



# Light in the Shadows

DECEMBER 2011

*"Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Matt. 5: 16*

## Advent And A Holy Longing



More often than not, the weeks leading up to Christmas Day, known by the Church as Advent, take on a frenzied, if not frenetic, quality of busyness that seems to assume a life of its own. This can only and inevitably lead to a collective sigh, perhaps induced by exhaustion, at the conclusion of the day itself; never mind the twelve days of Christmas. For

many there is also a real sense of dissatisfaction and disappointment as the reality of the event never seems to match its anticipation.

I strongly suspect that for most of us an escapism into nostalgia, and reality avoidance are the leitmotifs, hall marks, for this peculiar season of year. We want a Dickensian Christmas; "God bless us all, everyone!", or that of some rose tinged perfect, yet imperfect, memory from our childhood; at the very least, that child's wonderment. We must need keep ourselves busy and on the go in order to avoid the harsher realities of the world and our lives that are our normal daily companions. The season leading up to Christmas is not a reality show for many. It is not surprising that when the day itself arrives we find ourselves, the world, and our realities once more unchanged and we yet again unsettled.

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*—H. Paul Brannock-Wanter*



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Lest I be accused of utmost cynicism, let me state that neither the quest for perfectionism in Christmas or in anything else is inherently wrong. It's the expectation of achieving it in and of ourselves, or of finding it in others, that skews our perspective, and all too often our lives. This is not the meaning of Advent or Christmas.

Nostalgia also has its place, probably always has had its

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*You Are Invited to*   
*St. Luke's* 

## Annual Christmas Tea & Sale

**Saturday, December 3rd**  
**11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**  
**in Willard Hall**

Come join us for a relaxing and fun day... savoring a cup of hot tea or mulled cider and delicious holiday foods, visiting with friends and neighbors, shopping for great gift-giving items.

- \* Handmade Items \*
- \* Original Christmas Tree Ornaments \*
- \* Grandma's Attic Treasures \*
- \* A Holiday Gift Food Table \*
- \* "Cookies in a Tin" & much more! \*



## From the Senior Warden



### 'Tis the Season

**A**dvent, the time of waiting, is now upon us. While our children wait impatiently for Christmas and its presents, the adults are waiting to celebrate the birth of Christ. It is a time of reflection and self-examination, even as we decorate the church.

The evergreens we hang and the live tree we put up in the sanctuary symbolize new and everlasting life in Jesus Christ. The Advent wreath, circular in shape, represents God's mercy, which has no beginning or end. The five candles on the wreath represent the Light of God coming into the world with Christ's birth. The four candles around the wreath—three purple and one pink—represent our waiting for the four Sundays during Advent, and the Sundays represent the four centuries between the prophet Malachi and the birth of Jesus. The pink candle that we light on the third Sunday of Advent represents a change from the solemn tone of the first two Sundays to a time of joyous anticipation. And the white candle in the center, called the Christ Candle, reminds us that His birth is at the center of our worship.

Are we able to fully accept the glorious gift that God gave us? Have we come to a peaceful place of gratitude and humility, and have we emptied our hearts of resentment and fear? Great joy awaits us, but we must make ourselves ready, as we have made the church ready.

*Blessings and peace,  
Kathryn*

## An Extra Meal or Casserole



**S**t. Luke's usually maintains a supply of frozen meals to share with families experiencing illness or emergency, but our cupboards are bare now. When you prepare your evening meal, think about making up an extra serving, placing it in a disposable container and then bring it to church to put in our kitchen freezer. Likewise, if you're making a casserole for your own dinner, make another small one for this important outreach ministry. Christ would have us feed the hungry, so we need your help. Many thanks! —*Kathryn Wright*

## Advent And A Holy Longing

*(Rector's Column continued from page 1)*

place in every human life ever lived, but not as a desire to recapture or retreat into some past life or lives on the other side of reality. Nostalgia needs conversion always, and especially in the Season of Advent to a Holy Longing, a longing for living in the grace and holiness once given; not thrusting us back and holding us captive to the past, but thrusting us forward as active agents of God's future, a future always built on the broken stones of the past; that future given voice in "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done."

Only insofar as we Christians name and act on and in this Holy Longing are blighted lives, even ours, made whole, the poor lifted up, and peace made manifest both within ourselves and for the world. Then, and only then will the reality of Christmas Day, of Christ, break into our lives once again as a joyous light and a blessed assurance given that first Christmas.

This Advent, let there be the business of preparation, let there be nostalgia; but as Advents' hallmark, may we all find ourselves living in and out of a Holy Longing. There will be no disappointment on Christmas Day or ever. May all of us have a meaningful Advent and a joyous Christmas.

*In Christ's love,*

*Paul*

## St. Luke's Financial Information

	<u>October</u>	<u>Jan.-Oct.</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
<b>Pledge &amp; Income</b>	\$10,759.25	\$ 92,954.89	\$111,806.00	83.14%
<b>All Other Income</b>	\$ 3,314.82	\$ 20,934.31	\$ 22,750.00	92.02%
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$14,074.07	\$113,889.20	\$134,556.00	84.64%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	\$10,533.08	\$110,262.41	\$141,428.20	77.96%

Thank you all for keeping up with your pledges. Even though expenses seem light to date at 78% of budget for the year, there are quite a few items that are only paid between late November and mid to late December. As you can see, we need a total of \$27,500 before the end of the year in order to meet all our expenses and erase the deficit. We are sure that many of you have given generously to help your neighbors or have been in need of help yourselves in the wake of Irene, but we do ask you to give as generously as possible. Thank you for your continued commitment to St. Luke's.

—*The Finance Committee*

## Festival Of Lessons & Carols Celebrated at St. Luke's on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>



### LESSONS & CAROLS

nuts (including yummy desserts.)

The Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols is a format for a service of worship celebrating the birth of Jesus which is traditionally followed at Christmas. The story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus is told in nine short Bible readings, interspersed with the singing of Christmas carols and hymns. The format was based on an Order drawn up by Edward White Benson, later Archbishop of Canterbury but at that time Bishop of Truro, in Cornwall, for use on Christmas Eve (24 December) 1880. Tradition says that he organized a 10 p.m. service on Christmas Eve in a temporary wooden shed serving as his cathedral and that a key purpose of the service was to keep men out of pubs on Christmas Eve.

Be sure to put this festive event on the calendar, and bring your friends and neighbors. So we can plan accordingly, contact **Bonnie Watters** (phone 875-2114), or email: [lewbon@vermontel.net](mailto:lewbon@vermontel.net) and let her know what you plan to bring for the meal and how many guests will be in tow.

"The Bible is the cradle wherein Christ is laid."

—Martin Luther

## Advent & Christmas Worship Schedule

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Dec. 4 Advent II</b>
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Dec. 11 Advent III (Rejoice/Rose Sunday)</b>
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Dec. 18 Advent IV</b>
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Greening of the Church after the 10:00 a.m. service)
4:00 p.m.	<b>Festival of Lessons &amp; Carols</b> (followed by a covered dish supper in Willard Hall)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Dec. 24 CHRISTMAS EVE</b>
6:30 p.m.	<b>Carol Singing</b>
7:00 p.m.	<b>Festival, Holy Eucharist</b> Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:00 p.m.	<b>Christ Mass</b> (Festival, Holy Eucharist, Rite I)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Dec. 25 Christmas Day</b>
10:00 a.m.	The Nativity of Our Lord Holy Eucharist, Rite II
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Jan. 1 The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ</b>
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II

## Share in The Tradition of Poinsettias & Christmas Memorials



Mexico in the 18th century. At St. Luke's these beautiful

It is a tradition at St. Luke's to adorn the sanctuary with brilliant Poinsettias for the festive Christmas Season. The poinsettia plant has a small flower in the middle that is a symbol of the star of Bethlehem, which led the three wise men to Christ the night of his birth. This resemblance to the star started the Christmas flower tradition in

flowers are given as memorials for dearly departed loved ones, in celebration of a special occasion, or in thanksgiving for a child, mother, father, wife, husband, partner, and special friends. If you wish to participate in this lovely tradition, please include a note with the names of persons you wish to commemorate, PRINTED CLEARLY, along with your check payable to "St. Luke's Flower Fund."

Mail them by **December 18<sup>th</sup>** to:

**Adelaide Johnson,**

**294 Hill Top Rd., Andover, VT 05143**

Be sure to indicate whether the persons named are for a "Memorial – those who have died" or are a "Thanksgiving – for those still living"





Donna displays a beautiful hand hooked wall hanging, designed & created by Belinda Whipple-Worth (at left.)

## Best Wishes to Donna Reidt

On Sunday, November 13th, the parishioners at St. Luke's bid a fond farewell to the **Rev. Donna Reidt** who has been called as the Priest in Partnership to Saint Mary's Church in Wilmington, VT. Donna was the celebrant for the services that morning and during her sermon shared about a practice she has of keeping memory boxes for herself and her family. During Donna's time at St.



Luke's, many memories have been created for both Donna and for all of us. Paul, our Rector, affectionately nicknamed her, "Little Miss Sunshine" and aptly so as Donna's face was ever aglow with a beaming smile and twinkling eyes. And she was ever pushing the envelope as to how many alleluias she could get away with saying at the closing of each service.

Donna first came to St. Luke's as a transitional Deacon in March 2010 and then stayed on and was ordained a priest at a memorable and historic day on December 18, 2010. This was the first ordination ever to be held at St. Luke's. We have all been touched by her deep faith and warm spirit and wish her well as she takes on a new ministry. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Thanks be to God for sharing part of Donna Reidt's journey with St. Luke's. —**P. Fromberger**

## St. Luke's Acolyte Program

I wanted to say something about the acolyte program here at St. Luke's. As you often notice on Sundays, this is one of the most obvious inter-generational programs at church. All are welcome and encouraged to participate. Presently the acolytes range in age from 12-70 and we have had acolytes as young as 5 and people older than 70. Being an acolyte means actively participating in the service—lighting the candles, ringing the bell for the service to begin, carrying the cross in the processional, and serving on the altar. We are always looking for new acolytes and welcome anyone who is interested. Paul and I are always willing to help people learn about this program at St. Luke's. Please contact Paul (875-6000) or me (875-1855) if you are interested in joining the acolyte team. Thanks.

—**Jean Hancock**



## Remembering

Growing up, our girls—Kate, Kara and Kelly—memorized a poem from their paternal grandmother, Marie. Two little cousins recited the family heirloom to Kate and Dan in the Arizona canyon where they were married. Today the poem, attributed to Katherine Merrill, is on a plaque in the new memorial garden of the Montview Church where Lew's sister Marilyn was a Methodist minister. Now it is time for Kara's six children to memorize this special poem.

### My Heart Is A Garden

My heart is a garden where thought flowers grow.  
The thoughts that we think are the seeds that we sow.  
Every kind loving thought bears a kind loving deed  
While a thought that is selfish is just like a weed.

We must watch what we do every minute all day  
And pull out the weed thoughts and throw them away.  
Then plant loving seed thoughts so thick in a row  
There won't be any room for weed thoughts to grow.

—**Bonnie Watters**

## A Christian Symbol: Advent Wreath



The Advent wreath is a symbol of watchfulness and increasing joy as we anticipate Jesus' birth. The wreath's circular shape symbolizes eternity, or life without end. The candles remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World—he brought light and life to a dark world (see John 1:4-5).

On each of the four Sundays of Advent, we light a new candle. As the light grows, so do our hope and joy.

## Hunt No More Hunters — A St. Luke's Profile

**Richard and Janet Hunter**  
 R were recently celebrated as newcomers to St. Luke's. Like Dave and Lillian Willis, this couple too has jumped into our church community with enthusiasm and participation.

Janet and Rick have been together for 22 years but their journey to each other obviously has individual histories starting back in 1943 when both were born, Rick in New York City and Janet in Philadelphia. Janet has one older brother, also a 'Richard'. She talks fondly of visiting Mom-Mom (her paternal grandmother) next door when she needed extra loving, caring from a real Victorian lady. Rick has an older sister, Jeanne.

Rick graduated from St. Patrick's in Newburgh, N.Y. in 1961. In high school he enjoyed bowling, astronomy, and aviation, and one remains a passion today. He was a member of the National Honor Society and blessed with many scholarship offers at graduation. Using a lens that was given to him, he built his first telescope with the help of a girl friend's father. Janet was involved with swim team, Spanish, a cappella chorus, and was a Red Cross blood bank volunteer. She shared that she almost dropped the first pint she touched, never being told it would be warm! That she is a compassionate nurse today is no surprise.

For college Rick attended the U. S. Naval Academy for one year and transferred to Villanova to earn a B.S. in Physics in 1965, MA in Philosophy in 1967 and moved to Bryn Mawr College, earning a Ph.D. in Philosophy in 1978. He worked as a machinist and in factories while a grad student. After the Ph. D he became a Philosophy professor at Gwynedd-Mercy College. Janet married and her children Scott and Bryan kept her at home until she returned to Bucks County Community College to become a nurse. She achieved her goal and then returned to pursue a BSN. She got sidetracked by the liberal arts courses and earned a BA in English in 1991 with honors. Janet moved to Vermont before she could delve into a Master's in Holistic Spirituality. Psyche, rehabilitation, geriatrics, and hospice for 38 years as an RN she now works for VNA and Hospice of VT and NH. Rick's love for telescopes brought them to Springfield where telescopes rule.

And so finally they met as professor and student at



Rick and Janet Hunter enjoying a *Finestkind Lobster Boat Tour* at Ogunquit, ME a few weeks ago.

GMC. Rick did not ask Janet for a date until the course was over, but she earned an A and the professor. They were married in 1991 at the Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Hilltown, PA. Janet's boys were adults, and she now has a granddaughter, Nicole, at the University of Tampa studying physical therapy and grandson, JP, 3, studying in the Montessori method. The two are brother and sister.

Janet claims an addiction to yarn and knitting. Cooking, singing and reading are other interests high on her list. Rick is a telescope maker and is involved with Stellafane. He first came to the Convention in 1978, earned three optical excellence awards over the

years, and brought Janet in 1989. With his talent to build the instrument (he's built four mirrors) he became a member and is an optical judge. Rick owns the Reading Organ Works, following a part-time start in the trade while he was teaching. He does energy auditing with a local company, and substitute teaching in the Springfield schools.

Janet and Rick have found many new friends world wide while welcoming guests to their B & B, the Baker Road Inn on Baker Road in Springfield.

A Catholic knitting buddy suggested Janet and Rick try St. Luke's after several years of looking around. Here they love the music offerings, the traditional service mixed with spontaneity, and believe Martha to be an excellent organist. Naturally, both would like to fit singing in the choir into their schedules. Meanwhile, they try to be ageless and interesting and being in the midst of love, warmth and caring at St. Luke's is assisting in their personal journeys.

Keep singing. Keeping cooking. And keep sharing yourselves Hunters! —**Bonnie Watters**

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Many people join a church because of the friendly interest shown them by a church member. Christian conviction, however, is not easily gained. It comes after we really yield to the living Lord and experience his sustaining grace in the trials we bear. God always knows us; what is more important, do we really know God, through his Son, Jesus Christ?

—*Forward Day By Day 9/29/10*

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## The Outreach Corner

### Operation Christmas Child Thank You!

A huge heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who helped out with the **Operation Christmas Child** shoe boxes. As of this writing, there are 181 boxes ready to go out to disadvantaged kids who will be learning all about our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for the first time.

It would be GREAT if people could start thinking of next year now! We had almost enough soap for every box to have one because people saved their small travel size soaps for us. Please think of OCC when you travel throughout the year. We can still use lots of covers, yogurt type lids, and tons of shoe boxes. Shoe boxes have been very hard to come by lately and we could use any kind of box that is the size of a shoe box. We are always short of money for the shipping so please remember our "Change for Children" jar at the back of the church and share all your spare pennies, nickles, dimes and quarters. Many thanks!

—Cindy Roundy-Winston

### PINS Foster Children's Christmas Party

On December 10, Springfield Family Services will sponsor a Christmas Party for foster families. At the party is a Christmas Store where every child gets to shop for their families for free. They are looking for donations that would be similar to a yard sale knick knock table, anything in good condition or new. They also need wrapping paper and tape. Here's a chance to move some stuff out of your home that you are not using. There will be a bin at the back of the church for donations until December 4th. Thank you for all your help.—Marcia Clinton

### Habitat For Humanity Soup Bags

Dee Robinson has restocked the basket of *Habitat for Humanity* Bean Soup Bags at the rear of the Church. These popular soup mixes are now completely gluten-free and still packed in colorful calico bags. They make great gifts for the holidays. The cost is \$3.00 per bag, but still a bargain for the hearty, delicious soup it makes—plus all proceeds go to help local families.

### You Are Invited To The Springfield Chorus Christmas Concert on Dec. 3rd & Dec. 4th

The **Springfield Community Chorus**, under the direction of its new conductor, Kenneth J. Olsson, will present two concerts to begin the Christmas season. The first concert will be Saturday, **December 3, 7:30 p.m.**, at **First Baptist Church**, 162 Main Street, Chester, Vermont. The second concert will be Sunday, **December 4, 3:00 p.m.**, at **First Congregational Church UCC**, 77 Main Street, Springfield, Vermont. Our accompanist for both concerts will be Vladimir Odinkikh.

The Chorus is delighted to be presenting the Vivaldi "*Gloria*" for the first time since 1997. This piece will raise your spirits and bring you the joy of the Christmas season. A small orchestra will join us for this piece. The chorus is also singing "*A Musicological Journey Through the Twelve Days of Christmas*." This uses the traditional words from the song of that name, but each verse is written in a different musical style, with many interwoven themes which the discerning listener will recognize. The concert will be rounded out with a selection of traditional Christmas songs such as "*White Christmas*," "*Jingle Bells*," and "*Carol of the Bells*," to name a few.

The mission of the Chorus is to bring music to the greater Springfield community free of charge. There are no tickets, and there is no required entrance fee. However, you will have a chance to make a donation to the Chorus, to help with the expenses incurred in a season of practice and the production of two concerts. Both churches are handicapped accessible. Please come and join us as the Springfield Community Chorus brings you an inspiring and heart-warming concert to usher in your Christmas season!



### Hold On To Your Hope

If you've ever given up on a dream, then you have something in common with Zechariah. When an angel brought news that Zechariah and his wife, Elizabeth, would soon have a son, Zechariah had trouble believing it (Luke 1:13-18).

How long had it been since Zechariah first prayed for a son? More to the point, how long had it been since he'd given up praying for a son? With the couple's childbearing years long past, Zechariah likely felt compelled to emphasize the impossibility of the angel's proclamation.

Perhaps you know what it's like to lose hope. Zechariah's story reminds us that God's plans cannot be hampered, even when the laws of nature stand in the way. Hold on to your hope because God works miracles.

## Christmas Tea Final Countdown & Schedule



**S**t. Luke's Annual Christmas Tea & Sale will take place on Saturday, **December 3** from **11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** in **Willard Hall**. Always a fun activity and a great prelude to the holiday season, we rely on our fellow parishioners to help make this a successful fundraising event. If you haven't signed up on the list at the back of the church or been personally contacted to help, we still would gratefully

receive any donations of homemade cookies, tea sandwiches and other Christmas goodies for the tea buffet table, as well as specialty "baked goods or jams/relished/pickles, etc." to sell at the *Holiday Food Table*. Items for *Grandma's Attic* and contributions of handcrafted items are also welcome. Bring items on either Friday afternoon or early Saturday morning of the Tea. (See the schedule below.)

If you have additional questions or wish to volunteer your help, please call **Adelaide Johnson (875-4634)** or **Pat Fromberger (875-3548)**. Finally, do come to this fun event and invite your friends and neighbors as well!

☞ All donated supplies and items for the sale should be brought to Willard Hall on either of the following days:

**Friday Afternoon, December 2, from 1:00-4:00 p.m.** or  
**Saturday Morning, December 3, between 9:00-10:00 a.m.**

## Save Your Cancelled Stamps, Card Fronts, Ribbons, Wrappings...

**F**reddy Holden is making her annual appeal for everyone to save their cancelled stamps (domestic or foreign) leaving enough paper around the stamp so that they can be neatly trimmed. She also asks that you save the fronts of any used greeting cards, Christmas or otherwise, plus scraps of ribbon and gift wrapping paper. The stamps are given to charitable organizations and the greeting cards, ribbon and wrapping paper are recycled into new cards. You may leave your stamps, card fronts, etc. in an envelope or a clear plastic bag at the rear of the church or hand them directly to Freddy after the services on any Sunday. Thank you!

## St. Luke's Pledge Update & Appeal

**W**e are in the process of forming St. Luke's 2012 Budget, which must be enacted by December 31, 2011. Therefore we are appealing to those persons who have yet to return their 2012 Pledge Cards, to please do so to enable us to complete the budget process. If you did not receive a pledge card and wish to have one, speak to Marcia Leader or Bill Hoyt.

—*The Stewardship Committee*

The gift of humility comes from the heart of Jesus Christ to you. Jesus knows that humility will help you see others as he sees them, to hear in them his truth, and to learn from it

—*Forward Day By Day 5/19/10*

## DECEMBER Meetings & Events

### WEEKLY

- **Monday Lunch/Discussion Group:**  
12:00PM-1:00PM in Willard Hall. Brown bag lunch & book study discussion with the Rector on topics of spirituality & faith. We are reading, "Keys of the Kingdom" by A. J. Cronin. Please come join us!
- **Wednesday Morning Prayer Group & Holy Eucharist:**  
7:30AM Intercessory Prayer  
8:30AM Holy Eucharist in Willard Hall.
- **St. Luke's Choir Rehearsal:**  
Thursdays, **7:00PM-8:00PM** and on Sunday mornings at **9:15AM** at the church.

### LESS THAN WEEKLY

- **Christmas Tea Set-Up:**  
Friday, **December 2nd, 1:00AM-4:00PM**. Anyone who is able is asked to come help us set up in Willard Hall for the tea, for Grandma's Attic and to put price tags on items for sale.
- **Christmas Tea & Sale:**  
Saturday, **December 3rd, 11:00AM-3:00PM** in Willard Hall. Invite your friends & neighbors and do come. See articles on pg. 1 and pg. 7.
- **Springfield Chorus Concert:**  
Saturday, **December 3rd, 7:30PM** at the First Baptist Church in Chester and on Sunday, **December 4th at 3:00PM** at the First Congregational Church, UCC in Springfield. No admission, but a freewill offering will be taken. See article on page 6 for details.
- **Adult Evening Bible Study:**  
Tuesday, **December 13th at 6:30PM** in Willard Hall and ending promptly at **8:00PM** with Compline. We are reading the book of Isaiah. All welcome to join us.
- **St. Luke's Vestry:**  
Wednesday, **December 14th, 6:00PM**, for a Christmas gathering at the Rector's. There is no regular meeting in December.
- **Festival of Lessons & Carols:**  
Sunday, **December 18th, 4:00PM** at **St. Luke's Church**, followed by a covered dish supper in Willard Hall. Let **Bonnie Watters (875-2114)** know what food you will be bringing. Read the article on page 3 for details.

# DECEMBER CELEBRATIONS

## Birthdays:

2	Andrew Pennell	24	Noah Jones
5	Ellie Pennell	26	Alyce Meyer-Fielder
7	Janice Fielder	26	Sanford Johnson
7	Bonnie Watters	27	Karen Langston
11	Ian Montgomery	27	John Leader
14	Alison DesLauriers	27	Casie Walton
17	Brad Dunbar	27	Cindy Roundy-Winston
20	Tom Widger	28	Jill Dowd
22	Michael Fromberger	28	Mary Pill

## Anniversaries:

13 Bill & Nancy Lindsay

January LITS Deadline:

 **DEC. 16<sup>th</sup>**

Send articles, announcements,  
photos, etc. to: Pat Fromberger,  
180 Gates Rd.,  
Andover, VT 05143  
email: panjoe@vermontel.net

**“St. Luke’s  
is an  
intentional  
Christian  
community,  
deepening faith  
and  
broadening  
love.”**

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Dec. 4 ADVENT II

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### Dec. 11 ADVENT III (Rose/Rejoice Sunday)

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### Dec. 18 ADVENT IV

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Greening the church)  
4:00 PM Lessons & Carols (Potluck to follow)

### Dec. 24 EVE OF THE NATIVITY

6:30 P.M. Carol Singing  
7:00 PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:00 PM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

### Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. in Willard Hall. Child Care: 10:00 a.m. Service

### St. Luke’s Episcopal Church

The Rev. H. Paul Brannock-Wanter, Rector  
The Rev. Sanford R. Johnson, Priest Associate

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