

Fincastle Community Twelfth Night Charity Concert

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Dear Families and Friends of St. Mark's:

St. Mark's Episcopal Church comes to you again this Holiday season asking for your continued generous support of the Fincastle Community Twelfth Night Charity Concert. Thanks to you, this community based program has made a needed, positive, and substantial difference for many individuals and families in Botetourt County and the Roanoke Valley. The name, "Twelfth Night", comes from the Feast of the Epiphany, which celebrates the twelfth day after Christmas when the Magi brought gifts to the Christ Child in Bethlehem.

Each year St. Mark's presents a family oriented concert free of charge for the entire community. This year's performance will feature the renowned Lonesome River Band, one of the most respected names in bluegrass music. Lonesome River Band is led by Sammy Shelor, a five time International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) Banjo Player of the Year and a member of the Virginia Country Hall of Fame. Lonesome River Band has released 18 albums and has received numerous association awards, including Bluegrass Band of the Year, Vocal Group of the Year, Album of the Year, and Song of the Year.

The concert will be held on Saturday, January 6, 2018, at 7pm at Attic Productions Theater, 7490 Roanoke Road in Fincastle. Admission is free although tickets are required due to limited seating. Attendees are asked to make cash and/or packaged food donations at the concert. Gifts and proceeds will be divided equally between the Botetourt Food Pantry and the Botetourt County Social Services energy assistance program. All concert workers are volunteers from St. Mark's, Attic Theater, and neighbors. Most services and expenses are donated resulting in very little overhead and maximum benefit to the charities.

Please consider this important community event and send your donation to: Fincastle Twelfth Night Fund, Attn: Treasurer, PO Box 277, Fincastle, VA 24090-0277. If you wish to receive tickets, please include your mailing address. Also, indicate the number of Reserved or General Seating tickets you desire. Do not send cash. We cannot accept credit card donations. The Twelfth Night Fund is a 501(c)(3) organization. All gifts are IRS approved as a charitable deduction for tax purposes.

Program recognition and reserved seating tickets are given to major supporters: Underwriters (\$1,000+) up to 10 tickets; Sponsors (\$500 - \$999) up to 5 tickets; and Contributors (\$100 - \$499) 2 tickets. Donors (under \$100) whose gifts are received by January 2nd, are also listed in the program and receive general seating tickets.

Best wishes to all of the St. Mark's family and friends for a special Holiday Season of joy and remembrance.



William L. Heartwell, III, Coordinator

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LONESOME RIVER BAND

St. Mark's is pleased to announce that Lonesome River Band will be featured at the 34th Annual 12th night Charity Concert on January 6, 2018. Lonesome River Band is one of the most respected names in bluegrass music. It is led by Sammy Shelor, a five-time International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) Banjo Player of the Year and a member of the Virginia Country Hall of Fame.

Shelor is joined by two stellar lead vocalists, Brandon Rickman (guitar) and Jesse Smathers (mandolin). Mike Hartgrove (fiddle) and Barry Reed (bass) round out the lineup. Over a period of 34 years, Lonesome River Band has released 18 albums, and has appeared at the top bluegrass and country venues throughout the United States. It has received numerous

association awards, including Bluegrass Band of the Year, Vocal Group of the Year, Album of the Year, and Song of the Year. Lonesome River Band also appeared on the Tonight Show with David Letterman along with comedian and banjo player, Steve Martin.

For true Bluegrass devotees, Lonesome River Band sets the standard for excellence. Whether performing at the Grand Ole Opry, or headlining concert events and festivals, its loyal fans continue to support one of the most loved and influential acts of our time.

