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Let your light so shine before men
that they may see your good deeds
and praise your Father in heaven.



Mike's Message

Mike is taking a "Beacon break again this month and will be back for June.

Junior Warden Report

Greetings, as your faithful Junior Warden, I will be reporting to you from time to time about the condition and needs of our building and grounds.

This month our focus is on the grounds. As many of you know, we have hired John Frederick on a part-time basis to be our sexton. His responsibilities include keeping the church clean and cutting the grass; and it is from these two line items in the budget that we have the money to pay him. In the long run, this will work out as a positive for Light of Christ; but it has presented us with some one-time up-front expenses. We have purchased a lawn mower and a weed eater and are in the process of getting a utility building to store all our outdoor equipment and supplies. In the near future, we will need a gas powered blower and a fertilizer/grass seed spreader.

Opportunities for Service

If you are able and would like to help with these expenses, you can make a contribution by writing a check to Light of Christ and stating what it's for on the subject line.

We need to clear a path and location for the utility building. The need would be cutting small trees and saplings with a chain saw and loading them on a trailer to haul away. This would be an announced "cleanup day" for multiple volunteers.

Another "cleanup day" project is to do a walk through under the big oak tree in the back and pick up all the sticks and anything that would get caught up in the lawn mower so that we can start cutting this area.

If you have an interest in landscaping and would like to be part of a group that works on the flowerbeds and plants, let me know.

There are other long term projects to be discussed, but this is enough for now. If you would like to be involved in any of these needs, you can contact me by cell, 1 (804) 313-0638 or email, rwsmith56@yahoo.com.

Your Brother in Christ
Randy

Light of Christ Windows

The new windows at Light of Christ tell a story through the use of color and symbols. Upon entering the Sanctuary, the first window is blue, and the rest of the colors proceed through the spectrum to purple, violet, red, orange and yellow. This use of color leads the eye toward the cross at the front of the sanctuary while reminding us of the "Light" in the name of our church.

The symbols in the middle of each window tell the story of the preeminent God, the Son and Holy Spirit.

The **first window** represents the beginning, Alpha.

In Isaiah and Revelation, God says, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last." The first window is Alpha and the last window is Omega.

The **second window** represents the Trinity as seen in the three interlocking circles, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The **third window** is the Star of Bethlehem pointing to the fourth window.

The **fourth window** depicts Jesus's birth and the manger.

The **fifth window** is the Dove that descended from heaven at Jesus's baptism.

The **sixth window** depicts Communion and the Last Supper.

The **seventh window** is the Crown of Thorns placed on Jesus's head, and dripping down off a thorn is a small drop of blood.

The **eighth window** is Jesus as the Lamb of God.

The **ninth window** is the Celtic Cross which matches the Celtic Cross in our Sanctuary.

The Dove in the **tenth window** commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Book of Acts and represents the birth of the early Church.

The **eleventh window** is the Ichthys, a symbol used by early Christians as a secret Christian symbol and now known as the "sign of the fish" or the "Jesus fish".

The **twelfth window** is Omega, meaning End.

I hope you find these meaningful, colorful and an enhancement to your worship.

Blessings,
Leslye Morrison



We are forming a Praise Team to lead the music for worship one Sunday a month. The accompanist is Anne Gray Fuller who has great music and praise team expertise. To complete the team, we hope several more singers and/or instrumentalists will join and be available to practice once a week.

Please call or email Anne Gray for more information, agrayfuller@gmail.com or 804.577.4230

Men and Women Volunteers Needed for Saturdays at the Thrift Shop

**Please call Suzy Norman
for more information - 436-6364.**



**NOTE: The Women's meeting for Friday,
May 3 has been cancelled.**

IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

Acolytes

May 5	Bart Morrison
May 12	Jane Wrightson
May 19	Marie Carstensen
May 26	Hannah Hamlett

Lesson Readers

May 5	Ed Feddeman (L) Frank McCarthy (P)
May 12	Marie Carstensen (L) Jeanne Hickey (P)
May 19	Betty Dillingham (L) Bill Tracey (P)
May 26	Julie Pritchard (L) Bart Morrison (P)

Eucharist Ministers

May 5	Tony Blackstone, Lucy Logan
May 12	Frank McCarthy, Priscilla Williams
May 19	Bart Morrison, Lucy Logan
May 26	Priscilla and Harrison Williams

Ushers

May 5	Steve Proctor, David Gwaltney
May 12	Doug and Courtney Ludeman
May 19	Cindy and Dave Peresluha
May 26	Pam and Herb Smith
Jun 2	Marie Carstensen, Bill Tracey

Greeters

May 5	Phyllis TeStrake, Ed Feddeman
May 12	George Beckett, Doris Myers
May 19	Julie Pritchard, Ernie Proctor
May 26	Lynn and Howard York
Jun 2	Pam and Herb Smith

Altar Guild

May	Julie Pritchard and Jane Peterson
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Nursery

May 5	Doris Myers, Jeanette Cralle
May 12	Julie Pritchard, Saunee Hamlett
May 19	Marley Kimmitt, Jeanette Cralle
May 26	Saunee Hamlett, Marley Kimmitt

Counters

May	Betty Dillingham, George Beckett
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Coffee Hour

May 19	Eleanor Semerjian, Donna Soule
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We need volunteers for 2019. Please continue to sign up in the parish hall or call/email Joyce.

Altar Rail Ministers

May 5	Sam and Gayle Marston
May 12	Stan and Judy Rasberry
May 19	George Beckett, Marion Mitchell
May 26	Jim and Lyn Conley

Vestry Person on Duty

May 5	Alison Kimmitt
May 12	Dave Peresluha
May 19	Paul Lassanske
May 26	Barbara Seed

Happy May Birthdays!

May 1	Trevor Elmore
May 5	Margaret Radcliffe, Charlie Nguyen
May 8	Kim Nguyen
May 10	Bill Andrulot, Harrison Williams
May 14	Joan Blackstone
May 16	Sandra Ward
May 18	Rich Riddell
May 20	Linda Riddell
May 21	Tashia Elmore
May 23	Ed Feddeman
May 26	Betty Dillingham, Joyce Olverson
May 31	Denise McCarthy

Happy May Anniversaries!

May 9	Pat and Bob Dalzell
May 12	Gail and Ed Feddeman
May 23	Saunee and Wayne Hamlett
May 26	Mike and Teresa Moffitt
May 28	Barbara and Bill Ressler

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants named above, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Each Day
only
comes *Once*
in a
Lifetime

The Beacon

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CHURCH & COMMUNITY NEWS

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars

May 4 Mars Hill-Acts 17 Youth Rally at YMCA 4-8

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