

Romans 15:5

THE BEACON

ST. BARNABAS: BRINGING ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE WORLD

The Newsletter of St. Barnabas Anglican Church
February 2007



Ash Wednesday Service February 21st

We begin our Lenten Services with Ash Wednesday, Holy Eucharist Services on February 21st. We will have the Services at 10:30 a.m., and 7:00 p.m. The ashes are used to make the sign of the cross on our foreheads as a sign of humility and the need for forgiveness. It also reminds us of the death of Christ to forgive our sins.

Lenten Services and Soup Suppers

The beginning of Lent come with Ash Wednesday, and continues for 40 days as a period of spiritual preparation for Easter. At St. Barnabas, we will prepare for Easter by having Lenten Services each Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. A soup supper is planned for 6:00 p.m., with a Lenten Bible Study following. Then the Service will begin at 7:30 p.m. The Bible Study will be based on the book *The Great Omission* by Dallas Willard. Please plan to join us on the way to the cross.

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We give a special thanks to the following parishioners who volunteered their time on Sunday mornings to teach a Sunday School class during the first half of the year:

Marie and Tiffany Davis
Jim Schmitz
Kelly Johnston
Melissa Balthauser
Laura Hall

And we give an extra big thank you to **Sarah Davis** upon whom we have come to depend each and every week in the nursery. She enjoys the little ones and takes time to know the needs of the children in her care. The next time you see Sarah make sure to give her a warm thanks for all the volunteering she does here at St. Barnabas.

On Sunday, January 21st, our First Communion children were presented with their Bibles during the 10:15 a.m. Service. After several lessons discussing Baptism, The Lord's Prayer and the Sacrament of the Altar, Emma Broome, Peyton Greene, Madelyn Hamp and Brian Waitrovich will receive their First Communion on Sunday, May 6th. Please keep these children in your prayers as they continue their growth in the Holy Spirit.

Believe it or not we have already picked a curriculum for Vacation Bible School to be held this summer. We will let you know the week chosen for this event as soon as possible. We will also be looking for volunteers to help with snacks, crafts, songs, games, set-up, etc. Be thinking about where your gifts lie and where you'd like to participate.

Also keep watching for activities combining our younger Sunday School children and the Youth Group not only on Sunday mornings, but during the week as well. We are planning a movie night for all the kids within the next few weeks, hopefully as a Valentine's Getaway for the parents.

To all a very blessed 2007,

Becky and Tammy



**Youth Group
 will babysit so parents
 can have a date night
 with their Valentine!**

On ?????????????????, the Youth Group is planning another date night for parents. A family-friendly movie will be shown and a meal will be provided for the children. A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board so we know how many children will attend.



Congratulations Vestry Members!

On Sunday, January 21st, at the Annual Meeting, the following were elected members of the Vestry: Jim Bailey, Steve Behm, Harry Geaslen and Nancy Sabath. Amy Jackson will serve as an alternate if someone is not able to complete their term with the Vestry. Those who will continue to serve on the Vestry are Bob Middlemiss, Erick Edman, Art Hall, Mike Johnston, Tom Payne, Jim Schmitz, Bob Ward and Geoff White. Thank you to all who are willing to serve; and thank you to Jeff Davis, Dave Whalen and Dave Wilson who have completed their terms.



SCOUT SUNDAY

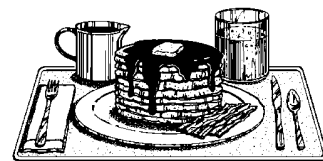
February 11th—10:15 a.m.

*All youth from any pack or troop are invited
to come to the 10:15 a.m. Service.*

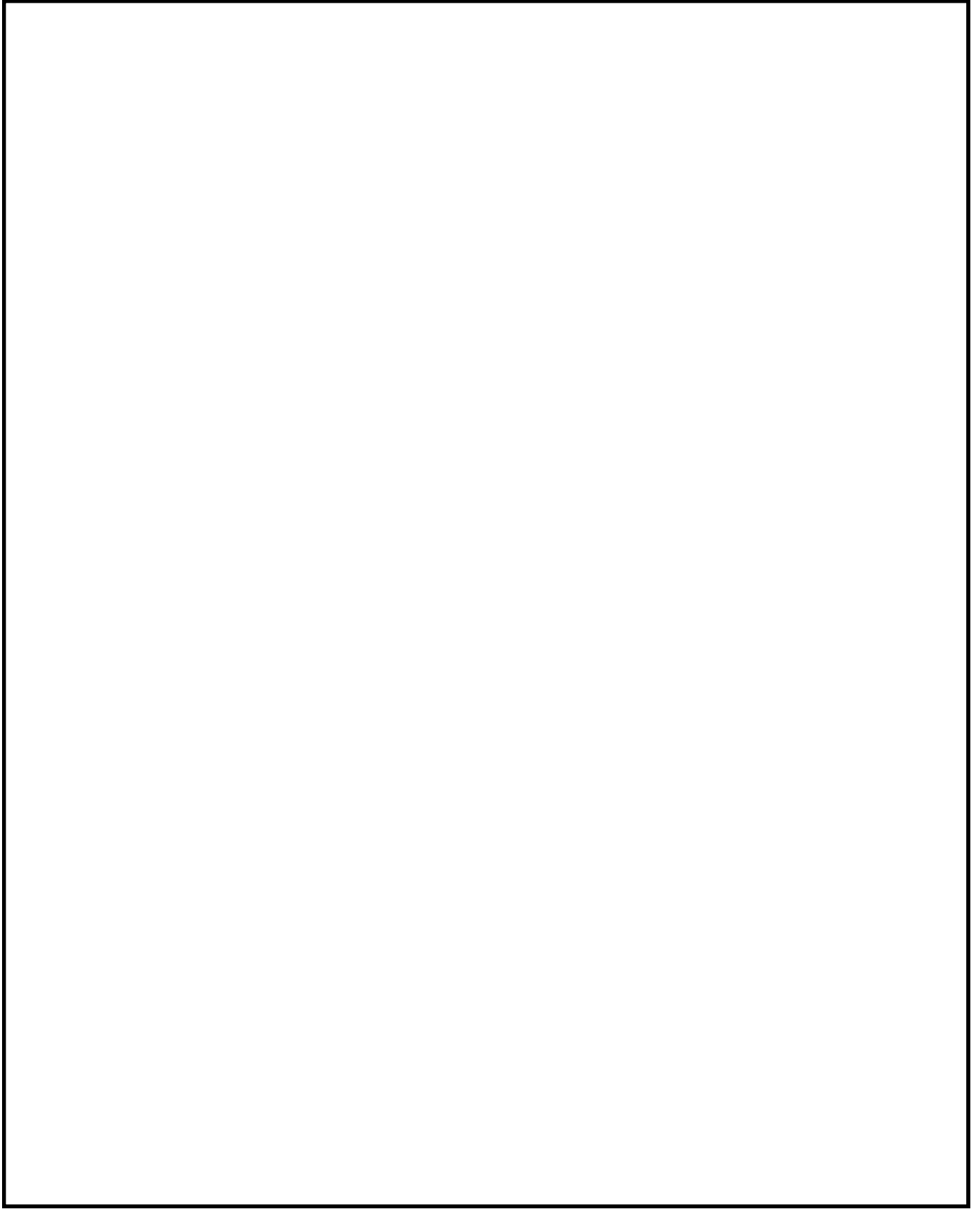
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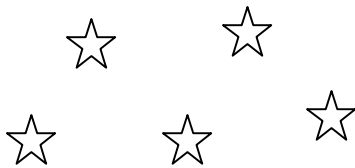
Boy Scout Pancake Supper

Tuesday, February 20th



The Boy Scouts will prepare and serve pancakes, sausage, applesauce, coffee, tea and juice for the Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 20th, from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. Cost for the evening is \$4.00 for adults and \$2.75 for children and senior citizens. All are welcome! Come and bring a friend!



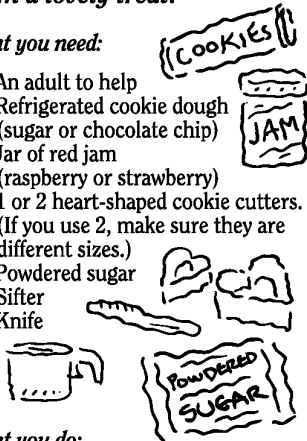


LOVE TREATS

Show others love by baking them a lovely treat!

What you need:

- ♥ An adult to help
- ♥ Refrigerated cookie dough (sugar or chocolate chip)
- ♥ Jar of red jam (raspberry or strawberry)
- ♥ 1 or 2 heart-shaped cookie cutters. (If you use 2, make sure they are different sizes.)
- ♥ Powdered sugar
- ♥ Sifter
- ♥ Knife



What you do:

1. Follow the cookie dough directions for rolling out the dough.
2. If you are using one cookie cutter, cut out the heart-shaped cookies and transfer to a baking sheet. Try to have an even number of hearts when finished.
3. If you are using two cookie cutters, cut out the large hearts. Take half of the hearts, and cut out a small heart window in the center with the smaller cookie cutter. Now you have a heart inside another heart.
4. Have an adult help you bake the cookies according to the dough directions.
5. After baking, place the cookies on a cooling rack.
6. When the cookies are cooled, make cookie sandwiches by spreading jam onto the flat side of half the cookies, and then placing another cookie on top of each one. (If you made cookie windows, use those for the tops.)
7. Sprinkle powdered sugar over your heart sandwiches with a sifter.
8. Share the cookies with the people you love.



But the Greatest of These Is LOVE!

God shows love to us every day and in many ways. Fill in the blanks below with the missing letters to see how God loves us perfectly!

“For God so lo _ _ ed the world,

that he g _ ve

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begott _ n

So _ ,

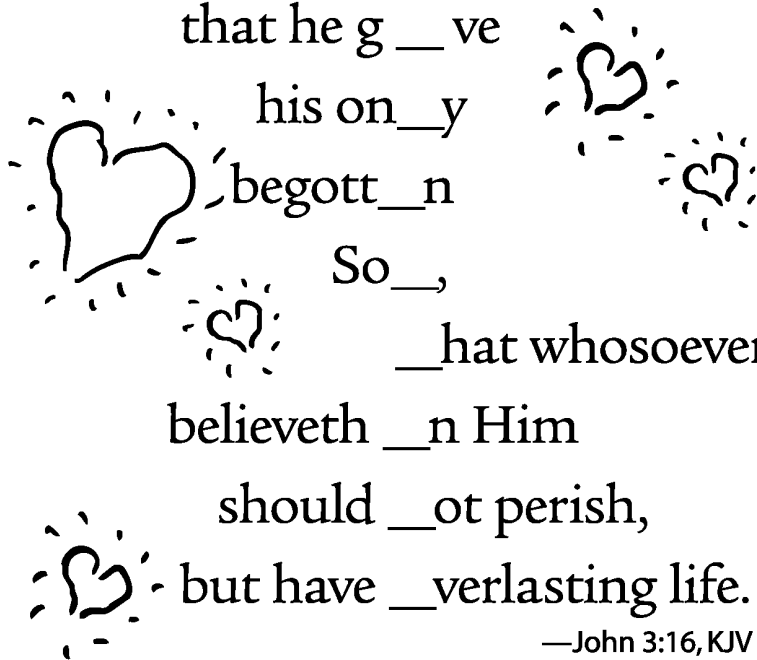
_ _ hat whosoever

believeth _ n Him

should _ ot perish,

but have _ verlasting life.

—John 3:16, KJV



Answer: valentine





Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ. Luke 2:25-26 (NIV)

Have you ever read the story, "Horton Hatches the Egg" by Dr. Seuss? It is a wonderful story about an elephant named Horton. The story begins with a lazy bird names Mayzie sitting on her egg in a tree. Sitting on the egg was tiresome and boring and Mayzie hated it. "I'd take a vacation, fly off for a rest if I could find someone to stay on my nest!" said Mayzie.

That's when Horton walked by. Mayzie asked Horton if he would sit on her egg while she took a little rest. Horton objected at first, but Mayzie promised that she would not be gone long, so Horton finally agreed and soon he was sitting on the nest while Mayzie flew off to Florida for a vacation.

In Florida, Mayzie had such fun that she decided she would never return to her nest. Days turned into weeks and weeks turned into months, but Horton kept sitting there, day after day. Winter came and icicles hung from Horton's trunk and his feet, but still he remained faithful to his promise to Mayzie.

"I'll stay on this egg and I won't let it freeze," he said with a sneeze. "I meant what I said and I said what I meant. An elephant is faithful, 100%."

Now I don't know if elephants are really faithful 100% or not, but I know someone who is. God is faithful, 100%! The Bible is full of the promises of God, and God is always faithful to keep His promises.

In the Bible, there is a story about a man named Simeon. Simeon was a very old man who had faithfully served God all of his life. Simeon was looking forward to the coming of the Messiah. God had promised Simeon that he would not die until he had seen the Christ, the promised Messiah. A few days after the birth of Jesus, Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the temple to dedicate him to God. Simeon was in the temple. As soon as Simeon saw the baby, he knew that Jesus was the Christ and that God had kept his promise that he would not die until he had seen the Messiah. God is faithful to his promises, 100%!

We are at the beginning of a new year. Many of us will make promises to God about things that we will do in the new year. I'm afraid that many times they are promises made, but never kept. If God is faithful to keep his promises to us, don't you think that it is important for us to keep our promises to him?

This year, as we make our promises to God, let us say, like Horton, "I meant what I said and I said what I meant. I'll be faithful to God, 100%

george

Sunday Nights
5:00 pm - 7 pm
GEEKS
(God's Enthusiastic
Extraordinary Kids)

For Grades 6, 7, and 8

6:30 pm

Youth Meal

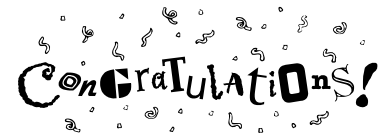
7:00 - 8:30 pm

WHATEVER

(Philippians 4:8,9)

For YOUTH

in High School



Vicky Diedrichs for recently becoming a member of the National Honor Society. Vicky is a Junior at Fairview High School. Vicky is involved in Cross Country, Track and has also been able to maintain a minimal grade point average of at least 3.4. Vicky was also chosen as candidate and member for her leadership.

Belize Mission Trip Meeting

There will be a meeting for all participants for the Belize Mission Trip, on Monday, January 30th, at 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested in possibly going will need to attend or get in touch with George before the meeting.

You better Belize IT!!!

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

In and Around St. Barnabas ...

- ◆ **The Men's Lunch** will meet on Monday, February 19th, at 12:00 noon at the Boardroom at the Holiday Inn Westlake.
- ◆ **Congratulations to Luke and Amy (Montgomery) Olts** who were married in the church on Saturday, January 13th. Amy is the daughter of Scott and Beverly Montgomery and granddaughter of Guy Hardy.

Vestry

Jim Bailey	Bob Middlemiss
Steve Behm	Tom Payne
Erick Edman	Nancy Sabath
Harry Geaslen	Jim Schmitz
Art Hall (Senior Warden)	Bob Ward
Mike Johnston	Geoff White

Services

Sunday-8 a. m. - Holy Eucharist
9:15 a.m. Adult Education Forum
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
Holy Eucharist
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist

Interim Rector

The Rev. Mark Scotton

Chaplain

The Rev. Robert N. Andrew

Ministers

All the members of the Church

Staff

Tammy Hamp & Becky Perrings
Children's Ministries

Lucy Morgan, *Events Coordinator*

Gratian Nugent, *Organist*

Merilyn Lindh, *Parish Secretary*

Gary Sabath, *Finance Secretary*

Marie, Jeff and Sarah Davis, *Sextons*

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MISSION STATEMENT

*Love the Living Lord
Foster His Family of Faith
Call the Culture to Christ*

VISION STATEMENT

*A Church Community Full of Disciples (who are)
Joyfully Worshipping the Lord
Enthusiastically Serving One Another
Compassionately Reaching Out to the
World for Christ*