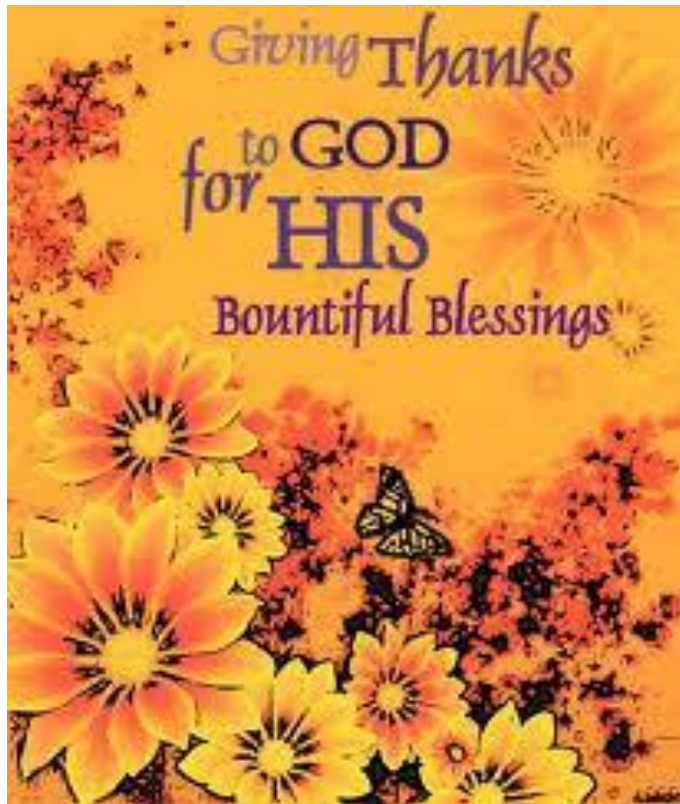




# Saint John's Spirit

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We had a wonderful Annual Meeting and brunch on Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. **Thank you, thank you, thank you!**

#### Elections and appointments:

Vestry: Kitty Haffner, Carole Meyer and Peter Swanson.

Diocesan Delegates and Alternates: Sam Vaught, Helen Hudson, Jim Suren and Elaine Pickering

Rector's Warden: Meegan Reidy

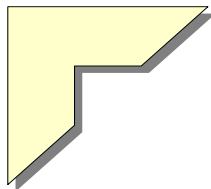
People's Warden: Kitty Haffner

Treasurer: John Culley

Assistant Treasurer and Pledge Secretary: Cindy Smith

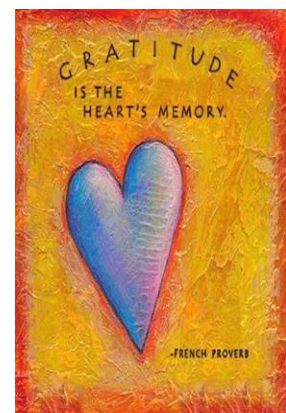
Clerk to the Vestry: Kim Roberts

Thank you to all ministry leaders who got their reports in so that we could publish the Annual Report before the meeting. Thanks for bringing those Reports to the meeting so no new copies were needed!



"It's not happy people who are thankful. It's thankful people who are happy." (author unknown)

One summer while in my 20s I worked for Lager Waldsee, one of the Language Villages operated by Concordia College in Minnesota. I was already a German teacher, but living and breathing German with kids 24-7 was another kind of experience. We teacher-counselors also got wonderful training in how to learn and teach songs in our target languages. (The Villages teach at least 10-12 different languages and we were all trained together.) It was there I learned one of the great old German folk songs that I've been humming in my mind ever since:



Danke fuer diesen guten Morgen  
Danke fuer jeden neuen Tag  
Danke, dass ich all meine Sorgen  
Auf dich werfen mag.

Coming home after camp, having driven from Northern Minnesota to northwest Iowa all through the night, I pulled up outside my in-laws house, stood under their bedroom window, and belted out this “Morning Song.” It was 4 a.m. They weren’t particularly amused, but this little ditty continues to make me feel exuberant. It pretty much translates as “Thank you for this good morning. Thank you for each new day. Thanks that I have the opportunity to throw all of my cares and sorrows onto you.” I’ve always been delighted that “werfen” literally means “to throw.” That seems about right. If you read German, you’ll also note that God is addressed here in the familiar way, not the formal way—which He always is in the German language.

As I walked up to St. John’s Whitlock Hall door this morning with “Danke” playing in my head, I saw the snow had melted from the flowerbed and irises are poking their first green thumbs up. The morning light now is longer, deeper, yellower than just a week ago. I pulled open the glass door and heard the choir practicing, “Here I am, Lord.”

Well, yes. Aren’t we all?

*-Helen Hudson, Gratitude Chair*



Come celebrate with us on Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6p. We will meet in Whitlock Hall for great food and lively music. At 7p we will have a special children’s shoebox float parade. Please sign up to bring jambalaya or red beans and rice (recipes are on the bulletin board and are slow cooker recipes- EASY!). Contact Chris Short with questions about the event and Kathy Gary about the recipes (we will have vegetarian options, too).



Please worship with us on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>:

12:15p – at St. John’s for Holy Eucharist with imposition of ashes. Rev. Jan presiding and preaching

7p – at Christ Lutheran Church (300 W. South Blvd) for Communion with imposition of ashes. Rev. Kelly Nelson presiding and Rev. Jan Oller preaching



Lenten Resources.... Among the variety of options for a Holy Lent, consider the Society of St. John the Evangelist. They offer, free of charge, daily brief videos that are delivered to your email address and a variety of reflections and questions to ponder. We will include a bulletin insert for the 5 Sundays of Lent. You will be much enriched if you choose to participate. Go to: [www.stje.org/time](http://www.stje.org/time) for details. Topics for the videos are:

**Ash Wednesday February 18: Time**

February 19: Priorities

February 20: Sabbath

February 21: Purpose

**Sunday February 22: Stop**

February 23: Accountable

February 24: Liberation

February 25: Being

February 26: Drawn

February 27: Contentment

February 28: Observe

**Sunday March 1: Pray**

March 2: Place

March 3: Intercession

March 4: Gratitude

March 5: Unity

March 6: Becoming

March 7: Present

**Sunday March 8: Work**

March 9: Action

March 10: Return

March 11: Boundaries

March 12: Worth

March 13: Intention

March 14: Rhythm

**Sunday March 15: Play**

March 16: Wholeness

March 17: Spontaneity

March 18: Consumed

March 19: Soaked

March 20: Adventure

March 21: Create

**Sunday March 22: Love**

March 23: Authentic

March 24: Identity

March 25: Yippee

March 26: Respond

March 27: Gift

March 28: Beloved



**Soup Supper & Study**

We join with Christ Lutheran Church (“CLC”) this year for worship, soup supper and study. All meetings will be at CLC, 300 W. South Blvd. We will alternate providing the soup and bread for the supper.

We will begin at 5:30p for supper, followed by a brief prayer time and discussion. We will end by 7:30p.

Feb. 25 – Introduction to Lent and our study, the parables found in the Gospel of Mark (CLC provides the soups and Rev. Kelly Nelson facilitates)

March 4- “The Sower” (St. John’s provides the soups/bread and Rev. Jan facilitates)

March 11 – “The Lamp” and “The Mustard Seed” (CLC provides the soups and Rev. Kelly facilitates)

March 18 – “The Vineyard” (St. John’s provides the soups/bread and Rev. Jan facilitates)

March 25 – Conclusion and discussion around Holy Week (CLC provides the soups and both Rev. Kelly facilitates)



In January, the St. John's team met and made plans for 2015. There will be many exciting things ahead with many opportunities for participation. Looking back at January, St. John's supported the Bishop's Discretionary Fund with a donation of \$331.00. Our Meals on Wheels teams delivered meals to those needing a noon meal delivered to their homes. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Rev. Jan or Cindy Smith.

In February, we are looking forward to our Mardi Gras Party on Feb. 13th. There are lots of opportunities to participate. Check out the sign up boards in the Narthex. The children have chosen Nourish to receive the proceeds (after expenses).

The Sustainable Non Profits Montgomery County Community Foundation luncheon and workshop will be at the Crawfordsville Country Club on Feb. 3. Rev. Jan has registration forms available, or registration can be made online at the MCCF website.

We are all concerned about the devastation Meth use causes in our community. There will be a Youth Café program with information from law enforcement at the Crawfordsville District Public Library on Feb. 17th at 11:30. There is no charge, and lunch is provided.

The Outreach Team is grateful to the Vestry for their increase in the amount of the budget for Outreach in 2015.

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	Lector	LEM	Crucifer	Acolyte	Greeters	Altar Guild	Counters	Flowers	LEVs	Coffee Host
<b>Feb.1</b>										
8a	Jim Suren	J. Suren		Cyndy Fields						
10:30a	Nancy Bennett	Randy Pickering & Kim Roberts	Sam Hildebrand	Peggy Lohorn	Albrechts	J. Yerkes & T. Lawrence	N. Bennett & T. Twarek		D. Booher & H. Hudson	
<b>Feb. 8</b>										
8a	Adrienne Ashbaugh	A. Ashbaugh		Steve Charles						
10:30a	Barb Easterling	John & Betty Culley	Will Turner	Beth Turner	Ball-Twarek	CJ Charles & C. Fields	S. Albrecht & W. Olander		D. Booher & H. Hudson	Olanders
<b>Feb. 15</b>										
8a.	Peter Swanson	P. Swanson		Randy Pickering						
10:30a	Sheila Evans	Marc Hudson & Kim Roberts	Jim Suren		Bennetts	C. Meyer & J. Tussey	J. Roberts & J. Gary		S. Fain & J. Oller	
<b>Feb. 22</b>										
8a.	Mark Kussmaul	Meribeth Kussmaul		Cyndy Fields						
10:30a	Sue Fain	Dan Booher & Adrienne Ashbaugh	Steve Charles	CJ Charles	Jane Gallagher & Cindy Smith	B. Culley & M. Reidy	A.White & E. Fain		S. Fain & J. Oller	

*No Meals on Wheels during February. If you cannot serve, please arrange for a substitute and email Rev. Jan so the bulletins will be correct! Thanks.*

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>1</b> 8 &amp; 10:30a – HE 9:15a –Formation: Adults: The Creed 11:45a-Planned Giving 1:30p-“God &amp; Me” NO EFM</p>	<p><b>2</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 11a-League (Whitlock)</p>	<p><b>3</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 9:25- Tuttle Chapel 7p-Comm. Chorus (WH)  Oller Day Off (switch 2/5)</p>	<p><b>4</b> 7:30a-Centering Prayer 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel NO-Midday Service  Oller Day Off (switch 2/6)</p>	<p><b>5</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 7p- Choir  Oller-EFM Mentor Recertification</p>	<p><b>6</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel  Oller-EFM Mentor Recertification</p>	<p><b>7</b>  Oller – EFM Mentor Recertification</p>
<p><b>8</b> 8 &amp; 10:30a- HE 9:15-Formation: Adults: The Creed 11:45a- Parish Life (Library) 3-EFM</p>	<p><b>9</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel</p>	<p><b>10</b> 7a-YSB (Whitlock) 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 9:25a-Tuttle Chapel 7p-Comm Chorus (WH)</p>	<p><b>11</b> 7:30a-Centering Prayer 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 12:15p-Midday Service</p>	<p><b>12</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 7p-Choir  Oller Day Off</p>	<p><b>13</b> 8a- Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 6p-Mardi Gras Celebration (Whitlock)  Oller Day Off</p>	<p><b>14</b> 5p-Animal Welfare League Benefit</p>
<p><b>15</b> 8 &amp; 10:30a- HE 9:15 – Formation: Adults: The Creed 3p- EFM</p>	<p><b>16</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel</p>	<p><b>17</b> 8a. Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 9:25a-Tuttle Chapel 9:45 Oller: Clergy Mtg 11:30-1:30 @ Cville Library- Indiana State Troopers 7p-Comm Chorus</p>	<p><b>18</b> <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> 7:30a-Centering Prayer 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 12:15p-HE with ashes  7p-<b>Christ Lutheran Church</b> –Holy Eucharist (Rev. Jan preaches; Kelly Nelson presides)</p>	<p><b>19</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 6p-League Dinner (Whitlock) 7p-Choir  Oller Day Off</p>	<p><b>20</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel  Oller Day Off</p>	<p><b>21</b> 8a-2015 Women's Lenten Breakfasts @First Church of the Nazarene, Cville 9a-Divorce Recovery Workshop (Library)</p>
<p><b>22</b> 8 &amp; 10:30a-HE 9:15a-Formation: Adults: Josh Thomas/Daily Office 11:45-Building &amp; Grounds 3p-EFM</p>	<p><b>23</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel</p>	<p><b>24</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 9:25a-Tuttle Chapel 7p-Comm Chorus (WH)</p>	<p><b>25</b> 7:30a-Centering Prayer 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 5:30p Lenten Soup Supper (<b>Christ Lutheran</b>)</p>	<p><b>26</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel 7p-Choir  Oller Day Off</p>	<p><b>27</b> 8a-Morning Prayer @ Tuttle Chapel  Oller Day Off</p>	<p><b>28</b> 8a-Women's Lenten Breakfast @ FUMC</p>

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