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Your Gifts

A gift opens the door to the giver and gives access to the great.
Proverbs 18:16

Happy New Year!

A very happy, wonderful 2019 to everyone!!! Many of us are in a stage of life where we are no longer thinking about whatever mark we are going to make on the world. We have changed things as much as we are going to be changing them. However, we also feel as though we are not done with our life's purpose. That leads us into a wonderful and powerful opportunity.

Instead of concentrating on how we will affect the world we can now concentrate on how our God-given gifts and talents can further develop and be shared. For those of us at the end of our careers or into retirement that opportunity can open up one of the greatest seasons of our lives.

Your Gifts

How has God created you? Are you a starter, a truth teller, a gatherer, an encourager, or a teacher (see Ephesians 4:11+12)? That giftedness will open doors for you and bring you into the lives of some great people. The greatest days are ahead as we move in the gifts God has given us. Are you looking for a good new year's resolution? How about this one: Find out your base gifting and learn how to employ it. Check out fivefoldsurvey.com. Be in touch with me if you have questions about what to do after you have found your base gift (vicar@stfrancisva.com).

Coming Attractions

Sunday, January 6, 2019 Worship at 10:00am

Wednesday, January 9, 2019 Caregivers' Support Group at 7:00pm at the Walkers'. contact Susan at n1placesusan@gmail.com

Sunday, January 13, 2019 Worship at 10:00am followed by pot luck.

The first Sunday of each month, after church, Karen & Chris Webber will be collecting donated food from the Food Lion in Centerville and taking it to the food pantry. This would be an ideal time for anyone in the church to bring in their own donations!! The food pantry is in dire need of cereal, canned soups, and canned vegetables (not generally things donated by grocery stores). If this is something you would like to contribute to, just

bring it to church and we would make sure it was delivered to the food pantry.

Please help us in the fun sharing our favorite recipes, in the form of a St. Francis cookbook. Please bring your recipes to the pot luck each month, and give to Libby or Karen. You can also email to lcp@libbyclarkphotography.com.

Centerville Circle of Prayer

Furr Kingdom, that business would increase, and household pets would be healthy

The Diocese of Virginia

The the evangelistic ministry of the people of the Diocese of Virginia would bear much fruit. For the people of Epiphany, Richmond, St. Michael's, Arlington, Varina, Richmond, St. Gabriel's, Leesburg, and All Souls', Atlee that they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Anglican Communion

For the people of the dioceses of Lahore (Pakistan) The Rt Revd Irfan Jamil (Diocesan Bishop)

South Western Brazil (Brazil) The Rt Revd Francisco De Assis Da Silva (Diocesan Bishop) Southeast Florida (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Peter Eaton (Diocesan Bishop) that they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Grace and Peace,

John Maher

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