

# *All Saints Episcopal Church*

*Moving Forward in Him*

*March 2017*

## *March Worship Services*

*Wednesday, March 1 at 7:00 PM*

Ash Wednesday

Evening Prayer Led by David Cordone

*Sunday, March 5 at 9:00 AM*

First Sunday in Lent

Morning Prayer

*Sunday, March 12 at 9:00 AM*

Second Sunday in Lent

Fellowship Breakfast

*Sunday, March 19 at 9:00 AM*

Third Sunday in Lent

Morning Prayer

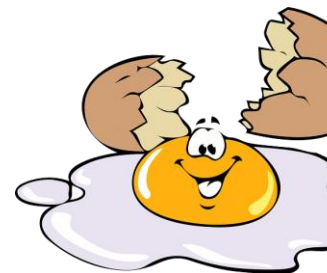
*Sunday, March 26 at 9:00 AM*

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Morning Prayer

## **All Saints' Fellowship Breakfast**

**March 12<sup>th</sup>**



A breakfast will be served in the Parish Hall on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> after the worship service for the membership. Chef Sonja is busy planning the breakfast menu. There is no charge but a free will offering will be accepted.



## *All Saints' Clergy Update*

All Saints' is currently exploring a relationship with the Reverend Dr. Leon Mozeliak. The potential arrangement would consist of Fr. Mozeliak officiating on the second and fourth Sunday's of the month, with two additional weekdays during the month to provide pastoral and administrative care to our parishioners. Fr. Mozeliak will lead worship on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, and will also attend our Tuesday Dinner on February 29<sup>th</sup>. After the dinner he will meet with the vestry to discuss our potential arrangement. Watch our Facebook page and website for updates.

## **Marshland Episcopal**

by Hollee Temple  
(Florida)

Marshland Episcopal Cathedral boasted the most magnificent steeple in Bigtown. The contemporary cathedral had been constructed of steel and glass to produce the feeling of being right in God's gleaming eye. Marshland Episcopal had every attribute I desire in a church, and had it not been for an embarrassing incident in the parking lot, I might still be going there today. Instead, I have a melancholy and cautionary tale to relate.

As its name implies, Marshland Episcopal Cathedral was built on the edge of a marshland which had long been the nesting ground of wild fowl. Many species of water fowl make their nests in the natal marshes of their ancestors. I never had any reason to concern myself with the nesting habits of fowl until my first and last spring season at Marshland Episcopal.

One fine Sunday, I parked my car and proceeded to walk toward the cathedral. As I approached a tree studded island, I noticed two geese, one sitting and one standing in the grass. Thinking myself in no peril whatsoever, I walked past the island toward my goal. Then I heard, "Honk," followed by several louder and closer honks.

Just when my fight-or-flight response triggered, but before I had started running as fast as my high heels would allow, I felt something grab the skirt of my new red and white poppy-covered

dress. I heard a ripping sound followed by a flurry of frantic honks. I tugged to free my skirt, and I felt several hard pinches on my tender bottom!

I pivoted to face my attacker, but as I did so my full skirt flared upward and the gander disappeared beneath it. I must have been a sight to see rushing in circles, screaming, beating at my billowing skirt, hat dangling by a hatpin, bun askew, feathers flying, amid lace torn from my white silk underskirt dragging on the pavement.

A bevy of church men rushed to my rescue. I will never forget how those men stood nearby, scratching their heads and holding their chins while they watched me struggle with a honking, nipping goose under my dress!

My cries for help resolved their indecision, and two or three of them dove under my skirt and got control of that wing-flapping gander. I cannot bear to recall what happened during the several minutes it took them to overpower and disentangle that big bird beneath my skirt!

I can only bring myself to relate this ghastly tale because I harbor the hope my story might save others from a similar predicament. So please take precautions in springtime. Before care freely walking about, be sure to inspect grassy areas for evidence of nesting geese. Never forget, father geese are very protective of their goose mates and goslings. Now you know that by merely walking near a nesting pair, you run the risk of being attacked by a gander which could result in the undesirable and extremely unsettling circumstance of men wresting with wild fowl underneath your dress and then discussing the incident for years afterward.

Exerpt from "Thelma Lou Whimsy Goes Church Shopping"  
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Thank goodness, we only have snow to fear not fowl:



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## Newsletter Changes



Our newsletter editor, Marilou Santoro has decided that it is time to pass on the torch, and Lee Webber has graciously accepted the responsibility of pulling together the newsletter for us. We are very grateful to Marilou for doing the newsletter for the past couple of years. She has worked closely with other parish leaders to get information out to the congregation. And, we thank Lee for taking on the task. It will be fun to see what changes, if any, Lee will put in place to keep our newsletter vibrant and full of interesting information.

**Dear Lord,**

So far today, am I doing all right.



I have not gossiped, lost my temper, been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or self-indulgent. I have not whined, complained, cursed, or eaten any chocolate. I have charged nothing on my credit card.

But I will be getting out of bed in a minute, and I think that I will really need your help then.

*~Milestones~*

*O God, our times are in your hand:  
Look with favor we pray, on your  
servants as they begin another year.  
Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace,  
and strengthen their trust  
in your goodness all the days of their  
lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen*

**March Birthdays**

March 6th	Lucy Frank
March 7th	Brett Johnson
March 9th	Michael Bleau
March 14th	Pam Cordone
March 17th	Cheryll Buck
March 20th	Charles Geers
March 24th	Joe LaBeef /Sonja Shoen-Delong
March 29th	Caroline Carioti

**March Anniversaries**

March 6th	Gary & Deb Richardson
March 7th	Michael & Betsy Connors



## **Please Pray For These People**

### **Immediate Concerns**

Muriel Adkins, Sethany Alongi, Barb Abbott, Fr Hal & Jeanne Avery, Christine Brown, Mathew Clancy, Carol Comstock, Jayden Conn, Marie Conzone, Edith Cordone, Andrew Drowdz, Marion Drowdz, Torin Dunn, Charlotte Elias, Sally Ess, John Farella, Jr., Edna & John Farella Sr, Fred Ferguson, Jim Field, Pete Gage, George Graham, Ron Haney, Fr Jeff Knox, Millie LaBeef, John Luckier, Maureen McCauley, John McDonald, Eli McDowell, Rose McMillen, Mary Jane Minger, Cindy Poorman, Linda Richardson, Matt Saltalamachia, CarolAnn Smith, Gail Steele, David Stone, Jenny Wattles, Sam Vescio, Sr., Charles Burghart

### **Long Term Concerns**

Nancy Baldwin, George Barlow, Ryan Barry, Billy Cuyler, Rowan DeLong, Jack Durfey, Dorothy Engell, Lucy Frank, Charlie Geers, Les Johnson, Nellie Mathews, Sandy Metler, Kim Miller, Dorothy Page, Helen Sievers, Dave Webber, Cliff Wilder

### **Home Based or Nursing Home**

Barbara Blake, Cherie Buck, Agnes Hoefler, Elizabeth Wattles, Nellie Mathews

***O God, our Heavenly Father, by the might of your command you drive away from our bodies all sickness and infirmity. Be present in your goodness with those for whom we pray, that their weakness may be banished and their strength restored; and that their health being renewed they may bless your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen***

### **Please Pray for All Those Who Serve our Country**

#### **Remembering Especially:**

Troy Foster, Glen Olsen, Paul Steele, Nick Trapasso, Jimmy White

Please call Nancie Miller (592-5916) to update the "immediate concerns" list by keeping, adding or deleting a name. Each month the list will start anew. 2/27/17.



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## Tuesday Night Dinner

5:30 - 6:30

All Saints Parish Hall

A weekly meal is provided **FREE**  
for anyone in need.

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### Our recent menus:

- 2/07 - home made chili con-carnie over rice w/cornbread & salad
- 2/14 - sliced roast beef w/gravy, potatoes, bread & salad (Valentine's Day)  
(beef cooked the Sunday morning before)
- 2/21 - hot dog on bun, beans & veggie & salad

### Tentative upcoming Tuesday Dinner menu:

- 2/28 - home made hearty meat & veggie soup w/toasted cheese sandwich & salad
- 3/07 - home made pizza w/pepperoni & salad
- 3/14 - chicken with rice, gravy and veggies
- 3/21 - goulash with bread and salad
- 3/28 - home made soup, sandwich, salad

Every dinner includes beverage and dessert.

We have special dessert on the third Tuesday of each month, donated by a wonderful couple.

We have a man who brings his guitar and sings on the first and third Tuesday of each month, have a good voice?

Come and join us!

Thanks so very much one and all!

Sonja



## Sermon: Where Two or Three are Gathered...

By The Rev. Carrie Schofield-Broadbent

Posted November 12, 2016

Excerpt:

Community is the basic unit of Christianity. Of course, we have our individual pieties, beliefs, and faith journeys, but there's something about the gift of community that helps us draw closer to the Kingdom of God.

Community is the only container I know that can hold the depths of human suffering and within it resides the capacity for healing.

Community is the best design I know of that can help us sit with the disillusionment of our times.

Parker Palmer, Quaker author and activist said, "I think that complexity can only be held by community."

Community is also the way we can do great things. Together we can do wonderful things for the Kingdom that we could never do alone.

It's a time when tensions are high and there's a lot at stake. For some of us, the stories we hear in our head are ones of fear and anxiety about the future – the future of our churches, the future of our country, the future of our world. It's in times like this I'm grateful for the gift of community that surrounds us with loving presence and reassurance. I'm grateful for the gift of community that draws us together in the Body of Christ so that we can serve the world in Jesus' name. It's in community that we can heal and be made whole for service.

**For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.**

