

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2019

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Sharon Yaple (David & Kristin Watts' aunt; about to be released from rehab)
- John Watts (David & Kristin Watt's uncle; sepsis as complication of surgery after Christmas; poor prognosis)
- Chris Rapko and family (grandmother's recent death, memorial service this weekend)
- Janice Wayte
- *Jan Gore (assisted living)
- Maggie Sweeney (pituitary tumor)

WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP will meet Monday, January 7th, 6:30 pm at Annie Jackson's home (316 Ormond St.). Supper will be provided.

GOOD NEIGHBOR WEDNESDAY Join us for our Good Neighbor Wednesday! January 9th, 5:30-7pm. Our Adults will be learning more about the upcoming United Methodist General Conference that will take place in February. Our Children and Youth will be helping us to spread love throughout the Grant Park Neighborhood! Dinner will be provided! Bring a neighbor and let's join in faith and fellowship!

PASTOR CASSIE'S OUT OF OFFICE HOURS will be Wednesday January 9th from 10am-12pm at Muchacho's Coffee Shop (904 Memorial Drive SE) Join Pastor Cassie for a New Years Chat!

CHURCH COUNCIL JANUARY PLANNING RETREAT will be conducted Saturday, January 26th from 9am to 1pm. We will be visioning and planning for the new year. Council members are expected to attend; everyone else is welcome. Mark your calendar!

CHRISTMAS CLEANUP It's about time to put away the Advent/Christmas Decorations. Please come help us clean-up the church on Saturday, January 12th from 9am to noon. Putting away the decorations doesn't take long if we get several volunteers. This is a very kid friendly service project. Any amount of time is appreciated. Contact Jeremy Varner jeremyv@gmail.com or 404-468-8478 if you have any questions.

NEWS! NEWS! If you have an addition or suggestion for the next Epistle, please submit it to Candace McCollough by January 15th, to be published February 5th! News from the Administrative Council, Historical Notes, Updates from Recreation, Report from the Candlelight Tour of Homes, Capital Campaign, youth and children and all standing topics are welcome! candacemccollough@gmail.com

CANDLELIGHT TOUR OF HOMES EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS If you have receipts for items you purchased for the Candlelight Tour of Homes, please send them to the office with a completed reimbursement request form. Forms are available in the office, or you can ask Ginny for an email version. The forms are Word documents which can be returned by email, but you must include copies of the receipts. You can select to be reimbursed for your expenses or be given credit on your yearly giving statement. We need your receipts and expense forms no later than January 15, 2019.

END OF YEAR DONATIONS Please note that checks dated December, 2018 received through the end of January will be posted to your 2018 giving record.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP MINISTRIES During Sunday Worship, we rely on several volunteer Ministries who perform duties during and around the service. Those are:

- Liturgist
- Children's Sermon
- Acolytes
- Ushers
- Altar Guild
- Coffee, Cookies and Conversation
- Offering Counters
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The schedule for 2019 for all of these ministries is under construction. Please prayerfully consider whether you could commit to serving St. Paul in one of these ministries during the coming year. **We are especially in need of Children's Sermon volunteers and offering counters**, but all ministries will welcome newcomers. Training will be provided where needed. Please let the office know by January 8th if you can help.

END OF YEAR GIVING Currently our operating account for the year is in the red, meaning that we have spent more than we have brought in. The Finance Committee is working to get us out of the red and into the black. Please consider making a contribution to St. Paul before the end of the year that will help us "do in the deficit." Contributions in most instances are still tax deductible. And thank you for your financial support of St. Paul's missions and ministries all year long!!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE to turn in your estimate of giving card for 2019. Cards are at the front of the Sanctuary or on line.

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