

# *NeverTheLess – March 19, 2017*

## **TODAY AND THIS WEEK**

**WELCOME TO ALL**, especially if you are visiting us today. We are delighted to have you here. We invite everyone to wear a nametag. If you don't have one, please see an usher or a greeter for assistance.

**TODAY IS THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT** our five-part Lenten series on spiritual practices continues today at 9:00 a.m., and we will repeat the session Tuesday, March 14 at 6:00 p.m. For this week, session 3 in our series, we will be focusing on ways to use writing as spiritual practice. We will talk about three different ways the written word can be used to connect with God: train-of-thought writing, journaling, and using words as art. For those who participated last week, we will be using what we painted/ drew as background for our written exercises. If you come in new this week, you will have an opportunity to create background art for your writing, if you like. The following week, we will learn how to fold paper in various types of little books, all as spiritual practice. If you miss one week—no worries. You can jump in wherever we are at that time. All are welcome.

**LENT AND EASTER IN SUNDAY SCHOOL** children learn best through play and experience. Our teachers have some wonderful activities for our children to understand Lent and Easter through hands-on interaction. Today, the children will learn about Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem through a Holy Week Relay. Coming up, they will learn about Jesus' Last Supper with a Seder, and they will make the communion bread for our Easter services.

## **PASTORAL CARE**

**DO YOU NEED HELP** getting to church on Sunday? We would like to make Sunday worship services more accessible to those who are unable to drive by offering transportation to SJTL. If you are interested in this offering for yourself, a friend or a neighbor, please contact the church office by email or calling 798-6336.

## **OUTREACH**

### **CAN YOU OFFER TO DRIVE?**

Ashland Christian Emergency Services (ACES), our long-standing partner in providing a variety of services to Ashland's under-served population, is initiating a Senior Rides program, connecting Riders and volunteer Drivers. ACES would gratefully welcome additional drivers.

Riders are generally seniors who cannot drive but need a ride to medical appointments and other activities in the Ashland area. Riders log on to a data base to ask for a ride. Drivers log into the same database to volunteer to fill that need. Drivers are volunteers who use their own vehicle. There are currently seven drivers in the system.

Drivers must apply and qualify to be a driver for the Seniors Rides program. ACES reimburses all expenses incurred to qualify. Once included in the program, Drivers are paid 25 cents per mile and are provided with additional insurance. Please contact ACES at (804) 798.2784 if you are interested.

**PETER PAUL DEVELOPMENT CENTER** will host an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15. One hundred children in their after-school program will receive Easter baskets to take home. Last Easter, SJTL sent 17 filled baskets. If you would like to help fill Easter baskets this year, suggestions for items and sample baskets are in the hallway at Information Central. Please bring your gift items to us by April 12 so volunteers can get them to PPDC.

Also, many thanks to all for the donations of food and personal hygiene items which are being delivered this week. Thanks to everyone for your continued support of the work and mission of PPDC.

## **PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Because Anna will be working during the Vestry Retreat which falls on her regularly scheduled days off, she will be taking her Sabbath tomorrow, Monday, March 20.

**NEWS DEADLINE** if you have committee news to be shared with the parish via our weekly e-newsletter or this NeverTheLess, please get that information to Margaret in the office by noon on Tuesday.

**SCHEDULING REMINDER:** Anna is usually off and out of the office on Fridays and Saturdays. If you have a pastoral emergency on one of those days or during the evening, please call the rectory's landline: (804) 299.3730. If she is not there, please leave a message. You may also contact Yancey Jones, our Senior Warden, at (804) 393.9901, who will be in touch with her directly. As well, Anna does not have access to her church email off-site, so if you email her after about 5:00 on Thursdays, she will not get that email until Sunday morning at the earliest, and possibly, not until Monday, depending on her Sunday schedule.

## **PRAYER LIST – March 19, 2017**

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Please pray for the clergy and congregations of St. John the Baptist Ivy; and Christ Church Middlesex.

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** PRAY for Mbale - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Patrick Gidudu

**For the repose of souls:** Mark Smith

**For our parishioners requesting our prayers:** **GUS** Miller, **MAUD** Brumback, **PAT** Funk, **DICK** Harman, **HENRY** Mayer, **ERIN** Yagla, **STEWART** Dishman, **TRUMAN** Parmele, **DON** Jones, **CHARLIE** Thompson, **NED** Stiles, **JOANIE** Burgoyne, **GAYELLEN** Wagner, the **RISON** family, **JOYCE** Blunt, **GINNY** Tweel, **TOM** Street, **PATRICIA** Meade; **HADEN** Hopkins

**For those serving in the diplomatic corps, the military, and as missionaries:**

**KEMPER** Jones, **GREG** Ericksen, **ANDREW** Walton, **ROBERT** Ham, **MATTHEW** Thomas, **PHILIP** Morison, **JAMES** Ashley, **ANDREW** Brunson

**Relatives & Friends:** (*people added this week are in italics*) **MAC** Pace (father of Steve Pace), **ANNE MARIE** Fisher (friend of the Jones family), **TRAVIS** Williams (friend of the SJTL Parish), **PATRICIA** Reppert (aunt of PK Kinser; friend of the Meyer family); **WILL** Holman (friend of the SJTL Parish), **JOHN** Murphy (father of Erin Murphy), **JANE** Markwood (mother of Tim Markwood), **NANCY** Margie (friend of Aleta Meyer), **MARY & JIMMY** (family of Tammie & Bob May), **ORIANA** Hargrove (friend of Bobbie & Tom Street), **ALICE** Wallace (mother of Beth Markwood), The Rev. **NANCY** Cox (friend of the Meyer family), **LYNN** Forehand (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **VICKI** Snelgrave (cousin of Joyce Blunt), **HAMILTON** family (friends of the Roberts family), **DELORIS** Shubert (friend of the SJTL and Fork Church parishes), **BETTY FAY** Thomas (sister of Mary Lou Brown), **CAROL** Brown (sister of Bob Brown), **BETH** Vannais (cousin of Bob Brown), **CARLENE** Hockett (friend of Ricki Carson), **EARL** May (brother of Bob May), **GINNY** Walker (niece of Karl and Ginny Meyer), **STEFANI** Schatz (friend of Anna Brawley), **JOE** Duggan (friend of Anna Brawley), **KIM** Cave (friend of Pat Jordan), **JANET** Cobb (sister of Jim Cobb), **KATHERINE** Anderson (friend of Katherine Tinker), **KATHY** Balducci (friend of Jenny Bruce), **BILL** May (brother of Bob May), **CONNIE** Hoar (sister of John Hoar), **DAPHNE** Haddad (friend of Anna Brawley), **BETSY** Owen (sister of former organist's wife, Elaine Hooley, friend of the parish), **WIL** Lawrence (son of Ann & Wilbur Lawrence), **DONNA** Hoffman (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer), **TOM** Ogden (friend of Karl and Ginny Meyer), **CONNIE** Barney (friend of the Pace family), **LELIA** Moran (friend of the SJTL parish family), **PHILLIP** Robertson (friend of Pat Jordan), **CHANDRA** Flurry Nicholson (family of Doris and Harry Hassell); **PAM** Whittaker (friend of Beth Markwood), **AUDREY JO** Weaver (mother of Tammie May), **SUSAN** Adams (sister of Steve Pace), **MOLLY; PATRICIA** Meade (mother of Matt Meade); **MARK** Longaker, **EVELYN** Beasley (friend of Pat Jordan); the **SPIVEY** family (friends of Margaret Rush), **SHARON** Hooper (friend of Dawn Davis), **AIDA** Barnett (friend of Margaret Rush), **BILL** Russell (friend of Margaret and Chris Belyea), **CONNIE** Hoar (*sister of John Hoar*)

**VESTRY MEMBERS:** Yancey Jones (Senior Warden); Rebecca Cline (Junior Warden); Dawn Davis; Richard Grosse; Beth Markwood; Ricki Carson; John Hoar; George Spagna; Janet Taylor