

# The Ivy Vine

## January 2020



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## Fresh Charisma!

A new year is dawning. This beginning offers renewed promise for every individual child of God, and this offers renewed promise for God's whole Church!

The Rev. Marty Swan is a musician as well as a UCC pastor. Many years ago, Rev. Swan composed a pep song for Christ's Church entitled People of Promise. This song invites God's people to arise and live with zest! Here's what you and I are encouraged to do:

*People of promise, arise and see.*

*There's a new day a-dawnin' for you and for me.*

*For God in Christ Jesus has set us all free!*

*People of promise, arise!*

Last autumn, God instilled within some believers a precious insight. I was blessed to be among those in a small group where this occurred. At the September 28<sup>th</sup> Fall Meeting of our St. Louis Association, all participants were asked to divide into mixed, small groups. Then, within those groups, everyone was invited to respond to this question: What does your congregation need to be **the Church**? [Notice that the question asked was not, What does your congregation need to be "a church"?] ]

The definite article "the" was selected intentionally, and the word Church was capitalized intentionally. We were being asked about "being **the Church**;" in

other words, "being **God's Church**." This is a highly particular question, because **God's Church** is the Church of the whole, wide world.

The small group that I was part of enthusiastically took turns reacting to this question in popcorn fashion; that is, everyone chimed in at some point. One partner in Christ named James offered an intriguing, ambitious response that has stuck with me. James expressed, "What we need is '**fresh charisma!**'"

My sense is that this indeed is a gift that would be a blessing for every part of the Ivy Chapel United Church of Christ faith community. We could use some '**fresh charisma!**' Who couldn't?! Send it on down, God. And while you're at it, God, please give us eyes to see, and ears to hear, and souls to embrace your **charisma** revealed!

**Ivy Chapel UCC, what faithful, future actions may we attempt?**

During the upcoming calendar year, you and I will be given another opportunity to model the behavior of early Christians who asked, "What should we do?" (Luke 3:10,12,14 and Acts 2:37)

Traditionally, the month of January is a prime occasion for people to make New Year's resolutions. What a fitting time this would be for

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our Ivy Chapel UCC faith community to pray that God will grant us a "Vision" for the year ahead. There's even a ready-made name for this waiting in the wings! We could call it "**20/20 Vision.**"

This faith Vision will not be "our" vision so much as it will be "**God's Vision**" for Ivy Chapel UCC. As Holy Scripture emphasizes, God is "perfect." (Matthew 5:48) Jesus Christ is described as "perfect" multiple times in Chapters 2, 5, 7, 9, 10 and 12 of the Letter to the Hebrews. Similarly, a future Vision which God provides for our congregation and for the world will be "perfect." (1 John 2:3 and 5) Yes, **God has 20/20 Vision!**

As we have experienced being **loved** by God (1 John 4:19)



and being **freed** by God (John 8:32-36); we are moved to **love** and to **free** others. In this way, our relationship with Christ Jesus inspires us to put into practice our Savior's lifestyle. As Jesus declares, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life." (John 14:6)

Jesus sent out the twelve disciples with these instructions: "Go to the lost sheep... As you go, proclaim the good news... cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. **Freely you have received; freely give.**" (Matthew 10:5-8) Children of God live as joyful, grateful people. Children of God are "people of promise!" Children of God **give freely.** "From Christ's fullness we all have received, grace upon grace." (John 1:16)

So, in the new year, perhaps this modest "chapel of disciples" may create and implement a mission statement (a new vision) that, with God's help, we will attempt to bring to life.

This could be as simple as:

- Be God's Church**
- Celebrating joy**
- Giving away**
- Growing love**

Or it could be:

- 2020 Vision**
- Serving God above all**
- Offering a world of love to all**

These are merely two examples. There is such abundant faith and creativity among this lovely, little chapel community. I'm confident that together we can

## 2020—January dates

- 5<sup>th</sup> Installation of officers
- 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Reports due
- 13<sup>th</sup> All Boards Mtg 7pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Mtg/Luncheon

## Thank You...

...to everyone in the congregation for the very thoughtful Christmas Gift given to me in December. Your kind gesture is deeply appreciated. I am grateful to God to be serving alongside of you in this caring, compassionate faith community. With many thanks, **Pastor Dan**

...for your generous gift. I appreciate the support and thoughtfulness you show me throughout the year. It is a blessing to be able to serve God here, and to work alongside of you, hopefully doing God's work and being the church God wants us to be. Love, **Linda**

...to the Ivy Chapel Family for all your friendship, love, kindness, and generous gifts you have given me over this past year. May God Bless you personally and this congregation in the new year. **Frieda Clark**

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identify and live out God's sacred Vision!

As we open up to God's direction and seek to follow a 2020 Vision, then we'll be in the process of "becoming **God's Church.**" Together, "people of promise," let's resolve to try.

Allow me to propose a New Year's toast:

Here's to '**fresh charisma!**  
**Pastor Dan**

"Escape from your everyday business for a short while, hide for a moment from your restless thoughts. Break off from your cares and troubles. Make a little time for God, and rest a while in God."

Saint Anselm (1033-1109)

"God is love; and whoever remains in love remains in God, and God remains in them... There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear."

1 John 4:18

A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

# January 2020 Ivy Youth In Action



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## LASER TAG - January 12

### LASER TAG FOR 3rd – 12<sup>th</sup> grade/COLLEGE YOUTH/YOUNG ADULTS

Everyone LOVES laser tag! So let's get together again this year.

Youth from 3rd – 12<sup>th</sup> grade/College Age/Young Adults are all welcome – so JOIN US! This is one of the favorite activities of our older youth so we try to schedule this before they go back to college. Parents are welcome as well.



Following worship on Sunday, January 12, we will gather and go to lunch, then on to play Laser Tag. Watch your e-mail, texts and the Sunday IYIA page for more information.

RSVP to Linda Lowry so we know how many to plan for.

### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT "THANK YOU"!

To *everyone* who participated in our Children's Christmas Pageant, "*The Penny Pincher Christmas Pageant*" on Dec. 22:



The pageant was amazingly wonderful. Thank you all so much for your participation! From our Narrators, to the Angel Gabriel, our Angel Apprentice and our little angels, our Crew Member, our Shepherds, Mary & Joseph, our Innkeeper, and our Wise Person - everyone worked so hard to make the pageant a special part of our Advent worship experience! Many thanks to those of you who helped lead parts of worship! And thank you to those who provided our special music. We all enjoy hearing you share your musical talents with the congregation.

Thanks to Tara Lowry for writing and directing this year's pageant. Also, thank Erin Winship and Krissy Lowry for helping with rehearsals and crowd control! And to Pastor Dan, and Anna and Aaron DiVesta for helping with music, mics and just being supportive!

All of the children did a great job and were so enthusiastic. What a wonderful way to celebrate Christmas, by sharing the story of Jesus' birth in a new way with our congregation. I heard many of you sharing your appreciation with our children. They enjoy the support of their Ivy Chapel family. I am always so proud of how they come together for this special worship.

Love, Mrs. Lowry





## YOUTH SUMMER 2020 MISSION TRIP Planning Meeting January 19th

**Our Summer 2020** Youth Mission Trip Informational/Planning meeting will be on **Sunday, January 19** following worship. Bring your calendars so we can come up with a week that works for everyone. Due to Summer School commitments we will be looking at weeks in July. Hopefully everyone will be able to participate in this exciting service/mission opportunity. Our mission trip this year will be to Urban Mission Experience, here in St. Louis, housed at Epiphany UCC. This experience includes youth from 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. You can find out more about it on their website, or ask one of our youth who have been in the past. The trip includes opportunities to help out at several area mission/service organizations. Please plan to attend this very important planning mission.

We will also be looking for a male and female adult sponsor to accompany the youth.

## COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Thank you to everyone who donated items for our College Care Packages. Our younger youth made bags for each of our college youth during our all youth Christmas party. The bags were placed under the tree in Fellowship Hall for our college youth to pick up when they were home on their break. Over the years I have heard from so many of our college kids how much they love getting these packages. They love going through and seeing all of the goodies that the congregation has provided. They can take a little bit of Ivy Chapel with them when they return to college. And our younger youth are looking forward to benefiting from this tradition in the future! This is a great way for our congregation to reach out to those of our members who are away at college and remind them that they are in the thoughts of their Ivy Chapel UCC family.

## REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

This year we had a special offering opportunity for Advent. It was the Reverse Advent Calendar. Instead of opening a box or window every day and taking something out, we had a list of suggested items to place IN a box every day of Advent. The items collected would then be donated to Circle of Concern. Thanks to all who participated. ***But remember, need isn't limited to a particular time of year.*** There are people in need every day and in every place. Please remember to place your gifts for Circle of Concern, Isaiah 58 and Ritenour Co-Care on the shelves in the coat room throughout the year and our volunteers will deliver them to our brothers and sisters in need.



# The Note

This fall has seemed hard on everyone. I know many people who are looking forward to ushering in 2020. However, should we still be wishing away time even though its hard? We're constantly thinking "it will be better when...", but will it? I often write about living in the now and appreciating the present, but I've been guilty of wishing away time. We've had a rough fall. We lost our house, Charlie broke his finger and now I've had to have some pretty painful oral surgery; however, I'm still trying to find the positive. It's pretty easy to do. For example, we lost our house, but at least we still have a house, at least Charlie healed well and it wasn't something bigger and finally at least we have the resources to take care of my mouth even if eats our savings.

Thankfully, I'm a big believer in signs. Things that make my day or make me just a little happier, and I've been noticing them a lot lately. Maybe, I'm just looking more. Last week, my word of the day (which I don't ever remember signing up for or noticing in my mailbox) was, *effulgent*, which means glowing in radiant light. What a beautiful word for Advent while we are waiting for Jesus who literally glows in radiant light. He *IS effulgent*. Then, my friend posted about doing good recklessly. What a beautiful thought. Too many people think something nefarious about people asking for help. Who cares if it is a scam? What if its not? If I can help, I am most likely going to, because if its not me, then who is it? Be *effulgent*. Let Jesus' light shine through you. Now and all throughout the year.

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas season. I hope that you were touched by the many extras that accompany Advent and Christmas. I hope the cookie baking, the music, the joy and the general merry making of the season follows you throughout the year. And remember, if you've had a particularly rough Fall, for everything there is a season. For us, I'm holding on to a literal sign I saw driving by a church that said "Some of life's greatest blessings come with patience." Although I can't wait to see what 2020 has in store for us, I'm going to try to be patient and live for today.

Until next time...  
Smiles,

Anna DiVesta

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## IVY CHAPEL CHURCH BY-LAWS

LEARNING ABOUT COUNCIL/BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

### ARTICLE X - BOARD OF CHURCH AND MINISTRY

#### Section 2 - Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for encouraging a wholesome and effective relationship between the minister(s) and other members of the congregation. The Board shall act as liaison between the minister(s) and the congregation and, if necessary, attempt to resolve any problems or misunderstandings between them.

If there is more than one ordained minister, the Board shall define, in writing and communicate to each the duties and responsibilities of each professional staff member. The Board is responsible for clarifying any misunderstandings between staff members as to their role in the church.

The Board will help the minister(s) develop goals and establish priorities to fulfill their responsibilities....

If necessary, the Board will be part of the Search Committee.

#### Section 3 - Meetings

The Board shall meet with the minister(s) as needed, but at least once every three months. The Board shall meet with each minister individually at least twice per year. Additional meetings are at the discretion of the minister(s) or any Board member.

You can download a pdf copy at our website, from the "MEMBERS" page. Look for the [2010 Approved Ivy Chapel By Laws](#) link.

If you don't have it and need the password to access the "MEMBERS" page, call the office at 314-434-4991. A few copies are in the Narthex wall pocket.

### THE STAR GUIDING THE WISE MEN

"...a star shall come out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel;..." Numbers 24:17

"Matthew 2:1 says that they came from the East, that is east of Judea. Now Judea was a buffer state between the sprawling Roman Empire in the West, and the fabulous Persian Empire of the Parthian Dynasty in the east....

Consequently, it was no wonder that Herod was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him."



Learn more of the Wise Men at the web page,

[The Christmas Star](http://www.Idolphin.org/birth.html) by Barry Setterfield [www.Idolphin.org/birth.html](http://www.Idolphin.org/birth.html)

**LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY-JULY 2020 SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

Please find your name or your family member name. If you cannot assist please find a substitute OR contact :  
Gail Thoele 314-576-0091/ Nancy Marston 314-878-1317 May-Nov

DATE	NURSERY	ACOLYTE/ASSISTANT	GREETERS	USHERS	LITURGIST	COFFEE
<b>February 9</b>	Sally Dodge	Audrey Farrell Jane Farrell	Jack, Nancy Litzinger	Marilyn Gulotta, Cleo Steffens	Annie Sampath	Lindhorst Family
<b>Feb 16</b>	Jo Ann Moody	Rory Winship Holly Winship	Gary, Sue Lindhorst	Jack, Ann Molyneaux	Kevin Wilking	Wintrode Family
<b>Feb 23</b>	Sally Dodge	Miller DiVesta Charlie DiVesta	Earl, Kay Kreder	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Nancy Litzinger	Kathryn Kuntzman, Carol Faust
<b>☩ Feb 26 Ash Wednesday</b>	_____	_____	_____	Mike, Celeste Tichy	Rod Hertenstein	_____
Communion Team 5: Earl Kreder, Kay Kreder, Jo Ann Moody, Don Wolff						
<b>☩ March 1</b>	Jo Ann Moody	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Adam, Amanda Durham	David Knieriem, John Weiland	Michelle Moody	Donna Grote, Julie Mc Allister
Communion Team 2: Michael Winship (Captain), Nancy Litzinger, Celeste Tichy, Bruce Wilking						
<b>March 8 Daylight Svc time</b>	Sally Dodge	Gregory Scott Rory Winship	Annie Sampath, Carol Faust	Tom, Debbie Glenn	Frank Pfau	Lauer Family
<b>Mar 15</b>	Jo Ann Moody	<b>HELP NEEDED</b> Charlie DiVesta	Frank Purviance, Don Wolff	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	John Weiland	Tichy Family
<b>Mar 22</b>	Sally Dodge	Audrey Farrell Holly Winship	Conrad, Jessica Kempa	Moody Family	Michael Winship	Molyneaux Family
<b>Mar 29</b>	Jo Ann Moody	Rory Winship Charlie DiVesta	Jamie Del Carmen, Joe Del Carmen	Jack, Nancy Litzinger	Jo Ann Moody	Droege Family
<b>☩ April 5 Palm Sunday</b>	Sally Dodge	Audrey Farrell Jane Farrell	Marilyn Gulotta, Cleo Steffens	Mark, Trish Baker	Michael Tichy	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>
Communion Team 3: John Weiland (Captain), Carol Faust, Gary Lindhorst, Jan Wirtz						
<b>☩ Apr 9 Maundy Thurs</b>	_____	_____	_____	Jan Wirtz, Nancy Litzinger	Ronn Foster	_____
Communion Team 4: Sally Dodge, Rod Hertenstein, Jo Ann Moody						
<b>Apr 10 Good Friday</b>	_____	_____	_____	Rod, Judy Hertenstein	Jo Ann Moody	_____
<b>Apr 12-Easter 6:30 am worship</b>	_____	_____	_____	Bruce, Janet Wilking	_____	Deacons
<b>10 am worship</b>	Jo Ann Moody	Gregory Scott Rory Winship	Mike, Celeste Tichy	Bob, Diane Droege	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Tom, Debbie Glenn
<b>Apr 19</b>	Sally Dodge	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Jack, Ann Molyneaux	Earl, Kay Kreder	Michael Winship	Noonan-Pfau Family
<b>Apr 26</b>	Jo Ann Moody	Audrey Farrell Miller DiVesta	Jamie Del Carmen, Joe Del Carmen	Gary, Sue Lindhorst	Ann Molyneaux	Litzinger Family
<b>☩ May 3 Youth Sunday</b>	Sally Dodge	Rory Winship Jane Farrell	Tara Lowry, Ashton Wilson	Nancy Marston, Jan Wirtz	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Nancy Marston, Annie Sampath
Intinction Communion-- YOUTH						
<b>May 10 Mothers Day</b>	Jo Ann Moody	Miller DiVesta	Mark, Trish Baker	Frank Pfau, Beth Noonan	Cindy Kettler	Moody Family
<b>May 17</b>	Sally Dodge	Audrey Farrell Holly Winship	Bob, Doris De Fer	Bill, Donna Stevens	Diann Sheahan	Kreder Family
<b>May 24 Mem. Day Sun.</b>	Jo Ann Moody	Miller DiVesta Charlie DiVesta	Tom, Debbie Glenn	Wintrode Family	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Sheahan Family
<b>May 31 Pentecost Sun</b>	Sally Dodge	Rory Winship Holly Winship	Bob, Diane Droege	Cleo Steffens, Evelyn Stecher	Calvin Heend	Donna Grote, Linda Ledbetter
<b>☩ June 7</b>	Jo Ann Moody	Gregory Scott Charlie DiVesta	Sarah Scott, Kathryn Kuntzman	Carl, Pat Winship	Russ Washburn	Julie Mc Allister, Valerie Waterman
Communion Team 2: Michael Winship (Captain), Nancy Litzinger, Celeste Tichy, Bruce Wilking						
<b>Jun 14 Church Picnic</b>	Sally Dodge	Jane Farrell	Julie Mc Allister, Marsha Fix	Ronn, Dottie Foster	Frank Pfau	Church Picnic
<b>Jun 21 Fathers day</b>	Jo Ann Moody	Rory Winship	Rich, Sarah Heend	Julie Mc Allister, Gail Thoele	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Weiland Family
<b>Jun 28</b>	Sally Dodge	Audrey Farrell Holly Winship	Peter LaSalle, Stephen Lowry	Jim, Diann Sheahan	Diann Sheahan	Carl, Pat Winship
<b>☩ July 5</b>	Jo Ann Moody	Miller DiVesta Jane Farrell	Ron, Dottie Foster	Peter LaSalle, Sally Dodge	Peter LaSalle	Gail Thoele, Nancy Marston
Communion Team 4: Sally Dodge, Rod Hertenstein, Jo Ann Moody						
<b>Jul 12</b>	Sally Dodge	Rory Winship Holly Winship	Carl, Pat Winship	Ralph, Myrna Weiland	John Weiland	Heend Family
<b>Jul 19 VBS Week</b>	Jo Ann Moody	<b>HELP NEEDED</b> Jane Farrell	Gail Thoele, Sally Dodge	Rich, Sarah Heend	Michael Tichy	Lauer Family
<b>Jul 26-VBS Sun</b>	Sally Dodge	Gregory Scott Miller DiVesta	Nancy Marston	Wintrode Family	Cindy Kettler	Foster Family

# Scripture & Worship

## JANUARY 5, 2020~SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Jeremiah 31:7-14, Psalm 147:12-20, Ephesians 1:3-14, John 1:1-18

## JANUARY 6, 2020~EPIPHANY (THREE KINGS DAY) MONDAY

Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14, Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12

## JANUARY 12, 2020~THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

Isaiah 42:1-9, Psalm 42:1-9, Acts 10:34-43, Matthew 3:13-17

## JANUARY 19, 2020~SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Isaiah 49:1-7, Psalm 40:1-11, 1 Corinthians 1:1-9, John 1:29-42

## JANUARY 26, 2020~THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Isaiah 9:1-4, Psalm 27:1,4-9, 1 Corinthians 1:10-18, Matthew 4:12-23

<http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/>



**W**e three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar, field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

**Refrain:** O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again, King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. *[Refrain]*

Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh; prayer and praising, voices raising, worshiping God on high. *[Refrain]*

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom; sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb. *[Refrain]*

Glorious now behold him arise; King and God and sacrifice: Alleluia, Alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies. *[Refrain]*

We three kings of Orient are Tune: KINGS OF ORIENT  
~John H. Hopkins, 1820-1891

Image from [www.livinglutheran.org/2017/01/the-revelation-of-epiphany/](http://www.livinglutheran.org/2017/01/the-revelation-of-epiphany/)  
Living Lutheran: The revelation of Epiphany, January 6, 2017

# Trustees

As you may recall, Chesterfield Community Preschool closed December 19, 2019. Although, CCP closed, the preschool will reopen as JUNIPER ROOT WOODLAND PRESCHOOL under the new leadership of Julie Gill. We have been working with Julie since past October to develop a new agreement and work closely with her as she works hard to acquire numerous required inspections and her preschool license. Welcome, Julie Gill and JRWP!

Continuing with the welcomes...the Trustees are happy to have **Earl Kreder** back in the fold. In a weak moment, Earl accepted the position to fill **Gary Lindhorst's** spot as he rotated out. *Welcome back Earl!*

The Trustees ended the year 2019 focusing on the following: orchestration of Christmas decorating and defrocking, trying to keep up with the multitude of leaves, cleaning gutters, replacing two rotted playground fence posts, refinishing the lower level floors (in-house) and complying with four minor requests from our recent Monarch Fire Inspection.

Carry over projects from 2019 to 2020 include the never ending roof project, replacement of the office, and **Pastor Dan's** door, as well as, tying up other recent burglary losses.

There is no way our tiny Trustee Board could even to maintain Ivy Chapel alone. **It is only with YOUR help that we can keep Ivy Chapel at a level that we can be proud!** *Thank you for your support in 2019 and look forward to your continued support in 2020! We wish you all a happy, healthy 2020!*



**Thank you** for your support to ShoeCrew Water Projects!

During this year of 2019 we collected 120 various shoes, slippers and boots.

As long as there is this charity, we will continue to be a collection point for them. Your continued support of donating unwanted footwear is appreciated. Used footwear need to be in good shape—not have holes, rips or separating soles.

## HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

Please consider helping picking up trash along a designated section of North Woods Mill Road in the new year of 2020. Some years ago Ivy Chapel made an agreement with MODOT to do this four times a year. Watch for dates in future publications.



# IVY CHAPEL COMMUNION SERVERS 2020

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## **TEAM 1**

Pew Communion  
February 2  
August 2  
November 1

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|--------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Beth Noonan (Captain) | 314-439-0264 |
| 2. Jack Molyneaux        | 314-878-0966 |
| 3. Frank Pfau            | 314-439-0264 |
| 4. Evelyn Stecher        | 636-536-6542 |

## **TEAM 3**

Pew Communion  
January 5, 2020  
April 5  
September 6  
January 3, 2021

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|---------------------------|--------------|
| 1. John Weiland (Captain) | 636-938-4115 |
| 2. Carol Faust            | 314-910-7911 |
| 3. Gary Lindhorst         | 636-391-9504 |
| 4. Jan Wirtz              | 314-298-0130 |

## **ALTERNATES**

Marilyn Gulotta	314-440-5245
Lee Headrick	636-529-1374
Heide Lauer	314-434-7949
Sarah Scott	314-560-9915
Cleo Steffens	314-579-9907
Donna Grote	314-434-7760

## **TEAM 2**

Pew Communion  
March 1  
June 7  
December 6

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|------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Michael Winship (Captain) | 314-401-8313 |
| 2. Nancy Litzinger           | 314-954-2526 |
| 3. Celeste Tichy             | 636-391-9096 |
| 4. Bruce Wilking             | 314-275-8344 |

## **TEAM 4**

Altar Communion  
April 9 (Maundy Thursday)  
July 5  
December 24 (9 PM)

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| 1. Sally Dodge     | 636-519-0823 |
| 2. Rod Hertenstein | 636-227-3885 |
| 3. Jo Ann Moody    | 636-530-9350 |

## **TEAM 5**

Intinction  
February 26 (Ash Wednesday)  
October 4 (World Communion)

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| 1. Earl Kreder  | 314-878-5296 |
| 2. Kay Kreder   | 314-878-5296 |
| 3. Jo Ann Moody | 636-530-9350 |
| 4. Don Wolff    | 636-532-5080 |

### **Other Intinction**

May 3 (Youth Sunday)  
November 24 (Community Thanksgiving-not hosted at Ivy Chapel?)

If you will be unable to serve communion as scheduled please  
call an alternate from the above list to take your place.

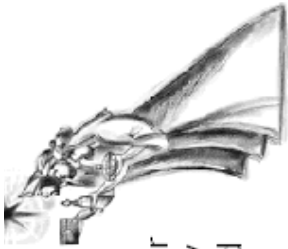


# Dec. Council Lifted Up:

- ♥ Frank Purviance—Thanks for all the time spent at Ivy during the Roof replacement, repairs from the flood in the office and repairs from the break-in.
- ♥ All the Men and Women who help decorate the Outside and Inside of the Church for Christmas.
- ♥ Erin Winship for coordinating the Santa’s Workshop.
- ♥ Christian Ed Board for coordinating the HOG soup and bread luncheon.
- ♥ Tom Wehling and Jennifer Noonan for hosting the Gingerbread House making activity.
- ♥ Tara Lowry for writing and directing the Christmas Pageant.
- ♥ Erin Winship and Krissy Lowry for helping with rehearsals and crowd control.
- ♥ Sunday School Youth for their presentation of “The Penny Pincher Christmas Pageant”.
- ♥ Ben Wehling, Matthew Wehling, Audrey Farrell & Tara Lowry for sharing their music talent.
- ♥ JoAnn Moody, David Knieriem, Nancy Gerdes and all Council Members for supporting Ronn through the past 6 months. As Ronn said it “Dealing with him”.

## The Visit of the Magi


On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh. Matthew 2:11 (NIV)




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PRIESTS	MYRRH	BETHLEHEM	KING	CHRIST
GOD	CHILD	HOUSE	INCENSE	MARY
STAR	MAGI	TEACHERS	WORSHIP	MOTHER
WORSHIPED	EAST	SEARCH	BORN	HEROD

# With God's Blessings

Happy Anniversary to... 

1/15/1971 Michael and Donna Grote

Happy Birthday to... 

4 Sue Wilson

15 Skylar Droege

17 Tara Lowry

20 Beth Noonan

20 Janet Wilking

21 Charlie DiVesta

23 Judy Hertenstein

27 Joan Wendt

29 Debbie Glenn

29 Alexander Wilking

Monthly Council Minutes are posted to the Newsletter page of our website and posted in Fellowship Hall.

## Serving God's People

God has called us to our positions, and we rejoice when we are able to serve God in these places of ministry. If there is some way in which our staff may be of help to you, please contact us at 314-434-4991.

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➤ **NEED GIVING STATEMENT:** Peter LaSalle 636-519-0823.

➤ **BORROW Chairs/Tables:** Ralph Weiland 314-878-3230.


Care Corps JAN Care Corps LDR-Dottie Foster 314-878-4286


CO-LDR-Gail Thoele 314-576-0091


FEB Care Corps LDR-Sue Wilson 314-324-3465


CO-LDR-Ashton Wilson 314-956-6919

ASSISTING IN LAY MINISTRY		Please find YOUR Name.			Reminders are sent each Tuesday.	
DATE	NURSERY	ACOLYTE/ASSIST'T	GREETERS	USHERS	LITURGIST	COFFEE
☪ January 5, 2020	Jo Ann Moody	Rory Winship	Joe Del Carmen, David Knieriem	Evelyn Stecher, Donna Grote	Cindy Kettler	Droege Family
Communion Team 3-Pew: Kathryn Kuntzman, John Weiland, Jan Wirtz, Gary Lindhorst						
January 12, 2020	Sally Dodge	Matthew Wehling Ben Wehling	Mark, Jo Ann Moody	Jack, Ann Molyneaux	Curt Wintrode	Glenn Family
January 19, 2020	Jo Ann Moody	Audrey Farrell	Donna Grote, Jan Wirtz	Stuart Kirk, Liz Schurwan	Tom Wehling	Wilking Family
January 26, 2020 Annual Meeting	Sally Dodge	Miller DiVesta	Debbie Glenn, Kathryn Kuntzman	Earl, Kay Kreder	Rod Hertenstein	<b>Annual Luncheon</b>
February 2, 2020	Jo Ann Moody	Rory Winship	Jim French, Rich Heend	Bob, Diane Droege	John Weiland	Carol Faust, Evelyn Stecher
Communion Team 1: Beth Noonan (Captain), Jack Molyneaux, Frank Pfau, Evelyn Stecher						
February 9	Sally Dodge	Audrey Farrell Jane Farrell	Jack, Nancy Litzinger	Marilyn Gulotta, Cleo Steffens	Annie Sampath	Lindhorst Family
February 16	Jo Ann Moody	Rory Winship Holly Winship	Gary, Sue Lindhorst	Jack, Ann Molyneaux	Kevin Wilking	Wintrode Family
February 23	Sally Dodge	Miller DiVesta Charlie DiVesta	Earl, Kay Kreder	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Nancy Litzinger	Kathryn Kuntzman, Carol Faust

**CHESTERFIELD COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL** teaches children over three years old, in the lower level of Ivy Chapel on weekdays. [www.ccpstl.org](http://www.ccpstl.org) 

**LIONS CLUB** recycles old eyeglasses: An orange collection basket in the office or in the wall pocket next to the office door. 

**SHOECREW PROJECT:** Place your unwanted footwear in the white box/bag in the coatroom. [www.shoecrewwater.org](http://www.shoecrewwater.org) 

**INSTITUTO EL REY:** Explore the website how YOU can help students in rural northern Honduras pursue their dreams. [www.ierschool.org](http://www.ierschool.org) 

Please place items on the designated shelves in the coatroom for these local charities.

**CIRCLE OF CONCERN** A Shopping and monthly needs List is on Fellowship Hall bulletin board. Call 636-861-2623 or visit [www.circleofconcern.org](http://www.circleofconcern.org) 

**Isaiah 58 Ministries** donations of food, clothing, plastic bags/egg cartons—place in plastic grocery bags on marked shelves in the coatroom. Mark bags with "Isaiah 58." Bag of Blessings sheet on Fellowship Hall bulletin board. [www.i58ministries.org](http://www.i58ministries.org) 

**RITENOUR CO-CARE FOOD PANTRY** Collects food and personal care items. [www.ritenourcocare.org](http://www.ritenourcocare.org)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> CC Rehearsal 7pm no other reservations	<b>2</b> Anna DiVesta 5-9pm no other reservations CE Mtg 7pm	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> AA 10:30am Anna DiVesta 12-2pm no other reservations Sky Yoga 5-7pm
<b>5</b> 2nd S Aft Christmas 9am Adult Bible Study 10am Worship w/LS, SS, <b>INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS</b>	<b>6 EPIPHANY</b> AA 1pm	<b>7</b> AA S.O.S 10-11am <b>ANNUAL REPORTS DUE</b>	<b>8</b> CC Rehearsal 7pm no other reservations	<b>9</b> Anna DiVesta 5-9pm no other reservations	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> DE-Frocking Church 9am AA 10:30am Anna DiVesta 12-2pm no other reservations Sky Yoga 5-7pm
<b>12</b> 1st S aft Epiphany-Whit 9am Adult Bible Study 10am Worship/SS Aft wrshp: Board Mtgs-CA/Deac/Trust's <b>Laser TAG-pg 3</b> Shannon Farrell Girl Scouts 5-7:30pm-no other groups	<b>13</b> AA 1pm <b>ALL BOARDS MTG 7PM</b>	<b>14</b> AA S.O.S 10-11am	<b>15</b> <b>The Ivy Vine articles due</b> Men's Lunch 11:30am Yellowstone Café, 165 Lamp & Lantern Vlg, Town & County CC Rehearsal 7pm no other reservations	<b>16</b> Anna DiVesta 5-9pm no other reservations	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> AA 10:30am Anna DiVesta 12-2pm no other reservations Sky Yoga 5-7pm
<b>19</b> 2nd S aft Epiphany-Whit 9am Adult Bible Study 10am Worship/SS <b>Aft wrshp: Youth Mission Trip Info/Planning mtg-pg 4</b>	<b>20</b> AA 1pm Council Mtg 7pm	<b>21</b> AA S.O.S 10-11am Mary & Martha Wms Grp 1pm	<b>22</b> CC Rehearsal 7pm no other reservations	<b>23</b> Anna DiVesta 5-9pm no other reservations	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> AA 10:30am Anna DiVesta 12-2pm no other reservations Sky Yoga 5-7pm
<b>26</b> 3rd S aft Epiphany-Grn 9am Adult Bible Study 10am Worship/SS <b>ANNUAL MTG / LUNCHEON</b> Shannon Farrell Girl Scouts 5-7:30pm-no	<b>27</b> AA 1pm	<b>28</b> AA S.O.S 10-11am	<b>29</b> CC Rehearsal 7pm no other reservations	<b>30</b> Anna DiVesta 5-9pm no other reservations	<b>31</b>	February 1 AA 10:30am Anna DiVesta 12-2pm no other reservations Sky Yoga 5-7pm

**February 2020:**

S 2nd Souper Bowl of Caring  
 W 26th Ash Wednesday

<b>AA</b> =Alcoholics Anonymous <b>CC</b> =Chancel Choir <b>EMMP</b> =Eric Moody Memorial Pavilion	<b>CA</b> =Christian Action <b>CE</b> =Christian Education	<b>FH</b> = Fellowship Hall <b>LL</b> =LOWER LEVEL <b>M&amp;M GRP</b> =MARY AND MARTHA WOMEN'S GROUP	<b>KYP</b> =KEEPING YOU POSTED <b>LS</b> =THE LORD'S SUPPER	<b>JRWP</b> =JUNIPER ROOT WOODLAND PRESCHOOL <b>NURSERY=NY</b> <b>SY</b> =SANCTUARY	<b>PP</b> =PURPLE PAGES <b>SS</b> =SUNDAY SCHOOL
Tuesday JRWP 9am-12pm	Wednesday JRWP 9am-12pm	Thursday JRWP 9am-12pm			