

January 7, 2022 Daily Church Email

On Sunday, January 9 we will be celebrating Epiphany Sunday (late a week due to weather) with Holy Communion and star words.

The paper stars simply have a word written on them to reflect on the year ahead and to remember the year past. A gift of a star.

Over the years I have heard people express dread in taking a star word fearful of what it might or might not mean. And others have been thrilled to see how a simple star word might bring depth to the day or year.

So, to prepare, here is the list that I use. Nothing secretive. I do not pick a word for you. Random in every sense. Each is meaningful and can apply to each person. Even if it isn't about you, it may be about perceiving and acknowledging the gift in others. Sometimes it may be about being thankful for days gone by. Sometimes it may be about being challenged for the days ahead.

Blessing to you today in Christ,
Pastor Julie

Star Words

kindness
caring
sharing
giving
compassion
love
openness
pardon
understanding
discipleship
servanthood
stability
hopefulness
innocence
prayerfulness
praise
gentleness
knowledge
happiness
laughter
acceptance
self-control
restraint
mercy
truth
peace
faith
consideration
fellowship
unity
teaching
singing
celebration
perseverance
judgment
discipline
courage

confidence
clarity
honor
contentment
imagination
commitment
friendship
freedom
creativity
devotion
joy
strength
comfort
leadership
discernment
obedience
thoughtfulness
responsibility
patience
forgiveness
humility
faithfulness
hope
tenderness
enthusiasm
evangelism
healing
loyalty
rejoicing
respect
insight
selflessness
righteousness
assurance
justice
honesty
wisdom
awareness
tolerance
wholeness
guidance
hospitality
foresight
trust
learning
proclamation
encouragement
trustworthiness
inspiration
wonder
flexibility
grace
graciousness
integrity
helping
witnessing
generosity
perceptiveness
purity
prayer
service
steadfastness

determination
nurturing
renewal
purpose
peacefulness
power
excitement
harmony
reliability
goodness
reverence
serenity
humor
boldness
genuineness
illumination
vision
dependability
endurance
listening
accountability
speaking
sincerity
writing
music
motivation
art
building
crafts
planning
organization
drama
cheerfulness
focus
balance
helpfulness
languages
cooking
sympathy
empathy
sensitivity
time
conviction
delight
responsiveness
education
intelligence
experience
visitation
sobriety
spirituality
travel
thankfulness
money
dignity
quietness
playfulness
dedication
empathy
solitude
zeal
appreciation

affirmation
charity

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