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*Discovering God's call, celebrating the Spirit's presence
Witnessing to Christ's transformative power!*



The Tower

March 2016

Dear Friends,

How's your Lenten journey going? What new insights, practices or paths of service are supporting your growth?

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On the first night of the Living Prayer retreat (led here at Forest Hill by folks from the Jesuit Retreat House) I was struck by the image of prayer as a means of deepening our friendship with God. It wasn't an altogether new idea, but it hit me afresh as I thought about my earthly friends and the way intimacy and trust have developed with them through the years. We've spent time laughing, talking, listening, and sometimes letting sweet silence fall. I deeply want that intimacy and trust with God, and yet like St. Paul, "I

do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate" (Romans 7:15), which basically means I fritter time away and allow the culture of busy-ness to hijack my priorities. Martin Luther threw out an interesting time management rubric when he said "I have so much to do today that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer." Wow! What if time spent with God can strengthen and guide us to be the very people we are called to be?

My way of building friendship with God this Lent is through prayer. Perhaps your way is different. Perhaps you've chosen to find God's presence in the Outward Journey of service projects. Perhaps you are finding God in nature or art. There are endless ways to build that intimacy with God and learn about transforming love. Here are a few suggestions that might support your intentions as you move through this holy season.

- Make and keep a daily date with God. Write it down as if it were any other appointment. Make it at the same time of the day, if possible, and in a space that is serene and welcoming. (Although, truth be told, I've found God in some wild places, so don't let the venue be a dealbreaker!)
- Think about the tools and resources you might need – a Bible translation that works for you, a journal, pens, an accountability buddy or prayer partner, clothing and tools for a service project or a hike. Plan ahead and get yourself ready to keep those dates with God. Keep a record of your experiences. It's a great way to track how God's spirit is at work in your life.
- Think of one spiritual growing edge and ask God to do for you what you cannot do for yourself. Pay attention to the movement of the Spirit in response to that prayer!
- Give thanks for all your blessings. Looking back over the ways God has held you in the past will remind you that God's friendship is something you can count on.
- Keep it simple. If you need support, ask (John, Rachel, and I would be happy to help!). Allow yourself to take baby steps.
- If you feel like you haven't achieved traction or need to start over with a different practice, good for you. There's always time for course correction. Just hit that reset button and try something different.

I hope your journey is a fruitful one. May your practices inspire you, and may God's friendship enfold you! Blessings!

Rev. Lois Annich
Interim Associate Pastor

Dear Friends,

At the recent Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation I used a short article from Alban Weekly about "best principles" which led to meaningful change within a congregation. I received so many requests for the article that I thought I would re-print it here. *Note: this article was written about Jewish congregations, but I believe everything is true in regard to Christian congregations as well.*



Empower lay leaders. Encourage your target audience, whether it be young adults, young families or both, to take ownership of the process. Establish a trusted, trained core of lay leaders who will be networking while creating the community they want to be part of. Staff can't, and shouldn't, do it all. "If you build a world that's about maximal entry points, you can't be every place," says Cantor Mary Rebecca Thomas of Temple Beth El in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Play the long game. You may need to devote several years to an experiment before you see results, so be willing to invest time and patience, Thomas said. "My biggest take-away is you absolutely can't back down. Nothing about this is 'set it and forget it.' You constantly have to stoke the fires. ... With experiments, anytime you're pushing the boundaries, you can't just do it once. You have to do it consistently to create structure."

Don't get caught up in numbers. Traditionally, congregations have looked at quantitative measures of success: How many people showed up to an event? Was there enough food for everyone? Did we stay within budget? All of those are fine to track, but congregations are urged to develop deeper measures: Did anyone make a new friend? Are participants hanging out together outside the synagogue? Are they learning meaningful ways to apply a Jewish lens to their broader lives?

Be authentic. Temples seeking to attract young adults often assume -- incorrectly -- that if events are "too Jewish," young people won't participate. "What we found was interesting and fascinating. In every congregation, they didn't want anything purely social," said Lisa Lieberman Barzilai, the director of the URJ's Leadership Institute. "You shouldn't be walking away from the

Jewish piece -- that's why they were going to you. If they wanted something purely social, they could go to a bar."

Take programming beyond the walls of the institution. Engage your audience wherever they feel comfortable -- whether it's in coffee shops, offices, pumpkin patches or people's homes. And particularly when trying to reach young adults, make sure your online and social media presence is responsive, engaging and reflective of the type of environment you're trying to create.

I believe FHC is described in these "best principles." Do you? What can we do to make ourselves better?

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.
Sr. Pastor

Lent 2016 at Forest Hill Church

Wednesdays, February 17 – March 16

6:00 – 7:00 Drop-in Supper, 7:00 – 7:30 Worship

Holy Week: March 20 – 26

Maundy Thursday, March 24

6:30 Dinner, 7:30 Worship

Good Friday, March 25

12n – 3pm: Worship and Meditations at

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Easter Vigil, March 26 7 pm

Easter: March 27

Worship at 9 and 11 am

Lent: Continuing the Journey



You may have heard that the church is using Instagram as part of Lent this year. Your response may have been, insta-what? I'm here to help explain.

Instagram is an online photo and video-sharing app. You can download it on your cell phone from your app store. From there, you are able to create your own account and username. It's quick, easy, and a very simple way to get a glimpse into the lives of the people around you. It's all about photos and videos. Users can direct their photo or video messages to another person or organization by using the "at" symbol (@) or share in a common interest by using a hashtag (#).

For example: if my sister Charity wanted to share a photo with the church of a morning bible verse she found particularly inspirational she could post the photo instantly from her phone and include in the caption **@fhcpresb** and **#journeyinward**. Because she included **@fhcpresb**, as the administrator of the Instagram account I would get a notification and be able to repost her picture for everyone to see. I would know she was sharing part of her Lenten journey because she used the hashtag **#journeyinward**.

For us in the church, this is a new way to gather together. We are told in Matthew to give alms and pray in secret, so I am mindful that this is not to become a competition of who can post the best photo. Rather, we get to share what we are doing as companions on the journey. Instagram is a way for us to share a visual witness of how God has been with us in both our **#journeyinward** and **#journeyoutward**.

If you'd like to know more, I'd be happy to talk to you.
Blessings on your journey!

Rachel McDonald, Interim Associate Pastor

Children's Ministries

In February the Pathways children continued their study of parables, concentrating on the story of the Prodigal Son, and began to make preparations for Lent. The Children's Worship class studied the Greatest Commandment, learning what it is and creating a Lenten puzzle. In addition, each child in Pathways was given a copy of the book *Make Room: A Child's Guide to Lent and Easter*. I hope you have seen your children reading this book, or have been reading it to them! It is my hope that your family will engage in a rich discussion as a result. Please use it as an invitation to contemplate and discuss how your family makes room to reflect during Lent as you prepare for the joy of Easter. I'd love to hear about your conversations!

Many thanks to all those who generously shared their gifts and time with the children of Forest Hill:

- Sarah Tan and Susanne Peterjohn for teaching our Children's Worship class in February.
- Jane Duncan, Julie Gilmer, Deanne Lentz and Kara Schellenberg for teaching Pathways in February.
- Christina Hidek, Lisa Koops, John Schellenberg, Jeremy Ryman & Sue Yelanjian for shepherding the Pathways children in February.

Children's Worship Class

Preschool and Kindergarten

During the month of March, the Children's Worship Class will be learning more about Jesus as they move through Lent and prepare for Easter. They will be exploring these stories through response crafts. Be sure to ask your child about what they have learned each week. See if they can retell the story they have heard.

Pathways to the Promise Land

Grades 1-5

Our Pathways children will continue to move through Lent, studying the story of the Woman with the Alabaster Jar. This story is a part of the Covenant on many levels; it appears in all four gospels. It is part of the concept of inclusion that Jesus incorporated into his ministry. The children will use art, storytelling and contemplation to more deeply study the meaning of this important story and prepare for Easter.

March Dates to Know

March 6th Communion – Kids in Sunday Service

Pathways children will attend worship with their families

March 13th Pathways to the Promise Land

Children in grades 1-5 will begin in the chapel

March 20th Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday Workshop

Pathways children, grades 1-5, will begin in worship and join the palm processional. Then the children will be dismissed to a Passion Sunday workshop in Bodwell Hall.

March 27th Easter Sunday/KISS (Kids in Sunday Service)

Peace to all,

Kate Burleigh
Director of Children's Ministries

Job Notice

St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Cleveland Heights is seeking a part time sales associate to help run their resale shop. The position requires interaction with customers and shop volunteers and responsibility for payment receipts. Some minor lifting of donated items is involved. Hours are Thursday and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Interested parties should contact Nancy Cockley at nancycoc@aol.com or call the St. Paul's parish office for more information at [216-932-5815](tel:216-932-5815).

Adult Education Lenten Series, Sundays at 9:30 Am

The Many Faces of Jesus

February 28, 2016: Jewish Theology and the Messiah.

Judaism has a wealth of literature that discusses various God beliefs and describes the messiah and the Messianic Age. We will explore traditional Jewish texts from the Torah (i.e. the Five Books of Moses), rabbinic writings and their evolving understanding of the Messianic Age, as well as current thinking on these topics and the perspectives within the different Jewish Movements.

Speaker: Rabbi Melinda Mersack. Rabbi Melinda Mersack was ordained by the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 2000. She is the Director of jHUB: Connecting Interfaith Families to Jewish Life in Greater Cleveland, an initiative of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland and Jewish Education Center of Cleveland that supports families exploring Judaism.

March 6, 2016: Faces of Jesus in the Visual Arts

The presentation will focus especially on various modern treatments of Jesus in art from the 18th to mid 20th century, with a nod to earlier imagery. We will also consider recent conceptions of Christ in visual culture, including controversial film representations such as Martin Scorsese's *Last Temptation of Christ*, and Mel Gibson's *The Passion of Christ*.

Speaker: Dr. Gary Sampson. Dr. Gary Sampson (MA, PhD, Art History, University of California, Santa Barbara) is a Forest Hill Church member and elder on the Worship Ministry. He is a professor of art and design history, and chair of Liberal Arts at the Cleveland Institute of Art. He is also an adjunct professor in art history at Case Western Reserve University. His areas of scholarship are in history of photography, urban design and representation, and media arts and visual culture.

March 13, 2016

Water Fountain Faith: Christianity from a Black Perspective

The presentation will set the context for the speaker's understanding of what it means to be Christian. She will lead the group in exploring black spirituality and soul theology through scripture, history, art, music and storytelling as she share her experience of church and faith as an African American woman.

Speaker: Rev Barbara Essex.

Rev. Essex is an ordained minister of the United Church of Christ (UCC), author, consultant, and retreat and workshop facilitator. She is currently the Executive Director of the United Protestant Campus Ministries in Cleveland (UPCaM), working with students at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland State University, and Cuyahoga Community College-Metro Campus. UPCaM is a Christ-centered, ecumenical and progressive voice on the three campuses. Rev. Essex provides leadership and support for student-led activities as well as spiritual support for students.

New Interior Signage

Plans have been made to install a church-wide interior signage package for the first time in over fifty years. The primary goal of the signage is to make it easier for new members, guests, contractors, and emergency personnel to find their way around the building and locate rooms. The signage is ADA sight-impaired compliant. Regulations dictate the font size and style which in turn dictates the overall size of the signs. Room numbers will be integrated into the signage to assist in finding rooms.

Phase I: Installation

This includes room name and room number flag signs which you may have already noticed, as the installation has begun.

Phase II: Directional signage

Temporary versions of directional signs will be installed first to give everyone the opportunity to evaluate and comment on the clarity and completeness of the directions.

Please share comments with any member of the committee:

Barb Lind

Laurie Logan

Rachel Martinez-Finn

David Hunter

Music Notes



March begins with the 4th Sunday of Lent and ends with our glorious Easter services. This year, we'll celebrate Easter with guest instrumentalists Richard King (French horn in the Cleveland Orchestra) and Paul Ferguson (trombone; Director of the Cleveland Jazz Orchestra). And, of course, our congregational *Hallelujah Chorus* will be splendid, as always—Alleluia!

On March 6, I will be accompanying some choral concerts in Ann Arbor and Birmingham, Michigan. Tom Trenney, a former organ student of mine, will be conducting his professional chorus *Sounding Light*. Our guest organist that Sunday will be Fern Jennings (a former dean of the Cleveland chapter of the American Guild of Organists), and Seth Ungemach, our music intern, will conduct the choir. The music will be in very good hands!

On Sunday, March 13, the *Singers' Club of Cleveland* will give a special concert (all American music) in our sanctuary at 3:00 pm. This all-male chorus has a venerable history in Cleveland, and the group is pleased to be collaborating with the Forest Hill Church Chancel Choir as well as *The Distinguished Gentlemen of the Spoken Word*. This is a group of Cleveland African-American males aged 8-18 who study the art of performance poetry, adding mime, movement and song. These young men attend weekly character development classes and study the works of poets such as Shakespeare and Langston Hughes. They also write poetic forms of their own. Morag Keefe is preparing a reception for after the concert. Invite friends!



Please note that Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 13. Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour and go to bed early the night before!

Soli Deo Gloria
Anne Wilson

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Greater Cleveland Congregations

It's been a busy year for GCC already!

The Cleveland Heights Listening Campaign was held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on January 31. Over 50 enthusiastic and committed people, primarily residents of Cleveland Heights, were present and willing to share their thoughts and concerns about the community. GCC organizer Khalilah Worley helped the leaders from several congregations facilitate small group discussions.

Two issues that were selected for follow up are:

- Deterioration and blight in neighborhoods and commercial areas, especially the housing in neighborhoods hardest hit by the predatory lending/foreclosure process
- The negative perception of our valued public schools by outsiders who have no first-hand knowledge of the schools.

Many individuals committed to work on one or both of the issues. The next step, to be taken on February 29, is to define the issues in more detail and determine actions we might take to address these concerns.

Gun Violence Youth Assembly: Several FHC youth joined peers around the region to share their thoughts and concerns about gun violence in their communities. Ask Molly Webster, Edie Duncan and Garrett Vandall more about their experience.

Criminal Justice Assembly. On February 16 we had an important action with the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor candidates to express our overwhelming concern for permanent change in the County criminal justice system. As this event hasn't occurred at the time of this writing, more information will be available next month. Make sure you check us out in April!

Jennifer Blakeney

Have You Included Forest Hill Church in Your Estate Plans?

One of the great strengths of Forest Hill Church is its Endowment Fund. Did you know it has been in existence for over 25 years? Throughout this period, the Endowment has helped make possible much of the work of the church that we cherish. The Endowment provided the initial support for the Pathways program that provides an enriching foundation in Christian education for our youth. Now valued at over \$1.3 million, the blessings of the Endowment Fund are possible due to the remarkable generosity of many members and friends of Forest Hill Church who have included the church in their will or other estate plans.

We are trying to update our list of members who have included the Church in their estate plans. If you who have made this important step and have yet to inform the church, please contact either the chair of the Endowment Committee, David Olson (DOlson@beaconplanners.com, (216) 910-1857) or the church's Financial Administrator, Becky Austin (216) 321-2660 or BeckyA@fhcpresb.org). How you decide to pass on your legacy is one of the great decisions of life. The church wants to thank and honor you for such generosity.

Steve Sedam
Elder and Endowment Committee member

Announcements! Announcements!

<p>April 3 – Race Core Team Invites You to Share (see p. 16)</p>	<p>Easter is March 27</p>
<p>TOWER deadlines: 7 am on March 18, April 15, May 13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">April 10 Haiti Travelogue See p. 14</p>

The Stewardship Ministry is pleased to share with you insights into the spiritual dimensions of stewardship from leading Christian teachers. Here is a beautiful one from the beloved author Henri Nouwen.

“Helping the Kingdom Come About”

Fundraising is a very concrete way to help the kingdom of God come about. What is the kingdom? Jesus is clear that if we make the kingdom our first priority, “all these other things will be given you as well” (Matthew 6:33). The kingdom is where God provides for all that we need. It is the realm of sufficiency where we are no longer pulled here and there by anxiety about having enough. “So do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself” (Matthew 6:34). Jesus also compares the kingdom to a mustard seed, “which, at the time of its sowing, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth. Yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade” (Mark 4:31-32). Even a seemingly small act of generosity can grow into something far beyond what we could ever ask or imagine (Ephesians 3:20) -- the creation of a community of love in this world, and beyond this world, because wherever love grows, it is stronger than death (1 Corinthians 13:8). So when we give ourselves to planting and nurturing love here on earth, our efforts will reach out beyond our own chronological existence. Indeed, if we raise funds for the creation of a community of love, we are helping God build the kingdom. We are doing exactly what we are supposed to do as Christians. Paul is clear about this: “Make love your aim” (1 Corinthians 14:1).

The Spirituality of Fund-raising, p. 9

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Haiti Mission Presentation

April 10 – 7:00 pm – FHC Fellowship Hall

Come immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of Haiti as Deanne Lentz and members of the 2015 Haiti Mission Team present pictures and videos of the November trip to Haiti.

- See the beauty of the county and witness the dignity and resilience of the Haitian people.
- Experience a bumpy ride on the back of a Chevy pickup truck down rutted roads and through streams.
- Hear the singing at the welcoming Pentecostal church.
- Enjoy an Inauguration Ceremony with speeches, skits, and songs when the community gathers to initiate their community well.
- Meet the residents of Gabo and see the well in operation that you – Forest Hill Church members and friends – funded and hear what a difference it has made in the life and health of this remote community.

The travelogue will give an insight into the challenges Haitian people face each day as well as our own challenge to help without harming and to assist in development rather than relief or charity. Hear about the model our church has taken in partnership with Haiti Outreach and discover the many ways we might support its mission to bring safe, clean, and sustainable water to communities.



This is an evening not to be missed! Refreshments, of course, will be served.

Earth Care and You!



With so many new members, it's time to share what the Green Team has been up to and ask **you** about your views on Earth Care.

Because we don't experience many natural disasters in this area, droughts, floods, tornadoes, crop loss, even biodiversity loss aren't always on our radar. But we still care about the quality of air, water, pollution, and biodiversity—here and elsewhere. That's why the Green Team works to maintain environmental friendliness when considering church supplies, buildings and grounds, and more.

We sponsor recycling, park clean-up, and occasionally special programs (such as Adult Ed Earth Day) and other speakers. We'll be sponsoring a special movie on *Dirt* at Forest Hill Church on Friday, April 22 (more on that later).

But what else do you desire? What do **you want**? What can **you do**? What are **your** ideas about how we as a faith community can become more involved in environmental matters?

We're looking for fresh ideas—and fresh involvement, especially from our newer and younger church members!

Please contact me to get involved or share any ideas or comments you have.

Dave Neff, Earth Care *Green Team* Leader,
theneffers@sbcglobal.net

Race Core Team: Present and Future
Sunday, April 3, 2016*
12:30 to 2:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

Last fall the Race Core Team sponsored dinner groups in which about 60 individuals came together to explore the issue of racial reconciliation and the possible roles that Forest Hill Church might play in the continued development of the “Beloved Community.”

On Sunday, April 3, the Race Core Team is inviting the entire congregation to come and see some of the fruits of our efforts. There will be five tables where individuals can interact, get more information and even sign on to be involved. We will have at least two tables that focus on large congregational ideas, two that focus on smaller group initiatives and one table where we will be discussing the role of the Race Core Team within our church in general.

Please consider bringing a lunch and joining us as we move from the present into the next phase of the future of our “Beloved Community”

** For those who had this event on their calendar, note the date change from March 6 to April 3.*

For more information, please contact Doris Allen (216-321-5491 or gramdoll1@att.net).

News of Our Church Family

Baptisms

Charlotte Grace Zednick, daughter of Beth and Erik Zednik and granddaughter of Ron Polderman and Carol Smith, was baptized January 24, 2016.

In Memoriam We Remember

Melvine Quay Mervine, husband of Robin and father of Emily and Amanda (Horan), who died February 3, 2016.

New emails only

John Dugard: romans.chap8@gmail.com

Care Group

The Eden CARE Group will be responsible for meeting members' needs during March. Please contact the church office in case of illness, hospitalizations, births or deaths (or other family emergencies) in any FHC family.

Members of the Eden CARE Group are:

Kathy Carr, Deacon leader	Sue & Scott Lafferty
Doris Allen	Carol Leslie
Nathan & Lane Baldwin	Steve Marunowski & Peg Weissbrod
Mary Ball	Clayton & Julie Minder
Dave & Chris Bell	Ron Polderman & Carol Smith
Kathy & Bruce Carr	Lorraine Ranchod
Jane & Derek Duncan & family	Elizabeth Shaw
Jeff Dyck & Lara Troyer & family	Jeff & Anne Smith
Julie Lafferty Ely	Quentin Smith & Sylvia Herd
Kris & Bill Fay	Tammy Steele
Carrie Fister	Elaine Tapié
Tim & Leigh Henderson	Elaine Turley
Bob & Pat Jeffreys	Paul & Katie Weissbrod

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:

Bill Currie, Marge Drollinger, Betty Farnfield, Iris Gilbert, Ron Klein, Emelia McGuire, Joyce Peters, Jack Quinn, George Sentell, Margie and Dwight Stauffer, Elaine Tapié, Lorian Thomas

Please pray for those with ongoing prayer concerns:

Dennis Wedding (Jeannine Gury’s brother).

Volunteer Hours in January

The office volunteers – Nancy Grube, Pat Jenkins, Beth Zych, Jane and Chuck Ishler, Cathy Ghiandoni, Anne Smith, and Elspeth Peterjohn, plus TOWER collators Betty Clark, –worked a total of 55½ hours in January. Thank you all!

Office Information

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Thank you, Forest Hill Church!

Thanks to everyone who donated household items or fund for our collection of MOVE OUT BAGS for Family Promise. We provided 15 families with bags filled with cleaning supplies, paper products and other items to help get a new living space ready when they leave the shelter. Thank you for your generosity!

Watch for news of our next collection in April.

For more information about Family Promise, please contact Sue Lafferty (salaff@sbcglobal.net), Deanne Lentz (lentz.deanne@gmail.com) or Anne Smith (annaandjeffsmith@gmail.com)

Social Groups and Circles

The Group (60s – 70s): Concert and Dinner

The Group will attend the concert featuring The Singers' Club, Distinguished Gentlemen of the Spoken Word, and the Forest Hill Chancel Choir on Sunday, March 13 at 3 pm in the sanctuary. Afterwards we'll go to The Tavern Co. on Lee Rd. for dinner. For dinner reservations, RSVP to Nancy Grube (440-461-4693 or donance@sbcglobal.net) by March 6.

March 13, Forest Hill Church, 3 pm

Hilltoppers (retired) : Travelogue - Brazil

On Friday, March 18 at 1:00 pm all Hilltoppers and other travel buffs are invited to the church to hear David Neff's exciting experience in the Pantanal, a wild area of Brazil south of the Amazon River, and the largest wetland in the world.

March 18, Forest Hill Church, 1 pm

Iris Circle (all women): Save March 15 and watch for information.

Sundays in March

9:00 Child care begins
9:30 Adult education
 Youth education (gr. 6-12)
 Descant Choir (gr. 1-5)
10:15 Descant Choir activity
10:30 Continental Breakfast
 Chancel Choir
11:00 WORSHIP
 Children's Worship class (preK, K)
11:00 Pathways to the Promise Land (March 13)
11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land (gr. 1-5) (March 20)
 March 6, 27: Children stay in worship for communion
12:15 Coffee and Fellowship Hour
4:00 Labre Project
5:00 Faith Leader
 Living Prayer class

Classes and children's choirs will not meet on Easter, March 27

March 6 6:00 pm Young Adult Retreat	Joshua 5: 9-12 Psalm 32 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21 Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32
March 13 12:15 pm Sine Nomine Choir (gr 6-12) Young Adult Brunch 3:00 pm Concert 6:00 pm The Group: Dinner	Isaiah 43: 16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3: 4b-14 John 12:1-8
March 20 Palm Sunday 12:15 Blood Pressure check	Isaiah 50: 4-9a Psalm 31: 9-16 Philippians 2: 5-11 Luke 22:14 – 23:56
March 27 EASTER 9:00 am Worship (Chapel) 10:30 am Continental Breakfast 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary) 12:15 am Fellowship and Coffee	Acts 10: 34-43 Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15: 19-26 John 20: 1-18

The Revised Common Lectionary readings are listed here.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Regularly scheduled events: meet every week unless noted	6:00 Progress not Perfection AA 7:00 AI Anon 7:30 Borton Group AA Boy Scout Trip #403	1:00 Abundance Parity (closed 3/15) 5:00 Fitness Fusion exercise class	7:30 am Bible & Bagels 12:30 AA meeting Wednesdays in Lent (March 2 - 16): 6-7 pm Drop-in Supper 7:00 Worship	5:00 Fitness Fusion exercise class 6:20 Voices in Bronze 7:30 Chancel Choir	9:30 AI Anon	
		1	2 Wednesdays in Lent	3	4	5 9:00 CEIRS class 8:00 Men's Group
6 See "Sundays in March"	7	8	9 Wednesdays in Lent 7:30 Ministries meet	10 7:30 FH Swim Club	11	12
13  Daylight Saving Time begins	14 7:00 pm Race Core Team mtg	15 Election Day Polls open 6:30 am - 7:30 pm PANTRY CLOSED the Iris Circle	16 Wednesdays in Lent 10:00 TOWER collators 12:00 Bulshewicks 1:00 Hilltop Garden Club 7:30 Session meeting	17	18 7:00 am TOWER deadline 1:00 Hilltoppers	19 8:00 Men's Group
20 Palm Sunday	21	22	23	24: Maundy Thursday	25 12:00 pm Office closes 12 - 3 pm Good Friday at St. Paul's	26
Holy Week						
27 EASTER Worship at 9 and 11 am Classes and children's choirs do not meet	28	29 12:00 Abundance Parity Lunch	30	31 6:30 Dinner 7:30 Worship	April 1	2

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