

Announcements for the Fifth Sunday in Lent – March 22nd, 2015

Welcome to your church; **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; Coffee Hours, 8 a.m. Laura & Ray; 10:15 Blue Team; **Coffee Hour is a great way to meet fellow parishioners.**

Chocolates for Relay will again be on sale today and next Sunday. Homemade by Hannah Flath, Amy Lusa and Katie Lusa. All proceeds to support our Christ Church Relay Team.

Church School –We continue our Lenten Season Heifer Program today. **Heifer International Fair** on March 29th. Help us support this unique development organization. **Eggstravaganza** on April 4th (This a favorite at CC. We need help: bakers, project leaders; etc. Check with us asap). **Amy and Nicole** ccchurchschoolpomfret@gmail.com

Communion Class for 2nd-3rd graders (with an adult) who are about to be or are already baptized is scheduled for this Saturday March 28th (so far we’ve heard from Rigney, Landis & Archambault families), **9:30 a.m.** in the Great Hall. We will have our usual mix of art, conversation & *pita bread making* for Palm Sunday!

Flowers/Lillies for Easter: the memorial/thanksgiving form is on the stand in back!

Got Lenten Study? – Living Islam a Study using Krista Tippett’s “On Being” continues at the Carters, next door, at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday (March 25th, option to continue to April 1st). Come for all, some, one.

Memorial for Madeleine Lake will be held this Saturday, March 28th, at 12 noon.

Special Mission Fund – update. There are 3 conversations: 1) Having a “meal packaging” event for Stop Hunger Now (in the fall); 2) Doing a Habitat weekend or week “locally” (something to drive to); 3) joining an 8 day trip with PID (Partners in Development) who work in Haiti, Guatemala & Mississippi. **Speak with Kirsten Rigney (#2) or Mitzi Davis (#3) or Dave** during Coffee to continue a conversation on being part of this or something else (conversation all month). Scheduling soon.

Teen Program: Rite-13 (grades 7-8), J2A (9-10) and YAC (11 grade+). Coordinator: Dee Dee Markes: deedeepa@charter.net; 860-963-1245. Next event: **Rummage Sale on May 2nd** that coordinates with the town-wide sale in Pomfret.

Visions and Ventures/Stewardship – Your pledge is the way we fund our church for the year. If you have yet to pledge it’s never too late. Thanks. We have a robust program for Online Giving/Donating and Pledging through Easytithes (see “Buttons” at the website and in the Reminder). “Generic” donation envelopes in back as well as Pledge Cards (that can be dropped in the Collection).

Worship Notes: Palm Sunday is March 29th (also Church School Heifer Fair!) Holy Week Schedule: Maundy Thursday 7:30 a.m. service & 6 p.m. Potluck with Table Eucharist at the Carters followed by the Stripping of the Altar in church; Good Friday, Walking the Labyrinth in the Great Hall, 7 p.m. Liturgy with Hymns in church; Holy Saturday, 10 a.m. Eggstravaganza, 4 p.m. Rectory School Easter Service; Easter Sunday, 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

House-keeping:

Courier Deadline for April is March 23rd; *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 March 23rd will be at the Hill Church (1st Cong.) in Woodstock. See Pauline Phillips, Supervisor. **We collect durable foods here weekly for ACCESS (Church School offering).**

Library-- Got ideas? sraarch7569@gmail.com Kristen Archambault

Master Flower Schedule is posted outside the office. You can sign up right there! Office: 860-928-7026.

Inreach – *There are a few new casseroles* in our chest freezer for any in need.

Parish Life – Coffee Hour Teams –See the Bulletin Board outside the Library.

Pastoral Call Emergencies should be directed to office (860-928-7026) 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: 860-928-7026

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.

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Blessed be Your Name (by Tree63)

1) Blessed be your name, In the land that is plentiful,
when the streams of abundance flow, Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name, When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness, Blessed be Your name

CHORUS:

Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise,
When the darkness closes in Lord, Still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name

2) Blessed be Your name, When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be, Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name, On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, Blessed be Your name

CHORUS (above)

BRIDGE:

You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say, Lord blessed be Your name

CHORUSES



**The Living Market Sale for Heifer International
Here on Sunday March 29th, 2015 (Palm Sunday)**

**Come see some animals in the Great Hall –
then donate money to buy one (or more?)**



March 29th – Palm Sunday (10:15 service starts in the Great Hall)

April 2nd – Maundy Thursday: 7:30 a.m. Healing Eucharist;

Potluck Dinner at 6 p.m. & Table Eucharist at the Carter's home & Stripping of Altar in Church)

April 3rd – Good Friday (Walk the labyrinth in Great Hall/service at 7 p.m. in the church)

April 4th – Eggstravaganza 10 a.m. Great Hall/Rectory Chapel Service at 4 p.m.

April 5th – Easter Services (8 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. in the church)