



The Wheel



Celebrate Christmas at St. Catherine's

Christmas Eve

- **Family Holy Eucharist**

We begin at 4:30 pm with special music from our guest string quartet. The worship service starts with the procession at 5:00. All the children are invited to process with the choir and clergy as the baby Jesus makes his way with us to the crèche at the altar. The Youth Choir will share their voices as their Christmas gift to us. The nursery will be available. A festive reception follows in the Parish Hall.

- **10:30 PM – The Christ Mass**

Service begins with music from our Adult Choir, Organist Jana Williams and special guest string quartet. The Christ Mass procession starts at 11:00 PM. The solemn and beautiful Christmas celebration brings

the glory of our Anglican tradition to the greatest story ever told as we celebrate the birth of our Savior. Following is a festive reception with champagne and an opportunity to wish each other a joyous Christmas.

Christmas Day

- **One service, 10:30 AM** — We hold our celebration of the incarnation with an intimate and casual service on Christmas morning. We invite everyone to bring their favorite gift to share as we remember the most precious gift of all, Jesus Christ. This is a great opportunity to share the joy of the season without the crowds of the night before so if you've never tried it, consider adding this worship to your Christmas celebrations.

*From all of our staff
we wish you and yours a most blessed and joyous
Christmas and Christmastide!*

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*The people of
St. Catherine's seek
to share in the love
that Jesus Christ has
for us and the world by
welcoming, accepting,
nurturing, and serving
all people through
the power of the
Holy Spirit.*

We Welcome You!

VESTRY ELECTION RESULTS



Thank you to all our candidates who volunteered their time and talents to help guide St. Catherine's as members of Vestry. Congratulations to the following persons who were elected on December 14 to three-year terms: **Norma Alexander, John Barrington, Susan Jablonski and Al Maxwell.**

We greatly appreciate **Mike Arthur, Mark Blythe and Eric DeLaBarre**, who allowed their names stand in nomination as well. We hope they will consider the office of Vestry member again in the future.

Last Chance Blood Drive



**Wed., December 31
8 AM – 2 PM**

Please take this opportunity to give the gift of life one more time this year! No signup sheet, just come to the Parish Hall and we'll help you prep for New Year's Eve with our juice & cookies. For information please contact Frederick Massey, 770.971.4466, f_massey2@hotmail.com.

Office Schedule

The church office will be closed December 23-26 for the Christmas holiday, and December 31-January 1 for New Year's. Have a safe and blessed season!

I publish the banns of marriage between Margaret Mary Ramsay of Kennesaw, Georgia, and Michael Wendell Reeves, Jr. of Atlanta. If any of you know just cause why they may not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, you are bidden to declare it. This is the third time of asking.



Holy Baptism

Next date: Jan. 11

Please check with the office for more information and to request the customary booklet about Holy Baptism.

2009 Budget Update

Since I last wrote about St. Catherine's 2009 budget situation, I have had several very good questions from interested parishioners. I hope to address some of them here.

First, a few additional pledges have come in and we are in a little bit better shape financially than we were.

Second, the main reason our income (mostly from pledges) is down is because we live in a world that is in a serious financial crisis. Many at St. Catherine's are feeling the pain. Some are on variable incomes and the downturn has slowed commission income and job and project opportunities. Some are on fixed incomes and relying on savings and investments that have been cut in half. Some have lost jobs and many are worried about the jobs they have or the companies they work for. In this environment, the fact that our pledges are down less than 10% is an indication of the faith and love of the members of St. Catherine's family.

The problem is that 88% plus of our budget is fixed—paying our staff, keeping the buildings open and maintained and servicing our debt. Therefore less than 12% is

“discretionary.” That 12% is what we use to fund our ministries and programs including Outreach, Habitat House, Catechesis, Youth Programs, Altar Guild, our Choirs, Pastoral Care and Fellowship. That means that 5/6's of what we spent on ministries and programs in 2008 will not be there in 2009. In dollars, the 2008 budget included over \$82,000 for ministries and programs but for 2009 the budget may be as little as \$15,000.

This does not mean that all of our ministries and programs will disappear. What it does mean is that we will have to rely on the love, time and talents of every member of St. Catherine's parish family to keep them strong. Our dedicated and creative clergy and staff become even more important, and our volunteers become critical. So we are urging everyone who can, to go to St. Catherine's website at www.stcatherines.org under Stewardship and fill out a Time and Talent pledge card (password: stcats2008). The story of the loaves and fishes tells us that if each of us does what they can, it will be more than enough.

We thank you for your love of and dedication to our life together in Christ.

Tom Hunter, Finance Chair

Prayers of the People

For the Sick

Sharon Parisi, Lillian Vu, Jason, Cindy Alexander, Marilyn May, Tom Carter, Agnes Floyd, Jim Hamilton, Ginney Johnston, Glenda King, Cary Phillips, Tracey, Zanny Dillson, Elizabeth Devereaux, Cynthia Snider, Eileen Motter, Terri, Sherry Henderson, Tom Bird, Jill Morich, Devon Parker & baby Brenton Joseph, Risa Maier, Nancy Numair, Lisa Rentenbach, Doug Simmons, Jennifer Harris, Jenny & her baby, Wayne, Liesl Amoruso, Ann Conaway, Jim Raasch, Lisa Spessard, Charles Heckel, Ella Laird, Gail Tyre, Joe Cancalosi

Deceased

Elsie Gravitt, Kitty Diffley's aunt; Marie Stewart Asselyn, friend of Katja Michael

Parish Cycle of Prayer

(12/21/08) Debra & Ben Hilley; Eric, Amy, Christian, Cameron & Lauren Hollis; Bill, Kathy, Jeff & Rob Holman; Rita Horne; Joseph, Jiovanne, Leighann & Neal Hughart

Birthdays

(12/22) Knox Gale, Will Selby, (12/23) Michelle LaGardé, Noelle Mace, James Nesbit, Nathalie Frank, (12/24) Alex Dillson, (12/25) Ron Greger, Ben Martin, Al Jones, (12/26) Karen Kraeger, (12/27) Deana Cole, Vera Bibbings, (12/28) Ron Bergeron, (12/29) Nat Whitlow, John Christian, (12/30) Nadine Pope, Caroline Spessard, (12/31) George Alexander

Read your Reflection of the Day

A special annual tradition at St. Catherine's is our booklet of reflections on Advent and Christmas written by our own parishioners. Copies are available at church, and be sure to check on our website throughout the season for your online Reflection of the Day!

St. Cat's news — get EVERY issue!

Email is an important means for our parish communications. Do you receive the weekly parish email news? Does everyone in your family receive the *eWheel*, the electronic version of St. Catherine's newsletter?

Just note the email addresses of everyone who would like get their own copy on the Opportunities for Ministry in your bulletin or send them to *Wheel* editor Karen Manno at KarenATStCatherines.org.

Annual Meeting '09 - DATE UPDATED -

Sunday, January 25 — Worship at 7:30 & 10:30

The canons of the Church (Canon 31) require that the congregation meet annually on a date appointed by the Vestry. St. Catherine's Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Jan. 25 at 12:30 PM (a light lunch will be served 11:45-12:30 preceding the meeting). There will be only two worship services that day at 7:30 and 10:30 AM, and Church School 9-10 AM. Please note that we have moved this meeting & schedule from the originally announced date of January 18.

The Annual Parish Meeting is a time for the congregation to receive reports from the Rector, Senior Warden, Treasurer, and other organizations throughout the parish. It is a time to reflect on the year past and to explore the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead in the new year. We hope you will be a part of this most important time in our common life.

New Orleans Ministry

Ever been to Mardi Gras? How about helping our partner parish, St George's with their annual fund raising, or volunteering to rebuild? A group of us from St Catherine's will travel to New Orleans February 18-23. Some will help with the preparation and sale of food to parade watchers and some of us will work with the Diocese of Louisiana to help rebuild.



Your transportation and lodging will be provided free of charge; you'll experience great food and sights; your only expense will be your meals. It's not easy to find a better opportunity! For information call Al Jones 770-565-1013 or email 4aATbellsouth.net.

Elizabeth Inn

Next date — Sunday, Dec. 28

Thanks to all of you for your support over this past year and as we enter 2009 please keep each other and all the guests at the Inn in your prayers. 2009 will be a busy year at the Inn, your continued support will be needed even more.

St. Catherine's volunteers staff the Inn and provide dinner for the guests on the 28th of each month. To help please sign up on the Outreach table in the foyer or contact our volunteer coordinators: Dinner Team: Connie Bergeron, 770-951-1411, and Tracy Buckalew, 770-956-9609. Overnight Team: Fred Massey, 404-731-4466.

Radical abundance
a theology of sustainability
January 21-23, 2009

St. Catherine's will host the Trinity Wall Street Institute Conference 2009, "Radical Abundance," a three day conference webcast live from Trinity Wall Street in New York. Conference dates are Wednesday, January 21 through Friday, January 23, and will feature speakers including Majora Carter, Timothy J. Gorringer, David C. Kortzen, Néstor O. Míguez, and Miriam MacGillis.

Register now to attend at St. Catherine's through the Atlanta Diocese website at www.episcopalatlanta.org – in the right-hand column click on "Trinity Institute Radical Abundance Jan. 21-23," then follow the links to register. Cost is \$65.00 per person for the complete conference, single day prices available also.

Trinity Institute takes place at Trinity Episcopal Church in New York City, but includes a diverse audience via video webcasts at designated partner sites around the world. For complete details about the conference, go to the website, www.trinitywallstreet.org or talk with Deacon Kathy.



Advent and Christmas at St. Catherine's

This week at St. Catherine's

Monday, 12/22
Susan's Day Off

Tuesday, 12/23
23rd-26th Office Closed
7:00AM Advent Eucharist/Study
5:00PM YA Alumni
6:00PM Adult Ed.

Wednesday, 12/24
4:30PM Music Prelude
5:00PM Family Eucharist
10:30PM Music Prelude
11:00PM Christ Mass

Thursday, 12/25
10:30AM Christmas Day Service

Friday, 12/26
Jim's Day Off
8:00PM A.A.

Saturday, 12/27
27th-1st Winterlight @ Kanuga

Sunday, 12/28
7:30AM Holy Eucharist
10:30AM Choral Holy Eucharist
2:00PM Harpers, Choir Room
5:30PM Rector's Open House
6:00PM Elizabeth Inn

Ministry Focus: PA&F

Have you seen their bulletin board in the foyer (top of the stairs)? In December we celebrate the life and work of our Parish Administration and Facilities Ministry Team. To find out more please check the Opportunities for Ministry in your bulletin or contact team convener Al Jones.

- Dec. 23 – Advent Eucharist & Study, 7:00-8:00 am
- Dec. 21 (Advent 4) – Hanging of the Greens, 5:00-8:00 pm
- Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve: Worship with special music, followed by Festive Receptions
- Family Holy Eucharist - Music begins at 4:30, procession at 5:00 pm
- The Christ Mass - Music begins at 10:30, procession at 11:00 pm
- Dec. 25 – Christmas Day – Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am
- Dec. 28 – Worship at 7:30 and 10:30 ONLY, no Church School; Elizabeth Inn; Rector's Open House, 5:30 –8 pm
- Holiday Schedule– No WNL on Dec. 24 &31
Office closed Dec. 23-26 and Dec. 31-Jan. 1
- January 4 – Regular worship and Church School schedule resume
- January 7 – WNL resumes

Be an Emmaus “elf”

On Christmas Eve morning come be an “elf” at the annual Emmaus House Christmas Festival. We serve as hosts and helpers as the crowds go from activity to activity and visit Santa and Mrs. Claus to receive their presents. It's a wonderful activity and we would love for you to join us! We'll meet at St. Cat's at approximately 7:15 AM on December 24. Please contact Nadine Pope, 770-973-9057 or ronaza@tmspring.com.



Christmas Eve Receptions

Festive receptions follow the 4:30 and 10:30 Christmas Eve services on December 24. We invite you to donate finger foods for the reception, please bring them to the Parish Hall prior to the service you attend this night.

Christmas Communion



If you or someone you know someone is ill or shut in and will not be able to attend Christmas Eve or Christmas Day services, please notify the church office so we may schedule a Lay Eucharistic Minister to bring communion to their homes.

Advent Eucharist/Study

Concludes Dec. 23

Our concluding Advent Tuesday morning Eucharist and Study will be at 7:00 AM on December 23, for a brief Eucharist followed by our study from "Simply Wait: Cultivating Stillness in the Season of Advent" by Pamela Hawkins. This time is designed to fit within an hour so that promptly at 8:00 AM you can be off to work, school, or your day's plans. The materials are available on our Advent Resource Table in the foyer.

Vestry Notes



From the Vestry meeting on December 16:

- Welcome to our new Vestry for 2009: Norma Alexander, John Barrington, Susan Jablonski and Al Maxwell. We greatly appreciate Mike Arthur, Mark Blythe and Eric DeLaBarre for running for Vestry as well.
- As has been communicated to the parish, next year will be a financial challenge. The Vestry worked on priorities to give to the Finance Committee to use as they set the 2009 budget.

This week at St. Catherine's

Monday, 12/29
Susan's Day Off

Tuesday, 12/30
10:00AM Morning Prayer
10:30AM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, 12/31
Office Closed
8:00AM Blood Drive

Thursday, 1/1/09
Office Closed

Friday, 1/2
Jim's Day Off
10:00AM Women's Bible Study
8:00PM A.A.

Saturday, 1/3
1:00AM Peer Supervision
7:00PM Rea's Party

Sunday, 1/4
7:30AM Holy Eucharist
8:00AM Breakfast
8:45AM Family Holy Eucharist
10:00AM Church School
11:15AM Choral Holy Eucharist
3:00PM Eagle Scout Ceremony
5:00PM Youth Group
5:00PM Contemplative Prayer

Help us serve you

Please let the church know when you or a loved one has a medical procedure, an illness, a life transition, or other special need. We are here to serve you. Please allow us the opportunity to share your experience and offer our support. Simply contact the church office at 770-971-2839, and thank you.

Parishioners in Diaconal Discernment

Congratulations to **Nadine Pope** and **Juan Sandoval** who have both been accepted into the next step of the Diaconal Discernment program in the Diocese of Atlanta.

This next phase of the process begins in January and continues through June, 2009. This step, known as Reflection Group, consists of all nominees and is led by a priest, a deacon and a layperson appointed by the Bishop. A Commission on Ministry (COM) liaison is assigned to work with the group and will be available for consultation throughout the Group process. The group will meet at least once monthly and will also include ministry experiences in specific settings. At the conclusion of the Reflection Group process, the facilitators discuss their evaluations and come to a decision as to whether or not to recommend the nominee to the COM for the next step toward ordination. The Group facilitators discuss the cumulative results of the evaluation with each nominee, and each nominee is informed of the facilitators' recommendation.

Nadine and Juan, our prayers are with you as you take this next step of your discernment of your call to Holy Orders as a Deacon in the Church.

ESL Report

Hello fellow ESL enthusiasts! I wanted to give you a brief update on the status of our ESL (English as a Second Language) program, as well as plans for the next semester.

We are all working very hard, and our students are making wonderful progress. Our teachers are very dedicated and the students really seem to enjoy their classes. They arrive and leave smiling each Monday night!

We will be taking a two-week vacation in December—there will be no class held on Dec. 22 & 29. We will begin our second semester on January 5th, and will pick up in the books where we previously left off.

I would like to get an idea of who would like to teach next semester. If you are currently teaching and would like to continue, please let me know. I am hoping we will have at least one teacher from each current class who would like to continue, so our students have some continuity. If you are interested in teaching and have not taught ESL or observed one of our "model classes" (taught by our trainer/mentor, Karen Mathews) please let me know. I am not sure that everyone who wishes to teach will be able to next semester, as we have more teacher volunteers that we can possibly use. (What a wonderful problem to have!) But if you would like to help, please contact me and let me know what you would like to do. We can always use help distributing flyers in the community in December/January.

If you have questions, suggestions, or comments, please feel free to contact me. I hope you all have a wonderful holiday!

Lu Dumke, ESL program chair
ldumke@bellsouth.net
or 404-731-9874



Women's Retreat



Reserve soon with a \$100 deposit! The Women's Retreat will be March 6 - 8 at Amicalola Falls Lodge in north Georgia. Cost will be approximately \$225, double occupancy.

(Please make checks to St. Catherine's and write "Women's Retreat" on the memo line.) Check the Opportunities for Ministry in your bulletin or contact Ginny Lummus, Susan Johnson, Kathy Holman or Elizabeth Lopez; email gslummus@tgmail.com.

Kitchen Shower

St. Catherine's kitchen continues to need your donations of supplies. The next time you're shopping, please think of us and purchase one or more of these items. There is a basket marked *Kitchen Shower* in the Parish Hall. Any gift is greatly appreciated! **Needed items:** *Tea towels, Wash cloths, Paring knives, Laundry baskets, Candle lighters, Oven mitts & pot holders (heavy duty), Cutting boards*

Breakfast at MUST Ministries

This past year Fr. Jim and a parishioner or two have been providing breakfast one morning a month at MUST Ministries. We now have dates for 2009 and want to share them with you in the event you would like to take part in this outreach effort. You need not be able to cook (Fr. Jim has proven that), but simply arrive at the Elizabeth Inn at 5:30 am, cook breakfast, serve at 6:30 am and then leave. There is no clean-up required and the only special requirement is the wearing of closed toed shoes.

If you might be interested these are the dates for 2009: January 28, February 25, March 25, April 22, May 27, June 24, July 22, August 26, September 23, October 28, November 25, and December 23. We need one to two volunteers each month. Interested? Contact Father Jim at 770-971-2839 or fatherjim@bellsouth.net.

Contemplative Prayer Group begins

"The Coracle" Spiritual Formation Ministry will offer a weekly contemplative prayer group to all interested on Sunday evenings from 5 to 7 pm. Sessions will begin on Sunday, January 4 and will end on Sunday, March 29. Participants will be introduced to Abbot M. Basil Pennington's models of *Lectio Divina* and Centering Prayer. Each session will include teaching, prayer practice, and reflection of prayer experience. No fee for the sessions, but regular attendance is expected. The group will be led by Deacon Kathy Holman. For information contact Kathy at kdh53@bellsouth.net or 770-971-2839.

"The Coracle" is a newly formed ministry of St. Catherine's which is intended toward exploration and deepening of our experience of God's presence with us. For more information about this ministry please contact Deacon Kathy, Tom Hunter, Meg Ramsay, Keith Dumke, or Karen Maxwell.

CONGREGATIONAL NURSES CORNER

About Shingles

Shingles is a skin rash caused by the same virus that causes chickenpox. After an individual has chickenpox, this virus lives in the nervous system and is never fully cleared from the body. Under certain circumstances such as emotional stress, immune deficiency (e.g. AIDS or chemotherapy) or cancer, the virus reactivates causing shingles. Anyone who has ever had chickenpox is at risk for shingles, although it occurs most often over age 60.

Seeing your doctor right away if you suspect you have shingles is very important! There are several effective treatments. Drugs can reduce the severity and duration of the rash if started early (within 72 hours of the appearance of the rash). The addition of steroid drugs may have limited benefit in some cases. In addition to antiviral medication, pain medications may be needed for symptom control.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved a vaccine that may



help prevent shingles or make it less painful if you do get it. One dose is recommended for adults 60 years and older. It's not known if the vaccine will prevent shingles from occurring again. If you have never had chickenpox, you may avoid getting the virus that causes both chickenpox and later shingles by receiving the varicella vaccine. Ask your doctor for recommendations.

If you have never had chickenpox, avoid contact with people who have shingles or chickenpox. Fluid from shingles blisters is contagious, and exposure to it can cause chickenpox (but not shingles).

If you develop shingles, avoid close contact with people until after the rash blisters heal. It is especially important to avoid contact with people at special risk from chickenpox or shingles, such as:

- Pregnant women, infants, children, or anyone who has never had chickenpox.
- Anyone who is currently ill.
- Anyone with a weak immune system who is unable to fight infection (such as someone with HIV infection or diabetes).

Youth News

- **Hanging of the Greens**

We will have a special Holiday Scavenger Hunt youth event this Sunday, December 21st from 3-5pm before Hanging of the Greens. All youth are invited to meet at the Youth House at 3pm, we will leave for our hunt, and be back at church at 4:45pm. The event is free of charge, just bring yourselves and get ready to have tons of fun! If you have any questions please e-mail Amelia at Amelia@stcatherines.org. Thanks!



- **St. Cat's Youth Alumni Open House**

There will be an open house in the Youth House for all St. Cat's Youth Alumni ages 18-30 on Tuesday, December 23, 5-7 pm. Come by to catch up with old friends and see the Youth House! We will have lots of holiday food and drinks so stop by. All youth alumni who have graduated high school are invited!

- **Coming in January:**

- Lock-in January 9, 8 pm to 8 am
- Annual Meeting January 25 (date changed!), Church School at 9-10 am this date

Flowers and candles for 2009

The schedule for donations for sanctuary flowers and candles is available in the foyer for you to sign up for your 2009 dates. The prices are \$60 per vase for flowers and \$20 for candles.



CN&D Info Meeting



You are invited to join the Christian Nurture and Development Ministry Team on Saturday, January 10, 4-6 pm in the Parish Hall. If you are wanting more information or would like to help with our ministries of formation for adults, youth and children, please attend, or you may contact Kristin Blackstock, 770-971-2649 or kgblackstock@hotmail.com.

Letters

Dear St. Catherine's Church Children,

Thank you for your generous donation in the amount of \$550.

The new Murial Lokey Center is now officially open and we have begun to expand the services of the Poverty Rights Office to include Adult Literacy, GED programs, NA/AA groups and other efforts to help our neighbors become more economically secure. The second floor will be an in-town retreat center. I hope you'll drop by for a tour.

Your gift to Emmaus House not only serves our Poverty Rights Center, but helps to fund our Thanksgiving and Christmas ministries, as well as our work with seniors, families, prisoners and the homeless in Peoples-town, one of the poorest neighborhoods in Atlanta just south of Turner Field. In a typical year we provide more than 150,000 client hours of service with an annual operating budget of \$630,000 and a staff of only six full-time and two part-time people.

Your prayers, your suggestions, your time and your material gifts are greatly appreciated by our staff, board, volunteers and those we serve.

Yours faithfully,

*The Rev. Elizabeth Claiborne Jones
Director and Vicar, Emmaus House*

Dear Members of St. Catherine's,

On behalf of Communities in Schools of Marietta/Cobb County, Inc. (CISMCC) we want to thank you for your generous ongoing donation to the organization. Your support is vital as we continue to work with students and their families in both school systems.

CISMCC has been busy with many activities—the Performance Learning Centers (PLC) are both at capacity with a waiting list and we already have 16 graduates... We are looking forward to a good year with a bright outlook for students who otherwise were going to drop out of school... Our Parents as Teachers Program for preschool children and their parents is growing... We continue to recruit mentors for the students at the PLCs and literacy tutors for elementary school age children. Parents Assuring Student Success classes are being conducted throughout the county...

Our mission is "to champion the connection of needed community resources with school to help young people successfully learn, stay in school and prepare for life."

...Thank you again for your continued interest and support. The many volunteers from St. Catherine's certainly play a major role in our success and we couldn't do it without both the monetary and people resources.

Sincerely,

Carol Fey, Executive Director, CISMCC



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Mark Your Calendars

- 12/23 Eucharist & Study;
Youth Alumni Open House
- 12/23-26 Office closed
- 12/28 Worship at 7:30 &
10:30 only;
Elizabeth Inn; Rector's
Open House
- 12/31 Blood Drive
- 12/31-1/1 Office closed
- 1/4 Contemplative Prayer
group being

Happy New Year!

The Wheel

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Hanging of the Greens

**Sunday, Dec. 21
5-8 PM**



Join us on Sunday evening, December 21, to decorate the church for Christmas. This is always a very special time filled with fun and a little labor.

Be sure to bring your friends, your visiting family, your joy and laughter. This is an evening for every member of the congregation (nursery available for little ones during the work time).

Please bring a finger dessert to share.

We will begin at 5:00 PM to decorate the church, parish hall, youth house, atrium, and outside. At 6:00 we'll break for a light supper. We'll return to a decorated and candle-lit sanctuary at 7:00 to sing some carols and play the bells. We'll finish the evening with dessert. See you there!

Year End/New Year!



- **All donations to the church for 2008** must be postmarked no later than December 31.
- Please turn in any **invoices and requests for reimbursement for 2008 expenses** to the office by December 31.
- **Annual Reports due by January 18**
We will gladly accept them as soon as possible! We really want to have all groups and ministries included this year. Please send them by email if at all possible to rosewolfe@bellsouth.net (contact Rose if you would like a copy of last year's report.)
- **Stewardship Pledges still needed—**
We thank who have pledged to the church for 2009. If you have not yet done so please consider making a pledge – even if you have not in the past. Your Vestry sets the budget for 2009 based strictly on pledges received for the coming year, so every pledge is vital. Please contact the church office for pledge forms and return them as soon as possible.