

## Weekly Email Blast!

### **Events this Week and Beyond!**

**Thurs Dec 12** Noon Verse-by-Verse Bible study 5:30pm TDR Safety

class 7:00pm Zumba with Gloria 7:30pm AA meeting

Fri Dec 13 7:00pm FLW 7:00pm FLW Basketball

Sat Dec 14 9:00am TDR Safety class 11:00 Installation of Bishop Laurie Larson Caesar 6:00pm FLW Men's and Women's groups

Sun Dec 15 12:30pm Family Promise Families arrive 9:15am Capitol Baptist Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:45am Sunday School 11:00am Decorating the Church 2:00pm FLY @ St. Mark (Caroling for All Ages!) 4:00pm FLW

#### Mon Dec 16

9:30am Wrapping party5:30pm La Casita basketball7:00pm Thorsmen rehearsal7:30pm Zumba with Gloria **Tues Dec 17** 8:30am Gift and Food

Giveaway 9:00am Tuesday Crew 6:30pm Church Council 7:00pm FLW

#### Wed Dec 18

9:00am Rosemallers 10:30 Pastors Study Group 11:00am Open Library at La Casita Noon Worship at St. Mark 6:00pm Bell choir rehearsal 7:00pm Vocal Choir rehearsal 7:00pm Capital Brass Quintet rehearsal 7:00pm Zumba with Gloria

#### Thurs Dec 19

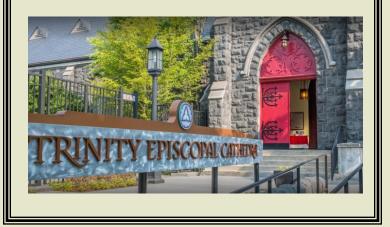
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Fri Dec 20 OFFICE CLOSED 7:00pm FLW 7:00pm FLW Basketball

Sat Dec 21 6:00pm FLW Leadership meeting The Reverend Laurie Larson Caesar's Installation as Bishop of the Oregon Synod with Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

Saturday, December 14th 11:00 at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 147 NW 19th, Portland, OR 97209.

Whether you are a congregation member, a faith leader of any denomination, a child, an elder, or anything in between, we hope to see you this Saturday at 11:00! No RSVP needed.



Please stay after worship on Sunday, December 15th to decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas!

Pizza to follow! Then let's meet at St. Mark at 2:00pm for caroling!

Hope to see you then!

Sunday Servants 12-15-19 Sunday Servants 12-22-19

Assisting Minister: Karen Halvorson Lector: Bryan Struve Communion Assistant: Bryan Struve

December's Usher: Gary Bogstad Assisting Minister: Mat Nyquist Lector: Loran Sell Communion Assistant: Loran Sell

December Altar Care: Peggy Sell and Karen Halvorson

# Last Chance to Buy a Poinsettia!

 We have a few remaining poinsettias for sale at \$15.00
per flower. Please speak to Sarah Tolleson if you are interested in buying one.

Invite your family and friends to stay after worship on Sunday, December 22nd for our "Instant Christmas Pageant" for all ages.

See you at 11:00am!

Don't forget that our

Christmas Eve Worship Service is a 5:30pm

this year!

## **Praise Phrase:**

There is no other way you can know who God is, and who you are, than to love.

#### Brown Bag Snacks

Every Friday we will be giving Brown Bag snacks to Washington Elementary school. Snacks are for homeless children to give them something to eat over the weekend. We are currently at 25 children and expect the number to increase.

Here is a list of snacks that would be good for the kids!

Granola bars Peanut butter crackers Trail mix Fruit cups Gold fish crackers Pretzels Cheese crackers Rice crispy treats Energy bars Applesauce

All of the snacks must be individually wrapped. Please pay attention to expiration dates! Thank you for helping our local school!

The last Advent Mid-Week service, the Longest Night – a service of the season, with space for the sadness we carry, will be at St Mark will be held on December 18th at 12:05, and lunch will follow.

On December 21<sup>st</sup>, the Winter Solstice, we experience the longest night and the shortest day of the year. It is an appropriate time to gather for prayer and worship: to lay down our sadness for a while, in community.

