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**“THE LION”
of ST. MARK'S**

“To know Christ and to make Christ known.”

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Pastor's "Lion" message for March

Dear Members and Friends of St. Mark's,
“Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink from the cup (1Corinthians 11:28).”

The church in Corinth was divided in nearly every way possible. Paul admonished the Corinthians to be unified, but Paul knew the only real common denominator was the truth of the Gospel: the proclamation that Jesus loved them, died for them and rose from the dead for them. Paul knew that his friendship for them would fail. He knew that their affection for him would fail. He knew that their citizenship, nationality and culture would fail. These things might have brought them together for a time, but in the end they would not last. Paul knew that clever leadership or shared tradition could not fix the division experienced by the community in Corinth. The only way for division in such a diverse community to give way to unity was through shared experience as the body of Christ.

The church today struggles with the same issues. We know diversity and individuality are important. We know that tradition and heritage are to be cherished. So, how do we celebrate these without becoming divided? By looking to the cross of Christ. Jesus is not only our Savior and Lord, he is also our role model. As he gave himself for us, so we are to give ourselves for others. His sacrifice for our sakes becomes so much more meaningful when we see it as not only our act of redemption, but also our call to action.

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How many Green Shamrocks can you find in the Newsletter?



In our chancel hangs a large, suspended cross. That cross is not there for decoration. It is there to remind us of the sacrifice of Jesus. The good news of our redemption from sin and death is our proclamation and our example. From sacrifice comes life.

Not only during this season of Lent, but throughout all the seasons of the Gospel, when we receive the bread and cup let us remember that as Jesus gave himself for us, so we are asked to give ourselves for others.

Grace + Peace,



HAPPENING THIS MONTH:

Wednesday, March 1

Midweek Service of the Word, 12:15 p.m., Chapel

Sunday, March 5, Second Sunday in Lent
Holy Communion, 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 8

Midweek Service of the Word, 12:15 p.m., Chapel

Sunday, March 12, Third Sunday in Lent
Holy Communion, 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 15

Midweek Service of the Word, 12:15 p.m., Chapel

Sunday, March 19, Fourth Sunday in Lent
Holy Communion, 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 22

Midweek Service of the Word, 12:15 p.m., Chapel

Sunday, March 26, Fifth Sunday in Lent
Holy Communion, 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 29

Midweek Service of the Word, 12:15 p.m., Chapel



OUR SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES:
 Holy Communion,
 8 and 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School
 (for all ages), 9:15 a.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Adult Sunday School Class is currently studying, *Living the*

Kingdom; Reflections on the Small Catechism. We meet in the Middle Lounge at 9:15 a.m.

All are welcome.



LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT MONTH (April)

Sunday, April 2, Sunday of the Passion
(Palm Sunday)
Holy Communion, 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, April 6, Maundy Thursday
Holy Communion, 12:05 p.m.
(Chapel)
Holy Communion with Foot Washing,
7:30 p.m. (Nave)

Friday, April 7, Good Friday
Ecumenical Service, Trinity Episcopal
Pro-Cathedral, Noon
(844 West 4th Street)
Tenebrae (Service of the Shadows),
in our Nave 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 8, Holy Saturday
The Great Vigil of Easter, 8 p.m.
(We will gather in the Chapel and
move to the Nave)

Sunday, April 9, Easter Sunday
The Feast of Resurrection (Easter
Holy Communion), 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 30, "St. Mark Sunday"
(Remembering our patron)
Holy Communion, 8 and 10:30 a.m.



Midweek Lenten Series: Making Change

**Wednesdays in Lent (March 1-29),
12:15 p.m., Chapel**

Change is a constant in our lives. Some changes mark gradual transitions, as when daytime shifts toward twilight or winter turns to spring. Others happen in the blink of an eye, separating time into "before" and "after". We choose to undergo some changes after carefully considering our options, while others are forced upon us.

In the weeks, days, and hours before Jesus' crucifixion, the disciples also experienced change: a change of venue as the gates of Jerusalem approached; a change of plans as their long-awaited Messiah was arrested and tried; a change of circumstance as the crowds shouted "Crucify!"

Change is hard. We long for the expected and familiar, but all too often find ourselves in the midst of uncertainty and the unknown. We cannot predict how things will turn out. The hymnwriter Joachim Neander proclaimed God's steadfast love in the midst of life's inevitable changes: "All my hope on God is founded who will all my trust renew, who through change and chance will guide me, only good and only true. God unknown, God alone, call my heart to be thine own" (WOV 782).

Each Wednesday in Lent we will explore together how in the midst of change, God in Christ is always with us. All are welcome!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



"I took each item out of my box one by one. I wanted to rejoice for everything."

~ Andy, shoe box recipient.

Please consider donating to our shoebox collections this month. The items are small, and yet so meaningful to the child who receives them.

In March, we will be collecting:

Combs/Brushes/Hair Accessories

Toothbrushes

Bar Soap

Mini Flashlights with extra batteries

Monetary donations are also welcome as we are looking into including "Grow With Me" shoes in this year's boxes. While these are a bit pricey at \$20.00/pair, they adjust over time and can "grow" 5 sizes as the child's foot grows. These shoes are often needed for children to attend school so receiving them is a huge blessing indeed! Checks may be made to St. Mark's with OCC in the memo line.

These items (or any others) can be placed in our red, OCC bin located in the narthex. We thank you for your generosity!



*The age ranges for both boy and girl boxes we fill are 2-4, 5-9, and 10-14



Lutheran World Relief

There is a great need for personal care kits for the victims of the Turkey earthquake and for war victims in the Ukraine. Kits are composed of a bath towel (dark color preferred - regular size not a bath blanket), 2 bars of soap, a comb, a toothbrush, and a nail clipper. You can provide a complete kit or bring in any of the components of the kit and I will make sure to complete the kit. Monetary donations are also welcome - make out to St. Mark's with LWR kits in the memo line.



Family Promise

Hosting for Family Promise will begin March 26. Chefs are needed to prepare dinner for the families. Alternatives to cooking are take out, pizza, providing the components for one of the guests to do the cooking. More information will be given toward the end of the month. If you can provide a dinner (in any form), please let me know. dabuckman65@gmail.com or 570-323-1707



Rigatoni and Meatballs

There will be a Rigatoni and meatball dinner on March 25 from 4-7 PM at St. John's -Newberry UMC on Newberry St. The dinner is a fundraiser for Mama Arlene who is a missionary in Africa. The proceeds of the dinner will help her school build an additional 3 classrooms. The school hosts 1,100 students and has 41 teachers. Tickets are \$12 at the door or \$10 presale. Children 6 and under are \$5. Take out is available and there will be a silent auction of baskets. Call St. John's for tickets at (570) 326-5569.



Lutheran Day at the Capitol 2023

Mark your calendar and plan to join Lutherans from around the state for a day of worship, learning and advocacy on April 27, 2023. Plan to stay for a dinner celebration of advocates at the Harrisburg Hilton. Tell your friends and watch here for more information and registration.



Camp Mount Luther is participating in The First Community Foundation Partnership of PA's "**Raise the Region**" on March 8-9, 2023. It is a 30-hour fundraising event starting at 6:00 p.m. and ending the next day at 11:59 p.m. Money donated by the Blaise Alexander Family Dealerships will help stretch donations made to organizations that day. Additional monetary prizes and incentives will be awarded, too. Proceeds raised for Mount Luther these days to the camp's Annual Fund unless a donor gets in touch with the camp office to designate it for another camp cause. To be part of Raise the Region, visit www.raisetheregion.org during the event and make an online donation to camp. Running totals will be shown throughout the day at the Raise the Region website. Camp Mount Luther has participated in Raise the Region for ten years and has garnered about \$179,000 in donations during this event. The camp hopes you will help us to have another successful year!



'The St Mark's property committee would like to invite all church members to a Spring work day. Various tasks around the building need to be taken care of as we prepare for Easter and Spring! No special skills are needed, all we are asking for is some enthusiasm! We will serve coffee and breakfast snacks! Please join us for fellowship and fun, and help us care for the church building we all treasure.'

Drew Haussmann and Ed Gair
St Mark's Property Committee





Usher Schedule for March

March 5	8:00 a.m.	Herb Poff Richard Miler
	10:30 a.m.	Gary Weber, Shelby Weber
March 12	8:00 a.m.	Herb Poff Richard Miler
	10:30 a.m.	Matt Fortin, captain Glenn Yapple, Bud Doeblor
March 19	8:00 a.m.	Herb Poff Richard Miler
	10:30 a.m.	Carl Albright, captain Brenda, Owen and Levi Gair
March 26	8:00 a.m.	Herb Poff Richard Miler
	10:30 a.m.	Tim Maggs, captain Carl Hieber, Charles Kurtz

Lectors For March



March 5	8:00 a.m.	Drew Hausmann
	10:30 a.m.	Gary Weber
March 12	8:00 a.m.	Pastor Vasey
	10:30 a.m.	Deb Buckman
March 19	8:00 a.m.	Vicki Hausmann
	10:30 a.m.	Audrey Albright
March 26	8:00 a.m.	Becky Pryor
	10:30 a.m.	Lou Ann Zeigler



Communion Assistants for March

Please arrange replacement if you cannot serve.

March 5	8:00 a.m.	Becky Pryor
	10:30 a.m.	Matt and Wanda Fortin
March 12	8:00 a.m.	Drew Hausmann
	10:30 a.m.	Ralph and Lou Ann Zeigler
March 19	8:00 a.m.	Becky Pryor
	10:30 a.m.	Dan Zeigler
March 26	8:00 a.m.	Drew Hausmann
	10:30 a.m.	Carl and Audrey Albright



Altar Guild for March

Cindy Huff
Linda Rosini



Can You Help?

St. Mark's is looking for additional volunteers for Ushers, Communion Assistants and Lectors.



Contact us at
stmarks@stmarkswilliamsport.org
For more information or to sign-up.

Evangelism and Fellowship Committee

Notes for “The Lion” March 2023

Raise the Region – Save the Dates!



First Community Foundation of PA in partnership with Blaise Alexander Family Dealerships will once again be launching a 30-hour online fundraising event starting Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 6:00 PM though Thursday, March 9, 2022 at 11:59 PM. Take a few moments and visit www.raisetheregion.org to see the more than 300 non-profit organizations in our area accepting donations. In addition to Camp Mount Luther, a few other nonprofits that come to mind at St.

Mark's, are the Community Theatre League, Inc., Family Promise, United Churches of Lycoming County, the SPCA, James V. Brown Library and the Newberry Branch of NGA. All gifts are tax deductible and will help make your favorite nonprofit's mission possible.

Easter Greetings



The Evangelism and Fellowship Committee thank everyone who sent Valentine's Day cards to our Special Concern folks and others. We are certain there were many smiles by those receiving them.

We need the congregation's help, once again, in sending Easter greetings to our Special Concern folks and others we do not see as often as we would like.

Cards will be available in the Narthex on Sunday, March 26, 2023 before and after each service. Please add a cheery message, affix a stamp and mail in time for Easter. Thank you for any assistance you can provide.

SOJOURNER TRUTH MINISTRIES (STM)



Sojourner Truth Ministries is a Christian-faith based non-profit organization providing homelessness and hunger prevention services in Lycoming County. STM began twenty years ago as an outreach ministry of the United Methodist Church. They are located in the former High Street United Methodist Church at the corner of High and Center Streets.

STM offers clothing, food, social services and serves meals to 75 - 100 people per day, six days per week. House of Hope, a transitional living center for homeless women and a duplex on Center Street are also under the guidance of STM.

During the school year, STM also provides an after-school program two days per week. Children in grades kindergarten through Middle School receive homework help, play games, use computers, participate in a Bible lesson and enjoy snacks. A faithful group of volunteers work tirelessly with the twenty-plus children who attend.



Lenten Project

The Faith Formation and Evangelism and Fellowship Committees are joining together for a Lenten project that needs the congregation's help to be successful. The Blessing Boxes at New Covenant UCC give bath kits to homeless people who stop by for nourishment and hygiene items.

The foundation of each kit is a bath towel and washcloth which our committees will provide. Our goal is to complete 10 kits by the end of the Lenten season.

Items in need are bars of soap, plastic soap dishes, toothbrushes, toothbrush holders, toothpaste, band-aids, inexpensive combs and brushes and small (10-12 oz.) bottles of body lotion. Items can be found inexpensively at the Dollar Tree, Dollar General, Family Dollar or Wal-Mart. Donations may be placed in the tub in the Narthex. Thank you in advance for any assistance you can give.

Got Stuff?



The Evangelism and Fellowship Committee and the Women of St. Mark's need donations for our annual Fall Sale that will be held in early September.

We are accepting holiday decorations, housewares, linens, toys, small, working electronics, gadgets, dishes, jewelry, lamps, art work and the list goes on. If you don't want it, we probably can sell it.

We cannot accept VCR tapes, text books, encyclopedias, computers, televisions, large gym equipment, cribs or mattresses.

Please place your donations in boxes small enough for us to lift. Donations can be placed in the Bazaar Room in the basement. If you cannot get to the basement, leaving them on the second landing in the back stairwell is helpful. Extra boxes for your convenience are available in the Bazaar room.

Ongoing Collections at St. Mark's:

United Churches Food Pantry: Needed are canned meats/vegetables/fruits with pop-top lids if possible. Healthy snacks, cereal/oatmeal, juice/drinks and condiments including salt and pepper.

Shepherd of the Streets: Needed are shampoo, conditioner, body-wash, paper towels, Kleenex and small packages of laundry pods. Diapers in sizes 5, 6 and 7 and are especially needed.

Blessing Boxes at New Covenant UCC: Easily prepared foods like Cup of Soups, individual packs of crackers and cookies, microwave mac & cheese, ramen noodles and individual boxes of cereals are needed. Travel size hygiene items are also needed.



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Sojourner Truth Ministries (STM): Bleach, Dawn dish detergent and umbrellas for their homeless guests. STM would be especially appreciative of healthy snacks for use in their after-school program.

Donations to the Food Pantry, Shepherd of the Streets, the Blessing Boxes or to Sojourner Truth Ministries may be placed on the tables in the Narthex.

Ongoing Events at Redeemer Lutheran:

Community Dinner on Thursday, March 9, 2023 beginning at 5:00 PM until all meals are distributed. This is a take-out meal available at the curb. All are welcome.

The Parish Life and Evangelism and Fellowship Committees provide desserts each month to support Redeemer's dinner. Thank you, Jim and Susan Newcomer for your generous help with February's meal. Thank you to the members of the congregation that donated 16 packages of brownie mix.

For desserts in March, we need help with baking and packaging 120 packets of brownies. Please speak with Becky Miller Pryor if you can help bake on Wednesday, March 8 beginning at 9:30 a.m. or cut and package the brownies on Thursday, March 9 again at 9:30 a.m.

Daniel's Closet Distribution of free seasonal/winter/spring clothing on Saturday, March 25, 2023 from 8:30 – 11:00 AM. Depending on March's weather, Daniel's Closet will be transitioning to lighter weight items. Shoes for all ages are always needed. Sheets, blankets, throws and afghans are also accepted.

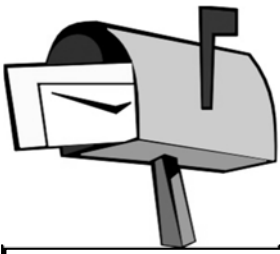
This month's clothing drop off is Thursday, March 23 from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.

If you have a large quantity of clothing, please call Redeemer's office (leave a message) at 570-322-2333 to make an appointment. Smaller quantities of clothing may be placed on the stage if you are unable to accommodate the new drop off schedule.



Parish Life Committee Update

The Parish Life Committee is grateful for the recent help they received with kitchen repairs from the Property Committee. Thank you, Ed Gair for plumbing repairs on the triple sinks. Repairs included removing the grease trap and replacing piping. Thanks also go to Herb Poff and Drew Haussmann for repairing and sanitizing the ice machine. We are thrilled to have ice readily available. We also appreciate Herb Poff for regularly checking our stoves. Bob Miller and Herb Poff have replaced a defective spring on the dish washer and are prepared to do the same to the second spring if needed.



Mail Call



Dear St. Mark's Congregation,

Thank you so much for the donation of the \$15.00 gift cards. We appreciate your thoughtfulness and support of our food pantry clients. Some of our clients have allergies, special diets or small children which need food items we don't all the time have at the pantry.

Blessings,



United Food Pantry

"A special thank you to Vicki, Lou Ann and Becky for organizing this donation."

Dear St. Mark's Congregation,

Thanks so much for your support of our United Churches ministry both financially and through your prayers. Your contribution makes it possible for us to provide ministries that reach out to our neighbors touching them with God's love, grace and hope.

With a passion for Unity,

Tammy L. Aichner

Executive Director , United Churches of Lycoming County



Dear St. Marks Lutheran Church,



This letter is to thank you for your recent gift to Camp Mount Luther. At camp, children, youth and adults are discovering more about God, themselves and others. They feel connected to God and learn more about going out in service in God's name. Your donation provides an important foundation for the faith formation of all who take advantage of our programs and facilities.

Creating memories that last through our outdoor ministry wouldn't be possible without your support. We truly thank you for keeping our ministry strong by contributing to Camp Mount Luther!

Dear St. Marks Lutheran Church,

Greetings friends! I hope you are all warm and blessed. I, myself, am looking forward to the warm weather. Thank you so very much for the donation. We are blessed to have your support. The items you donated will benefit so many. Our after school kids program is growing and that is such a blessing. The volunteers just love the kids and help them in so many ways. The soup kitchen is staying busy. We recently had an up flux of homeless people. Many were grateful for not only a hot meal but a "hand up" in helping them navigate other social services to better their circumstances. There is no shortage of things to do! Please come visit us again! "Where your heart is, there also will be your treasure" Matthew 6:21.

With much gratitude,

Gina, STM

Resource Advocate





Happy Anniversary



Donna and Gary Clark

March 6

Theodore Comerford	March 1
Trisha Harvey	March 5
Barbara Switzer	March 5
Madison Walz	March 6
Robert Lynn	March 9
Patricia Thayer	March 9
Mason Peluso III	March 10
Michael Kinney	March 11
Romain Bastian	March 14
Roxanna Larson	March 15
Dinah Labenberg	March 16
Hannah Lynn	March 16
Diane Bardsley	March 18
Randy Lukens	March 21
Lauren Sims	March 22
Gary Weber	March 24
Leah Haussmann	March 25
Sara Larson	March 25
Jonathan Bower	March 27
Sandra Edler	March 28
David Walz	March 28
Mark Bittenbender	March 29
Tyler Bower	March 29
Carl Hieber	March 29



Random Bricks
By
Joseph Baur

A few interesting items about the month of March.

As the saying goes, March comes “in like a lion, out like a lamb.” That was certainly true on March 1st, 2007 when a detachment of 170 Swiss infantrymen accidentally invaded neighboring Liechtenstein when they got lost on a training mission. Luckily, after explaining the mistake to Liechtenstein, the Swiss army was given directions and returned home safely.

The “Lion” never really leaves us here at St. Mark’s.

March 21: The day Twitter was founded. Founder Jack Dorsey inaugurated the social media site with its profound first tweet: “just setting up my twtr.” We can’t believe he spelled it that way either! This was the beginning of the end for common sense.

Thank You all for the Birthday wishes. You are all so kind and it feels so wonderful to be part of this amazing family.

Happy Leap Birthdays

(February 29)

Jane Kline
Ralph Zeigler





January/February Newsletter

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There are two women students in the LTBLMTC Evangelist/Deacon/Deaconess training program for this Level 1-4 program that runs for 2 years. They are Rebeca Kpanah Bonah , known as RB from Belleh Yallah and Nowai Bondo from Suahkoko.

RB, in top right hand corner of the picture, is a resident of Belleh Yallah, in the Kuwaa region of Liberia, deep in the interior. Although she has served God and the congregation with dedication, it never occurred to her to go to LTBLMTC for Evangelist training. Based on her commitment, the church thought she was the best candidate for the training program in Totota, a very long ways from her home. It was a hard decision for her. As much as she enjoyed sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ, she could not imagine leaving home and family, especially her fifteen-month-old child, behind. Students from way in the interior do not go home during the 9 weeks at LTBLMTC. RB is among the youngest in her class.

Nowai, bottom left hand corner of the picture, has served the church as an Evangelist in the St. Luke/Phebe parish of the LCL. Various situations have kept her from being able to go to the Level 1-4 training, not the least of which was family responsibilities during and following the Ebola and Covid epidemics. For awhile it appeared that she would once again not be able to attend, but Nowai was persistent. She told the church leadership, "I'll die if I don't go to LTB this time." She started slowly due to not being in school very much before coming to LTBLMTC. However, she is smart and is quickly catching up. She is not afraid to ask questions and her years of experience bring a richness and depth to classroom discussions.

These are just two of the 18 students who begin Level 2 at LTBLMTC very soon. Their dedication and the dedication and support of their families is a joy to see.

Prayer idea for those reading this newsletter: post this newsletter or at least the picture on it someplace where you can see it and remember our students in your prayers.





GROW in the Snow Looks at Baptism

All youth in 6-12th grade and their youth leaders are invited to attend this synod youth retreat on March 17-18. The theme of this year's will be baptism. Experience your Creator, play winter games and find refreshment in the peace of camp in winter. The retreat is from Friday night to Saturday afternoon, but there is an option for youth and leaders to come just for the day on Saturday. The cost is \$73 for the whole program. Each registered group should provide one adult (21 or over) for every seven youth and at least one adult for each gender represented. Cabin assignments will be made based on available adults and the number of youth attending. Contact Chad Hershberger at chad@campmountluther.org



Back to Work

WE ARE GOING BACK TO WORK IN TORNADO-RAVAGED WESTERN KENTUCKY

JOIN US TO BE PART OF THIS WORK

WHAT: Mission/Work Trip sponsored by SINDR (Susquehanna Interdenominational Network for Disaster Relief)

WHEN: March 26 – 31, 2023

WHERE:

- Lodging at First Presbyterian Church, Madisonville, KY Working With Hopkins County EMA

WHO: YOU, and any of your friends who want to help!

HOW MUCH: Just your contribution toward travel and food.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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From the banks of the Nile River to the depths of the Red Sea, MOSES is a spectacular entertainment experience for the whole family!

Set adrift as a baby, Moses is an unlikely hero — until God calls him to lead His people out of Egypt and into the Promised Land. Journey with Moses as he ventures through the wilderness, encounters God at the burning bush, and ascends to the top of Mount Sinai.

A bus trip to see **Moses** at the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA is once again being organized by Cheryl Williams. This trip is being planned for Wednesday, September 20, the 11:00 AM show. While the bus will be pulling out around 6:00 AM, the early start will certainly be well worth it! Bus fare, show ticket, and dinner are all included in the price (roughly \$130-\$150 depending on number attending). **Please note that the faster we sign up, the lower the price may be. To sign up, please contact Cheryl Williams at (570) 327-1627. We can't wait to hear from you!



ST. PATRICK'S DAY WORD SEARCH



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 March

FUN FACT There are no female leprechauns.

Ever wonder why you've never seen a lady leprechaun? The answer is: They don't exist! There has been no record of female leprechauns and what's even more interesting is that leprechauns are considered to be part of the fairy family. Some have even said that leprechauns are the rejected fairies who have been ousted by the fairy community, which explains why they're usually described as grouchy creatures who are prone to mischief.



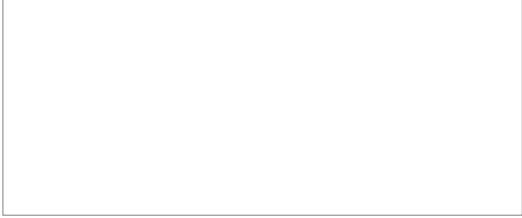
MARCH



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Mid-Week Lent Service 12:15 p.m.	2	3	4
5 Holy Communion 8 and 10:30 a.m.	6	7	8 Mid-Week Lent Service 12:15 p.m.	9	10	11 
12 Holy Communion 8 and 10:30 a.m. Daylight Savings Begins	13	14	15 Mid-Week Lent Service 12:15 p.m.	16	17 Saint Patrick's Day 	18
19 Holy Communion 8 and 10:30 a.m.	20 Church Council Meeting 6 p.m. Spring Starts	21	22 Mid-Week Lent Service 12:15 p.m.	23	24	25
26 Holy Communion 8 and 10:30 a.m.	27	28	29 Mid-Week Lent Service 12:15 p.m.	30	31	

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 Mon-Thu 9 a.m.-1 p.m., & by appointment
 Church Organizer: Sam Robinson
 Summer Mon 1-3 p.m. & by appointment
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 By appointment
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