

WARE CHURCH

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The Grapevine

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Gloucester, Virginia

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Christian Education Epiphany Term Begins January 22nd

For three Sundays, special programs will be presented to our children. We are most fortunate to have three talented ladies leading the series:

January 22nd *“Moving Forward”* Mark’s Gospel records that, while fishing, Peter and Andrew were called by Jesus: “Follow me and I will make you become fishers of men.” This story offers an opportunity to help children understand our Lord’s care and invitation to follow him. In Nuala Bgalbari’s book, *The Woods of Wicomico*, the children meet several animals who exhibit great leadership in saving the environment. The author is giving a video presentation and speaking about her book.

January 29th *“With Authority”* Paul writes to the Church in Corinth about eating food offered to idols in its various temples. The early church faced the issue of the difference “freedom from” and “freedom for.” Regina Gerstman will speak about the many foods of the time and introduce the children to some biblical culinary delights.

February 5th *“Sustaining Ministry”* Marks Gospel portrays our Lord’s ministry as one of the proclamation of the Word and the
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The First Article

Dear Friends,

The first Sunday in January is the Feast of the Holy Name of Our Lord and it's also the eighth day after Christmas. This year it's also New Year's Day - a federal holiday and time for such things as parades and college football games. It's also time to celebrate the passing of another year and making plans for the one to come. It's a wonderful time for everyone.

What about the Feast of the Holy Name of Our Lord? The Law of Moses required that every male child be circumcised and named eight days after his birth. It had long been the custom to make it a festive occasion just as we do for baptisms with the gathering of family and friends. In the case of Mary and Joseph they named their child Jesus just as the angel had said.

Our year begins at Ware with the Sunday School's "Epiphany Term" term with programs entitled: Moving Forward, With Authority, and Sustaining Ministry. Welcome classes start on February 5th for those wishing to learn about those interesting things Episcopalians do in worship and parish life. It's a great time for questions. We will get to talk about ministry, prayer, the traditions of the church, the Bible and the history of the church. When Bishop Gulick visits on April 22nd in the afternoon, those wishing to join the congregation will be confirmed or received.

The new year brings the election of a new bishop for Virginia. Bishop David Jones retires at the Annual Diocesan Council on the weekend of January 21st. His love, warmth and understanding have touched the Diocese and Ware Church. He and his wife Kay will still be near by as they have a summer cottage outside of Kilmarnock. In April the Diocesan Council reconvenes to elect a new Bishop Suffragan who will be consecrated this coming summer.

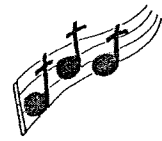
Other changes at Ware include the completion of Lisa Lawrence's term as Senior Warden. This past year under her leadership our pledge program was redesigned producing 132 pledges for \$217,353. Twenty of these pledges are new ones. She has orchestrated the new photo directory which will be arriving from the printer in the next few weeks. Tom Hay completes his term as Junior Warden. Under his leadership the repairs, painting and upgrades to our buildings and grounds have been completed. Thank you, Lisa and Tom.

New beginnings involve names and prayer. We always can call on our Lord and ask his blessings. For the coming year my prayer is that we continue his mission and ministry in this very special place. May the Lord bless you and yours for all of 2012.

Faithfully yours,


Peter Worthington

Music Notes



Happy New Year and Welcome Back, Choirs!

After a well-deserved post-Christmas break, it's time to welcome in the New Year and begin a brand new choir season. The Senior Choir will resume its schedule on Sunday, January 8th. We will meet at 9:30 that morning, giving the Senior Choir an opportunity to enjoy the parish breakfast at 9:00. On January 15th, we will be back to beginning our rehearsals promptly at 9:00. The Junior Choir will resume its schedule on Wednesday, January 11th at 5:00. The Junior Handbell Choir will start rehearsals on Wednesday, January 11th at 6:00. The Senior Handbell Choir begins their new season with a rehearsal on Sunday, January 15th at noon. January brings a New Year with new resolutions. If you are interested in joining any of our musical groups, now is the perfect time! Just come to the rehearsal of your choice and see what all the fun is about!

January is the Time to Plan for Summer Music Camp 2012

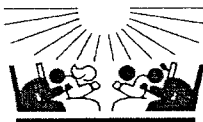
Before that last ornament is put safely away, plans are in progress for this summer's Music Camp. The camp will run July 16-20, 2012. If you are interested in your child participating, please note this on your calendars! Now is the time for planning summer vacation getaways, so keep Music Camp in mind. Once again, camp will be limited to 40 children. Children ages 5 and older are eligible. Look for more exciting news about our wildly popular Summer Music Camp in future issues of the Grapevine.

Volunteer!

Have you ever wanted to help at church but weren't sure how? Well, here is your opportunity. All the names on the Laity page each month are volunteers. All of these areas are important in the life of the church and what is so great is that the areas require little or no training. Please call the church office, 693-3821 and the parish administrator will make certain that your name and willingness to serve are passed on to the person in charge of the area of your interest.



Ware's Prayer Group Meets January 11th



There are times when it helps to know someone is praying for you, a member of your family or a friend. The Prayer Group provides this ministry. If you have a request, call Anne Clark at 693-4026 or Bruce Forsberg at 776-7734. They gather Wednesday, January 11th at 10:30 a.m. in the Library.

Christian Education at Ware



Epiphany Breakfast

On Sunday, January 8th we celebrate the First Sunday after the Epiphany with a breakfast at 9 a.m. in the Parish Hall. We encourage everyone to come join us and discover plans for the coming weeks.

Follow the Star Epiphany Series

In Matthew 2:1-2, "...Magi came from the east to Jerusalem and asked, 'Where is the one who has been born the King of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him.' The Sunday School is appreciative to those who have accepted our invitation to help us with this program. They will bring to us a wealth of information. Dates will be listed on the web site and in the weekly Christian Education newsletter.

Youth Sunday

The Junior Choir will sing on Sunday, January 15th to celebrate the Youth of our Church. Carter Hartley will serve as the lector for the day.

The Sunday School Has Been Busy!

To the budding Michelangelos at Sunday School - we would like to thank everyone for their participation in the art contest for the Christmas pageant. The artwork was beautifully displayed on our pageant bulletins.

Good Shepherds

As good shepherds the classes voiced concern the Ware's birds didn't have an abundant amount of food for the winter. Rest assured that the feeder has been stocked with plenty of goodies and the children have witnessed the birds enjoying the meal.

Epiphany Term

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ministry of healing. Those hearing and believing the word find themselves ministering to others. Bobby Ray joins the class to teach sign language to convey the message in another form or "voice."

Parish Register

In Memoriam

Todd Waddell Cunningham
December 27, 2011

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Kathryn Lewis Taliaferro Ballerini
December 28, 2011

Women of Ware



Luncheon & Program

This month we will be treated to a presentation by Martha Rhodes with “Friends of Barnabas”, a Medical Mission to Honduras at 11:30 a.m. on January 24th at Olivia’s Restaurant in the Courthouse. Our hostess is Jane Nichols.

Book Club

This month’s choice is *The American Heiress* by Daisy Goodwin. Download it to your Kindle or stop by Twice Told Tales. Meet Tuesday, January 10th at noon at Jean Johnson’s home, “Crickhouse”, 7215 Belleville Lane, Ware Neck. RSVP to Jean, 693-5280 by Friday, January 6th if you are coming.

Mission Commission News



Angel Tree

Thank you for your response to Ware’s Christmas outreach to 12 families in the community in December. Thank you volunteers who helped with sorting and packing—the James’ (Ed, Luke, Emma, Christopher, Nancy and Ron), Susan and Mike Jenkins, Shot Tabb, Linda Batcha, Miranda McClintic, Chuck Crook, and Tom Hay. On Sunday, December 18th, the food, boxes, bags and gifts were sorted and then picked up on Monday, December 19th. Thanks also for your monetary gifts.

First Sunday Food Offering, January 1st

On the first Sunday of every month, Ware Church receives gifts of food and other personal items to restock the shelves at the Salvation Army Food Closet. Items in demand this month include Stove Top stuffing, macaroni and cheese, spaghetti noodles and sauce, and peanut butter and jelly. Gifts for the Food Closet can be left in the office or taken directly to the Salvation Army.

Giving Statements, 2011 and Offering Envelopes, 2012

The end-of-year giving statements for 2011 will be mailed in January. Review your statement and call the church office if you have any questions. 2012 offering envelopes are on the church porch.



Coffee Hour Hosts and Hostesses Needed



Sign up to host Coffee Hour, January - March. You provide cookies. The lemonade and coffee are in the kitchen. One or two people are needed each week.

Gifts of Flowers for the Altar in Ware Church

Every Sunday except during the penitential seasons of Advent and Lent, friends and parishioners of Ware Church give flowers in memory of loved ones or in honor of events such as weddings. If you wish take part in this important ministry, please call the church office.



The Parish Calendar

February 6	Vestry Meeting	7 p.m.
February 8	Prayer Group	10:30 a.m.
February 15	March <i>Grapevine</i> Deadline	
February 21	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	6 p.m.
February 22	Ash Wednesday Services	10 a.m. & 7 p.m.
February 29	Lenten Supper and Program	6 p.m.
March 5	Vestry Meeting	7 p.m.
March 7	Lenten Supper & Program	6 p.m.
March 11	Daylight Savings Time begins	
March 14	Prayer Group	10:30 a.m.
	Lenten Supper & Program	6 p.m.
March 15	April <i>Grapevine</i> Deadline	
March 21	Lenten Supper & Program	6 p.m.
March 28	Lenten Supper & Program	6 p.m.
April 1	Palm Sunday	
April 2	Vestry Meeting	7 p.m.
April 5	Maundy Thursday Service	7 p.m.
April 6	Good Friday Service	Noon
April 8	Easter, Mite Boxes & Flowering of the Cross	8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
April 13	Prayer Group	10:30 a.m.
April 15	May <i>Grapevine</i> Deadline	
April 22	Bishop's Afternoon Visit	

Acolytes



Steve Parker works with our acolytes. Call him at 693-0349 if you are interested in being an acolyte.

Family Room of Ware Church



The Family Room would like to thank the Samaritan Group for their most generous donation made to the Family Room. Indeed, it will help us in all of our endeavors throughout the New Year. We are most grateful to Ware Church and the Samaritans for all that they do for the program!

We would also like to thank Ann Dyal and the Salvation Army along with Ware Episcopal Church for their generosity in helping two 'needy' families at Christmas time. Through your generosity, hearts were filled with much love, joy and happiness and lots of smiles, too! Thank you all!

We invite everyone to come and join us at the Family Room on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon. Come enjoy some quality time with your children and grandchildren. We have free play, arts and crafts, play dough, circle time, story time, and the parachute. Please call Sister Colleen, 693-3821 for more information.

We want to wish each of you a very Happy New Year! May you find the Lord's choicest blessings in 2012! Happy New Year from the Family Room!

January Birthdays

If you wish for your birthday to appear in the monthly list, call the office.



1 - Grayson Wilt	11 - Robert Johnson	22 - Sarah Teagle
2 - John Kiku	13 - Maynard Nichols	24 - Stuart Blackston
4 - Brenden Hall	14 - Vicki Hecht	25 - Marianne Bowles
4 - Kensi Wiggins	14 - Nancy James	26 - Carol Kalinich
5 - Patrick Bains	15 - Mary Whitley	26 - Sue Zima
6 - Suzanne Ripley	15 - Louise Zink	27 - Derek Kibler
6 - Meg Teagle	16 - Marjorie Masek	27 - Thomas West
7 - Thomas Kerns	16 - Wrenn Kibler	28 - Betty Wornom
8 - Evan Clark	16 - Janet Host	29 - Paul Crook
9 - Priscilla Hogge	16 - Kirby Smith	29 - Jim Fulton
9 - Jimmy Kilduff	17 - Bryan Hartley	29 - Jason Meffley
10 - Miranda McClintic	19 - Brooke Edwards	30 - Kirk Canaday
11 - Matthew Haskell	21 - Ray Bowden	30 - Frank Lansinger
11 - William Hicks	21 - Monica Blackston	30 - George Miller


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DATE	ACOLYTE	CHALICIST	ALTAR GUILD	COFFEE	COUNTER	GREETER	LECTOR	USHER
January 1 <i>The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ</i>	Alex Richardson Evan Clark Patrick Berg	Peter Teagle	Dec. 30 - Jan. 5 Team #4 Donna DeShazo Chair	No Coffee Hour	Amy Clayton Judy Doyel	Nell & Wes Jones	Mike Jenkins	8:30 Wayne Jackson 10:30 Paul Joyce Dan Worthington
January 8 <i>Baptism of Our Lord</i>	Caroline Parker Jacob Ward Molly Morgan	Ann Brown	Jan. 6-12 Team #5 Barbara Roane Bobby Ray Co-Chairs	Peggy & Frank Lansinger	Nancy Dwoyer Anne Dyal	Catesby Jones	Diana Joyce	8:30 Mike Jenkins 10:30 Jane Musick Lewis Musick
January 15 <i>2 Epiphany</i>	Emily Canaday Jillian Lawrence Newie Lawrence	Tom Hay	Jan. 13-19 Team #6 Jane Worthington Chair		Sally Hartley Tom Hay	Diana & Paul Joyce	Carter Hartley	8:30 Robert Johnson 10:30 Robert Teagle Bill Tennent
January 22 <i>3 Epiphany</i>	Blair South Rauri Kilduff Rhiannon Kilduff	Peg Moncure	Jan. 20-26 Team #7 Sue Zima Chair		Elizabeth Hay Nancy James	Lenore Munger	Mary Lawrence	8:30 John Haracivet 10:30 Lloyd Ward Jim Kilduff
January 29 <i>4 Epiphany</i>	P. J. Teagle Jack Teagle Evan Clark		Jan. 27 - Feb. 2 Team #1 Pat Zima Chair	Jane Smith	Colleen Hollenback Nell Jones	Allison Parker	Lenore Munger	8:30 Roger Meffley 10:30 Miles Masek Bobby Blymyer
VESTRY ON DUTY			January 1 Amy Clayton	January 8 Nancy Dwoyer	January 15 Sally Hartley	January 22 Elizabeth Hay	January 29 Colleen Hollenback	

††† Please find your own substitute if you cannot serve on your appointed day and inform the office of the change. †††

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ 1</p> <p>8:30 am Holy Eucharist 10:30 am Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Rm. 7:00 pm BSA, Cabin</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Rm.</p>	<p>The Epiphany 6</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>Baptism of Our Lord 8</p> <p>8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Parish Breakfast 9:30 am Senior Choir 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist</p>	<p>Julia Chester Emery 9</p> <p>7:00 pm Vestry 7:30 pm BSA Com. Mtg.</p>	<p>William Laud 10</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Rm. Noon WoW Book Club @ Johnsons' 12:30 pm Staff Mtg. 7:00 pm BSA, Cabin</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10:30 am Prayer Group 5:00 pm Jr. Choir 6:00 pm Jr. Handbells</p>	<p>Aelred of Rievaulx 12</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Rm.</p>	<p>Hilary of Poitiers 13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>2 Epiphany 15</p> <p>8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Senior Choir 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Noon Handbells</p>	<p>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 16</p>	<p>Antony of Egypt 17</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Rm. 6:30 pm FR Bd. Mtg. 7:00 pm BSA, Cabin</p>	<p>The Confession of St. Peter 18</p> <p>5:00 pm Jr. Choir 6:00 pm Jr. Handbells</p>	<p>Wulfstan of Worcester 19</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Rm.</p>	<p>Fabian of Rome 20</p>	<p>Agnes of Rome of Saragossa 20</p>
<p>3 Epiphany 22</p> <p>8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Senior Choir 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Noon Handbells 2:00 pm Cow Creek Mill Pond Assn.</p>	<p>Phillips Brooks 23</p>	<p>Ordination of Florence Li Tim-Oi 24</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Rm. 11:30 am Women of Ware meet @ Olivia's 7:00 pm BSA, Cabin</p>	<p>The Conversion of St. Paul 25</p> <p>5:00 pm Jr. Choir 6:00 pm Jr. Handbells</p>	<p>Timothy & Titus 26</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Rm.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Annual Diocesan</p>	<p>Thomas Aquinas 28</p> <p>Council, Reston</p>
<p>4 Epiphany 29</p> <p>8:30 am Holy Eucharist 9:00 am Senior Choir 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Morning Prayer Noon Handbells</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>10:00 am Fam. Rm. 7:00 pm BSA, Cabin</p>	<p><i>There is a nursery for children under 6 in the Parish House during the Sunday 10:30 am service.</i></p>		<p><i>I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.</i> - Isaiah 49:6b</p>	

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