

The Guardian

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2025

RECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT, 2024

PATTERNS

For he is our lifelong pattern... Once in Royal David's City, vs. 4

I recently began a sermon by talking about Yo-Yo Ma, the famous cellist. In an interview, he described how he learned to play the cello at age 4, by practicing Bach's Cello Suite no. 1.

"...I just use one finger, and it's the same pattern twice over. So, the first day of learning this piece was very easy because I just used my finger once, the pattern repeats and the second day I used two fingers. Same kind of pattern with one change. Everything we have in life is about patterns, the same or different" (my italics).

This idea of patterns has stuck with me! Yesterday when I drove downtown towards "malfunction junction," I saw a big electronic traffic sign which read, "Old bridge closed. New traffic pattern." Those cars going to New Hampshire could not use the old bridge anymore and with the new bridge, there is a new traffic pattern.



As I sat down to write my annual report reflecting on 2024, I am reminded of patterns regarding the life of our church — everything in life is about patterns, the same or different. Here are some patterns I have noticed over the last year:

- **A return to most pre-pandemic patterns:** During the pandemic, which began almost four years ago, we really were forced to change our patterns. Some things we could continue — like our Sunday services on Zoom. Some things we needed to drop — like Coffee Hour, Healing Ministry, choir practice, the Women's Retreat, the annual parish picnic, and much more. I noticed this year we have returned to doing all those things and then some. I've noticed that there is greater interest in gathering in person and connecting deeply with one another. Of course, our patterns are still different from before the pandemic in that we still often use zoom for some meetings and we have a whole new part of our congregation that participates through the Church in the Cloud.
- **More ministry in the summer:** While summers used to feel fairly slow, I noticed a change last summer. I decided to experiment with the assumption that people participate less in church life in the summer by offering two different small groups, Exploring the Episcopal Church and the Acedia Book Group. I was amazed how high the participation was in both of these groups! Also, because of the leadership of Susan Heimer, we offered a kids' program on Sundays, called "Summer Fun," that was also well attended. The summer still felt more spacious than the program year, but it was also a delight to gather in these different ways and to engage new people in the life of the church.
- **Our staff continues to change:** Last March, we said goodbye to our beloved priest associate, Jean Smith. We also hired a new bookkeeper, Casey Parris in May. At the end of 2024, Jeanie Crosby, our amazing Parish Administer, retired, and in 2025, we welcomed Susie Webster-Toleno into that

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important role. And although Lars Hunter and Keane Southard became part of St. Michael's staff in 2023, it felt like they fully integrated into the life of our church in 2024.

- **Financial structures are being updated:** We had known for several years that we needed to update our financial structures, but with the hiring of our new bookkeeper and the beginning of the tenure of Gwen Mousin as our treasurer, it felt like the right time to do this restructuring. Gwen, Casey and Deb Bunker (bookkeeping consultant) have worked extremely hard to make our finances streamlined and transparent. In 2025, we will move to a new church software system called "Realm," that should further help us integrate membership, pledging and our budget structure. In addition, we have changed the pattern of the counting ministry; instead of asking counters to stay after church to count the offering, we have trained new counters to come in on Wednesday mornings to do this important task, in hopes that any questions about the offering can be answered by the administrator.
- **New people:** I am so grateful to God for bringing new people to St. Michael's! These new folks bring so many gifts to us and renew our congregational life. While it is hard to track exactly how many new people are calling St. Michael's home, we have had 20 new pledging families/individuals this year for a total of 145 pledges, which is more than we've ever had during my tenure, which began in 2011. This is a great sign of health for our parish.
- **New structure to some ministries:** Some ministries have ceased to function in the same way, like the Mission and Outreach Committee which came to a crossroads last summer after years of dedicated and fruitful work. Since the pandemic, many other outreach ministries have been developed at St. Michael's — the Refugee Ministry, skyberry house, a deeper commitment to Loaves & Fishes. We are discerning the right structure to continue to support outreach at St. Michael's and in the world. In addition, the Healing Team has re-organized and re-energized, and this group is looking at what structure best serves St. Michael's and our wider community. Finally, the Building Hope for the Earth Team has been looking at new ways to approach our goal of become zero carbon and producing 110% of our energy.
- **Small groups:** So many small formation groups! Jeff Lewis now leads three "Aging groups" on a regular basis, and adwoa continues to lead a growing group of people who meet at The Works on Wednesday morning to study scripture. We have had Lenten study called Wisdom in the Wilderness, a film group called Praying as Cinema, a Centering Prayer class, and two Exploring the Episcopal Church classes, just to name a few!

As our patterns for church life continue and change, may the Holy Spirit always lead the way as we endeavor, through our common life, to serve Christ in all we do. Amidst changes and chances, Christ is truly our lifelong pattern.

Mary
Mary Lindquist, Rector

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MARY IS AWAY IN JANUARY

My sabbatical in 2025 is in two parts: the month of January and May 13–August 5. From January 5–31, I will be at the Upaya Zen Center participating in their Winter Practice Period. Please be aware that I will not have access to email or texts during this time!

adwoa Wilson, St. Michael's Assistant Priest, will be taking on major responsibilities of administration, liturgy and preaching, while Lars Hunter, St. Michael's Deacon, will be working with the Pastoral Care Team to help address any pastoral needs. Here is a list of who is doing what on Sundays!

- January 5 (Second Sunday in the Season of Christmas) — adwoa Wilson preaching and presiding
- January 12 (Epiphany 1) Lars Hunter preaching, adwoa Wilson presiding.
- January 19 (MLK Sunday) Nicholas Porter preaching, adwoa Wilson presiding.
- January 26 (Epiphany 2) adwoa Wilson preaching and presiding
- February 2 (The Feast of the Presentation) Tom Ely preaching and presiding
- February 9 (Epiphany 5 and ANNUAL MEETING), Mary Lindquist preaching and presiding.

**MLK SUNDAY, JANUARY 19****THE REVEREND CANON NICHOLAS PORTER WILL BE OUR PREACHER!**

Nicholas Porter

St. Michael's is honored to welcome the Rev. Canon Nicholas Porter, the Founding Director of Jerusalem Peacebuilders (JPB), to be our MLK Sunday preacher this year. JPB is a ministry of interfaith reconciliation that partners with Jewish,

Christian, and Muslim organizations to provide Israeli Jewish and Palestinian Arab educators and youth with the skills, relationships, and support they need to be effective agents of positive change. Fr. Nicholas states *the particular connection between MLK and JPB is the dedication to Christ's call for freedom, equality, and peace between nations, peoples, and individuals.*

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE
JANUARY 20**

Martin Luther King, Jr. said “*Everybody can be great because everybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love.*”

In this spirit, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is the only federal holiday designated as a national day of service. So many of you in our St. Michael's family already choose to serve others, year round, in St. Michael's Ministries as well as in many local, national, and international efforts. In the spirit of this holiday about service in community, you may wish to spend a few hours working on different tasks or with different people from those you encounter the rest of the year.

Local partners including FoodWorks, Loaves and Fishes, Carry Me Home, and ECDC are working with St. Michael's to create one-day service projects on or near January 20. After Christmas, we will share information in the weekly announcements about these and how to sign up. It's not too late, if you're part of a group who would like to invite volunteers for a project: if so, and with any other questions, contact Alix Fedoruk at alixf@mac.com or 802-355-2256.

**MLK B.O.B. (“BAG OF BASICS”) DRIVE**

In honor of MLK Day, St. Michael's will be collecting the annual B.O.B. (“Bag of Basics”) — a drive to collect non-food, basic necessities badly needed by people with

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limited means. Please bring items from the list below, in reusable or paper shopping bags, and place in the designated area in the Undercroft by January 20. We will deliver collected items to Loaves and Fishes, St. Michael's Prison Ministry, and FoodWorks.

MOST NEEDED ITEMS: Acetaminophen (Tylenol), cold remedies (e.g. Dayquil, Nyquil, Emergen-C, throat lozenges), band-aids, deodorant, diapers, wipes, shampoo & conditioner, shaving cream, soap, paper towels, toilet paper, toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, dish liquid, laundry detergent, all-purpose cleaner, and new men's clothing items such as white T-shirts, white socks, boxer briefs, socks, mittens, hats. Note that clear containers are best for Prison Ministry items.

THANK YOU!

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The greening of the church



EARLY JANUARY ADULT FORUMS

January 5, “The Iconography of Epiphany”: The season of Epiphany has its own special imagery, connected to but distinct from Christmas. Every church and many homes have Christmas crèche displays with Mary, Joseph and the animals, and baby Jesus who makes his appearance on Christmas night. The three gift-giving visitors come from afar and their camels draw ever nearer until they arrive on Epiphany. The images of the season are so much richer than just these. We'll see some of the images that surround the season and discuss what the stories and images of the Epiphany tell us about who the three visitors were, how Christ's Good News spread in the world, and ultimately, how our experience of Epiphany illuminates the relationship between God and God's people. *Led by David Treadwell.*

January 12, “Baptism: Roots and Wings”: Baptism is the both the Church's ancient rite of initiation and a key theological construct for our understanding of ministry today. This Forum will explore the historical roots of Baptism and the ways in which our understanding of Baptism and Baptismal Ministry has evolved and informs our current understanding of the Ministry of All the Baptized. We will explore the current liturgy and some of the ongoing, sometimes controversial, conversations about Baptism and expansion of the Baptismal Covenant. If you can, bring a Book of Common Prayer with you, along with your questions. *Tom Ely leads.*

January 19: “Being the Church When Our Very Humanity is at Stake.” This special MLK Forum features excerpts and discussion of the Reverend Doctor Kelly Brown Douglass's 2024 address at the Diocese of Vermont's convention last November.

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**BUDGET REVIEW MEETINGS,
FEBRUARY 2, 9 AM AND AFTER 10:15 SERVICE**

St. Michael's draft budget for 2025 will be available by late January for your review. Those of you who would like the opportunity to meet with our treasurer Gwen Mousin, hear an overview, and ask questions prior to the Annual Meeting are invited to a choice of two budget meetings on Sunday, February 2. The first meeting will be at 9 am in the Undercroft, especially for 8 am folks and for anyone else able to attend at this time. A second budget meeting will be offered following the 10:15 am service in the Meeting Room.

**PARISH ANNUAL MEETING
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

While we usually have our Annual Meeting at the end of January, we will be meeting on February 9 after Mary returns from the first part of her sabbatical. We will be meeting in-person with an option to attend by Zoom.

For Coffee Hour that day, the Vestry will provide bagels and crème cheese, fruit, cheese and sweets. So please plan to stay for a light meal and a time of reflection and thanksgiving for the tremendous year of 2024 in the life of our church.

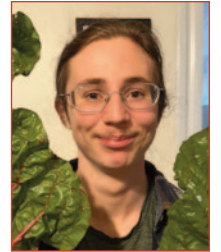
During this meeting, we will view our annual slide show, hear reports, elect three new members of the Vestry, and elect delegates to the Diocesan Convention. Childcare will be available.

The Annual Meeting is an important overview of the past and future of our ministry together. Please make every effort to attend!

**CANDIDATES FOR THE VESTRY**

At the Annual Meeting, we will elect three people to serve on the Vestry for three-year terms. Here are statements from the candidates and their pictures.

ALEX O'PRAY: I started coming to St. Michael's regularly in 2021, and I am very grateful to have made this church and its congregation my spiritual home. Between the familiar structure of the liturgy and the openness to a changing world (a pride flag! outside a church!), for the first time in my life my faith started to blossom at St. Michael's. I began to get more involved- first at Loaves and Fishes and now as a chalice/lay assistant. I was honored to be baptized at St. Michael's in 2022 by Mary and my grandfather, scheduled the day after my wedding to make sure my grandparents could come, and I look forward to continuing to serve this community that has given me so much.



In the rest of my life, I'm settling into my first post-grad school job as a therapist in an early psychosis program and trying to make as much room as possible for knitting, quilting, hiking with my spouse, and spending time with my cats.

MERRIBELLE (BELLE) COLES:

I came to Brattleboro from Long Island, New York with a job offer to teach chemistry at Brattleboro Union High School. From that point on, I've never looked back. For 35 years, I thoroughly enjoyed introducing young minds to the wonders of science and becoming part of the larger Brattleboro community through involvement in local theater. In 2005, I was awarded a Fulbright to teach Chemistry in Chennai, India to students at the school of Vidar Mandir (in Tamil means the Temple of Education). This was truly a life-changing experience.



Upon retiring from BUHS, I embarked on a master's degree program in Conservation Biology at Antioch and devoted my energies to Bonnyvale Environmental Education Center, first as an Environmental Educator, then as the Director, and finally as the Board President. Over the years I have enjoyed hiking, skiing, yoga, and cycling; these activities have taken me on many

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adventures throughout the world. Currently while not volunteering at BEEC, I also serve the community at Loaves and Fishes and at ECDC, assisting with the resettlement of our new refugee neighbors. In the winter I teach science to the students of Vermont Academy at Mount Snow.

GREGORY LESCH: I've been connected to St. Michael's since the late 1970s when I was cast as a priest in a St. Michael's production of T.S. Elliot's "Murder in the Cathedral." I fell in love with the church and began attending regularly with my Godparents, George and Laura Lewis. Eventually I was baptized and confirmed by the Vermont Bishop, Robert Kerr. At St. Michael's I am a reader, lay minister, healing minister, and a former choir and vestry member. Although I'm a trained actor, my day job is Executive Director of the Brattleboro Area Chamber of Commerce. I live in Brattleboro with my husband Brian Bannon, two dogs, and a cat.



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COURAGE

**ST. MICHAEL'S ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT
SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 9 AM-4 PM,
HALLELUJAH FARM RETREAT CENTER**

To have courage for whatever comes in life, everything lies in that. Teresa of Avila

What role does courage play in our lives? Please join us for the Women's Retreat on March 1st from 9-4:00 pm as we reflect upon the courageous life of Edith Stein, a saint and mystic inspired by Santa T eresa and Sainte Th er ese de Lisieux. Edith Stein said, "The deeper one is drawn to God, the more one must go out into the world." Born into a Jewish family, Edith Stein converted to Catholicism in the early 1920s but was ultimately killed at Auschwitz in 1942 by the Nazi regime. We will share our stories of courage as we support and encourage each other to go out into the

world. We will be treated to the lovely and sacred spaces at Hallelujah Farm, delicious pastries, a delightful lunch, and shared laughter and joy in being together. While courage and Edith Stein's life are serious topics, we hope our time together will be uplifting, encouraging, and hopeful as March brings signs of spring.

To register for this retreat, please email Susie Webster-Toleno at parishadmin@stmichaelsvermont.org For those who are able, please send a check for \$25 to St. Michael's (memo "Women's Retreat") to help cover the cost of the retreat.

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**WANT TO HELP WITH SOMETHING
FUN AND FESTIVE
THAT SERVES THE NEEDS
OF OUR GREATER COMMUNITY?
SIGN UP FOR THE SHROVE TUESDAY
PANCAKE SUPPER!**

Although far less widely known than Fat Tuesday/ Mardi Gras, the Tuesday immediately before Ash Wednesday is also known as Shrove Tuesday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, which is sometimes referred to as "Shrovetide" in England. Observance of Shrove Tuesday can be traced back to at least AD 1000 and was originally observed as a day of confession and penitence in preparation for Ash Wednesday and Lent.

St. Michael's Outreach Committee has tirelessly offered this special event in the past; this year, we are looking for others who might be interested in forming a small task force to organize this special occasion (March 4, to be exact). Kids love it, adults love it and who



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doesn't want pancakes for dinner while celebrating with your church family?? Also, we have some wonderful parishioners in New Orleans who send us Mardi Gras Kings Cakes every year — yum!

The event can be hosted by 6–7 people, but the more the merrier! Perhaps there is a class or committee who would like to take this on? Or a ragtag group of Mardi Gras-loving individuals? We have a list of the steps involved in hosting the Shrove Tuesday event, so if you're interested in organizing and/or helping, please contact Susie at parishadmin@stmichaelsvermont.org and we will put you all together to form a team. You may also choose an organization to support by proceeds of the dinner.



VITAL COMMUNITY? – PART III

adwoa Wilson

If you had been downtown at 9:00 one Wednesday morning in October, you would have seen a page right out of *Make Way for Ducklings*, or was it from the Israelites' traversing the parted Red Sea? Members of the faithful 'Psalms Study Group' were crossing the middle of Main Street with a plucky priest at the head waving down bemused drivers. A finicky fire alarm had displaced us from The Works. Right as they opened, Amy's received 10+ unexpected pilgrims who promptly ordered various treats, sat down, and picked up in the intimacy that was started across the road. We are a moving tabernacle of God's presence in the midst of the city!

Also known as "The Works Psalm Study," this group has been meeting steadfastly for two years. In that time, approximately 30 people have participated. Regular members have included longtime and new St. Michael's folks, participants from other worship communities, and the unaffiliated. Our political, religious, and personal views and backgrounds are strikingly diverse. We are pacifists and military and every shade of socioeconomic, age, and educational background. We are playful and vulnerable, open-

hearted but with rigorous intellectual integrity in our pursuit of God. Always starting in a psalm, we have moved throughout the Bible, landing now in a long, slow walk through the book of Acts.

And we are growing. First it was the squeeze of chairs we were pulling to the table. Then, running out of booklets and handouts. Finally, the day came when we were moving chairs and tables from other parts of the café so everyone could fit. In many ways, it feels like the Acts community we are studying. The Spirit enables people to understand each other across myriad 'tongues' of life experience and theology. We share generously of what we have and are being grown — in numbers, power, faith, and community. Slowly, new leaders are arising. We've learned that in Acts an ultimate 'proof' of the resurrection is the vitality of the *community itself*, made possible by the Spirit of Risen Jesus. Here are some of the ways that participants articulate the New Life among us:

It is spiritual food for me... community rooted in the Scriptures.

[I come to] connect with people who return to ancient religious texts, to explore and discuss and relate our current reality to universal human experience - with a cup of coffee, itself a symbol of casual community, awaking to a new day.

What I love is that it is an eclectic group that is more than just St Michael's. I also like the way everyone's comments, questions, and perspectives are valued... I really love the way the Psalm and our responses are woven into our prayers for the world and for one another.

It's like panning for gold. As a group, we search the scriptures to separate the sands of time, place & culture to capture the nuggets of 'timeless' truth that move us closer to our Lord... and to each other.

We learn from... and about... one another (Including the One who is there when two or more are gathered...)

The love and depth of this vital community are yet another sighting of Christ Risen, indeed. Alleluia!

IT TAKES A VILLAGE... L'ARCHE HOME DEVELOPMENT

Friends of L'Arche So. Vermont, the effort begun by the Rev. Duncan Hilton when he was assistant priest at St. Michael's, has exciting news to share. They are ready to build their first home within 10 minutes of downtown Brattleboro. It will be a forever home that will embrace four people with developmental disabilities, along with their assistants. Our hope is that this home will be an inspiring model for creating several other L'Arche homes in Vermont.

A local architect has been chosen, and conceptual floor plans have been sketched out. Many accessible elements are featured in order to accommodate different levels of needs of the folks who will live there.

The process of discerning who will live in this new home will begin in earnest once construction begins. The Executive Director (Community Leader), who has yet to be hired, will work closely with the Board of Directors during this important process.

Those of you desiring to make a tax deductible donation may do so at: www.larcheusa.org/vermont.

We welcome community friends who may wish to volunteer time and talents. As the saying goes: "it takes a village". Please contact: Barbara Lee at bkldm22@gmail.com, or 802-380-6302.



CAEDMON

By Benson Bobrick

Caedmon, as you probably know, was an Anglo-Saxon lad that stammered badly, until an angel released him from his affliction. Then he burst forth in hymns to the Creation of the world.

Of words, and the murder of words, he dreamed,
Whose very syllables were the sounds of fears.
No utterance could be counted on to clear
The barrier of his breath, that teemed
With forced occlusions mingled with his tears,
Until an angel came and touched his tongue,
And all he ever yearned to say, was sung,
That we might know the glories that we live among.

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LETTER FROM JEANIE

Dear People of St. Michael's,

You may have heard me say, "This is the best job I've ever had." From my first day here, I knew that to be true, even though I was making the lowest pay ever. I had worked for many years with chancellors, governors, commissioners to solve institutional problems where individuals did not matter or deal with the crisis of the moment.

Here at St. Michael's, I found a place where I and other folks are known and valued, where different opinions matter, where experiments are encouraged, where decisions often wait until they feel right. I even came to love staff meetings where we were constantly learning about each other. I am sorry to be leaving you all, but I am taking with me riches of mind and spirit.

Thank you —Jeanie

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SKYBERRY HOUSE UPDATE

Welcome 2025! **skyberry House** sets our hearts on growing LOVE in the New Year! We extend this hope to ALL. Growing love in relation to the Divine, our sisters and brothers and in healthy and compassionate relation to ourselves. We celebrated our first Christmas and Hanukkah in the house, enjoying the darkened dining room where the candle lights of the Advent wreath and Hanukkah helped warm the atmosphere and held a residing peace, sharing a glow of illuminated presence. Lighting candles as part of a household is a tremendously stabilizing ritual. The house has been active with guests coming together for meals and conversation. We are slowly finding our way, settling into the transition of life in our House of Hospitality.

Our days have been busy organizing and becoming familiar with the home. Teresa has begun to reside at the house. We continue to establish protocols and rhythms for Hosts and Guests. We have initiated preliminary conversations with perspective Hosts and are getting to know our neighbors which include two Afghan families whose children wait for the bus in front of **skyberry** and a new refugee family from Venezuela who came to **skyberry** seeking translation help with their first rental lease.

The hard work of Michael Kennedy has moved **skyberry's** non-profit through the hurdles of

application, and **skyberry House** is now able to receive donations that are tax exempt. We thank everyone for their ongoing generosity, and we welcome gifts large and small to help ground our work of making an interim home for our local unhoused children and families. A heartfelt thanks to those who contributed to the offering at the Advent Lessons and Carols service which brought in close to \$500.

Friends can send contributions to: **skyberry House**, 95 Frost St., Brattleboro, VT 05301. Checks can be payable to: **skyberry House**. Stay tuned for upcoming fellowship gatherings to share meals and explore the theme of **HOSPITALITY**. We look forward to hearing from you at: houseskyberry@gmail.com

WISH LIST

- contributions toward our \$6,600 projected utility expenses for 2025
- queen size bed frame
- cloth napkins
- large stepon kitchen trash can
- small stepon bathroom trash can
- small bedroom basket style trash cans (5)
- large circular braided rug with mauve, tan, or red tones for our chapel room — 10' X 10' approx.
- stainless steel mixing bowls

St. Nicholas Day Fair

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STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

A huge THANK YOU to all who have contributed to the 2025 Stewardship Campaign, Together in Gratitude. We have set new records this year in three categories: amount of pledges, amount of new pledges, and total pledged! We have received 146 pledges (record was 142), 20 new pledges (record was 18), and a total of \$310,982 pledged (record was \$290,651). This is a great sign of health for our parish. In addition, 40% of you increased your pledge, which is tremendous! We also recognize and appreciate all the ways you participate and give of yourselves to our many ministries. These gifts of time, attention, love and treasure, by the Grace of God, allow us to be the Body of Christ called St. Michael's.

Those who have pledged are:

Valerie Abrahamsen	Steve Faure &	Sam & Peta	Joan Pinilla
Greg & Kelli Allen	David Treadwell	Leitermann-Long	Annamarie Pluhar
Nancy Ames	Rudy Fedruzzi	John & Pamela Lent	Nicholas & Dorothy Porter
Becky Anderson	Elizabeth Fisher	Mark Horton &	Jared Rediske
Laura Andrews	Elizabeth Freese &	Heather Lesage-Horton	Judith Reichsman
David & Georgette	Talley Summerlin	Gregory Lesch	Jesse Ridgway
Arakelian	Laura Frey	Laura Lewis	Teresa Savel
Anonymous (8)	Paul & Pam Gallegher	Mary Lindquist &	Ed & Jane Sbardella
Ron Autenrieth &	Cary Gaunt	Kurt Johnson	Shiva Shankaran
Barbara Lee	Lloyd Graf	Ray Lindquist	Gabriel Sistare
Beverly Bakke	Steven Guerriero	John Michael &	Renee Skwirz
Betsy Morgan Bates	Caroline Hammarlund	Sara Longworth	Peter & Jean Smith
David Baxendale	Craig Hammond &	Paul Love	Miranda Smith
Thaddeus Bennett	Elizabeth Vick	Carol Maniscalchi	John Spooner &
Diana Bingham	Elizabeth & Ian Harrison	Leigh Marthe	Craig Irvine
Anne Black	Steve & Laurel Harrison	Alan & Judith McBean	William Stearns
Lindsey Boss	Christine Hart	Ed McCatty	Marcia Steckler
Janet Brocklehurst	Susan Heimer	Judith McGee	Cherolyn Stimmel
Anne Wilmott Brown	Bee Hesselbach	Kate & Dana McGinn	Cary & Kira Storm
Megan Buchanan	Carol Hesselbach	Christopher & Patty Meyer	Douglas & Ann Switzer
Frederick Bump	Evangelina Holvino	Steven & Karren Meyer	Lydia & Eben Taggart
Andy & Elise Burrows	Dan & Beth Houder	Anne Montgomery	Candice Taylor-Diallo
Thomas Cain	Vince Johnson &	Elizabeth Moore	Carolyn Taylor-Olson
Christopher Chapman	MJ Woodburn	George Moore &	Ruth Tilghman
Merribelle Coles	Judith Junkins	Margery McCrum	Nancy Turgeon
Janet Cramer	Jenny Karstad	Parry Moorhead-Lins	Elaine Wolcott
Lawrin & Pamela Crispe	Charlene Kemp	Raquel Moreno	Judy Walker
Anita Crosson	Michael Kennedy	Brian Morgan &	Caleb & Jenna Webb
Susan & Charles Daigneault	Susan Kochinkas	Joyce Vining Morgan	Laurie Webb
John Daly	Eva Kopacz	Gwen Mousin	Christopher Wesolowski
Judy & Jack Davidson	Susan Gantt Kubert	Amy Mullins	adwoa Wilson
Ricky Davidson	Ann Landenberger	Linda Neilson	Phillip & Susan Wilson
Dorothea DeGutis	Jeanette & Chris Landin	Whitney Nichols	Sherrill Wilson
Imogene Drakes	Daniel LaPenta &	John Ogorzalek	Matthew & Rosie Wojcik
Larry Earle & Jay Pomponio	Janis Paran	Rebecca Olmstead	Cliff & Wylene Wood
Thomas & Ann Ely	Bruce & Marie Lawrence	Ladd & Lifei Osborne	Donald Woodford
Don Erwin & Mary Abell	Dyana Lee	Joanne Patalano	Aldrich Wright & Louise
Tom & Barbara Evans	Carol Leitch	Kim Peavey	LaChance
		Robert Peeples	

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BIRTHDAYS

January 1	Caleb Webb
January 2	Robert Peebles
January 3	Joslyn Haineswood, Rachel Fox
January 5	Andy Burrows
January 7	Carol Blanchard
January 11	Donald Woodford
January 15	Bruce Griffin
January 18	David Mattocks
January 19	Pam Carr
January 20	Miranda Smith
January 21	Linda Neilson, Lily DeLeon, John Spooner
January 22	John Carnahan
January 23	Julie Cogliano
January 24	Melia Allen
January 25	Ed Doty, Dyana Lee
January 26	Rebecca Olmstead, Andachew Mousin
January 28	Gwen Mousin
January 29	Paul Dedell
January 30	Megan Buchanan
January 31	Linda Parker
February 1	Steven Meyer
February 2	Olive Hightower
February 7	Chris Landin
February 8	Emma Allen
February 9	Susan Wilson
February 11	Alan McBean, Jayne Fritz
February 12	Craig Irvine
February 13	Cliff Wood
February 16	Greg Allen
February 17	Lars Hunter
February 18	Carol Maniscalchi
February 19	Ross Kinney
February 20	Laura Andrews
February 21	Bev Bakke
February 22	Theron Southard
February 23	Judy Davidson
February 26	Paul Love, Charlene Kemp
February 28	Leigh Marthe
February 29	Asa Taggart



ANNIVERSARIES

January 25 Neil & Anne Montgomery

EXPLORING OUR FAITH TOGETHER

LECTIONARY FOR JANUARY/FEBRUARY

To see all the readings for each Sunday, go to
<http://www.lectionarypage.net/#january>
<http://www.lectionarypage.net/#february>
 You will find there the collects, lessons and psalms
 for each Sunday and feast day.

LEADERSHIP

VESTRY

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	10:15 am	Prayer, music and Eucharist. (in-person and online)
WEEKDAYS	8:00 am	Morning Prayer (online) and Tues.–Thurs. in Chapel
WEDNESDAYS	11:30 am	Centering Prayer (in-person)
	12:00	Eucharist (in-person)
THURSDAYS	5:30 pm	Contemplative service (in-person and online)
SATURDAYS	8:00 am	Centering Prayer (in-person)