

December 23, 2018

Order of Worship

9:30 am

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Children's Christmas Program

“But Jesus called for them and said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.’” Luke 18:16-17

G A T H E R I N G

Welcome to Worship at Saint Andrew's!

As we prepare for worship, we invite you to a time of silence and focus.

Please remember to silence all electronic devices.

- C** Congregation
- A** Assisting Minister
- P** Pastor

PRELUDE *Christmas Joy* [Joseph Martin]
Children's Choir

WORDS OF WELCOME Pastor McEachran

CALL TO WORSHIP *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* [Plain Chant]
Vanessa Wilkie, handbells

HYMN *All Earth Is Hopeful* ELW Hymn 266

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

APOSTOLIC GREETING

A The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(congregation is seated)

HYMN *Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah* ELW Hymn 240

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

David and Lindsey Cliffe present their child to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Sponsors are Angela and Mark Friesen.

W O R D

READING *The Birth of Jesus Foretold* Luke 1:26-38

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

READING *The Birth of Jesus* Luke 2:1-7
HYMN *Away in a Manger* ELW Hymn 277
READING *The Shepherds and the Angels* Luke 2:8-20

L Your Word is truth.
C Thanks be to God.

SERMON Pastor Yoos
HYMN OF THE DAY *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* ELW Hymn 276

THE PRAYERS
A We pray, O God.
C Our trust is in you. *(congregation is seated)*

READING *The Visit of the Wise Men* Matthew 2:1-12

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

READING *The Escape to Egypt* Matthew 2:13-15
L Your Word is truth.
C Thanks be to God.

THE PEACE
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you. *(shared in community)*

OFFERING *How Far is it to Bethlehem?* [Traditional,
 Children's Choir arr. Molly James]
(congregation stands)

OFFERTORY VERSE *The King Shall Come* ELW Hymn 260
 Stanza 5

OFFERTORY PRAYER



GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen. *(congregation is seated)*

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Night of Silence [Daniel Kantor]
Hark, the Herald Angels Sing [Charles Wesley]
Children's Choir

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,
strengthen and keep you in God's loving grace, now and forever.
C Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

ELW Hymn 288

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice
Stanza 3

PRAYER



BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN *Go Tell It on the Mountain* ELW Hymn 290

A Go in peace. Christ is with you.
C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

PARTICIPANTS

- Presiding Minister* Pastor James N. McEachran
- Preaching Minister* Pastor Drew J. Yoos
- Director of Music Ministries/Organist* Dr. Will Simpson
- Assisting Minister* Jean Wahlstrom
- Communion Assistant* Dick Swaisgood
- Acolyte* Sara Marti
- Altar Guild* Jill Nichols-Hicks, JoAn Eklof
- Greeters* Louise Oda, Lydia Folsom
- Ushers* The Rudolph Family
- Children's Choir* Erin Simpson, *Director*
Elaine Koga, *Accompanist*
Adam Camrud, Andrew Camrud, Abby Kasper,
Anna Marti, Duane Rindy, Savannah Rindy,
Sonja Wetmore, Jack Womack, Maia Womack

WELCOME to WORSHIP

BAPTISM: David and Lindsey Cliffe present their child to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Sponsors are Angela and Mark Friesen. Grandparents are Chris and Sandra Badcon.

COMMEMORATIONS:

Stephen, Deacon and Martyr

December 26

Stephen was a deacon and the first martyr of the church. He was one of those seven upon whom the apostles laid hands after they had been chosen to serve widows and others in need. Later, Stephen's preaching angered the temple authorities, and they ordered him to be put to death by stoning.

John, Apostle and Evangelist

December 27

The son of Zebedee and brother of James, John was one of the twelve disciples and witness to the transfiguration. Tradition has named him also the writer of the Gospel of John, the three New Testament letters bearing his name, as well as Revelation.

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

December 28

This day commemorates the young children killed by Herod in Bethlehem in his jealous attempt to murder the baby Jesus, a sobering reminder of the evil that led Christ to be born for our salvation.

TODAY ~ DECEMBER 23

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...9:45 AM

Please note that there are no Discipleship Hour classes today.

SIGN-UP....

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| <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for Pastor McEachran's celebration on January 5. Sign up in the Narthex or contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for Coffee and Compline on January 20. Sign up in the Narthex/Commons or contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for the Mission Trip to Arizona (adults) March 21 - April 2, 2019. Sign up in the</p> | <p>Narthex or contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to "Do ONE Thing" for Disipleship Ministries. Sign up in the Narthex.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to be an usher, greeter, or lector. Contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.</p> |
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CHRISTMAS EVE ~ MONDAY, DECEMBER 24**WORSHIP**

"WHAT CHILD IS THIS?" We learn to listen again to the Word of the Lord. To hear the promise and to trust again that God is at work in human history through Jesus, born of Mary. Once in time, Jesus asked His own, "Who do YOU say that I am?" Peter led the way in His confession that "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." (Matthew 16:16) In our time we will respond to another question, "What Child is This?" Let this be a season of seeking an answer for today. In these times to listen, to see, to learn that the promise is being fulfilled again as Jesus is born anew to us today. Listen! Jesus is coming soon!

Nativity of Our Lord, Christmas Eve

- **4:00 pm** Family Worship, (no Holy Communion)
PRELUDE MUSIC: We welcome all children and teens to consider sharing a piece for the prelude music to the Family Worship service on Christmas Eve. The piece does not have to be Christmas themed but can be something you played in a recital. Contact Dr. Will Simpson, will@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529, to participate or for more information
- **6:30 pm** Worship with Holy Communion (worship music: Chancel Choir)
- **9:00 pm** Worship with Holy Communion (worship music: Handbell Choir)

**Monday, December 24: Nativity of Our Lord, Christmas Eve**

Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14 Luke 2:1-20

Servers for December 24*Presiding Minister:* Pastor James McEachran*Assisting Ministers:*

(4:00 pm) Sharon Gurtel

(6:30 pm) Karen Grams

(9:00 pm) Sue Short

Communion Assistants:

(6:30 pm)

Judi Miller, Jan Bowerman, Art Gurtel

(9:00 pm) Livi Myhre

Acolytes:

(4:00 pm) Anthony Martin, Izzy Martin

(6:30 pm) Sonja Wetmore, Abby Kasper

(9:00 pm) Alden Johnson, Gavin Johnson

Crucifers:

(4:00 pm) Sam Wilkes

(6:30 pm) Collin Feldman

(9:00 pm) Quinn Myhre

Altar Guild:

(6:30 pm) Phillip Misner, Karin Eklof

(9:00 pm)

Phillip Misner, Karin Eklof, Christine Koch

Greeters:

(4:00 pm) Sarah Cannon

(6:30 pm) The Wilcox Family

(9:00 pm) JJ and Maureen Dorwart

Lectors:

(4:00 pm) Linda Gilham

(6:30 pm) Shelly Abner

(9:00 pm) Livi Myhre

Ushers:

(4:00 pm)

Marvin Kananen, Sherry Grindeland

(6:30 pm) Brady Kasper, Quinlan Kasper

(9:00 pm) Kirk and Amy Myhre, Mark Davis

THIS WEEK ~ DECEMBER 25 - DECEMBER 29

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25 ~ NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, CHRISTMAS DAY

PLEASE NOTE: There is no worship service scheduled.

THE CHURCH OFFICE is closed.

TUESDAY MORNING MEN will not meet.

THE PARISH NURSES will not have office hours.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26 - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: The church office will be open from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

ELIZABETH ROSE MEMORIAL CELEBRATION OF LIFE: Our sister in Christ, Elizabeth Rose, died on November 23. A Memorial Celebration of Life will be held at Saint Andrew's on Saturday, **December 29**, at 1:00 pm. Please keep Elizabeth's daughters, Debbie and Sue, and all of her family in prayer.

NEXT SUNDAY ~ DECEMBER 30

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE: Please note that there is one worship service, with Holy Communion, at **9:30 am** on Sunday, **December 30**.

WORSHIP



Sunday, December 30: First Sunday of Christmas

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52

Servers for December 30

Presiding Minister: Pastor Drew Yoos

Assisting Minister: Dick Swaisgood

Communion Assistant: Judy Gowdy

Acolyte: Sonja Wetmore

Altar Guild: Elmer Neu and Signe Wraith

Greeters: John and Joyce Arnold

Lector: Mikel Oswald

Ushers: Brett Nelson, Joan Tweten

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...9:45 AM

Please note that there are no Discipleship Hour classes on **December 30**.

COMING UP

CELEBRATIONS FOR PASTOR MCEACHRAN

PASTOR MCEACHRAN'S last Sunday at Saint Andrew's is January 6.

CELEBRATION FOR PASTOR MCEACHRAN

on JANUARY 5: A celebration of Pastor James McEachran's 35+ years at Saint Andrew's will be held on Saturday, **January 5, 2019, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm**, at Renton Technical College (3000 NE 4th Street, Renton). Please plan to join us for a fun gathering to share memories and thank Pastor McEachran for his years of serving.

- Yes, you can still RSVP. We want you there!
- Plus we need your help. Volunteers are needed on party day.
- To RSVP or volunteer, return your RSVP envelope or contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

JANUARY 6: Please note that there is one worship service, at 9:30 am, on Sunday, **January 6.** A celebration for Pastor McEachran follows worship.

EARLY SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...7:15 AM

JANUARY 6 - FEBRUARY 17

FIRST JOHN

7:15 am, 322/Conference Room

Facilitators: Jean Wahlstrom, Marvin Kananen
It's really all about Jesus, so make your resolutions and reservations (just kidding on this last one) early. The first session is on Sunday, **January 6**, at **8:15 am**. Jean Wahlstrom and Marvin Kananen begin their Winter Bible Study program, looking at First John, that five chapter, 105-verse, 2,523-word most gentle epistle. This seven-week series has no exams but does provide coffee and snacks. It meets at **7:15 am** on the six sessions following (**January 13 - February 17**).

DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...9:45 AM

JANUARY 13

ALTAR GUILD

322/Conference Room

Altar Guild invites everyone to consider joining them to serve at Saint Andrew's! Working in teams of two, Altar Guild members prepare the elements and set the altar for communion. Each member chooses when to serve. It takes about 1 hour on Saturday, 1/2 hour between services, and 1 hour after second service. Come to our next meeting on Sunday, **January 13**, at 9:45 am to find out more. If you have questions, please contact Altar Guild chair Linda Powell.

JANUARY 13 and JANUARY 20**BUDGET 2019**

301/Fellowship Hall

Facilitators:

Congregation Treasurer Joni Barrott, Finance and Outreach and Servant Ministries Committees We're devoting two discipleship hours for discussion about the 2019 budget. On **January 13**, Treasurer Joni Barrott and Finance Committee members will be open to any general questions about the budget, our current fund, and reserve funds. On **January 20**, join us for conversations with Joni and members of the Outreach and Servant Ministries Committee to learn about planned opportunities for our outreach ministries in 2019.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP 2019: We are currently in the process of lining up speakers and topics for our Adult discipleship hour for 2019. If you would like to speak or lead a discussion on a topic or know someone who would, please contact Pastor Drew Yoos, drew@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529. We are especially looking for relevant topics in our lives that have an intersection for our faith.

FELLOWSHIP

2018 YEAR-END OFFICE HOURS: Please note that the church office hours will be 9:00 am - 12:00 noon on **December 26, December 27, December 28, and December 31**. The church office will be closed on Tuesday, **December 25**, and Tuesday, **January 1**.

2018 YEAR-END CONTRIBUTIONS: To be counted for 2018, contributions must be **dated December 31** or earlier and postmarked no later than **December 31**.

CELEBRATION FOR PASTOR MCEACHRAN:

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YOUNG ADULTS (those who have graduated high school and older): Young adults of Saint Andrew's get together for dinner on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 pm. Our next dinner is Wednesday, **January 9**, at Crossroads Food Court. Contact Carolyn McKenna by Monday, **January 7**, if you plan to join us.

MEXICO MISSION TRIP MEETING: All participants in the 2019 Summer mission trip to Mexico should plan to attend our mandatory meeting on Saturday, **January 12**, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon in 319/ Youth Room. At this meeting we will plan our fund raisers.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM/

CONFIRMATION (ABC) LUNCH: On Sunday, **January 13**, all ABC students, parents, and mentors should plan on attending the ABC lunch after the 11:00 am worship service. We will eat together, learn together, and share faith together. Our topic for this lunch will be, "*Being Lutheran in 2019.*" Potluck assignments: 6th- Main dish; 7th- side/salad; 8th- dessert. 8th grade families will be responsible for setup and clean up.

CARL WILKENS AT SAMMAMISH HILLS

LUTHERAN: Carl Wilkens will be at Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church on Sunday, **January 13**, at 4:00 pm for a screening of the documentary, "*I'm Not Leaving,*" followed by a Q-and-A. Carl was the only American to stay in Rwanda during the 1994 Genocide. Each year he returns to Rwanda with students and educators to see for themselves how people are working together to rebuild their country and rebuild trust. For more information, contact Pastor Larry Thomas through Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church, 425-392-7799.

COFFEE AND COMPLINE: All youth and adults are invited to join us for an outing to Seattle for coffee followed by the evening Compline service at St. Mark's Cathedral on Sunday, **January 20**. Compline is a meditative, sung evening prayer service led by a choir. We will meet at Saint Andrew's at 7:30 pm and return by 10:45 pm. Everyone interested is asked to sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex/Commons or contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529.

NEW MEMBERS: The Saint Andrew's congregation is a faith community powered by a belief that God's love offers us a chance to do amazing service through many activities and volunteer opportunities. Our extended family provides ongoing fellowship for all ages. We will be welcoming new members in mid-January or early February. For more information on how to join, contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, 425-746-2529 or sherry@SALChome.org.

O.W.L.S. (Older Wiser Lutheran Saints):

Learn ins-and-outs of

Bellevue Botanical Garden

Tuesday, **January 15**

Garden Manager Nancy Kartes will share stories and highlights of the Bellevue Botanical Garden. (There's still time to catch the annual Garden D 'Lights display, open 4:30 pm to 9:00 pm daily until **December 30**. Tickets are \$5 per person.). The O.W.L.S., the Older, Wiser Lutheran Saints, meet the third Tuesday at 11:45 am in 301/ Fellowship Hall North. We don't ask for ID – so you don't need to be older to join the fun at these great gatherings. No reservations or RSVP needed. If able, please pitch-in with a potluck dish for the luncheon. For more information, contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@salchome.org or 425-746-2529.

W.E.B.S. (Women's Evening Book Study):

Wednesdays, **January 16, - February 27**

7:00 pm, 322/Conference Room

Facilitator: Cheryl Jurrus

Our Winter Session book is *The Girl Who Wrote in Silk* by Kelli Estes. The story takes place in Seattle and the San Juan Islands and is written as a mystery to be solved about the silk embroidery that tells a story. All women are welcome to join us for a great discussion of the author's story, our stories, and God's part in our lives. We meet for devotions, prayer, sharing, laughter, and critical discussions. Contact Cheryl Jurrus for more information.

ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING:

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the Annual congregation Meeting on Sunday, **January 27**. We will worship together at one 9:30 am worship service. The meeting will begin following worship, at **10:45 am**.

GOD SQUAD (youth in grades 9-12): SIGN UP FOR HOLDEN VILLAGE RETREAT.

The 2019 Holden Village May Youth Weekend is **May 24-26, 2019**. This year's theme is "Ready, Set, Glow!" about letting God's light shine in the darkness. All interested High School youth and adult leaders should sign up in the Narthex/Commons and give \$100 to Pastor Drew by Sunday, **January 27**.

ADULT MISSION TRIP: Saint Andrew's is sponsoring the first Adult Mission Trip to The Navajo Lutheran Mission at Rock Point, Arizona from **March 21 to April 2, 2019**. (Dates do not include travel time.) Jean Wahlstrom, Marvin Kananen, and Sherry Grindeland are leading the volunteer work on a variety of projects for all skills and interest. All we request is your enthusiasm. Housing will be at the mission facilities. Fundraising for materials needed for the projects will begin in mid-January. We provide the training and gather background information so you'll be prepared. If you are interested or have questions, contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@SALChome.org or 425-746-2529. Sign up in the Narthex/Commons.

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

2019 COMMITMENTS: Thank you to all who have submitted your 2019 financial pledge. As of December 17, we have received 126 pledges totaling \$529,922. Financial support carries God's work in mission and ministry forward, and pledges are very helpful as we complete financial planning for 2019. Commitment/Pledge cards can be found in the Narthex. You can also submit your pledge online at stewardship.SALChome.org.

SOCKS AND KNIT HATS: In **December** Dorcas Circle is collecting new white socks and warm hats for Compass Housing Alliance. Donations can be placed in the "Sox Box" in the Narthex/Commons. If you have any questions, contact Linda Willenberg.

UNIFORMS for MAASAE GIRLS LUTHERAN SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS: Each year we have the privilege to clothe 50 students at the Maasae Girls Lutheran Secondary School (MGLSS) in Monduli, Tanzania. See the display in the Narthex/Commons area and consider outfitting a girl on her educational journey. A gift of \$50 provides a uniform (for 2 years) including: 2 shirts, 1 skirt, 1 sweater, 1 pair of shoes, and socks. There is a cut-out figure of a girl to hang on your tree as a prayer reminder. Place cash or check in the envelope provided and put it in the offering plate OR send a check to: Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church, putting MGLSS UNIFORMS on the memo line.

CORNER OF BLESSING/HOPELINK: Each month, we collect food in the Corner of Blessing. All donations are given to Hopelink to help feed those in our community. In the cold month of December, we are collecting hot beverages: **regular coffee** (not decaf), **tea**, and **hot cocoa**. Coffee is the most needed item and should be in ~12 to 16 ounce packages. It can be ground (preferred), whole bean, or instant. Tea is preferred in packages of 20-40 tea bags; individual packets of cocoa mix are requested. For more information, contact Debbie Szabo.

FLOWERS IN 2019: The flower chart for 2019 is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex/ Commons. Please take a moment to reserve your Sunday.

INCLEMENT WEATHER: If the weather gets wild and traveling is treacherous, you may wonder if events at church are on as scheduled or have been cancelled. Up-to-date information can be found at www.weatherupdates.SALChome.org. There is a link to a list of daily events that will note if they have been cancelled. There are also links to the Bellevue city traffic camera located near the church, which you can use to check road conditions. Safety is paramount. Please come to church only if you feel safe traveling the roads.

GOD SQUAD (grades 9-12) and FIRE FORCE (grades 6-8) FAMILIES: Please pick up a copy of the 2019 Event Calendar from the bulletin board in the Narthex/Commons.

AN EASY OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE: Please consider volunteering to be an **usher, greeter** or **lector**. The need is greatest for ushers! Contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, sherry@salchome.org or 425-746-2529.

RECORDINGS OF CLASSES: Video and audio recordings of Sunday adult discipleship classes are available online. Links to recordings can be found on the Sunday Morning Discipleship webpage: adulted.SALChome.org.

COLLECTIONS: Dorcas Circle, Health and Wholeness Ministry, and Outreach and Servant Ministries welcome your contributions for Lutheran World Relief, Compass Housing Alliance, Congregations for the Homeless, and The Sophia Way. Lists of needed items are in the baskets near the elevator in the Narthex. Donations can be placed in the same baskets.

CONGREGATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS: Clothing Needed! The CFH Day Center is open year-round providing services to homeless men. Once a week they distribute clothing, and currently are in need of more donations. If you have any gently used men's clothing, please put them in the basket marked "CFH" near the elevator in the Narthex. Items needed are: *jeans, belts, new underwear, t-shirts, light jackets, sweatshirts, fleece jackets, socks, athletic shoes, casual pants and shirts, towels for showers, sweat pants, and sleeping bags.*

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION: In 2016, Jean Wahlstrom and Marvin Kananen volunteered at the Navajo Lutheran Mission (NELM) in Rock Point, Arizona. The Mission School has invited Saint Andrew's to participate in an easy way to secure needed school supplies and equipment. Cut out and bring those little coupons found on various food containers (General Mills products and others) to the envelope attached to the bulletin board in the Narthex, labeled BOX TOPS. Collectively, these box tops will add up to enable these children to get a better education! To learn more, visit www.nelm.org/school or contact Jean Wahlstrom.

PILL BOTTLES NO LONGER NEEDED: Please note that we are not collecting pill bottles. The Sophia Way has an ample supply. Thank you to all who contributed!

LOVE TREE ~ THANKS! A big THANK YOU to those who participated in providing Christmas gifts to the various agencies supported by the Love Tree. Because of you we were able to give 21 gifts to Bridge Ministries clients, gift cards to 20 Veterans at Andrews Glen and 21 Sophia Way ladies, gifts to 50 children in Imagine Housing units and 70 gifts to Eastside Baby Corner. St Andrews also supplied the 82 elderly residents of Ellsworth House with a holiday goodie bag. Your generosity helped many have a brighter holiday.

Vision Initiative

Visioning Process Status...December 23, 2018

Look to this space for current information from the Vision Initiative Team.

This Past Week:

The Vision Initiative Team had this week off.

This Week:

The Vision Initiative Team will mostly have this week off, with some work on continued preparations and arrangements for meetings with youth in early January.

Coming Up:

At the annual meeting on January 27, the Vision Initiative Team will present the final version of our new Mission Statement and Values Statements.

Vision Initiative

Baptismal Font:

New to the font is a new bowl. It is a gift from Sue Short and family honoring the life of Ed Short. It was created by a potter in Holden Village.

It symbolizes for us the overflowing love of God for us in Jesus Christ and will hold the water for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. At its center, the bowl has the sign of what was once known as "The Liturgist Cross."

From the beginnings of Pastor Berner's ministry here, three men led the liturgy each Sunday: Dave Kolden, Ray Pates, and Ed Short. At their 25th Anniversary of service, they were each honored with a cross to honor their commitment to serve the Lord week after week at The Lord's Table.

That tradition continues to honor the role of those who serve as Assisting Ministers, Communion, Assistants, Acolytes, and Altar Guild who provide worship which honors God, through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit.



ALONG THE WAY

Celebrate Pastor James McEachran's ministry
at Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturday, January 5, 2019

Program begins about 2:00 p.m.

Renton Technical College
3000 NE Fourth Street - Building I
Renton 98056

We welcome stories and photographs for a party slide show and booklet.

RSVPs for the celebration are appreciated.

Send RSVPs, stories, and photographs to
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