

# *The Sunday* **WORD**

January 22, 2012  
Third Sunday after  
the Epiphany

## Welcome to Olivet...

*a caring community that supports all people in finding new life in Jesus Christ. We are glad you are here! May God give you songs to sing and a joyful heart as you worship with us this day.*



Today's lessons...Stories of the call to discipleship continues as the Time after epiphany plays out the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of fisherman brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people. —*Sundays and Seasons, pg 87*

## This Week's Happenings:

**Today — Social Justice Study, Adult Sunday School, 9:30 AM,  
Simpson Room**

**Friday and Saturday, January 27-28 — Diocesan Council Meeting**

## Get in touch with us...

**Prayer Chain Requests** should be placed with Therese Chaplain at 703-969-7159 or [prayers@olivetepiscopalchurch.org](mailto:prayers@olivetepiscopalchurch.org)

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**Celebrate the life of Purnell Simms** who died on Monday, January 16. Pray for her family as we all mourn the loss of this wonderful lady.

## Top Ten Wind Energy Stories of 2011

Okay, so this list might never make the David Letterman show, but it is a very, very important story to tell! The American Wind Energy Association (AWEA) reported a number of major milestones in the United States for 2011. The AWEA posted the top 10 wind energy stories of 2011, mentioning that the industry achieved many milestones through the year. California made the list at number four with its landmark RES that will up the state's renewable electricity standard from its current 20 percent to an historic 33 percent by 2020. The list also mentions that wind power hit 20 percent overall in Iowa and South Dakota, while it contributed a record 50 percent for a period of time in Colorado. Another top-10 story was the cost drop of 33 percent for wind turbines! But, hey, where is any mention of Virginia in these stats? Perhaps, as renewable energy sources become more mainstream, Virginia will begin to move up the list in ranking! It is well known that coal-fired power plants are not clean, are not good for the environment, and are definitely not renewable. It's time Virginia's energy needs moved away from fossil fuels to renewables. The trend noted by the AWEA report is a very positive one!

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## Olivet by the numbers for December

Revenue	\$25,527
Expenditures	\$20,294