

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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**WE ARE AN INCLUSIVE
AND PROGRESSIVE COMMUNITY OF FAITH**

Who, led by the Spirit, are guided to provide a safe harbor
for those on their spiritual journey.
And who work to bring God's loving justice into our world in need.

**January 16, 2022
The Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

This Sunday's Ministry Team:

Episcopal Priest: The Rev. David Dinkins

Verger: The Rev. Declan Jarry III

Vestry Greeter: Georgann Falotico

Lay Readers: Jennifer Laris, Eric Smiley & Pat Brodin

Altar Guild: Terri Anderson, Tara Chambless & Mackenzie Cahill

FROM THE HALLS OF ST. PAUL'S

This will be my last Halls to you for a few weeks. All future announcements should be sent to the office at stpaul700@gmail.com; this includes the Prayer Vine as well. Philip will keep everything updated with the important news we all need to know. I plan to be out of the office from January 5-February 19. Fr. David Dinkins will

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be handling most of the services, and we may have a surprise priest for February 6, so stay tuned. February 20 will be my first Sunday back, and we hope to have our annual meeting that day; more about that later.

Mother Kathleen+

A word from the church office:

**To ensure the continued security of the church building and the well-being of all who enter its doors, please remember to firmly shut all exterior doors when exiting the building and turn out any lights. In addition, please continue to mask and socially distance whenever possible and sign the contact tracing sheet each Sunday.
Thank you!**



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Our wonderful construction contractor, Mark Potter of Poulsbo, has successfully covered the south side of the church lantern and stopped the leaking. These repairs stem from previous work done by Integrity Roofing last year. Once these repairs to the flashing, wrapping, and siding are finished, we can (hopefully) move on to the interior work and resume our regular Sunday services in the Sanctuary. But Mark and his crewmate, Mike, need dry weather to get this done, so pray for sunshine!

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With the passing of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, a true friend, colleague, and mentor—and a genuinely humble, great soul—has gone before us. He has passed through the gate of death into the arms of the God who gave him life.

While on this earth, he sought to follow Jesus of Nazareth in God's way of love and life. In so doing, he showed us how to live God's dream as children of the one God and creator of all.

So, even in our sorrow that he is no longer walking among us, we can thank God that he did.

Perhaps we best give thanks by honoring his legacy—not merely with lip service to racial justice and reconciliation, but

with lives dedicated to this work. We do this by learning to live together as the children and family of God, no longer hurting each other or God's creation, but together living the dream God intended. For in God's dream, as the Hebrew prophet Isaiah said, "They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

To borrow from a friend who texted me on Archbishop Tutu's passing, may the knowledge of his life and heart keep us all strong, good, kind, and loving.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.
The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry
Presiding Bishop and Primate
The Episcopal Church

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Diocesan Youth Confirmation Program
Sundays, February 6-April 24 at 7:00pm

All youth, ages 13 to 18 (seniors in high school), are invited to come along on this Confirmation journey as we explore, learn, grapple, and discover what we believe and why. Join the Diocesan Youth Confirmation Program for a 10-week series as we cover topics such as: the Book of Common Prayer, the Lord's Prayer, the Nicene Creed, the Sacraments, heretics, world religions, and more!

Classes will be held online so this will be a virtual gathering on Sunday evenings with other diocesan youth. We will feature different guest teachers from across the diocese (which will include clergy, lay leaders, and faith formation staff), and there will be a core team of adult leaders who will help lead the breakout sessions each week.

Youth will be confirmed on Cathedral Day, May 7, at Saint Mark's Cathedral in Seattle.

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The Book Group Of St. Paul's meets every Monday evening at 6:30 pm via Zoom.

The St. Paul's Book Group has selected **Waking Up White: And Finding Myself in the Story of Race** by Debbie Irving for our new book to read starting Monday, December 13.

This book is part of the Episcopal Church Sacred Ground curriculum and is being read by our Vestry. It is a book for us to discuss "White Privilege." A book written from the author's personal journey as a privileged white person in the U.S. learning about the racial divide.

The book group feels that by reading the book aloud each week, we will be able to focus on the journey of racial reconciliation, take time to discuss the chapter questions, and learn from each other. Come and join us; books can be purchased, checked out at the library, or you can just listen. **When was the last time you listened to a whole book being read by friends?**

Peace to You,
Call if you have questions or just join in.
Katherine Adams 360-377-9942

Join Zoom Meeting

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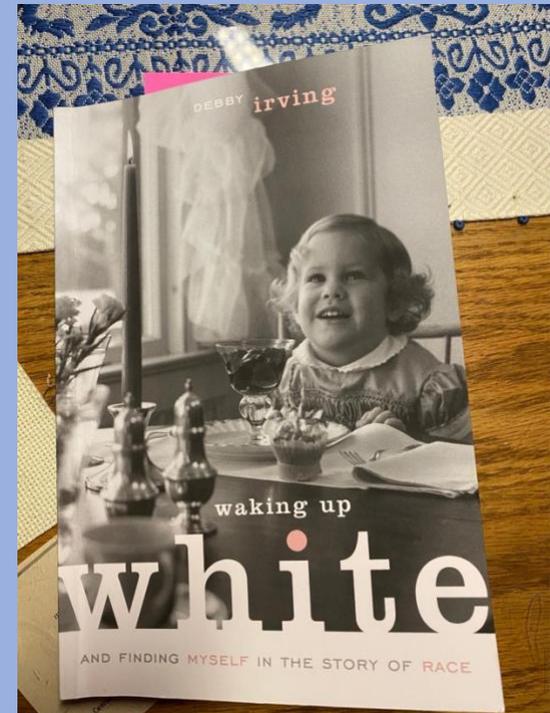
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From Stan Hess at Canterbury Manor:

Another positive COVID-19 case has been reported at Canterbury Manor. This makes six cases now reported (including the Activities Director and Administrator). The Health Department has recommended not opening up the facilities again; i.e. the dining room, activities, library, etc. Transportation is limited to those who are on the list, with no new names added at this time. Meals will be delivered.

On a personal note, I am doing fine. I had my eyelid stitches removed yesterday.

Bible Study will meet on Wednesday, January 19th at 9:30am in the Nursery (temporary quarters while the church undergoes repairs). We will discuss the readings for the following Sunday. The readings are:

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

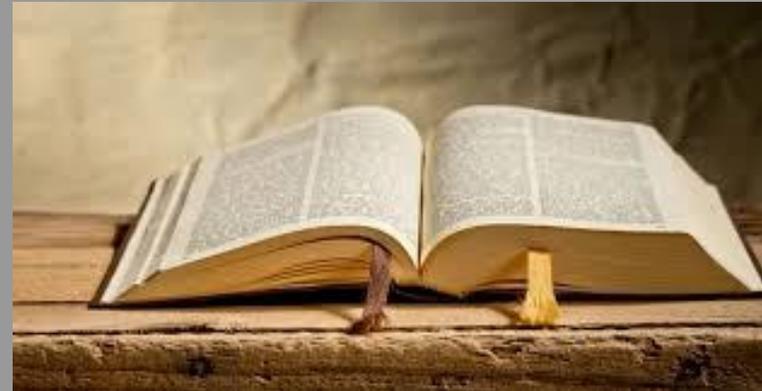
Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21

All are welcome! Contact Sue Ahrens at 360.471.2139 with any questions.

See you on Wednesday!



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From the Salvation Army

We need volunteers!

St. Paul's is now supporting the Salvation Army (*akaSALLY*) by preparing dinner **ONCE A MONTH ON THE SECOND SATURDAY** of every month between **2:30 and 5:30 pm**. It is a safe environment, and you can park in the lot behind the Salvation Army for free. Temperatures are checked at the door, everyone wears masks, and gloves are provided in the kitchen. We prepare 45-75 dinners and put our delicious cuisine on trays that we distribute to the hungry folks through a window in the kitchen. It is fun, safe, and secure.

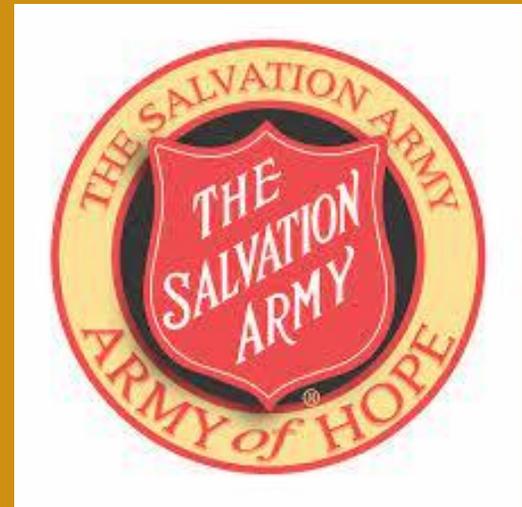
Hebrews 6:10

"God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them."

Thank you to all those who have previously volunteered.

Blessings,

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Hi everyone,

Here we are starting another new year. The Bremerton Backpack Brigade wishes you all the best in the upcoming year and sends our most humble thank you for all the love and support you've shared with the Brigade this past year.

Attached you'll find the longer than usual newsletter for January. There's a lot happening in "Brigade Land": lots of pictures, lots of thank yous, and lots of love from the Brigade's board to you!

Stay well, stay warm, and hold hands when crossing the street!

Hope we get to see each of you somewhere, sometime soon,

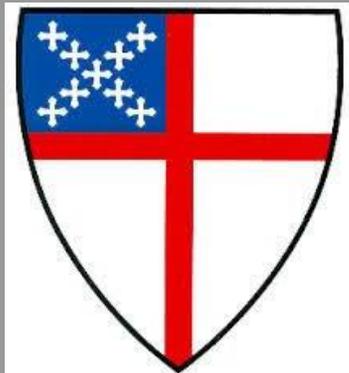
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Bremerton Backpack Brigade

Serving the first needs of the child, so that they may learn



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**Church office hours:
Tuesdays - Thursdays
10:00am - 2:00pm**

If you require assistance, please call Philip at 360-377-0106 or email stpaul700@gmail.com.

