

Bede's Journal

The Monthly Newsmagazine of St. Bede's Episcopal Church



We help all ages grow in faith and service.

February 2015

February at a Glance

9:00am, Sundays in February

Soulwork: When Science Meets Religion

6:30pm, Saturday 7 February

FALL GALA sign-up event: Mediterranean Dinner

4:00pm, Sunday 8 February

Arts at St. Bede's presents The Whole Noyse

Wednesday 11 February

Registration deadline for guaranteed accommodation at the Parish Retreat (Friday-Sunday, 12-14 June at The Bishop's Ranch, Healdsburg)

6:00pm, Shrove Tuesday, 17 February

Vestry-Hosted Pancake Supper

Ash Wednesday, 18 February

8:00am Imposition of Ashes

noon & 7:30pm Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes

4:00pm, Sunday 22 February

Arts at St. Bede's presents Serenade



Look Ahead and Save These Dates!

Sunday 1 March

3:15pm Dedication of Memorials for Laine & Mia Mammen

4:00pm Lenten Evensong

7:30pm, Saturday 7 March

Arts at St. Bede's presents Linda Yoshida Wenstrand, soprano

7:30pm, Saturday 14 March

Arts at St. Bede's presents Master Sinfonia Chamber Orchestra

4:00pm, Sunday 22 March

Arts at St. Bede's presents San Francisco Renaissance Voices & Dancers

Adult Education: Soulwork

When Science Meets Religion

The intersection of science and religion poses questions for both disciplines. What does it mean to be a scientist and a person of faith? How does one reconcile the differing perspectives of science and religion, and is this possible or desirable? On Sundays this month, St. Bede's members who are scientists will share their thoughts on these questions.

February 1: Mathai Mammen, Genetics

February 8: Kathleen Thompson, Physics and Cosmology

February 15: Doug Blayney, Cancer

February 22: TBA, Theological Perspectives

Sunday Soulwork meets at 9:00am in Lehman Hall; childcare is available.

Wednesday Soulwork meets at 6:30pm in Lehman Hall. The topic in February is TBA; please check St. Bede's website for details.



"Education," stained glass by Louis Comfort Tiffany, 1890. Public domain design and image.

Arts at St. Bede's presents

The Whole Noyse

Sunday, February 8, 4pm

Based in the Bay Area, The Whole Noyse is celebrating its twenty-sixth year as one of the country's leading early brass ensembles. The group models itself after the versatile wind bands of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries; its primary instruments are cornetts, sackbuts, and curtal.

Tickets at the door: \$15 general/\$10 senior/\$5 student



Seccombe Fund Grants 2014

Each year the Community Service Committee, with the approval of the vestry, disburses grants from the Seccombe Outreach Fund to a variety of local non-profit partners and Global AIDS Interfaith Alliance (GAIA), drawing on eScrip donations, earmarked and general donations from individuals and businesses, and seasonal fundraisers. Based on such sources in 2014, in late January we were able to make the following grants:

* **GAIA:** \$1,900. This is the annual cost of a nursing scholarship in Malawi, for which the grant is earmarked, and includes \$910 raised in Advent (with the remainder from Family Sharing surpluses and general Seccombe funds). The nonprofit is now expanding its scholarships to Liberia to help fight Ebola and also raising funds for flood relief in Southern Malawi.
Info: www.thegaia.org

* **Home & Hope:** \$500. This amount includes \$102 in donations from the fall Collage concert at St. Bede's. See the related article opposite for details of our hands-on service with the family shelter program.
Info: www.homeandhope.net

* **Los Ayudantes:** \$500. Volunteer, parishioner, and board member Michelle Swenson noted in the literacy nonprofit's request for continued funding: "One of the things I really love about Los Ayudantes is how

much we get done with so little money—thanks mainly to volunteers [most from St. Bede's]. After three years, we're no longer getting a grant from Episcopal Charities and so even small donations really do add up. The St. Bede's community has long contributed time, talent, and treasure to Los Ayudantes and that is much appreciated."
Info: www.losayudantes.org

* **Ecumenical Hunger Program:** \$350. St. Bede's also supports this East Palo Alto nonprofit through the weekly Pack the Bag program for food-insecure children and the annual Family Sharing program, detailed in the January *Bede's Journal*.
Info: www.ehpcares.org

* **Service League:** \$350. See the related article on page 16 about St. Bede's support of the Service League's Christmas cookie project at the county jail.
Info: www.serviceleague.org

* **InnVision Shelter Network:** \$300. The Silicon Valley nonprofit houses more than 1,000 people in emergency shelters and transitional housing every night.
Info: www.ivsn.org

* **Episcopal Chaplaincy at Stanford Hospital:** \$300. Rev. Thomas Jackson, raised to ordination while at St. Bede's, directs this ministry of spiritual care for all who desire it.
Info: www.episcochaplain.org

—Jeanne Cooper

Community Service Home & Hope Ahead

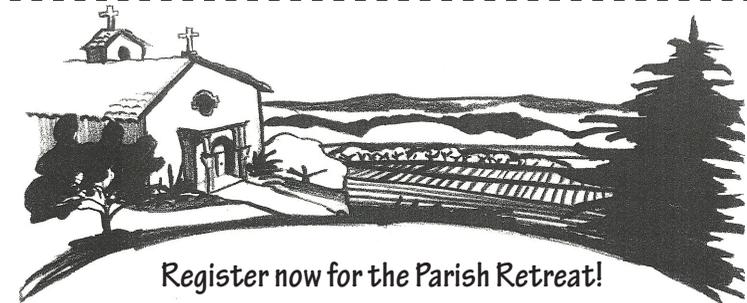
February bridges Epiphany and Lent, appropriate times to consider sharing the light of Christ and walking in the wilderness with others. Volunteering with Home & Hope, the transitional family shelter program hosted by partner faith communities, allows us to do both.

A typical team includes a pair of overnight hosts, two to three volunteers who either bring or prepare dinner onsite, and two to three volunteers (often part of the dinner crew, and including children) who socialize with adults and play or supervise children among the four or so client families. These guests appreciate volunteers who show kindness, consideration, and discretion during an understandably stressful time in their lives, especially as the tight housing market means more are spending longer in the program (an average of 102 days in 2013, the latest data available, vs. 93 days in 2009).

On Wednesday, February 11, and Tuesday, March 10, St. Bede's teams will serve the program at Congregation Beth Jacob (CBJ) in Redwood City, our primary partner, thanks to Ed and Carol Brink, Jeanne Cooper, John Hickson and Sarah Babin, Megan Sell, and Hasma Serverian. For our secondary partner, Transfiguration Episcopal, we are not committing full teams during the week of February 15-21 ("Ski Week" to some), but are encouraging individuals or groups to fill in as available; on Friday, February 20, for example, dinner will be partially covered by Jeanne Cooper and childcare/adult socializing by the Pellegrin family.

Please contact Jeanne Cooper or another volunteer if you'd like to join us on any of those dates. We'll have additional service dates at CBJ and Transfiguration later in the year, as well as opportunities in July and August at Trinity Episcopal in downtown Menlo Park.

—Jeanne Cooper



Register now for the Parish Retreat!

The annual Parish Retreat at the Bishop's Ranch in Healdsburg will be Friday evening through Sunday mid-morning, 12-14 June. To guarantee your space, register by Wednesday, 11 February.

* Middle School Youth Group *

Sunday Gatherings

St. Bede's middle school youth group (for students in grades 6-8) had our first coffee-hour gathering on Sunday, January 25th. If you have any ideas for group outings or service projects, please let us know! In the meantime, the group will be meeting in the youth room on Sundays from approximately 11:30-12:15. Grab something at coffee hour and join us in the newly redesigned youth room!

– Claire Lawrence

Middle School Movie Night—

*The SpongeBob Movie:
Sponge Out of Water*
Friday, February 6
Cinemark 20 Redwood City

The youth group is starting to do monthly events in addition to Sunday morning gathering. In February, they will see the new SpongeBob movie on its opening weekend. Please contact Katie Machemer if you are interested in seeing the movie. There will be an email closer to the event with the time of the movie and other important details.

– Katie Machemer



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Service Weekend

Over the MLK, Jr. holiday weekend, nine middle schoolers and two chaperones went on their first St. Bede's service weekend with Sierra Service Project to North Sacramento. There they worked with five other church youth groups to clean up two abandoned lots, put in an irrigation system for a community garden, paint a nonprofit office, and rehabilitate Camp Pollock with the Nature Conservancy. The students worked hard during the day on their service areas. In the evenings, they explored the theme "do small things with great love" from Mother Teresa. Everyone in the group learned new skills! In celebration of a wonderful weekend we stopped at In-N-Out for snacks on our drive home.

To hear more about the trip just ask one of our youth group kids, pictured below. All of the parents are mightily thankful to Mathai Mammen for joining Katie Machemer on the service weekend as a chaperone.

From the Rector

The Bishop, the Cyclist, and Us

Two days after Christmas, a car driven by the Rt. Rev. Heather Cook, Bishop Suffragan of Maryland, struck and killed 41-year-old Tom Palermo as he was cycling in the bike lane of a Baltimore street. Bishop Cook left the scene for twenty minutes before returning, and a police test indicated that her blood-alcohol content was 0.22 percent, well above Maryland's limit of 0.08 percent. She was immediately placed on administrative leave by the diocesan bishop of Maryland. Bishop Cook has been charged with several offenses, including vehicular manslaughter, driving under the influence, and failing to remain at the scene of an accident. She turned herself in after a warrant was issued for her arrest. The Presiding Bishop's office has also begun church disciplinary proceedings against her. Shortly after the accident, it was revealed that Bishop Cook had had a previous DUI in 2010, which was disclosed to Maryland's search committee but not to the diocesan convention that elected her bishop only last spring.

This case has attracted national media attention and accompanying internet commentary. It raises many questions about our search processes, the appropriate balance between forgiveness and accountability, and the standards of behavior to which

clergy are held. There are particular questions about Bishop Cook's relationship with alcohol and why no one in the Church seems to have noticed her drinking and tried to help her. (She has not revealed publicly whether she is an alcoholic.) But the question foremost in my mind is: What does this say about the Episcopal Church's relationship with alcohol?

Over my years in a number of Episcopal churches, I have observed some troubling signs. I was part of one parish where a lector repeatedly showed up stumbling drunk to services, with no response from the leadership. My seminary held weekly social hours that half the time were dry in support of those in recovery; about a third of the community wouldn't attend when alcohol wasn't served. When I was searching for a new call in 2012-3, all the congregations where I interviewed served alcohol at interview functions, and I received sidelong glances for declining to drink (on a job interview!). Every conversation I've ever had about whether to serve alcohol at church functions—including those intended to be family events—invariably concludes, "We have to have alcohol because people won't come unless it's available." Which is true: across the Episcopal Church, dry events draw fewer people.

St. Bede's hosts large Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous



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groups on our campus, as many Episcopal churches do. But those aren't parish groups; they are community groups that use our space. Our support of people in recovery outside our parish does not mean that we have a healthy relationship with alcohol inside our parish.

What does all that say about our relationship with alcohol? Dean Mike Kinman of Christ Church Cathedral in St. Louis expresses it well:

I believe our church is an addicted family system... And one thing we know about addictions... we will use every power of rationalization and misdirection we have to defend them, because we are convinced we need them and it terrifies us to the core to have them named and challenged. They are in every way the anti-Christ. They are a power counter to Christ to which we give power every bit as profoundly as we promise to give Jesus. And there is no way we can give our lives to Christ fully as long as they have us in their grasp.

But the good news is we are people of Jesus Christ. And we are people who put our whole trust in Jesus' grace and love. And we are people who believe in Jesus' saving power. And so we are people who need not fear any question—

no matter how deeply it convicts us. On the contrary, we are people who must welcome the hardest and most convicting of questions, the questions that reveal the deepest truths, for we truly believe the truth shall set us free.¹

Jesus, of course, was no stranger to alcohol. No one in Jesus' time, however, had any understanding of addiction. The apostle Paul, who knew intimately the joys and challenges of living in Christian community, urged the Corinthians not to eat meat sacrificed to idols if doing so presented a stumbling block to the weak (1 Cor 8:9). I am coming to realize that Episcopalians' permissive attitude towards drinking may present such a stumbling block. The pervasiveness of alcohol in the Episcopal Church makes it more difficult for our brothers and sisters in recovery to maintain their sobriety, it suggests to those alcoholics not yet in recovery that their consumption is normal and acceptable, and it teaches children that drinking is necessary to be sociable and have fun.

I hope we at St. Bede's can have thoughtful, honest conversations about our church's relationship with alcohol and be intentional about our decisions concerning it. We can take heart from the people among us who have faced that hardest and most convicting

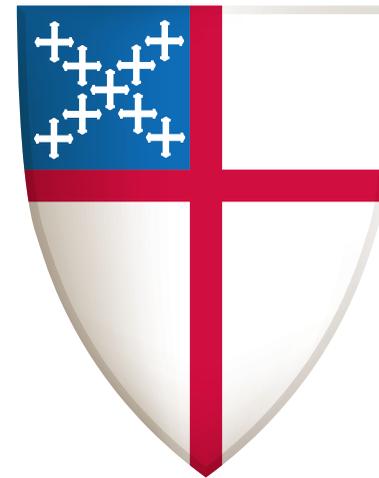
¹ Mike Kinman, "The 'Right Question' about Bishop Cook and Alcohol," *Come Together*, <http://cccdean.blogspot.com/2015/01/the-right-question-about-bishop-cook.html?m=1> (accessed January 12, 2015).

of questions, admitted they are addicted to alcohol, and been set free by that truth to walk in the light of recovery. They are a blessing to us. They testify to God's ability to bring new life out of the cold, stony tomb. They offer us hope that we can change our relationship with alcohol. Is it time for the Episcopal Church to learn from them?

Peace,

Gia+

P.S. Tom Palermo is survived by his wife, Rachel, and their children Sadie and Sam. A fund has been set up for the children's education. I have made a donation, and I encourage you to, also. Google "Palermo Children's Fund" for information on contributing. And please keep the Palermo family, Bishop Cook, and the Diocese of Maryland in your prayers.



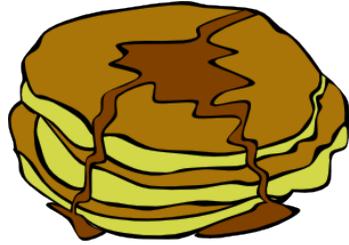
A New Small Group (and a confession)

A new small group for spiritual formation starts this month at St. Bede's, using the Companions in Christ resource from Upper Room. I was in two different Companions groups not long after I came to the Episcopal Church, and over a decade later, they are still some of the most life-giving things I've ever done. I made close friends and had profound experiences of God through those groups. It's a significant time commitment—a daily 30-minute exercise on your own, and a 2-hour meeting once a week with the group, for 28 weeks—but I found it was rewarding in itself, and really helped me establish a habit of spiritual practices after the group ended. I'm enthusiastic about sharing this with St. Bede's.

Now, a confession: I meant to invite a few people personally to seed the group and extend an open invitation to anyone in the parish who wished to join. I made the mistake of sending too many personal invitations at once, and so many people said yes that the group will be unmanageable with any additional members. Lesson learned! Assuming this first group has a positive experience, a second group will start when the first one finishes, probably about a year from now. If you're interested in being part of a Companions group, please contact me, and I'll make sure you are included in the next one.

Gia+

Don't miss it:



The Vestry hosts a
Pancake Supper

Shrove Tuesday, 17 February
6:00-7:30pm

RSVP to the parish office or on the clipboard at Sunday coffee hours.

Lenten Coin Drive

The annual Sunday school coin drive kicks off at the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on 17 February, when the nonprofit recipient will be announced, and continues at coffee hours on Sundays in Lent.



Inspired by college basketball tournaments, Lent Madness pits 32 saints against each other in a bracket, as each saint seeks to win the coveted Golden Halo. Throughout Lent, vote for your favorite saints at www.lentmadness.org

Vote for Bede on 2/26!



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Arts at St. Bede's presents

Serenade

Sunday, February 22, 4pm

This chamber choir comprised of elite singers from across the Bay Area sings a program of music ranging from settings of Shakespeare to spirituals. Serenade is led by Dr. Bryan Baker of Masterworks Chorale.

Tickets at the door: \$15 general/\$10 senior/\$5 student



The deadline for the March issue of Bede's Journal is Sunday 15 February.



Please send copy to: cshedlock@stbedesmenlopark.org



Disaster Preparedness

Emergency Contacts

For the past year, the Disaster Preparedness Committee of the vestry has been working on plans for our parish in the event of a major disaster in our area. This could include, among the possibilities, earthquake, fire, chemical spill, and weather-related events. The committee has recently added additional persons from our congregation to help complete our work.

One of the things we are working on is preparing a list of people from our parish who live alone, to make sure they have someone they will be able to get in touch with when a disaster happens. In February, we will be contacting those in our parish who live alone or who might need assistance. We hope to be able to reach all those on our list by the end of the month. We will be glad to provide a contact person for anyone who needs one.

– Carol Brink and the committee

It's Time to Join the Choir

I have been singing in one choir or another since I was twelve and started attending a summer music camp where my parents both taught. Every student at the camp had to participate in a performing ensemble, no exceptions. Since I didn't play an orchestral or band instrument at the time, I had to join the choir. To this day, I give thanks for the hard-and-fast rule which obligated me to take part, and have never since had time when I was not a member of a performing group, or two, or ten. Although I occasionally perform as a soloist, ensemble work is where my musical heart lies. I am guilty of building up my earthly treasure in the intricate polyphony of Tallis, the grand fugues of Bach, the vivid sonic imagery of Vaughan Williams, and the jazzy rhythms of Bernstein. I have a lifetime of experience at being part of an ensemble, and count myself blessed to be surrounded by friends, family, and colleagues who feel the same way. It's a blessing that grows with sharing: if you love to sing, whether or not you've had experience with a choir, maybe it's time you help spread the blessing and join the choir at St. Bede's! Membership offers hard work, fun, camaraderie, and of course, lots of great music.

As well, membership in a musical ensemble puts one in a truly dichotomous state: one is at the same time *absolutely essential* and *completely disposable*. The *disposable* part is the more obvious. If a single alto, or

Merriam-Webster's online dictionary gives the following definitions for the word *choir*:

1. An organized company of singers (as in a church service)
2. A group of instruments of the same class < a brass choir >
3. An organized group of persons or things
4. A division of angels
5. The part of a church occupied by the singers or by the clergy; also: the part of the church where the services are performed
6. A group organized for ensemble speaking

violinist, percussionist, or music director, for instance, is sick, injured or otherwise unavoidably prevented from participating, the rest of the group simply carries on with fewer numbers, or calls in a substitute. Size really doesn't matter: whether in a huge opera company or a string quartet, little adjustments are made to compensate for the missing member or integrate the sub, and the performance goes on. Without an announcement or last minute insert in the program booklet, the listeners will be largely unaware of the absence of one who belongs, but is suddenly missing. The ensemble, possessing both a general sense of musical selfhood and specific preparation for the music to be presented, will absorb the absence or substitution with little or no disruption. And when the illness, injury, or crisis is over, the temporarily absent member can return to the

music and colleagues that they love; re-join the group to which they take joy and pride in belonging.

Without this sort of flexibility, who could possibly commit to belonging to any sort of ensemble? The demands of job & family, vagaries of health, and the complications of life in general all work to ensure that sooner or later, everyone's going to be that missing member, the one for whom a substitute must be called in, or whose absence is simply accommodated. Being allowed to be *disposable* makes it safe to join in the first place. After all, it's a group effort, right? Nobody will miss someone who has to work late, take the dog to the vet, nurse a cold, or go to that Giants game that's sold out, but for which



tickets have miraculously been procured. In the interest of full disclosure, I know I'm absolutely not the only music director to be completely sympathetic with, and supportive of, those who have unyielding deadlines, sick pets and/or family members, or contagious diseases. Now, if the leader of an ensemble feels that way, well, then, it's no wonder that it's perilously easy—even comforting—for individual members of the group to feel free to embrace their *disposable* side. And it's just a short slide down a slippery slope to have members feeling unimportant, or even completely unnecessary.

Harder to appreciate, but of arguably greater value to both ourselves and the ensembles to which we belong, is the sense of being *essential* to the group effort. Really, each and every member needs to find that sense of being completely and absolutely indispensable. Now, most of us would feel it an unseemly bit of hubris to claim that sort of importance. Indeed, expressing such a self-view in so many words might well earn a decidedly cold shoulder from colleagues. And experience tells us that the show will indeed go on without us. It's a show-biz maxim after all.

But for how long and how well will the show really go on? The truth is, without each and every member present and pulling together, any ensemble—or should that be EVERY ensemble?—is less than it



could be. Less colorful, less efficient, less joyful, and less effective; simply less in every way. If each member, each and every one, is not present and contributing, then the entire company is diminished. Whether the missing members are inherently leaders or followers, stars or bit players, their absence itself weakens the fabric of the group, slows down progress towards anticipated goals, and even diverts energy from accomplishing essential missions. If enough members take enough absences, there is a real risk of the ensemble losing the very qualities which make it special to its members or, worse, ceasing to exist altogether.

Take a look back at Merriam-Webster’s definitions of *choir*. Somewhere in the last paragraph or so, you’ve probably realized, this article ceased to address specifically definitions 1. and 2. and ceased to be just about musicians. If we expand our view of a “choir” to include the remaining definitions, we could easily be considering an entire church community: this community. The call of God’s love which first brought us here to St. Bede’s, and which draws us back from week to week, is something we experience primarily through the work of human endeavor. Ordained and lay leaders, healers, readers, altar guild members, outreach teams, musicians, teachers, students of all ages—all the Marys and all the Marthas alike—we are all members of the ensemble, treasured when present, and missed when

absent. We all do God’s work with human hands, and we do that work best when our ensemble is whole and complete. We are all needed to form the body of Christ here in this place, to care for God’s house, to sing God’s praise, speak our faith, and witness to God’s love. We are all *essential* in one section or another in that great choir which is the church.

– Katherine McKee
Music Director



+ Rites of Passage +

Life is marked by significant cycles and events: we are born, baptized, confirmed; some of us are married, families are raised, illness comes, death occurs. Such are the Rites of Passage and such are marked by special prayers in the church.

+ Baptism +

Autumn Aurora Stork

Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

+ Burial +

Alis Lovering Fern
20 May 1931 – 23 October 2014

Receive her into the blessed rest of everlasting peace.

Vestry View

Vestry thanks Finance Committee member Jon Poe for starting our January meeting with a conversation on the highlights of our 2014 balance sheet. As usual, the records revealed we are a frugal bunch of people who keep a responsible budget. Thank you, Jon and Finance Team, for shepherding us along!

Gia led us in a discussion of actionable ideas for growth, outreach, and public relations. It included exciting options such as (1) Holding a contest for graduate engineers at Stanford to design an insulating air barrier for the doors to the sanctuary (with a suitable prize for the winner); (2) Studying the use of alcohol at our church and examining how to support those in recovery; (3) Collaborating with Menlo Park and Palo Alto police to distribute Starbucks cards to community members living in their cars; (4) Launching multi-generational hikes; (5) Reaching out to senior citizens with shuttle services to evening and arts events and providing cushions and other ergonomic aids; and many more! What are your ideas for blasting our parish out into the community?

Fred Langhorst gave the Buildings and Grounds report. 2014 was a good year, with successful improvements to Wyatt Hall that are being enjoyed by our children and youth. Fred is passing the chairman’s baton to Jon Backlund for 2015. Thank you for your great

work, Fred, and thank you, Jon, for stepping up to the plate!

Robin Sequeira and Diane Spath reported on the Children and Youth initiative. In January Katie Machemer and Mathai Mammen led a group of stalwart middle-schoolers on a successful outreach mission to Sacramento. Activities included painting and cleaning Sierra Club and Boy Scout properties. Well done, outreach team! Gia announced that kid-friendly services will be given quarterly and that we will experiment with “soft space” (cushions and blankets for parents and youngsters) in the sanctuary.

Jon Backlund reported that registered nurse Mary Working has joined the Disaster Preparedness team and will bring her expertise to the health concerns that could arise during an emergency. Thank you, Mary! In addition, Carol Brink is compiling a list of contacts for singles in our parish.

We said farewell to four outstanding vestry members whose three-year term spanned the transition from an outgoing rector to two interim rectors to our new rector Gia. Their service to our parish helped us maintain balance and integrity during a time of many changes. A great thank-you to Vicki Blayney, Carol Brink, Mike Graebner, and Fred Langhorst! And we welcome new vestry members Ed Brink, Irene Lawrence, Mike Sartor, and Emilee Wilhelm-Leen.

– Laura Gable Junior Warden

Community Service

Jail Ministry at Christmas

Because our Advent/Christmas hands-on community service efforts extended past the January *Bede's Journal* deadline, we'll catch up with them now:

In early December, St. Bede's Sunday school and Trinity School students decorated 100 bags for the Service League's cookie project. At the St. Nicholas Advent Fair on December 7, several kids joined Jeanne Cooper and her mom, Barbara, in baking cookies for the project, with further edible donations from Nancy Stork and Bertita Graebner. On December 22, William Wenstrand and Jeanne joined the morning assembly line to fill cookie bags at Woodside United Methodist Church—a fun task that went very quickly, and which other youth might enjoy next year, too.

Starting around 7:30am on Christmas morning, Ann Latta, Nancy and Olivia Stork, a

friend of Nancy's, and Jeanne helped Service League religious services director Mike Murray deliver the bags to male inmates and guards at the county jail in downtown Redwood City, shaking inmates' hands as they desired (most do) and singing carols and secular Christmas songs. Many inmates expressed their thanks that people were thinking about them at Christmas; others were sheepish with downcast eyes, but extended their hands anyway.

Afterward, the Stork contingent also helped distribute bags in the less populous women's jail at another location, while Jeanne made it to the 9am Christmas Day service in time to enjoy the glorious trumpet accompaniment to our organ, and Ann readied for Christmas brunch with family. So if you'd like to join us next year but are concerned about the time commitment, please know there's some flexibility—not to mention the great reward of seeing and serving Christ in others on this joyous day.

—Jeanne Cooper



Lenten Evensong Sunday, March 1, 4pm

Evensong will be celebrated with the elegant traditional language of Rite I, with choral music sung by the Choir of St. Bede's under the direction of Katherine McKee, assisted by organist Rani Fischer.

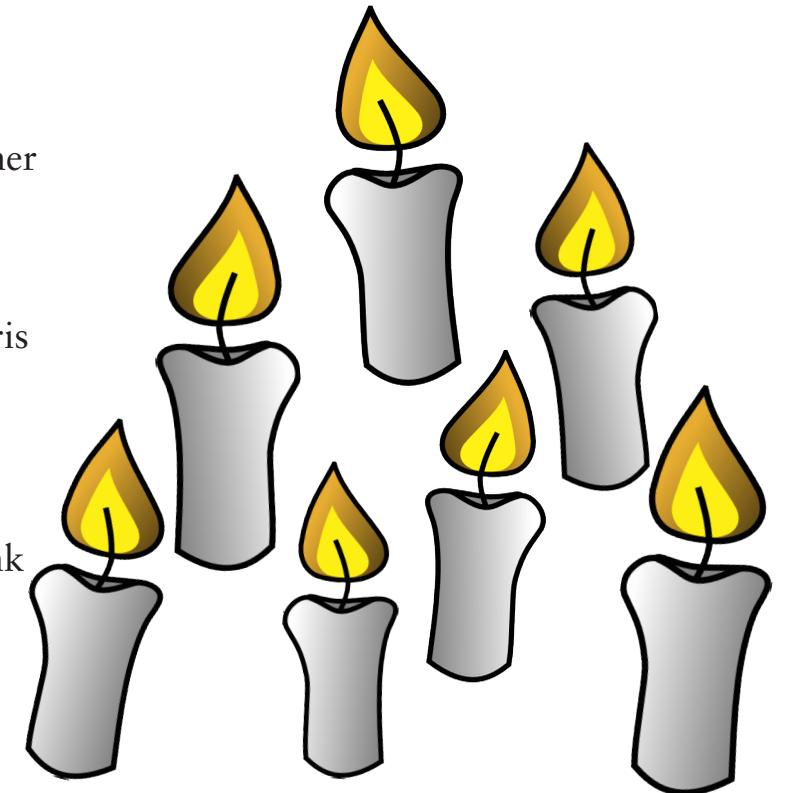
In the Month of February

Birthdays

- 2 Bertita Graebner
- 7 Oliver Talbot
- 9 Alison Dickens
- 12 Clara Kopczynski
- 13 Jon Backlund
- 14 Fred Langhorst
- 15 Ann Inglis
- 16 Kiersten Machemer
Laurie Reynolds
- 19 Laura Gable
- 20 Audrey Harris
Christopher Harris
Richard Sequeira
- 23 Neill Norman
Maggie Turner
- 24 Ellie Turner
- 26 Renee Hannebrink
- 27 Joan Craig

Anniversaries

- 3 Hasma & Aram Serverian
- 17 Catherine & Neill Norman



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The Rev. John Oda-Burns *Priest Assistant*
The Rev. David A. Sheetz *Priest Assistant*
Carol Shedlock *Parish Administrator*
Katherine McKee *Music Director*
Rani Fischer *Organist*
Angela Sherry *Bookkeeper*

Sunday Services

Holy Eucharist 8:00am, 10:15am

Sunday Programs

Adult Education 9:00am — *childcare available*

Nursery 10:00am

Children's Sunday school 10:15am

Weekdays

Holy Eucharist Wednesday 8:00am

Adult Education Wednesday 6:30pm — *simple supper at 6pm*

Parish Office Hours M-F 9:00am-5:00pm

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Trinity School + Preschool-Fifth Grade



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