

# St. John's Announcements

## February 15, 2026



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This week we celebrate Camp Washington Sunday. Camp Washington is our diocesan camp. The camp has a high-quality summer program for children ages 7-12 and for teens ages 12-16. They also have programs for young adults. The camp is particularly famous for high quality meals. It being an Episcopal Camp, there are plenty of opportunities to worship. On Sunday, we will be using one of the approved alternative Episcopal liturgies for the camp. St. John's also supports the camp through leadership. Melissa Fenner serves on the board and Margaret Eames serves on the Youth Advisory Council. We will take a collection in the back of St. Mary's Hall if you would like to support the camp. Margaret has attended camp for years and really enjoys it. If you have a child or grandchild who might consider going to camp, I hope you consider Camp Washington. We are also wrapping up our Undie Sunday drive. Thanks to all who have given generously of their time and treasure. Sunday will be the last day to donate for the drive. This drive brings dignity to many men, women, and children in our community. Thank you for participating.

Blessings, *Marc*

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

2/18@ 10:30am/7pm  
Ash Wednesday  
Eucharist  
St. Mary's Hall

2/11 No Bible Study

2/21 – Stewardship  
Dinner

2/26 – Lenten Series

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**Lenten Series** – Letty Naigles and Andy Burr will be leading our Lenten Series this year, focusing on the House of Bishops' pastoral teaching that challenges The Episcopal Church to face the urgency of the environmental crisis and to take bold and faithful action as an expression of our love for God and God's creation. We will be using materials developed by Bishop Ely, Rev. Jerry Cappel, and ECCT's own Rev. Stephanie Johnson. They created lessons which invite reflection, prayer and engagement with the Bishops' call for a flourishing life for all creation, and we look forward to sharing these with the parish. We will be meeting on five consecutive Thursdays beginning Feb. 26, 2026, for supper at 6pm followed by a different lesson each Thursday, ending with Eucharist. You are welcome to join us for however many sessions you can.

Feel free to reach out to Letty and/or Andy with any questions.

**Medical Equipment Ministry Update** – Bill and Diane Gutzmer are now heading up the Medical Equipment Ministry and there are lots of new donations! If you are in need of equipment or would like to donate, please contact Bill and Diane – 860-875-1041, [billgutzmer@gmail.com](mailto:billgutzmer@gmail.com)

**Undie Sunday** – It's that time of year again! We are in need of the following:

**Girls and boys:**

Undies: sizes 4-14 (especially smaller sizes 4-8)

Socks: sizes kids med and adult and

Sweatpants: sizes 6-8

**Adults:**

Ladies' underwear sizes 5-10

Men's underwear lg-2xl

Donations of cash and checks accepted. Make out checks to St. John's and put UNDIE SUNDAY ON MEMO LINE and attach 1/2 form to your check. **No single checks should be placed in collection plate without an identifying paper.** This process will easily identify the checks for the counters. Donations of items can be placed in a black bin in St. Mary's Hall from January 25<sup>th</sup> – February 15th.

Please contact the following with questions:

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**Stewardship Dinner** – St. John's is having our 2026 Stewardship Dinner on **Saturday, February 21, 2026, at 5:00 PM in St. Mary's Hall.** In addition to a delicious roast pork dinner (with non-meat entrées available) we are pleased to have Rev. Sandra Cosman as our keynote speaker. The event is free of charge. The signup sheet is posted in St. Mary's Hall. Please sign up if you plan to attend. Contact Skip Sutcliffe at 860-978-0091 or [jw9714@yahoo.com](mailto:jw9714@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.