#### Three in One!

In this month of April we have some "three in one" holy and sacred events in our lives and in the life of the church. Like the "Three in One" Holy Trinity, those three significant events culminate to focus on the discipleship, crucifixion and resurrection of the One Jesus Christ. In the one month of April this year, we will continue the Lenten Season, we will transition into Holy Week and then we will celebrate the resurrection of Easter followed by the Eastertide season of the Great Fifty days. Big month of big events!

Currently, we find ourselves between Lent and Easter. With Holy Week and Easter being right around the corner, we may begin to feel the tension between these two great observances. If we do feel the tension between these two observances, well . . . Good! In part, all of Lent should be experienced with a certain tension, expectation and anticipation as we prepare ourselves for Easter. Symbolically, we are living in the tension between recognizing our need for reconciliation and the Redemption of Easter, of realizing our unworthiness and being made worthy, of accepting our humanity while embracing the Divine, of our brokenness and being made whole and between accepting our mortal selves and the hope of Life Everlasting.

During this time, we are to be reminded that we are Lenten People AND we are Easter People. We are Lenten People! During Lent, we are to discern our limitations, our character defects and our sinfulness. During Lent, we practice the discipleship of Christ so as to avoid the temptation of filling our spiritual hunger with our own desires, of giving homage to our cultural values or to others over God, of not loving our neighbors as ourselves or not responding to the needs of others. During Lent, we are reminded of our fragile and mortal lives in need of God and Everlasting Life.

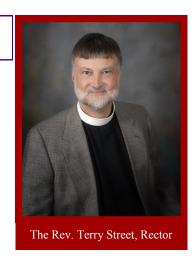
But . . . We are also Easter People! As Easter People, we know that our limitations and sins have been over-ridden by the Cross and we can experience New Life through the forgiveness of our sins and the power of the Holy Spirit. As Easter People, we can live in hope, joy and in confidence that the Holy Spirit can empower us in all things. As Easter People, we can celebrate the Good News that nothing can separate us from the love of God — not even death.

We are Lenten People and Easter People! Very soon, we will celebrate that we are Easter People during Easter and the Eastertide season. May we then live fully into the victory days of Easter — now, and forever!

May the remainder of this Lenten Season be productive and meaningful. May Easter and the Easter season be wonderful and glorious as we will be soon able to say "Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!"

The best is yet to come!"

Fr. Terry



### **April at a Glance**

- 7 ECW Luncheon & Mtg, 12:30, BH
- 10 Lenten Dinner Series
- 11 Men's Club Dinner & Meeting, *PH*, 6:30pm
- 14 Palm Sunday
- 18 Maundy Thursday—Evening Service & Vigil, *N*, 6:30 p
- 19 Good Friday Service, *N*, 12:10 pm
- 20 Easter Vigil, N, 7:30 pm,
- 2 1 Easter Sunday, N, 8:00, 10:30
- 23 Vestry Meeting, PH, 6:30pm





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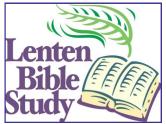


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# 2019 LENTEN PROGRAM

# **Christian Education Lenten Study**



Our Christian Education for Adults and Youth this Lent will use Matthew Croasmun's book *Let Me Ask You a Question:*Conversations with Jesus. While we often think of Jesus as someone with all the answers, often in the Gospels he is asking

questions, inviting people into conversation. Croasmun takes the questions of Jesus and poses them to us, drawing us into a dialogue with the one through whom all things were created. Please join us beginning <u>each Sunday at 9:25am</u> for this study, which runs through the season of Lent. Books can be ordered from Amazon, or you can purchase them for \$10 from Jonathan Bennett.

# **Wednesday Night Lenten Program**

Each week, you are invited to join us on Wednesday evenings as we journey together through the season.

of Lent.

6:00 PM Fellowship Dinner in the PLC

6:45 PM Stations of the Cross

March 13

Traditional Stations of the Cross

March 20

Stations from the Perspective of the Blessed Virgin Mary

March 27

Meditation on the Heart of the Father

April 3

Stations from a Youth Perspective

April 10

A special presentation of the Stations of the Cross



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## **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

# April 14—April 21

Palm/Passion Sunday Sunday, April 14 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Maundy Thursday Liturgy Thursday, April 18

6:30 pm

Good Friday Liturgy Friday, April 19 12:10 pm The Great Vigil of Easter Saturday, April 20 7:30 pm

Easter Day
Sunday, April 21
8:00 am and 10:30 am



# **Graduating Senior Day**

We are thankful for our graduating seniors this year, Katie Kerlin and Maggie Stephens. Please join us on Graduating Senior Day, April 28, 2019. Maggie and Katie will be our guest speakers for both the 8:00 am and 10:30 a.m. services. There will be a reception in their honor following the 10:30 service. Come welcome them into this important phase of their life journey. Congratulations Maggie and Katie!

## **ECW News**

# St. Philip Episcopal Church Women Notes & Update



# Only 3 items to post for April

1. Bake Sale - May 5th - Pre-Orders being taken now. For Pickles contact Jessica Heckle 335-8117 or sign up on the bulletin board.

For Coconut Cakes contact Pam Malone 451-0046 or sign up on the bulletin board.

- 2. Next meeting will be April 7th following the 10:30 service. Pot Luck
- 3. Pickle Team Meeting <u>Friday April 5th 10 am</u>. Contact Margaret Brooks for more information 755-4426.

Thank you to all who have or will participate in the Lenten Suppers. Pamela Malone, President

# Altar Guild ???

Would you like to help set the Lord's Table? The Altar Guild invites women and men to join us in this vital church ministry. Reasons to serve are: easy to learn to set up and clean up; once a month commitment; part of an assigned team each month so you don't have to be on your own; other special set ups/clean ups (Holy Week, etc) are on a volunteer basis. The

satisfaction that comes from honoring Christ in this special way and from playing a part in helping to provide hospitality to other parishioners and visitors is a blessing! We need and would appreciate volunteers for both service times. Please prayerfully consider helping us because help is needed! (Some of our members have devoted many years to this ministry.) If you have questions or better yet, to volunteer, please contact Elizabeth Domico (299-5913; domicofam@aol.com).

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### THE RECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

THIS Sunday is Rector's Discretionary Fund Sunday. The loose offering and other gifts so designated, are given to Rector's Discretionary Fund for the purpose of helping parish members and others in the community in times of serious need. If you wish to contribute by check, please make it out to St. Philip and designate it "Rector's Discretionary Fund."



# Easter Lilies

Don't forget to sign up if you'd like an Easter Lily or a red begonia dedicated to a loved one. They are \$17.50 this year. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board!

# **Our Holy Week Prayer Vigil**

It has been a tradition in many churches to observe a perpetual prayer vigil from the close of the Maundy Thursday service until the noonday Good Friday service. Thankfully, St. Philip has honored this sacred tradition of the church by parishioners signing up for each hour during

door next to the Hearth Room for a prayer partner to let you in the locked door.

this time frame on the sign-up sheet on the

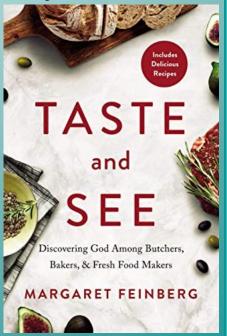
bulletin board. Knock on the East Parish Hall

# Looking Ahead:

# A Preview of What's to Come for the Eastertide Study

## **Taste and See** this Easter Season

This Easter, we will be reading and discussing Margaret Feinberg's *Taste and See: Discovering God Among Butchers, Bakers, & Fresh Food Makers.* For four weeks, beginning 28 April and ending 19 May, during our Adult and Youth Christian Education we will be talking about this culinary exploration of Scripture, which will help us explore our God who does not just feed our bodies with the fruits of the Earth but also uses them to nourish our souls. Books



are \$12 and can be purchased from Jonathan Bennett or Fr. Terry. Please join us.

# **Eastertide Observances**

During the Eastertide season or the "Great Fifty Days of Easter", there are some liturgical customs and observances that highlight the redemptive and celebratory nature of the Eastertide season. As a reminder, some of them are:

- The liturgical color is white used during the entire Fifty Days
- The Paschal candle is moved from its normal position near the baptismal font to a prominent place near the altar to remind us of our Baptismal Covenant in our celebrations
- The "Alleluia" which is omitted during Lent is restored to the liturgy as the premier expression of joy celebrating the Resurrection

- The "Gloria" which is omitted during Lent is also restored to the liturgy as a point of praise and Celebration
- The Acclamation of "Alleluia! Christ is Risen!" is said at the beginning of each worship service
- The Fraction Anthem is sung in place of the Agnus Dei
- As Rite I is celebrated during the Lenten season, Rite II, Eucharistic Prayer B, will be observed during the Eastertide season
- Standing during the Eucharistic Prayer acknowledges that Christ has made us worthy to stand before Him

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# **In Our Parish Community**

### **April Birthdays**

Ed B. Segar	2
Kenneth Flanagan	4
Jacqueline Romo	4
Vi Flanagan	8
Ginger Holmes	8
Marty Glenn	9
Shae Lewis	14
John Romo	16
William Rogers	17
Gaye S. Wagner	17
Lauren Mitchell	26
Bruce Guthrie	27
Rachel McDaniel	28
Katherine McGruder	28

### **April Anniversaries**

**NONE** 



### On the Prayer List

Ricky Blount Steve Chester Suzy Cunningham Ely Family Paul Fischer **Shirley Goergens** Kelsey Knight Maryann McLeod **Christy Miller** Sue Morrison Fr. James Newsom Sam Perrin Dean Randall **Rhodes Family Robinson Family** Alex Sholder Sipes Family Steve Smith Valenti Family **Beverly Williams** 

#### **Memorials Received in the Month of March**

Memorials received in the month of March:

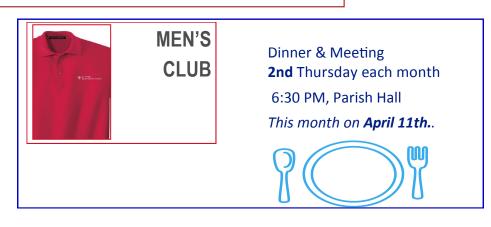
In honor of Martha Manos' birthday by Mrs. Sally Magdefrau

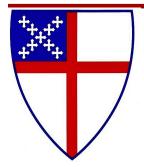
In memory of Ruth Reed by Cynthia Cain

In memory of Ruth Reed by Michael J. Albert & M/M Ferd Heckle

Correction for last month's Memorials:

Barbara Sy by Pamela Malone, Jeanie Sy, & M/M C. Wilburn





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# **Announcing: The Consecration of Our New Bishop!**



The Rev. Phoebe Roaf's Consecration will be on May 4, 2019, at 11 am followed by a reception at Hope Church.

All are invited to this historical event in our Diocese and in the Episcopal Church.



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#### **Sunday Schedule**

8:00a Holy Eucharist

8:45a Coffee Hour, Parish Hall

9:00a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

9:15a Christian Education

10:30a Holy Eucharist

11:45a Coffee Hour, Parish Hall

### **Wednesday Service**

12:10 p Healing w / Holy Eucharist

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