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# THE SAINT NICHOLAS WEEKLY

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## LOVE GOD



### WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR MARCH 7

#### 7:45 Service

Assisting Minister	Carolyn Lenz
Lector	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Coffee Set Up	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>

#### 9:00 Service

Altar Care	Ann Scopel, Wanda Moser
Ushers	Brad Smith, Mark Smetana
Lector	Sharon LeBrun
Assisting Minister	Andrew Dangin
Presenters	Elizabeth & Maggie Scopel
	Becca DeVere, Debbie Bang
Crucifer	Cecilia Coley
Acolytes	Andrew Scopel, Austin Wood
Nursery	Christine Piper, Meghan McCuiston
Offering Counters	Tom Blatt, Dianne Leary
Welcome Team	Norm Griese
Hospitality	Christine Bauerdorf

#### 11:15 Service

Altar Care	Cherise Ross
Greeters	Robin & Jared Niosi
Lector	Sherrie Thompson
Communion Assistant	Sherrie Thompson
Acolytes	Ross & Kirsten Niosi
Nursery	Candace & Cherise Ross
Offering Counters	Sherrie Thompson, Vicki Williams
Coffee Cleanup	Jim Felbinger

### SUNDAY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Nursery Team Members:** The more the merrier! The Evangelism and Outreach Ministry would like to increase the number of adults available to work in the nursery. That way, no team member serves too often, and will seldom miss a worship service. If you are willing to serve every other month, please contact Barbara Harris.

**Welcome Team Members:** Welcome people to the church before the church services, direct visitors toward the ushers, explain the worship bulletin, give directions, sit with visitors when possible, and introduce them to members after the service.

**Assisting Ministers:** Members of the congregation are sought to assist the pastor at worship services with prayer and communion.

**Other Worship Helpers:** Have you considered being an usher, reading the lessons, or helping serve communion?

**Coffee Set Up:** For Sunday morning hospitality. This can be done either on Saturday or early Sunday morning. Set up the percolator urns for coffee, decaf, and hot water, adding the coffee and water. Set out tea bags, sweeteners, and creamer, along with spoons, mugs and cups on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

**Coffee Clean Up:** Empty and rinse urns. Triple bag coffee grounds. Wipe table in Fellowship Hall. Clean trays and other serving items. Mugs, spoons, etc may be put in the dishwasher. Wipe sink, counters, cupboards, and floors of coffee spills.

**Audio/Visual Operators:** If you regularly attend the 11:15 service, like to play with stereos or sound systems, would like to support the S&R service and are at least 18 years old then here is your opportunity, train to operate the visual and sound system. Training is at your convenience. Contact Lisa Churchill, see contact information under “Music”.

**Chancel Choir:** Adult choir rehearses every Monday at 7 pm, contact Jean Wolf 410-257-7998 or gwolfpack@comcast.net.

**Angel Choir:** Children’s choir for Grades 1-8, rehearses every Sunday 12:30-1:15 contact Lisa Churchill cederhill@verizon.net. 410-257-7647 home, 301-728-7648 cell, 301-995-6656 work.

**Altar Care Team Member Needed:** A temporary team member is needed to assist with altar care at the second Sunday of each month. You will work with another team member to set up the altar before the 9am service, clean up after the 9 am service and set up the altar for the 11:15am service. If you like hands-on, behind the scenes work that helps our worship service run smoothly, and would like to try out this ministry on a temporary basis, this is the job for you!

**Lenten Pita Bread Providers:** During Lent (Feb 17 through April 1) we change from home-baked bread to pita bread for communion. The pita doesn’t need to be home-baked, just buy a package big enough for use at both the second and third services. Bring it to the sacristy (the room behind the altar) by 8:40 am on Sunday. Sign up for a Sunday using the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.

**To learn about other opportunities to volunteer, contact Barbara Harris, bramharris@chesapeake.net, 410-286-3257**

### STEWARDSHIP

**Shop with Scripts:** Raise funds for the church while doing your shopping. Purchase a gift card at face value and redeem the card at face value, pay nothing extra. The church receives a percentage of the value of the card. Orders will be placed once a month on the 15th of each month. Visit www.shopwithscrip.com for information about the program. Order forms are on the table in the narthex. Drop order forms in the box in the narthex. See Donna Calautti or Charlie Bauerdorf with questions.

## LOVE OTHERS



### PRAYER

Prayer Team contact Kay Aronhalt at 301-855-1656 or karonhalt@comcast.net. The Sunday prayer list is located on the office desk. In prayer today we remember: Ron Olinger, Ruth Newman, Peyton Azar, Kayla Kiley, Rose Hacker, Lois Miller, Jacob Phelps, Frances Buzzetta, Grace Hunter Webb, Sally Brown, Vivian Smetana, Jim Rupert, Jed Reilly, John Harris, Mark Piper, Linda Dorr, Steve Haynes, Phyllis Thomas, The Hunt Family, The O’Donovan Family, Helen Hudson, Julie Grufman, Austin Malseed, Sarah, Steve Thomas, Dion Wren, Carol Deiso, Lee Wilkins, The Trickle Family, Jerry Jackson, Cheryl Mabardy.

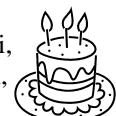
### FELLOWSHIP

**Softball:** It’s time to start thinking about softball even if the weather outside isn’t spring-like. The sign-up sheet for the 2010 season is posted on the bulletin board. If you are male and will be at least 15 years old sometime during the season, you are eligible to play. The season starts in mid April and runs through the end of July. Contact Tom Blatt or any team member for more information. Hope to see the sign-up sheet full this year!!

**Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend Mar 5-7:** It’s not too late to register for a weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love at www.godlovesmarriage.org in Gaithersburg, MD. Call 800-235-1010 or email jakenjune@citlink.net.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Mon-**Corrine Hickin, **Thurs-**Kim Disney, Ross Niosi, Pam Schmale, **Fri-**Nancy Campbell, **Sat-**Suzi Brown, Bob Callis, Jeanette Ciccone



### NEWSLETTER EDITOR



The Nicholas News (monthly newsletter) is in need of an editor. Susan Landale will temporarily prepare the newsletter but she needs someone to step up soon. Please talk with Susan or Anna if you have questions or are interested in this ministry. Remember the deadline for articles is the 15th of each month. Susan’s email is susan.landale@verizon.net.



## TEACH AND LEARN

Vicki Williams 301-812-0721

fredis2adog@comcast.net

Council Liaison: Kay Aronhalt

### EDUCATION

**Sunday School:** All children's classes will meet in the new wing on regular schedule 10:15 to 11:00.

**Confirmation:** Our next confirmation class will be a family day on March 7 with a pasta lunch - buona cucina!

### ADULT EDUCATION OFFERINGS

Beginning February 21, grab some coffee and join a class:

**Adult Crossings:** Whether you have never studied the Bible or have studied it for years, it can be overwhelming. This study covers eight core stories, which many scholars believe contain the essence of the Bible. By studying and reflecting on these narratives, we gain a perspective on God's activity throughout history and what His word means to us here and now. There is no prior experience or study required. Jean Wolf will be leading this informal study in the classroom off of the old fellowship hall.

**The Sunday Exchange:** Whether you have been to church yet or not, the lessons of the day provide a stimulating discussion for everyone. This very informal group, led by Glenn and Ann Wolfgang, will meet in the old fellowship hall.

### HAVE YOU CONSIDERED

#### TEACHING SUNDAY SCHOOL?

If you have always wanted to try – mid-year might be just the time to start. We are currently looking teachers for grades Pre-K/ K, 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>. Teaching Sunday school is an opportunity to be with God's word in a unique way. Most of us learn along with the children as we prepare and teach each lesson. We try to have teams of teachers in order to accommodate flexible schedules. If you feel called to serve Christ by spending time with His children, please let Vicki Williams know. It is a truly rewarding experience!

### DISCIPLESHIP

**Small Group Bible Study (Triads):** This is a wonderful way to study God's word because the size of the group encourages everyone to participate and it also helps build personal and spiritual relationships. Using the book "Discipleship Essentials" by Greg Ogden, the goal of the study is to create disciples of Christ, one small group at a time. The book is available in the narthex to preview along with a sign up sheet. The cost of the book \$12.95. Contact Debbie Bang, dbang20736@yahoo.com with questions.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**Will Be here before you know it.** Anyone who is interested in helping with our VBS this year is welcome to join us for a meeting on Monday, March 1 at 7:00 p.m.

### LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

On Wednesday evenings in Lent, we will have a roundtable discussion comparing the passion stories of the four gospels.

Soup is at 6 with bible study from 6:30 to 7:30. All are welcome to join at any point in the study.

There is sign-up sheet on the Christian Education board (across from the kitchen).



## SERVE THE WORLD

Kathy Dangin

301-855-3983/kdangin@yahoo.com

Council Liaison: Sherie Cooper



### LOCAL COMMUNITY

**Project Echo Meal:** The next meal provided by Saint Nicholas will be served on Sunday, March 28. If you are interested in helping prepare a portion of this meal, please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex or contact Sherrie Thompson (410-586-1593 or thompson1593@verizon.net) or Jean Smetana (410-535-2485 or jrshistory@yahoo.com).

**Safe Nights (Feb 28—Mar 7):** Thanks to all who signed up to serve! A reminder phone call will be made two or three days in advance to remind you. There is still a need for a breakfast to be made next Saturday and for the linens to be washed afterwards. If you can help, please contact Kathy Dangin (301-855-3983 or kdangin@live.com).

### Donations for Calvert Churches Community Food Pantry:

If you are interested in donating to the food pantry, please place your donations in the basket in the narthex. The need is as great as it has ever been. During the month of January we will be collecting boxed mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese, au gratin potatoes, hash browns and instant rice. All other donations are welcome as well. Thanks!

## ADMINISTRATION

Ann Wolfgang, wolfgang1986@comcast.net

Council Liaison: Dennis Leary

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE FOR FEB 21, 2010

7:45—27

9:00—95

11:15—61

### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

#### **Sunday, February 28**

7:45 am-Early Service  
9:00 am-Traditional Service  
10:15 am-Sunday School  
11:15 am-Sing & Rejoice  
12:30 pm-Angel Choir  
7:00 pm-Safe Nights Begins

#### **Monday, March 1**

7:00 pm-Youth Planning Mtg  
7:00 pm-Chancel Choir

#### **Tuesday, March 2**

7:00 pm- Boy Scouts  
7:00 pm-Executive Comm  
7:00 pm-Safe Nights

#### **Wednesday, March 3**

6:30 am-Safe Nights  
9:30 am-Bible Study  
6:00 pm-Soup & Study

#### **Thursday, March 4**

7:00 pm-Steps to Serenity  
7:15 pm-Sing & Rejoice

#### **Friday, March 5**

9:00 am-Census Testing

#### **Saturday, March 6**

No Activity

#### **Sunday, March 7**

6:30 am-Safe Nights Ends  
7:45 am-Early Service  
9:00 am-Traditional Service  
10:00 am-Sunday School  
11:15 am-Sing & Rejoice  
12:30 pm-Angel Choir  
12:30 pm-Confirmation  
12:30 pm-In Crowd

Safe Nights guests arrive at 7 pm for the night and depart at 7 am, starting tonight through next Sunday morning.



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