

The threat of ice caused us to cancel our Sunday School and worship this past Sunday. It never became especially serious, but we took a break from travel and being outside for the morning. We were able to continue in the afternoon as about 15 of the Grace folk gathered at Trinity Episcopal to assist with the packaging of food for STOP HUNGER NOW. The whole experience was enjoyable and made for good fellowship.

One of the downsides of canceling our Sunday gathering is that we lose an opportunity to receive our offerings. We are already behind somewhat and the cancellation only widened the gap between budget needs and receipts. The Stewardship Board would urge that every effort be made to catch up and stay current with our giving.

We continue on the journey through Lent. We still consider how we are to be reflection of the light of God in today's world. Sunday, however, we will explore how even that light can be an intimidating possibility. It is expected that folk might have a fear of the dark. But fear of the light? Yes, that happens also.

We continue our journey and community together as we gather on Sunday.

Grace

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Prayer Requests CONCERNS

Those who have suffered loss: Victor Sisk; Family of Ric Comer; Family of Bob Gorley, Family of Brad Sherrill; Family of Betty Brendle

Those who are sick: Rhea Lamb, Luke Cashdollar, Donald Joines, Davis Overcash, Lucy McCallister, Ronda Stewart-Wilcox, Juanita Stroud, Helen Current, Diane Martin, Amy Hrabar, Logan Elkins, Madysen West, daughter of Reponda Powell, Kat Martin, Amber Davis, Chris Shuford's Aunt Francis, Redallia Freeman, Miguel Angel Morrillo, Tony Bellamy, Sue Walser, Marian Grant, Fred Wilson, Jean Wilson, Sharon and Dennis Keller, Teresa Rimmer, Daniel Renegar, Mary Alice Woods, Jeff and Karen Coggins, Tressie and Allen Starrette, Ernie Hendrix, Mary Ruth Godfrey, Anita Tuit and family, Gail Germain, John Munson's father, Anita Johnson, Barbara Robinson, Mary Jean Grose, Dr. Hanna Kutteh, Beecher and Mary Lee Grose, Don and Deborah Autrey-Cooke, Scott Cranford, Leisa Parks, Dalton Edwards

Those facing tough times: Ed and Nancy Clark, David and Teri Campbell and family, Faith Aiken, Dima Hanania and family, Robbie Harkey and family, Michael Teasley and family, Goodman family, those who are mentally ill, those who are affected by violence, those who are incarcerated, those dealing with addictions in our community and in our world: Children who are a part of the Guardian ad Litem program, local law enforcement officers and fire fighters

Those in the military: Molly Murphy, Greg West, Josh Wingfield, James Pulliam, Mark Staley, Adam Ivey, Austin Frutig, Zach Spoor, Mary Jane Johnson, Travis Clower, Logan Frutig, Caleb Sisk, Felix Martin, JJ Golden

March 1-8, 2015

Gary's cell - 704-682-1767

CELEBRATIONS

March 5 - Zoe McMillan
March 6 - Brittain Nicholson
Kenney

CONCERNS:

Chris Shuford's Aunt Francis broke her hip last week and has not recovered well. She has been moved into hospice care. Please hold Chris and his family tight.

BUDGET

Needed year to date:
\$15,655.84
Received year to date:
\$12,753.00
Under budget: \$2902.84
Weekly needs: \$1956.98

OUTREACH

ICM is in need of a variety of canned food items
Fifth Street is in need of towels and washcloths
Both agencies can benefit from your financial support

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

Church maintenance before
Sunday: Nigrelli

Second Hour Helpers: Mike Shaver and Susie Wiberg/
Louise Grose and Andora McMillan

WORDS OF GRACE

"Afraid of the Light"

SCRIPTURE

Mark 8: 31-38

CALENDAR

Today - 10am - Sunday

School

11 a.m. - Worship

Monday: 6:30pm - Cabinet;
8pm - NA

Wednesday: 10:30am -
Lenten Ladies morning group
at the church

7pm - Choir rehearsal

Thursday: 6:30pm - Lenten
Ladies ; Theology on Tap at
Gluttons

Friday: 8pm - NA

Sunday: 10am - Sunday
School; 11am - Worship

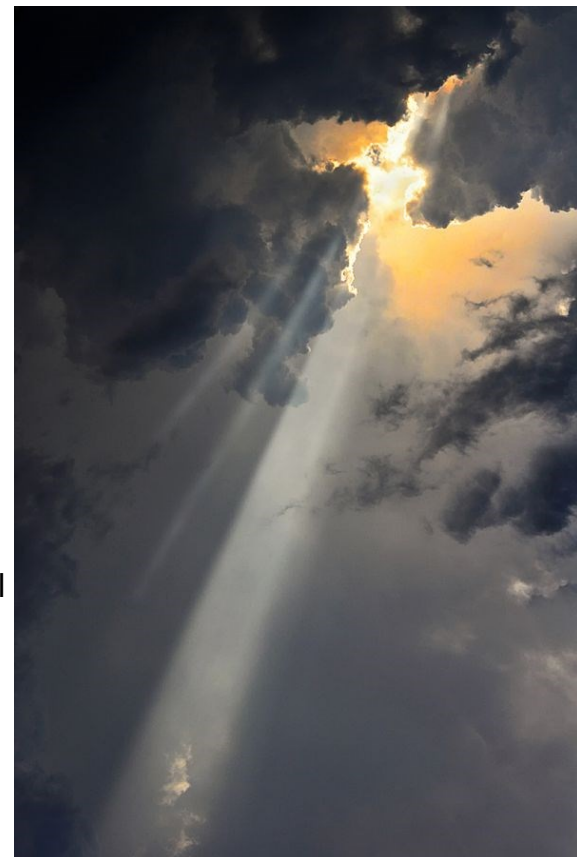
Friday, March 20, 5-8pm and
Saturday, March 21, 8am-
Noon - Church Spring
Cleaning

Sunday, March 29 - Potluck
after worship

Lenten Ladies is gathering Thursday, March 5, at the home of Phyllis Rogers, 1040 Spring Valley Lane. We'll meet from 6-8 p.m. We're reading and discussing the book "Learning to Walk in the Dark", but you never know where the conversation will go, so don't worry if you're behind in your reading! Come on!

The Men's Lenten group will continue their study at Phifer's on Thursday, beginning at 5:30pm.

For the Lenten season, the Mission board has decided to collect money for the Guardian ad litem program. We would like to use the money to purchase stuffed animals or small toys for the children in that program, especially for those who are taken who have very little. If you would like to donate a toy of stuffed animal you are welcome to do that as well.



The light shines in the
darkness and the
darkness can never
extinguish it.

John 1:5