

December, 2011



The Light of Christ  
ANGLICAN CHURCH  
**Beacon**

*"To know Christ fully; to make Christ fully known"*

**The Reverend Jamie George is to be our New Associate Pastor!**



Two years ago, Jamie George was brought on staff in a part time position to help TLC develop a young adult ministry. It was a daunting task. The only names we had for Jamie to help him get started were two couples and three college students. It took well over a year for that to change and for us to begin to see new young adults and small children begin to fill our pews again. But thanks be to God – our parish family is now looking more and more like a big family that encompasses multi-generations!

The challenge of reaching out and bringing the gospel to what is being called a "lost generation" means that we need to have young adult leadership up front and a young pastor who can develop a relationship with them. Jamie has the gift of both hospitality and evangelism and has proved himself gifted at reaching out and incorporating young adults into TLC. With this in mind the Steering Committee made the decision to hire Jamie as a full time pastor beginning in January of 2012.

Jamie will continue to provide oversight to the Young Adult ministry, but Jamie will also be fully incorporated into all aspects of parish life. Jamie has a passion for the church to be a multi-generational family where all ages are engaged as one body of Christ in worship, fellowship, service, and evangelism. Jamie will be under the mentorship of Pastor Jay as he serves and prepares to take the senior pastor role in a church.

All of this is exciting news! Much has happened since The Light of Christ was formed as an Anglican Mission in the Americas church. Many of the current members of TLC took a giant leap of faith 11 years ago to form this church, making a huge sacrifice as they left buildings, pensions, staffs, administrative provision, and financial security to meet in a back yard and start again from scratch. The reason...to spread the Word of God as given us through the Apostles down through the ages to the growing number of unchurched in our neighborhoods.

The next step is reaching out to the younger and future generations! It is time to pass the torch and again it will take sacrifice. Glory be to God because we are a people who have been called to an important mission and we can rise to the occasion, as we have in the past, and do this together.

**The Steering Committee Decision:**

- ◆ Jamie George will be hired full time beginning January 1.
- ◆ Pastor Jay and Deacon Peggy will remain on the staff fulltime, but with 10% cuts in salary.
- ◆ Music Team Leaders (Jeff and Debbie Wilson and Stefani Briggs) will receive a 10% cut in salary.
- ◆ The Sound Technician position (David Bailey) will no longer be a paid position.
- ◆ The positions of Office Administrator and Bookkeeper will be combined into one position, keeping the salary and hours of the Office Administrator. (Carrie Moore and John Parker will share this position each working half-time until July 1, and after July 1 Jeanie Hutton will be the new Administrator.)
- ◆ Part time Office Assistant (Cheryl Parker) will no longer be on staff.
- ◆ Cleaning services will be cancelled as of January 1.
- ◆ Handyman services will be cancelled January 1.
- ◆ All travel expenses to AMiA conferences or other continuing education will not be reimbursed.
- ◆ Additional office help will be needed.

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## Financial Implications for 2012 Operating Budget

Estimated Income: \$432,000	Plate and Pledge: \$404,000 Reserve from 2011: \$10,000 Reserve from 2010: \$18,000 (All reserve operating income is being used to finance the 2012 operating budget!)
Estimated Expense: \$430, 646	

### Implications for the Congregation

All our financial resources have been laid out on the table. There are no back up funds. TLC will need to receive all pledges on a regular basis. If we receive less in pledged income than expected for a month some of the staff will not receive a paycheck. If this continues there will need to be more staff cuts.

LOTS of Volunteers will be needed!

- ◆ Volunteer cleaning teams will need to be formed to clean on a weekly basis.
- ◆ Volunteer sound board techs will be needed at the early and late service each week.
- ◆ Volunteer handyman teams will need to be available do repairs as needed.
- ◆ A volunteer Newsletter editor and publisher will be needed.
- ◆ A volunteer Website administrator will be needed.

The leadership did not make this decision hastily. The Committee prayed and many others prayed. They spent several weeks discerning God's call and they polled the congregation. At the October meeting the Steering Committee had consensus, but not unanimity. At the November meeting of the Steering Committee a powerful sense of God's presence was felt. There was a greater sense of purpose and commitment. The Committee knows that to move forward we must rely on God's help and the help of everyone in the congregation. It will be a challenging year, but no more challenging than our first year. This is faith and it is fertile soil for God to do his work!



### Newsletter Editor Needed

Beginning in January 2012, TLC will need a new newsletter editor for the monthly publishing of *the Beacon*. The newsletter editor is responsible for receiving and editing the articles and for page layout and design. Contact Carrie Moore in the church office if interested.

### **FREE Mammogram Screening!**



**When: Monday, December 12 ~ 8:30am-3:00pm**

**Where: The Light of Christ Anglican Church parking lot  
4000 W. Yale Avenue (Yale & Quitman)**

- ◆ Must be over 40
- ◆ Not had a mammogram for a year
- ◆ Insurance not required!

**Only 50 slots available ~ Reservations Required, call:**

**~Teddy 720-203-6855 (English)**

**~Haydee 720-569-8846 (Spanish)**

***The screening is provided by a mobile unit and is a partnership between the Susan B. Komen Foundation and St. Joseph Hospital.***

***Films will be read by a Radiologist with appropriate follow-up.***



# Christmas



## Christmas Outreach – Donations for Doull School!

Doull is an elementary school located a couple of blocks from TLC. Many of the children who attend are from families who struggle financially to make ends meet. Needed this time of year are boys and girls new or gently used warm winter coats, gloves, mittens, hats, and sweat pants in sizes 7-14. Giving to these children is just one of our ways of showing that we care for those who live in our neighborhood. You may drop off your donations under the tree in the lobby of the church by December 15<sup>th</sup>.



## Children's Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 18

5:00pm

Family Potluck to follow



One of the highlights each year during our Advent season is the annual production of our children's Christmas Pageant written and directed by CD Harbridge. This year the story is to be told from the perspective of Joseph. Mark your calendars now. All children are welcome to participate. Rehearsals are during the 10:45am service on Sundays.

## Christmas Outreach – Homemade Cookies Needed for Shut-Ins

The week before Christmas, Jamie George and Peggy Murray will be visiting and taking communion to a list of seniors who are no longer able to attend services at TLC on Sunday morning. As a way of showing we care, I will also be taking homemade Christmas cards made by TLC's children and would like to include a plate of homemade cookies. If you are doing some baking and could donate a plate or two of cookies by December 18<sup>th</sup> that would be most helpful! (Just bring to the church and place in the Rwandan Room kitchen)

Thanks!



## Christmas Schedule

- Children's Pageant & Potluck** ~ Sunday, December 18 at 5:00 pm
- Christmas Eve Services**
  - ~ Family Service at 4:00 pm (nursery care)
  - ~ Candlelight Service at 9:00 pm (no nursery care)
- Christmas Day (Sunday)** ~ One Service at 10:00 am (no nursery care; no Sunday school)  
(Dress in PJ's or casual wear)
- New Year's Eve** ~ Service at 7:00 pm (nursery care)
- New Year's Day (Sunday)** ~ One Service at 10:00 am (nursery care; no Sunday school)
- Church Office Closed** ~ December 23 – January 2
- No Wed. Noon Eucharist** ~ December 28

## Colorado Gives Day – 24 Hours of Giving to Our Local Community.....

**24 hours starting at 12 a.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2011**

**Community Ministry of Southwest Denver** is participating in this special day when the community comes together to support local charities. If you are considering a donation to Community Ministry, this special day of giving is a quick and easy way to give.

Presented by Community First Foundation and FirstBank, Colorado Gives Day asks donors to give to their favorite charities online through [www.GivingFirst.org](http://www.GivingFirst.org). Just click on this link and follow the instructions.

As a special incentive, the value of your donation will be increased by the Colorado Gives Day Incentive Fund - created by FirstBank and supplemented by local organizations.

During the 2010 Colorado Gives Day campaign, Community Ministry received over \$2,500 from the generous donation of our partners and the matching incentive.

Thank you for your help!

### Many Thanks To . . . . .

**Kenny Nolen** for cleaning all of the upstairs carpets in the church!

**Hanging of the Greens Crew that decorated the church** on the first Sunday of Advent and packed Operation Christmas Child Boxes. **Also, Thank you to the children** who made cards for our shut-ins and helped decorate the trees.

**The Women's Ministry (especially Connie Albright)** for organizing and hosting the Women's Retreat.

**The Kitchen Angels** (John and Cheryl Parker, Kenny Nolen, Larry Shelton, Sandy Montague and other occasional helpers) for fixing the meals to take to Christ Body Ministry once a month.

**The Healing Prayer Team** for the healing service and for those in the prayer ministry who offer prayers on our behalf every week during the two worship services.

**Martha Holsted** for organizing the Thanksgiving Day Dinner at the church.

**Yvonne Holley, Kevin and Kim Coulter** for teaching Adult Education classes this fall.

**Jeanie Hutton and Carole Clayton** for organizing and cooking the newcomer luncheon.

**Norm Murray, Jeff Wilson, Jonathan Moore and Jeanie Hutton** for running the Talent Show, and all who participated in the show.

# December 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 Operation Christmas Child Ware- house 6pm	3
4 Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:45am Sunday School 9:40a	5  Women's Group 5:30pm	6 Staff Meeting 10:30am  <b>Advent by Candlelight 6:30pm</b>	7 Noon Eucharist  Youth Group 6:30p Prayer Meeting 7p	8	9	10 Men's Breakfast 8:00am  Parent's Night Out 3:30pm
11 Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:45am Sunday School 9:40a Growth Group 4pm	12	13  Men's Bible Study 7:00pm	14 Noon Eucharist  Youth Group 6:30p Prayer Meeting 7p	15	16	17  Staff Christmas Party 6:00pm
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25 <b>Merry Christmas</b> <b>One Service at 10:00am</b> No Sunday School	26 Office Closed	27 Office Closed	28 Office Closed <b>No Noon Eucharist</b>	29 Office Closed	30 Office Closed	31 <b>New Year's Eve</b>  <b>Service at 7:00pm</b>
1 <b>Happy 2012!</b> <b>One Service at 10:00am</b> No Sunday School	2 Office Closed	3  Men's Bible Study 7:00pm	4 Noon Eucharist  Youth Group 6:30p Prayer Meeting 7p	5	6	7

## Donations for Tax Credit

Any donations to TLC for which you wish to receive tax credit for the 2011 year need to be postmarked by midnight December 31, 2011. Thank You!

## The Light of Christ Anglican Church

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### Church Staff

Bishop in Residence:	Sandy Greene	Deacon:	Peggy Murray
Senior Pastor:	Jay Holsted	Priest Associate:	Jim Nylund
Youth Pastors:	Amarah & David Bailey	Administrator:	Carrie Moore
Young Adult Coord.	Jamie George	Nursery Director:	Karen Fancher
Worship Team:	Debbie & Jeff Wilson	Bookkeeper:	John Parker
Bishop's Assistant:	Jeanie Hutton	Treasurer	Tom DeBerry

### The Steering Committee

Steering Committee members are your elected representatives and as such would like to encourage you to contact them if you have any concerns, comments, or ideas to share:

**Katy Eggeman, Stewart Brown, Teddy DeBerry, Yvonne Holley, Monty Schrandt, Art Wise**