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Winter News Letter 2008

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December Birthday's

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| 1 Janette Poquette | |
| 3 Catherine Carlson | |
| 4 Robert Allen | |
| Kristine Erickson | |
| James Elbert | |
| 5 Christian Driver | |
| 6 Kerry Riley | |
| 8 David Swoboda | |
| 10 Max Ruegnitz | |
| 11 Charles Johnson | |
| 12 Nancy Christopherson | |
| Joan Eicke | |
| 13 Daniel Germain | |
| Taylor Atkinson | |
| Robert McDougall | |
| 16 Cecil Jenson | |
| Willis Zorn | |
| 17 Beverly Hudson | |
| Douglas Carlson | |
| | 20 Carol Wilson |
| | Linda Bauer |
| | Ashley Lundberg |
| | Matthew Manzo |
| | Edward Connell |
| | 21 Jean Ellen Swoboda |
| | 22 Vance Krupa |
| | Helen Bolman |
| | 23 Patrick O'Laughlin |
| | 25 Steve Rogers |
| | James McDougall |
| | 26 Dale Southard Jr. |
| | 27 Linda Caillier |
| | 28 Marcia Larson |
| | Alice Meinke |
| | 30 Warren Connell |
| | Betsy McDougall Gibbs |

December Anniversaries

- 1 Steven & Janet Johnsen
- Peter & Michelle Atkinson
- 11 Don & Judith Wolf
- 20 Cecil & Kathryn Jenson
- 27 Eric Pepperl & Christine Murphy
- 28 Douglas & Laurel Johnson

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE IN. PLEASE PICK UP YOUR COPY FROM THE CTAHEDRAL OFFICE ANYTIME.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR LIAISON PERSONS FROM CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, ONE FOR THE DIOCESAN HAITI COMMISSION AND ANOTHER FOR THE DIOCESAN NVIORNMENTAL COMMISSION. INTERESTED? CONTACT THE CATGHEDRAL OFFICE

**Check out our Website: www.cathedralec.org
Cathedral Office E-mail: ccceauclaire@yahoo.com
Father Rademaker: frbob55@yahoo.com**



Beacon House Volunteer Thank You The Cathedral Outreach committee would like to thank and recognize Bob Mc Dougall, Doug & Ellen Faulkner, Pam Gray, Eileen Henchen, Charles Farrel, Bethany Shuda, Deb & Jim Lorenze, Audrey Bush and Christine Schaaf for their donations of food and or time during our recent host week at Beacon House where 5 children and 13 adults were served!

Calendar Assistance: The Cathedral Office creates a master calendar for each month showing *all* building use. Please make sure to let the office know about any meetings and gatherings so we can accommodate you and help the flow of the building use. A call or an E-mail to the Cathedral Office will do it. Thanks in advance.



Lay Ministry Assistance: When you find out that you can't fulfill one of the Lay Ministry assignments, please find your own replacements and then call or E-mail the Cathedral Office with the changes. Thank you.

Nursery is available from 9:00am to 10:30am every Sunday
Sunday Church School

- * Children ages 3-11 are asked to attend Church School
- * Middle School students will be invited to begin Confirmation Class
- * Senior High Students will meet from 10:00am to 10:30am

Service Schedule

Daily Morning Prayer – 8:30am
Monday – Thursday
Wednesday Holy Eucharist – 12:15pm
Saturday Holy Eucharist – 6:00pm
Sunday Holy Eucharist – 9:00am
All Holy Days Announced

Holy Days for December

St. Andrew- Monday, December 1st, 2008 –12:15pm EUCHARIST
St. Thomas- Monday, December 22nd, 2008- 12:15pm EUCHARIST
THE CATHEDRAL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON DECEMBER 24TH & 25TH



The Dean's Wednesday Morning Bible Study is studying Revelation. Wednesday's at 10:30am in the Bishop Lounge of the Wilson Building. All are Welcome!!

Altar Flower Calendar There are still opening on the Altar Flower Calendar, which is located on the door entering the Memorial Lounge. In order to cover the cost of the flowers at least 2 families are needed to sign up per Sunday. The suggested amount per family for flowers is \$25.00. If you have any questions, please contact either Karen Allen at 723-9061 or Peg Scherlin at 832-7075

Dean's Book Group to read *Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War* By Nathaniel Philbrick. From the perilous ocean crossing to the shared bounty of the first Thanksgiving, the Pilgrim settlement of New England has become enshrined as our most sacred national myth. Yet, as bestselling author Nathaniel Philbrick reveals in his spellbinding new book, the true story of the Pilgrims is much more than the well-known tale of piety and sacrifice; it is a fifty-five-year epic that is at once tragic, heroic, exhilarating, and profound. The *Mayflower's* religious refugees arrived in Plymouth Harbor during a period of crisis for Native Americans as disease spread by European fishermen devastated their populations. Initially the two groups—the Wampanoags, led by the charismatic and calculating chief Massasoit, and the Pilgrims, whose pugnacious military officer Miles Standish was barely five feet tall—maintained a fragile working relationship. But within decades, New England would erupt into King Philip's War, a savagely bloody conflict that nearly wiped out English colonists and natives alike and forever altering the face of the fledgling colonies and the country that would grow from them. With towering figures like William Bradford, Massosit, Squanto and the distinctly American hero Benjamin Church at the center of his narrative, Philbrick has fashioned a fresh and compelling portrait of the dawn of American history—a history dominated right from the start by issues of race, violence, and religion. We meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Bishop Wilson Building. Copies of the book may be obtained through the cathedral office at a cost of \$12..00.

Memorials for Christmas: Please don't forget if you would like memorials listed in the bulletin for Christmas to send in or call in to the Cathedral Office by December 18th, 2008.



Attention Crafters Are you interested in having some dedicated time each month to get those projects done? Whether you interested in scrap booking, knitting, needlepoint or stamping we all have the same need—the time and the place to work. If you are interested in coming together as a group to work on your projects or in learning a new creative outlet, please contact Denise Foster at 715-833-8425 or E-mail dand3boys@charter.net. We can decide what day of the month works best and then get to work.

Coffee Hour Volunteers We are need of people to provide the treats for our ever-popular coffee hour! Please sign up on the bulletin board next to the kitchen door in the Memorial Lounge. If you have any questions please call Jany Chumas at 715-552-0305



Prayer Requests If you have a request(s) for prayers, either a petition or thanksgiving, please fill out the Prayer Request cards located at ach end of the pews with the information needed. Then either put the cards in the offertory plate or hand it to Father Rademaker. Those requests will be prayed for during the weekly services in the Chapel. **Please Note:** request names are going to be listed for 2 weeks at a time. Thank you.

Haiti Project - Special Advent Appeal What will \$1 buy for lunch? For \$1, you can provide a healthful lunch for a child at St. Marc's School in Jeannette, Haiti, for one week. Think of what your dollar will mean to one of the 650 students at that school. During Advent, a collection box will be located on the table as you go into the Memorial Lounge. After Advent 4, every thing in this box will be counted and turned in to the Diocese to be sent to the school in Haiti. Fr. Lazard, the priest in charge of St. Marc's Church and school in Jeannette, Haiti, visited the Cathedral in October and spoke of the needs of the people of Haiti, one of the most impoverished countries in the world. Over twenty years, through a partnership program, an Episcopal Church and School have been built there. The school's needs are great and there will be a number of opportunities to contribute to this on-going project in the coming year. I have volunteered to be the Cathedral Liaison with the Diocesan Haiti Commission. If you want more information about the Haiti Project contact me, Eileen Henchen, at 855-1242 or by e-mail at henchene@cvol.net.

Scandinavian Couple Folk Dancing Class: Monday nights **December 1st and 15th** from 7:00pm to 8:00pm at Christ Church Cathedral; 510 South Farwell Street, Ea Claire. After that we will break for the holidays resuming with the 1st & 3rd Monday schedule on January 5th. I recently found out that the Twin Cities Scandinavian community has set up a music and dance web site. It is: <http://www.tcscandinavian.org/> Please note that the Nordic Ball is scheduled for Saturday February 28th. I will try to find out about tickets as soon as possible. For more information contact Earl Holzman at 715-833-0462 or E-mail eholzman@sbcglobal.net



Tympani A number of folks (5 actually) have expressed an interest in "taking a swing" at our new tympani and accompanying the hymns in the future. Our resident expert and trombonist extraordinaire, Rod Hudson has agreed to offer a "reacquaintance primer" after the 9AM service in a few weeks to help you get back in the groove if it's been a few years. At that time we'll also try to put together a schedule when folks would like to play. Thanks to all who have indicated an interest and if we've missed you, speak to George or Beverly.



Grace Episcopal Church: Our Sunday School class is putting together a cookie recipe book. We would like to have cookie recipes from Episcopal churches all over the United States. Will you help us? Just e-mail a favorite recipe to acrome@sbcglobal.net. We plan to sell the cookbook at our annual Mardi Gras Marketplace fundraiser in February. (We use the money we raise to buy items to fill Easter baskets for needy children.) We hope you will help us and represent your state with a favorite cookie recipe. Thank you.

Every Library Needs a Friend: The L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library has something for everyone! Help our local Library through membership dues and fund-raising projects. Receive Library Links, a quarterly newsletter telling you of upcoming events. Get advance notice of special tours and programs. Enjoy the company of family and friends during meetings and volunteer opportunities. For more information on how start your new membership Call 715-839-504 and ask for a membership sign up card. Membership dues are tax deductible.



Christ Church Cathedral Pageant Would you like to be an angel? A shepherd? Joseph? Again this year we are planning to present a very simple pageant involving Sunday school at the early service on Christmas Eve. The Christmas story will be told in narration as costumed characters come forward. Please contact the Cathedral Office if you are willing to participate 835-3734.

Christ Church Cathedral and Leader-Telegram Warm The Children Celebrating it's 15th year Leader-Telegram's charitable fund program. Area families in need (provided by social service agencies) are then matched up with a shopper and new winter clothing is purchased for the children. 100% of all donations will be put to use to purchase warm winter clothing for are children I need. Every penny we receive passes right on through to members of our community. Another way to help is to become a volunteer shopper. These folks take an hour or more of their time to meet a recipient and his/her family at an area store and shop with them (or less time if the family has pre-shopped). Monitoring the purchases so that the proper amount is spent on each child. All donations are appreciated. Please send donations to the Cathedral Office, 510 S. Farwell St. Eau Claire, WI 54701 or make checks payable to Warm the Children.

You are invited to Triniteam Caregivers' Joy Day. Thursday, December 4th, 2008 at 1:30pm at Sacred Heart Hospital-Rotunda. Music by "Forever Young" Door Prizes donated by Luther Midelfort employees and many other individuals. Hosted by First Lutheran Church. Sponsored by Robert & Sandra Stanton.

First Fridays – December 5th, 2008 Please join us for our very own "Anam Chara" a Scottish Fiddle Group "Anam Chara," which means "soul friends" in Gaelic, is a folk ensemble specializing in 18th century Scottish and Irish music. The quintet is made up of Charles Carter (guitar & vocals), Anna Knutson (bohdran & vocals), Colleen McFailsnd (tin whistle), The Very Rev'd Robert Rademaker (violin & vocals), Jeanne Swoboda (violin & vocals). Come here this local group perform 18th & 19th century songs from England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and North America. Free continental breakfast at 8:30am Program begins at 9:00am. Please use the parking lot at the corner of Lake and Farwell, spaces numbered 9 through 24, the metered street parking, or the Schlegelmilch-McDaniel House at 517 South Farwell. There will be NO First Fridays if the Eau Claire school district has cancelled or delayed classes.

18th Annual ECW Christmas Cookie Walk Saturday December 6th, 2008 from 9:00am to 12:00pm Noon. We need the help of our parish members. What can you do? How can you help? Bake 6 dozen (or more) holiday type cookies, breads, candies or other goodies.

Bring your baked goods to the Memorial Lounge on Friday, December 5th by 2:00pm. Early Saturday morning drop off will also be gratefully appreciated. Call Debbie Lorenze at 839-8854 to assist with set-up on December 5th from 12:00 – 3:00pm or help at the event on December 6th. Call today! Your assistance would be most appreciated. Plan to get your holiday baking done the easy way by being at the Cookie Walk to shop, shop, and shop! Tell your friends.

The Annual Meeting of the Church Women United of Eau Claire will be held on Friday, December 5th at Lake Street United Methodist Church on the corner of 4th and Lake Street. This event will begin with Christmas Sing-A-Long at 11:30am followed by a noon luncheon. Reservations for the lunch are to be called to Lovice at 832-5764 or Bev at 832-7107 by December 1st. The luncheon is \$5.00. The Community Project is for the Salvation Army. Suggested items are children's books, toys, games, hats, mittens, non-perishable foods. A special program by Jan Smith on the Good Neighbor Program will be shared. Bring a friend, neighbor, relative and rejoice in this special Christmas gathering time.

8th Annual Advent at The Ager December 7, 2008 from 12:0 Noon to 4:00pm at the Ager House, 514 West Madison Street in Eau Claire. The public is invited to take part in the festivities with lots of good food, Christmas music, and camaraderie at this celebration of the holiday season.



Ingathering Sunday's: December 7th 2008 are ingathering Sunday's for food for St. Francis Food Pantry or money for Bread For The World and the Pantry. Anyone who is interested in volunteering in helping out at the pantry especially for the Holidays please call Miriam Carr at 715-832-6876. Thank you for supporting our Hunger Outreach Activities.

Prayer Shawl Meeting: This Wednesday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial Lounge. All ladies welcome! If you missed our November meeting, please join us this month with our new ministry. No knitting experience necessary as we will teach you how to knit prayer shawls. Just bring size 11 needles and 3 skeins (9-10 oz.) of worsted weight 4-ply yarn that is machine washable and dryable. Contacts: Becky Van Es (835-1642) or Linda Caillier (836-7491).

Diocese Wide Confirmation The Right Reverend Russell Jacobus, Bishop of Fond du Lac at the invitation of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Eau Claire, will confirm and receive new members from parishes throughout the Diocese at 11:30am on Saturday, December 13th, at Christ Church Cathedral corner of Lake and Farwell Eau Claire, WI. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this special event and welcome the newest Episcopalians. Light refreshments following the service.

Vestry Meeting: Monday December 15th, 2008 at 7:00pm in the Bishop's Lounge in the Wilson Building.

Home For Christmas Women of all ages! You are invited to an event planned especially for you to enjoy the sights, sounds, smells, and tastes of Christmas! On Friday, December 19th, 2008 from 6-9pm, join other women in our community for "Home for Christmas." The event will be hosted by the Chippewa Valley Women's Connection and will be held at Bethesda Lutheran Brethren Church, 123 West Hamilton Ave. in Eau Claire. The church will be transformed into many themed rooms rich with hospitality and Christmas traditions from cookies to carolers! We will also enjoy a program consisting of festival drama, music, door prizes and a special Christmas message. Cost will be \$5.00. Please contact Debbie Hong (835-1229) or Tricia Lenze (831-8185) for further details. Mark your calendars now! Invite your mother, daughters, family, friends, and co-workers! We are excited to see you on December 19th for this wonderful evening.

Carol Sing We will again offer a "Brown-bag carol sing" with George at the piano in the Great Hall on Saturday evening Dec. 20 at about 7PM following the Saturday evening service. Come and bring a friend, too and whatever you want for food and beverage for an hour of good times with good people. See you there!

DECORATING THE CATHEDRAL DECEMBER 23rd, 2008 at 9:00am

Come one, come all. Be part of the glorious holiday memories of Christ Church Cathedral by helping decorate the beautiful Cathedral for Christmas. Enjoy watching and helping transform the Church. We are need of some stronger and taller individuals to help who do not have fear of ladders. We need a couple of people to work outdoors, so do not forget your gloves and hats. Please join us again on Sunday January 4th after the 9am service, as we will be taking decorations down.

Christmas at the Cathedral 2008

Christ Church Cathedral, Lake & Farwell Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Christmas Eve – Wednesday, 24 December

4:30 p.m. – Holy Eucharist and Pageant

Blessing of the Crèche

9:30 p.m. – Music of the Season

10:00 p.m.- Procession and Solemn Mass of the Nativity

Christmas Day- Thursday, 25 December

10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

HeatherWood Assisted Living: Bored being a couch potato? Enjoy the company of others? Like Living? Have a gift and talents you'd like to share? Then come to HeatherWood, the area's best place to use those talents. We are looking for bright, happy people to volunteer in our growing ministry. Consider leading an exercise group, painting, writing, or calling bingo. There are always board games, mind aerobics, crossword puzzles or something you would like to share! Come and meet the greatest group of people you will ever know. Come t HeatherWood Assisted Living, 4510 Gateway Drive, Eau Claire. For more information or to make an appointment, please call Bethany Shuda at 715-552-5511. Thank you for al those who have taken the time to volunteer. Evelyn Usher, Jany Chumas, Norma Buppenhoff, Marlaine White and Owen Moyer.



Grace Apartments Independent Living: Current Availability, Tobacco Free HUD Subsidized, 62 years ad older, Rent is 30% of Household's Income. Call 832-1174 to schedule your personal tour! Leasing Office located at - 1105 South Barstow Street, Eau Claire, WI. You can find a flyer in the Memorial Lounge with more information.



Donate an Anthem: You, too, can purchase an anthem and designate it for a particular reason. Anthems range in prices from \$25.00 to \$50.00. Labels will be placed on the anthem indicating the donor and, in many cases, the reason for the donation. If you wish to purchase an anthem, please contact Beverly Hudson. We have a wish list of anthems that we'd like to own. Also, we can still order the choir CD's that were recorded in 2005 for \$12.00.

Thank you to Pam Gray for donating an anthem in memory of Bob Mahoney; George Uthphall for donating an Anthem in honor of Beverly Hudson; *Given by Len and Betsy Gibbs for the Glory of God and in honor of their son, Jeff Gibb's Eagle Scout Award*



Would you like to ring handbells? The Pueri Dominum Handbells would love to have you! Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 6:15pm on the second floor of the Wilson Building. Please consider sharing your time and talents with this growing ministry! For further information contact Erica Reyes at 855-1347.

Concerned about an older adult in your life?

Shopping, cooking, transportation, and prescription drugs. These are things most of us take for granted. For an older person, they can sometimes be a challenge. When help is needed, family and friends step in. Providing an older person with the care they need is a huge commitment, but help is available. For more information, contact Ea Claire County Department of Aging and Resource Center; 721 Oxford Ave., room 1550, 715-839-4735 or

1-888-338-4636 or visit there website at www.co.eau-claire.wi.us/agingdepartment



Meals On Wheels Needs your help! Volunteers are urgently needed to deliver Meals On Wheels Program to the homebound elderly in Eau Claire, and Altoona. One hour at lunchtime is all it takes to deliver theses weekday meals. Deliver once a month, week or when it fits your schedule. Summer/Seasonal volunteers are needed also. A car is needed, but gas mileage can be reimbursed. Bring your children, a family member or a friend along to share this heartwarming volunteer

experience. Training is provided. Please help the homebound elderly receive hot meals! Call Debbie Johnson at the Eau Claire County Department On Aging & Resource Center 715-839-4763