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From Our Pastor

My Dear Family in Christ,

I concluded the Ash Wednesday sermon with this prayer (and had handouts of it at the liturgy on February 17th). I feel it's a good prayer to reflect upon during our Lenten journey.

A Prayer for Lent

LORD, bless to me this Lent.

Lord, let me fast most truly and profitably,
by feeding in prayer on thy Spirit:
reveal me to myself
in the light of thy holiness.

Suffer me never to think that I have
knowledge enough to need no teaching,
wisdom enough to need no correction,
talents enough to need no grace,
goodness enough to need no progress,
humility enough to need no repentance,
devotion enough to need no quickening,
strength sufficient without thy Spirit;
lest, standing still, I fall back for evermore.

Show me the desires that should be disciplined,
and sloths to be slain.

Show me the omissions to be made up
and the habits to be mended.

And behind these,
weaken, humble, and annihilate in me
self-will, self-righteousness, self-satisfaction,
self-sufficiency, self-assertion, vainglory.

May my whole effort be to return to thee;
O make it serious and sincere
persevering and fruitful in result,
by the help of thy Holy Spirit
and to thy glory,
my Lord and my GOD.

-The Rev. Dr. Eric Milner-White (1884-1963)

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Don

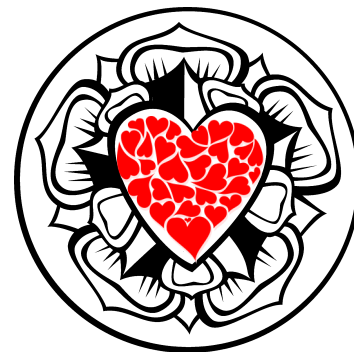


SUNDAY SCHEDULE

10:30 am
Worship Service

OUR MISSION

*We are a family
of Christ,
committed to serving,
teaching, welcoming
and loving
all God's people.*



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Council Minutes
December 14, 2020

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Carolyn Moran, Gail Davidson, Maria Hoyt, Jim Dollar, Roxiee Dollar, Tara Taffe, Sheila Sanchez, Ellen Wilson, Deborah Midgett, Jackie Byers.

ABSENT: Tim Garvin, Karen Sutton, Patricia Kindred

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Information regarding CD rates for placing financial gift given to the Church.
- B. Acknowledgement sent?
- C. Be sure announcement goes out in regards to January 24th Congregational Meeting.
- D. Review decision on do we continue not to sing, or do we again as long as we are 6 feet apart and masked? Readdress at a later time?

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, discussion re: having this or not. No,
- B. Ash Wednesday Service, have or not have? One service at 7:00 pm.
- C. It has been brought to our attention, do we remain open or not? Yes.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. Purchase a laptop or table top computer for Financial Secretary to use. POC: Carolyn Moran
APPROVED 1st Sheila Sanchez, 2nd Gail Davidson

Angels are always with us to guide us. Angels can come in many different forms: conversations with friends, prayer and devotion, advocacy work, spending time with family, etc. No matter which form, they have been placed in our lives to help us make it through our days in the wilderness. Know you can always call on them throughout your path to hearing the good news of God.

Prayer: Dear Lord, it is hard work to find our way through each trial and tribulation we are put through. Lord, let us look to you and to our angels to provide comfort and guidance through these hard times. Even though we stumble along the way and question our faith, you are there to guide us and let us grow stronger in faith. Amen.

-adapted from 2021 Daily Lenten Devotions from the Young Adults of the Virginia Synod, Emily Dietrick, Epiphany Lutheran Church, Richmond

***Worship Attendance for January 2021***

Date	Congregation	Choir/ Assistants	Nursery	Total
January 3, 2021	?	?	?	?
January 10, 2021	12	6	0	18
January 17, 2021	18	5	0	23
January 24, 2021	17	6	0	23
January 31, 2021	23	6	0	29

The Season of Lent, of reflection, is upon us. We are called to adjust our traditions during this pandemic. We will not partake of the mid-week soup and bread nor the Vesper Services. Ash Wednesday was celebrated without the Imposition of Ashes.

We will offer Easter Lily purchases in honor or memory of loved ones. Watch the Sunday bulletin inserts for details.

Please keep our Church Family in prayer. Many are isolating to curb the spread of the virus, some are not physically able to attend Sunday worship. Sunday hymns are now in the weekly insert, please remember to sing softly to yourself or hum the tune. The choir continues to provide the choral pieces of the service. Speaking of choir, this is a great opportunity to let your voice be heard! Talk to Lee if you are interested in joining.

I keep reminding myself that God is in control and He will see us through this!

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Davidson, Chair



Call Committee Update

The call committee is holding steady. We have not received any new profiles from Synod. When we do, we will update the congregation.

Gail Davidson, Call Committee Chair



March Anniversaries

3 ~ Paula ♥ Stephen Dembkoski
42 years



Let us take the opportunity to
congratulate them on their years together,
and wish for them to have many, many more.

March Birthdays

8 ~ Stephen Chivers
9 ~ Sarah Delgado
10 ~ Deborah Midgett
16 ~ Jenny Mutch
19 ~ Sue Wilson
22 ~ Pastor Don Wilson
25 ~ Anthonette Jasco



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Parish Bookkeeper: Carolyn Moran
Parish Secretary: Anne Combes

**If your mailing information has changed,
please notify the Church Office.**

Thank you!

Lent

A Season of Preparation

Join us for
socially distanced Worship

SUNDAY MORNINGS
at 10:30 AM

