

Redemption
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TAC Times - March 2020



The Season of Lent

The entire month of March falls within the season of Lent - a time of penitence, fasting and prayer, in order to be made ready for the great Feast of the Resurrection. Lent began in the early days of the Church as a time of preparation for those seeking to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. It was also a time when Christians who had committed grave faults and notorious sins were cast out of the church to perform a public 40-day

penance until Maundy Thursday of Holy Week. The forty days refer to our Lord's time of fasting in the wilderness as he prayed, sought his Father's will, and prepared for his earthly ministry. For us, these forty days provide a solemn time of listening and reflection in order that the Holy Spirit may help us identify those things in this earthly life that keep us from walking more closely with our God. We can then change those

Keeping a Holy Lent

things with God's help as we experience the redemptive love of Jesus.

During the season of Lent, we do not ring the Sanctus bells or use "Alleluias" in the service. This reminds us of the solemnity of the season and provides a meaningful contrast for Easter morning.

The Book of Common Prayer calls us to a "holy Lent", one that is dedicated and consecrated to God, sacred, and set apart. May each of us use this season wisely, setting out on a 40-day journey with our Lord, bestowing and receiving forgiveness, experiencing the depth of His sacrifice for us, and, at the end, fully celebrating Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday.

"You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you." **Amen.**

Bishop's Well Water Project for Lent



Again this year, we will be collecting change over the weeks of Lent in order to support our bishop's well water project. This project originally began to provide clean water to those who did not have access to it, but has expanded from water wells and bottling equipment to processing mango juice for sale and building radio stations in Africa.

If you have small water bottles at home from previous years'

donations, you may use them. For everyone else, we will have one large donation bottle in the narthex which we can watch grow. Money can be placed in this bottle at any time through Easter Sunday.

Special Donation Opportunity

Start rounding up all of those old, worn-out shoes in your home! We have an amazing opportunity to help provide therapy dogs to special needs children by bringing used shoes to a designated box which will be placed in the narthex during Lent. Thank you for your support!



Lenten Series Offering

The lesson series, *Making Room: Practicing Kingdom Hospitality*, from Christ Church Anglican in Overland Park, Kansas, will be our Lenten offering this year. "Kingdom hospitality means always seeking out and making room for others in our churches, homes, conversations, and at our tables. It looks for opportunities to create space for every person to experience the fullness of God's love and life through our community. This kind of lavish hospitality follows the example of Jesus who searches us out and makes room in his kingdom for each one of us, inviting us to come fully

alive in Him." There are 8 lessons in this series which can be condensed for the 6 weeks of Lent, March 2nd through April 6th, or continued past Lent as each group decides. Our Tender Loving Care (TLC) Groups are providing the vehicle for participation in this series.





Change Your Clocks!



Remember that **Daylight Saving Time 2020** in Texas will begin at **2:00 AM on Sunday, March 8,** and set your clocks forward one hour.

The OSL Corner

by Sharon Parker

The Order of St. Luke the Physician is an inter-denominational, international ministry for healing of body, mind and spirit.

"When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to Jesus, and he drove out the spirits with a word and healed all the sick." Matthew 8:16



Saturday, March 21, 2020, there will be a brunch and meeting/teaching for the Order of St. Luke and any in the congregation are welcome to join us. We meet in the Parish Hall a few minutes before 10:00 am to set out the wonderful potluck dishes we bring to share. About 10:30, we will begin either a teaching or a meeting or sometimes both. Currently, we are watching a DVD series entitled "Healing the Hurts of the Past", by the Rev. John Rice, a member of the executive broad. Hurts of the past afflict many in our church, our families, and our neighborhood. These need to be healed so that you can continue to live the life Christ has given you, and your Jesus' Healing Community (OSL) of Transformation wants to help you by praying with you. If any of you wonder just what the OSL is about, this would be one way for you to find out. As I have published many times, the Order of St. Luke is a healing ministry of the church offering prayer and laying on of hands. We are training lay ministers to use their God-given gifts of compassion and love to reach out to those who are sick or have a need of another kind, whether physical or spiritual. We are not a secret organization of the church and we certainly want others to know about OSL and let us know when we can be of help. We offer prayer ministry after communion in the classrooms and also in the Transformation room. You are able to take communion and then exit to the right where you will directed to a team who is waiting for you. Your requests will be private. We also offer ministry through the email prayer chain so that all OSL members can be praying for you. Once again, your prayer requests will be held in confidence unless you give us your permission to publish to the OSL Ministers only. You can call me, email me at shparker@swbell.net, or let the church office know and they will contact me.

Come and join us on Saturday, March 21 at 10:00 am and have a time of fellowship, learning, and worship. No advance notice is needed, and we always have enough food.

Austin Street Center Ministry

by Sharon Parker

Keep on loving each other as brothers. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering. (Hebrews 13:1-3)



We are looking ahead to the fifth Wednesday of April, 2020 - the 29th. That is the day we gather at the church to make sandwiches, and bring those eggs you have

gently boiled and the beautiful, delicious cupcakes you have made so that we can go down to the Austin Street Center and feed the many homeless and hungry there. The last time we went was in January and I understand there were many happy and thankful people who enjoyed their dinner that night. In order to do this again and follow the Word of Our Lord, we will need sandwich makers, egg boilers, and cupcake bakers to help. Susan Maupin or Sharon Parker will be in the Narthex for two Sundays before our venture to Austin Street in April to take the names of those who will volunteer for these tasks.

After preparing all of the food, we will need people to deliver and serve our goodies to the clients at Austin Street. "Oh no", you say. "I can't go down to the Shelter, I might say something wrong and hurt someone's feelings, or look at them in disgust because they are so poor and some of them smell funny." Those are the same excuses I made before I finally gave in and went. It is so gratifying to go and know that we are serving the Lord. Come on, what are you waiting for? Join us in helping our brothers and sisters!!

Say 'Yes' to VBS 2020

Our 2020 VBS extravaganza, "Nights at the Museum", featuring the Jesus Exhibit, will run from **Monday, June 15th through Thursday, June 18th, 2020**. Children 4 years of age and above will enter our magestic environment from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. to learn more about Jesus, and His love for them as demonstrated through a variety of artistic mediums. Bulletin inserts are available for sponsoring a child for this special week. See Brenda Beggs and Sara Maneval for more information, to donate, and to volunteer!



March 2020								
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
1 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Education 11:00 am Worship	2 10:30 am Women's Bible Fellowship – Church B – Sue Griffin	3	4 A – Bryant & Alice McDonald – 70 years!!!!	5 B – Emile Cummings	6	7 7:30 am Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry		
8 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Education 11:00 am Worship	9 10:30 am Women's Bible Fellowship – Church B – Larry Hesser	10	11	12 8:00 am Handymen (Men's Study) B – Bill Thorogood	13 B – Stan Baxter	14 7:30 am Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 am Saturday Sisters (Women's Study)		
15 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Education 11:00 am Worship	16 10:30 am Women's Bible Fellowship – Church B – John Ralston	17	18 B – Scott McWilliams	19	20	21 7:30 am Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 am Order of St. Luke B – Ed Figueroa and Bill Schulgen		
22 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Education 11:00 am Worship	23 10:30 am Women's Bible Fellowship – Church B – Sue Hesseltine	24	25	26 8:00 am Handymen (Men's Study) B – Ezra Wallace	27	28 7:30 am Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 am Saturday Sisters (Women's Study) A – Randy & Dawn Wills		
29 8:30 am Worship 10:00 am Christian Education 11:00 am Worship B – Susannah Carr		31						

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PROPERS

OT Genesis 2:4-9,15-17,25 - 3:7

Psalm 51

NT Romans 5:12-21 Gospel Matthew 4:1-11

LAY SERVERS

Sharon Barnett - Capt. 8:30 am

Joe Beggs

Mary Kadane

11:00 am **Christy Hopkins- Capt.**

> Richard Ritz **Betty Spillman Stan Baxter**

> > ACOLYTES

8:30 am Pete Howk - AA1

Brandon Wallace - AA2/Cru.

Emet Wallace - TB Ezra Wallace - TB

11:00 am Pete Howk - AA1

Gabriel Barsoum - AA2/Cru

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am **Bob Thompson & Terri Thompson**

Sharon Parker* & Sue Griffin

11:00 am Daymon Schulgen* & Ginny Ryan

Linda Celaya & Bill Thorogood

USHERS

Hal Meeder, Jim Watt, Mike Jones **Tom Ryan, Caroline Sanders**

GUEST RECEPTION TEAM

Guest Host - Val Atkins

Greeters - Mickey Atkins & Sharon Parker

Carolyn Sanders & Nancy Dollard

TELLER TEAM

Tom Ryan **Hilda Blevins**

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS **Betty Spillman & Sue Orite**

March 8, 2020

PROPERS

ОТ **Genesis 12:1-9**

33:12-21 Psalm

NT Romans 4:1-5(6-12)13-17

John 3:1-16 Gospel

LAY SERVERS

8:30 am Mary Frank - Capt.

Janet Fuller

Bill Thorogood - Capt. 11:00 am

> Don Newman Mark Carr Clay Henry

ACOLYTES

8:30 am Daniel Mathews - AA1/AA2

11:00 am Don Lennert - AA1

Trey Gwinn - AA2/Cru.

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am Sharon Parker* & Alice McDonald

Sue Griffin & Mona Dolly

11:00 am Tom Ryan* & Helen Flanders

Holly Lawler & Shirley Montanye

USHERS

8:30 am Jim Watt, Hal Meeder, Rod Gowler

11:00 am Ed Figueroa, Caroline Sanders,

Bob Thompson

GUEST RECEPTION TEAM

8:30 am **Guest Host - Susan Meeder**

Greeter – Judy Morris

11:00 am Guest Host – TBD

Greeter – Lou Ann McNeely

TELLER TEAM

Sue Hesseltine Sharon Figueroa

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS

Sara Maneval & Christy Hopkins

March 15, 2020

PROPERS

OT Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm 95

NT Romans 1:16-32

Gospel John 4:5-26(27-38)39-42

LAY SERVERS

8:30 am Don Lennert – Capt.

George Arnold

Brandon Wallace

11:00 am Hal Hines – Capt.

Marianne Gwinn

Mark Dillow Ed Prochaska

ACOLYTES

8:30 am June Hines – AA1/AA2

11:00 am Daniel Mathews – AA1

Trey Gwinn – AA2

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am Mickey Atkins* & Val Atkins

Janet Fuller & Mary Kadane

11:00 am Sharon Barnett & Sue Orite

Larry Maupin & Susan Maupin

USHERS

8:30 am Hal Meeder, Will Parker, Emile

Cummings

11:00 am Rick Maneval, Joe Beggs, Galen

Montanye, Nancy Dollard

GUEST RECEPTION TEAM

8:30 am Guest Host - Susan Meeder

Greeters – Mona Dolly & Hal Meeder

11:00 am Guest Host - Susan Maupin

Greeter – Larry Maupin

TELLER TEAM

Galen Montanye Hellen Otieno

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS
Mickey & Val Atkins

March 22, 2020

PROPERS

OT 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm 23

NT Ephesians 5:1-14

Gospel John 9:1-13,28-38(39-41)

LAY SERVERS

8:30 am Glenna McLane - Capt.

Jim Messler Mike Jones

11:00 am Sara Maneval – Capt.

Sharon Figueroa Hellen Otieno Linda Tomlinson

ACOLYTES

8:30 am Don Lennert – AA1/AA2

11:00 am June Hines – AA1

Gabriel Barsoum - AA2

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am Elaine Abbott & Deb Pendergrass

Sharon Parker & Mickey Atkins

11:00 am Clay Henry & Jeannie Filson

John Shaver & Barbara Shaver

USHERS

8:30 am Hal Meeder, Mary Kadane,

Gabriel Barsoum

11:00 am John Shaver, Barbara Shaver,

Martha Fajardo

GUEST RECEPTION TEAM

8:30 am Greeter - TBD

Guest Host - Susan Meeder

11:00 am Guest Host - TBD

Greeters - Martha Fajardo & Barbara Shaver

TELLER TEAM

Rick Maneval Linda Celaya

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS
Elaine Abbott & Deborah Pendergrass

PROPERS

OT Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 130

NT Romans 6:15-23
Gospel John 11:(1-17)18-44

LAY SERVERS

8:30 am Hal Hines – Capt.

Linda Tomlinson

11:00 am Bill Thorogood – Capt.

Hal Hines Sara Maneval Christy Hopkins

ACOLYTES

8:30 am Jim Blevins – AA1/AA2

11:00 am Jim Blevins – AA1

Don Lennert - AA2

PRAYER MINISTRY

8:30 am Elaine Abbott & Debbie Pendergrass

Bob Thompson & Terri Thompson

11:00 am John Shaver & Sue Orite

Tom Ryan & Bill Thorogood

USHERS

8:30 am Hal Meeder & Jim Watt

11:00 am Ed Figueroa, Rick Maneval, & Rod Gowler

GUEST RECEPTION TEAM

8:30 am Greeter - Judy Morris

Guest Host - Susan Meeder

11:00 am Greeter - Carolyn Sanders

Guest Host - TBD

TELLER TEAM
Pat Thorogood & Glenna McLane

LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS
TBD

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