St. Paul's by-the-Sea

Weekly news & updates

April 8, 2022

PALM SUNDAY & Bishop's Annual Visitation

April 10th, 10am

Holy Eucharist Rite II with the Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray and the Rev. Carl Mosley. Our choir will be making a joyful noise unto the Lord; along with guest soloist, Joanna Cross, who will be singing the offertory anthem.

This is the beginning of Holy Week, the week prior to Christ's crucifixion, the most holy season of the Christian year.

Click here to print the bulletin.





The service on Palm Sunday will begin in Fellowship Commons. The Bishop will bless the palms before they are distributed to everyone present. Then those who are able will process into the church and up the aisle toward the Altar. At the steps, everyone will turn either right or left and use the side aisles to find their seat in a pew.

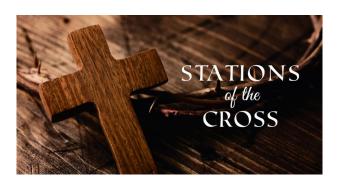
MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 14th, 6pm

After a Lenten soup and salad supper in DeWees Hall, we will break bread and drink wine just as Jesus and the disciples did at The Last Supper.

Afterward, we will go into the church for the Stripping of the Altar.





GOOD FRIDAY

April 15th, Noon

The Rev. Carl Mosley will lead a service of the Stations of the Cross. A bulletin containing the prayers for each Station will be provided.

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry calls for 100th anniversary Good Friday Offering

Celebrating 100 years of Episcopal Church gifts to Jerusalem and the Middle East, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry invites bishops, congregations, and supporters to participate in the centenary Good Friday Offering.



First gathered in 1922, the initial Good Friday Offering was an intentional response of The Episcopal Church to support Anglican ministries in the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East that were impacted by the devastation of World War I, the Spanish flu pandemic, and social and political unrest affecting Armenian Christians, among others throughout that region.

A lifeline of hope in times of genuine need in years past, the Good Friday Offering continues to support churches, medical programs, and schools today.

"The Good Friday Offering offers us the opportunity to celebrate and rejoice in the hope and opportunity for the very young and the very old, for needy families, students, and many others in the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East," Curry says in a **Lenten letter to Episcopal parishioners**. "For 10 decades we have provided an opportunity for every parish throughout our church to connect with the ministry of love and compassion carried out by our Anglican sisters and brothers" in the region.

He notes that gifts to the Good Friday Offering have "restored sight at the Ras Morbat Eye Clinic in war-torn Yemen, helped children with special needs at The Jerusalem Princess Basma Center, and enabled youth ministry at St. Matthew's Church, Zebabdeh, in the West Bank," among many other projects.

Acknowledging the ongoing challenges surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, Curry encourages participation in every parish. In addition to in-person collections, donations can be made **online** at **iam.ec/goodfridayoffering**, or by texting 'GFO' to 91999.

"The self-giving way of love and generosity makes a difference," he writes. "That is what becoming a church that looks and acts like Jesus does."

The Office of Global Partnerships offers **downloadable resources** about the Good Friday Offering, including bulletin covers, inserts, and posters. In honor of the 100th anniversary, a series of historical writeups and images by decade are being shared weekly **online** and on social media, and a celebratory event will be held at the 80th General Convention in Baltimore, Maryland, this summer.

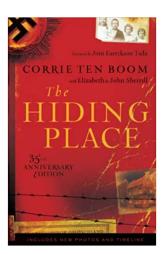
For more information, contact the **Ven. Paul Feheley**, Episcopal Church Middle East partnership officer.



The Shepherd's Crook would like to remind all parishioners that donations of canned and dry goods are always appreciated. As the cost of food continues to climb, your donations help us to provide for those in need while maintaining our budget. Thank you!

SPBTS Book Club

Our April Book is *The Hiding Place* by Corrie Ten Boom which we will discuss on Monday, April 25 at 7pm via Zoom. It is an autobiographical memoir by Corrie Ten Boom, a devoutly religious woman who lived in the Holland city of Haarlem during the Nazi occupation. Compelled by her unshakeable Christian morality, she defied tyranny to rescue her Jewish neighbors who faced annihilation during the Holocaust. She was ultimately caught and sent to the notorious Ravensbruck death camp, where she witnessed scenes of unimaginable cruelty. In the camp, it was Corrie's bedrock faith in the glory of God that sustained her. She discovered that love was a far more powerful force than hate—for God's love was truly unconquerable.



Anyone who enjoys reading is welcome to join our group. Contact Debbie Shuster or Jody Farley.



Assateague Coastal Trust's highly anticipated event of the year, the 23rd Annual Native Plant Sale will be held at their office location at 10959 Worcester Hwy. in Berlin on Saturday, May 7th from 8 am – 1 pm.

Visit the plant sale store at ActForBays.org/PlantSale to view a wide selection of native sun and shade plants. To

view the full inventory, visit the online store at <u>ActForBays.org/PlantSale</u>. Online orders are strongly encouraged to ensure you get everything you need for this year's spring gardens!

What: Assateague Coastal Trust's 23rd Annual Native Plant Sale

When: Saturday, May 7th Time: 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Where: Assateague Coastal Trust Office (10959 Worcester Hwy. Berlin, MD) For more info and to pre-order visit: www.ACTforBays.org/PlantSale



Happy Birthday

Jean Charles (4/12) Amy Rothermel (4/13)



Online Services

<u>Click here</u> to watch the Sunday, April 3rd Holy Eucharist service.

Prayer List

Please keep those on our prayer list in your daily prayers.

Robbie Whittington Joyce, Cindy Dreslin, Kyle Harmon, Shirley Connor, Jose Cabrera, Ryan Fischer, Katlyn, David Warren, Letty Trimper Hurst, Rev. Penny Morrow, Fr. Joe Rushton, Connie Mayers, Doug Dryden, Brian Friedman, Grace, Delores Rothermel, Ronnie Skinner, Randy Hastings, Gary Ballard, Hugh, Frank Candeloro, Jr., John Rogers, John Seward, Stephanie Hill, Douglas Allan, Yvetta Henry Tull, Melvin, Jean Charles, Jimmy Farley, Alex Hoffman, Jonathan Jones, Francisco Hector Diaz Diaz, Jean Charles, Richard, Brad, Larry Lorton, Betty Merenda, Dee Toms, Bob Rothermel, The Lecates Family, Hunter Berry, The People of Ukraine, Lakelyn Draheim, Charles Riley, Meredith Cobb

Worship Leaders Schedule

This Week—April 10, 2022

Celebrant: The Rt. Reverend Santosh Marray

Assisting Celebrant: Rev. Carl Mosley Reader: Debbie Shuster, Andy Diaz Altar Guild: Kay Ayres, Amanda Cropper Usher: Elsie MacMullin & Tom Shuster Counters: Shirley Aydelotte, Lynda Azar

Next Week—April 17, 2022

Celebrant: Rev. Carl Mosley

Reader: Cami Rogers

Altar Guild: Kay Ayres, Amanda Cropper

Usher: Kay Ayres, Amanda Cropper

Counters: Amanda Cropper, Amy Rothermel



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