

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany
January 22, 2012

“Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.”

And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. This is not a story about the great faith of the disciples; instead, it is a story about the charisma, the magnetism of Jesus. They followed him because they were kidnapped by his love. He knew what it was they hungered for and he offered them a chance to experience it. This is a miracle story, as all conversions are, which means it has more to do with the presence and power of God than the willpower of the fishermen. What Andrew, Simon, James, and John did do, however, was to say yes to the Presence. Open to it. Receive it. In so doing, they found themselves no longer just fishing for fish, but being transformed into fishers of men! Our conversion, our turning toward God comes as a result of the presence and power of God’s love. We pray to be more aware, receptive, and responsive!

This Week’s Lay Ministries

LECTORS		USHERS	
7:30 a.m.	Maryella Sirmon, Wayne Sirmon	7:30 a.m.	Bill Bittner, Bill Heiter
10:00 a.m.	Lady Lester, Andy Sigler	10:00 a.m.	Doug Anderson, Lee Chalhub, Cliff Anderson, Rob Hinckle, Chris Schatzman, John Rogers
11:15 a.m.	Sarah Teague, Sally Greene	11:15 a.m.	Joe Hossley, John Seknicka
6:00 p.m.		ACOLYTES	
CHALICE BEARERS		Advisor	John Rogers
7:30 a.m.	Maryella Sirmon	7:30 a.m.	Rosey Latham
10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	10:00 a.m.	Edward Morrissette, Harbour Stephens, Taylor Galloway, Emme Dale, Mary Douglas Anderson, Tripp Galloway, Marissa Donovan, Townsley Luther, Davis Sarrett, Philip Nassar, Mac Dale, Cara Louise Luther
11:15 a.m.	Bill Blaylock	11:15 a.m.	Meredith Brewer, Ashley Brewer, Owen Martin
6:00 p.m.	Tim Gaston		
VESTRY GREETERS			
11:15 a.m.			
ALTAR GUILD-WEEK OF JANUARY 29			
The Mullis/Horton/ L. Brady group			

Church Calendar

SUNDAY JANUARY 22	7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I – Little Church
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Family Service, Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Church
	11:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II– Little Church
	1:30 p.m.	EYC—leave from Church to Taylor Park
	3:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class—Conference Room
	4:30 p.m.	Children/Youth Choirs rehearsal—Undercroft
MONDAY JANUARY 23	6:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II—Little Church
	10:30 a.m.	Monday Morning Bible Study Class—Conference Room
	11:45 a.m.	Yoga—Room 203 YAB
TUESDAY JANUARY 24	6:45 p.m.	Bible Study Fellowship—Church
	6:30 a.m.	Men’s Study Group—Conference Room (with full breakfast served the first Tuesday of each month)
	9:30 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study Group—Conference Room
	12:00 noon	Twelve Steps for Christians—Parlor
	3:45 p.m.	Yoga—Room 203 YAB
	6:00 p.m.	High School Bible Study—Youth Room
	6:30 p.m.	Women’s Evening Bible Study— Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts, Troop 147—Scout Room	
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25	7:00 p.m.	PSDP—Room 203 YAB (Yoga Room)
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist —Little Church
	10:15 a.m.	Yoga—Room 203 YAB
	10:30 a.m.	Healing Service—Little Church
	10:30 a.m.	St. Catherine’s Guild—leave Church for tour of Murray House
	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist— Little Church
	7:15 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal—Choir Room
THURSDAY JANUARY 26	10:45 a.m.	Yoga—Room 203 YAB
	12:00 noon	“Pause that Refreshes” Meditation and Contemplative Prayer-Parlor
	5:45 p.m.	Yoga—Room 203 YAB
	7:00 p.m.	Kerygma Bible Study Class—Conference Room



**2012 Stewardship...Come Home Little Sheep
The Greatest Gift Ever Given!**



As we head out of the holidays and into the gift of a wonderful new year, we're trying to corral all the little sheep that are still looking for home! So far, we've had a great response to 2012's stewardship effort with 41 new pledges and an average card to card increase of about 5%. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! We have received 428 of our anticipated 500 cards, so we're still looking for those last few pledges that will put us over the top. Pledges are \$1.25 million toward our \$1.45 million goal. We are really trying to get the budget together, so if you're thinking about making a pledge, it would be helpful to receive that soon. Thank you again and Christ's blessings!



January Vestry Meeting

The January vestry meeting will be held **Monday night, January 30**, beginning with Holy Communion in the Little Church. The meeting is late in the month so that we can clear the 2011 books and get a good look at the 2012 budget. The Finance Committee will work the next couple of weeks to put together the 2012 budget. We appreciate the committee's great work and faithfulness. **New vestry members are to attend this meeting.** Please set this date aside. Thank you.

Confirmation Classes Begin...

If you're a sixth grader, or the parent of a sixth grader, mark your calendars for **Sunday, January 22, at 3:30 p.m.** We'll kick off confirmation class with an introductory meeting for both students and parents in the Conference Room, followed by a regular class session for the confirmands. We look forward to seeing you then!



Sunday School

This week in Sunday School we will hear about Jesus calling some of the first disciples to follow Him in Mark 1: 14-20. The disciples became some of Jesus' closest friends. Jesus also calls us to follow Him and be His disciple and friend. He already knows all about us and loves us, so let's learn more about Him, as our Lord, Leader, Savior and Friend! Pre-K through 4th grades meet in the Children's Chapel at 9a.m. Fifth through 12th grades meet in your regular class rooms. Hope to see you there!

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First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Psalm: 62:6-14

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:14-20
Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

St. Catherine's Guild will meet on Wednesday, January 25, at 10:30 a.m. at the Church to carpool to Murray House for a tour and dutch treat lunch. The phone committee will call to remind you of the meeting and to see if you plan to attend lunch and the tour.

Around the Diocese

The Thirty-first Men's Conference and Retreat will be held on March 2—March 4, at Beckwith Camp and Conference Center. *Remembrance is More Than a Greeting Card* will be the topic presented by The Rev. Neal Goldsborough, Rector Christ Church, Pensacola, and The Rev. Don Smith, Associate Rector of St. James, Fairhope. Sunday visitation and Eucharist will be by The Most Reverend Katherine Jefferts Schori, our Presiding Bishop. Registration forms are in the Church Office.

Christ Church's 2012 Antiques Show and Sale will be February 3, 4, and 5, in the Currin Center. Friday and Saturday the show will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and on Sunday, 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for all three days and \$5 for one day. The show will bring together 20 quality antiques dealers for your browsing and shopping pleasure while benefiting may worthwhile service programs and organizations. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call the Church Office at 850-432-5115 or email cindraanderson@cox.net.

An Epiphany Prayer

Lord Jesus, may your light shine our way,
as once it guided the steps of the magi;
That we too may be led into your presence
and worship you, the Child of Mary, the
Word of the Father, the King of nations,
The Saviour of mankind; to whom be glory forever.

Frank Colquhoun

Classes for Christian Formation

Monday Morning Bible Study Class—10:30 a.m. Conference Room	<i>On Monday, January 23, we will continue our study of First Corinthians in our study guide. Hope to see you there. Newcomers are always welcome.</i>
Tuesdays - St. Paul's Men's Study, Conference Room, 6:30 –7:30 a.m.	<i>The Men's Study Group will continue its study on Tuesday, January 24, 6:30-7:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. The discussion this week will continue in the Book of Proverbs, chapters 9-11, with Medford Roe leading the group. Join us for fellowship, coffee, sweet rolls and discussion.</i>
Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study Conference Room 9:30 a.m.	<i>The Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study will meet on January 24, at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. Please join us for our incredible new study, <i>The Christian Atheist</i>. Through this study we will be challenged to ask ourselves the question, "am I putting my whole faith in God, but still living as if everything were up to me?" As always, childcare is available. Both a workbook and book are needed for this study. They are both available at Lifeway and are held under the name Jennifer Dean.</i>
Twelve Steps for Christians—Parlor Tuesday, Noon—12:45 p.m. Parlor	<i>This is an opportunity to learn about and practice the Scriptural and Christian principles upon which 12-Step Spirituality is based. We open with prayers for noonday from our Book of Common Prayer and a brief reflection on how a particular step relates to our lives. No homework. All are welcome!</i>
Tuesday Evening High School Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Youth Room	<i>High School Bible Study, Tuesdays in the Youth Room. Hope you will plan to join us for good fellowship, dinner and discussion.</i>
Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study Conference Room 6:30 p.m.	<i>The Women's Evening Bible Study Group meets Tuesday, January 24, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. Hope to see you there and any newcomers are welcome.</i>
Tuesday, Shalem's Personal Spiritual Deeping Program, 7:00 p.m. Room 203 YAB	<i>This program assists participants in exploring their personal spiritual lives in order to open themselves to Christ in a deeper way. PSDP consists of five themes for study, reflection, and personal integration: Spiritual Community, Prayerful Listening, Discerning the Presence of the Spirit in Daily Life, Christ in Creation, and Sacred Living.</i>
Thursday, Parlor, Meditation and Contemplative Prayer, 12:00 noon	<i>"Pause that Refreshes" meets on Thursdays, at 12 noon in the Parlor. We will continue in Patricia Brown's book, <u>Paths to Prayer, Finding Your Own Way to the Presence of God.</u></i>
Thursday Evening Kerygma Class, Conference Room 7:00 p.m.	<i>Kerygma class will meet on Thursday, January 19, and we will continue our study of Jesus in the Gospels, finishing Chapter 23, starting with day 3.</i>

Parish Life



The flowers on the Altar of the Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jean and Ben Radcliff, Sr.

The flowers on the Altar of the Little Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jessie Acree and Henry Quackenbush.



Happy Birthday to St. Paulians for the week of January 22- January 28, 2012.

Abigail Armbrecht
Michael Ballard
Lauren Boehm
Patricia Bradley
Mollie Buffkin
Will Butler
Frances Case
Bee Crane
William Daniel

Scott Delaney
Kelsey Donnell
Andrew Friedman
Robert Frierson
Marcia Hayes
Laura Holmes
Ken Huffstutler
John Hunter
Zeb Inge

Mollie Johnston
Margaret Leatherbury
Margaret Livingston
Neena McNeely
Jim Newman
Alexander Partin
Lucas Porter
Lewis Ray
Ellen Reynolds
Mary Agnes Richard

John Rogers
Kathy Sherer
Hawk Sindel
Nancy Sledge
Clark Sledge
Tommy Tucker
Elizabeth Turner
Jack Volkman
Elise Wattermark

Life is a gift from God. We rejoice in the joy of spending it together.

EYC News

January 22, we will head to Taylor Park at 1:30 p.m. this Sunday. We will leave from the Church and return around 4:15 p.m.



Our 24 Hour Blast was a huge success. We had 20 students participate. Saturday morning we went to Wilmer Hall to help prepare for their garage sale. Over lunch we made goody bags for the homeless, then headed to the Salvation Army. The students helped prepare and serve 2 meals, set out cots for the evening, and passed out goody bags to the transients. We are on our way to "changing the world as we know it!" We are truly blessed to have such a fine group of young people.

If you would like to provide dinner for our Sunday EYC, please call the church office, 342-8521.