

On the Mark

February 7, 2010
The Fifth Sunday after the
Epiphany

Get Set....GO!

Sunday, February 7, 2010

- 8:30 Cell
- 8:45 1st Service
- 10:00 Fellowship
- 10:30 2nd Service & Sunday School
- 12:15 Prophetic Teams

Monday, February 8, 2010

- 6:15 *Alpha*

Tuesday, February 9, 2010

- 9:00 MOPS Special Event - Card Making.
- 10:00 Holy Eucharist & Healing Service *nave*
- 11:30 Art Group
- 12:00 Agape Lunch
- 1:00 Cell
- 6:00 Band Rehearsal
- 7:00 Vestry
- 7:00 H & I SAVR

Wednesday, February 10, 2010

- 9:30 MOPS

Thursday, February 11, 2010

- 9:00 Community Bible Study

Friday, February 12, 2010

- 10:00 SP Art Cell

Saturday, February 13, 2010

- 7:30 Men's Community Bible

Sunday, February 14, 2010

- 8:30 Cell
- 8:45 1st Service
- 10:00 Fellowship
- 10:30 2nd Service & Sunday School
- 12:15 Prophetic Teams
- 6:30 First Sunday

Monday, February 15, 2010

President's Day

Church Offices Closed

- 6:30 *Alpha*

THIS WEEK'S LESSONS

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Ruth 4:1-12 (p. 259)

I Corinthians 15:1-11 (p. 1116)

Luke 5:1-11 (p. 997)

NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

Ruth 4:13-22 (p. 260)

I Corinthians 15:12-26 (p. 1116)

Luke 6:17-26 (p. 998)

Newcomers & guests at St. Paul's are invited to come to the Prayer Room after the service for a personal word of encouragement from the Lord.. Our prophetic prayer team is ready to listen to God and ask Him to speak to you.

Super Bowl Sunday

Don't you just love a good contest? Football is a great example of the challenges, agony and effort it takes to win in battle. You never see a team show up on game day and say... "You know what?... I think we've done enough.... We've made it through the playoffs, we've proven that we are a top ranking team and that's good enough... Let's just throw the game because we don't have anything to prove." That's just crazy. No one in their right mind would think that it's okay to give up even if the outcome is a loss. The Colts and the Saints will not be denied the chance to show the world what they are made of. We will cheer with the team of our choice in their advances... we will cringe at the flying tackles and 'clothes-line' plays... we will marvel at the half time show.... And as we watch this sport, we honor the effort and trial of the competition.

Just like any good athlete we have the pursuit of victory as the core of our being. God's call to us is not to "kill em' with kindness" and let the world use us as their doormat, but to love, to encourage others so that they may find the same transformation in Jesus Christ that you have. **WE DON'T GIVE UP** because we have nothing to lose. Paul says: 'to live is Christ and to die is gain' (Philippians 1:21). So in Christ, for us 'Life is Good' and 'Death is Better' because we are free.

Hebrews 12:1 says: "*Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.*" This is our call to join in the life that God has called us. With him nothing can 'hinder' or 'entangle' us. Because of His sacrifice we can laugh, love, work, play, dance, sing, serve and sacrifice all to His honor and glory.

So let's keep pressing on, pressing in and using the gifts we have been given, following the course that God has 'marked out' for us, and doing it with everything we've got! Find out what's been marked out for you and **GO FOR IT!!!**

Blessings,

Dan

Fr. Dan Morgan
Associate Rector

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Debbie & Bernard, Cheyenne & Joshua de la Rivera in joyous celebration of **Alta & Gordon Jelliffe's** wedding anniversary #

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SPSTPSTS*

It's almost here! Shrove Tuesday, February 16, 2010, dinner at 6:30; talent at 7:30. What can you do? Well, you can bring one of the items mentioned on the board in the narthex – especially cooked sausage or bacon – and let us know you are going to do it! AND/OR you can provide an act (from singing to balancing a spoon on your nose!) Contact **MEG** at megetha@gmail.com.

* St. Paul's Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper & Talent Show

From Deacon Roberta...

Last week as I was cleaning out my files, I came across the brochure that the church's Calling Committee put together to introduce us to our new rector, Christopher Leighton. He came to St. Paul's eleven years ago.

That brochure reminded me that Christopher had been ordained in 1979. That means that back in the fall of 2009, he had been a priest over twenty years!

I don't recall that last fall we as a congregation acknowledged that in any way, so I just want to honor Christopher for all the attributes of Boaz that he has exhibited to us: his love for God and God's people, his steadfastness, his noble character, his faithfulness and kindness.

Please join me in thanking Christopher for serving us here as a leader of leaders and preacher of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Grateful to God,
Roberta

First Sunday

Will be held on the Second Sunday
Of February!

Sunday, February 14 at 6:30 p.m.

The theme will be **The Fullness of the Holy Spirit.** Join us for worship, healing, teaching and Holy Eucharist!

ASH WEDNESDAY February 17, 2010

Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes
At 7:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Meet, Walk & Talk

Plan to gather together at 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday evening during Lent for one hour for a very special series. Pictorial travelogues will take us back to the ancient areas of Rome, Jerusalem, Corinth, Galilee and Mt. Tabor where you will meet well-known personalities of the New Testament. Included will be Bible readings, meditation, prayer, forgiveness and healing.

February 24: Peter in Rome. (Asking forgiveness and rejecting Satan)

March 3: James in Jerusalem. (Forgiving others and asking for self-forgiveness)

March 10: Paul in Corinth. (Healing of the memories)

March 17: John in Galilee. (Physical healing)

March 24: Jesus at Mt. Tabor (Meet Jesus and His healing).

Men's Ingathering

The next Men's Ingathering is on **February 27, 2010** at 7:30 a.m. All men are invited for breakfast, fellowship, and solid teaching from the Word.

LATE-BREAKING NEWS!...

If you missed the chance last fall to see Deborah Leighton's short film on Lazarus, we are offering another opportunity! On Sunday, February 21, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. service, Deborah will be with us for a screening of the film.

Speak Softly and Carry a Big Pen (or paintbrush, or banner, or...) Quiet Morning "Mini-Retreat"

February 27, 2010, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

Do you currently serve on the St. Paul's "Nave-al Base"? Are you interested in learning how you can become involved? If so, please join us for a Lenten "Quiet Morning" on Saturday, February 27.

Beginning with a continental breakfast at 9:00, we will spend the morning in quiet reflection, listening and responding as Elijah did to the "quiet whisper" of God's voice through a short Bible study, creative arts (dance, drawing, writing, art, songwriting), and refresher courses on the various roles in the Nave ministry.

You won't want to miss this special time of contemplation and rejuvenation. Please RSVP by February 19 to Lisa Schell 203 334-8153 or lisa_schell@sbcglobal.net

A **Men's Mission Trip** to West Virginia is scheduled for the first week of May. If you would like to learn more, contact **Dick Day**.



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