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- No Dolphins (3rd-5th grades) in January. Come join FAMILY FAITH FUN on Jan. 15, 4:00pm (see announcement below).
- Jan. 8, STARFISH: Sack Lunch Prep.
- Planning a Lock-in for Friday, Feb. 3!

Book Study Group: We will meet from *12-1pm on Thursday, Jan. 5* at the Sake Restaurant.

2nd Sunday Breakfast: Everyone is invited to the 2nd Sunday breakfast, *Jan. 8, from 9—9:30am* in the Parish Hall.

Remember to pick up a poinsettia to take to a friend or to take home after services on Sunday.

New Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am—4:30pm.

Daughters of the King: We will meet following the service on *Sunday, Jan. 8* in the Skinner Building.

Vestry Nominations for 2017: Nominations for 2017 Vestry (Three year term) are now open. Any voting member of the Parish may put a name forward in writing. It will need to be signed by the nominee and two voting members and submitted to the Vestry Secretary Eden Buegler at least fourteen days prior to the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on *Sunday, January 29, 2017*. The form for nomination is available in the church office, parish hall or from Angela Covey, Senior Warden.

Family Faith Fun: *Sunday, Jan. 15, 4:00—5:30 p.m.* in the Parish Hall. A new venture for families with children 2 years – 2nd grade (all ages welcome). Whole family participation in games, singing, and faith designed lessons. (Older children also included).

Bishops Visit will be in February: Bishop Larry has scheduled his visitation for *February 5, 2017*. We will have Confirmation classes for those interested in being Confirmed or Baptized. Contact Fr. Mike or the church office, 782-9912, if you are interested in either. Fr. Mike will announce soon the schedule for Confirmation Instructions.

Remember to sign up to host Saints' Alive for 2017: 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.

CONNECTIONS GROUPS: *For Service, Social, or Study opportunities:* Online Sign Up- www.stjohnfs.org Home Page. Or Forms are on the Hallway Bulletin Board. See a complete list in the *Holy Babble* that is being mailed out today.

- ◆ **Creative Bible Journaling:** 2nd Mondays, 7-8:00 pm Skinner Bldg. All you need is a Bible or journal for this group, See you there. *Kandi Poirier NEXT GASTHERING— Jan 9*
- ◆ **Mind Stretchers** –3rd Tues. of Month, 6:00 pm Skinner Bldg. *Next Speaker: JAN. 17, 2017*
- ◆ **Rector’s Study** - 2017 will take a “state side” turn with my great love ... the wonderful American experience of the Christian faith. Our Wednesday Evening class will resume January 11 at 5:15 p.m. The Sunday Morning class will resume on January 15 at 9:15 a.m.
- ◆ **Monthly (Weekday) Book Study: 1st Thursdays, 12:00-1:00, Next: Jan 5**
 - ◆ Group meets at: **Sake Restaurant, Garrison Ave**

Diocesan Articles

Episcopal Youth Event (EYE) Application

The Episcopal Youth Event (EYE), a triennial event for 9th–12th graders, will take place **July 10–14 in Edmond, Okla.** You can [apply online](#). The Diocese of Arkansas has 24 spaces available, and the selection will be made the first week of January.

Winter Interlude 2017 – Women’s Weekend

Arkansas ECW will hold their Winter Interlude **Jan. 6–7, 2017, at Camp Mitchell**. The price is \$85 per person, which includes lodging and meals beginning with dinner on Friday. You can [register online](#) using Eventbrite. Or [complete this form](#) and mail in with your check. If you have questions, please call Susan Moore at 501-691-9342.

REGULAR WEEKLY MEETINGS:

EfM (Education for Ministry) Thursday nights, at 5:30pm in the Skinner Building.

WORSHIP MINISTERS – Sunday, January 8, 2017

8:00 service:

Usher: Chris Glasco.

Lay Ministers: *1st Lesson* , Chris Glasco; *2nd Lesson*, Helen Harper; *Prayers*, Muggy Murray; *Chalice*, Helen Harper & Debbie Chandler.

Altar Guild: Janie Foltz.

Hospitality: 2nd Sunday Breakfast.

Announcements: John Cross.

10:30 service:

Ushers: Daniel Gilbreath & Jeff Pryor.

Lay Ministers: *1st Lesson*, Betsy Champlin; *2nd Lesson*, Brent Ward; *Prayers (Baptismal)*, Angela Covey; *Chalice*, Irene Willbanks & Stan Vlademar.

Acolytes: *Server*, Elizabeth Parham; *Asst. Server*, Grace Lowe; *Crucifer*, Andrew Buergler; *Clergy*, Grayson Fielder; *Torches*, Mya Schnauffer & Sydney Randall. *Parent helper*, Fielder.

Children's Chapel: Jeannie McCabe.

Altar Guild: Dorothy Love & Joan Kincannon.

Hospitality: Mary Ann Arnold.

Announcements: Angela Covey