

Mustard Seed

January 2026



Rick's Ramblings...

Happy New Year! Just a month ago, we celebrated the start of the Church's New Year. Now we get ready for the start of the calendar New Year. Two new beginnings in our life as church members. One is preparing us for the coming of the greatest gift God has given us, His Son. The other is a time of reflection and trying some new resolutions. I really like to look at both of them as a time of hope. Isn't that why Christ was given to us, as Hope?

It is with hope that we look at world conditions, and even in our country, hope that we wish for our celebration of the season. My wish is that we become still and allow our minds, and hearts to listen for the coming, to realize that God is with us and helping us in our day to day challenges in this world and God's Kingdom which is here and now. Blessings to you and yours.

Vicar Rick

January Happenings

January 1)	New Years Day
January 13)	Quilting 9-12AM
January 19)	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 20)	Mutual Ministry 5PM Council Meeting 6PM
January 21)	Quilting 1-3PM

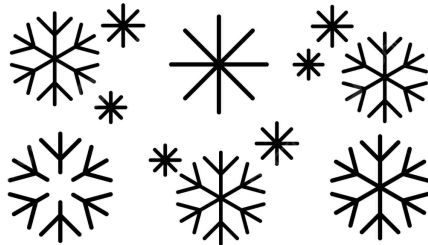


Birthdays and Anniversaries

January 17	Shirley Stukey	Birthday
January 25	Dick & Elaine Asmus	Anniversary
January 26	Jerry Stott	Birthday
January 28	Patti Wiersgalla	Birthday
January 30	Roberta Kightlinger	Birthday

Tips for walking on ice

If you have to walk on ice make sure to have your hands out of your pockets. Widen your stance, bend your knees, and shuffle your feet; if you look like a penguin you're doing it correctly! If you are going to fall make sure you fall on your forearms instead of your hands. Before going out, always check the weather and wear appropriate clothing and footwear!



Sunday Helpers

January 4) Hosts: Mark & Michelle Lector: Mark Communion Asst.: Mark & Michelle Counters: Velma & Dakota	January 11) Hosts: Dixie & Bruce Lector: Dixie Communion Asst.: Dixie & Bruce Counters: Bruce & Patti W.
January 18) Hosts: Dakota & Haylee Lector: Haylee Communion Asst.: Dakota & Haylee Counters: Dakota & Judy W.	January 25) Hosts: Patti W. & Bella Lector: Judy W. Communion Asst.: Patti W. & Bella Counters: Patti W. & Velma

100 Year Celebration

We will be having a 100 Year Anniversary service on February 22, 2026! During this service there will also be a New Member Installation. If you are not currently a member and would like to be, stop by the admin office to grab a New Member packet to fill out. Or you can email bethanylc500@gmail.com to inquire and we can send you a copy. There will be a potluck after service.

The Church Cookbook will be in celebration of the anniversary. If you would like to share some recipe's you can put them in the basket in the Narthex or email them to the church email listed above!

We are also collecting memories to include in the celebration! If you have any memories you would like to share please write them down and either place them in the basket in the Narthex or email them in.

Laugh About It

Now that's what I call stupid: In my junior year of high school, this guy asked me on a date. He rented a Redbox movie and made a pizza. We were watching the movie and the oven beeped so the pizza was done. He looked me dead in the eye and said, "This is the worst part." I then watched this boy open the oven and pull the pizza out with his bare hands, rack and all, screaming at the top of his lungs. We never had a second date.

Drama at my drama class: One time my drama class's teacher had gone home sick so we were just put in a classroom with a movie to entertain us for the period when an alarm went off. None of us were sure if it was the fire alarm or the lockdown alarm, so we all headed out into the hall to check and no one's out there, so we headed back in and climbed under our desks as is lockdown procedure. Cut to an hour or so later when a teacher bursts in and nearly dies of relief because the school was on fire and we were the only students not accounted for and half the faculty and fire department had been searching for us for ages. Literally, the whole school was filled with smoke while we'd kept super safe under our wooden desks.

Janus: The Roman God

The month of January is named after the Roman God Janus. Janus is the God of beginnings, transitions, and passages. He is often depicted having 2 faces, symbolizing his skill to see into the past and the future.

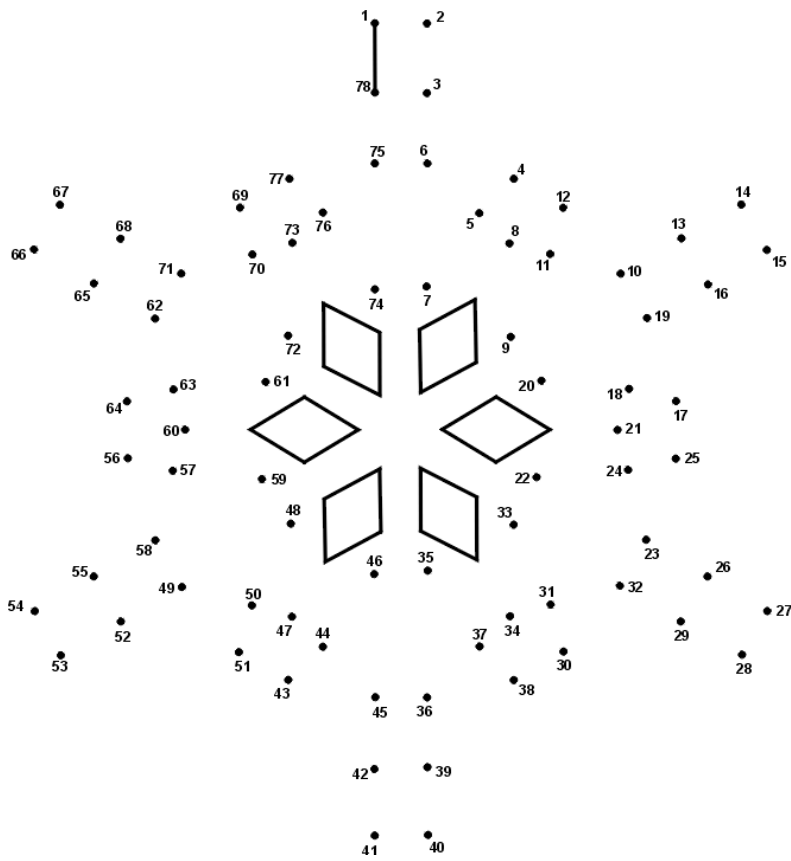
January, the first month of the new year, is named after Janus symbolizing his role as the god of beginnings and transitions.

As we head into the new year it is important to look forward at what's to come, and try to be the best version of yourself. But it is also a great opportunity to peek back at the past versions of yourself and see how far you've come. And always keep in mind that baby steps are still steps!

"Each Moment is Precious" by Pat A. Fleming

Live in the moment,	Don't miss the details;
Just take it all in,	The lesson is there.
Pay attention to everything,	Don't get complacent;
Right there and right then.	Stay sharp and aware.
Don't let your mind wander	It can take but a moment
To what's coming next.	To change your life's path.
Cherish this moment	And once it ticks by,
And give it your best.	There is no going back.
Don't let tomorrow	In just 60 seconds,
Make you rush through today,	You may make a new friend.
Or too many great moments	Find your true love,
Will just go to waste.	Or see a life start or end.
And the person you're with,	You become who you are
In that moment you share,	In those moments you live.
Give them all of your focus;	And the growth's not in taking
Be totally there.	But in how much you give.
Laugh till it hurts,	Life is just moments,
Let the tears drop.	So precious and few.
Fill up each moment	Whether valued or squandered,
With all that you've got.	It's all up to you!

Pat A. Fleming wrote this poem because she wanted to highlight the importance of slowing down and actually seeing your life, and embracing the precious moments gifted to you. In a world that is often distraught it is easy to get caught up in all of the negativity and this poem is a nice reminder to view things through a different perspective.



Trivia

1) Is day or night longer in the winter?

2) Do owls hibernate?

3) Almost 90% of snow is air. True/False?

4) How many sides are in every snowflake?

Find all the items

WINTER WONDERLAND

Would you rather have hot chocolate or apple cider?
☕ ☕

Ski your way back to home base to warm up.

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4) How many sides are in every snowflake?

Find all the items

Maze

Ski your way back to home base to warm up.

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Boot

Snow angel

Shovel

Kettle

Cold

Lantern

Earmuffs

Connect the dots

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