

Get Set....GO!

Sunday, March 14, 2010

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Began at 2:00 A.M.

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

Monday, March 15, 2010

Tuesday, March 16, 2010

- 9:00 Art Group
- 10:00 Holy Eucharist & Healing Service *nave*
- 12:00 Agape Lunch
- 12:30 Staff Meeting
- 1:00 Cell
- 6:00 Band Rehearsal
- 7:00 Special Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, March 17, 2010

- 9:30 MOPS Study
- 7:30 "Meet, Walk & Talk" (John in Galilee)

Thursday, March 18, 2010

- 9:00 Community Bible Study
- 7:00 Healing & Intercession SAVR

Friday, March 19, 2010

- 7:30 a NCS Cell
- 7:00 p Christian 12 Step

Saturday, March 20, 2010

- 7:00 Men's CBS

Sunday, March 21, 2010

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

THIS WEEK'S LESSONS

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Joshua 4:19-24, 5:9-12 (p. 210)
Romans 15:5-6, 13 (p. 1102)
Luke 15:11-32 (p.1013)

NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21 (p. 705)
Philippians 1:3-11 (p. 1138)
Luke 20:9-19 (p.1019)

If you would like to contribute toward Easter flowers, forms are available in the narthex. Checks and dedications should be submitted by 3/24

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.

"The Garbage!"

A cartoon that was a favorite of my family of origin was of a woman with curlers in her hair, dressed in a bathrobe, holding a full trash can. She was standing over a man wearing a powdered wig. He was sitting, composing music at a keyboard. The caption read, "Johann, the garbage!"

Even musical geniuses have to do the mundane, everyday chores of life. You may think from time to time that it becomes routine or boring to confess our sins. Is it possible that it is meaningless and an intrusion in what we would otherwise rather be doing? Such thinking shows us how far we can stray from our Maker who loves us. The Lord God doesn't want anything to come between Himself and His children. Sin separates us from God, and confession from a sincere heart restores us.

Think about it and you figure out that confession is good for the soul.

Christopher

The Rev. Christopher P. Leighton
Rector

Happy Holy Week

My favorite time of year is fast approaching. Some people like vacations, others like one of the four seasons, some like the time of most productive work. I like Holy Week best. It is time spent with the Body of Christ, remembering and celebrating Jesus' glorious passion, death and resurrection. This year the following events are planned with you in mind:

Saturday, March 27, 9:30 a.m. – Preparing the palms.

Come help prepare the church for Palm Sunday. We will "strip" palm fronds for waving, and make palm crosses. This is fun for all, and may be a fulfilling experience for everyone, especially children.

Palm Sunday, March 28, 8:45 & 10:30 a.m. Litany of the Palms, worship, Holy Eucharist, dramatic reading of the Passion narrative from Luke.

5:30 pm. – Confessions: The clergy are available for "walk-ins" for confession, in the prayer room.

6:30 p.m. – First Sunday: worship, prayer, Holy Eucharist. Members of the prophetic teams will offer words of up-building for members and guests. Bring a friend!

Monday, March 29

6:30 pm. – Confessions: The clergy are available for "walk-ins" for confession, in the prayer room.

7:30 p.m. - The Way of the Cross. This meditative and prayerful experience adapts the traditional "stations of the Cross" with Biblical support and prayers from the Book of Common Prayer.

Tuesday, March 30

10:00 a.m. – Worship, Holy Eucharist, Healing Prayer

12:15 p.m. - Agape Luncheon

6:30 pm. – Confessions: The clergy are available for "walk-ins" for confession, in the prayer room.

7:30 p.m. – Holy Eucharist, Healing Prayer, Tunnel of Love. This day adds to our regularly scheduled Tuesday Healing Service an opportunity in the evening for "a repeat service" for those unable to get away from school or work in the daytime. In addition, we will experience "the tunnel of love" which is an opportunity for each congregant to receive prayer and encouragement by the entire prayer team. This experience is one to which friends and guests should be invited as they will be particularly blessed.

Week ending	3/7/10	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	+ (-) than budget
Tithes & Offerings	17,423	51,473	125,000	(33,527)
Expenses	13,420	119,220		5,780
	Weekly Goal	13,750	Shortfall	(27,747)

Wednesday, March 31

6:30 pm. – Confessions: The clergy are available for “walk-ins” for confession, in the prayer room.

7:30 p.m. – Creative Fellowship and Prayer
Because of the success of the Shrove Tuesday Talent Show, we are offering an opportunity for the sharing of creative gifts in a fellowship atmosphere. We will meet in the Nave and members are encouraged to bring an offering of Scripture, a hymn or song to be shared. In addition, we are encouraging those who have been painting, sculpting, writing, dancing, etc. to come and share their creativity.

You can also come and simply receive.

Maundy Thursday, April 1

6:30 pm. – Confessions: The clergy are available for “walk-ins” for confession, in the prayer room.

7:30 p.m. – Holy Eucharist, foot-washing, stripping of the altar. Jan Nel will minister the Word to us and we will respond on this day in which we remember Jesus’ command that we love one another,

Good Friday, April 2

7:30 a.m. – “C” Project Prayer Breakfast at the Continental Manor in Norwalk. Come and celebrate as Clarice Flagg is recipient of the Craig Mengel Leadership Award!

10:30 a.m. – Walking the Cross. A prayer-filled procession from First Congregational Church along the Post Road through Darien to St. Luke’s Church.

12:00-3:00 p.m. – Community Good Friday service at St. Luke’s. Father Christopher will preach the 7th Word (sometime after 2:00)

6:30 p.m. – Confessions: The clergy are available for “walk-ins” for confession, in the prayer room.

7:30 p.m. – Faces at the Cross. This prayer service was introduced last year, with meditations led by St. Paul’s members portraying those who were contemporary to Jesus and were witnesses of his death. It was well received last year and promises to be inspiring.

Holy Saturday, April 3

5:30 p.m. – Confessions: The clergy are available for “walk-ins” for confession, in the prayer room.

6:30 p.m. – Prayer of Blessings by the clergy on individuals and families, in the Parish Hall.

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:45 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. – Festival Eucharist with the Pivot men singing at both services. An Easter Egg Hunt follows the 10:30 service.

Tickets for the Norwalk YMCA Good Friday Prayer Breakfast – 7:30-9:00 a.m. at the Continental Manor, 112 Main Street, Norwalk are \$25.00 each (or consider sponsoring a table!) For more information call 203 866-4425 x339 or visit the website www.norwalkymca.org **Help put the C back in the YMCA!**

Debbie de la Rivera is seeking plastic eggs and individually wrapped candies with which to fill them, for the Easter Egg hunt. There is a box in the narthex where you can put your contributions.

March, 2010

Dear St. Paul’s:

On behalf of World Vision Haiti, thank you SO Much for the prayers and support, through the Pancake Supper and, on a very personal level, for helping our family during this time of healing on all levels.

You’ve been family before our marriage, on our wedding day 25 years ago, through the joy of raising three wonderful children, their baptisms in the Mianus River, our being youth leaders for Jeff Newton and Debbie de la Rivera when they were younger (and so were we!)

From Haiti in the 80’s, 90’s and 2000’s you keep receiving us back and filling us up again. To and from Africa, as well.

What an honor it is for us to be part of your family, and how blessed we are to watch you grow – to grow together – in the good, gracious, and glorious things of the Lord.

Blessed beyond measure,

June Williams

For Frank, Trevor, Dawn & Pria



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**To Know Christ &
To Make Him Known**