Weekly E-news and Updates







March 3, 2023 | Volume 17, Issue 9 Second Sunday in Lent / Year A

Ministry Assignments

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Sunday March 5th The Second Sunday in Lent

Eucharistic Ministers

8am

Jay Wyman

10am

Art Slocum

Sandi Johnson

Lector

Susan Fuller

Altar Guild

Candace Tordonato

Lucy Hancock

<u>Usher</u>

Connie Mitchell

Flower Guild

No Flowers in Lent

Flower Delivery

No Flowers in Lent

Greeter

Volunteer



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A Spiritual Check-up for Your Journey

Beloved Saints and Sinners,

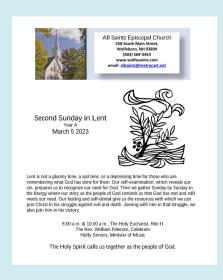
If you have not yet started a Lenten discipline, I invite you to consider starting one. Do not let "holy time" be dictated by "human time" this Lent. Jesus told us on Ash Wednesday to be with God in private and not boast of our beliefs, faith or spirituality. It's never too late, or a bad time to connect with God—something we'll hear Nicodemus testify to in worship on Sunday!

One of the options I offered in the sermon on Sunday was to take time this Lent for reflection and a spiritual check-up. Most of us are good about annual physical check-ups (even Tucker had his on Friday), but a spiritual check-up is equally important. Traditionally Lent talks about examining our inner life and repenting, but all that really means is sharing how you're feeling, what questions or concerns you have,

Below



Worship Links for Sunday
Link to Live Stream at 10:00 am
Link to Worship Links
Link to Bulletin





The Second Sunday in Lent

Links to the Readings

- Genesis 12:1-4a The blessing of God upon Abram
- Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 The promise to those who share Abraham's faith
- John 3:1-17 The mission of Christ: to save the world
- <u>Psalm 121</u> I lift up my eyes to the hills; my help comes from the Lord

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast what issues have arisen, and how is your faith, hope, and joy.

Some questions to ponder and discuss with me as your pastor are:

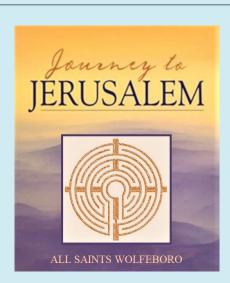
- How is your faith—is there anything that you have resigned yourself to? Or do you believe that God can do the impossible?
- How is your sense of hope—is there anything that you've given up on? Or do you

believe God can make a way where there is no way?

How is your sense of joy—are you depressed or emotionally flat? Or are you overflowing with excitement at what God has done for you?

I invite you to make an appointment to come see me, your spiritual health director, for an annual wellness visit. We can meet in person here in my office at church, at your home, or for coffee somewhere or online via zoom or by phone. I'm happy to listen, to share, to pray, and to offer counsel if needed.

Blessings for your Lenten journey, **Bill+**



MIDDAY LENTEN WORSHIP
THE WAY OF LOVE + BLESS NOW
THE JOURNEY

Beginning Wednesdays on March 1st

faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

Flower Dedication

The bare branches of a grape vine have a chain of prayers added each week (prayers are available on the resource table outside the parish office).

at noon in the Stevens Room

As we pause to feed our bodies in the middle of the day, we pause Wednesdays in Lent to feed our souls through contemplation and walking in faith.

God loves you. No exceptions. The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.

This week we pray for:

For our Parish

Howard Blaney, Ann Champagne, Prue Fitts, Felicity Freund, Judy Hess, The Jeffers Family (Polly, Dave, Rachael), Zell Kellogg, Bhupendra & Judy Khetani, Jacqueline McLaughlin, Penny Meyer, Marny Peabody, Carol Pearson, Danielle Pierpont, Bree Schuette, Linda Snowden, Sebastian Tordonato.

For our Family & Friends

Rebecca DeNeault, Michael Dowd, Anne Fish, Stephanie Fullam, Ruth Gray, Linda Hall, Susan Belt Hartson, Faye Juul, Margie, Tom Southern, Peggy Young.

From The Music Corner...



We are now on the Lenten pilgrimage, dear family.... And we will hear and sing much about our Love, the precious Lamb of God. A devotional quote from "Crucified is my Love" (Johann Ernst von Holst - died 1898) sums it up well:

Yes, this Jesus is the pure lamb. No one can accuse him of any sin, and the Father himself bears witness, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased" (Matt. 3:17). He is also the patient lamb, for he was obedient unto death,

even to death on the cross. He is the gentle lamb, for while bleeding on the cross, he prays that his enemies may be forgiven. In everything he is the Lamb of God, the holy sacrificial lamb, through whom all who believe in him will be perfected in eternity. This Lamb of God is our Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Savior, who loves us too with his eternal love. He suffered and died for us too, in order to make us blessed. Shouldn't we love him in return? Shouldn't we be grateful to him and faithfully follow him?

Two profound choral pieces move our hearts as we listen:

"Behold the Lamb of God" from Handel's MESSIAH

https://youtu.be/48z6-SRwoas

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain" – also from the MESSIAH, and both sung by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

https://youtu.be/ngSsaSimi8A

May our beloved Lamb of God stir your hearts to listen and follow Him well in these days...

Holly



THANK YOU!

The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on February 21st was well-attended and delicious. About 60 people enjoyed pancakes, bacon, sausages, maple syrup, fruit salad, coffee/tea, and a variety of iuices.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who provided food/beverages and assisted with set-up, cooking, serving, and clean-up duties. Many hands make light work! Special thanks to chef extraordinaire Chris Olsen!

Event organizers picked up some good ideas for this event next year.

2023 Matching Challenge

As announced at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 29, 2023, All Saints Wolfeboro has received challenge grants from anonymous donors totaling \$15,000 (Thanks be to God!)



to erase the projected 2023 budget deficit of \$26,838. All gifts above the donor's 2023 pledge will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$15,000 toward meeting this challenge. We give thanks to the gifts and commitments to date. Please consider helping us meet the remainder of the matching challenge.

When making a gift to the Challenge, please indicate whether this is in addition to your annual pledge and whether or not is weekly/monthly or a onetime gift. If submitting by check, please write "Growth in Giving" on the memo line. For those who do not make an annual pledge and wish to contribute above their normal offering, please also write "Growth in Giving" on the memo line.

Funds received to date to match the grant are \$ 14.852.00



Recycling Saints Needed

The paper recycling bins at the entrances to our worship space and offices are in need of periodic emptying and taking to the transfer station. No need to sign up, just jump in and recycle when you see a full bin. Thank you!

Notice

Kathleen Codyrachel is looking for a reasonably priced apartment. She needs to be out of her place by May 1st. Any suggestions and help is muchly appreciated.

603-651-9167 or codyrachel92@gmail.com

Altar Flowers

We are encouraging that Altar Flower Dedications be made early in the year.

Now Easy to reserve your date by



Signing Up Online! https://ttsu.me/allsaintswolfe

You can still turn in a dedication slip to the office or **Email** your request to the Parish Office at allsaints@metrocast.net.

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(Please let the office know if you are providing flowers for your dedication and/or any details of dedication you wish to appear in the bulletin)

The chart in the parish hall will be updated as new requests are received.

### THE SOONER YOU SIGN UP, THE BETTER CHANCE YOU HAVE TO RESERVE THE DATE YOU WANT!

**Flowers** may be provided in lieu of payment. Please let the office know if you wish to provide your own flowers. Please call Sue 569-3183 if you need to discuss arrangements.

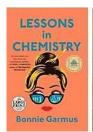
**The** cost of the Altar flowers for a Sunday is \$35.00. Please provide payment to the office before the dedication date.

**Following** the worship services the flowers are delivered by volunteers to our ill and shut-in members, as well as other appropriate places. In this manner, the flowers continue their silent reminder of God's love. Thank you in advance for providing flowers to the Altar of All Saints.

Questions may be directed to Debra at allsaints@metrocast.net. thank you.

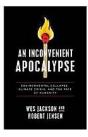


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Please join Pastor Bill Petersen (ASEC) and Pastor Donna Muise (FCCW) as we gather via Zoom on Tuesdays 4:00-5:15 pm for reflection and discussion. The Wolfeboro Public Library and Country Bookseller have our lists (note *Kookooland* is a special order via Country Bookseller).

February 7 and 28 only – A God at the Door poetry by Tishani Doshi

March 14, 21, 28 - KooKooLand a memoir by Gloria Norris

April 11, 18, 25 - An Inconvenient Apocalypse: Environmental Collapse, Climate Crisis, and the Fate of Humanity by Wes Jackson and Robert Jensen

May 9, 16, 23 - Demon Copperhead a novel by Barbara Kingsolver



# Dinner Bell DINING IN PERSON IN THE PARISH HALL THURSDAYS 5:00 PM

#### **Monthly Menu:**

March 2<sup>nd</sup> - Minestrone soup, Pizza, Salad, and Dessert

March 9<sup>th</sup> - Beef barely soup, Macaroni and cheese, and Dessert

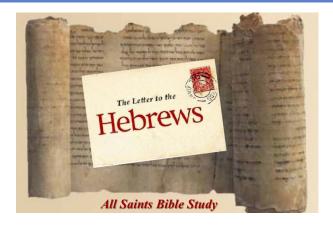
March 16<sup>th</sup> – St. Patrick's Dinner of Corned Beef and cabbage, and Dessert

March 23<sup>rd</sup> - Cream of turkey soup, Shepherd's pie, and Dessert

March 30<sup>th</sup> - Pea soup, American chop suey, and Dessert

A reminder that our Dinner Bell program offers a community meal weekly on Thursdays 5:00-6:00 pm in the parish hall. All are welcome and meal reservations are encouraged by calling the church office 569-3453. Donations are accepted to offset costs

Your help is also welcome to share hospitality with our neighbors, please speak with Carol Simpson or Pastor Bill to volunteer.



#### Thursday Bible Study

God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom.

Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

The Letter to the Hebrews is one of the more sophisticated New Testament writings, with the author connecting the Old Testament passages to the present concerns of the community of faith. We will gather Thursday afternoons at 3:00 pm in the Beck Memorial Library and online via Zoom to walk through this New Testament book examining the thematic questions: Who Is Jesus?, What Did Jesus Do?, What Is Faith?, How Shall We Live?, and What If Faith Fails?

#### March 2023 Calendar



Click **HERE** for a pdf copy of the Calendar

There are many ways to connect with one another to see, hear and share God online at All Saints





E-NEWS UPDATE E-news editing has now moved to the Parish Office. Please have your submission requests to the office by Tuesday of the week you would like it in the e-news. You may email your requests to Debra at allsaints@metrocast.net.



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#### **Accessing books in the Beck Library**

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