fellowship Hall North*

Facilitators:

Congregation Treasurer Joni Barrott, Finance and Outreach and Servant Ministries Committees Today, join us for conversations with Joni and members of the Outreach and Servant Ministries Committee to learn about planned opportunities for our outreach ministries in 2019.

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL (SCS) classes welcome children age 2 through grade 5. All classes are downstairs in South Hall. The SCS office is located on the lower level near the Narthex stairs. Students who are new to our congregation are asked to come to the SCS office to register and be welcomed to your class.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM/ CONFIRMATION (ABC) classes are geared toward youth in grades 6-8. ***Please note that there are no ABC classes today, January 20.*** Those students new to our congregation are asked to contact Interim Director of Discipleship Ministries Pastor Drew Yoos for more information.

FELLOWSHIP

COFFEE AND COMPLINE: All youth and adults are invited for an outing to Seattle for coffee followed by the evening Compline service at St. Mark's Cathedral on Sunday, **January 20**. Compline is a meditative, sung evening prayer service led by a choir. We will leave Saint Andrew's at 7:30 pm and return by 10:45 pm. Everyone interested is asked to sign up on the bulletin board in the Commons/Narthex or contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

THE 2018 ANNUAL REPORT is available in the Narthex/Commons. Please take a copy! It is also online at resources.SALChome.org.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL CANDIDATES: At next Sunday's Annual Congregation Meeting, we will vote from a slate of eight candidates to fill four positions on the Congregation Council, plus a Youth Representative and Treasurer. A handout with bios for each candidate is in the Narthex/Commons. Please take one!

SIGN-UP....

- ☑ for Coffee and Compline on **January 20**. Sign up in the Narthex/Commons or contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.
- ☑ for Dinner with Young Adults on **January 23**. Contact Carolyn McKenna.
- ☑ for Family Dinner Church on **February 9**. Sign up in the Commons/Narthex or contact Interim Director of Discipleship Ministries Pastor Drew Yoos, drew@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.
- ☑ youth in grades 9-12, for 2019 Holden Village May Youth Weekend **May 24-26, 2019**. Sign up in the Commons/Narthex or contact Interim Director of Discipleship Ministries Pastor Drew Yoos, drew@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.
- ☑ to "**Do ONE Thing**" for Discipleship Ministries. Sign up in the Commons/Narthex.
- ☑ to be an **usher, greeter, or lector**. Contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

THIS WEEK ~ JANUARY 21 - JANUARY 26

MONDAY, JANUARY 21

OFFICE CLOSED: Please note that the church office will be closed tomorrow, **January 21**, in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22

TUESDAY MORNING MENEvery Tuesday, 6:30 am, *Room 212*

Facilitator: Dick Swaisgood

We are studying the book ***Fear of the Other: No Fear in Love*** by William H Willimon. It is about how we are called to treat the "stranger" or "outsider". We will be using this study through December. Invite a friend and join us any Tuesday!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23

YOUNG ADULTS (those who have graduated high school and older): Young adults of Saint Andrew's get together for dinner on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 pm. Our dinner on Wednesday, **January 23**, is at Crossroads Food Court. Contact Carolyn McKenna by Monday, **January 21**, if you plan to join us.

W.E.B.S. (Women's Evening Book Study):Wednesdays, **through February 27**

7:00 pm, 322/Conference Room

Facilitator: Cheryl Jurrus

Our Winter Session book is ***The Girl Who Wrote in Silk*** by Kelli Estes. The story takes place in Seattle and the San Juan Islands and is written as a mystery to be solved about the silk embroidery that tells a story. All women are welcome to join us for a great discussion of the author's story, our stories, and God's part in our lives. We meet for devotions, prayer, sharing, laughter, and critical discussions. Contact Cheryl Jurrus for more information.

NEXT SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 27**WORSHIP**

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE: Please note that we will worship together at one **9:30 am** service next Sunday, **January 27**.



Sunday, January 27: Third Sunday after Epiphany
Nehemiah 8:1-10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a; Luke 4:14-21

Servers for January 27

Presiding Minister: Pastor Timothy Weber

Assisting Minister: Dana Nasby

Communion Assistant: Livi Myhre

Acolyte: Josie Marti

Altar Guild: Christine Koch, Janan Twito

Greeters: Craig and Ruth Miller

Lector: Vrishtilata Erling

Ushers: Alexander Erling, Janan Twito

Coffee Host: Navajo Mission Team

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*Please note that we meet at **8:15 am** on **January 27**.*

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...9:45 AM

January 27, 10:45 am

ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING

301/Fellowship Hall

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation follows one 9:30 am worship service on Sunday, **January 27**.

At this meeting, we will...

- vote from a slate of eight candidates for four positions on the Congregation Council, plus a Youth Representative and Treasurer (please take a handout with bios for each candidate; available in the Narthex/Commons)
- vote on a slate of six candidates for the Nominating Committee;
- receive an update on finances and the Imagine Housing Investment Fund;
- vote on the 2019 Current Fund Budget;
- introduce our Transition Pastor Brian "Red" Burchfield, and receive an update on the transition process;
- receive an update from the Vision Initiatives Team and formally introduce a new Mission Statement and Values Statements;
- receive an update on the Interim Director of Discipleship Ministries Position;
- receive updates on other Council Initiatives; and
- recognize Quiet Servants.

Dorcas Circle will raffle a quilt, with proceeds going to Lutheran World Relief.

A quorum is needed, and every voice and vote counts. Please plan to attend!

PLEASE NOTE that there are no youth education classes on January 27.

FOUND ITEMS SEEK OWNERS: Can't find your favorite water bottle, umbrella or that second glove? It may be hiding in the Saint Andrew's Lost and Found box. We will be putting the found items on a table in the Narthex/Commons area on **January 27**, the day of the Annual Congregational Meeting. Items not claimed that day will be discarded or donated to charity.

COMING UP

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...9:45 AM

February 3

STATE OF THE YOUTH-

Presenter: Pastor Drew Yoos

301/Fellowship Hall North

Pastor Drew will give an update on the state of youth ministry in this congregation and the ELCA at large. Together we will wonder what role a congregation has in shaping the faith of youth and how to keep youth growing in faith after high school.

February 10

REPORT FROM BIHAR

Presenter: Becca Piel

301/Fellowship Hall North

Becca Piel will share with us her stories and experiences from her recent mission trip to Bihar, India.

February 17-

INTERGENERATIONAL SUNDAY

SCHOOL-

Presenter: Pastor Drew Yoos

301/Fellowship Hall North

Join Pastor Drew for a one-time Sunday School experience with adults, youth, and children in the same place. We'll spend some time together singing, learning, and sharing our faith stories with one another.

February 24

OPEN CONVERSATION WITH MEXICO MISSION TRIP TEAM

On the last Sunday of each month, instead of a speaker or presentation, we're going to try a time for open conversation around a topic. On this day, you'll have a chance to sit at a table with a team member going to Mexico with our youth mission trip and talk about how an international mission experience shapes faith.

FELLOWSHIP

SOUPER BOWL of CARING: Saint Andrew's is participating in a national effort to help those who are hungry. Called "SOUPER Bowl of Caring," it is a food collection drive held in connection with the Super Bowl on **February 3**. Before and after the worship services on that day, members of our congregation will be in the Commons/Narthex collecting food. See pages 10-11 for more information and a shopping list of needed items. Everything collected will go the HopeLink Food Bank in Bellevue. All money donated will be used by HopeLink to buy the food items required to provide needed nutrition to those who are hungry right in our neighborhoods.

DORCAS CIRCLE: The Dorcas Circle meets in 302/Fellowship Hall South on Tuesday, **February 5**, at 9:30 am. Everyone is always welcome to join as we sew quilts, school bags, and complete other projects in response to those in need. We also welcome donations of fabric, sheets, crochet or embroidery thread, quilt batting, sewing supplies, and blankets.

FAMILY DINNER CHURCH: On Saturday, **February 9**, at 5:30 pm, we will host a unique worship experience for all kids, youth, and parents at Saint Andrew's. Our worship in 301/Fellowship Hall will include songs, prayers, discussion, and communion- all while we eat together. Please sign up in the Commons so we have an idea of how much food to prepare. Contact Pastor Drew Yoos, drew@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529, for more information.

FIRE FORCE IDAHO MISSION TEAM: All youth and adult leaders attending the Idaho Servant Adventure Mission Trip should plan on staying after worship for a brief meeting at 12:15 pm in 319/Youth Room on Sunday, **February 10**. We will get more information about the trip and get to know one another.

YOUNG ADULTS (those who have graduated high school and older): Young adults of Saint Andrew's get together for dinner on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 pm. Our dinner on Wednesday, **February 13**, is at Crossroads Food Court. Contact Carolyn McKenna by Monday, **February 11**, if you plan to join us.

O.W.L.S. (Older Wiser Lutheran Saints):
Meet the Pastor
Tuesday, **February 19**, 11:45 am
Get to know our Transition **Pastor Brian "Red" Burchfield** at the O.W.L.S. (Older, Wiser Lutheran Saints) luncheon **February 19**. Pastor Red (only his mother called him Brian when he was in trouble, he says) starts at Saint Andrew's in January and his first day to preach will be February 3. The O.W.L.S. meet the third Tuesday at 11:45 am in the Saint Andrew's Fellowship Hall. No reservations needed for these rollicking gatherings. If able, please pitch-in with a potluck dish for the luncheon.. For more information, contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

LUNCH WITH PASTOR DREW:

Friday, **February 22**, 12:00 noon
Since most of the schools in the area are on break during this week, come by the youth room at noon and have pizza with Pastor Drew. Feel free to bring a video game or another game or just come to hang out.

GOD SQUAD (youth in grades 9-12): SIGN UP FOR HOLDEN VILLAGE RETREAT.
The 2019 Holden Village May Youth Weekend is **May 24-26, 2019**. This year's theme is "Ready, Set, Glow!" about letting God's light shine in the darkness. All interested High School youth and adult leaders should sign up in the Commons/Narthex and give \$100 to Pastor Drew.

ADULT MISSION TRIP - POSTPONED: The spring trip to the Navajo Lutheran Mission has been postponed due to the death of Lea Begay. Lea was the manager of the Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission in Rock Point. She recently died from injuries sustained in a car accident in December. Meanwhile the Mission Team is beginning fundraising for the planned building project they hope to complete when there. The goal is to raise enough money to remodel an apartment at the mission so it is ADA compliant. This would give disabled reservation residents better access to services at the mission. We will announce new dates as soon as possible. Meanwhile, please keep the Navajo Mission folks and Lea's family in your prayers. Got questions? Contact Congregation Council member Jean Wahlstrom or Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@salchome.org or 425-746-2529

NEW MEMBERS: The Saint Andrew's congregation is a faith community powered by a belief that God's love offers us a chance to do amazing service through many activities and volunteer opportunities. Our extended family provides ongoing fellowship for all ages. We will be welcoming new members in January or early February. For more information on how to join, contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, 425-746-2529 or sherry@SALChome.org.

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

AN EASY OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE:

Please consider volunteering to be an **usher**, **greeter** or **lector**. The need is greatest for ushers! Contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@salchome.org or 425-746-2529.

CORNER OF BLESSING/HOPELINK: Each month, we collect food in the Corner of Blessing. All donations are given to Hopelink to help feed those in our community. In January, we are collecting **cooking (vegetable) oil**, (24 – 32 ounces.) This is something that Hopelink really needs, but rarely gets donated. For more information, contact Debbie Szabo.

FOOD BANK OFFERING: We invite you to participate in our monthly offering for Hopelink through the pew envelope. Our monthly goal is \$500. Mark your checks for "Hopelink" on the memo line. Any non-perishable food donations can be placed in the Corner of Blessing in the Narthex.

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION: In 2016, Jean Wahlstrom and Marvin Kananen volunteered at the Navajo Lutheran Mission in Rock Point, Arizona. Saint Andrew's participates in an easy way to secure needed supplies and equipment for the Mission School. Cut out and bring those little coupons found on various food containers (General Mills products and others) to the envelope attached to the bulletin board in the Narthex, labeled **BOX TOPS**. To learn more, visit www.nelm.org/school or contact Jean Wahlstrom.

FLOWERS IN 2019: The flower chart for 2019 is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex/ Commons. Please take a moment to reserve your Sunday.

GOD SQUAD (grades 9-12) and FIRE FORCE (grades 6-8) FAMILIES: Please pick up a copy of the 2019 Event Calendar from the bulletin board in the Narthex/ Commons.

DO ONE THING...for Discipleship Ministries:

Consider adding your name to the "**Do ONE Thing**" list. Whenever we are in need of a caring adult to fill in for a one-time role with a youth activity, you might get called in to save the day! And if we call and you say, "Yes!" then you have done your one thing and won't be called again (unless you want to be). This is a way for the entire congregation- whether you have kids in the program or not- to be involved in the faith formation of our youth. Contact Interim Director of Discipleship Ministries Pastor Drew Yoos, drew@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529, for more information.

SCHOLARSHIP NEEDS FOR STUDENTS IN TANZANIA: Scholarships are needed for students at MaaSAE Girls Lutheran Secondary School (MGLSS). We also need funding for the MGLSS Post-Secondary Scholarship fund, used for the students who qualified for university study. **ANY AMOUNT** given is helpful. Make contributions by check to "Saint Andrew's" with "MGLSS or MGLSS Post-Secondary Scholarship" in the memo line. Funds are forwarded to Operation Bootstrap Africa (OBA).

COMMUNION BREAD: This quite easy and important ministry welcomes volunteers to give an hour to baking bread which feeds our faith family every Sunday at the altar. There are two ways to help:

- You can sign up for a specific Sunday to bring bread.
- The bread freezes well, so you can bake when it is convenient for you, without signing up for a specific day. The bread can be baked anytime, sealed in zip lock bag with the date baked on the label, and brought to church. Place the bread in container marked "Altar Guild Bread" in the freezer in the Scullery.

Visit www.worship.SALChome.org to find links to the online sign-up and to the recipe for Luther Bread. (Scroll down to "Bake Communion Bread") Contact coordinator Jill Nichols-Hicks for more information.

Vision Initiative

Visioning Process Status....January 20, 2019

Look to this space for current information from the Vision Initiative Team.

This Past Week:

A member of the Vision Initiative Team met with the Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation (middle school) youth to present and discuss our draft Mission and Values statements. This was a great opportunity for this group to learn and ask questions about our church's mission and values and the statements being prepared to guide us. This was time well spent for both the youth and the visioning process.

This Week:

The Vision Initiative Team will work to finalize the statements and a graphic of these statements to present to the congregation at the annual meeting on January 27.

Vision Initiative

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HUNGER

Again this year, Saint Andrew's is participating in a national effort to help those who are hungry. In 1990 the SOUPer Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer by a single youth group:

“Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”

Since then, more than \$143 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into one of the nation's largest celebrations of giving and serving.

In 2018 there were 3,790 groups that collected over \$8.1 million in food items and cash which benefited over 2,568 charities across the United States. Last year Saint Andrew's collected 1456 pounds of canned food and \$1,624 to fight hunger in our own neighborhoods.

On **February 3**, Super Bowl Sunday, we will be having a special collection to address hunger in our community. Before and after the services on that day, fellow members of our church will be in the commons (narthex), collecting food and donations for this effort. We all can help by filling the crates with food and the soup pots with donations.

See the “Shopping List” on the other side for the items we will be collecting.

Everything collected will go to the HopeLink Food Bank. All of the money donated will be used by HopeLink to buy the food items required to provide needed nutrition to these hungry neighbors.

So, take this “Shopping List” with you and stock up on items to help our hungry neighbors. Then come to church on February 3, excited about the big game and ready to make a big difference (a Souper Difference) for those who are hungry.

Bring donations to church on February 3 – SOUPER Bowl Sunday



Shopping List

These are the items that HopeLink just can't keep on their shelves:

- Canned Fruit (~ 15 ounce, preferably NOT in heavy syrup)
- Cereal (cold or hot - any variety)
- Healthy Snacks (like granola bars)

These are the items that HopeLink can always use:

- Canned Tuna
- Canned Meat: Chicken, SPAM, Vienna Sausage
- Canned Meals: Chili, Beef Stew, Spaghetti O's
- Baking items: flour (5#), sugar (4#), cooking oil (24 – 32 oz)
- Canned Soup (It IS the SOUPER Bowl!)
- Peanut Butter (especially crunchy ~ 16 oz.)
- Rice (white or brown)
- Pasta: including Spaghetti, Penne, Macaroni, etc.
- Canned Vegetables: Corn, Peas, Carrots
- Dried Beans: Kidney, Navy, Pinto
- Macaroni & Cheese

Hold on to this list. Take it with you shopping. Pick up some items for your hungry neighbors. Then bring them with you to church on February 3.

Bring to church on February 3
SOUPER Bowl Sunday!!

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