



Service Schedule

- **December 31st** (First Sunday after Christmas) will be celebrated at the regular 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. times (with a celebration of Marriage as part of the liturgy).

Church Offices will be closed: We will reopen on December 27 at 8:30am. We will also be closed on *Monday, January 1, 2018* for New Year's Day. We will reopen on Jan. 2 at 8:30am.

Meals for Clifton Family – Due to Mariko Clifton's anticipated recovery, St. John's is helping to provide meals for Scott and Eric. If you would like to help:

1. Call Jeanne Papet 414-0161 to coordinate a specific date to provide meals beginning December 27
2. Deliver food to Jeanne (at the church or her home, 3106 S. 32nd). Clifton's have little freezer space.
3. She will deliver to the family.
4. Foods can be:
 - Cooked casseroles that can be warmed in the oven or microwave\
 - Cooked soups,
 - Sandwich makings: Lunchmeat, cheese and bread, chips and dips.
5. Bring food in disposable containers only as no containers will be returned.

2018 Youth Confirmation Instruction: Any youth currently in the 8th grade or older is invited to participate in preparation and instruction for Confirmation which will occur sometime in the late Fall of 2018 (TBA). This preparation will include a weekend retreat, time spent with a mentor chosen by the youth, a confirmation project, and some one-hour gatherings of those interested. Times and dates for all these will be determined by the group of those interested. Catechumen Enrollment (those putting their foot on this path) will occur at the Ash Wednesday Services / February 14, 2018. Contact Jeannie McCabe if you are interested (479) 221-4032.

Remember to sign up to host Saints' Alive for 2018: There is a new signup sheet on the bulletin board. The host provides the place, dishes, silverware, ice and an entrée, with everyone bringing a dish and beverage of choice. The host chooses what weekend and what day to have it that month and the time. Please call Karen Rouse at 479-763-1050 if you have any questions.

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CONNECTIONS GROUPS: *For Service, Social, or Study opportunities:* Online Sign Up- www.stjohnfs.org Home Page. Or Forms are on the Hallway Bulletin Board.

- **Creative Bible Journaling:** *6:30pm, 3rd Mondays, next meeting Jan. 15* in the Skinner Building.
- **Rector's Classes** – Story of the Church in America. *Wednesdays at 5:00pm* in the Skinner Building and *Sundays at 9:15am* in Chambers Hall.
- **"First and Third Thursdays" Bible Study:** *Thursday, Jan. 4 from 12:00-1:00 p.m.* You are invited to be a part of a new Bible study group that is forming at St. John's. Bring your lunch and we will provide the drinks. The study will begin in Genesis and work through the Story of the Old Testament. Contact Emily Zeigler 462-2366 or Father Mike 221-4030.
- **Enneagram:** Meet *5:30pm-6:45pm, 2nd & 4th Monday, next meeting in Jan. 9* in the Youth Room/Skinner Building. Group meets 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month.

YOUTH:

STARFISH– 6th-12th grades: 2017-18: Hope & Worship Meet: 2nd & 4th Sundays; 12:00-2:00 pm with lunch provided.

- **Next meeting – Jan. 14.**

Dolphins – (3rd-5th grades) – **Next meeting – Jan. 14.**

Girls Scouts: Meeting will resume on *Jan. 23*. Meetings are first and third Mondays from 5-7 at St John's in the classrooms by the nursery (church side of campus). Everyone please bring a snack, its potluck! As always, guests are always welcome. Leader: Natalie King-Hyman.

WORSHIP MINISTERS – Epiphany, Dec. 31, 2017

8:00 a.m. service:

Usher: Rick Hayes.

Lay Ministers: *1st Lesson*, Mack Skeen; *Psalm & 2nd Lesson*, Debbie Lee; *Prayers*, Rebecca James; *Chalice*, Debbie Lee & Rick Hayes.

Altar Guild: Muggy Murray.

Hospitality: Becky Ibison.

Announcements: John Cross.

10:00 a.m. service

Ushers: Travis Walling & Jose Mendez.

Lay Ministers: *1st Lesson*, Trista Falleur; *2nd Lesson*, Gene McCluney; *Prayers (Wedding)* Mary Ann Arnold; *Chalice*, Cecil Engles & Sherri Tickler.

NO Children's Chapel: Visitation of Magi.

Altar Guild: Everyone works for Advent & Christmas.

Announcements: Karen Orite.