

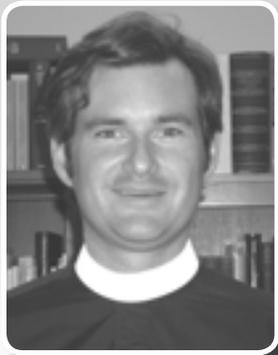


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# "Alleluia" in Lent

A new tradition was born this year at St. Paul's – "The Burying of the Alleluias." Following the 8:45 service on Sunday February 21st, the church buried a banner that had the word "alleluia" printed upon it. Why did we do this? The reason is the preparatory and penitential character of the season of Lent. During Lent we suspend the use of the term "alleluia" because it is a time of preparation for the victory of Easter day. We are preparing for what Christ will accomplish on the Cross. Therefore we defer the use of "alleluia" until our Easter celebrations when it is given full and jubilant voice.

During this time you will notice the absence of "alleluia" during all of our prayers and hymns. One of the most noticeable omissions is at the end of the Eucharistic prayer. Towards the end of the prayer the priest lifts the bread and breaks it proclaiming, "Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us." The congregation then responds, "Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia." Of course, during Lent we omit the "alleluias." How often I almost forget and say "alleluia" out of habit! I haven't made this mistake yet, but I know one day I will. But even if the

priest remembers to omit the "alleluia," one or two "alleluias" always slip out from the congregation. While this may be embarrassing for these individuals, I actually enjoy hearing these mistakes. It reminds me that despite all the suffering and struggles in this world there is still an "alleluia" in the background. Even the days leading us to the Cross have "alleluias."

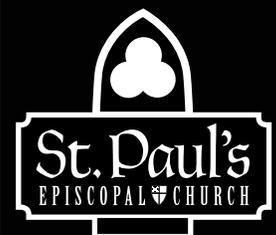
Lent is a time for honesty; a time for self-examination; a time to remember our need for a Savior. But it would be too hard to be honest with ourselves unless we knew that despite our constant failings, despite our weakness, despite the sin in our lives – despite all these things we have a God who loves us and will not abandon us. We find the courage to be honest with ourselves because of the strength of God's love. For this reason, even in Lent we must remember the "alleluia" in the background.

So remember – no "alleluias" in Lent. But...if you forget and accidentally say "alleluia" during these days, don't feel embarrassed. Just be thankful. Maybe it means you truly have an "alleluia" in your life.

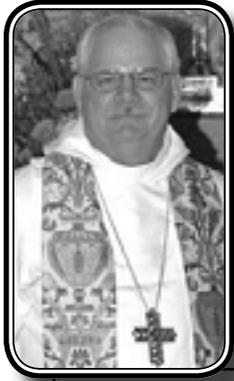
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*From Polk+*

## **Discipline**

A few years ago I preached on the practice of Lenten discipline. In it I said that whether or not we gave up something or took on something didn't necessarily make us better Christians. The result could be one of two things. The first is that a Lenten Discipline can lead to pride. This happens when we actually do give up some bad habit for forty days. We can't wait to tell others. More often it leads to guilt inasmuch we are not able to make it to Easter. We lapse back into our old habits and feel like failures. Neither pride nor guilt are Christian virtues. Lent is therefore not about what we can do or cannot do. It is about God and letting this God of Jesus Christ be the center of our lives.

If Lent is about God and about deepening our relationship with God, we should begin with some reality statements. The presence of God is already with us. In the Old Testament when Jacob awoke from his dream, he said: "Surely the Lord was in this place and I didn't know it." We could say the same thing every day. It would be a good verse to quote every morning. Surely the Lord is with us even when we are unaware. Secondly, the Kingdom of God is already in the midst

of us. Jesus said that to his followers and when we open our spiritual eyes we see it, too. Thirdly, by acknowledging the presence of the Lord and the Kingdom of God, we become aware of the power they bring. Jesus said: "Greater works will you do because I go to the Father." When we actually experience the power of God we know fully about the presence of God.

Lent becomes meaningful when we understand what God is doing. It takes discipline to do this but it takes discipline to do anything! Lent is about the discipline of putting ourselves in places and in times in which we can be quiet, listen and pray. Lent is the discipline of getting ourselves to worship with others, reading the Scriptures and looking inside ourselves. We need to remember that we don't do these things for self-improvement. We do these things in order to be aware of what God does in and through us. These two things are quite different. One is about our limited ability. The other is about God's love.

*Polk+*

# Annual Women's Retreat is Coming Soon!



Time is drawing near. Yes, ladies, the deadline is quickly approaching. March 15th is the last day to register for the 2010 St. Paul's Women's Retreat to be held at the Dubose Conference Center in Montecagle on April 9, 10 and 11th with the dynamic Roses Taylor as guest speaker (find more information on her in this issue). I admit it, ladies, I am a "procrastinator", always waiting for the deadline. So, if you too are a procrastinator and haven't registered for the 2010 Women's Retreat, I understand.

There is one problem. There is limited space and the retreat committee really needs to have a definite head count for planning purposes. So, I am going to turn my registration form in right away. How about you? Committee members will meet you in the Narthex between Sunday services to help with registration, or you may call the church office during the week.

## The Practice of Receiving

We love to give of ourselves to others, but we also struggle when it comes to receiving, especially during times of vulnerability.

We don't like feeling exposed in our weakness, illness, failure or grief, but no one is exempt from adversity - even the strongest of us - for it represents an acknowledgment that we have lost control of some aspect of our lives.

Aside from the illusory nature of control, our responses to such acts of receiving from others are almost reflexive. "Oh, thank you so much, but really, we're just

fine." Sound familiar? Maybe you are fine and maybe you aren't.

Receiving is a powerful and intimate practice, for we are actually inviting another person into ourselves. In spite of its complexities and entanglements, the moment of exchange is one of simple connection and opening.

Rather than focusing solely on our own acts of giving, perhaps we can think about providing an opportunity for someone else to develop generosity, and in the process cultivate a posture of graceful acceptance within ourselves.

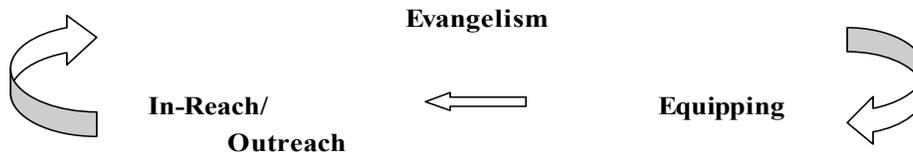
# SENIOR WARDEN

Anyone who has paid attention the last few months has heard mention of the word evangelism by our clergy in sermons, writings and conversations. I must admit that my first reflex was one of hair rising on the back of my neck and a stereotyped image in my mind of a well dressed proselytizer pounding a podium on a large stage pointing a finger and asking me if I know the Lord. How sinfully unfair and shallow of me. However, evangelism is not the illusion of my reaction. If I were like Polk or Colin, I would be able to eloquently explain the concept, but I am still riding the learning curve. This is what I have come to learn so far, though. Evangelism comes from the Greek word "euangelos," meaning a messenger (or angel) bringing good news. The authors of the four gospels were evangelists. Evangelism gives us the opportunity to witness our faith and I suppose, if we have to, we could even use words. We may not think of ourselves as such, but we are evangelists by what we do and say, by how we live our faith and even by our failings. I've given this a lot of thought in respect to how we welcome newcomers and visitors and the many healthy and appealing ministries we have at St. Paul's, mediums for our evangelism. I was raised Lutheran, practiced Catholicism for as many years then came to Murfreesboro only to realize I've always been Episcopalian, I just never knew it. The same can be said about evangelism. We are evangelists; we've just never really known it as such.

The beginning of a new year is an important time for the Vestry. It is when we gather together for a retreat on the mountain, weather permitting (which it didn't this year), and spend much of our time discerning the past year, the coming year and the changes and growth of our church family. Much of the work we do is deciding the best way to approach the many ministries we have, providing support as it pertains to achieving our mission statement for St. Paul's, "TO WORSHIP GOD, AND BRING ALL INTO A LOVING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST". This year we have chosen a cyclic approach beginning with those ministries that incorporate evangelism, those that equip us with spiritual and physical resources and those that provide in-reach and outreach, which in turn brings us back to evangelism. It is an approach we all agreed best reflects our church family and the direction of our future. Incorporated is the organization of ministries for 2010 and the Vestry Liaisons representing each area. We put a great deal of work into this organizational scheme and look forward to the year ahead as our many ministries thrive and grow. If you find the ministries you are involved with and have questions or you see a ministry that you would like to know more about, please contact myself or a Vestry member.

Many blessing to you all!

*Kristi*



Evangelism	Equipping	In-Reach	Outreach	Administration & Stewardship
Kent Sterling & Sally Palmer	Richard Detmer & Stan Golden	Jane Smith & Jo Wintker	Ron Messier & Tina Whitfield	Dan Felciano
Greeters Newcomer's Gifts Coffee With The Clergy Name Tags Campus Ministry	Music Youth Parents' Group Nursery Worship Committee Altar Guild Flower Guild Children's Church Ushers Acolytes Vestry Retreat Vestry Mid-Year Retreat Layman's Conference Men's Retreat Women's Retreat Daughters Of The King Adult Christian Education Christian Ed/Catechesis Pilgrimage Ultreya/Cursillo EFM VBS Ministry Fair Young Adults' Ministries Lenten Teaching Series Pentecost In The Park Christmas Pageant	Lay Readers/Euch. Ministers General Pastoral Care Eucharistic Visitors Stephen Ministry Food Ministry Angel Food/More Than A Meal Wedding Team Funeral Team Men's Club Ladies Night In Fellowship of Older Friends Red Plate/Dinner Club Parish Picnic Progressive Dinner Thanksgiving Dinner Trim the Tree Lessons and Carols Reception Epiphany Party Lenten Soup Suppers Easter Egg Hunt Confirmation Reception Dream Group Knitters Golf Softball	Outreach Committee Advent Bake and Craft Sale Angel Tree Program Christian Counseling Community Helpers AA Cub Scouts Pack 108 Girl Scouts Downtown Lay Ministry ...(Good Friday Luncheon) Food Drive Habitat For Humanity Heifer International Military Service Personnel Operation InAsMuch Patterson Park Program UTO(United Thank Offering) Emergency Ingathering Outreach Committee Archivist Haitian Relief Episcopal Relief and Development Companion Diocese Outreach to Community Children The Homeless Outreach to Other Faiths	Staff Development Downtown Ministerial Assoc. ACS Implementation Calendar Direct Mail Bulletin Announcements Evangel Communications Website Bulletin Boards Historical Records Archiving Stewardship Legacy Stewardship Long Term Planning Parish Annual Meeting Senior Wardens Council Kitchen/Pantry Clergy Conf/Retired Clergy Conference

Building & Grounds - Junior Wardens: Bill Williams & Jimmie Beasley

# St. Paul's OUTREACH

## *The Family Resource Center & Murfreesboro City Schools Outreach Committee*

Due to the overwhelming success of the Christmas Angel Tree Project, another outreach opportunity has developed for St. Paul's. A committee was formed to work closely with The Family Resource Center (FRC) and Murfreesboro City School System (MSC). This committee is a branch of the main St. Paul's Outreach Committee and is comprised of church members that have a desire to touch the lives of families served by The Family Resource Center.

The Family Resource Center is housed in one of the local federal housing projects but serves all families in need that live within the city limits of Murfreesboro. The FRC has clothes closets for all ages (including children and infants), a food pantry, as well as personal toiletry items and household cleaning items that can be accessed by families.

One of the main goals for the committee is to help the coordinator, Connie Middleton, keep the FRC open every day of the week from 12:00 – 4:00 PM. Another goal is help stock infants items (diapers, wipes, etc.) and cleaning products (bathroom cleaner, dish detergent, etc.) for the Center. These items are utilized the most by families.

There will be many ways you may assist this committee in serving the families in our community. It could be as small as adding a cleaning product to your grocery list for donation, or as large as giving of your time once a month to keep the FRC open. Any commitment is appreciated.

If you would like more information on The Family Resource Center, or how you may help the committee, please contact Tim or Peggy Seneker (893-8033; mimi10963@att or tseneker53@gmail.com).

### **Greenhouse Ministries — 615-494-0499**

At this time, our only needs are for VOLUNTEERS! We recently reopened at our new location and have seen many, many clients (97 families in two days) since we've been open. We need volunteers to meet with clients, give them food from the food pantry, etc. We also need volunteers to serve in the new thrift store. We have volunteer training sessions once a month.

### **Primary Care & Hope Clinic — 615-893-9390, x201**

We have some year-round on-going needs for medical and office supplies such as band-aids, copy paper, ink pens, bath tissue, paper towels, etc. On-going volunteer needs include medical and non-medical volunteers: MD, RN, LPN, Mental Health Counselors, office/administrative, janitorial, maintenance and lawn care. This summer will be recruiting volunteers for a special event fund raiser in August.

### **Habitat For Humanity — 615-890-5877, x4**

We are happy to announce that Champion's Run Golf Course is hosting "Driving It Home", a golf tournament to benefit Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity. To be held Saturday, April 17th, the entry fee is \$75 per individual or \$300 for a 4-person team. Shotgun start at 1:15 p.m. Call the Habitat office for more information. This tournament will be fun for the whole family!

## ST PAUL'S STUDENT MINISTRIES

### D-groups -ONLINE-

Each Wednesday night from 8:00 to 9:00, we'll get together in an online chat room and... chat. No right or wrong answers, just discussion about what's going on in our lives today, the things you deal with... and what the Bible has to say about it all. It's really easy to join the discussion... just go to [www.stpaulsyouthonline.com](http://www.stpaulsyouthonline.com) and click on "D-groups".

#### **D-groups ONLINE... Wednesday nights from 8 to 9**

(If you are interested in participating in "D-groups ONLINE" but do not have access to the internet during the scheduled time then please contact Joshua Courtney.)

## Xperience

Xperience is a worship gathering designed for you and your friends!

On Sunday nights at Xperience,  
we attempt to shatter the stereotype that says church has to be boring!

Join us at 5:00 to hang out and play games.

At 5:30 we'll all sit down and enjoy a meal together (please bring \$3 for food).

Then at 6:15 the Xperience worship service,  
including exciting worship music and relevant teaching, will begin!

March Xperience Dates: March 7th, 14th, 28th (28th=Destination: Unknown)

### **PARENTS:**

What if there was a place you could go to talk about parenting, life, and the Bible with other parents of teenagers? Well... there is: **Liquid!** Come THIS SUNDAY and experience what you've been missing!!! Give it a try! You'll be glad you did!!

## Liquid

Christian Education classes  
for **Teens & Parents of Teens**  
Sunday mornings at 9:55

5 weekly episodes  
1 central story  
A film...

featuring people just like you...  
with stories following a passage from the Bible.  
Now we can look at the Bible... and see ourselves.  
It's *Liquid*... God's Word, flowing through our lives.

Check it out  
**THIS SUNDAY!!**

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## WESTBORO Prayer Group

The daytime interdenominational Community Bible Study (CBS) group that currently meets at New Vision Baptist Church has grown to capacity and is now planning a new class in the Cason Lane, Blackman and Shelbyville Highway areas. Currently, the group is a small prayer group consisting of women from varied denominations in the community. The plans are to begin a Devotional Study of Beatitudes "Keys to the Kingdom", on February 26, 2010 through May 7, 2010, and continue into the summer with a weekly Bible Study. The group will meet on Fridays at Fellowship Methodist Church at 2511 Highway 99, from 9:30 – 10:30 AM. Childcare will be provided.

The goal for the group is "an interdenominational Bible Study for the community for people of all ages, from a variety of backgrounds with different levels of Bible knowledge, gathering in their own community to study the Bible and to grow in their knowledge of, and relationship with, the living Lord". When the leadership of the group is fully trained and consecrated as a Community Bible Study (CBS) class, there will be an excellent program of Bible lessons for children, teens, new moms, men and couples.

For information on this study, please call **Peggy Seneker** at **893-8033**.

## Flower Guild

It seems that Advent and Christmas have just passed and here we are observing Lent and looking forward to Easter and the beauty of spring.

The Flower Guild is always grateful for the support of the Parishioners of St. Paul's in the wonderful encouragement and donations that help us to continue to provide flowers for church services and events.

Thanks also to those who gave of their time to cut greenery and bring it to the church for use during Advent. We always receive a generous amount of lovely evergreens and don't have to use flower funds for this. It is much appreciated and would be very expensive to purchase the greenery we need to keep the arrangements fresh during the weeks of Advent.

We would like to send out a very special "Thank You" to all of those who came on very short notice to help unload poinsettias when they were delivered.

Palm Sunday is on March 28th and Easter is April 4th. We are already making plans for these two important observances of events in the life of the Church and our Savior.

Although it seems that we have just taken down the poinsettias from Christmas, we will soon be putting out the envelopes for those who would like to dedicate an Easter lily in Honor, Thanksgiving, Celebration or Memory of friends and loved ones. At this time we have not been able to get a quote on the purchase price of lilies, but will let everyone know as soon as possible. We will have notices in the Sunday Bulletins of a suggested donation and a cut-off date to turn your dedications in so that they can be printed in the Easter Bulletin.

Thanks again for your continued support in providing flowers for our services.

*St. Paul's Flower Guild*

## Thank You!

Some days it still just doesn't seem real!  
For the many ways you showed love to our family during John's illness and death, we wish to thank you. All the meals, prayers, hugs, visits, tears, and love, gave us strength. I am very grateful for my church family.

**Beth McCarthy**

## In The News...

Tyler Loucky, with her cello, is a National Merit finalist.

Steven Luboniecki has earned certification as a Lean Six Sigma Manager. Lean Six Sigma is a quality and continuous improvement method that uses the symbolic title of Black Belt for this achievement.

*Lord, keep us from taking this time with you casually. May the fire of your Spirit burn within us so all sins are consumed and only joy remains.*

# Long Range Planning Committee Begins Its Work

During 2010, St. Paul's will begin assessing the specific needs of a number of ministries, develop a plan to physically meet those demands and desires, and to set a plan to paper and prepare for drawings for Phase II of St. Paul's building program.

The vestry has assembled a long range planning committee. Don Clayton will chair the committee. Other members include Cheryl Beasley, Andrea Broxton, Dallas Caudle, Dan Felciano, Rodney George, Kristi Hay, Jeff James, Walter McVetty, Phillip O'Reilly, David Palmer, Bob Parker, Chuck Phillips, Becky Potts, Collier Smith, Dick Talent, and Wendi Watts.

The committee is investigating assessment tools and will be interviewing many ministry teams about their hopes and

dreams for their ministries and gathering information on their facility needs. Later in the year, the committee will conduct surveys and meetings to get more input from the parish.

The following is a prayer for the parish from the Book of Common Prayer (page 817). This prayer seems very appropriate as we contemplate what God is calling St. Paul's to do and be in the future.

*"Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your Holy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."*

## Our Stephen Ministers Are Ready to Care for You!

Stephen Ministers have been through extensive training and provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to people who are experiencing a difficult time. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and provide weekly support for you as long as your need persists. If you or someone you know is hurting, find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with Ralph Smith @ 556-6414. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to bring God's love and care into your life.

Your family is very welcome to  
***THE McGUIRE'S***  
**4th Annual St. Patrick's Day Party**  
 Saturday, March 20th, 2010  
 (Always the 3rd Saturday in March)

1:00 pm til' 6:00 pm

2135 Lovelace Lane Murfreesboro, TN 37130  
*Live Irish Music and Lots of Food and Drink*

~ Cead mile failte ~



## Special Dates

- World Day of Prayer, March 5
- Third Sunday in Lent, March 7
- Girl Scout Sunday, March 7
- Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 14
- Daylight-Saving Time begins, March 14
- First Day of Spring, March 20
- Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 21
- Passion/Palm Sunday, March 28
- Holy Week, March 28-April 3

## Weight Watchers

You are invited to join the St. Paul's Weight Watchers group and donate your pounds to the 1,500 we lost so far together! Our new series will begin Wednesday, March 3rd, 5-6 p.m. in St. Margaret's Hall. Special pricing: 9 weeks for \$99 (new & renewing members); \$90 for life-time members. Payments can be made by cash, credit card or check. Ask about split payments. Payment in full will be due on the 3rd, and new member materials will be available. Contact Libby Willis for more information: willis2010@bellsouth.net; cell 545-0220.

## Elders First

Elders First Adult Day Services offers an ADULT day care program for those age 55+. Open to the community, Elders First is a nonprofit program located at New Vision Baptist Church. Hours are: Mon.-Friday from 8AM-5PM, fee is \$30/day. The program is focused on persons with Alzheimer's and other impairments of age. With supervised recreation and opportunities for friendship, loved ones enjoy their day while each caregiver has some much needed time off.

Contact: 615-542-4371 [eldersfirst@dtccom.net](mailto:eldersfirst@dtccom.net)

## MARCH 14 Is Diaper Sunday!

The Murfreesboro City Schools Family Resource Center, one of St. Paul's Outreach Projects, is in need of children's diapers of all sizes. Please bring a package of diapers to Church with you on March 14th for donation to The Family Resource Center. Thank you!

## Thanks...

...to Polk and Colin for helping me when Betty Johnson had her stroke (11/24/09); for Angela and the St. Paul's choir for serenading her in her room and hallway at Boulevard Terrace, and all the other residents in the cafeteria; for all the Stephens Ministers who bring her communion each week; for all our friends who visit her each week; for our much beloved St. Paul's church family who pray for her (us) each day; for the constant and continued prayers you bring each day for Betty and for me; it means very much to both of us. Our St. Paul's family is treasured, close to our hearts, each day. "Thank you" seems hardly enough. You are our daily inspiration and we love you all!

*Don Dunlap*

# ULTREYA!

Mark Your Calenders Now !!!...  
**Sunday, March 7 After The 11:00 Service.**  
 Bring a dish to share as your schedule allows.  
 Ultreya...a gathering of Christian friends.



We now have a Facebook page for St. Paul's. Check it out!

<http://www.facebook.com/stpaulsmboro>

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# MARCH 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <b>7 Third Sunday in Lent</b> 7:30, 8:45 & 11:00 am HE 8:45 am Children's Church 9:55 am Christian Ed/Cat. 12:30 pm Ulireya 4 pm True Vine Service/Recept. 4 pm Financial Peace Classes 4 pm Chorister Rehearsal NO Xperience/Youth 7 pm AA	<b>1</b> 6 pm Girl Scouts 6:30 pm Pilgrimage 6:30 pm EFM 6:30 pm AA Sponsorship Meeting 6:30 pm Scouts/Tiger Den 7 pm AA 	<b>2</b> 9:30 am Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Big Book Study 6 pm Long Term Planning 6 pm Centering Prayer Group 6 pm Evening Prayer 6 pm Confirmation Classes 7 pm Bible Study 7 pm AA	<b>3</b> 7 am & 5:30 pm HE 9 am Bible Study 4 pm Dream Group 5 pm Weight Watchers 5:30 pm True Vine Classes 5:45 pm Lenten Soup Suppers 7 pm Canterbury Club 7 pm AA 8 pm D-Groups/Youth/ONLINE	<b>4</b> 10 am Lectio Divina Prayer Grp. 3 pm Knitting Group 6 pm Ladies Night Out 6 pm Men's Club 6 pm Evening Prayer 7 pm AA  	<b>5</b> 6 pm Stations of the Cross 7 pm AA	<b>6</b> 8 am Commission On Ministry 7 pm AA
<b>14 Fourth Sunday in Lent</b> <b>TIME CHANGE WEEKEND</b> 7:30, 8:45 & 11:00 am HE 8:45 am Children's Church 9:55 am Christian Ed./Cat. 4 pm Financial Peace Classes 4 pm Chorister Rehearsal 5 pm Xperience/Youth 6 pm Young Adults 7 pm AA	<b>15</b> 6 pm Girl Scouts 6 pm Evening Prayer 6:30 pm Pilgrimage 6:30 pm EFM 6:30 pm AA Scouts/Tiger Den 6:30 pm AA Sponsorship 7 pm AA 	<b>16</b> 9:30 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm Cub Scout Troop/Beats 5:30 pm Big Book Study 6 pm Centering Prayer Group 6 pm Evening Prayer 6 pm Confirmation Classes <b>6 pm Vestry Meeting</b> 7 pm Bible Study 7 pm AA	<b>17</b> 7 am & 5:30 pm HE 9 am Bible Study 4 pm Dream Group 5 pm Weight Watchers 5:45 pm Lenten Soup Suppers 7 pm Canterbury Club 7 pm AA 8 pm D-Groups/Youth/ONLINE	<b>18</b> 10 am Lectio Divina Prayer Grp. 3 pm Knitting Group 6 pm Evening Prayer 6:30 pm Scouts/Tiger Den 7 pm AA  	<b>19</b> 6 pm Stations of the Cross 6 pm Parent Group Activity 6 pm Parent's Night Out 7 pm AA	<b>20</b> 8 am DOK Meeting 9 am Contemplative Outreach 7 pm AA 
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Benjamin Kropog .....03/01	Wayne Potter .....03/14
Susan Tallent .....03/02	Joye Hatfield .....03/14
Taylor Matteson .....03/02	Meredith Kramer .....03/16
David Wilson .....03/03	Charles Tretter .....03/17
Ian Hay .....03/03	Lacy Wakid .....03/18
Logan Hickerson .....03/04	M.W. (Mac) McCord .....03/18
Ione Smith .....03/04	James (Trevor) Tidwell ...03/18
Steven Curtis .....03/04	Allison Burrirt .....03/18
Brandon Blum .....03/04	Jeffrey Slaney .....03/22
Tami Waggoner .....03/05	Callum Hay .....03/22
Zane Mullins .....03/05	Patty Evanietz .....03/23
Deana Raffo .....03/05	Teresa Johnson .....03/23
Collier Smith .....03/05	John Davidson .....03/24
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**MEMBERSHIP RECORDS UPDATE**

If you have moved, changed your home or cell phone numbers, or have had a change in your e-mail address, please contact the church office to update your records.

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**Older friends help each other when they need:**

- Transportation • Visits
- Phone Calls • Help with Errands

We are eager to know of any parishioner who may have these needs OR if you are willing to provide some of these services.

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# ULTREYA!

**Sunday, March 7 After The 11:00 Service.**  
Ultreya...a gathering of Christian friends.

*March 2010*



*Ye are the light of the world . . . Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. -- Matthew 5:14*

The January day was cheerless as Dickens' London. Skies were gray and the temperature at early church time was 18.

There were some program missteps with the Nicene Creed, giving us a chance to learn how little we'd memorized though it long has been a staple of Christian liturgies.

Then came time to go forward for the host and wine. And just there, at pew's end, was a young woman and her beautiful daughter, perhaps seven years old. The warmth and love between these two, while not showy (a sure clue of falsity) was palpable. Their light shone before men (and women).

Then our pianist Morris Hamby played "Wade in the Water" and our day again brightened. Good ol' Morris from whom we hear hymns unheard, but beloved, for decades.

These let their lights shine.

To home, country ham, biscuits. The day was getting better by the minute.