

## TRANSFORMATION Anglican Church

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### *TAC Times – March 2017*

This is the Proper Preface used during the Ministry of the Sacrament in our worship services throughout the Lenten season:

“...you have given us the spirit of discipline, that we may triumph over the flesh, and live no longer for ourselves but for Him who died for us and rose again, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.”



### Ash Wednesday

We will gather for our **Ash Wednesday service at 7:30 p.m. on March 1, 2017.** Ash

Wednesday **begins the season of Lent**, a season of penitence, prayer, and fasting which prepares us to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. Our foreheads will be marked with ashes, created through the burning of palms from past Palm Sunday services, to humble our hearts and remind us that life on this earth passes away. Later, we will share communion, a gift we receive through the redemptive power of Christ's sacrifice for us.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Lenten Meal/Visit with the Fierbaughs

On **March 5<sup>th</sup>**, we will gather after the worship service for our **only Lenten meal of soup and bread**. Several of our small groups will be working together to provide this humble meal as we fellowship in this penitential season.

During the meal, we will also have the special opportunity of hearing from one of our missionary families – Stephen and Cate Fierbaugh & their son, Ezra – who will be with us for worship.



## **Bishop's Well Water Project**

Again this year, one of our **Lenten opportunities** is to participate in **Bishop Atwood's Well Water Project**. For the **40 days of Lent**, we **collect change in water bottles provided** at the table in the back of the sanctuary. At the end of Lent, we will collect all of our change together, and it will be added to donations from other churches in the International Diocese. **One hundred percent of these funds go to drilling water wells in Africa**. In some cases, these wells will provide the first clean water source to an entire village and will end day-long hikes to the nearest water source for a small amount of water for an entire family. **Our spare change will be life-changing!**



## **TAC T-shirt Sale**

We have started **pre-orders for a new TAC T-Shirt!** A sample will be available on Sunday mornings **through March 26<sup>th</sup>**, with **order forms** to complete and turn in with payment. The shirts are **gray with our logo on the back**; they cost **\$10**, and are available in sizes **Small – 3X**. Several different **shirts of varying colors** will be on the table **for sizing purposes only**.



## **Daylight Saving Time**

Make a note that we move to **Daylight Saving Time** on **Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**! We will need to spring 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.*

*One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer. A man crippled from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us." So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them. Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." Taking him by the right hand, he*



*helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong. He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Acts 3:1-8*

Wouldn't it be wonderful to have Peter and John pray for us when we are ill or suffering in another way? Oh yes; but they are no longer here. Jesus told His disciples before He ascended into heaven that if they believed and obeyed God, they would do what He did and even more because He was sending the Holy Spirit. The members of the Order of St. Luke believe and we try to obey just as you do. We pray for those who come to us in need, seeking the Lord and presenting our

requests because we know He is listening. Healings take place in different ways, some right away, and some later, but all are answered as the Lord desires. Please come to us and let us pray with you. There are prayer teams available in the library right after you take communion. We want to assist you whether your need is for healing, for discernment, or maybe for prayer for the release of the Holy Spirit in your life. Perhaps you can't stay after communion, but need prayer, then call me at 972-524-9382 and I will be happy to put your request out on the Prayer Chain to other members of OSL who will then pray for you. All requests are kept in confidence. Or, if you would like soaking prayer with laying on of hands, join us on the third Saturday of each month, except July, for our OSL brunch and meeting. We usually start our prayer time about 11:15. Please let us help you in your need. God bless you.

## **Austin Street Shelter**

*By Sharon Parker*

***And if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.***  
***Isaiah 58:10***



On the **fifth Wednesday of March, the 29<sup>th</sup>**, members of the Austin Street Center Ministry will meet once again to prepare our hearts to go down to Austin Street to feed the poor as our Lord has commanded us to. We will **meet at the home of Larry and Susan Maupin (8930 Covey Court, Dallas) about 3:00 or 3:30 to make sandwiches, package boiled eggs, gather cupcakes made by volunteers and caravan to the Shelter, leaving the home of the Maupins around 5:30.** This evening meal will be fed to approximately 400 + grateful men and women who spend the night there, safe from the streets.

For those of you who are fairly new to Transformation, you may ask why we do this and how did it start. We do it because we feel the Lord tells us to. If you read much of the Bible, whether Old or New Testaments you will frequently see where the Lord is speaking to His people and telling them to help the poor. Some of these Scriptures are:

***“When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you? The King will reply, “I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.”***

***Matthew 26:38-40 (This is the verse that was always on the minds of the founders of this program.)***

***“There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your brothers and toward the poor and needy in your land.” Deut. 15:17***

***“I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40***

***“And if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.” Isaiah 58:10***

***“He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.” Proverbs 14:31***

**“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)**

Our ministry actually started while several of us were at Church of the Resurrection years ago. One of the members worked with the homeless at the Stew Pot which met in the basement of the First Presbyterian Church in downtown Dallas. A warehouse became available for the ministry at a cost of \$1.00 a month and it was on Austin Street. This was a place where clients could come in from the cold and be fed. Later they moved to Hickory Street and became a Center that not only housed the people at night, but helped them learn skills they could use to find jobs. We invite you to come and see what it is all about. Join us as we prepare the food and travel to Dallas to feed these little ones of the Lord.

### **Story from Fr. Don’s 2/19/17 Sermon**

For those who asked for the excerpt from Corrie ten Boom’s *The Hiding Place*:

It was 1947 & I had come from Holland to defeated Germany with the message that God forgives. And that’s when I saw him, working his way forward against the others. One moment I saw the overcoat & the brown hat; the next, a blue uniform & a visored cap with its skull & crossbones. It came back with a rush: the huge room with its harsh overhead lights, the pathetic pile of dresses & shoes in the center of the floor, the shame of walking naked past this man. I could see my sister’s frail form ahead of me, ribs sharp beneath the parchment skin. Betsie, how thin you were! Betsie and I had been arrested for concealing Jews in our home during the Nazi occupation of Holland; this man had been a guard at Ravensbrück concentration camp where we were sent. Now he was in front of me, hand thrust out: “A fine message, *fräulein*! How good it is to know that, as you say, all our sins are forgiven.” And I, who had spoken so glibly of forgiveness, fumbled in my pocketbook rather than take that hand. He would not remember me, of course—how could he remember one prisoner among those thousands of women? It was the first time since my release that I had been face to face with one of my captors and my blood seemed to freeze. He went on, “I have become a Christian. I know that God has forgiven me for the cruel things I did there, but I would like to hear it from your lips as well. *Fräulein*”—again the hand came out – “will you forgive me?”

And I stood there—I whose sins had to be forgiven daily - could not. Betsie had died in that place—could he erase her slow terrible death simply for the asking.

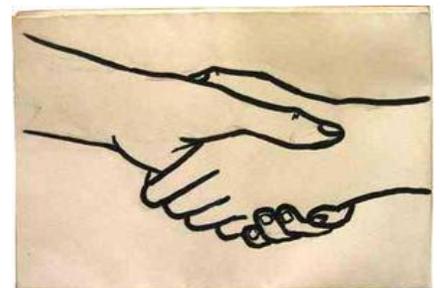
It could not have been many seconds that he stood there, hand held out, but to me it seemed hours as I wrestled with the most difficult thing I had ever had to do.

For I had to do it—I knew that. The message that God forgives has a prior condition: that we forgive those who have injured us. Jesus said, “If you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses.”

**I stood there with the coldness clutching my heart. But forgiveness is not an emotion—I knew that too. Forgiveness is an act of the will, and the will can function regardless of the temperature of the heart.**

“Jesus, help me!” I prayed silently. “I can lift my hand. I can do that much. You supply the feeling.” Mechanically, I thrust my hand into his. And as I did, an incredible thing took place. The current started in my shoulder, raced down my arm, sprang into our joined hands. And then this healing warmth seemed to flood my whole being, bringing tears to my eyes. “I forgive you, brother!” I cried. “With all my heart!” For a long moment, we grasped each other’s hands, the former guard and the former prisoner.

**I had never known God’s love so intensely as I did then.”**





### Haiti Ministry

Susan Meeder and 3 others will be **heading to Haiti on March 27<sup>th</sup>**, returning on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Prayers are requested for this preparation time, as well as for the trip itself and the work to be accomplished. **Education = Hope**, the non-profit organization that the Haiti Partnership ministry is now affiliated with, hired a full-time executive director. Emily

started at the beginning of January and comes with great experience having been involved in international outreach throughout her life. She even started and ran a non-profit in the Galapagos. The team is delighted that she will be in Haiti for part of their trip to meet partners and visit St. Jean Baptiste as well as the other two E=H ministry sites. Susan sends many thanks for your faithfulness in praying for the team, students, teachers and the partnership leaders.

### Needs at Helping Hands

Because food stamps do not cover many everyday items, the food pantry of Helping Hands of Rockwall collects personal items as well as the food you so faithfully bring each Sunday. Some of these items include toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo and conditioner, diapers (sizes 3 – 6), roll-on deodorant, toilet paper, laundry soap, and dishwashing liquid. These donations may be placed in the red wagon for blessing during our service.



**March 5, 2017**

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**PROPERS**

OT           Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7  
Psalm       Psalm 32  
NT           Romans 5:12-19  
Gospel      Matthew 4:1-11

**LAY SERVERS**

Capt/NT/CB..... Myra Lenoir  
PP/CB..... Christy Hopkins  
PS/CB..... Mary Kadane  
OT/CB..... Jimmy Seay

**ACOLYTES**

AA1..... Jim Blevins  
AA2..... Sue Orite

**PRAYER MINISTRY**

TBD   Linda Celaya  
Daymon Schulgen   Ginny Ryan  
Sharon Barnett     Mona Dolly

**USHERS**

Will Parker   Arvo Mallay

**GUEST RECEPTION TEAM**

Greeters..... Mickey & Val Atkins  
Guest Hosts..... Larry & Susan Maupin

**TELLER TEAM**

Bill Thorogood   Hilda Blevins

**LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS**

Betty Spillman   Sue Orite

**March 12, 2017**

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**PROPERS**

OT           Genesis 12:1-4a  
Psalm       121  
NT           Romans 4:1-5, 13-17  
Gospel      John 3:1-17

**LAY SERVERS**

Capt/NT/CB ..... Bill Thorogood  
OT/CB ..... Glenna McLane  
PP/CB ..... Jim Blevins  
PS/CB ..... Don Lennert

**ACOLYTES**

AA1..... Pete Howk  
AA2..... Daniel Mathews

**PRAYER MINISTRY**

Sharon Parker\*   Sharon Barnett  
Sue Griffin       JoAnn Craddock  
Tom Ryan         Alice McDonald

**USHERS**

Ed Figueroa   Nathan Figueroa  
John Shaver   Barbara Shaver

**GUEST RECEPTION TEAM**

Greeters..... Pat Linder & Lou Ann McNeely  
Guest Hosts..... TBD

**TELLER TEAM**

Sue Hesseltine   Sharon Figueroa

**LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS**

Rick & Sara Maneval

**March 19, 2017**

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**PROPER S**

OT Exodus 17:1-7  
Psalm 95  
NT Romans 5:1-11  
Gospel John 4:5-42

**LAY SERVERS**

Capt/PP/CB ..... Hal Hines  
NT.....Mike Jones  
OT/CB... ..... Marianne Gwinn  
PS/CB.....Pat Linder Miles  
CB.....Susan Meeder

**ACOLYTES**

AA1.....June Hines  
AA2.....Trey Gwinn

**PRAYER MINISTRY**

Larry Maupin\* Susan Maupin  
TBD Holly Lawler  
Sue Orite Mary Kadane

**USHERS**

Rick Maneval Hal Meeder  
Sue Orite

**GUEST RECEPTION TEAM**

Greeters .....Ginny & Tom Ryan  
Guest Hosts.....TBD

**TELLER TEAM**

Jean Howk Brad Flanders

**LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS**

Mickey & Val Atkins

**March 26, 2017**

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**LESSONS**

OT 1 Samuel 16:1-13  
Psalm 23  
NT Ephesians 5:8-14  
Gospel John 9:1-41

**LAY SERVERS**

CAPT/CB..... Sara Maneval  
NT/CB..... Mark Dillow  
PS..... Sharon Barnett  
OT..... Nathan Figueroa  
CB ..... Jim Messler  
PP/CB.....Richard Ritz

**ACOLYTES**

AA1.....Nathan Figueroa  
AA2.....Jean Howk

**PRAYER MINISTRY**

John Shaver\* Barbara Shaver  
Donna Miller Jeannie Filson  
Mickey Atkins Val Atkins

**USHERS**

Arvo Mallay Jim Watt

**GUEST RECEPTION TEAM**

Greeter.....Barbara Shaver  
Guest Hosts.....TBD

**TELLER TEAM**

Rick Maneval Linda Celaya

**LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS**

Larry & Susan Maupin

## March 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer  7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service	<b>2</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship
<b>5</b> 10:30 a.m. Worship followed by 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday Lenten Meal	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer	<b>9</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship  10:00 a.m. Women's Study Group
<b>12</b> Daylight Savings Time begins  10:30 a.m. Worship	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer	<b>16</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship  10:00 a.m. Order of St. Luke
<b>19</b> 10:30 a.m. Worship	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer	<b>23</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship  10:00 a.m. Women's Study Group
<b>26</b> 10:30 a.m. Worship	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer  3:00 – finished Austin Street Ministry	<b>30</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	<b>31</b>	<b>Notes:</b>

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**Bob Hackendorf, Assisting Priest**

**Bill Schulgen, Deacon**

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**Randy Wills, Music Ministry**

**Jennifer Horan, Nursery Coordinator**

**Anne Horan, Parish Administrator**

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