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helping one another be the
hands and feet of Christ by
sharing God's love with the
world.

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The *Pace* of Grace

April 2019

From the Rector:



It seems that it was just yesterday that we gathered to observe Ash Wednesday, and, that I was able to "invite you, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, ..." (BCP p 265). As I write this, we are already passing week 3 of the season of Lent and looking to contemplating Jesus walk to Jerusalem, his triumphant entry leading to his suffering, death and resurrection.

Just as you were invited to a Holy Lent, I invite you to immerse yourself in the journey that Christ accomplished during that last week. There are many opportunities to walk with Jesus through Holy Week and to gain new and/or deeper understanding of the Easter experience. Beginning Palm Sunday, there are services every evening here at Grace, with a couple of exceptions. The North East Area Mission Council (NEMAC) is sponsoring a joint Easter Vigil at 7:00 pm Saturday April 20, at St. Andrew, Mentor. This is the second year of the joint vigil. It was a moving and spiritual experience to worship with our fellow Episcopalians from the other parishes in the mission area. I urge you to plan to attend. I believe that you will find it to be a worthwhile experience in your journey to Easter. This is in addition to our all-night vigil that begins following the Maundy Thursday service. (Please see the schedule of services elsewhere in this PACE edition.)

Are you asking, "Why? Why so many services that week? Why spend such a large block of time at church?" The answer to the why is Jesus.

As you walk through Lent, have you discovered Jesus calling us to watch and wait with him as he prepares himself to offer his whole self on our behalf? We prepare as well, readying ourselves to be the hands and feet of Christ in this world, walking with God's love and sharing that love with all we meet. So come, watch, wait and pray your way through the journey, so that Jesus can walk with us throughout the rest of the year.

- M. Rose Anne+

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Looking Ahead

- **April 1** – Buildings and Grounds Team, 5:45 pm.
- **April 2** – Evangelism, 6:00 pm; Outreach, 7:00 pm.
- **April 3 and 10** – Lenten Education Series, 6:00 pm.
- **April 9** – Finance, 4:30 pm, Worship Committee 7:00 pm.
- **April 10** – WAMA, 12:15 pm.
- **April 13** – Palm Cross folding workshop, 10:00 am.
- **April 14** – Palm Sunday. Eucharist at 8:00 am and 10:00 am with pancake breakfast hosted by Scouts BSA following both services.
- **April 21** – Easter Sunday. Eucharist at 8:00 am and 10:00 am with kids' Easter Egg hunt following the 10:00 am service.
- **April 15 and 16** – Holy Monday and Holy Tuesday. Contemplative Eucharist at 7:00 pm
- **April 17** – Stations of the Cross at 6:30 followed by Eucharist at 7:00 pm
- **April 18** – Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 pm, followed by vigil in the chapel
- **April 19** – Annual Cross Walk in downtown Willoughby, 10:00 am; Good Friday service at 7:00 pm.
- **April 20** – NEMAC Easter Vigil at St. Andrew's, Mentor, 7:00 pm.
- **April 21** – Easter Eucharist at 8:00 am (contemplative) and 10:00 am (with music). Kids' Easter Egg hunt following 10:00 am service.
- **April 28** – Bishop Hollingsworth visits Grace.

A Lenten Message from Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

This Lenten season, our thoughts turn to the story at the heart of our faith — Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. Jesus was crucified because he taught a radical message: *Love God. Love your neighbor.* It's a message that lives and sustains us 2,000 years later.

Love was on Jesus' mind the night before he died. At the Last Supper, he said to his disciples, "A new commandment I give you" — not a new *option*, mind you, but a new *commandment* — "that you love one another."

I am convinced that love is the key to life. I'm also convinced that the opposite of love is not hate but selfishness, and that hatred is merely a derivative of selfishness. Love, on the other hand, is the cure. And I have no doubt that when it comes to love and unselfishness, you are doing a pretty good job! Your donations to Episcopal Relief & Development are an expression of this unstoppable, all-powerful love.

I have the good fortune of being the honorary chair of Episcopal Relief & Development's Board of Directors, and I've witnessed firsthand the profound impact your contributions have. Over the last year, I have traveled to many of the places impacted by natural disasters during 2017 and 2018. I saw food and water being delivered and medical and pastoral care being provided to folks — from towns to the mountains — thanks to your generosity.

Love allows us to bridge great distances so that children an ocean away are as precious to us as the little ones living right down the block. Because of our love, we care for them just as we would our closest neighbors. We want them to be healthy and to have opportunities to live a happy and healthy life. That's what Episcopal Relief & Development's integrated programs with children are accomplishing in Africa, Asia and Latin America. These programs have already changed the lives of thousands of children and will reach many more this year.

How much more can we do? As much as our love allows. I've recently appointed Teri Lawver as Episcopal Relief & Development's new board chair. She brings faith and commitment to the role. I have no doubt that together with Rob Radtke as president and CEO and the rest of the board and staff — and your continued partnership — we will create lasting positive change in the months ahead.

Jesus' resurrection made it clear that the way to life is the way of love. Love God. Love your neighbor. And while you're at it, love yourself! I wish you great joy in the upcoming Easter season.

- **The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry**
Presiding Bishop and Primate
The Episcopal Church

UTO In-gathering May 12

As we prepare ourselves for the joyous Eastertide we remember to count our many blessings. So let us gather in all those prayers and coins of thankfulness, place them in our little blue boxes, and send them out to bless others through the United Thank Offering. Our Spring ingathering will be on **Sunday, May 12.**

Envelopes will be in the pews on the Sunday before, to take home and bring back.

- *Jeanne Schupp*

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Welcome Sandy!

The Stewardship Team welcomes new member Sandy Gonzalez. Thank you for stepping forward and sharing your time and talents with this important ministry. We still would like to have one more person added to our team. Anyone interested contact Frank Burkacki, Mother Rose Anne, Toni Swisher or Dave Zimmerman. We meet monthly for about an hour and a half.

Spring "State of Grace" Gathering

This year the State of Grace Luncheon will be held on **Sunday, May 5** after the 10:00 am service. Our plan is to complete the program by 1:00 pm. The main dish (chicken) plus beverages will be provided. We are asking the congregation to provide salads and desserts as they are able. There is no sign-up for the luncheon. We are trusting in the Lord that everything will work out.

The agenda for the meeting will include an update from the Long Term Planning team including architectural drawings of the elevator location, and reconfiguring of the rest rooms, office and lounge. We will also take time for input and discussion. The agenda will also cover a video prepared by David Ivy and web-site updates. We expect to have updates from Evangelism, Outreach, Sunday School and Altar Guild. Noah Sutterisch may share some of his experiences and reflections on his trip to England and Spain.

- *David Zimmerman*

OUTREACH TEAM UPDATES

Expanding our current outreach

Deacon Lydia asked for some new ideas for Outreach. While Outreach needs our current projects such as the Rummage Sale to continue, we also can initiate projects with less physical work and more community interaction, activities that gather people together in Christian hospitality. Deacon Lydia offered to check on setting up a class for listening skills to enhance further outreach events. In the meantime, a Game Night was proposed before the upcoming McKinley Meal. Games would encourage interaction between volunteers and the guests. Scouts could help out with games. Game time would be from 5:00 to 5:30 pm, immediately before the prayer and meal.

McKinley meal

The year's first "Feed the Body, Feed the Soul" meal at McKinley Community Outreach Center was held March 25. The menu will include chicken casserole, salad, dessert, and beverages were served.

LCCN

Again this year we will donate theme baskets and wine to the Lake County Community Network's Chinese Auction fundraiser May 31. Cash and single items for baskets are also welcome. Tickets this year are available for \$20 each (see Kathy Hill). Food and beverages will be available for purchase. This is LCCN's biggest fund raiser of the year and is so important in providing continued help to Lake County residents in need. More information to follow.

Rummage Sale

The Annual Rummage Sale is scheduled for Sept. 7, 2019. Bring your treasures to the undercroft. No electronics please. All proceeds benefit Little Feet.

Our next meeting will be April 2 at 7:00 pm in the lounge. All are welcome to attend and share ideas.

- *Kathy Hill, Co-chair*

EVANGELISM UPDATES

Outdoor Market

The Willoughby Outdoor Market begins in May. Grace will have a table at the market beginning June 22. Please think about joining in on the fellowship by sitting at the table and meeting the community. You can stop for a while and shop too if you'd like. We will set-up at 7:15 am and remain there until noon. Come for an hour or two just to see how you like it. Jim Mackey did that last year and was back the next two months to help out.

Sandwich board

Phil is having a sandwich board sign made to be used in front of the church for the week before our Soup & Chili Cook-off, hoping to draw more attention to the Cook-off. This sign will be able to be used again year after year.

Blessing of the Bikes

Mother Rose Anne will be blessing bikes coming up on Sunday May 19 at 2:00 pm in the upper parking lot. Come have your bike blessed or invite a friend, neighbor, or family member. The bike can be motor or pedal powered. Even a Flintstone mobile or a unicycle is fine if you have one! Hope to see you there,

- *Peggy Burkacki*

KIDS CORNER

Updates from our Sunday Schoolers:

- **Annabelle** went to this "awesome" place called Adrenaline Monkey. She is going to Florida for Spring break.
- **Maggie** went to see How to Train Your Dragon and is having fun playing with all her toys.
- **Sabella** went to see Honk, The Auto and Boat Show, How to Train Your Dragon, the

Cinderella play and Round 1 Entertainment Center.

- **Andrew** is working on his "My Duty To God And You Award" Adventure in Cub Scouts. He is also working on The Duty to God Neckerchief Program during Lent.
- **Amyah** is reading *The World According To Humphrey* in school. She recently won a Fashionista Award for wearing picnic cowboy boots during a fitness obstacle course.
- **Caleb, Carol, and Mason** are working towards a Cub Scout Badge "My Duty To God And You Award."
- **Mason and Riley** are flying to Florida with their Dad for Spring break. They are visiting their Uncle Jason. This is their first time flying on a plane.
- **Shaylee** has been very busy! She completed several auditions for musicals in the Cleveland area and was being considered for the lead in one of them. She is waiting to hear back. She also celebrated her 11th birthday with her friends by going to Busy Bees Pottery and Malley's.
- **Kelsey** went to another sleepover this month and also had a friend sleepover at her house. She was star student for the second time in her class. Lately, she has been enjoying wearing her older sister Shaylee's tap shoes and teaching herself to tap.
- *Debbie Zimmerman, Sunday School Team co-chair*

WORSHIP UPDATES

Altar Guild

Buildings and Grounds requested that the Altar Guild look at how the area where the spiral staircase was located can be finished. Flowers for the visitors and palms have been ordered.

Educational programming

The Wednesday morning study group continues reading "Wisdom Distilled from the Daily" by Joan Chittister. The Wednesday evening Lenten series this year is "Entering the Passion of Jesus" by Amy-Jill

Levine. Study/discussion is preceded by a meal and followed by Evening Prayer or Compline. Class begins at 6:00 and all are welcome to attend.

The "Way of Love" may be the study for the Adult Ed program after Lent. Confirmation classes continue. Seminarian Noah Suttersich is doing a great job with these classes!

Acolyte, Sunday School, and Choir updates

- Greg Mackey is currently training acolyte-to-be Riley Gumto.
- There are three Scouts who recently began attending Sunday school. They are working on their Cub Scout badges.
- The new music for Lenten services is well received.

Upcoming Services

Please see the "Looking Ahead" section of the Contents Page for a complete rundown of all our upcoming special services and educational offerings.

- *Kathy Hill*

VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

From the March 19 Vestry Meeting

Attendees: Tony Frazier, Kathy Hill, Peggy Burkacki, Dave Ivey, David Webster, Sandy Gonzalez, Cathy Nash, Noah Sutterisch, Rose Anne Lonsway, Harry Dodds.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report showed the finances are in good order.

Senior Warden's Report

David Webster reported that by the end of the first week in April drawings of the elevator should be finished. There will be the necessary reports needed to get bids for the project. We are not limited to any vendor. St. Christopher Church in Gates Mills has just put in an elevator and we are invited to make a field trip to see the finished project.

David Ivey provided an Update on e-processing of donations: A test on Continue to Give was done. The fees for the test donation were more than expected. There's some confusion about the terms of the

contracts. David Ivey volunteered to do further research.

Junior Warden's Report

Cathy Nash reported that Chris Burke is working to repair the fan in the men's room in the lower level. A window company is coming to give a bid on repairing/replacing the windows in the Rectory.

A bid from a local cleaning company for cleaning/buffing the undercroft floor is forthcoming.

Carpeting from outside the Sacristy was used to repair carpeting in the main aisle in the nave. Metal edging on the carpet around the choir area was added as well.

Rector's Report

- New Vestry Liaisons for 2019 selected. Sandy Gonzalez agreed to be Liaison for Fellowship.
- We received a thank you note from McKinley for our recent donation of \$5,000.
- The NAMI event, Strikes for Awareness raised almost \$4,000.
- All services for Holy Week are posted on our website (and are listed elsewhere in this Pace).
- The community Cross Walk, sponsored by the Willoughby Area Ministerial Association, will begin at 10:00 am Good Friday, April 19 at Point Park Gazebo in Willoughby.
- Easter Vigil service, sponsored by the North East Mission Area Council, will be held at 7:00 pm Holy Saturday April 20, at St. Andrew Episcopal Church in Mentor.
- Shade Tree Church is moving to First Christian Church space at Union and River St.
- The Adult Education Lenten Series continues. "Entering the Passion of Jesus" by Amy Jill Levine is the study.
- Confirmation/Reception by Bishop will be held April 28, 2019.
- We all are being asked to look at our website and make suggestions to improve or add to the site. Your feedback is important!

Stewardship

Sandy Gonzalez joined the Stewardship Team. The "State of Grace" gathering is now scheduled for Sunday, May 5, after the 10:00 am service.

Evangelism

- Vestry members are asked to please wear their name tags.
- Invitations to Holy Week and Easter services are being sent to visitors.
- Grace will participate in the Willoughby Outdoor Market the fourth Saturday of each month beginning in June. We need to be sure we will have access to electricity so that we can use a computer to show a video of our church and activities. Set up is 7:15 am; the market goes from 8:00 am to noon, rain or shine.
- The Bike Blessing will be held May 19 at 2:00 in the upper parking lot.
- Phil Davis is having a sandwich sign made to advertise the Soup and Chili Cook-off.

Outreach

- We will try having a game night from 5:00 to 9:40 pm, prior to our meal at McKinley Community Outreach center on March 25. There will be games that kids and adults can play. We are extending Christian hospitality to the guests. We are trying to get our Scouts and Girl Scouts to help out in the fun.
- LCCN Chinese Auction will be May 31. Tickets are \$20 each. Theme baskets, single items and bottles of wine for baskets and cash are being requested again this year for the auction. Food will be available for purchase.

Fellowship

Fellowship continues to search for a Team Leader.

Pastoral Care














































Marilyn Taylor is the leader for this group. Please contact her if you wish to deliver a meal to anyone.

Next Meetings

A Vestry retreat was scheduled for Friday, March 22 5:30 pm and Saturday from 8:00 am til noon. Since the Vestry will meet with the Bishop on April 28, there will be no regular Vestry meeting in April.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The Browns have made some exciting additions to their roster this off-season. But until football begins, players, fans, and even referees must find ways to keep in shape. Toward this end, Grace Episcopal Church has invited NFL officials to referee our weekly services. * Please be mindful on Sundays to avoid being flagged for one of the following infractions:

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1
Begin the procession | 
2
Illegal Use Of Thurible | 
3
Procession Started Without Clergy | 
4
Choir Tempo To Fast | 
5
Sermon Finished | 
6
Incorrect Hand Position For Prayers | 
7
Use of Interactive Sermon | 
8
Start the Gospel Procession | |
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9
Acolytes Not Paying Attention | 
10
Incorrect Passing the Offertory Plate | 
11
Candles Not Lit | 
12
Holding Cross Incorrectly | 
13
Too Much Incense | 
14
Child Found Wandering In Foyer | 
15
Make More Room In Pews | 
16
Cotta Missing | |
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17
Sermon too scholarly | 
18
Sermon Too Long | 
19
Thurible Tangled In Arms | 
20
Procession Stopped Too Short | 
21
Too Many Times At Altar Rail | 
22
Use Of Patriotic Hymns | 
23
Lay Reader Missing Prayers Of People | 
24
Celebrant Missing Prayer Book | 
27
Chasuble too long |
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28
Bishop Is Lost | 
29
Offertory Anthem Too Long | 
30
Crucifer Too Slow | 
31
Crooked Cotta | 
32
Incorrect Passing the Peace | 
33
Pushing During Procession | 
34
Incorrect Blessing | 
35
Lost Wireless Microphone | 
36
Baptism By Imersion |
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37
Bishop Missing Miter | 
38
Incorrect Citation Of Bible Verse | 
39
Cassock Too Long | 
40
Cassock Too Short | 
41
Incorect Orans Hand Position | 
42
Incorrect Guiding Chalice to Lips | 
43
Bendiction Too Soon | 
44
Member Wants to Swipe Credit Card for Offertory | 
45
Celebrant has Consumed too much Wine |
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46
Use of Liturgical Dancing | 
47
Coffee Hour Began | | | | | | | |

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READINGS FOR THE DAY

April 7
The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21
Philippians 3:4b-14
John 12:1-8
Psalm 126

April 14
Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Philippians 2:5-11
Luke 22:14-23:56
Psalm 31:9-16

April 21
Easter Sunday

Isaiah 65:17-25
1 Corinthians 15:19-26
Luke 24:1-12
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

April 28
The Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32
Revelation 1:4-8
John 20:19-31
Psalm 150