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*St. Paul's ePistle from McHenry*  
*January 31, 2018*

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New & Notable

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**Men's Breakfast**

This Saturday, November 4th  
8:00 am at Kim & Patty's  
Please RSVP to Al Robel by noon Friday:  
[alanrobel@att.net](mailto:alanrobel@att.net)

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*Thoughts from Lori*

Thirty-five of us enjoyed a covered dish lunch (the best way on earth to eat!) before our Annual Parish Meeting. Reports were given, some "table talk" was shared, and elections were held. Your new officers and vestry members are as follows:

Elected to three-year terms: Kim Morris and Billy Lang  
Elected to fill a one-year unexpired term: Kathy Biggerstaff  
Elected to fill a two-year unexpired term: Barb Moriarty  
Elected as Junior Warden: Jeff Zabor  
New Senior Warden: Jim Lukas  
Judy Robel and Carol Toft continue their terms.  
Carol Toft continues as Clerk of the Vestry  
and Dan Jannotta as Treasurer (until he and Bev move in June).

Special thanks to Sally Berveiler (who resigned for personal reasons) and to Rick Carlstadt and Darrell Rowe who both rotated off the vestry this year. And of course, to Michelle Wiejaczka who was our 2017 Senior Warden.

I am always grateful for our staff: Lisa Strandberg, my Administrative Assistant, Julie Sundin, our organist, and to our beloved Charlie Boak (of blessed memory) who served as our volunteer sexton for more years than any of us can remember.

You will be well served this Sunday by Bill McLemore as preacher and celebrant while I am in Atlanta for the annual convocation of the Society of St. Anna the Prophet. That's the SSAP after my name, in case you've ever wondered.

Be sure to sign up for one of the small group meetings posted in the narthex. This is everyone's opportunity to see the facts of our financial future in more detail and to participate in an important discussion and discernment regarding our future. There are three options: one on a Sunday afternoon, one on a Saturday morning, and one on a weeknight.

You are very much in my prayers and I trust that I'm in yours. See you next week.

Faithfully,  
*Loritt*



We also offer our best wishes to Bishop Lee on the 10th anniversary of his consecration as Bishop!

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*Work on the new well at St. Paul's has begun!*



*Shrove Tuesday  
Taco Dinner here at St. Paul's!  
February 13th, 6-8 pm*

**BSA Troop 455  
24th Annual Pig Roast and Silent Auction  
Sunday, February 11, 2018**

11am - 3pm

Carry out or Dine in all-you-can-eat

Adults - \$12.00 Seniors(65+) - \$10.00 Children(4-10) - \$7.00

Johnsburg Community Club

2315 W. Church St., Johnsburg

[www.troop455pigroast.org](http://www.troop455pigroast.org)

Every year Boy Scout Troop 455 in Johnsburg hosts a Pig Roast Dinner/Silent Auction as a fundraiser for our scouts. This year will be the 24th Annual Pig Roast. Many of our scouts reside in Johnsburg, Wonder Lake, Woodstock, Richmond, McHenry, Fox Lake and Lakemoor areas. Without this fundraiser, many scouts could not afford summer camp and the troop could not afford many programs such as Leadership Training.

Thank you for your support,  
Julie Luedke  
Troop 455 Pig Roast Publicity Chair  
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*Not quite new but still notable....*

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**Ducks in a Row Planning Workshop**  
**Saturday, March 17th**  
**9:00 am - 1:00 pm**

This workshop isn't just for those of us who are older; who, as the saying goes, have fewer days ahead of us than days behind us. It's for singles and couples, and for parents and grandparents. We'll talk about things like:

- What are the norms for Episcopal funeral services?
- Who is a funeral for?
- What does your family need to know?
- What are some of the legal issues my family will have to face and what can I do to simplify those issues?

I promise you that this won't be grim or maudlin. We request a \$5 donation to cover the cost of materials, including a notebook, refreshments, and honorariums for one or more of our guest speakers. **In order for the event to be held, a minimum of eight (8) couples and/or individuals will be required.** The sign-up sheet is on a clip board on the narthex table.

Consider this workshop both the fulfillment of our Christian responsibility and a prayer as found in The Great Litany (BCP, p. 149):  
*[Spare us, Good Lord] From...dying suddenly and unprepared....*

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*Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed!*



Please consider volunteering for Sunday Morning Coffee Hour. This is a very easy way to serve the church on an occasional basis. There's a signup sheet in the parish hall, and most everything is supplied for the morning. Questions? Call the church office Tues-Fri 9-1. Thank you!

## Children's Chapel

### "People See Signs and Miracles"

Children are invited to attend the Children's Chapel following the service to hear a story, have a snack, and enjoy an activity. This week's leaders are Amy and Jeff Zabor.



*The usual fare...*

### **A Word from the Rev. William P. McLemore**

#### **The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ**

Friday, February 2nd, is the Feast Day of the Presentation of our Lord Jesus Christ.



According to the gospel (Luke 2:22-40), Mary and Joseph took the infant Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem forty days (inclusive) after his birth to complete Mary's ritual purification after childbirth, and to perform the redemption of the firstborn son, in obedience to the Torah (Leviticus 12, Exodus 13:12-15, etc.).

Luke explicitly says that Joseph and Mary take the option provided for poor people (those who could not afford a lamb) (Leviticus 12:8), sacrificing "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." Leviticus 12:1-4 indicates that this event should take place forty days after the birth of a male child, hence the Presentation is celebrated forty days after Christmas.

Upon bringing Jesus into the temple, they encountered Simeon. The Gospel records that Simeon had been promised that "he should not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ" (Luke 2:26). Simeon then uttered the prayer that would become known as the *Nunc Dimittis*, or Canticle of Simeon, which prophesied the redemption of the world by Jesus:

LORD, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace; according to Thy word: for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people: to be a light to lighten the gentiles and to be the glory of Thy people Israel (Luke 2:29-32 KJV).

The collect (prayer) for this day is: Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. AMEN.



**Lessons and Hymns for this Sunday, February 4, 2018**  
**(Fifth Sunday after Epiphany - Year B)**  
**by the Rev. William P. McLemore**

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

**First Lesson:** Isaiah 40:21-31. The prophet reveals the nature of the God of creation, nurture, and wisdom. **The Psalm:** Psalm 147:1-12, 21c. This Psalm also speaks of the creating and nurturing God. **Second Lesson:** I Corinthians 9:16-23. Paul tells about his vision for his own vocation and ministry. **The Gospel:** Mark 1:29-39. Jesus heals a woman with a fever and then continues to heal many who come to him with all sorts of diseases and sickness.

**THE HYMNS:**

**Processional:** No. 401. "The God of Abraham praise." This hymn was written by Thomas Olivers and is based on an ancient Jewish creed called the "Yigdal." It has thirteen articles that praise God in every way imaginable. Translated into English, it begins with these words, "Extolled and praised be the living God, who exists unbounded by time." The tune was written by a Jewish cantor, Meyer Lyon, thus the name, "Leoni."

**Sequence:** No. 529. "In Christ there is no east or west." This hymn was written by a traveling businessman named William Arthur Dunkerley. He began writing novels and songs as a diversion with the penname, John Oxenham. This particular hymn reflects his deep theology from visiting countries all over the world embracing a God whose Son Jesus Christ brings together East and West, and North and South. The tune, "McKee," was adapted from an Afro-American spiritual by Harry T. Burleigh, a choir member of St. George's, New York City, and is named in honor of his Rector, Elmore McNeill McKee.

**Presentation:** No. 411. "O bless the Lord, my soul." This hymn was written by James Montgomery and is based upon Psalm 103. The text has been in our hymnals since 1826 without any alterations over the years. The tune "St. Thomas" was composed by Aaron Williams and is used in its abbreviated form for this hymn. The words call forth our faith in the deepest sense, "O bless the Lord my soul."

**Communion:** "In the Lord I'll be forever thankful." This hymn was written and set to music by Jacques Breathier for the Taize religious community in France. 1991. It is based on Philippians 4:4-6.

**Recessional:** No. 594. "God of grace and God of glory." Harry Emerson Fosdick wrote this hymn in 1930 for the dedication of the Riverside Church in New York City. It was first sung at the opening service, October 5, 1930, and at the dedication on February 8, 1931. The tune, 'Cum Rhondda' was composed by John Hughes. The hymn is a great one to close our worship by asking God to "Grant us wisdom, grant us courage."

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### **Servants for February 4th**

Rick Carlstedt, Don Jaworski - *Ushers*  
Judy Robel - *Lector*  
Terry Jaworski - *Intercessor*  
Barb Moriarty, Al Robel - *Eucharistic Ministers*  
Kathy Biggerstaff, Kim Morris - *Vestry Persons of the Day*  
Cassidy Obermeyer - *Children's Crucifer*  
Doris Gaic, Karen Rowe - *Altar Guild*  
Pam Dietmeyer - *Flower Guild*

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### ***On the Calendar...***

**Mid-Week Eucharist** - Wednesdays at 12:15 pm  
**Men's Breakfast** - Saturday, February 3, 8:00 am  
**Shrove Tuesday** - February 13  
**Ash Wednesday Services** - February 14, noon and 7:00 pm  
**Vestry** - February 21, 7:00 pm

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From the cartoons created by  
*The Rev. William P. McLemore*



"I thought I would cultivate a more  
informal preaching stance!"

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#### Vestry Minutes

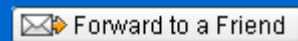
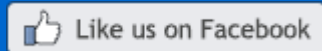
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