



December 6, 2019

St. Mary's **MESSENGER**

This Week:
Dec 2-7

Tuesday

11:00 AM
Morning Prayer

7:00 PM AA

Wednesday

12:00 Noon
Eucharist

Thursday

7:00 PM AA

Friday

7:00 PM AA

Next Week:
Dec 9-14

Tuesday

11:00 AM Morning
Prayer

7:00 PM AA

Wednesday

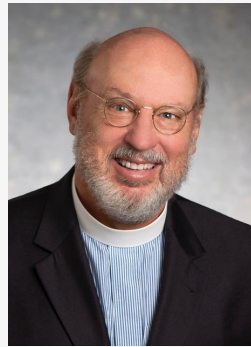
12:00 Noon
Eucharist II

Thursday

7:00 PM AA

Friday

From Your Priest:



"Hearty Repentance and True Faith"

Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptizer sets the standard for our call to new life. That call begins and ends with repentance--an opportunity to become who God has created us to be. We engage John every year in Advent and we hear his voice crying out in the wilderness. He himself understood the act of preparation because he knew that the Messiah, the Christ, was breaking into the world. He humbled himself and offered himself in genuine repentance. We might take a moment to place ourselves in the wilderness this Advent, to get back to the essential qualities of Christian faith. What John told the law-abiding, religious people of his day made them plenty uncomfortable. His call to repentance ought to have the same effect today.

Mid-Week Holy Eucharist

**Rev. Bill has resumed Wednesdays at NOON.
At the mid-week Eucharist, he preaches on the "Holy
Women, Holy Men" calendar. Hope to see you there!**



The *ECW Christmas Bazaar* will be **THIS SATURDAY, December 7th from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM** in the Parish Hall. Come check out the all the baked goodies and crafts! See you there!

This Sunday
Dec. 8, 2019

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19

Romans 15:4-13

Matthew 3:1-12

Celebrants:

Rev. William Fowler

Eucharistic

Minister:

Bill Adams

Acolyte

Charlotte Haynie

Altar Guild:

Tulisha/Charlotte

Ushers:

David & Jan Gibson

Vestry person:

Mary Raring-Hart

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UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY ROLL-OUT! We are serving a hot breakfast starting at **8:30 - 9:45 EVERY SUNDAY!** From 9:10 to 9:50 during breakfast, Rev. Bill will offer a lesson and reflection on being **"Unabashedly Episcopalian."** Join us as we break bread together and

fellowship! No worries about being "on time" - come when you can!

The Lampasas Mission is in need of some supplies for the month of October. If you can help donate to this amazing program, it would be greatly appreciated! We have a basket in the foyer of the sanctuary for these items.

Dried pinto beans (in sack)

White rice (in sack)

Canned peas

Canned tuna

Canned diced tomatoes

Tomato sauce

Canned spinach

Also, the Mission hours for accepting donations are Mondays 5-8 pm, Tuesdays & Thursdays 1-3 pm.

Thank you!!

THINK ON THIS:



"Advent invites the world to wait, and that waiting requires great courage. The very act of waiting opens eyes, hands, and hearts to receive this most precious gift."

* Margaret Manning Schull, *The Courage to Wait*, RZIM

Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and **wait** for the Lord.

Psalms 27:14

"Every broken part of your story can be healed, because it never has to be hidden, but instead loved back to life. Jesus tells us He is that Someone, lovingly whispering your name - *I remember you, Beloved.*"

* Bonnie Gray, *Whispers of Rest*.

...I came that you might have life, and might have it abundantly."

John 10:10

Bow the Knee

"Trust the heart of your Father when the answer goes beyond what you can see...in the presence of your King, bow the knee." -Chris Machen

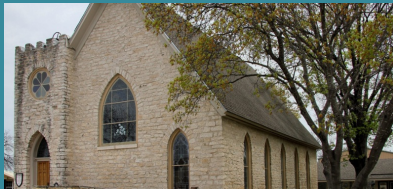
Prayer List:

Mary Casbeer, Larry & Becky Hart, Roz & J.M. Finley, Wilder Brown, Anne Brown, Jim Richardson, Jim & Pat Anderson, Margaret King Cole, Jerry Richardson, Hudson Glimp, Katherine Metzger, Robert, Glynda, Kiersten, David, Mary JP, Norman, Karal, Buck, Alex, Randy, Debbie, Jack, Bryant, Darren, John, & Buddy.

All bishops and ministers and those in authority in government.

Blessed be God who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld his love from me.
Psalm 66:18

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