

# January Birthdays



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| January 3th  | Joe Ambrosio's Birthday    | January 18th | Pat Dantzer's Birthday    |
| January 7th  | Ann McClymond's Birthday   | January 18th | Ginny Horchler's Birthday |
| January 11th | Bob Tourt's Birthday       | January 23rd | Lloyd Kelly's Birthday    |
| January 11th | Jon Tichenor's Birthday    | January 25th | Pixie Carroll's Birthday  |
| January 14th | Kiona Baker's Birthday     | January 29th | Katie Olson's Birthday    |
| January 14th | Jim Evan's Birthday        |              |                           |
| January 14th | Jim Milliman's Birthday    |              |                           |
| January 15th | Alice McPheeters' Birthday |              |                           |
| January 17th | John Caggiano's Birthday   |              |                           |



# January Anniversaries



- January 1st Bob & Diane Biek's Anniversary

# CHAPEL CHIMES



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## Paul's Ponderings...

For the four weeks of Advent we spend our time in the church building anticipation for the incarnation of our Lord Jesus, the Christ. During this special time of the year we revisit the experiences of Elizabeth, Zechariah, Mary, Joseph, and even the wild and lone prophet, John the Baptist. Then beginning with our choir's Christmas Cantata, and most especially on Christmas Eve at our service of Carols, Candles, and Communion, we celebrate the birth of the infant Jesus. We hear once more the story of the journey to Bethlehem, the stable, the manger, the star, the angels, the shepherds, and the silent night that changed the history of the world and the lives of untold millions of people throughout the years. We sing, "Joy to the world, our Lord has come," and then, as if right on cue, the Christmas carols that have been playing incessantly on the radio since Thanksgiving are gone, the Christmas decorations are put away, and the Valentines are already on the shelves.

But for Christians, the season of Christmas has just begun!

For the next twelve days we come together to celebrate the holiday of Christmas. (The word "holiday" comes from the contraction of "Holy Day." Those who believe that we are taking Christ out of Christmas by using the term "Happy Holidays" are misguided because they don't realize that we are wishing someone "Happy Holy Days.") At our Chapel we will spend the First Sunday of Christmas with a special service of Lessons and Carols and on the Second Sunday of Christmas we will meet the Wise Men who have come from afar to worship the Christ Child. There will be Christmas poinsettias adorning our Chapel, twelve red candles proclaiming the twelve days of Christmas, and we will sing every Christmas hymn imaginable. We won't let the celebration of Christmas go until we have gotten our twelve day's worth. So, for us it's Advent, Christmas, and then what?

The twelve days of Christmas end on January 6th, the day that the Christian calendar

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designates as "The Epiphany of our Lord." Epiphany is celebrated by different churches in many different ways. Some celebrate the revelation of Jesus being proclaimed the Son of God at his baptism, some commemorate the sign of Jesus' divinity observed at his first miracle at the wedding feast where he turned the water into wine, but most celebrate the epiphany of Jesus to the gentiles made clear by the visit of the Magi several years after Jesus' birth. So, on Sunday, January 5 we will hear the story of the three Wise Men and on January 9th, at the Gathering we will enjoy a celebration that we call an "Epiphany Sing."

But, Epiphany, as celebrated by the church is not just a day but it is a season. The season of Epiphany continues from January 6th until Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. So, for us at the Chapel, the answer to Advent—



## Chapel Prayers

***Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, giving thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.  
(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)***

### ***Our Chapel Family***

*Joe Ambrosio, Bob Dantzer, Mary Kay Allen, Jane and Charles Hinson, Jimmy McCaskill, Mike Parker, Meta & Jim Evans, Mama Dot Riggins, Ray Mackay, Ray Tourt, Mary Tuft, Dot Macdonald, Thom Moran, JoAn Moses, Gordon Zeller, Bob Donaldson, Mary Greene*

### ***Our Chapel Friends***

*John Moses, Laurie Stevens, Pat & Maureen Kibbie, Robert Gatto, Anna Verra, Tom Sullivan, Juster Machovi, Robin Welch, Abbe Wells, Bruce Lowe and Christina Buble, Elizabeth McKenzie, Matt Northcutt, Gardenia Flores, June Ann, Heather Donnelly and her newborn baby, Lauren Riehl and her newborn daughter, Gwen, Maria Woodruff, Bill Wilson, Ray Cooper, Shanta Bhutani*

## January Volunteers

### **Acolyte Schedule**

January 5th Claire Collins  
January 12th Kiona Baker  
January 19th Rowan Collins  
January 26th Owen Baker

### **Flower Schedule**

January 5th Alicia DeLong & Steven Welch  
January 12th Amie Collins  
January 19th  
January 26th

### **Usher/Greeter Schedule**

January 5th Mike & Sue Barry, Lee Connelly, Gisela Danielson  
January 12th Pat Dantzer, Carol Faas, Kathy Goodman, Gordon Zeller  
January 19th Marilyn & Bud Holzerland, Nancee Letter, Harlan McCaskill  
January 26th Marilyn McCaskill, Cathy & George Norman, Lore Olsen

### **Office Assistants**

January 3rd Wendy Tetreault (Friday)  
January 10th (Friday)  
January 13th (Monday)  
January 17th (Friday)  
January 24th (Friday)  
January 31st (Friday)

### **Coffee Hour Hosts**

January 5th JoAn Moses and Lore Olsen  
January 12th Jimmy & Marilyn McCaskill  
January 19th  
January 26th

## The Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch will gather Wednesday January 8th, 2020 at Noon. All single seniors are invited to attend the Seven Lakes Lunch Bunch at the Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines Joralemon Fellowship Hall. There is no cost. Reservations would be appreciated. Transportation will be provided if needed.

Marianne Kernan will be speaking to us about Linden Lodge. Anyone in the community can come at 12:30 for the speaker. To make a reservation for lunch and if transportation is needed please call the Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines at 400-5188.



### BackPack Pals and Matthew 25:40 Programs

**We Need Your Help—Please Donate as Often As You Can!**

#### BackPack Pals Items Needed

Juice Boxes, any flavor

Pop Tarts, any flavor

Peanut Butter/Cheese Crackers

#### Matthew 25:40 Items Needed

Capri sun Juices, any flavor

Pop Tarts, any flavor

Chef Boyardee Micro Cups, in yellow and red

Small water bottles

Protein Bars, all flavors

Fruit Cups

Apple sauce cups

## Chapel Choir

The Seven Lakes Community Choir started our annual cantata this year with a time of caroling, including three pieces and the history behind them.

"The Hallelujah Chorus," a part of Messiah, composed by Handel, was originally introduced during Lent, 1742. Messiah contains three acts: the prophecies of the birth of Jesus, the Christ's crucifixion, and Christ's resurrection. Handel completed the work in just under four weeks.

"Remember, O Thou Man," composed by Thomas Ravenscroft and published in 1611, is one of the longest surviving English carols. It refers to the plight of mankind and the first Adam who sinned for all of mankind. This carol also refers to the second Adam, Jesus Christ, who was born, lived, died and was resurrected for the sake of all mankind.

"Still, Still, Still," appeared in print the first time in 1865 in Austria, and is considered a cradle tune, a lullaby, that originally described a peaceful, sleeping Baby Jesus.

Please join us at 5:30, January 9, at our annual Epiphany Sing, where we will have fun with, and learn the Christian history of another traditional carol, "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Bring along a treat to share as we enjoy, one more time this season, all the sweetness and deliciousness of our favorite Christmas carols, goodies, and each other's company.



## The Gathering—Epiphany Sing

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