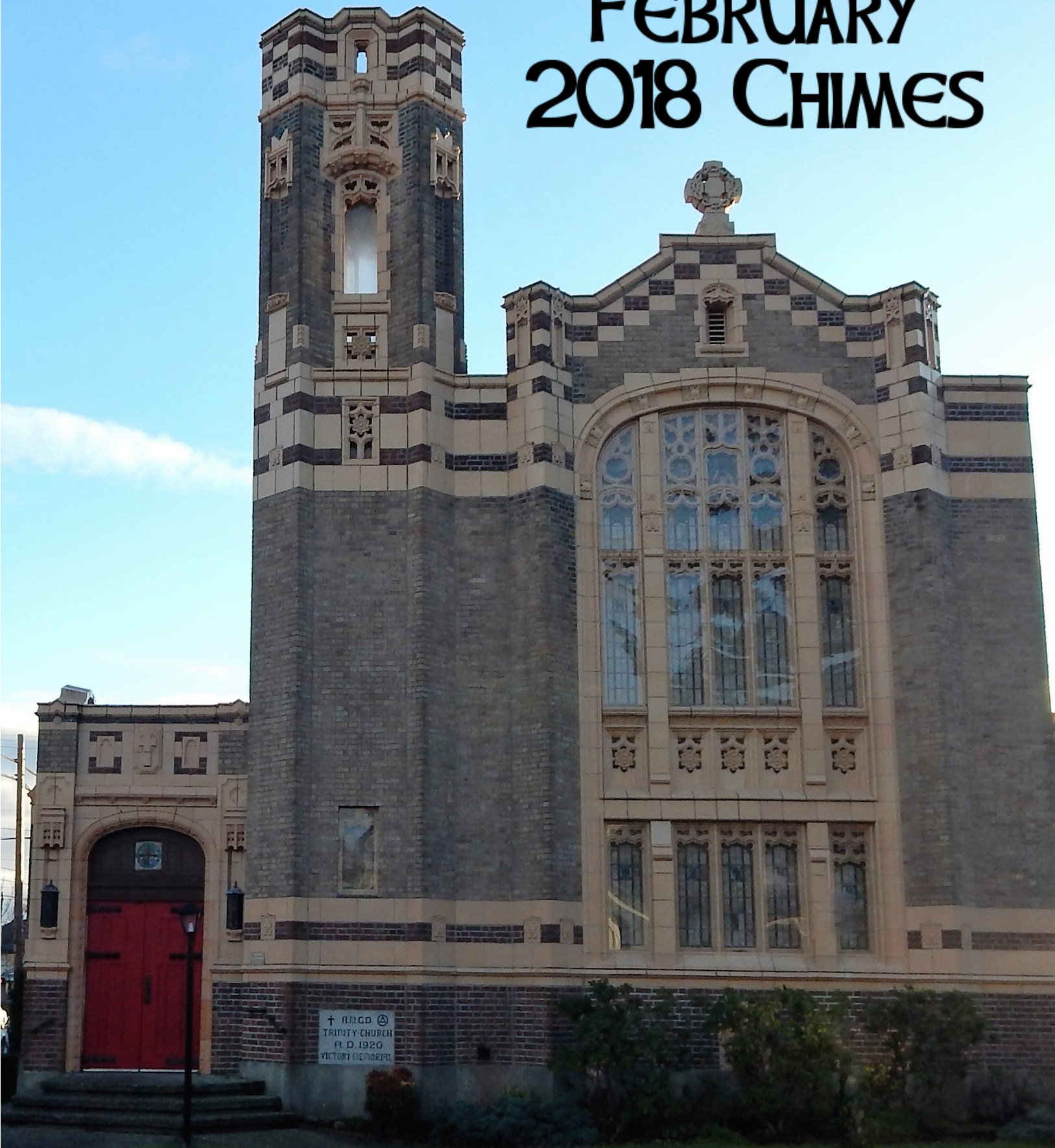


# FEBRUARY 2018 CHIMES



# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# RECTOR'S COLUMN

*And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings,  
knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character,  
and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us,  
because God's love has been poured into our hearts  
through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.*

Romans 5:3-5

Dear Friends,

Our Annual Parish Meeting held on January 21<sup>st</sup> included an amazing breakfast feast prepared by Charlene Rawson, with support provided by Kelly DiCicco, Colleen McSwain and Douglas Bell. Ben Baird did a fantastic job for us on kitchen clean up. I am very grateful for their help and hospitality provided to all of us.

Part of our time together included electing new Vestry members, and I am very grateful to be able to welcome Eileen Bernat, Christopher Jennings, Doug Lathom, Andraya Moser and Julia Vandervegt to the Leadership Team as well as Michelle Wheeler as an officer of the corporation in the role of Clerk of the Vestry. In addition, John Heberling and Mary Heilesen were elected for two year terms as parish delegates to Diocesan Convention. Our delegates and alternates to convention are invaluable to the parish as willing representatives to the work and dialog of the diocese.

At our annual meeting, David Kosar (Treasurer) and I made a joint Power Point presentation on the 2017 financials, the 2018 budget and a three-year plan. The three-year plan will include a period of stewardship study, community dialog and decision making towards a sustainable long term strategic plan for Trinity. A sabbatical scheduled for later this year will provide an opportunity for members to learn about various organizational models for fiscal and environmental sustainability. Like most of faith communities within The Episcopal Church, we at Trinity need to reflect together on what changes we need to make in order to thrive – not just survive.

If you were unable to attend our Annual Parish Meeting, I strongly urge you to come to hear the Power Point presentation that David and I made at that time, because we are going to repeat it on **Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**, following the 10:00 am service. I feel sure that many of you will want to have a clear understanding of our past and current financial situation, the need for a model of year round stewardship, and the choices before us in 2018 that will affect profoundly on the short and long term organizational direction of the parish.

If you are someone who did attend the Annual Parish Meeting, then I encourage you to share what you learned with others who were not there. You are also welcome to come to the repeat presentation on February 25<sup>th</sup>, if you would like another opportunity to review the information that was shared. This year will be an extraordinarily important year for the life of our congregation, and the time to participate in the dialog is now if there is ever going to be a then. As a sabbatical year, we are all asked to listen, reflect and study so that together, we can identify the path towards a sustainable and creatively adaptive future for Trinity Episcopal Church.

In Christ's Peace,  
Pastor Rachel+  
The Rev. Rachel K. Taber-Hamilton, Rector



# OUR CORE VALUES

(Vestry Retreat 2016)





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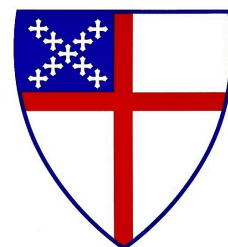
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# MUSIC PROGRAM NEWS

## MEMORIAL EUCHARIST for BONNIE BETH DERBY -

**Saturday, Feb. 3, 1:00pm.**

Come celebrate the life and gift of love of Bonnie Beth Derby, whose death has left a hole in our parish life. Bonnie Beth, “retired” organist and director from N.Y. state, gave of herself fully to choir, bell choir, children’s music, the Daughters of the King, and our Prayer Shawl Ministry. There will be a special musical tribute, including several of her own compositions, performed by our adult, children, and bell choirs. Please join us for a beautiful, uplifting celebration of generosity, love, and God’s gift of music, followed by a reception in Rogers Hall. ***All are welcome.***

## I love Ash Wednesday

This year, the season of Lent begins on Valentine’s Day... yes, Ash Wednesday is Feb. 14. Our contemporary practices of Valentine’s Day usually range from cute Valentine cards made and given out to elementary school classmates, a special date in high school or college, maybe flowers and chocolate later in life. It’s one day of the year when we try to remember to say “I love you” to that special someone. For me, it’s not a conflict to celebrate the “day of love” by remembering what God has done for us all, offering Jesus as his the ultimate sacrifice: God’s Son, yet one of us -- who showed us the way.

Therefore, I can say I actually *love* Lent. The images of forgiveness, reconciliation, healing, death, resurrection, and hope for life eternal are augmented in a musical tapestry that goes beyond words.

The gospel for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent reminds us that “God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.” Some of the greatest church music of all time has been written to help tell these stories we all need to hear – again. Just like young kids watching “Frozen” a zillion times, so to, all of us are enriched by hearing those familiar lessons of God’s love for us again. Each time, there is something new, if you fully engage in it.

I struggle with finding enough time to quietly connect. So, Lent is always my time for spiritual renewal– or at least cutting back on some entertainment, eating, or other distractions, and hopefully, make more time to become quiet and listen to the voice of God in my life. I’ll keep trying to make baby steps. I hope many of you will set aside some time to do the same, and especially to worship with us, each week and even take in the beautiful, moving services of Holy Week. Growing up Catholic, we had a lot of “holy days of obligation” – where we expected to attend mass on the appointed day as a duty. For Lent and Holy Week, I prefer to look at participation as “holy days of opportunity.”

Before Lent begins, it’s traditional to have a little extra fun just before we “tighten our belts” for a few weeks. In New Orleans, they have a whole festival just before Ash Wednesday called “Mardi Gras.” Some places have a simple pancake supper the night before, “Shrove Tuesday.” OUR Shrove / Mardi Gras will be on Sunday, will be Sunday, Feb. 10.

## MARDI GRAS & PANCAKE BREAKFAST -Feb. 7 at 10:00am



Back by popular demand, our final liturgy before the penitential season of Lent begins will have a “New Orleans” flair to it. We’ll again have Dixieland jazz musicians: Don Wayne, Clark Silliman, Lisa Vallins, Al Rustad, John Heberling, and Allen Hicks (trumpet, trombone, clarinet, tuba, banjo, and drums, respectively) will again unite for an especially joyful finale of the Epiphany season.

The band will entertain with more Dixieland music at the **Parish Pancake Breakfast** following.

“**Chef Charlene**” and many from our music program will create a wonderful breakfast feast sure to delight.

Bring your friends and let’s make a very joyful noise together!

### **JUNIOR CHOIR & HAND CHIMES** *welcome new members.*

This is a great way for kids to learn music, practice their faith, and make friends.

Our Junior Choir (and chime ringers) rehearse on a regular basis:

**Sundays**, 11:30am-12:30am (Hand Chimes) + some afternoon times as we approach Easter, (as family schedules allow.)

### **TRINITY PARISH CHOIR**

We are preparing now for Lent and Easter. If you would like to consider making a joyful noise unto the Lord on a regular basis, please join us (soon!) on Thursdays, 7:00-9:00pm in the choir room (church basement.) We welcome all, but previous experience and music reading is especially helpful. If in doubt, try and find out!

Comments? Questions? Suggestions? Please contact David Spring, at the church office, 425-252-4129, cell 206-261-0873, or email at [davespring@comcast.net](mailto:davespring@comcast.net)

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL

It is the start of the new year and Trinity Sunday School is looking for Guest Speakers to talk about their jobs in the church or what they do for a living with our students. If you have a creative side we have a kitchen downstairs that you may use with a great counter to cook with the kids. We have an art room that you can use to supplement your teachings. If you would like to read a story to them that may be special to you, please let us know.

The Christmas Pageant was a success and If you missed it, it is on YouTube to watch. A big thank you to David for his hard work and enthusiasm and to the parents for helping and their hard work. What would everyone like to see next year?

We started the new year with the Circle of Church story and the Mustard Seed Parable. Rachael is teaching the Communion of Saints lesson this month which is new to the church last year. Thank you to Pastor Rachael and the church for purchasing this for us. As always, our doors are open for your kiddos. We are finishing up with the Winter lessons and Parables and looking forward to the Easter lessons.

Peace be with you,

The Sunday School Committee



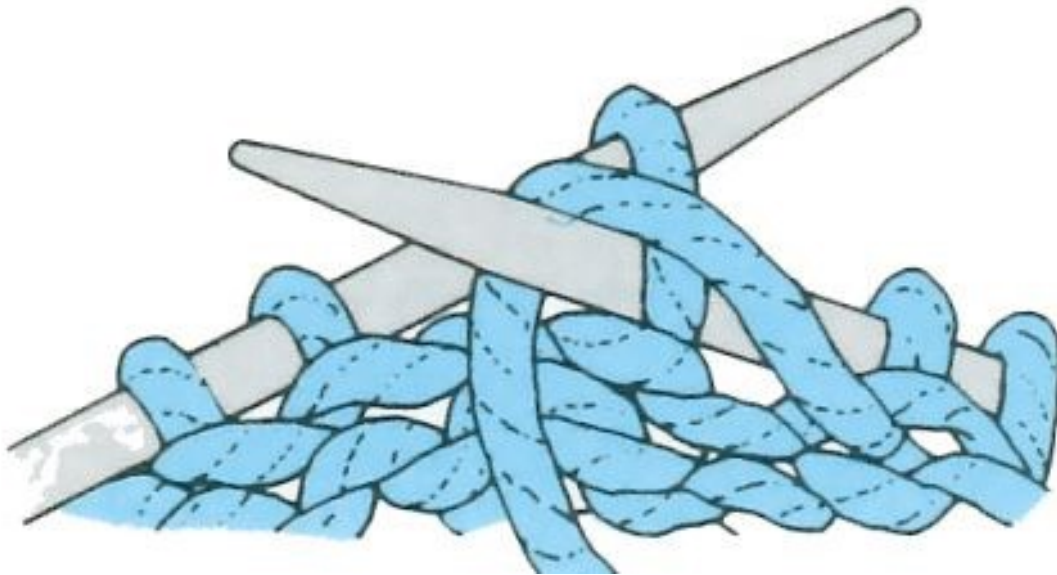
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# PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

This is a new beginning for the shawl ministry and already we have blessed 18 prayer shawls this year. We have lots of donated yarn in the guild room closet ready to be knit or crocheted into shawls and pocket prayer shawls. Charlene Rawson has donated red, black, navy blue and gold yarn to be made into pocket prayer shawls for the police department and the fire department. Hopefully we can complete this ongoing project this year. We need people to help make this possible. We meet on the first Saturday of the month except when it falls on a holiday weekend and then we meet on the second Saturday of the month. The meeting starts at 10 AM and ends at 11AM in the guild room. Our next meeting is February 3rd. Please come and help with this fulfilling ministry.

Sandee Wheeler

A Knitter



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# ST MARY'S ALTAR GUILD

Starting Sunday February 4th there will be a basket on the entry table in the Narthex for any palms that you have from last year. These palms will be used to make ashes that we use for Ash Wednesday,

Thanks,  
Emily



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# DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Daughters of the King met for our monthly meeting on January 4, 2018.

There are no dues in DOK, but collections are taken four times a year for different purposes. In January, self-denial is practiced with the resulting funds going to missions and mission trips. The Self Denial donations are collected close to Feb. 2, The Feast of the Presentation of Christ.

Bonnie Beth's funeral will be Saturday, Feb. 3.

Nancy Smith gave reports on the Bible study and a possible new meeting date for DOK.

The first Sunday of each month after the 10:00 service is our new meeting time. Our first meeting on this new date will be Sunday, February 4 in the Rector's Chapel. The Senior members study guide will be introduced to prospective members.

The Bible study will meet on third Sundays. A Men's Bible study was organized and will be led by Alan Hicks.

**The 2018 Triennial** is a gathering of all of the DOK Chapters. Come to Austin, Texas to celebrate the 133rd anniversary of our Order at the 2018 Triennial Retreat and Meeting! Triennial will take place June 20 - 24 at the Renaissance Austin Hotel in Austin, Texas.

Registration, travel and hotel information is on the DOK website: [doknational.org/events](http://doknational.org/events)

**Order vs. Organization:** "The Order of the Daughters of the King is organized as a religious order, although we do not live in an enclosed community. Each Daughter takes a lifetime vow to live by the Rule of the Order. Our Rule of Life requires a spiritual discipline of daily prayer, service and evangelism. Because of our vow, we refer to ourselves as an order, not an organization. Our bylaws prohibit us from raising funds."

From: *National Handbook and Bylaws of the Order of the Daughters of the King*

"And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant."

Luke 1:46-7 (NRSV)

Leah Timberlake  
Secretary

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# USHERS

## 2018 ANNUAL REPORT ARTICLE FOR USHERS

A dedicated group of 12 men and women serve as ushers at Trinity: one at the 8:00 am service, ten at the 10:00 am service, and one substitute. A schedule is prepared every quarter which includes Sunday services and all special services, with each usher serving approximately four times during the three month period. Ushers are also asked to serve at weddings and funerals as needed.

Training sessions are held for new ushers, using Trinity's *Usher Duties and Procedures* document, which was updated in January 2017. Reminders and changes in procedure are communicated through email or by letter.

The ushers' duties include: assisting people as they arrive for services; counting all service participants; taking the collection; directing the congregation during communion; counting and securing the collection following the service; and checking the sanctuary for trash and/or lost items.

The ushers find this ministry to be very rewarding and a great way to get to know our parishioners. We encourage anyone who feels called to be an usher to join our team.

Ron Chappell, Usher Coordinator

Carol Bartley, Vestry Liaison



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# SUNDAY READINGS

**Feb 4**

**Epiphany 5**

Isaiah 40:21-31  
1 Corinthians 9:16-23  
Mark 1:29-39  
Psalm 147:1-12, 21c

**Feb 11**

**Epiphany 6**

2 Kings 2:1-12  
2 Corinthians 4:3-6  
Mark 9:2-9  
Psalm 50:1-6



**Feb 14** **Ash Wed**

Isaiah 58:1-12  
2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10  
Matthew 6:1-6,16-21  
Psalm 103 or 103:8-14

**Feb 18** **Lent 1**

Genesis 9:8-17  
1 Peter 3:18-22  
Mark 1:9-15  
Psalm 25:1-9

**Feb 25** **Lent 2**

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16  
Romans 4:13-25  
Mark 8:31-38  
Psalm 22:22-30



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# TRINITY VESTRY

## Class of 2018

Carol Bartley  
Gonzalo Canseco  
Harry Stengele  
Jeff Wheeler

## Class of 2019

Eileen Bernat  
Jason Grace  
Nick Fuchs  
Janet Kowalski

## Class of 2020

Christopher Jennings  
Doug Lathom  
Andraya Moser  
Julia Vandervegt

## Treasurer

David Kosar

## Clerk of the Vestry

Michelle Wheeler

## Chancellor

Sarah Mack

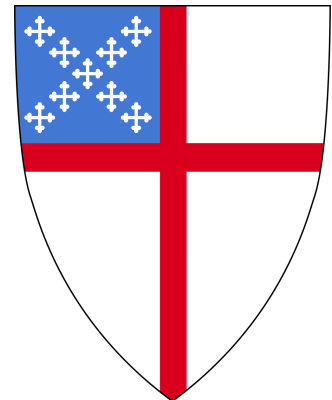
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## Delegates

Ray Smith - 1 year  
Bob Wheeler - 1 year  
John Heberling - 2 years  
Mary Heilesen - 2 years

## Alternate Delegates

Diana Baird (*First Alternate*)  
Ben Baird (*Second Alternate*)  
Gonzalo Canseco (*Third Alternate*)  
Melody Oxley (*Forth Alternate*)



## Regional Convener

Leann Harrison Torgerson

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# BIRTHDAYS

Bella MacMillan - 2/1

Norman Grace - 2/2

Zachary Morales - 2/3

Sarah Olason - 2/4

Melody Oxley - 2/4

Janet Kowalski - 2/5

Sue Ann Smith - 2/7

Brandon Ainsworth - 2/11

Ellie Snyder - 2/13

John Heberling - 2/14

Sydney Fleckenstein - 2/16

Jennifer Henriksen - 2/16

Alex Moser - 2/17

Norman Gregory - 2/18

David Spring - 2/18

Sharon Martin - 2/20

Adele Erbeck - 2/23

Christopher DeLisle - 2/24

Brittany Friend - 2/25

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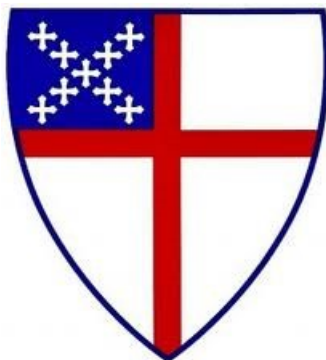
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