



ST. JOHN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
LAFAYETTE

The Eagle

St. John's Episcopal Church • Lafayette, Ind. • December 2018

Christmas at ST. JOHN'S LAFAYETTE

Third Sunday in Advent, December 16th

8:00 & 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Thursday, December 20th

6:00 p.m. "Longest Night" Service

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 23rd

8:00 & 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

12:00 noon Greening of the Church

Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24th

4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

9:00 p.m. Carol Prelude

9:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25th

10:15 a.m. Christmas Day Service

1st Sunday after Christmas, December 30th

8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

The Feast of the Epiphany, Sunday, January 6th

One service only at 10:15 a.m.

Epiphany Pageant & Holy Eucharist



Please join us as we celebrate the joys of Christmas at St. John's. All through the Advent season, we will observe the lead-up to Christ's birth in our Sunday services, with the lighting of the Advent wreath, with music and with fellowship. We'll extend the Christmas spirit in outreach as we welcome our partners, The Chapel of the Good Shepherd, to spread the joy of giving as hosts for Lafayette Urban Ministry's Jubilee Christmas. On the fourth Sunday in Advent, we'll green the church after services. And on Christmas Eve, at both 4 and 9:30 p.m., we'll celebrate the glory of Christmas through word and song. Join us in this most wondrous of seasons.

The Power of Interfaith Dialogue

Selections from the sermon preached at St. John's on Sunday, Nov. 11, 2018

by Rabbi Michael Harvey of Temple Israel, West Lafayette

Opportunities for interfaith dialogue and collaboration are so important to me and have guided me in my duties as the rabbi of Temple Israel and as the director of the Interfaith Leaders of Greater Lafayette. In my time both in seminary and as a rabbi, I have spoken at many churches and mosques, taught and guest lectured at high schools, universities and community learning sessions, and organized and spoken on interfaith panels and seminars. Over the years, when I have spoken to mixed audiences, I have found myself giving either uplifting speeches about how America is moving in the right toward tolerance and understanding or calls to action when it has felt that the United States has been doing the opposite. Today, I believe we find ourselves at a crossroads. While the horrific shooting at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh illustrates just how deep anti-Semitic hate still runs in this country, the outpouring of love and support by non-Jews, including so many of you, is an indication that such hate is not welcome here and that we are all committed to driving it out together.

But how do we do that? Back in 1930, in my home town of St. Louis, Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman, a formidable rabbi and interfaith scholar, wrote the following in one of his sermons:

What is true of all humanity is true especially of the relations between Jews and between Christians. The difficulties which have existed between them in the past and which exist between them today are based almost entirely on those suspicions and fears which are the children of ignorance. Show me the Christian who knows the Jew and Judaism and I will show you the Christian in whose heart there dwells no prejudice. Show me the Jew who knows the Christian and Christianity and I will show you the Jew who is appreciative of Christians and of their faith.

Rabbi Isserman's words, almost a century old, resonate with me today because they strike at the heart of the matter in our country. If hate is the child of ignorance, then peace must be the child of education. Far too often, we find ourselves without opportunity for genuine, raw dialogue between Christians and Jews. There simply are not enough face-to-face, difficult though respectful encounters with one another. And yet, it is within these encounters that stereotypes wash away, wherein we learn that what distinguishes Judaism from Christianity need not separate us, and where fundamentalism and fanaticism find no ground upon which to stand....

Both of us, Jews and Christians alike, can and should therefore separate Christianity from what Rabbi Isserman called "Churchianity," the emphasis on the institutional traditions of the church rather than the theology or spiritual teachings. We should focus, instead then, on our similarities. There is so much to gain by looking deep into the origins of Christianity and finding gems of values that we all hold, and have held for centuries. The original teachings of Jesus and of Paul, for example, are expressions of and expansions upon Jewish teachings. These teachings are the common thread in our patchwork. Too often Jews and Christians alike forget that Jesus was born a Jew, lived as a Jew, preached as a Jew and died as a Jew. He was the son of the synagogue, and his religion was Judaism. The religion he preached was Judaism. In the Gospel of Mark, when Jesus is asked "which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answers, as any Jew would, the words of the *Sh'ma*, the Jewish declaration of monotheism, "Hear, O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is One." These words, taken from Deuteronomy 6, are still said twice daily by Jews, and are the central and first commandment of our faith. Jesus continues quoting Deuteronomy and speaks the words of what Jews call the *V'ahavta*: "And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your might." Jewish children all over the world learn this prayer in Hebrew as part of their education to become members of the synagogue; and now Christian children learn in their education one of the central teachings that Jesus preached.

It cannot be denied that “Christian tradition,” as Rabbi Isserman once said, “grew up in the soil of Judaism.” When Jesus prayed, he prayed the prayers of the synagogue, and Jesus and the Gospel writers knew the words of the Jewish texts. It was the Torah that told them to love our neighbors as ourselves, that humans were made in the image of God, that we should leave the corners of the fields for the poor. It was the Jewish prophets that told them to beat their swords into ploughshares, to not to rejoice when enemies were destroyed, and to suffer for the love of God. When one removes the Jewishness of Jesus, they deny the roots of Christianity and they proclaim Judaism deficient to Christianity, as it were just a fragment of a dream forgotten.

Even when Jesus died, he died as a Jew. Martyrdom is and has been a constant element to Judaism, dating back to biblical times. Jews, like Christians, have all too often died for their faith, and for the glory of God. We count Jesus among them, as an outspoken man put to death by a fearful Roman procurator who feared revolt. Jesus was not alone when he died; he was crucified next to many Jewish martyrs, all of whom were put to death by an oppressive Roman force, forcing obedience from their subjects in Judea. He lived as a Jew, and he died as a Jew, and it was Jewish hands that lovingly took him down from the cross.

We are, indeed, united in the religion that Jesus practiced. This is a religion of one God, a religion of love and understanding, a religion of generosity and responsibility to those around us. While we may have struggled in the womb, as Jacob and Esau, just as the brothers, Judaism and Christianity are not strangers; they are not alien to one another. When Jews speak of Jesus, it should be with respect for a man who lived a Jewish life, and when Christians praise Jesus as the Christ, and speak of his teachings, they should honor the Jewish roots of their faith.

The words that Rebecca says in reaction to the brothers struggling in the womb, in the Hebrew is *Lama Zeh Anochi*, which most would translate as I did earlier, “Why do I exist?” It should be up to us, friends, to answer that question. Why have Judaism and Christianity coexisted? In some denominations of Christianity, it could be argued that we shouldn’t coexist. That the role of Christianity is to bring everyone to Christ so that one day, there are no more Jews. But what would be lost if that were to happen? And, likewise, what would it mean if Jews did not engage with their Christian brothers and sisters? It is my firm belief that we exist to sustain one another, that without each other, a piece of our own selves, our histories, even our respective belief systems, would not exist. For just as Christianity exists built on the foundations of Judaism, today, after centuries of persecution, the Jewish people exist based on an understanding not only of who they are, but also of what they are not. In other words, we continue to have much to learn from one another, and we continue to have a great deal of work, together, to accomplish what in Judaism we call *tikkun olam*, the repairing of the world.

Rabbi Harvey has served as the spiritual leader of Temple Israel in West Lafayette since July 1, 2017. He joined the community from his previous position as rabbi of The Hebrew Congregation of St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands. Read the sermon its entirety at <https://rabbiharvey.wordpress.com/2018/11/11/interfaith-sermon-st-johns-episcopal-church-11-11-18/>.

From the Rector

More than once recently, a visitor to St. John's has pointed out that we have a lot of families with young children. It's true. A few Sundays ago, I think there were as many as 10 babies in the back of the church. I know that some folks find the noise of children in worship to be disturbing and that for folks who are hard-of-hearing this can be problematic. I don't want to discount that. But as a friend of mine loves to say, the noise of children is "the Church breathing." And let's be honest, if we're distracted by the sound of children, that isn't the worst kind of distraction.

If you think about it, isn't the Christmas story a similar kind of distraction? At the time of Jesus' birth, everyone was going about their business. There were wars and rumors of war. There was poverty and famine and despair. The ancient homeland of Israel was occupied by the Roman Empire who ruled over it with an iron fist. Some people were waiting for God's ancient promises to be fulfilled, but too many had lost hope. Others had turned those ancient promises into the rallying cry of violent revolution.

And then this baby comes along. And although we now sing "no crying he makes," there would have almost certainly been a great deal of wriggling and squirming and noise. Lots of noise. There were the cries of an anguished mother in labor. There were sheep and cattle. Not only that, but there were choirs of angels shouting "Gloria," shepherds staggering in, and kings bringing gifts (pardon me if I take license to mix the different Gospel accounts together a bit). All of these people and animals and angels and shepherds and wise men were going about their business. They had other plans. They had things to do, work to get done, lives to live. But this baby came along — this little child — and he distracted everyone from those wars and rumors of wars. He shined light on their hopes and dreams. He made them all stop for a moment. He gave them heart again. The cries of this child were the sound of God breathing life into the world again.

I like to think that we could all use a similar kind of distraction, a little breath of fresh air in the Church, in Lafayette, in the world. When the bad news and the rumors of bad news come around, isn't it wonderful to hear children? Isn't it wonderful to be distracted for a moment? Isn't it wonderful to hear the Church breathing? Isn't it wonderful to hear God breathing life into the world again? Maybe the noise of children in church isn't your thing. But maybe you're just the kind of person who needs a little of that distraction. As we all go about our hurried lives, as we go about our many tasks getting ready for Christmas, remember that this season of waiting and preparation in Advent really leads up to getting distracted by a little child.

So, my sisters and brothers, may you occasionally be distracted by children wriggling and squirming and laughing and playing. And as we come to Christmas, may you be distracted by the mother's cries, by the cattle lowing, by the shouts of "Gloria," by the shepherds, and by kings bearing gifts. May you be distracted enough to hear God's breath as it breathes life into our Church and into the world. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*



Hanging of the Greens

Sunday, Dec. 23 after the 10:15 a.m. service

Christmas is coming, and we “Hang the Greens” on Sunday, Dec. 23, after the 10:15 a.m. service. Please help put the finishing touches on the church as we get ready for the Christmas season. Bring along a pot of your favorite chili or cookies to share. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*

Reminder: “Longest Night” service

Thursday, Dec. 20, 2018 at 6 p.m.

The time leading up to Christmas is sometimes called “the most wonderful time of the year” in our secular world. However, for many it is a time of deep sadness, loneliness, grief, despair, anger, frustration or any number of feelings that make it feel harder to enter into a space of joy. Named for the winter solstice, literally the longest period of darkness in the year, the “Longest Night” service is a place to bring all the feelings that appear “out of sync” with the world around us; it is an opportunity to acknowledge, own, and offer up these feelings to God. We hope that this service will be a place of comfort, healing, and hope.

Even if you aren’t feeling particularly “out of sync” with the feelings swirling around us, this service offers an opportunity for quiet and contemplation in the midst of a hectic world. — *Hilary Cooke, hilary@stjohns-laf.org*

Epiphany Pageant

Sunday, Jan. 6, 10:15 a.m.

This year, St. John’s will have an Epiphany Pageant with lessons and hymns on Sunday, Jan. 6. There will be only one service that Sunday at 10:15 a.m. All children ages third-eighth grade will have the opportunity to choose a part during Godly Play or Middle School Christian Formation classes during the upcoming weeks. We will have a rehearsal on Saturday, Jan. 5, at 10 a.m. Please mark your calendars and contact Katie Elder with any questions. — *Katie Elder, katie.elder1@gmail.com*



The Future of Our Sharing Ministries

St. John's mission is to be a worshipping community that shares God's love and our lives by reaching out into the community and by making Christ known through word and deed. If we pursue this mission, more and more people will be brought into relationship with God through the beauty and openness of the Anglican tradition. Experiencing beauty and relationships are only possible in their fullest sense when people have their basic needs met. Think here of Maslow's hierarchy: It's difficult to experience beauty and transcendence when the source of tomorrow's meal or tonight's shelter is unknown. This means that sharing God's love and our lives — what we mean by "outreach," after all — must involve helping people meet their basic needs as well as extending hospitality, welcome, and community.

Based on the information gleaned from the Outreach survey, feedback from members of St. John's, conversations with local agencies, and the work of the Outreach Discernment Committee, the Vestry has concluded that our outreach or "Sharing Ministries" should focus on food insecurity, homelessness and belonging. Each of these areas includes opportunities for prayer and study, financial giving, advocacy and volunteering. The goal is that all of St. John's members will find opportunities to engage in some aspect of these ministries. We want our outreach to be accessible to everyone in the St. John's community.

Our outreach work must begin in prayer and study. Anchoring our outreach in prayer helps us tune in to God and to the needs of our neighbors. Additionally, St. John's formation ministries can help us focus our energy and attention to better advocate for and minister to our neighbors. There are opportunities in our community for training such as rapid-response training to assist our immigrant neighbors, training to advocate for and support members of the LGBTQ community and anti-racism efforts. We must intentionally educate ourselves about the structural and systemic barriers that reinforce cycles of poverty or homelessness.

St. John's has a long history of hosting and supporting ministries dedicated to food insecurity. St. John's began giving out emergency food at least as early as the 1980s and that ministry developed into the St. John's/LUM Food Pantry. In more recent years, our downtown location has given us an opportunity to minister to individuals experiencing homelessness. Our location makes food insecurity and homelessness obvious areas of focus. Further, our social location as one of only a handful of open and progressive churches in Greater Lafayette gives us an additional opportunity to serve those in need. Few churches in this area are open and affirming to members of the LGBTQIA community and supportive of immigrants. The number of churches explicitly interested in interfaith collaboration is also small. Many churches are not open to people with genuine doubts or questions about the Christian faith. Our open and gracious theology gives us an opportunity to reach out to such people — not for the sake of growing our congregation, but for the sake of sharing God's love and our lives. A focus on belonging ministries is a way to share God's love and to build community within St. John's and outside of the congregation.

A clear message from the outreach discernment study was that we should focus our work by collaborating with effective organizations and programs already at work in the Greater Lafayette area, and we should direct our financial resources and volunteer hours to such effective programs. In addition to meeting the immediate needs of our neighbors, these local and national organizations can help us advocate for

solutions to food insecurity, homelessness, LGBTQIA rights and immigration reform. Advocacy on behalf of the vulnerable is a clear part of the Gospel message and a key way for us to share that Good News.

In their report, the Outreach Discernment Committee recommended closing the St. John's/LUM Food Pantry and engaging in new ministries that would better focus our resources. Because the St. John's/LUM Food Pantry currently serves some 8,000-9,000 individuals in a given year, we understand that, were the pantry to close, it would create a large gap between the services being provided and the need. As a result, St. John's leaders have met with Lafayette Urban Ministry, Food Finders, Lafayette Transitional Housing (LTHC) and other agencies to discuss the impact of closing the pantry and a possible way forward. As a congregation, we seek to support programs that would meet food needs in our community in partnership with local organizations. Possibilities include partnering with Food Finders and Murdock Elementary School on a backpack program as well as a Senior Feeding Program to assist our immediate neighbors. Over the coming months, we will continue discerning exactly what these programs will be. We expect to make final decisions in early 2019 and begin those programs next fall.

We now have a clear framework for the future of outreach at St. John's. The St. John's/LUM Food Pantry will close at the end of March 2019. For some of us, closing the pantry will be painful. Many of us have poured a great deal of energy, time and treasure into that ministry. We have been blessed by the connections we have made with clients and guests as well as other volunteers. As Joe Micon, the executive director of LUM, said recently, this has been an amazing partnership. Indeed, it's rare that ministries last this long or have such an incredible impact on the community. The St. John's/LUM Pantry has served tens of thousands of people and provided millions of meals during nearly 30 years in operation. This is something to celebrate. During the next few months we will celebrate and honor the volunteers who have made a profound difference in the lives of many people in our community.

The results of our discernment mean that there will be important changes to our Sharing Ministries here at St. John's. These changes are in keeping with our values as a congregation: We will continue to serve those in need here in Greater Lafayette and beyond by sharing God's love and our lives. We believe that these changes will add new life and energy to our shared ministry, help us build a stronger community, and connect us with more people. These changes will help us share God's love and our lives more fully.

More information about new and existing programs and outreach opportunities will be forthcoming. We also need your help. We need "advocates" or coordinators to take charge of our ministries — one for each area of focus. We also be working hard to communicate more fully about our Sharing Ministries. If you are interested in serving St. John's and our community in one of these ways, please contact Bradley; our Senior Warden, Kathy Johnson at squirrel75@hotmail.com; or Rebekah Sims at resims@purdue.edu. You are also welcome to contact us with any questions, ideas, or comments. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org on behalf of the Outreach Communications Task Force*

Workshop — Thanks to everyone!!!

Many thanks to the more than three dozen people who helped sort food at our first "Workshop" event at Food Finders Food Bank on Oct. 27. We sorted over 13,000 lbs. of meat and other food to be distributed to local food banks. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*

Interfaith Ministry in Greater Lafayette

Early in November, St. John's seemed like a center for inter-religious dialogue and cooperation. Several members of St. John's attended services at Temple Israel in West Lafayette. The following week, we were honored to host a group of Tibetan Buddhist Monks, to hear a wonderful sermon by Rabbi Michael Harvey (included in this month's *Eagle*), and to view *the Saint John's Bible* created at St. John's Abbey in Minnesota. We were also in the midst of planning an Interfaith Thanksgiving Service that would bring together Jews, Christians, Muslims and others to give thanks for our many blessings.

That same week, the Interfaith Leaders of Greater Lafayette recently met to discuss the future of ILGL and our work in the community. Rabbi Harvey from Temple Israel hosted the meeting. He said that after the recent shootings in Louisville and Pittsburgh, he was encouraged by the number of people who reached out to him. It reminded him, he said, that he and his congregation are not alone. There are many people of goodwill in this community who are committed to love and compassion across religious and racial boundaries. He hoped that by working together our community might develop a herd immunity against hate and bigotry.

Opportunities for interfaith education and cooperation are critical if we hope to challenge the forces of hatred and bigotry that too often divide us. As a member of the steering committee of ILGL, please contact me if you are interested in furthering our work together in the community. As the Rector of St. John's, let me say that I am already profoundly grateful of St. John's, of our leadership and the ministry we have together. Thank you for your openness and willingness to partner with people from other faith traditions. This is not a universal attitude among Christians or churches. But I believe it is a fundamental part of our calling as people of goodwill, as people who claim to love God and our neighbor, as people who pray for and work for the Kingdom of God. – *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*



The 2018 Annual Report

Contributions to the St. John's Annual Report are due in mid-January. This year, in order to streamline the Annual Report, we ask that only reports containing new updates be submitted. Reports for new ministries or ministries that have changed in substantial ways are, of course, welcome. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. – *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*

Monks from the Drepung Gomang Monastery in southern India were at St. John's as part of their Sacred Art Tour of the United States. The Healing Medicine Buddha mandala was created over the course of five days. For more information about the Sacred Art Tour, visit www.drepunggomang.org.

Book Group: A "Second Season" event

7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13

It Can't Happen Here, Sinclair Lewis's 1935 dystopic novel originally scheduled for discussion at our October Book Group meeting, has morphed into a "Second Season" discussion. It was characterized as fraught when published in 1935, but Hitler and Huey P. Long would soon make Lewis look prescient. And today, in 2018?

For those interested and who have read all or part of the book, our "Second Season" will be held on **Dec. 13 at 7 p.m.** in the St. John's Commons. I suggest as an opening question: In what way is — or is not — *It Can't Happen Here* relevant in today's world? — *Karl Brandt, kb1038@aol.com*

Lunchtime Concert

12:10 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12

December's lunchtime concert will bring a familiar face to the series for a festive concert featuring not one, but two trumpets. Local musician Bruce Knepper will be joined by his son Kyle for this duo performance. Among the selections are the familiar "William Tell Overture" by Rossini and the holiday favorite "Mary, Did You Know?" Bruce is a Lafayette School Corp. music teacher, and Kyle is a senior trumpet major at Morehead State University in Kentucky. Mark your calendars and join us for this special concert. — Michael Bennett, michael@stjohns-laf.org



Jubilee Christmas

9 a.m.-noon Saturday, Dec. 8

On Saturday, Dec. 8, from 9 a.m.-noon, the St. John's Commons will be packed from wall to wall with people celebrating the joy that Christmas brings. This year St. John's and the Chapel of the Good Shepherd will work together to host 42 families with 138 children. These families have applied for assistance through Lafayette Urban Ministry (LUM).

There are so many ways to help and participate. How will you help?

Donate cash.

Set up or tear down tables and chairs.

Escort and help parents shop.

Bring snacks.

Monitor the gift rooms.

Donate gifts

Set-up the gifts in the classrooms.

Wrap presents.

Work in the kitchen.

Provide rides to clients.

If you can't come on Saturday, please help at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Jubilee Christmas requires the help of about 100 people to be successful. — *Maggie McClure, magamclure@gmail.com*



Coffee Hour at St. John's: Please sign up

Coffee hour at St. John's is a great opportunity for fellowship and to strengthen our sense of community. It is also a great time to share Christian hospitality with visitors and those new to our church. But this only happens when people sign-up.

Coffee hour is easy. You're welcome to bring treats if you like, but donuts and drinks are provided. You're more than welcome to sign-up with a partner or group.

To sign-up, please contact the St. John's office at 765-742-4079 or stjohns@stjohns-laf.org. – *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*



Upcoming December Youth Group Events

Sunday, Dec. 2, 4-7 p.m.: Meet at Sam's Club on Creasy Lane to go shopping for Jubilee Christmas. Afterwards we will return to the church for dinner.

Friday, December 21 (time and location TBD): The plan is to have a Christmas celebration with pizza and a movie. Stay tuned for more details.

Next Deadline for The Eagle

The deadline for the December Eagle is **Monday, Dec. 10**. Send submissions to eagle@stjohns-laf.org.



**Transforming Generosity
The 2019 Annual Giving Campaign**



As a church community, St. John's is deeply committed to God's transforming work in the world. Your time, talent, and treasure is part of that transforming work — your presence in worship, your service and outreach to the community, and your willingness to share the faith with people from every generation and walk of life changes lives and our community for the better. In the process, you can also be transformed by your generosity. Each one of us, by giving ourselves in love and service — by sharing God's love and our lives — become different people, transformed people. This is transforming generosity — generosity that changes our hearts and our communities.

May God continue to bless you, your family, and our ministry together.

To learn more about the 2019 Annual Giving Campaign, go to www.stjohns-laf.org/giving-to-st-johns. Pledge online at <http://www.stjohns-laf.org/pledge-online>. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org on behalf of the St. John's Stewardship Committee.*

October Financial Report

**FINANCE REPORT
OPERATING BUDGET INCOME AND EXPENSE*
As of October 31, 2018**

A. INCOME		Current Month	Total 2018	Annual Budget	% of Budget
1	Pledge Income	\$40,049.00	\$282,814.35	\$374,472.00	75.5%
2	Operating Income	\$2,567.00	\$52,691.31	\$73,152.43	72.0%
3	Non-Operating Income	\$1,839.67	\$23,435.70	\$32,000.00	73.2%
4	Transfer Income	\$0.00	\$18,101.07	\$40,000.00	45.3%
5	Investment Income	\$7,110.72	\$7,110.72	\$0.00	
TOTAL INCOME		\$51,566.39	\$384,153.15	\$519,624.43	73.9%
B. EXPENSES		Current Month	Total 2018	Annual Budget	% of Budget
1	Outreach	\$8,388.95	\$75,777.88	\$108,069.00	70.1%
2	Program	\$1,870.51	\$14,334.20	\$20,400.00	70.3%
3	Administration	\$3,460.09	\$3,953.17	\$2,500.00	158.1%
4	Personnel	\$19,437.56	\$203,249.87	\$247,319.48	82.2%
5	Office	\$1,591.45	\$15,995.66	\$27,395.00	58.4%
6	Property	\$9,554.50	\$84,085.33	\$113,940.95	73.8%
7	Miscellaneous (Non-Budget)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$44,303.06	\$397,396.11	\$519,624.43	76.5%
Net Income (Loss)		\$7,263.33	-\$13,242.96	\$0.00	

Notes: *This is a summary report of the operating income and expenses for the indicated reporting periods. Detailed description of these items are available for review from members of the Finance Committee.

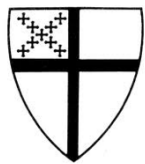
Congratulations to Rebekah Sims

Rebekah Sims has been accepted as a Postulant for Holy Orders in the Diocese of Indianapolis. Rebekah is discerning a call to the Diaconate — the order of ministry focusing specifically on carrying the Gospel into the world and bringing the needs of the world to the attention of the Church. May God continue to bless Rebekah and all those discerning a call to ministry in their discernment. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*

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