

St. Jude's Announcements

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2018 Financial Outlook Update

As this new year begins, we are grateful for all who are a part of St. Jude's. As we prepare for our annual meeting, it is fitting to share with the parish how the overall financial outlook is shaping up.

An important part of our stewardship is to put together a budget outlining how we will responsibly spend our financial resources. The vestry is charged with creating that budget, which will be presented at our annual meeting.

This year we are facing a shortfall in income along with increases in our expenses. It has been a challenge to create a budget that is both fiscally responsible and faithfully generous to our Mission Covenant. This is a reality that we, as a parish, must grapple with for 2018 and beyond, and we are committed to doing so through judicious spending controls. But our vestry's commitment is also to craft a budget that represents our guiding principles – sharing our abundance through mission; supporting our congregation through all ages and stages; creating meaningful and joyful worship; continuing to build out our campus and share it with our community; and supporting the work of the larger church through our diocese.

Please join us in this effort, and if you have not yet made your pledge, do so now. If you are in a position to increase your pledge for this year, please contact us. We invite your prayers for the vestry and finance committee as they finalize the budget for 2018. If you have any questions please contact Wilma, Carlos Estrada or Mary Hultquist.

Today

Home Blessing Kits available through Epiphany! This is a traditional season of home blessings, welcoming anew the presence of Christ in our midst. If you would like to share in this ancient, spiritual tradition, home blessing kits are available in the Narthex or from Sarah+ through Feb. 11.

Service Worship Sunday | 8:00 am service. 9:15 am Commissioning service then we gather for projects at St. Jude's and in the community. If you haven't signed up, go to the saint-judes.org home page and click on Service Worship Sunday to select a project. Or, show up Sunday morning and we'll recommend an assignment that matches your interests. We especially need 3 volunteers to help at the Women's Warming Shelter at the Episcopal Church in Almaden. Questions? Contact Becky Smith directly at (beckys100@hotmail.com). We will regather at 5:30 pm for dinner and Eucharist.

The Next Six Weeks

PACT LOC housing issues meeting | Jan. 17, 7:00 pm, Fireside Room. All are invited, please consider joining us as we work to deepen our understanding of housing issues and make a greater impact in social justice by building relationships, countering challenges and learning from and with people suffering because of racial and economic inequalities.

Food Truck Sundays: Go behind the scenes! We've enjoyed Food Truck Sundays a few months now, so it's time to invite others into the mix of turning this dream into a reality! Want to learn more or help — one time, offer 10 minutes on the day of,

choose a truck in advance, other? **Next Food Truck Sunday: Feb 11.** Contact: Mary Hultquist or Sarah+

Young Adult, Neo-Enlightenment Salon | Jan. 21, 5:00 pm-8:30 pm | Sarah's new home. Join us for a discussion about "Is the Church dying?! Why (not)?" and *Episcopal Liturgy: Service of the Word (what, why, etc.)*. Italian themed potluck. RSVP to Laura Todd or Sarah+ by noon Jan. 20, including what you will bring (if anything) to share.

St. Jude's Children's Choir Practice | Jan. 21, from 9:10 am-9:55 am, Room 5. The children's choir, affectionately known as 'cots, will be begin-all children ages 5 and up who love to sing are encouraged to join. Reading is not required. We will begin working on music for our deanery concert in February, where 'cots will join with the adult choir to perform "Hope for Resolution." Kathy Disney, kathydisney@gmail.com.

Community Forum, 9:15 am | Jan. 21, Meet the vestry and delegate candidates.

GOTS Bible Study | Jan. 21, 5:00 pm, Fireside room. Bring your Bible as we begin our study of Genesis with Bruce Bramlett. Next dates: Feb. 4, Feb. 11.

Annual Meeting | Jan. 28, ONE service, 9:15 am with potluck brunch and election of vestry and delegates, review of finances and more, ending at noon.

#MeToo: a Courageous Conversation for Men of Faith, | Jan. 31, 6:30 pm, St. Jude's Parish Hall. Silicon Valley men of faith of all ages (esp. leaders at St. Jude's) are invited to attend Bruce Bramlett's facilitated and strictly confidential discussion concerning the current national conversation about men's behavior. This discussion will invite us to address our attitudes and responses to sexual harassment, rape, and misconduct at all levels of our society from a faith perspective. Bruce will provide a pasta main course; others are asked to provide salads, bread, drinks (no alcohol) and desserts. **Please RSVP to the St. Jude's office by Jan. 24 to allow for food preparation.**

Jesus Seminar on the Road (JSOR) | Feb. 2-3, St. Jude's. Westar Institute Fellows, David Galston and Bernard Brandon Scott, will give four talks on *Taking Jesus Seriously: Building on the Wisdom Tradition*. Westar fellows are dedicated to the study of early Christianity. For more details see <https://www.westarinstitute.org/upcoming-events-calendar/cupertino-2018/>. **Register by Jan. 19** for discount. See flyer in the Parish Hall board or Jan or Howard Hill. David Galston will be the speaker at the St. Jude's Community Forum, Feb. 4, 9:15 am-10:15 am.

GOTS | 11:30 pm-1:30 pm, Feb. 11, join a small group, see list of active GOTS [here](#), including dates. Child care offered, Rm. 1.

Food Truck Sunday | Feb. 11, following 10:30 am worship Come, buy lunch, then hang out with friends. See clergy for financial assistance.

Ash Wednesday | Feb. 14, services at noon and 7:00 pm.

Shrove Tuesday | Feb. 13, 6:30 pm-8:00 pm. Shrove Tuesday, Fat Tuesday, Pancake Tuesday, Episcopal Mardi Gras... Whatever you name it, come indulge with traditional pancake dinner served from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm. We will symbolically use up all the "fats" before heading into Lenten fasts and enjoy (optional) activities for all ages: bead necklace and mask-making station (6:30 pm-7:00 pm), annual Alleluia banner making (7:00 pm-7:30 pm), and a lively pancake race (7:30 pm-8:00 pm).

Lenten Wednesday Soup Suppers: Feb. 21-Mar. 28, 6:30 pm. If you are interested in making soup, please contact Wilma or the office.



Deanery concert | Feb 25, 4:00 pm, St. Jude's Parish Hall. Contact Laura Green for details.

Pastoral Care



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and don't depend on your own understanding. Acknowledge him in everything you do and he will direct your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6

To request confidential Christian care from a Stephen Minister or for questions regarding Stephen Ministry, please call Judy Bailey at (650) 242-6965.

Need a ride or meal? The Good Samaritans of St. Jude's are available to fill the short term when parishioners experience a crisis or illness. Let us know when you need us. Louise Marriott (phone/text) (602) 316-2359 and Susan Stanley (650) 960-1041. If this interests you, let us know. We can always use more Good Sams on an as-needed basis.

Clergy Visit? In addition to offering urgent pastoral care, Wilma and Sarah enjoy visiting with parishioners at home, near their office, or another place of their choosing. Bruce also visits with parishioners as his schedule allows. If you would like a visit, please contact them directly or let the office know.

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Did you Know?

The offering envelope boxes are in the Parish Hall for pickup. If you don't use your envelopes, you may recycle them in the box on the table.

We no longer recycle ink cartridges. The prices have gone down and it no longer makes sense. Most office supply stores will take them back.

The new Forward Day by Day devotional is available in the Farmhouse by the mailboxes. Donation is \$1.00

To reduce office printing costs, please share bulletins. This is a greener and fiscally wise solution. The liturgy bulletins are also on the website by the end of day on Fridays and can be read on an electronic device. We have wifi at the church and you may prefer to participate in the service in this way.

Careful with that Memo line! If you will write a check to St. Jude's in 2018, please read this month's View about the Memo line, and changes to what Restricted gifts and Passthroughs St. Jude's will accept. Or contact me for more information. Jeffrey Pugh (Treasurer) jdpugh2@gmail.com

The Choraliers, a senior service outreach choir, meet for rehearsals on Mondays from 10:00 to 11:30 am in the St. Jude's Parish Hall. The choir prepares selections of SATB repertoire which are presented to folks in senior facilities, and assisted living/nursing homes. We have room for you if you are interested. It's a great way to give back. Contact Laura Green for more information, (408) 247-2809.

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