

SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness--on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

PSALM 27:1, 5-13

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
the Lord is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?
One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life;
To behold the fair beauty of the Lord *
and to seek him in his temple.
For in the day of trouble he shall keep me
safe in his shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.
Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.
Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the Lord.
Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.
You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, Lord, will I seek.
Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
You have been my helper; cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 4:12-23

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

**WE REMEMBER BEFORE GOD ALL PEOPLE THROUGHOUT
THE WORLD WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN DISRUPTED
BY VIOLENCE OR WAR.**

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO WORK FOR PEACE
AND FOR NEW BEGINNINGS.**

AS WE PRAY, LET US REMEMBER

✦ Those in special need, especially Virginia & John; Morgan; Buddy; Sophie; Chloe; Matthew; Rob; Nathan; Marium; Larry & Leslie; the Daniels family; Josephine; Yamile; Brayden; Jess; Pamela; Anthony; Wally; Kay; Roland; Keira.

✦ We pray for those who have died.

Our altar flowers are given
by Cynthia Pastula
In memory of my Dad, Walter Shumlas

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOUP KITCHEN ON 'SOUPER' BOWL SUNDAY! We will be going to the soup kitchen next Sunday Feb. 2nd – which is Super Bowl Sunday. It will help me plan for the day if you will let me know that you intend on serving with us. Please bring a gallon or 2 of chocolate milk and try to be there BY 4pm. Talk to me if you have questions or need directions. Thanks! Dan Basche

ST. JOHN'S CLOSET IS OFF TO A GREAT START WITH NEW ITEMS AND NEW IDEAS. There will be craft tables available on first Saturdays in conjunction with the Produce on Wheels Program. We will open at 8AM instead of 9AM on those Saturdays. We have a special sales promotion running through February 15. It is a Red Heart Sale. Anything red – clothing, household goods or décor – is 25% off. This may help with Valentine decorating or gifts Stop in to check things out. As always, we welcome donations whenever St. John's Closet is open, Fridays and Saturdays 9-1 (except for 1st Saturdays, open 8-12). Thank you to all our customers and supporters!

RICHARD BARISO'S ENGRAVED GLASS THAT IS HUNG IN THE PARISH HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. Please see a member of FTTA if you would like to make a purchase.

St. John the Baptist is equipped with two types of hearing assistance devices: a receiver with an earbud or a neck loop (for use with telecoil-equipped hearing aids and cochlear implants). Either device can be used at any seat in the church. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today	ONE SERVICE <i>Holy Eucharist Rite II</i>	9 AM
	Youth Sunday	
	POTLUCK & ANNUAL MEETING	
	after the service	
Tue.	Tuesday Night Bible Study	6 PM
	Joyful Noise practice	7 PM
Wed.	Bible Study	4:30 PM
	<i>Holy Eucharist Rite II</i>	6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:15 PM
Fri.	St. John's Closet	9 AM—1 PM
Sat.	POWWOW	8 AM
	Craft Fair	8 AM
	St. John's Closet	8 AM—12 noon
Sun.	<i>Healing Litany & Holy Eucharist Rite I</i>	8 AM
	Nursery care	9:30–11:15 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	9:45 AM
	Youth Group (CH 6)	9:45 AM
	<i>Healing Litany & Holy Eucharist Rite II</i>	10 AM
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM
	Chris Becker Dining Hall	4:00 PM

FOOD PANTRY
Tooth paste / tooth brushes
grape jelly, pancake mix & syrup
canned chili, cookies

BLESSING BAGS
Travel size or individually wrapped please
Fruit snacks, snack size, Oreos, granola bars,
Rice Krispie treats