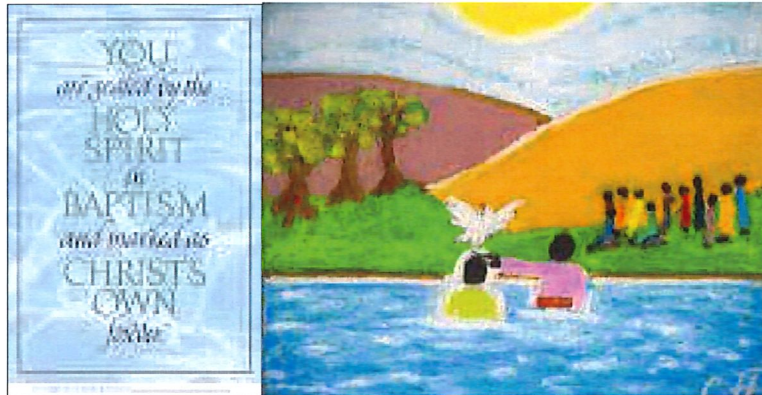


Newsletter 1.8.2021

This Sunday is Baptism of the Lord Sunday. We will remember our baptisms as we reflect on the story told of Jesus' baptism in Matthew 3: 13-17. I want to encourage you to have a bowl of water ready for the service so that we can remember our own baptisms.



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Dear fellow travelers

Here we are at the beginning of a new year. The new year has not brought much change to our lives here. Certainly the news of late has only brought more darkness. The good news is that the light we seek has come into the world. Our days will be getting lighter and there is hope on the horizon. Our journey must be toward the Light of the World and we must let that light radiate through us.

On Saturday, **January 9**, we will be putting away the outside creche scene, the tree and large wreath in the sanctuary. We will begin this project at 9 AM. All those who can help will greatly be appreciated. Many hands make the task easier.

This week the deacons and trustees will be meeting on Thursday, **January 14**, at 6:30 starting with a joint meeting and moving into individual meetings. Look for Zoom invitation at the beginning of the week.

And from Judi Strong

Happy New Year to all! I will be placing a Scrip order on Tuesday, Jan. 12th. Please get all orders to me by **Monday, Jan. 11th**. You can send them to me or leave them in the Stewardship box in the church office.

Let's kick this new year into high gear with a great order. It is time to replenish your grocery cards, gas cards etc. I'm sure there are plenty of after Christmas sales to take advantage of, so get your Kohls, TJMaxx, Homegoods, Amazon etc. Then, relax and enjoy a coffee with your Dunkin or Starbucks card!

There are just a few bonuses this month. They are: Best Buy 5%, Geek Squad 5%, Dominos 11%, and Red Robin 11%.

The latest retailer list is attached along with an order form. Feel free to call me with any questions.

Thank you all for your support of this program and WLCC.

And from nominating committee

We are looking for nine additional people to fill committees as follows:

Christian Education -- Unfilled 1
Diaconate -- Unfilled 2
Missions - Unfilled 2
Pastoral Relations -- Unfilled 1
Trustees -- Unfilled 1
Historical -- Unfilled 2

As you are aware with the New Year 2021, we will be looking for people to support the various committees of our church. We hope you will consider joining one. If we can fill out the committees, it will make less work for everyone. We have an active church despite the effects of COVID. There are 76 committee positions covering 12 differing committees and five officers. You have heard the saying that many hands make little work.

Tom Zuttermeister is the chairman of the Nominating Committee. Please call or email him or Peter Simpson, Barbie Hazlett or Jackie LeBlanc if you are interested and willing to join one of the committee. It is a wonderful way to get acquainted with new members and way of living out your faith.

A gentle reminder that all committee reports are due no later than **January 15**. Please help Norma to prepare for the annual meeting scheduled for **January 24** at 12:30 PM on Zoom.

We have received a check for \$61 from Hannaford for the community dinners our cook team had been doing at LISTEN. We have passed the money along to LISTEN.

Reminder that we now have a pantry box by the church parking lot door. If you are in need of food or know of someone in need, please feel free to take items. If you are donating items, please remember that we are accepting dry goods only during the winter season.

Faithfully
Nancy Simpson
for WLCC