



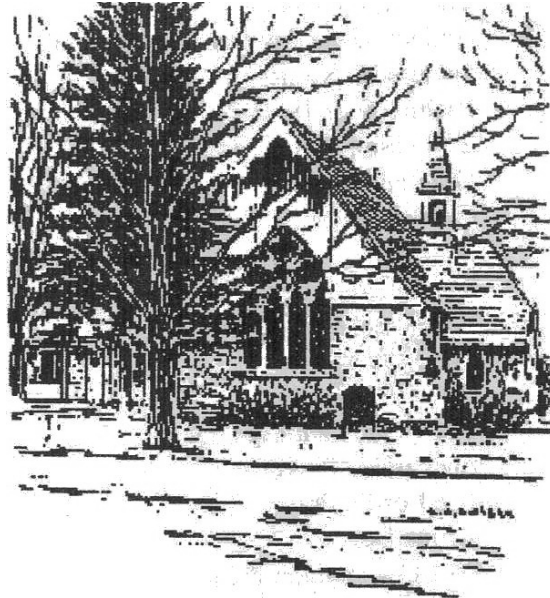
Gideon's Trumpet

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The mission of the Church of Our Saviour is to spread the Gospel and inspire a renewal and commitment to living the Christian life through the love of Jesus Christ as expressed by His People.



The Advent Season!

He is coming! As we prepare ourselves for the joyous celebration of Our Savior's birth, let us remember:

He is the Reason for the Season!

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Pastor's Points

"Into Thy Hand, O Lord, we commend our Spirit" Ps. 31:5

The Lord has blessed us in many ways. Look around, we seem to be growing in members and spirit. People who visit say they feel a warmth and are returning. We love the Lord and show it, because we acknowledge His Love for us.

As we enter our Advent season, a season of anticipation, "give-in" and enjoy the visible signs of His Love for us; the birth of the Son of God.

Rev. Canon Clinton G. Dugger



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PRAYER LIST

As Christians we use prayer to communicate to God regarding our concerns, hurts and thanksgivings. The Bible says where two or three are gathered together the Lord is in their midst. Group prayer is just that, bringing many voices to the Lord.

Would you like to have prayer given by the group for yourself or someone else? You may call (518-794-7538) or write Mary Young a note, with the person's name you would like to have on the prayer list. Please include your name so that she can get back with you every thirty days or so to check on the person you added.

Some prayers are needed for a long time, some a short time, plus it is nice to know how the people we pray for are doing, one of the best Thanksgiving prayers is to thank God for answered prayer.

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It's PPF Launch Day

What is **PPF** you ask? **PPF** is the theme of our Stewardship Campaign this year: the **P**ast, the **P**resent and the **F**uture. It is also **P**ossibilities, **P**rayer and **F**un. We are so blest to have links to our past and our children as links to our future.

Over the next few weeks, as we prayerfully decide what God is asking us to give of our time, talent and treasure, we will share with the parish our past, our present and our future. There will be games to play, photos to guess and questions to answer with prize tokens given to the winners.

We ask that everyone pray for us and our Parish while we decide how we feel called to share our time, talents and treasure. When finished, place completed Opportunity Surveys and Treasure Cards in the collection plate at any service or mail to the Church using the envelope provided.

Each form, Opportunity and Treasure, returned will be awarded a Prize token. Since the children are such an integral part of our Parish, each will be given Prize tokens for their involvement in our programs. Each child will be able to put their prize tokens in envelopes set aside for them at Sunday School.

All the prize tokens will be used to solve a final puzzle during the Annual Meeting, January 28, 2007. So watch the Sunday Bulletins and other mailings during the upcoming weeks.

Yours in Christ,
Susan Darcy and Mary Young -- Stewardship Team Leaders

Optical Puzzles

Read out loud the text inside the triangle below.



More than likely you said, "A bird in the bush," and.....if this **IS** what **YOU** said, then you failed to see that the word **THE** is repeated twice!

Sorry, look again.

Next, let's play with another word.



In black you can read the word **GOOD**, in white the word **EVIL** (inside each black letter is a white letter). It's all very physiological too, because it visualizes the concept that good can't exist without evil (or the absence of good is evil)



Youth Corner

Our Sunday School is working on a program for the Youth Service at 7PM on Christmas Eve. The Church of Our Saviour has so many blessings with our Sunday School children and our Sunday School teacher, Debi Gallucci. Please let our Sunday School know how much we love having them make our services so special. We look forward to their program on Christmas Eve.



Jumble -- Find the word in the scrambled letters. The "block" letters are then used to solve the scrambled saying on the last line.

"Shining Bright" Jumble

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| 2. AISTOBGN _ _ □ _ _ _ _ _ | 6. TRDEEPN _ _ _ _ _ □ |
| 3. ROFEVER _ _ _ _ _ □ _ | 7. ELFAS _ _ _ □ _ |
| 4. TIISCIVETA _ _ _ _ _ _ _ □ | 8. WIGKLEAN _ _ _ □ _ _ _ _ |

"For you were once □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light." (Ephesians 5:8)

Bible Quiz

"King David"

Think you know the answers? Take the quiz and find out

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| 1. Who was the first king of Israel?
A. David
B. Saul
C. Samuel | 6. When did David finally become king of Israel?
A. When he fought Saul and killed him
B. When Saul and his sons were killed in battle by the Philistines
C. When Saul stepped down from the throne because of illness |
| 2. Why was David chosen to be king of Israel?
A. God felt the Israelites needed a strong earthly leader
B. God was unhappy with Saul
C. He was a man of God | 7. Why did David send Uriah into battle to be killed?
A. Uriah was a terrible sinner
B. David was drunk
C. David wished to possess Uriah's wife |
| 3. How did David come prepared to fight Goliath?
A. Five stones and three arrows
B. Five stones in a bag and one sling
C. Six stones and one bolo | 8. How did God punish David for his sin (question no. 7)?
A. He was banished from Israel
B. By the death of a child
C. By allowing the Philistines to overrun Israel |
| 4. How many stones did David use to kill Goliath?
A. Five
B. Six
C. One | 9. How did God show that he had forgiven David (question no. 8)?
A. By giving David a son
B. By saying so
C. By bringing on ten years of abundant harvests |
| 5. What did David do with the body of Goliath?
A. Buried it
B. Removed the head and took it to Saul
C. Returned it to the Philistines | 10. Why did David not pass the throne to his eldest son, Adonijah?
A. Adonijah was too old to rule
B. Adonijah was unfit for service
C. Adonijah had conspired to wrest the throne from David |



The Diocese of Albany Upcoming Events

24 Hour Prayer Vigil at Christ the King - Spiritual Life Center – December 8 – 9

The prayer vigil is for the primary subjects such as home land security in regard to terrorism, national safety, prayers against another 9/11 type situation in the USA, hatred, religious wars, prayers for peace, reconciliations, that CTK be used to the glory of God and will be sustained. Prayers for the transitions of the Bishops, revival over the Albany diocese and entire North East and prayers for healing... (we will be adding to this list!)

There still have a couple of slots available for the 24hr prayer vigil on Friday 8th and Saturday 9th Dec. Please join us at the chapel at the Oratory. Contact the Oratory of Christ the Healer at 518-692-9550 or healing@ctkcenter.org to sign up or to obtain more information. We look forward to your joining us.

Advent Retreat – December 8 – 10, 2006

“Christ: Our Journey Home - An Advent Retreat at Christ the King Spiritual Life Center based on The Interior Castles by St. Teresa of Avila

Conductor: Sister Mary Elizabeth, CSM -- Cost: \$138

We speak of enthroning Jesus as Lord of our lives. St. Teresa of Avila wrote of prayer as an interior journey to meet Him at the center of our truest self. Her *Interior Castles* is considered to be a classic in the Christian mystical tradition — a tradition which attempts to describe what happens when our practice of prayer is supernaturally transformed by the Holy Spirit.

Join the Sisters of St. Mary in a pilgrimage of prayer this Advent, to meet the Lord deep within our own interior dwelling places.

“Think of the Soul as a dwelling faceted as from a single perfect diamond, composed of many rooms emanating outward from the central throne room where the King of Glory dwells — for the soul of a righteous man is nothing less than a paradise in which God delights to make His habitation.” — St. Teresa in *The Interior Castles* For more information, call the Convent at (518) 692-3028. To make a reservation, contact Helene Patterson at Christ the King Center (518) 692-9550.

PPF - Quiz 1



Quiz 1 -- 10 Questions
Write your name and answers against the numbers and mail to the Church or Drop the answers in the Collection Plate



Youth Group Trip - 1993

1. A very special lady -- Do you know her name?
2. Can you name the other woman?

3. Do you know who the girls are?
4. Do you know where they are?



5. Do you know who this person is?



6. Can you name everyone in this group of people?

7. What is given in memory of George Pierce Lee, Jr. Warden?
8. Who is Charles Benson Sewell?
9. Who handcrafted the cross at the west peak of the Church?
10. Who was Samuel Jones Tilden, Jr?



December and January Event Calendar At a Glance

December 2006

Saturday	December 2	10:00 AM	Episcopal Church Women - Friendship Hall
Sunday	December 3	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist - PPF
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School - PPF
Thursday	December 7	7:00 PM	Bible Study - (Bring a sandwich at 6:30PM)
Sunday	December 10	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist - No Bazaar Bazaar
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Thursday	December 14	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting
Sunday	December 17	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Sunday	December 24	9:00 AM	Combined 8 and 10 Service Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Light Breakfast and Greening of the Church
		7:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service with Youth Program
		11:00 PM	Christmas Eve Midnight Service
Monday	December 25	9:00 AM	Christmas Day Service
Sunday	December 31	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist

January 2007

Thursday	January 4	7:00 PM	Bible Study - (Bring a sandwich at 6:30PM)
Saturday	January 6	9:00 AM	Epiphany Service
Saturday	January 6	10:00 AM	Episcopal Church Women - Friendship Hall
Sunday	January 7	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
		4:00 PM	Lessons and Carols
Thursday	January 11	7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting
Sunday	January 14	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Sunday	January 21	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Sunday	January 28	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist
		10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
		11:30 AM	Pot Luck Luncheon
		Noon	Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

Mark your Calendars for these Future Events

Sunday	December 24 - 9:00 AM - Combined Service & Greening of the Church to follow
	December 24 - 7:00 PM - Christmas Eve Youth Program
	December 24 - 11PM - Christmas Eve Midnight Service
Monday	December 25 - 9:00 AM - Christmas Day Service
Saturday	January 6 - 9:00 AM - Epiphany Service
Sunday	January 7 - 4:00 PM - Lessons and Carols
Sunday	January 28 - Noon - Annual Meeting and Election of Officers



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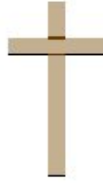
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Remember these Important Dates

Date	Subject
January 6, 2007	Epiphany Service - 9:00 AM
January 7, 2007	Lessons and Carols - 4:00 PM
January 28, 2007	Annual Meeting and Election of Officers - Noon

These are the Every Month Important Dates

1st Saturday - Episcopal Church Women Meeting - Dec. 2 & Jan. 6

1st Thursday - Simple Meal (Bring a Sandwich) and Bible Study - Dec. 7 & Jan. 4

2nd Thursday - Vestry Meeting - Dec. 14 & Jan. 11

Answers: Know Your Bible 1. B (anointed by Samuel) 2. B 3. B (he chose not to wear Saul's armor) 4. C 5. B 6. B 7. C
God sent Nathan the prophet to tell David of his sin) 8. B 9. A (Solomon) 10. C (instead it was passed to Solomon)
Shining Bright Jumble - 1. ACTION 2. BOASTING 3. FOREVER 4. ACTIVITIES 5. INFERIOR 6. PRETEND
7. FALSE 8. WEAKLING Overall Answer: You were once **DARKNESS**, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light.