#### February 2014



he Good News

# Why Pray?

Close neighbors of ours who are Methodists, describe themselves as "Church members who never go to Church. I'm sure that definition fits a lot of Christians. When I shared with them the news about Jen they said they would certainly pray for her, adding, "We don't know if our feeble little prayers are going to make

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much difference." "Please," I said, "pray, just pray and God will do the rest." I think by now we have hundreds of people praying for Jen, (who by the way has just undergone successful brain surgery.) It gave me pause to reflect upon the efficacy of prayer and won-

der if she would be healed if hundreds of people were praying for her as opposed to only 20. And should we even ask people to pray for her who are lapsed in their faith practices and do not know how to construct a proper prayer. Here are my feeble little thoughts: Continued.....

#### **Special points of interest:**

- Canon Douglas Ceremonies
- Sunday School Schedule
- Prayer for the Search Committee
- Martha & Mary are famous!

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The Rev. Sarah Berlin

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You have heard me say many times – there is no such thing as a *bad* prayer. God loves to hear us; God has been waiting for us to enter the conversation.

The prayers of hundreds of people have not been in any way a campaign to break through God's resistance to heal Jen. We are not trying to talk God in to becoming loving, merciful, and compassionate.

All of our prayers are surrounding Jen with love. They are ways of express ing and getting in touch with the tender and compassionate part of ourselves that is truly Christ-like. The more we pray the more we are transformed into Christ's love.

We are adding our love to God's love that has already been active in Jen, long before we even knew there was a problem.

Our prayers form community – with each other and with God in Christ. The greatest power in prayer is not our articulation, the power is from God's love. So please, pray just pray – long or short, feeble or faithful, full of doubts or sure and confident. God will do the rest.

A big thank you to Emil Gadeken and Ken Schmidt for reworking the pulley system for the advent wreath. Now it is much easier to hoist!



ACOLYTE TRAINING All current and prospective acolytes are asked to attend a training on the 23rd after the 10:15 service. Come and check out this wonderful ministry!! Contact Pat Crist with any questions: ppcrist@gmail.com 



#### Church of the Transfiguration Staff and Vestry Supply Priest - The Rev. Sarah Berlin æ

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## Soup Ministry

Homemade soups in the freezer are available for parishioners and friends that are sick, shut-in or need some TLC. Feel free to give soup to someone you see at church that is hurting, or take soup to someone you are going to visit. The soups are in the freezer on the east wall of the kitchen.

# Beef Barley Soup

Two Tablespoons oil

One large carrot peeled and diced

One onion peeled and diced small

One stalk celery diced small

Salt and pepper

One and one-half pounds white mushrooms, sliced thin

Two quarts beef broth

3/4 cup barley

1/4 cup dried porcini mushroom, rinsed and crumbled

Two tablespoons fresh sage, chopped

Cooked beef, diced (optional-- it is good without.)

Heat oil, cook vegetables until lightly browned. Add white mushrooms, season with salt and pepper, cook until they begin to give off their liquid, 8 minutes or so.

Add broth and barley and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer covered for twenty minutes. Add porcini and simmer about 30 minutes more. Barley should be soft but not mushy. Add beef if using. Stir in the sage and adjust the seasoning. Excellent with garlic croutons.

# REMEMBER TO MULTIPLY BY 8 FOR ECHO STONE SOUP!!





Saint John's Cathedral, Hiwan Homestead Museum, and the Evergreen Church of the Transfiguration

Cordially Invite You to Ceremonies in Honor of Canon Charles Winfred Douglas at Saint John's Cathedral 1350 Washington Street Denver, Colorado 80203

Sunday, February 16, 2014

9:00 AM Service, 10:15 Dean's Forum, 11:15 AM Service, and 3:30 PM Evensong Our very own Bob Coursen will be playing at Evensong!!!

Canon Douglas' portrait will be placed in Dagwell Hall on the occasion of his 147th Birthday.



# EChO Receives Jubilee Ministry Grant

EChO was one of ten nationwide Jubilee Ministries to receive a grant of \$1500.00. It was to fund their Job Skills Training Program that boasts a 50% success rate. The national committee reviewed 114 applications! Congratulations to EChO and to Church of the Transfiguration for their partnership in this effort.

Jubilee Ministries are congregations or agencies with connections to the Episcopal Church, designated by diocesan bishops, whose mission work affects the lives of those in need, addressing basic human needs and justice issues. And many thanks to the Rev. Deacon Becky Jones our own Diocesan Jubilee Officer who helped us with the application!

# **Jubilee Ministries**

Serving Christ Through Community & Prison Ministry

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Friday 2/21—Boulder Bach Festival: boulderbachfestival.org 800-838-3006

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Most loving God, be with our Search Committee as they begin the task you have set before them. Give them discerning hearts as they seek to hear Your voice and discern Your will for our congregation. Give them confidence in Your love and ourselves to pray for Jerry, Cindy, Liz, Joe, 'Holly, Cort, Larry, and Michael. And help us all during this time of transition, to keep our hearts bound together in the love of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

## January 2014

- Locks on buildings to be changed January 22nd. Thank you to Jerri Avery for lots of work on this.

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- Approved overdue replacement of furnaces and water heaters in buildings throughout campus to avoid any emergencies.

> ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO SIT IN ON THE OPEN SESSIONS OF THE VESTRY MEETINGS.



#### In This Issue

#### Dear Martha,

Welcome to the first edition of the Legacy Society Quarterly E-Booster. We will share ideas, stories, and resources to refresh, refocus, and re-envision your Legacy Society.

Transfiguration in Action

LS Booster Materials

Available.

LS Boosters translate into action at Transfiguration, Evergreen

Mary Haave and Martha de Ulibarri, parishioners at the Church of the Transfiguration in Evergreen, attended the Legacy Society Booster offered by the Foundation in the Denver metro area last



Fall. Transfiguration has had a Legacy Society, the Belltower Legacy Society, for a few years but has not been active in promoting the ministry. They left the workshop inspired and with plenty of ideas to put into practice.

Their first step was talking to the Sr. and Jr. Warden to ask for a budget and brainstorm workshop ideas. Both were very supportive, granting the budget line for 2014 and a time to talk at the then upcoming Parish meeting in November.

Next, they successfully submitted a short article for the upcoming edition of the church newsletter.

They then teamed up with their Priest, the Rev. Sarah Berlin, to use an existing Adult Ed class as a focus group since the age ranges at the class are 65-90 years old, a prime group for potential legacy donors.

"Sarah was very supportive," said Mary. The support of the lay leadership as well as the clergy, has been key in the breathing of new life to the Belltower Legacy Society.

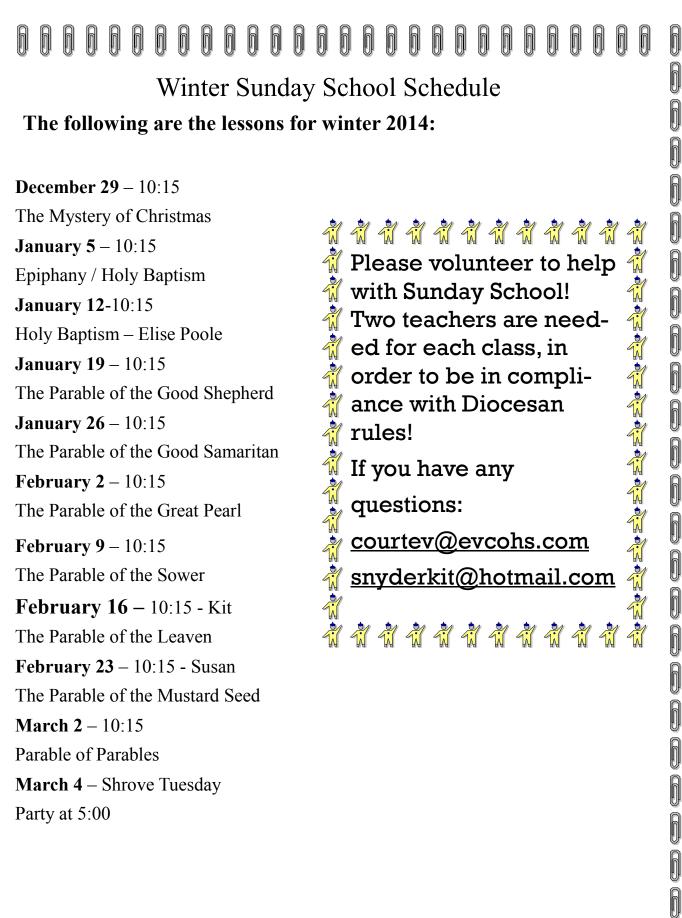
Have questions or a story to share? Send it to office@coef.org.

#### Sincerely,

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Vivian G. Morales Colorado Episcopal Foundation



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# The Transfiguration Book Club

Monday, February 24th from 6:30-9:30 PM in the Church

All are invited to join in on this fun and interesting group—ladies AND gentlemen!

Even if you have never come to any of the meetings before, please come....and bring friends!

Please bring a snack and drink to share

If you have question or concerns, email Shelley Black—Shelley\_Black@att.biz Kit Snyder—snyderkit@hotmail.com



Quarterly book selection to take place at the meeting 2 months prior to the new quarter. Please plan to attend this meeting so that you can recommend your favorite book!

Discussion of each selected book will be led by the person who recommended that book. In the event the discussion leader is not

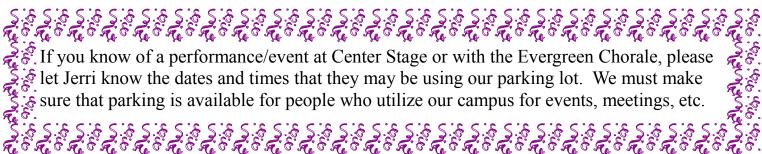
able to attend the meeting, they will provide the discussion questions to a replacement leader of their choice.

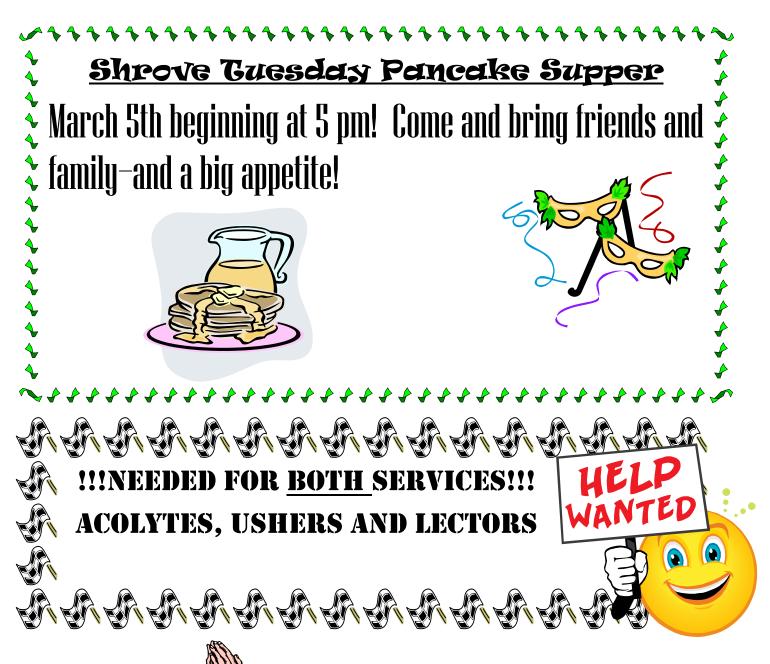
The discussion leader will also provide a brief synopsis of the book at least 2 weeks prior to the discussion of that book. The synopsis only needs to contain a few sentences, and can be e-mailed to Shelley for distribution to the group.

Please make sure that the books that you recommend can be easily procured. It is helpful to know if the book is available in the Evergreen library, or on Kindle, as an e-book, etc. Please be prepared to give this information at the time you recommend your books.

Bring your friends! -- we would like to grow our attendance to include others in the Evergreen community.

We will continue our discussion about our format at each of the next two meetings -- please attend so that you can bring your great ideas forward to the group!





#### Prayers

#### Anointing and Healing

**Prayers** Anointing and healing prayers are offered by Mother Sarah and the Daughters of the King during the 10:15 service on the last Sunday of each month. All are welcome to come to the front of the church after communion for this special offering. This month the prayers will be on February 25th.

#### Morning Prayer Service

sponsored by the Daughters of the King and in fellowship with EDSE is offered on <u>THURSDAY</u> mornings at 8:30 AM in the church. The Daughters and Friends of the Episcopal Day School extend an invitation to all to attend this wonderful service. Please feel free to walk the Labyrinth after.

#### **Evening Prayer Service**

also sponsored by the Daughters of the King is offered on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 5:30 pm in the Chapel of St. Mary and St. Joseph. The next Evening Prayer services will be February 10th and 24th.



# **Evergreen Christian Outreach**

# Needs List-February 2014

Small Peanut Butter Hearty Soups Mac & Cheese

Toothpaste Boxed Pasta

**Toilet Paper** 

Spaghetti Sauce Tuna Laundry Detergent Liquid Soap Canned Vegetables Stuffing Mix Sugar

Canned fruit

Tooth Brushes Dish Helper Meals Bar Soap

**Instant Potatoes** 



**!!!** PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHURCH BULLETIN FOR MOST UP TO DATE LIST **!!!** 

Other Items for St. Raphael's House

Coffee Makers	Telephones
Pots & Pans	Men's Jeans
Spoons & Forks	King & Queen Bedding
Vacuum Cleaners	Blenders, Toasters, Microwaves
Tarps	Blankets
Winter Clothes	Hats, Gloves, Scarves

**Note:** No after hours donations accepted due to fire and safety requirements. Thank you for your cooperation and your donations.

> Volunteers Always Needed! Call: 303-670-1796

Open Mondays 10-6 Open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10-4



February Birthdays

Karen Coriden	2/5
Cort Langworthy	2/8
David Black	2/11
Jamie Williams	2/13
Walter Hane	2/14
Jane Wilson	2/16
Barbara Honston	2/21
Liz Jones	2/21



February Appiversaries

Brian & Susan Page

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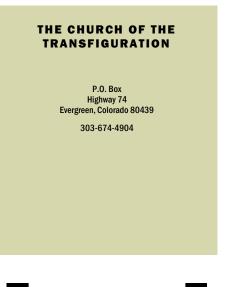


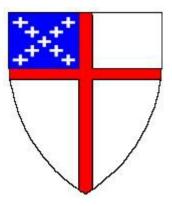
Russell & Polly Boley 2/12

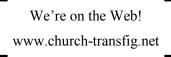


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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNES- DAY	THURS- DAY	FRIDAY	SATUR- DAY
Church Douglas Hall St. Mark's Meadow Chapel Stuart Lounge 2 8 am Holy Eucharist 10:15 am Holy Eucharist, Sun- day School	3 9-3 EDSE 6:30 EDSE Board Meeting 6:30-9 Ever- green Players	4 9-3 EDSE 7 pm Movie Night	5 9-3 EDSE 7:30 pm AA	6 9:30 Morning Prayer 9-3 EDSE 9-11 EChO 7 pm Choir	7	1 8 am AA 9 am Lectio Divina 3-6 Evergreen Players 8 8 8 am AA
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# Newsletter Submissions

Please contact Stephanie Park with ideas, suggestions and monthly reports for the newsletter. <u>Monthly</u> reports to be submitted **no later than the 22nd** of each month.

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Have something to add to the newsletter???? Please contact Stephanic (see contact information to the left).

Upcoming ideas for pages: recipe exchange, community coupons, trivia and games

ALL IDEAS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED!!!