

NeverTheLess – April 2, 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 FIFTH AND LAST SUNDAY IN LENT our final session in our Lenten series will be on labyrinth. This is the one week in our series where the two sessions will be somewhat different. Our Sunday morning session, at 9:00 today, will focus on creating labyrinths, both small and large format. The group on Sunday morning will create a large format labyrinth, which will be left in place for our Tuesday evening session. In our Tuesday evening session, we will learn how to create small format labyrinths and will have time to walk the large format one, as well. We will leave the large labyrinth up throughout Holy Week, so that anyone wanting to walk it during that time is welcome to come and do so.

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 make the communion bread for our Easter services.

COMMUNICATIONS we offer a regular weekly e-newsletter that comes out on Wednesdays, and we are now offering a weekly meditation which comes out on Fridays. If you'd like to receive our e-newsletter and/or meditation, please call the office or visit our website to sign up.

INSIDE THE CHURCH

WORSHIP AND WEEKDAY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

On Sundays, being an usher is an easy yet important role to offer parishioners and visitors alike. If you can smile warmly, and hand out a bulletin, you can do it. Please sign up to be an usher at Information Central, for a week or a month, or let Margaret know you'd like to serve this way.

During the workweek, we usually have a staff meeting on Wednesday mornings, 9:30 - ~11:00, and a volunteer will sit at the reception desk to catch phone calls and receive visitors or packages. If you can help with that, please let Margaret know.

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 hosts their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15. 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.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support of the work and mission of PPDC.

PARISH OFFICE INFORMATION

TO REACH THE RECTOR Rev. Anna is in the office Mondays through Thursdays. Call the church at (804) 798-6336 or send email to abrawley@stjamestheless.org . For pastoral emergencies outside of Anna's time in the office, please call the rectory at (804) 299-3730. You may also contact Senior Warden Yancey Jones (804) 393.9901 or Junior Warden Rebecca Cline (804) 683.0081, who can reach Anna directly.

PRAYER LIST – April 2, 2017

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for the clergy and congregations of Our Saviour Charlottesville; St. George's Fredericksburg; Trinity Manassas

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: PRAY for Mityana - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Stephen Kaziimba

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, **TOM** Street, **HADEN** Hopkins, the **HOAR** family

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), **JERRY** Prince (friend of Jenny Bruce), **RUTH** Syman-May (*friend of the SJTL parish*), **SAM** Hulsey and Family (*friends of Charles & Faye Joy and Lula Hopkins*)

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