



Sixth and Main Streets
Clarksburg

The Good News Weekly

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Bridgeport

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Upcoming Events

- 12/9 Bible Study** – at Christ Church at 10:30 a.m.
12/13 Advent 3 – with The Rev. Kathleen Murray
 10:00 a.m. Combined Service at Christ Church
 11:00 a.m. Covered Dish Dinner and Annual Meeting in the Parish Hall
12/16 Bible Study – at Christ Church at 10:30 a.m.
12/20 Advent 4 – with The Rev. Zach Drennen
12/23 Bible Study – at Christ Church at 10:30 a.m.
12/24 Christmas Eve – The Rev. Kathleen Murray
 5:00 p.m. at St. Barnabas Chapel
 7:00 p.m. at Christ Church
12/27 Combined service of Lessons and Carols
 at St. Barnabas at 10:00 a.m.

*Homemade With Love
Outreach Bazaar*

Last Chance - Today

Shop during coffee hour

Backpack Blessings Volunteers

Delivery December 10 – Dick Clovis
 Shopper December 11 – Shawn Williams
 Delivery December 17 – Ben Barksdale

Serving Ministries

December 13, 2015
Advent 3

8:00 a.m. No service at St. Barnabas due to the Annual Parish Meeting

9:15 a.m. Choir Warm-up at Christ Church
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II at Christ Church
 This is a combined service for both Christ Church Clarksburg and St. Barnabas Chapel Bridgeport
 Celebrant: The Rev. Kathleen Murray
 Lector / Chalice: Bill Saviers
 Ushers: Kitty Clovis and Pam Riggs
 Acolyte: Nate Critchfield
 Altar Guild: Jean Hardesty, Kitty Clovis, and Brenda Barnes

11:00 a.m. Annual Parish Meeting and Covered Dish Dinner
 In the Parish Hall at Christ Church
 The church will provide the meat, pork roast.
 Please bring a side dish or dessert.

Christmas Poinsettias

Sheets are at both churches to order flowers for Christmas Eve to be given in memory or in thanksgiving.
Please put the information on the sheets or email the church office: christchurch1853@aol.com to let Beth Ann know the names of your loved ones.
The cost of each poinsettia is \$20.

Bishop Klusmeyer Announces Assistant Bishop for West Virginia

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As you know, at this past Diocesan Convention, I asked for the creation of the position of Assistant Bishop. This position is a Canonical position, and in order to create it, I needed to ask the Standing Committee for their consent to take it to Convention.



At Convention, I asked for the creation of this position.

The Standing Committee gave its consent, unanimously.

The Diocesan Convention approved the creation of the position by a 98% approval.

From there, I returned to the Standing Committee, to ask their consent to appoint the Rt. Rev. Mark Van Koevering for the position of Assistant Bishop.

The Standing Committee gave its unanimous approval.

With this background, I contacted Bishop Van Koevering, and asked him to join me in West Virginia as the Assistant Bishop.

Bishop Van Koevering was born in the United States, and lived in the UK. He spent years as a missionary to Mozambique, and was ordained priest.

He married Helen, who is also ordained, where they both have served in Mozambique.

About 13 years ago, he was consecrated Bishop of Niassa, where he has served since. Under his episcopacy, the Diocese has nearly doubled in size, and has begun looking at creating new dioceses.

For the past couple of weeks, Bishop Van Koevering and Helen have been working on a Visa for Helen. With the help of both Senator Manchin and Senator Capito, the Visa has been granted, and the two will be flying to West Virginia next week.

I ask your prayers for Mark and Helen, their family and the Diocese of Niassa, as we make this transition.

I look forward to a great and warm welcome for them, to West Virginia.

After they settle into Charleston, we will work on a schedule of visitations, which will come out in January.

Welcome Bishop Mark and Helen!!!

in Christ,

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