

Announcements for Last Epiphany: February 7, 2016

Welcome to your church! Jane Hale is the Worship Leader. Dave Carter is the Preacher & Celebrant.

Communion uses a common cup for wine and wheat wafers. You can take the wafer only, if you prefer, or “intinct” the wafer into the wine. Non-gluten wafers? Check with clergy at the rail. Thanks to service participants! (the schedule is on the back table).

Ash Wednesday is February 10th! Service at 7:30 a.m. and then Ashes-to-Go all day in the office.

Chili Cook-Off Last Night: Thanks to all who were able to support, participate and attend!

Church School –Thanks for your attendance at the Committee Meeting. We are always open to new volunteers with new ideas. To find out more about our “Feasting on the Word” curriculum for Easter and current “Moses” program please speak with the Director or the Vestry Liaisons, Kim Bergandahl or Melissa Zahansky;

Nicole Nichols churchschoolpomfret@gmail.com

Lenten Programs: LentenWords (Facebook page online) begins Ash Wednesday! The **Women’s Workshop** meets later in the month (see Jane for other opportunities). **Faith, Humanity and Science:** A Conversation with Krista Tippett & Guest Scientists. As we did last year for our look at Islam we’ll have three Mondays (March 7, 14 and 21) at 6:30 p.m. to listen to interviews and converse (at the Rectory with Dave). More details as we approach March 7th. There is a possibility that we might have a showing of the movie *Interstellar* if there is time and interest.

Mission Trip: We’ll be doing a presentation on Guatemala at the Adult Forum on February 21st which will include stories, video, photos and artifacts.

Teen Program: J2A and YAC activities, see separate email notices; J2A has an event today if the weather holds; Rite-13 (grades 6-7), J2A (8-9) and YAC (10 grade+); Catherine Bastow: 860-928-3575; catherinebastow@sbcglobal.net

Vestry: Next meeting is on Feb. 10th (this Wednesday)

Vine and Branches Mural: See Rite-13ers or Jim Goodwin to get your photo taken!

Visions & Ventures/Stewardship for 2016: It’s never too late to submit your pledge! The total is currently 77 pledges for approximately \$182,704. We’re getting there. Our working goal is \$213, 592. Thank you!

Women’s Spiritual Growth Workshop: 7 p.m. on **Tuesday, February 23rd** in the library (or larger space) for spiritual exploration and celebrating our Sisterhood! Just bring yourself. Jane Hale at jclhale@charter.net.

Worship Upcoming: February 14th, 8 and 10:15 services, the Rev. Katherine White, celebrant and worship leader, Jane is preacher; Feb. 21st, all services, Dave, preacher, Jane, worship leader (Church First & Scout Sunday)

House-keeping:

Courier Deadline for March: February 15th; *We will mail out first class to those who request it.* Our **Thursday Reminder** is a key email update (which includes the Courier). **Do we have your email or snail-mail address?** Update or renew, see the form on the music stand **or email** (address below).

Directories... there are *usually* directories of the parish in the basket to the left just inside the office!

CSO – Community Kitchen on February 22nd; Cooking a meal at CCPomfret and taking it to the Hill Church (1st Cong.) in Woodstock. See Pauline Phillips, Supervisor. **We collect durable foods here weekly for ACCESS.**

Flowers: the memorial/thanksgiving form is on the stand in back. Master Flower Sign-up outside the office starting again in January.

Pastoral Call Emergencies should be directed to office (860-315-7780) or Fr. Dave’s cell phone: 860-608-7632. Or if you need to call in prayer concerns to the **Prayer Chain** call the office: 860-315-7780.

Prayer Shawls – Blessed shawls on the back table of the church (please write in who is receiving the gift in the shawl journal). More in the hallway closet by the offices: Rebecca Patenaude: patenaude.rebecca@gmail.com.

Special Mission - the Rev. Oscar Brockmeyer’s programs on Spirituality are in the Reminder.

Vestry meets next on this Wednesday, February 10, 2016

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1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me
 2. When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger
 3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws

1. stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
 2. near, When my life is al - most gone;
 3. near, And the day is past and gone;

1. Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the
 2. Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I
 3. At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my

1. light, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.
 2. fall, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.
 3. hand, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.