



TRANSFORMATION Anglican Church

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TAC Times – January 2018



Prayer for the New Year

“May we remember the new light that has been poured upon us in your incarnate Word. May this light, enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives.”
Amen.

Dedication Message and Prayer from Emmaus Anglican Church

“Emmaus in Castle Rock, Colorado is praying and celebrating with Transformation Anglican Church as you dedicate your new building to the Lord tomorrow. We at Emmaus know through experience the sacrifice of time and treasure that go into such a huge undertaking. We pray, by the power of the Holy Spirit, that the Lord will use this new facility to His glory: that He’ll be enthroned on your praises, that the body will grow closer together, that the Lord’s people will grow in knowledge and fidelity to the Gospel, and that many will be reached for the Kingdom of God through this house of worship!” Fr. Theron Walker

Thanks from Helping Hands



With great joy, 6 giant boxes of donated toys were delivered to the Rockwall ISD Administration Building. This message came from Helping Hands to our TAC family: “Our toy drive has officially ended! We cannot thank you enough for partnering with us on this event! There will be so many smiling faces on Christmas morning as children receive their gifts! Again, we couldn't have done this without you! We are so grateful for your generous participation!”

Epiphany

The **season of Epiphany** begins with the day itself on **January 6, 2018**. We will hear the scriptures for this holy day read on **Sunday, January 7th**, so that we are prepared to celebrate this new season of the church year. Coming on the twelfth day of Christmas, Epiphany **commemorates the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles in the persons of the Magi**. The word 'epiphany' refers to a



sudden and profound understanding of something, a striking realization or comprehension. Our God is infinitely creative in the ways He makes such epiphanies available to us. It may be a scripture or the words of a song that we have heard numerous times that suddenly comes alive for us. It may be the beauty of nature or the laugh of a child that penetrates our immediate thoughts and gives us a glimpse of eternity. The **Collect** for The Epiphany is: "O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**"

Christian Education



Our Adult and Children's Christian Education classes which meet at **9:30 a.m.** on Sunday mornings will resume on **January 7th**. The **next adult class**, entitled "**What We Believe about Baptism and Why We Believe It**", will be a 5-week study taught by Fr. Bob Hackendorf. Questions addressed will include:

- What is the purpose of baptism?
- What does baptism do for me?
- Is it Biblical to baptize infants?
- Is Immersion the only Biblical way to baptize?
- Why don't we re-baptize folks who request this?
- What is required for a valid Christian baptism?

Saturday Women's Group

The Saturday women's discussion group (AKA: The Saturday Sisters) will resume meeting on **January 13, from 10-11:30 am**. We will **continue our discussion of the book Respectable Sins by Jerry Bridges**, (book chapters 8,9; study guide Session 4), available through Amazon or Christianbook.com) The Saturday Sisters meet on the **second and fourth Saturdays of each month at the church**, seeking to know God better and love Him more. All women are welcome!

Haiti Heart Connections – Gifts with a Purpose

Again this year, we have the opportunity to **support our partner school in rural southwestern Haiti, St. Jean Baptiste (SJBS)** by selecting gifts from the

Gifts with a Purpose Catalog. Copies of this document, with a guide and order form, may be found **on the information table in the narthex**. It is filled with **truly life-changing gifts** for the students of SJBS. It also contains a cover page with information about how to **give these gifts in honor of family members, friends, and associates**. When you select gifts from this *Gifts with a Purpose Catalog*, your gift-giving blesses the many children and their families who attend SJBS, as well as the person being honored and you, yourself. These *Gifts with a Purpose* are available to 'give' now and throughout the year, for a special occasion such as a birthday, Mother's Day, anniversary, thank you, or 'I'm thinking of you'.

Personal note from Anne: "I participated last year by gifting several chickens in honor of my grandchildren. When Shaun and Avery opened the cards and saw the pictures of the children feeding the chickens and gathering their eggs, they were blessed beyond words to have been included in such a privilege."



End-of-Year Giving Statements

End-of-Year contribution statements, showing all giving to the church in 2017, will be mailed out from the church office during the first two weeks of January. If you have any questions or concerns when you receive this statement, please contact Anne in the church office.



Severe Weather Closing Notification

Transformation is part of the WFAA/Channel 8 weather closing system. That means that if there is inclement weather, and we need to communicate the status of worship or other events to our members, we will do so using this system. Our church information will scroll at the bottom of the screen on Channel 8 and you can also access information on the station's website: www.wfaa.com/closings.

Bishop's Well

Again this year, we will be collecting change in water bottles to support the Bishop's Well campaign to raise funds for wells to provide drinking water in Kenya. The fundraiser - **Save Change, Save Lives** – begins on **Ash Wednesday, February 14th** so start collecting now.

Austin Street Center Ministry News

by Sharon Parker



There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your brothers and toward the poor and needy in this land. Deuteronomy 15:11

(Review from December with a new addition at the end)

We had a great time on Wednesday, November 29 at the Austin Street Center feeding the clients there. God bless **Dickey's Barbeque at 4441 Bass Pro Dr. in Garland** who provided half of the sausage and turkey we served, and with the assistance of TAC and your contributions, we paid for the rest. We would never have been able to do this without Dickey's willingness to help. (May I add a thank you to Betty Spillman for she is the one who discovered the wonderful café and their delight in giving.) These wonderful people went down to Austin Street at 3:00 and set up their truck so that they could start smoking the sausage. We arrived before six and set up the serving line inside the center and put out the chips, pickles, fruit, cupcakes which you baked, and the juice and milk to go with the meal. The people were excited to be able to eat this delicious barbeque. Everyone was served and they had good comments about the food. This is only the second time we have been able to serve a hot meal to the group and we appreciate the generosity of **Gene and Shaun Martin** who are the owners of this **Dickey's**. If you find yourself near Bass Pro and hungry, stop at Dickey's and thank Gene, Shaun, or Juan (who is the manager) for loving those who are less fortunate, and order yourself a delicious meal. By the way, the classic sausage is one of the best!!!

The dates for serving Austin Street Center during 2018 are January 31, May 30, August 29, and October 31. This may seem a little confusing, but remember, it is always our time to bless the Lord by serving the homeless **during the months with 5 Wednesdays in them.** Thank you, everyone, who participates in this ministry. The Lord will bless you for your love for the people at ASC. And because of your generosity and service, we continue to serve 400 plus people a good meal before they bed down for the night in a safer and warmer environment. As I sat in my car Wednesday evening waiting for other members of our Ministry to arrive, I saw several people who could not get into the shelter that night as there was no more space. They were making a place to sleep next to the fence around the Center or across from it. As one of the guys who was helping me get things out of my car told me, unless someone went to the fence with food for them, they could not eat. That is sad, but the City of Dallas determines how many can safely occupy the shelter and 412 is about the maximum. Pray for those who are homeless and have to sleep on the streets. We will **need your assistance** in preparing food to take to Austin Street Center to feed those less unfortunate when we go down on **Wednesday, January 31, 2018.** **Cupcakes and boiled eggs** are a great contribution to feed these 400 people. Please **let Susan Maupin or me know** what you will be able to prepare. **Monetary**

donations are always needed, also. I would be happy to take those anytime this month. If you would like to have your donation counted as part of your giving to the church and be reported on your contribution and giving statement for tax purposes, write your check out to Transformation and make a note it is for Austin Street Center. Pray it does not rain or ice up that evening so that we will have no problem getting downtown.

The OSL Corner

By Sharon Parker

The Order of St. Luke the Physician is an inter-denominational, international ministry for healing of body, mind and spirit.



Now faith is the assurance (title deed, confirmation) of things hoped for (divinely guaranteed), and the evidence of things not seen [the conviction of their reality—faith comprehends as fact what cannot be experienced by the physical senses]. Heb. 11:1 Amplified Bible

For the newer members of Transformation who are not familiar with this organization, the Order of St. Luke is part of the healing ministry of the church. I say 'part' because there is also an intercessory prayer team that meets weekly on Wednesday mornings. We invite you to submit your prayers requests so that either or both teams can be lifting you to the Lord in prayer. **Anyone in the church is welcome to attend the OSL meeting and those who feel led by the Lord may inquire about the possibility of joining this ministry.** Just call Sharon Parker at 972-524-9382 or speak to her and/or Deacon Bill Schulgen at church.

For several months now, we have been learning how important it is to know that Jesus has given us power and authority to use in healing. Faith and thanksgiving are very important in this process. We have to have faith to pray and to believe that the Lord hears our prayers and will answer them. Prayer should start and end with thanksgiving. How can you give thanksgiving before you pray and if you are not sure you will receive an answer? That is where faith comes in. Sometimes, it just means you have to set your heart and mind to believe even before you see the answer. Is this easy to do? No it's not, but it is part of the process of stepping out in faith and just trusting Jesus. Pray and trust Him to do what He knows is best. That is not always an easy thing to do because we are human and we want to control the outcome, but trust we must. God is compassionate, merciful and loving, and He will answer, whether yes, no, or later.

The next OSL brunch and meeting will be held on **Saturday, January 20, 2018 in the Parish Hall at Transformation Anglican Church. YEA!! Praise the Lord!!!** We will begin the meeting with a pot luck brunch, so bring your favorite dishes and join with us for a time of study and soaking prayer.

Please note that the Prayer Garden Work Day which had been scheduled for Saturday, January 6th has been postponed due to weather conditions.

| January 2018 | | | | | | |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | 1 B – Holly Lawler | 2 | 3 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer | 4 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship at the Crolls' Home | 5 | 6 Epiphany 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship 2:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Mavis Jacobs |
| 7 Epiphany Sunday 9:30 a.m. Christian Education 10:30 a.m. Worship B – Glenna McLane and Norma Terrell | 8 | 9 | 10 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer | 11 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship at the Crolls' Home B – Mickey Atkins | 12 | 13 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Saturday Sisters (Study Group) B – Clay Henry |
| 14 9:30 a.m. Christian Education 10:30 a.m. Worship | 15 | 16 B – Don Lennert | 17 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer | 18 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship at the Crolls' Home B – Francis Oliphant | 19 | 20 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Order of St. Luke |
| 21 9:30 a.m. Christian Education 10:30 a.m. Worship A – George & Ruthie Arnold B – Richard Mathews | 22 A – Dennis & Debbie Pendergrass B – Penny Hammon | 23 | 24 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer B – Cynthia Seay | 25 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship at the Crolls' Home | 26 | 27 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Saturday Sisters (Study Group) |
| 28 9:30 a.m. Christian Education 10:30 a.m. Worship | 29 | 30 B – Mary Frank | 31 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer 3:00 Austin Street Center Ministry at Maupins' Home B – Joshua Eapen | | | |

January 7, 2018

PROPER S

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

LAY SERVERS

Capt/OT/CB..... Myra Lenoir
PS/CB..... Christy Hopkins
PP/CB..... Mary Kadane
NT/CB..... Jimmy Seay

ACOLYTES

AA1..... Jim Blevins
AA2..... Sue Orite

PRAYER MINISTRY

Bill Thorogood Linda Celaya
Daymon Schulgen* Ginny Ryan
Sharon Barnett Mona Dolly

USHERS

Will Parker Arvo Mallay

GUEST RECEPTION TEAM

Greeters..... Mickey & Val Atkins
Guest Hosts..... Larry & Susan Maupin

TELLER TEAM

Tom Ryan Hilda Blevins

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS

Betty Spillman Sue Orite

NURSERY ASSISTANCE

Sara Maneval

January 14, 2018

PROPER S

OT 1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
NT 1 Corinthians 6:12-20
Gospel John 1:43-51

LAY SERVERS

Capt/OT/CB Bill Thorogood
NT/CB Glenna McLane
PS/CB Jim Blevins
PP/CB Don Lennert

ACOLYTES

AA1..... Pete Howk
AA2..... Daniel Mathews

PRAYER MINISTRY

Sharon Parker* Linda Palmer
Sue Griffin JoAnn Craddock
Tom Ryan Alice McDonald

USHERS

Ed Figueroa Nathan Figueroa
John Shaver Barbara Shaver

GUEST RECEPTION TEAM

Greeters..... Mona Dolly & Lou Ann McNeely
Guest Hosts..... Susan Meeder

TELLER TEAM

Sue Hesseltine Sharon Figueroa

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS

Sara Maneval & Christy Hopkins

NURSERY ASSISTANCE

Susan Maupin

January 21, 2018

PROPERS

OT Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Psalm 62:5-12
NT 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Gospel Mark 1:14-20

LAY SERVERS

Capt/NT/CB Hal Hines
PP.....Mike Jones
PS/CB..... Marianne Gwinn
OT/CB.....Mary Frank
CB.....Don Newman

ACOLYTES

AA1.....June Hines
AA2.....Trey Gwinn

PRAYER MINISTRY

Larry Maupin* Susan Maupin
Shirley Montanye Holly Lawler
Sue Orite Mary Kadane

USHERS

Rick Maneval Hal Meeder

GUEST RECEPTION TEAM

Greeters Sharon Parker
Guest Hosts.....Susan Meeder

TELLER TEAM

Jean Howk Brad Flanders

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS

Mickey & Val Atkins

NURSERY ASSISTANCE

Sue Hesseltine

January 28, 2018

PROPERS

OT Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Psalm 111
NT 1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Gospel Mark 1:21-28

LAY SERVERS

Capt/CB Sara Maneval
PS/CB..... Mark Dillow
NT..... Sharon Barnett
PP..... Nathan Figueroa
CB Jim Messler
OT/CB.....Richard Ritz

ACOLYTES

AA1.....Nathan Figueroa
AA2.....June Hines

PRAYER MINISTRY

John Shaver* Barbara Shaver
Donna Miller Jeannie Filson
Mickey Atkins Val Atkins

USHERS

Arvo Mallay Jim Watt

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