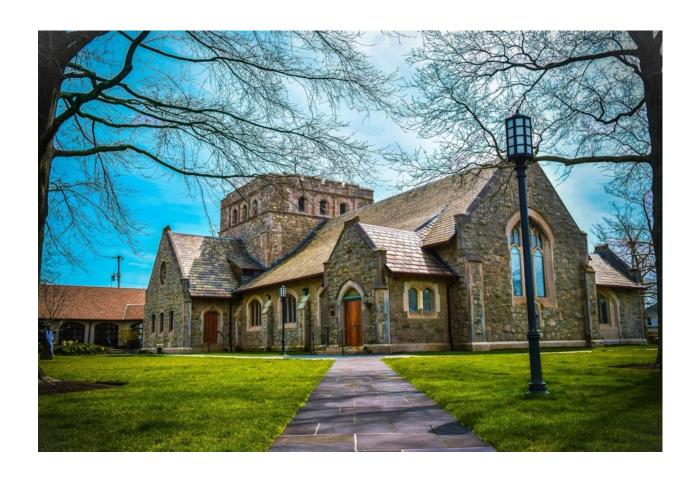
St. George's-by-the-River Rumson, New Jersey

Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

November 17, 2024 8:00am



The Rev. Jeffrey Roy, Rector
The Rev. Micah Cronin, Associate Rector
The Rev. Ophelia Laughlin, Rector Emerita
The Rev. Dr. James Jones, Associate
Ms. Nicole Houston, Youth & Family Minister
Mr. Philip Leininger, Music Director
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Opening Acclamation

BCP 323

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now, and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity BCP 323

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Trisagion BCP 324

Celebrant: Holy God,

Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,

People: Have mercy upon us.

Collect of the Day

BCP 357

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

The Word of God BCP 325

First Reading: A reading from the Prophet Daniel (12:1-3)

The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16 Conserva me, Domine

- 1. Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- 2. All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3. But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4. Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5. O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6. My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10. For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Second Reading: A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (10:11-14, 19-25)

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

The people stand as they are able.

Gospel

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (13:1-8)

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs."

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Homily The Rev. Ophelia Laughlin

Please stand

The Nicene Creed BCP 326

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

BCP 328

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Sally our bishop, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Joe, our President, Donald, our President-elect and Phil, our governor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor: Normae, Annelies, John B., Charles, Eloise, Jeff, Meghan, Al, John, Michele, Cesar, Gabe, Siegfried, Rachel M., Doug, Juan, Kathryn, Emily, John, Ronald, Joel, Rebecca, Doug K., Linda, Georgia, Gabriel, and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

God, thou art Lord of all creation, bringing order out of chaos and life out of death. We ask for thy comfort and strength for all those impacted by natural disasters and that thee help those in a position to give aid seek thy will on behalf of those who suffer.

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Let us also remember in our prayers all veterans and all who have given their lives in service to our country and those serving in our Armed Forces: Jon, Tim, Nicole, Andrew, Joseph, Jamie, Matthew, Dan, Riley, Michael, Austin, Billy, James, Tristan and all others

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Sustain, O Christ, the Anglican Church of Southern Africa that it may reflect thy glory and follow wheresoever thou leadest.

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Lord in Thy Mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

BCP 331

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace BCP 332

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

BCP 340

Offertory Sentence

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord. Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

Lord's Prayer BCP 336

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **People** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that

Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Post-communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing BCP 339

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal BCP 339

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please remember the following in your **prayers** this week: Normae, Annelies, John B., Charles, Eloise, Jeff, Meghan, Al, John, Michele, Cesar, Gabe, Siegfried, Rachel M., Doug, Juan, Kathryn, Emily, John, Ronald, Joel, Rebecca, Doug K., Linda, Georgia, Gabriel (Prayer request names will be retained for two months unless the office receives further updates).

Please remember in your prayers those serving in our **Armed Forces** Jon Erwin (son of Don & Anne Marie Erwin, Army), Tim Brady (brother-in-law of Brian & Susan Mauro, Marines), Nicole, Andrew, (daughter, son-in-law of Karen Hooten, Coast Guard); Jamie Laughinghouse (friend of Richard & Kathryne Singleton, Marines); Dan Fisher (brother-in-law of John & Ashley Cuffari, Army); Riley Plosica (daughter of Kathryn and Michael Plosica, Navy); Michael (friend of Jeff & Janine Roy), Austin Mellina (friend of Jeff & Janine Roy); Billy Schottman (nephew of Kathleen Kenney Amato, Army), James Greeley (son of Kris Greeley, Army); Lawrence Tristan Izzo (son of Lenny & Stacy Izzo, Army)

Join us for Thanksgiving services: Wednesday November 27, 6:00pm and Thursday November 28, 9:00am.

The Week Ahead at St. George's

Today	8:00 am	Rite I service of Holy Eucharist
	9:00am	St. George's Choir Rehearsal
	10:00am	Rite II service of Holy Eucharist
		Church School
Monday November 18		Associate Rector's Day Off
Tuesday November 19		Rector's Day Off
	7:45am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday November 20	7:45am	Morning Prayer
	Noon	Service of Holy Eucharist with Healing
Thursday November 21	7:45am	Morning Prayer
Friday November 22	7:45am	Morning Prayer
Saturday November 23	5:00 pm	Come As You Are service
	6:00pm	Youth Groups Friendsgiving
Sunday November 24	8:00 am	Rite I service of Holy Eucharist
	9:00am	St. George's Choir Rehearsal
	10:00am	Rite II service of Holy Eucharist
		Church School

Here is the information to access all of our worship services online:

https://www.stgeorgesrumson.org/live

https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgesbytheRiver

To dial in via mobile or land line: 732-375-1874.

A Message from the Treasurer -

As we get back to our Fall routines, please don't forget your 2024 Stewardship Pledge to St. George's. If you have any questions about the balance of your 2024 pledge, please reach out to me at treasurer@stgeorgesumson.org and or 732-233-4701.

Thank you!. You can mail in your donations to: 7 Lincoln Avenue, Rumson, NJ 07760. You can also conveniently pay on-line by using the following link https://www.stgeorgesrumson.org/give/

Youth and Family

Church School/Nursery Registration! If your child(ren) will be attending the Nursery or Church School this program year, please complete the registration form found here - https://www.stgeorgesrumson.org/church-school/

Church School Teachers Needed! If you have a child attending Church School, please consider signing up for some dates to lead Church School classes! It takes a village, and we need you:-) Deep theological knowledge is not needed, and all lessons and materials will be provided to you prior to your scheduled teaching date!

Please sign up using the link below, and/or reach out to me if you have questions.

K-4th - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054FADA928A0FD0-50936827-k4church#/

5th-8th - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054FADA928A0FD0-50987206-58church#/

HELP WANTED: Parent Directors Needed for the Christmas Eve Pageant:-)

Soon planning will begin for our Christmas Eve service pageant and I am looking for a few parent volunteer directors. This requires a few Sunday (after church) practices with the cast members and direction of the final product during the family service on Christmas Eve. If you are interested in being a part of this fun St George's tradition, please let me know.

Confirmation Class of 2025!

If you have a child in 8th grade (or beyond but has not yet completed the program) who would like to participate in the Confirmation program in 2024/2025, please complete the Confirmation registration. Confirmation Registration Link - https://www.stgeorgesrumson.org/confirmation/

Save the Date:

Jr. & Sr. High Friendsgiving Meal w/Micah and Nicole Saturday, 11/23/24

Planning is underway for our 3rd annual Friendsgiving Meal and details will be provided shortly!

Church School Day Off, Sunday 12/1

We will have a Church School Day off to enjoy our families for the long Thanksgiving weekend!





Please Help the Elves Reach Their 2024 Goal!

Canterbury Christmas December 7th & 8th

We are in Need of:

Holiday Decor Inside & Outside Mantle & Table Decor Specialty Items like woodworking gifts A bottle of your favorite wine or spirits

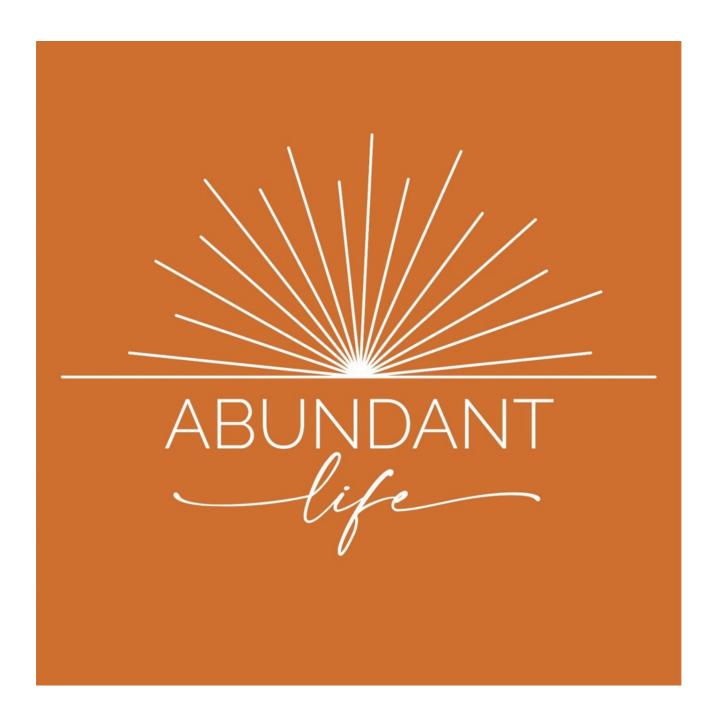
Gift Cards

Underwriting Opportunities Still Available (Any amount greatly appreciated)

Items can be dropped off in the Pine Room or call for assistance

The Elves

Jill Gemmel (732-804-9044), Daren Hutchinson (732-241-7185), Mary Ann LaSardo (609-395-4761) Carole Rogers (732-533-9972) & Kathy Welch (216-272-7722)



I hope by now, you all have received the initial stewardship campaign letter. If you have not, I have uploaded to our website. **You can click here to read**. Your support of St George's is vital to our continuing mission and ministry. We encourage you to prayerfully consider your financial pledge to St. George's, and you are invited to worship with us on December 1st when we will offer our pledges during the 10:00am service. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to either of the Stewardship Committee co-chairs, Chuck Jones, Paul Patton or Jeff.

Invite light and the true meaning of Christmas into your home with an Advent Wreath!

It's FREE!



Who: Parishioners of all ages (children welcome!). Bring a friend!

What: Create and take home your own Advent Wreath, an arrangement of greenery and candles that symbolizes the spirit of the season. The wreath features one candle for each Sunday of Advent: three purple candles representing penitence and preparation, and one pink candle, lit on the third Sunday, symbolizing joy and hope. A fifth candle, the Christ candle, is lit on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

Where: Ralph Hall

When: After the 10:00 AM service on December 1, the first Sunday of Advent (Thanksgiving weekend)

Why: We all need a reminder of the true meaning of Christmas! An Advent Wreath also makes a beautiful centerpiece for your table or a lovely decoration for your mantle. Most importantly, making an Advent Wreath is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship with fellow parishioners!

How: Simply place cut greens and candles into water-soaked foam inside an oasis. It's easy, fun, and no experience is necessary! Make one for your family—and maybe even one for a friend. Parishioners will be on hand to help—or can make one for you!

Cost: FREE!

Once you have your Advent Wreath at home, remember to keep the foam moist so the greenery remains fresh. As you light the candles each week, take a moment to reflect on the true meaning of the Christmas season.

You're invited to an Advent Family Campout*



Pasta dinner and pancake breakfast will be provided. Bring a sleeping bags and air mattresses. Register here:

*indoor



St. Mark's Episcopal Church Keansburg
Join us to make a hot lunch for Keansburg neighbors in need
Thursday, December 5 8:45-12n No cooking expertise needed!

Hands-on Ministries text or call Cindy Sagosz (732) 996-0841