# Good News From New Life

February 15, 2024

Lent 1: Great Litany Holy Eucharist Rite II Genesis 9:8-17 Psalm 25:1-9 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15

Calendar of Coming Events
Feb 18 Holy Eucharist. Lent 1
Feb 21 11 am "The Last Week" study
Feb 25 Holy Eucharist. Lent 2
Feb 28 11 am "The Last Week" study
Mar 3 Holy Eucharist. Lent 3.
Coffee Hour

Mar 5 Tuesday Group at Carlo's. Amy Allen leads discussion of Paul. Mar 6 11 am "The Last Week" study Mar 10 Holy Eucharist. Lent 4.

Rose Sunday. Pete Iole preaches Mar 13 11 am "The Last Week" study Mar 17 Holy Eucharist, Lent 5

Mar 17 Taize 7 pm

Mar 20 11 am "The Last Week" study

March 24 Palm/Passion Sunday
Passion Readers: Amy Allen,
Bo Iole, Charlyn Bridges

Mar 27 11 am "The Last Week" study

March 28 Maundy Thursday:

Agape meal and service 7 pm March 29 Good Friday. Liturgy 12:00 Stations of the Cross 11:30 am March 31 Easter Sunday



# **Lenten Outreach Project**

Stark County Domestic Violence
Project. domesticviolenceproj.org helps
women and children. There are many
things that they need. Terri Mackey will
have labeled containers in the parlor to
collect these items and she will deliver
the collected items to their location.

**Feb 18 & Feb 25**: Paper product (toilet paper, paper towels, cleaning product) Personal care items

March 3 & 10 Nonperishable food items (please check best-used-by dates Used working cell phones (for 911 use) March 17 & 24 Gently used spring and summer clothing for women/children, new twin-size bedding, new towels Financial donations are always welcome. Address is on the website.

#### **DONATE BOOKS\***

\*Also CD's, DVD'S, Games, Puzzles, Audio Books, Vinyl Records For Friends of the Library Book Sale Donation Drop Off Days at New Life's Parlor on or before:

March 1, 2024 April 5, 2024 May 3, 2024

Items not accepted: cassette tapes, textbooks, dictionaries, research materials or manuals, encyclopedias, VHS tapes, magazines, or damaged items.

# **Episcopal Minute: Lent and Spring Clean Up**

The word Lent actually means Spring. We have more than a month to go before the spring equinox (March 20), but Lent is upon us now, having begun yesterday. I often think about cleaning up a bit during Lent – cleaning up my house, cleaning up my relationships, cleaning up my spirit.

So, for house cleaning, I am working on a long-term project of cleaning out my files and throwing out things that are out-of-date or superfluous. As for relationships, I am going to make a greater effort in Lent to get in touch with friends. I hope to write lots of letters.

And for my spirit? That is where enhanced prayer time, spiritual reading and slowing down a bit will give me a better grip on life and God. The worship experiences of Lent can be transformative.

Am I giving anything up? Yes, my sloppy eating habits, to concentrate on healthier eating, to clean up my system.

How about you? Are you thinking of things you can change for the next forty days? If we are intentional, we can probably make lasting differences (it only takes 21 days to form a new and better habit!)

Let's take Lent seriously this year. For those who need the occasional off-ramp, remember that every Sunday is a feast day, and you can take a break from your rigor. The two other feast days this year are February 24 (St. Matthias) and March 19 (St. Joseph).

### **Lenten Book Study**

The Wednesday Morning Book Group invites anyone interested to join them for a Lenten book study, 11 am Wednesdays in the parlor. Rev. Barbara is presenting the book, The Last Week by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan. It is not essential to read the book to attend.

Rev. Barbarra will provide summary sheets for each meeting. The book is subtitled "What the Gospels Really Teach About Jesus' Final Days in Jerusalem." Each chapter relates a different day of the week, beginning with Palm Sunday. The study will conclude in Holy Week.

# **Tuesday Evening Group**

Tuesday **March 5**, Amy Allen will lead a discussion on the Apostle Paul, and Tuesday, **April 2**, Charlyn Bridges will lead a discussion on 'your favorite part of our liturgy.' 6 pm at Carlo's Trattoria in Hartville.

#### FISH Items for 2024

Please bring items to church for the FISH pantry! Any of these items can be donated during any month, but the following schedule is suggested.

February Peanut butter March Toothpaste

April Cleaning products, dish soap

May Cereal

June Canned fruit
July Shampoo
August Fruit juice

September Cleaning products

October Cereal

November Pasta and pasta sauce

**December** Instant potatoes

#### **CASHBACK**

Continue saving your ACME grocery receipts. ACME CASHBACK is BACK! Please bring your receipts dated Aug. 1, 2023-Feb. 15, 2024 to church. There is a glass bowl in the parlor where you can place your receipts. This is a great way to give back to our community while doing your regular shopping!

#### **RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE**

Many families who have loved ones who are patients at Childrens' Hospital have the need for housing. We can help support these families by bringing our recycled tabs from soda cans, fruit and vegetable cans, even pet food cans. In addition they accept old keys. Please consider saving these items and bring them to church. There is a container in the parlor on the big desk to deposit your metal item listed. This is an ongoing project so keep saving and bringing your items. Thank you.

## Server Schedule Altar Guild

02/17 - 02/23 Terri 02/24 - 03/01 Rita

#### Readers

Feb 18 - Amy

Feb 25 - Charlyn

#### **Counters**

Week of Feb 18 - Jan & Andrea Week of Feb 25 - Andrea & Julie

#### Vestry In Charge

Feb 18 – Jeff

Feb 25 - Larry

### <u>Healers</u>

Feb 18 - Charlyn

Feb 28 - Amy

# **Sunday Night Prayer Telecon**

Join your New Life family in prayer for about 15 minutes each Sunday night at 8 pm and start your week off prayerfully! A few minutes before 8 pm call 720-843-2008. Enter the access code when prompted: 420030#. If you use a smart phone and would like a text reminder and texted prayers, contact MJ at 330-606-9904. Or pick up a flier in the parlor with the prayers. Rotating telecon leaders are Lynn Gorman, Julie Martin, MJ Maling, Bo lole and Jo Schiffbauer. We pray for our church, our country, our world, and each other's concerns and thanksgivings. For more information contact any of the telecon leaders.

# Wednesday services

Rev Barbara will continue to offer brief worship services on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the parlor. Each service focuses on a saint.

Feb 21: Saint Matthias

Feb 28: Photini

# Send newsletter items to Rev Barbara by Tuesday

Please send items by Tuesday evening to Barbara. RevBLBond@msn.com

# Deacon's Dismissal Rev Josh Butler

Deacon's Dismissal is not available this week.

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Reverand Barbara's doll celebrates Chinese New Year



Silas enjoys some blueberries



PANCAKE BREAKFAST!!



Mardi Gras Decor



The loles host the feast





Kings' Cake

Norm finds the baby