



Steve's Corner

Easter Sunday was a wonderful day of celebration. My deep thanks to LeAnda and Nancy, to the choir and the readers for a wonderful cantata. It was stirring and proclaimed the Easter gospel.

This week my sermon is entitled When Easter Dawns. The text is John 20:1-18. I will be leading you along the season of Eastertide reflecting on key Easter texts in the gospels. Easter is too extraordinary to be done on Easter Sunday. When did Easter faith dawn on you? That question is the main question of the sermon.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

THE GOSPEL LESSON

JOHN 20:1-18

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

CHURCH CLEANING BEFORE SUNDAY

BARNARD

SECOND HOUR HELPERS

APRIL 23 - MIKE SHAVER AND ELI YACINTHE

ALT. LOUISE GROSE

Budget

Needed year to date: \$26,628.32
Received year to date: \$37,578.98
Over budget: \$10,950.66
Weekly needs: \$1664.27

CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays:

17 - Betty Orren
19 - Sarah Rawls
21 - Ruby Angell

Anniversaries:

18 - Greg and Jean Gibson
22 - David and Dawn Bradley

****Easter Saturday was a success. Thanks to Xochitl, the Education board, those who helped with eggs, and all those who participated!!****

CONCERNS:

Elizabeth Brown is home now after surgery, People of Syria, Bobbie Wilson, Wayne, Paulie Mitchell family, Priscilla Bennett, Kathy Goodman's father in law-Jerry, Nicole Perkins-house fire, Homeless children, Marian Grant family, Ruby Bryant family, Ron Svites, Scott Jones, Our Nations Immigrants, Leigh Brown's sister-Susan, Josue Salvidor, Paxton West, Ada Cashdollar, Jim Cashdollar, Luke Cashdollar.

Mary Alice Woods, Tressie Starrette, Nellie Grant, Ernie Hendrix, Mary Ruth Godfrey, Rosemary Rector, Ernestine Lanford, Barbara Robinson, Mary Jean Grose, Beecher Grose.

Those facing tough times: 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.

Our Lenten Offering will go to the ISS Homeless Students Fund . Information on this is in the vestibule. \$ 1175.00 collected to date. Last date to give is May 7th.

The Quarter box is out for you to put your spare change in also. It will hold paper money too!!!!!!

Congregation Emanuel will have Holocaust Remembrance Day on **Sunday, April 23, 2017** from **3pm-5pm**. Our speaker will be Shelly Weiner. Her mom, aunt , cousin and herself were in hiding in a barn and other sites. She was a young child under 5 years old. Stephanie Wood, ELA teacher from North Iredell H.S. will be doing a power point. She is a certified Holocaust teacher.

We invite you and your congregation. Would love to see your Youth Group as well. Thank you so much. Barbara Podair

CALENDAR THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19 - DEACON BOARD
6:00 PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 23 - MISSION AND STEWARDSHIP
BOARDS. 9:00AM

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE AT CONGREGATION
EMMANUEL. 3:00-5:00PM

HAPPENINGS

SATURDAY, APRIL 22 - COMMUNITY BREAKFAST
AT MT. PLEASANT AME ZION. 8:00 - 10:00AM

APRIL 30 - STUFFING "RISE AGAINST
HUNGER" BOXES AT TRINITY EPISCOPAL.
1:00PM

Statesville Woman's Club is planning a fundraiser to purchase uniforms for kids at NB Mills school.

Here are the details:

NB Mills Fundraiser: Monday, May 8; 5-8p.m. at Broad St. Burgers. Please have dinner there. After you've paid, turn in your receipt to the hostess. 10% of your ticket will go towards buying school uniforms for the kids at NB Mills. This is a great way to support some of our own: Nichole Tilley and Kakki Barnard!