



St. John's Episcopal Church - Newsletter Sunday, **January 1, 2023**

LET US PRAY:

O God, who has blessed and sustained this parish through the years; we ask that you continue to lead us, stretch us, and direct us, in our search for a new rector. Raise for us, we pray, a priest and pastor who will boldly proclaim your Gospel, faithfully administer your Sacraments, and serve your people with love and compassion, that we may continue to grow in the likeness of Christ and be a beacon of love and hope to our community and the world. To the glory of your holy Name. **Amen.**

Temperature checks, hand sanitizer and masks are always available as you enter **if needed**. The church is professionally sanitized each week using an ozone generator.

WORSHIP AND EDUCATION NEWS:

Worship: January 1, the Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with Rev. Joe Porter

Readings: The Holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ

Numbers 6:22-27; Psalm 8; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:15-21

PASTORAL NEWS:

Please keep the following in your prayers: Debra Richardson, Courtney Turner, Kathleen Gibson, Cole Jefferies, Jo Liddy, Jim Howe, Cliff Clark, Sylvia Ross, Linda Dowling, Susan Taylor, Abigail Grace Fox, Pam Catlett, Debbie Ewart, Vivian Wright, Chuck Pierotti, Gill Pillow, Jerry Wenzel, Tommy Haycraft, and West Hornor.

OUTREACH NEWS:

St John's ECW is sponsoring **Bingo** at **The Manor** monthly on the second **Tuesday** from 1 – 2, **January 10th**. Contributions are welcome for the prizes. There is a small box at the back of the church for these prize donations. Thank you.

Grace Food Pantry – **plastic bags** go in the labeled container in the narthex.

CHURCH OFFICE NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Jan 1, New Year's Day Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am at St. John's with **Rev. Joe Porter and**

Donald Mankin, Organist.

Lay Eucharist Minister & Acolyte: Melody Rogers

Ushers: Brooke Tappan & Tap Jennings

Altar Guild: Julie Pittman & Andrea Clark

Video – Facebook Live: Julie Pittman

Altar Flowers: Poinsettias

Jan 8, Adult Sunday School will resume.

JAN 4, Wednesday Mid-Week Healing Service at 5:30 in the chapel with Rev. Joe Porter

CDC COVID-19 guidelines (Vestry approved) Complete list is on table in the back of church



For those that cannot attend in person, there will be live streaming on Facebook.

The link for Sunday service is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/929943537685987>

Facebook Group: **St. John's Episcopal Church-Helena, AR**

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