

The Circle

February 2021

St. John's Lutheran Church, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania



Pastor Wayne ... For Your Consideration

The light has come into the world.

I am sure you have experienced the comfort of light. When a candle is lit in the midst of a power outage. When a flashlight is turned on in the middle of the night. When a lantern burns on the deck after sunset. We know what a difference just a little light makes in the midst of the darkness.

LIGHT has come into the world!

A few weeks ago, we celebrated once again, albeit in some new ways, the coming of the babe in a manger, the arrival of the Savior on this planet, the coming of the light into the darkness of this world. A single candle, flashlight, lantern, or baby may seem fragile and insignificant in the face of the anxiety which we are experiencing today. The world in which we live right now comes with a worldwide pandemic, economic uncertainty, violent eruptions, and words, so many, many hurtful, hateful words. Sometimes making me want to fight back against the darkness. Then I recall . . .

THE LIGHT has come into the world!

The ONE whom I know as LORD, who would not allow his disciples to defend him with the sword even when he knew what the next few days would bring, is here. My Lord who teaches me to love my neighbor, be they friend or foe, is here. Jesus who has showed me only love can overcome hate, disease, violence, and words. So, as we continue our journey into the coming days, months, and years let it be clear, we, the children of the most high God will do everything we can to demonstrate love to all whom we meet. Knowing that in the end, THE LIGHT WILL eventually prevail.

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Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is February 17th and the service will be virtual, available on our YouTube channel. Pastor Wayne will be present in the circle driveway from 10 a.m. to 12 noon for the imposition of ashes to those who drive up. Ashes will be given in a safe manner and participants are asked to wear a face mask while getting ashes.

St. Mary's Meals

The Social Ministry Committee is responsible for providing a week of evening meals to St. Mary's Shelter during the first week of February. Please help us by signing up to provide part of the meals or deliver the meals. We plan to serve a total of 18 people and have opportunities for you to sign up for as little as 6 servings of an item or as many as 18 servings (enter your name three times for the same item). Sign up here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B4FAEAB2DA3FD0-stmarys> or by contacting Lynn Titus at (484) 924-8656 or Sonya Sowards at (484) 924-8656 ext. 2.

Food should be labeled "St. Mary's" and delivered to the church each day before noon. Sonya will let you into the church to put the food in the kitchen. Please put perishable food in the refrigerator and nonperishables should be left on the counters. The driver needs to pick up food after 12 noon and deliver to St. Mary's no later than 3 p.m. Thank you for helping serve those most in need.

A New Hymn for Lent

Augsburg Fortress, the publishing arm of the ELCA, recently published a hymnal supplement which gathered the best of new hymn texts and tunes for use in our churches. The books have been purchased for the Adult Choir and will be used as we return to singing together. Meanwhile I'm providing you a sneak peek. The text for this hymn was written by Ruth Duck, an ordained pastor in the United Church of Christ, a liturgical theologian and retired professor of worship and a leading contemporary champion for and developer of inclusive language worship sources. It is set to the familiar tune *SLANE* to which we sing "Be Thou My Vision." Sing or read these words and allow them to help guide your Lenten journey.

1. When we are tested and wrestle alone,
famished for bread when the world offers stone,
nourish us, God, by your word and your way,
food that sustains us by night and by day.
2. When in the desert we cry for relief,
pleading for paths marked by certain belief,
lift us to love you beyond sign and test,
trusting your presence, our only true rest.
3. When we are tempted to barter our souls,
trading the truth for the power to control,
teach us to worship and praise only you,
seeking your will in the work that we do.
4. When we have struggled and searched through the night,
sorting and sifting the wrong from the right,
Savior, surround us with circles of care,
angels of healing, of hope, and of prayer.



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Tom Snyder
Director of Music

Transition Team

A team of St. John's members has been assembled to coordinate the transition to our next permanent pastor. The Transition Team wants to hear from you! You will be receiving a short survey soon. Please complete the survey and return it to St. John's as soon as possible. Ideally every member of the family, including children, should fill out their own survey. Your input will be invaluable as we begin the search for our new pastor. We thank you in advance for your thoughts.

Stephen Ministry

Our Stephen Ministry team continues to meet for supervision via zoom. Caring relationships continue. Since we cannot meet in person we have continued ongoing phone contact.

We are actively seeking persons interested in training to be Stephen Ministers and Stephen Leaders. For more information contact Linda Landis.

Annual Meeting

St. John's annual meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 28, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. All eligible voting members (those who are confirmed and have communed and/or contributed in 2020) will receive a link to the virtual meeting. Please plan to attend!

WELCA

Thanks to the continued support of the congregation, WELCA was able to connect with our staff, sick, and shut-ins. In addition to individual contributions we are grateful to Forestas, Tammy Klotzbach, Wegman's, Giant, and Redner's for helping fill the bags to overflowing. Four boxes of gifts for students at Silver Springs were collected and delivered in December. WELCA continues to provide weekly *Home Touch* pages as well as monthly mailings to shut-ins.

From the Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries:

Happy Valentine's Day!

I had a conversation with someone a few months ago about how we don't learn to memorize Bible verses anymore. For better or worse, yes, that practice is fallen out of favor in a world where the Bible is always at our fingertips. There is something nice though about being able to recall a verse in the Bible whenever you need comfort, assurance, or inspiration. Given the trying times that we're currently living in it seems like we need those Bible verses more than ever. So this month, I'm going to challenge all of us as family units or as individuals to memorize a Bible verse. Since it is February, I think one about love is the perfect place to start. Below are just a few of the many verses about love in the Bible. Pick just one to focus on for the month. Families, I suggest you memorize the same verse and make the choice of which one together.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." John 3:16

"No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us." 1 John 4:12

"We love because he first loved us." 1 John 4:19

"Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant." 1 Corinthians 13:4

"And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13:13

Suggestions for how to memorize your verse:

-Copy down the verse over and over again either in print or in cursive or outside in chalk

-Copy the verse onto blank paper and do an illustration around it

-Write the words out on individual pieces of masking tape. Then tape the masking tape to either Legos or Jenga blocks. You can make a game of how fast can you put those words in order.

-Using pieces of paper or index cards write one word on each card. See how fast you can put the words in order. Make more than one set to race as a family.

-While you're in the process of memorizing it, write it down on a sticky note and put it in different places within the house. That way when you see the note you will stop say it.

-Add the verse to your daily prayers.

With a little bit of work and fun you'll be able to memorize your Bible verse and have it to hold onto as we move forward with 2021.

Jennifer Wentworth

Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministry



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Save Your Cans

The St. John's youth are collecting aluminum beverage cans as a fundraiser to help with the costs of our mission trips. Please bag your cans and drop them off in Kley Hall. Thank you!!

Who's Ready for ASP?

We are gathering volunteers for the Appalachian Service Project in the summer. We are planning as if ASP will be running for summer 2021. All high schoolers and adults are welcome to participate in this life-changing time of service in the Appalachian Mountains. Please email Jen Wentworth (wentworthj@stjohnphoenixville.org) if you are interested.

We are reorganizing the St. John's prayer chain. If you are willing to participate please contact Sonya Sowards or Linda Landis. Let us know if you prefer a phone call or email as both will be available.



People of God Involved in God's Work

February Sunday Staffing

Altar Guild

- 7 Nancy Cressman & Janet Ertell
- 14 Donna Anderson & Cathy Garrett
- 17 Jean Herbranson
- 21 Jean Herbranson
- 28 Betty Hans & Jean Herbranson

Counters

- 7 Stephen & Jen Drewes
- 14 Jack & Janet Ertell
- 21 Jack & Janet Ertel
- 28 Jack & Janet Ertel

Sponsor the Vigil Candle and Bulletins

Members and friends are invited to sponsor the Vigil Candle in memory of or in honor of loved ones. The cost is \$12 per month. Once we return to in-person services, you are also invited to offset the cost of the weekly bulletins. That cost is \$20 per week. Contact Sonya Sowards for available months and dates and to specify the occasion. Our church florist retired from providing flowers as of January 1, 2021. We are currently searching for a new florist and more information will be provided later.

Summary Financial Report as of December 31, 2020

	Monthly		Year-to-Date	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Income:				
Envelope Giving	\$ 32,223	\$ 35,533	\$ 386,684	\$ 327,580
Other Income	3,987	10,690	47,841	102,285
Total Income	\$ 36,210	\$ 46,223	\$ 434,525	\$ 429,865
Expenses	\$ 37,235	\$ 38,030	\$ 446,821	\$ 407,131
Income (Deficit)	\$ (1,025)	\$ 8,193	\$ (12,296)	\$ 22,734

Did you know? Many employers offer the ability to have your donations deducted from your paycheck and then forward those donations on to us. Some, such as Vanguard, offer a generous match so that your donation has the potential of a nice increase. Contact your Human Resources Department to see if this is a possibility for you.

Donating Stock to St. John's

One of the many ways to financially support St. John's is through the donation of stock. Donating appreciated stock will benefit the church and provide a potential tax benefit to the donor. For stock that has been held for more than a year and has appreciated in value, one can take a charitable deduction based on the stock's fair market value on the day of donation. Additionally, making such a donation will avoid capital gains taxes on the increased value of the stock.

If interested in donating stock to St. John's, contact our Church Treasurer, Shirley Platzer, at (484) 938-7763.

Communion Records

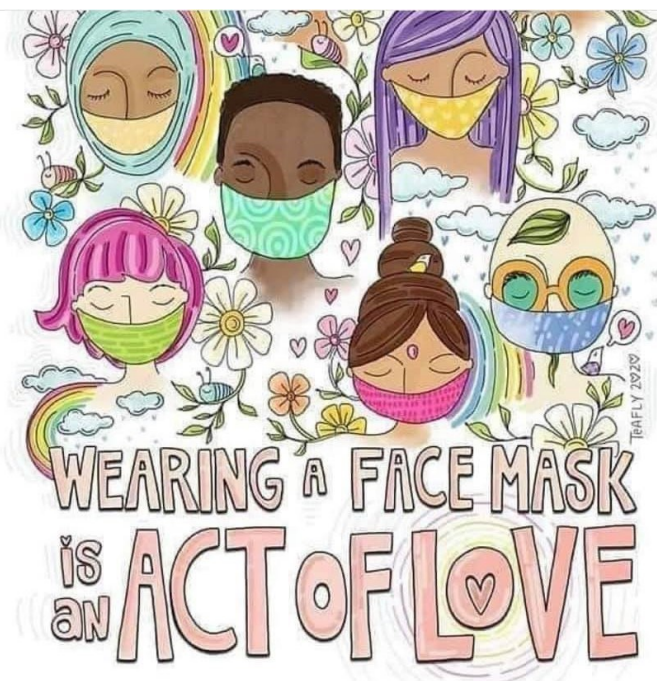
We need your help. At St. John's, having communed is usually recorded on our Yellow Communion Card; however, due to the pandemic, we are currently not providing the YCC. Our constitution states a member must have communed and contributed in this or the previous year to be a voting member. Please contact Sonya Sowards at office@stjohnphoenixville.org or (610) 933-3947 ext. 2 to share with her the date on which you communed. Thank you!

Live Generously

If you are a member of Thrivent, you are eligible to apply for two Action Team Grants each year to benefit your church. Please contact your Thrivent representative if you would like to apply for an Action Team Grant in the coming year. You can learn more about Thrivent at www.thrivent.com.

Amazon Smile

Did you know that Amazon will donate to St. John's on your behalf? Simply log-in to Amazon using <https://smile.amazon.com> and choose St. John's from the list of charities you support (make sure you choose St. Johns (no apostrophe) Lutheran Church in Phoenixville). Amazon will send 0.5% of your purchase to St. John's every time you shop eligible items!

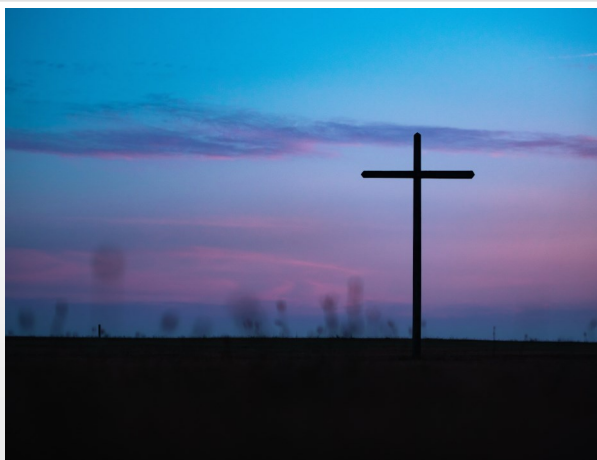


February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 9am Christian Education (Zoom) 10:15am Holy Communion 11:30am 9th grade Confirmation (Zoom) 3:30pm Zoom cooking class	1 11am Alanon Family Group 7pm Finance Committee 7pm Property 7pm Stephen Ministry	2 11:46am Staff 4:30pm Girl Scouts #41768 7:30pm Worship & Music	3 3pm Social Ministry 7pm Alanon 7pm Bible Study 7pm Faith Formation Committee	4 6pm Girl Scouts #4514 7pm Naranon	5 8pm Narcotics Anonymous	6
7 9am Christian Education (Zoom) 10:15am Holy Communion 11:30am 9th grade Confirmation (Zoom)	8 11am Alanon Family Group 7pm Church Council	9	10 6pm Girl Scouts #42024 7pm Alanon 7pm Bible Study 7pm Sunday Morning Book Club 8pm Adult Choir Meeting	11 7pm Naranon	12 8pm Narcotics Anonymous	13
14 9am Christian Education (Zoom) 10:15am Holy Communion 11:30am 9th grade Confirmation (Zoom)	15 11am Alanon Family Group 7pm Stephen Ministry 7pm Welcoming Team	16 4:30pm Girl Scouts #41768	17 12:15pm Ash Wednesday 7pm Alanon 7pm Bible Study 7pm Sunday Morning Book Club 7:30pm Ash Wednesday	18 Circle deadline 6pm Girl Scouts #4514 7pm Naranon 8:15pm Naranon Support	19 St. Peter's lunch 8pm Narcotics Anonymous	20
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Before the cross I knelt
 For mercy asked
 Mercy I was given
 Then my lord asked
 What will you give
 In reply I answered
 A thankful heart
 My Lord answered
 That is all I need
 A thankful heart

Margaret Walker
 Dedicated to Debbie Scott



February 2021 – Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 Stephanie Riley's birthday	1 Evan DesMarais's birthday Madison Muller's birthday	2 Chris Thompson's birthday Jane Hadfield's birthday Lhotse Durringer's birthday	3 David Wilkinson's birthday	4	5 Derek Carr's birthday Sean Clark's birthday	6 David Reading's birthday Martin Emery's birthday
7	8	9 Jason O'Neill's birthday	10 David Horvath's birthday Joel Zimmernann's birthday Kevin Beck's birthday Norah DiGioia's birthday	11 Beverly Rote's birthday Bill Schoellkopf's birthday Kim Birdsell's birthday Mark Wilkinson's birthday	12 Cole Church's birthday Mae Cratty's birthday	13 Sean Kahl's birthday
14 Benton Drewes's birthday Gary Barker's birthday Marlene Seyler's birthday	15 Kate Warren's birthday Rachel Kelly's birthday	16	17	18 Alexander Seidel's birthday	19 Aimee Hillegas's birthday Miles Church's birthday Sally Tomasco's birthday	20 Alicia Dewey's birthday
21 Chris Boyle's birthday John Dorward's birthday	22 Bill Wimble's birthday Cathy Kahl's birthday	23 Addison Kunsch's birthday Carmen Murphy's birthday Will and Sandi Stotler's anniversary	24 Robin Emery's birthday	25 Chuck and Carol Cully's anniversary David Lacy's birthday	26 Lily Lane-Aharonian's birthday Scott Deichmann's birthday	27 Tyler Thompson's birthday
28 Carsen G. Veneziani's birthday Jocelyn Mowrer's birthday Sophia I. Veneziani's birthday Tammy Klotzbach-Levan's birthday	1 Andrea Hart's birthday Jimmy Moreland's birthday Karen Carr's birthday Sam and Beth Fryer's anniversary	2 Diane Blattner's birthday Kevin Yonosh's birthday	3 Kinley Walters's birthday Liz Cady's birthday	4	5 Joanna Oszeyozik's birthday Livi Cady Heinbaugh's birthday	6 Beth Fryer's birthday Lucas Becker's birthday Nathaniel Becker's birthday



Praise to the Lord
The almighty maker of all
Gracious in mercy
To all has compassion
To those who follow
His ways
You of evil ways
Turn turn turn
For mercy I will
Give to those who

Turn to me

**St. John's Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
December 14, 2020**

Attendees:							
Pastor Shelor	P	Mitch Reading	P	Dale Herbranson	P	Stephen Drewes	P
Kelly Gallagher	P	Janet Gerner	P	Brian Greenwald	P	Sandra Zimmermann	P
Pam Naylor	P	Bobbi Riley	P	Don Titus	P	Donna Searchfield	P
Dick Kunsch	P						
Guests:							
Sonya Sowards	P	Tom Snyder	P	Jen Wentworth			

The Zoom Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Mitch Reading. Pastor Shelor offered a prayer.

Reflections on St. John's: Moving from being Pastor centric to Program centric.

- Are we big enough to do this?
- Are we in too much of a slowed-down mode to do this?
- Can we trust people to make decisions?
- Can we improve "descriptions" for committees and committee chairs to empower them?
- We do have some well-run programs and we have a committee / council representative structure that supports independent action and communications. We just need to build on this.

Meeting minutes from the November 9, 2020 meeting were reviewed.

Motion by Dick Kunsch, Second by Don Titus to accept the minutes with spelling and grammar corrections; Motion passed.

Staff Reports

- T. Snyder's Report – accepted as written
- J. Quinn's Report – accepted as written
- J. Wentworth's Report – accepted as written
- Pastor's Report – accepted as written

Motion by Stephen Drewes, Second by Dale Herbranson to accept the staff reports; Motion Passed.

Finance Committee and Income & Expense Report from December 8, 2020.

- How to present a 2021 budget under these extraordinary times?
- Communicate to all committees that we are not asking for any budget cuts but just ask all to be aware that finances are a concern.
- Present an "honest" budget to the congregation. We need members to be aware that we will be in a deficit position and may faith carry the year.
- The Property Committee will review their 2021 budget and move project items from the operating budget to capital expenses wherever possible.
- Don Titus will communicate discussion points to finance.

Motion by Donna Searchfield, Second by Dale Herbranson to accept the Finance Committee and Income & Expense Report; Motion passed.

Council reviewed the following Committee Reports:

- Stewardship Committee from December 4, 2020.

- Electronics Committee – no report.
- Faith Formation Committee from December 2, 2020.
- Property Committee from November 15, 2020 and December 1, 2020.
 - **Property Committee email committee motion from December 11, 2020 to contract with Sliwinski Floor Coverings to do the stair treads and risers at a cost of \$2,822.00. Council approve the committee motion. Funds from Capital Improvements.**
- Worship and Music Committee from December 1, 2020.
- Welcome Team Committee from November 11, 2020.
- Social Ministry Committee from September 2, 2020.
- Fellowship Committee – no report.
- Columbarium Committee – no report.
- Executive Committee from November 20, 2020.

Motion by Donna Searchfield, Second by Stephen Drewes to accept committee reports as written; Motion passed.

Old Business

- Brief update on the constitution.
- Still attempting to fill one more council position.

New Business

- Donna Searchfield will be moving away in 2021. Her Council position will be addressed after the move.
- We are moving ahead with plans for a Christmas Eve Parking Lot Worship Service Experience.
 - Screen and FM Transmitter purchased.
 - Luminary supplies purchased. Volunteers will be needed to set them up.
 - Need bulletins (electronic option) and plan for a collection.
 - We need to get the word out about this event.
- Annual Meeting
 - The Synod has some guidelines on virtual annual meeting options.
- Staff reviews nearly done and info will be given to Exec.
- Sandra Zimmermann gave update on Synod Council, their virtual meetings and need for St. John's members to participate.

Motion by Bobbi Riley, Second by Sandra Zimmermann to adjourn; Motion passed.

The next meeting will be January 11, 2021.

The meeting ended at 8:30 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbi Riley



Merry Christmas! 2020



Dear Friends,

Oh what a year!

Like all of you, our lives have been disrupted, put on hold, stuck in limbo, and yet we have been provided many opportunities for growth. Linda and I were heading back from Tanzania to Minnesota in March anticipating a quick turnaround to South Africa for our daughter Sarah and Stéphane's Wedding Day. Little did we know that not only was the wedding celebration delayed but that we would still be in Minnesota for Christmas 2020.



Oh what a year!

A year of working to avoid the virus while not losing contact with so many friends and family around the world. A year of losing good friends to Covid. A year of rude awakening to systemic racism our homeland. A year of unbelievable political turmoil. A year of dramatic evidence of climate change.

Oh what a year!

Yet a year of growth as we explored our own white fragility and privilege and struggled to find ways that we could be a part of the needed change in us



and in our society. A year of growth for Linda as she completed a course on sexual assault advocacy and joined the team of volunteer advocates with SOS Minnesota.



A year of growth as we both sought to find a church home and do it virtually! We joined Redeemer Lutheran in Minneapolis as one of the more diverse congregations in the Twin Cities. A year of growth for us as we experienced four consecutive seasons in Minnesota with all the richness of color and change.



Oh what a year!

We both continued to transition from full time to part time missionaries. Mark continues to consult for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America with special emphasis on our hospitals in Arusha, the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center Cancer Center in Moshi, the new ELCA clinic in Juba, South Sudan, serve a support role with Global Health Ministries and also with a small maternity and children's hospital in Bangladesh. Some highlights are the opening of the new campus for our ALMC School of Nursing and seeing the new Cancer Ward open at KCMC.



It's been an engaging year for sure, to learn to advocate and consult virtually. Mark was invited to assist Alight (the former American Refugee Committee) in

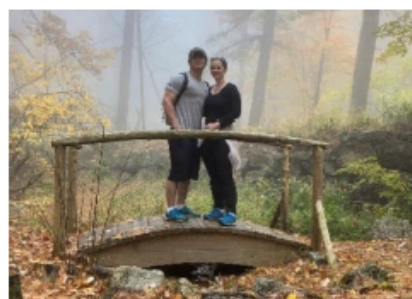
considering and planning their response to Covid. This was first with information and PPE, mental health, maintaining existing services, and now vaccination. It's been exciting to learn another organizational culture and language and see real leadership in human centered design for programming.

Oh What a Year!

We've had the joy of our youngest, Katherine, living in Minnesota as she works with Alight as well (hired long before me). She's living in St. Paul and has been making the most of camping and hiking opportunities in the area, favorites this year included trips to the Boundary Waters and the North Shore. Laura and James are in New York where Laura's work with informatics for the public hospital system of NYC put her into the maelstrom of trying to track and share relevant information about the surge that hit in



Spring. James continues to love his role as a career coach for students and alumni of the Columbia Business School. They managed travel and quarantining and testing to visit us for lengthy visits this year. The virtual workplace is one of the blessings of Covid.



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Sarah and Stéphane have hunkered down in South Africa which has one of the higher Covid rates in Africa and some of the most stringent lockdown responses as well. It was poignant and then sorrowful to see the plans for a beautiful wedding celebration in the wine country of South Africa change from expected, to doubtful, to postponed, to we just can't know when. They are wonderful support for one another and bring each other joy and laughter. Sarah works

in the leading edge field of digital health with and through telephone apps for front line workers. Stéphane is an engineer with a ship building company specializing in yachts. It's pretty cool to see photos of him test piloting some of the beauties they build.

Oh what a year!

In a strange way, the coincidence of Advent and the arrival of the covid vaccine are a powerful image of awaiting and preparing for the gift of life. I am very much reminded of how I felt as a small child when I would see, a few days before Christmas, a package under the tree with my name on it. The two or three days that I had to wait felt interminable. And so, it is now for both the coming of Jesus into this world with love and hope and our anticipation of a vaccine which will allow us to return to beloved Africa.



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Merry and Blessed Christmas,

The Jacobsens

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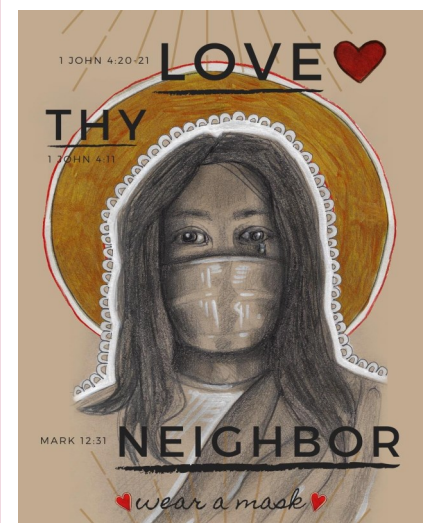
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St. John's continues to follow the guidance of our Bishop and our Governor regarding the advisability of returning to in-person worship and re-opening our building. Our building will remain closed for worship and activities until at least March 9th. The Church Council will reconsider reopening at their March 8th meeting. Please "pray without ceasing" for all those affected by COVID-19. Be sure to reach out to your fellow parishioners via telephone and email often. The end is in sight!



Please wear a mask when interacting with others in the building. Thank you for keeping us all healthy!

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Worship Schedule

Saturdays

5 p.m. Evening Light with Holy Communion

Sundays

10:15 a.m. Holy Communion
(fall, winter and spring)

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion
(Memorial Day through Labor Day)

THE CIRCLE

