

Events and Information (please see your newsletter for details)

Tuesday, January 2

6:30 pm Zen Meditation Group, Hale Chapel

Wednesday, January 3

10:00 am Membership Committee Meeting, Parlor

Thursday, January 4

6:30 pm Interweave, Parlor

7:00 pm Young Adult Connections, Hale Chapel

Sunday, January 7

10:00 am CRE Breakfast/Parent Group, Auditorium

12:00 pm Ringing Society Rehearsal, Choir Loft

12:30 pm Canvass Committee Meeting, Conference Room

12:30 pm Music Committee Meeting, Parlor

Monday, January 8

1:30 pm Women's Spirituality Group, Parlor

6:00 pm Standing Committee Meeting, Narthex

6:00 pm Women's Spirituality Group, Sanctuary

6:30 pm Writer's Room, Parlor

Tuesday, January 9

6:30 pm Zen Meditation Group, Hale Chapel

Wednesday, January 10

7:00 pm Movie Night, Auditorium

Thursday, January 11

6:00 pm Knitting Group, Parlor

7:00 pm Young Adult Connections, Hale Chapel

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Rev. Stephen Kendrick

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Rebekah Cutler Ingram

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in Friendship, Freedom and Love*

Sunday, December 31, 2006



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Order of Service

Sunday, December 31, 2006

Prelude	<i>Den die Hirten lobten sehre Fröhlich soll mein Herze springen Zu Bethlehem geboren Helmut Walcha (1907-1991)</i>	
*Hymn SLT #58	Ring Out, Wild Bells	
Chalice Words		
Time for All Ages		Rev. Stephen Kendrick
*Gloria	Praise be to God, Almighty works acclaim. Whose years are endless, yet is God the same. O sing in praise; give glory to the Holy name. Allelujah! Allelujah!	
Announcements		Rev. Stephen Kendrick
Responsive Reading #544	New Year's Day Kathleen McTigue	Fern Beck
Anthem	<i>A New Year Carol</i> Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)	
Reading		Rebekah Ingram
*Hymn STL #241	In the Bleak Midwinter	
Prayer		Rev. Stephen Kendrick
Offertory	<i>Quelle est cette odeur agréable?</i> French trad., arr. D. Willcocks	
*Doxology	From all that dwell below the skies, Let Faith and Hope with Love arise, Let Beauty, Truth and Good be sung Through every land, by every tongue.	

Sermon *See Courage* Rebekah Ingram

***Hymn SLT #350** The Ceasless Flow of Endless Time

Benediction

Postlude *Macht hoch die Tür, die Tor macht weit*
Walcha

*As you are able, please stand.

** Hymn books: SLT=Singing the Living Tradition, STJ=Singing the Journey

Music in Today's Service

Britten's *A New Year Carol* is based on a text by Walter de la Mare, from *Tom Tiddler's Ground*: "Here we bring new water from the well so clear, For to worship God with, this happy New Year. *Sing levy dew, the water and the wine: The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.* Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her toe, Open you the West Door, and turn the Old Year go. *Sing levy dew...* Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her chin, Open you the East Door, and let the New Year in. *Sing levy dew...*" The Offertory is based on the French traditional carol, "Whence is that goodly fragrance flowing?" The carol sings of spring fragrances and light on Christmas night.

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Please use the note cards in the Narthex to write your questions for next Sunday, January 7, 2007 Question Box sermon. Please place your card in the box in the Narthex.

Donations for our holiday decorations should be sent in to the office. Please note "Holiday Decorations" on your check. Thank you.

First Night Café, Sunday, December 31. We are a First Night Boston site (First Night Button required); activities run from 2-11:00 pm.

Book Group, Thursday, January 11 at 7:30 at Helen's. They will read *Lolita* by Vladimir Nabakov