

December 15, 2014

As The Body of Christ We Pray Together

If you are coming to Anchorage for hospital treatment and would like a pastoral visit, please contact the Presbytery office.

- Duke Morrow & family
- George & Lydia Agnasagga
- Virginia Kasak

And our military chaplains:

- Rev. Ted McGovern
- Rev. Patrick Bracken
- Rev. Kevin Wainwright
- Rev. John Kaiser

Thanksgiving Baptisms in Anaktuvuk Pass

Events like this can only be explained by a movement of the Holy Spirit. When word got out that there might be some baptisms at the Anaktuvuk Pass Thanksgiving Feast worship service, people from across the community asked for baptisms.

The session planned a series of consultations with families, resulting in 27 approved baptisms for that one weekend. There were so many that the session split them up, with baptisms at the Thanksgiving worship service on Thursday, and baptisms at both services on Sunday. The Rev. James Nageak officiated, assisted by Session Moderator, Mark Wartes and by Ruling Elders, Casey Nay and Kaliksuna Woods.

This became an occasion praying and thinking together about how families and congregations take their baptismal vows seriously. How do churches watch over and provide for the spiritual nurture of young disciples of Jesus Christ? How do families live out the Christian life in their homes? These are questions for all Christian people to keep in mind.





Diana Butler Bass Rescheduled for 2015

Mark your calendars now! Diana Butler Bass will be in Alaska January 30-31, 2015. She was scheduled to give a talk a year ago but had to cancel at the last minute. Her learning event will be held at St. John UMC and the FREE public lecture will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. You can visit her website for more information.



Bingle Camp at Harding Lake is looking for a new Executive Director. This is a part time ministry position which requires full time hours during the two months of summer camp programming, but has flexibility throughout the rest of the year. The salaried position provides a compensation of \$1,500/month. The Executive Director will work directly with and be accountable to the Bingle Camp Executive Board. Bingle Camp is an interdenominational outdoor Christian ministry, and as such, the Executive Director must be a professing Christian, interested in working with all local churches, and must

have professional ministry experience (preferably camp ministry experience). Please submit resume and questions regarding the position, including compensation, to <u>davidbooher@gmail.com</u>.

2015 "wee kirk" Conferences

Great Plains region, May 4-6 (Mon-Wed) Fremont, NE Mountain States region, Sept. 17-19 (Thur-Fri) Albuquerque, NM Middle America region, Sept 29-Oct.1 (Tue-Thur) Tulsa, OK *North Central region, Oct. 6-8 (Tue-Thur) Angola, IN Pacific Northwest region, Oct. 6-8 (Tue-Thur) Newport, WA Pennsylvania/northeast region, Oct. 12-14 (Mon-Wed) Mt. Pleasant, PA *Montreat/southeast region, Oct. 19-21 (Mon-Wed) Montreat, NC

* Both the North Central and Montreat regions offer a Barnabas Track for first-call pastors, commissioned elders, and their spouses. This is an additional 24 hours at the beginning of the conference for focused conversation, ministry support, and community building.

Mark Your Calendars...

December 25th, 2014:

<u>Christmas Day</u> The Presbytery office will be closed on December 25th & 26th in observance of the Christmas holiday.

January 1st, 2015: <u>New Year's Day</u> The Presbytery office will be closed in observance of the holiday.

January 23rd - 25th, 2015:

Presbytery Leadership Team Retreat Bingle Camp in Fairbanks

January 30th-31st, 2015:

Diana Butler Bass

St. John UMC - Times to be announced.

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