



Saint Marker

St. Mark's strives to be a community of healing, fellowship and inspiration, sharing love with joy in Jesus Christ and challenging all to life anew.

February 2008

Lenten Series on Wednesday Evenings 2008

Sharing Our Journey: Learning to See Your Life as a Spiritual Journey

Twentieth-century philosopher and theologian Martin Buber once wrote that he could “never hold a significant conversation with another person until he had heard the other’s life story.” We in the Church each have stories to tell, unique stories of our individual faith journeys, stories of painful times, ordinary times, and joyful times, of searching and of being found. We do not often take the time to tell each other our stories, and we therefore miss out on the chance to build the trust and understanding that can come from sharing the narratives of our lives.

This Lent, we invite all of you to come together to tell your own stories, as much or as little as you are comfortable sharing. We will not engage in “group therapy” or in probing into personal motives and choices, but we will simply get together in small groups, moderated by a mentor, to present ourselves and our faith journeys and to listen deeply to each other. Our hope is that at the end of our five weeks of sharing our stories, we will understand one another better, find connections in our lives, and gain an appreciation of one another that we did not have before this journey together. Through our sharing in small groups, we believe that our lives, our ministries, our church and our love of God will grow stronger.

For our planning, we ask that you sign up in the Information Center ahead of time, if possible, and we hope that you will be able to attend each of the five sessions, so that we will each have a chance to listen to each others’ stories and to be heard.

Each Wednesday evening during Lent a simple meal will be served. Our evenings together begin with a shared meal at 5:30 p.m. A choice of two soups, a salad and a beverage will be served (bring your own sandwich if you wish). Cost is \$4.00 per adult and \$2.00 for children under 10. Each week the supper will be coordinated by a different group from the parish. The program will begin at 6:15 p.m. and conclude at 7:30 p.m. following a service of Compline.

Worship Schedule

Saturdays

Holy Eucharist 5:30 pm

Sundays

Holy Eucharist
8:00 am and 10:00 am

Weekdays

Morning Prayer
Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am

Healing Service
Tuesday 10:00 am

Reconciliation and Other Sacraments

by Appointment with the Clergy

Highlights

Lent

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The Adult Catechumenate Class

If you desire confirmation or reception in the Episcopal Church, or if you would like to renew your baptismal vows this spring, please join the Adult Catechumenate Class during the Church School hour for an eight-week series of videos, lectures and discussions. Others interested in refreshing their knowledge of Episcopal Church history are also welcome to drop in and join us in the parlor.

February 3: The Ancient and Medieval Foundations of Anglicanism
February 10: The English Reformation and its Consequences
February 17: The Anglican Communion and the Creation of a Global Family
February 24: The Story of the Episcopal Church from Jamestown to the American Revolution
March 2: The Story of the Episcopal Church and the Call to Mission
March 9: The Book of Common Prayer
March 30: The Creeds and Catechism
April 27: Questions about Confirmation, Reaffirmation, and Reception

ECW News

Mark these dates on your calendar:

February 4 - Meet at 9:00 a.m. at The Temple for Interfaith program

February 10 - Bake sale for Episcopal Church Home Scholarship Fund. Proceeds from the bake sale go to the Scholarship Fund at ECH to help defray costs of such things as haircuts, beauty shop, laundry and other personal items of the residents. Please sign up in the Information Center and state what items you will be baking. Items can be brought to the office on February 8 or early February 10.

March 11 - 10:30 a.m. at St. Mark's. This is our annual budget meeting. Please apprise June Richards, Dorothy Durning, Shirley Elmore or Susan Schueler of any items you want in the budget. This is a brown bag lunch. Dessert will be provided. Please sign up in the Information Center if you plan to attend.

April 8 - Speaker - Luncheon. More information will be in the March St. Marker.

May 13 - Day trip to Bemheim Forest. More information will be in the March St. Marker.

Annual Meeting Recap

At the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 27, Mandy Cumberledge, Carlile Crutcher, Bob DeHoag and David Ramsay were elected to serve three-year terms on St. Mark's vestry. June Richards was elected to serve the one year left on Dick Amspiger's term. On Sunday, February 3, the vestry will meet and elect officers for 2008.

Deepest thanks were expressed to the outgoing members of the vestry: Jamie Ramsay, David Boone, Ken Rohleder and Carlile Crutcher, who had served the remaining year of Paul Gill's term. Each was presented with a St. Mark's mug.

Jamie Ramsay was honored as St. Mark's "unsung hero" for 2007.

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to...

Doreen Fraser on death of her daughter;

Michelle Magee on death of her father; and

Elizabeth Mitchell on death of her aunt.

Vestry/Staff Retreat

St. Mark's vestry and staff will be gathering at All Saints' Center on February 8th and 9th for their annual retreat. This year's gathering will be led by The Reverend Paul Jeanes, Rector of St. James, Pewee Valley.

Diocesan Convention

The 180th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kentucky will be held at St. Peter's Episcopal Church on February 22 and 23. Representing St. Mark's as lay deputies will be Gayle Dorsey, Herb Miller and Gwen O'Dea. Alex Campbell, Katherine Kingren and Joe Straughan will serve as alternates. Our youth deputy will be Joanna Fraser.

In an effort to provide the parish with a summary of the convention's actions, the deputies will be available in the church parlor from 9:00 – 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, February 24. All interested parishioners are invited and urged to attend this informative session.

Casserole Ministry

In this new year are you seeking a way to become more involved in your parish? The Casserole Ministry would welcome your participation as it strives to reach out to parishioners who are experiencing difficulty, such as illness or the death of a loved one, or who are celebrating the birth of a child.

At your convenience you can place a casserole in the church freezer or you can volunteer to assist in the delivery of a casserole when the need arises.

If you would like more information on this meaningful ministry, please contact Fran Dick, Casserole Chair (426-2103) or Gwen O'Dea in the parish office.

Evening Women's Group

The Evening Women's Group will be fixing and serving supper at the Ronald McDonald House on the following Sundays: March 2, June 1 and November 2. Anyone interested in helping out is asked to

contact Joyce Martin or Ann Davis.

Congratulations to...

Edith (Crutcher) and Darren Bush on the December 28, 2007, birth of their son Conner Doyle Bush. Proud grandparents are Louise and Carlile Crutcher.

Easter Flowers

The giving of an Easter flower recognizes and remembers loved ones or acknowledges blessings and also assists the Altar Guild in decorating our church for Easter. For your convenience order forms will be available in the Information Center. Please note that because Easter is so early this year, the deadline for placing orders is early also—Sunday, March 2. Orders should be turned into the parish office.

Parish Life

Birthdays

Jordan Stewart	February 1
David Boone	February 2
Sara Marvin	February 2
Sarah Knight	February 2
Clara Hudson	February 3
Brooks Hower	February 3
Jackson Ousley	February 4
Tim O'Dea, Jr.	February 6
Mary Jane Gossman	February 7
Herb Miller	February 8
Jacob Blieden	February 9
Brent Carlton	February 10
Scott Park	February 10
Barbara Kramer	February 11
Parker Walthall	February 12
Sam Mason	February 12
Mary Rondi	February 14
Piper Schad	February 15
Dani Baker	February 15
Dorothy Durning	February 16
Alison Tempero	February 17
Bob Shober	February 18
Debbie DeHoag	February 18
Dan Knight	February 22
Cheri Boden	February 25
Grace Dumesnil	February 25
Daniel Park	February 26
Cyrus Radford III	February 27
Molly Schad	February 28

Prayers for Healing

Prayers are offered for a portion of the following list at each service on Sunday and the entire list at the Healing Eucharist on Tuesdays:

Patricia M. Campbell, Kim Moore, Anne Ebendorf, Maren Vouga, Jimmy Ruch, Howard Rodgers, Bill Poynter, William Dove, Susanna Moran, Karen Ichabod, Paul McDonald, Tom Warren, Charles Hawkins, Roy Potts, Jr., Diane Kircher, Lucia Bryant, Evie Day, Laura Eagle, Al Zadig, Nancy Martin, Jim Gay, Rebecca Shain, Anne, Tom Pardue, Kala, Eleanor Bosen, Mary Prine, Carol Royer, Dorothy McCaffrey, Verna Rothenburger, Daniel, Sue Hazelip, Kit Davis, Ann Stewart, Meme Smith, J.C. Leonard, David Clayton MacDonald, Lynn Lewis, Jim Leason, Bill Butler, Ethel Bradshaw, Jean Fairleigh, Pat Young, Tom Vogt, Rita Gildehaus, Virginia Wynn, Rob Hester, Stacy Harvey, Bradley, Ally, Janie Kall, Henry Bickel, Dick Day, Ann Lamberton

Parish Register

Baptism

Caroline Elizabeth Mason
(January 13, 2007)

Anniversaries

Bob and Debbie DeHoag	February 1
C.J. and Caroline Cronan III	February 23

Parish Prayer List

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

February 3 - Pray for the Diocese of Armagh (Ireland)
February 10 - Pray for the Diocese of Atlanta (United States)
February 17 - Pray for the Diocese of Banks and Torres (Melanesia)
February 24 - Pray for the Diocese of Belize (West Indies)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Messiah-Trinity Lutheran & Episcopal Xhuxh
Louisville, KY

Parish Partners

St. Frances of Rome, Our Covenant Parish
The congregations of United Crescent Hill Ministries,
especially
Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Week of February 3

◆
Nan Moore
Robert Muir
Tom Murrell
Jeanne Murrell
Desi Nisbett

Week of February 10

◆
Laura Nevitt
Robert Nevitt
Alyson Gill
Jack Gill
Melissa Dick

Week of February 17

◆
Tim O'Dea
Gwen O'Dea
Jim Oppel
Eleanor Oppel
Kitty Park Patterson

Week of February 24

◆
Stacey Ousley
John Ousley
Jackson Ousley
Barbara Patton
Richard Ruthers

Prayer for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth,
and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far
off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may
seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold;
pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming
of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

At Morning Prayer each weekday, we pray for the Church around the world including members of our parish. If you are unable to join us for Morning Prayer, please remember those listed above in your personal devotions this month.

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February Altar Flowers and Candles
are given to the
Honor and Glory of God...

Flowers

February 3 by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tate in loving memory of their parents, William and Maria Tate and Tapscott and Virginia Omohundro; their aunts, Charlotte Olmstead and Frances Zaal; and Mary Minton Eitel.

February 10 LENT

February 17 LENT

February 24 LENT

Candles

Eucharistic Candles by Gwen and Tim O'Dea in loving memory of their parents, Jean Short Micou, Mary Catherine O'Dea and William C. O'Dea, Sr.

Five Branch Candles by Betty Sherrill in loving memory of her parents, Jane and Robert Hirst, and her brothers, Robert Jr. and William Gardner Hirst.