



ST. CHRISTOPHER BY-THE-RIVER

APRIL 2019 NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

Just two weeks (one Sunday) remains in this season of Lent. Somehow the season always passes more quickly than I anticipate and my faithfulness to each year's Lenten discipline always falls short. If you, like me, are feeling some regrets for allowing the usual busyness of life to override the intention of turning in more intentional ways toward God – now is the time to recommit!

Sometimes intentionally tending to our relationship with God means doing more. More often it means doing less. Less worrying (especially about things over which we have no control). Less consuming (of food, alcohol, unnecessary purchases, tv, social media...). Less judging (of ourselves and others). I'm sure you can expand on these "starter" lists!

The doing more that nurtures our relationship with God has to do with seeing, hearing, and loving. Seeing – the beauty of God's creation, the needs of God's beloved children, the places of hardness in our own hearts. Hearing – the song of birds announcing that Spring is returning to us, the voices of children and friends, the whispers of longing within our souls for love. And Love – loving what we have seen and heard as we quiet down in our minds and bodies. Loving what that quieting down has made possible for us to notice – that we are blessed beyond our capacity to truly understand.

In discovering (for the first time or once again) that we are loved and that the signs of that love surround us and fill our lives – we are set free. We are set free from fears (small and large) and the need to control (or trying to control) our life's circumstances. We are set free to see our beloved fellow creatures and their needs. We are set free to love as we have been loved.

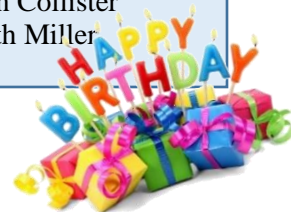
Forty days will never be enough for this process to be completed. But each year we are given the gift of forty days to open ourselves up to the possibility of receiving this gift. We still have time left before beginning our Holy Week journey toward Easter's celebration of Christ's resurrection and the promise of our own. May we all use the time that remains well.

In Christ's Love,

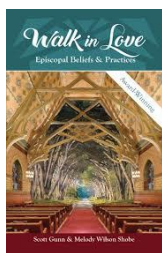
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April Birthdays

- 1 Sally Conley
Pauline Marting
Connor McMillion
Ted Ramsey
- 2 Elizabeth Eaton
- 5 Larry Murray
- 7 Brian Wright
- 8 Kathy Vilas
- 9 Alex Berchek
- 11 Barbara Schulze
- 14 Stuart Bates
Lou Boswell
- 16 Bill Doyle
- 19 Maddie Figgie
- 21 Loni Todd-Lorenz
- 22 Fran Meyers
- 23 Ed Meyers
- 24 Claire Murray
- 27 Judy Eakin
Suzanne Murray
- 28 Di Treco
- 29 Dan Collister
- 30 Beth Miller



Faith Development



Sundays at 9AM we are studying 'Walk In Love, Episcopal Beliefs & Practices'.

Books are \$20. Please contact the office if you would like one. Feel free to join in at any time.

Lenten SOUP Suppers

April 2, 9

6:00 – 7:00 Supper

7:00 – 9:00 Movie

Sign up on the clip board in the Guild Room or call the office!

Junior Warden Report

By Becky Everett

I would like to introduce myself, for those of you who don't know me. My name is Becky Everett, and I am your new Junior Warden. I grew up at St. Christopher's, singing in the children's choir, getting confirmed, going to Sunday school and being an acolyte. My husband and I joined the church, once again, in 2000, when our children were young, and we needed a church home. We have been active members of the parish since then, and truly feel a part of a very loving, supportive church family.

I have been lucky to have experienced what it is like to have a phenomenal junior warden like Charley Marston. He is a very hard act to follow, but we are working together to make this transition a smooth one. Charley will be continuing on with the riverbank project and the elevator project until their completion. I will also be working with him in this process. Thank you, Charley, for all your help and support!

I want to bring you up to date on a few projects the church is looking at. The concrete steps leading up to the fire lane next to the church were crumbling and have been repaired. The same mason who worked on this is also going to repair the front steps of the rectory as well as the brick wall by the bridge side door entrance. I am hoping to have these projects completed within the next few weeks.

I am also researching the best solution to the water management problem with the current gutters on the church. I am working to get a number of estimates and ideas as to how to solve this problem. I will keep you informed of any developments in this area.

The carpet squares in the new choir room are not staying in place as they should. Sally Conley is working with Marshall Carpet and the manufacturing company in order to get the carpet replaced. I am hoping to have this done within the next two months.

Finally, the elevator work in the basement is complete, and Charley Marston tells me that he has spoken to Hugh about getting the needed painting done down there which, again, should be completed within the next few weeks.

Any kind of disruption in our daily lives can be very frustrating and aggravating. We have all been very patient waiting for the wonderful elevator to be complete. Please know that we can see the light at the end of the tunnel, and we all just need to hang in there a little bit longer! It is truly going to be wonderful when we get the green light to be able to use it!

Finally, please don't hesitate to call if you have questions/concerns for me. My cell phone is 216-409-2370. Please leave a message, and I will return your call!

Guild Events

Bargain Box

May 3rd



Set Up Sunday

April 28th

June 2nd

The St. Christopher's Women's Guild is sponsoring an auction on Sunday June 2, 2019 to raise money to build homes through Food for the Poor! Watch for a mailing soon!



June 13

End of Year Luncheon at Sally Conley's.



March Lenten Art Retreat



Daughters of the King

The St. Christopher by the River Chapter of Daughter's of the King was installed on March 10th.



Stewardship

Thank you to all those who made a commitment of giving to St. Christopher By-the-River for 2019!

Allgood, Dwight M., Jr. & Mrs. Joan
Alpers, Ms. Marcia
Barker, Mr. John S. (Jack) & Mrs. Susan
Barnes, Mr. William, IV (Will) & Mrs. Anne
Batcheller, Mr. Peter & Mrs. Sandra (Sandy)
Beeman, Mr. Richard E.
Bennett, Mr. Lawrence (Larry) & Mrs. Elise C.
Bixler, Mr. Charles F., IV (Chuck) & Mrs. Donna
Bixler, Mrs. Virginia
Blossom, Mr. C. Perry & Mrs. Pamela (Pam)
Bole, Mr. Richard (Rik) & Mrs. Mary Wick
Boswell, Mr. Louis (Lou) & Mrs. Helga
Brachna, Mr. Gabor (Gabe)
Butler, Mr. J. C. & Mrs. Helen
Cicirello, Mr. Salvatore (Sal) & Mrs. Helen
Collister, Mr. Daniel (Dan) & Mrs. Lorinda (Rindy)
Conley, Ms. Sally K.
Costello, Cindy
Cotton, Ms. Laura
Currutt, Mr. Dennis & Mrs. Charlene
DeBaz, Dr. Baz & Mrs. Mona
Della Ratta, Mr. Ralph M. Jr. & Mrs. Rosalie
Dickenson, Mr. David, II & Mrs. Frances
Doyle, Mr. William (Bill)
Eakin, Mr. Jeffery (Jeff) & Mrs. Judy
Everett, Morrie & Diana
Everett, Mr. Chandler H. & Mrs. Marsha
Everett, Mr. Chandler P. & Mrs. Rebecca (Becky)
Everett, Virginia
Feller, Mrs. Anne
Foltz, Miss Suzanne E.
Gallop, Ms. Susan
Hargrave, Miss Janet T.
Hauserman, Mr. David (Dave) & Mrs. Darlene
Henry, Mrs. Nicole (Nicki)
Holmes, Mr. Thomas (Tom) & Mrs. Mary
Hoyt, Doug & Cally
Ianni, Ms. Teri
Irwin, Dr. John & Mrs. Nancy C.
Jones, Mr. Clarke & Mrs. Whitney
Kidder, The Rev. Ann & Mr. Theodore G. (Ted)
Klinginsmith, Michael (Mike) & Dr. Gretchen Fisher
LaMantia, Mr. James J. (Jim) & Mrs. Pamela (Pam)
Lee, Mr. Ron & Mrs. Cornelia
Long, Dr. Bruce
Lowe, Annette
Malm, Mrs. Tillie
Marston, Mr. Charles S. (Charley) & Mrs. Susan
Marston, Mr. J. Tucker & Mrs. Jean
Marting, Mr. Michael & Mrs. Leslie
Matthews, Mr. Thomas (Tom) & Mrs. Paulette
McCoy, Mr. William (Bill)
McMillion, Mr. Sean M. & Mrs. Lindsey A.
McMullen, Mr. Daniel J. & Mrs. Irene H.
Meyers, Mr. Edward (Ed) & Mrs. Frances (Fran)
Miscko, Mr. Ronald (Ron) & Mrs. Carolyn E.
Mitchell, Mr. John & Mrs. Ann
Moseley, Mr. Thomas W. (Tom) & Mrs. Jean
Mueller, Mr. Scott & Mrs. Kelly
Murphy, Mr. Brian & Mrs. Cynthia P. (Cindy)
Murray, Mr. Lawrence (Larry) & Mrs. Mary G.
Negrelli, Mr. Donald (Don) & Mrs. Virginia (Gini)
Nook, Molly
Pender, Mr. James (Jim) & Mrs. Katherine (Kathy)
Pistell, Mr. Timothy (Tim) & Mrs. Linda (Lynn)
Pucell, Mr. Anthony (Tony) & Ms. Christina (Chris)
Reda, Ms. Melanie
Redmond, Sandra
Reynolds, A. William (Bill) & Mrs. Joanne (Jo)
Reynolds, Mr. Timothy M. (Tim) & Mrs. Mary
Sarkisian, Mrs. Francine (Fran)
Schmidt, Mr. Daniel & Mrs. Courtney
Scott, Ms. Adrian (Tim)
Smith, Mr. Lawrence C. (Larry) & Mrs. Carol
Storer, Mrs. Dolores (Dede)
Syverson, Robert (Bob)
Thatcher, Mr. Peter
The Veale Foundation
Thomas, Mr. Bruce & Mrs. Katherine W. (Kitty)
Tone, Mrs. Elizabeth (Betty)
Trecu, Mrs. Diana D.
Turnbull, Mr. Robert & Ms. Lisa Meeder
Vail, Mr. Thomas V. H. Sr. (Tom) & Mrs. Iris
Vazzana, Matt & McCuan, Jamie
Ventimiglia, Ms. Linda
Vilas, Kathleen L. (Kathy)
Warren, Mr. Russell (Russ) & Mrs. Doris (Dori)
Webb, Ms. Linda
Weitzel, Mr. Robert (Bob) & Mrs. Jeanette (Jean)
Wolf, Mr. David & Mrs. Alison
Zimmerman, Mrs. Lydia

APRIL 2019 ROTA

April 7th

8:00 EM: Fran Meyers
LR: Kitty Thomas
AG: Sally Conley
10:15 EM: Beth Miller
LR: Brian Wirght & Jean Ramsey
AG: Courtney Schmidt
Ushers: Brian Wright & Rik Bole
Hospitality: Becky Everett

April 14th

8:00 EM: Melanie Reda
LR: Kitty Thomas
AG: Teri Ianni
10:15 EM: Dale Gnandt
LR: Kathy Pender & Courtney Schmidt
AG: Jean Ramsey
Ushers: Ron & Neal Lee
Hospitality: Nancy Irwin & Kathy Pender

April 19th – Good Friday

12:00 EM: Peter Batcheller
LR: NR
AG: Laura Cotton

6:00 EM: Randy Cole
LR: NR
AG: Neal Lee

April 21st – Easter

9:00 EM: Charley Marston
LR: Marilyn Fisher
AG: Sue Marston
Ushers: TBA
11:00 EM: Randy Cole
LR: Victoria Connell & Darlene Hauserman
AG: Marcia Alpers
Ushers: Kurt Liljedahl
Hospitality: Egg Hunts!

April 28th – Set Up Sunday

8:00 EM: Peter Batcheller
LR: Teri Ianni
AG: Rosalie Della Ratta
10:15 EM: John Irwin
LR: Fran Sarkisian & TBA
AG: Darlene Hauserman
Ushers: Dave & Darlene Hauserman
Hospitality: SET UP Sunday!

Food Pantry

In **APRIL**, we are collecting:

Canned Fruits

Canned Vegetables

(including tomatoes and
tomato sauce)

Applesauce



Volunteer Opportunities

Blessed Are We Dinner

Friday, April 19th

Meet at St. Christopher's at 4PM
Contact the office if you plan to help out.

Food Pantry

Saturday, April 20th

Our Savior Lutheran Church
Call the office if you wish to volunteer.

Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry Men's Shelter

Serve Lunch.

NOT SERVING IN APRIL

Look for May Sign ups on the bulletin board.
All welcome. Carpool leaves at 11:00 sharp!

Vestry 2019

John Irwin	Senior Warden
Becky Everett	Junior Warden
Irene McMullen	Clerk
Mary Murray	Treasurer

Class of 2021

Elise Bennett, David Hauserman, Sean McMillion

Class of 2020

Becky Everett, Mary Murray, James Pender

Class of 2019

Mary Holmes, John Irwin, Irene McMullen

Northeast Mission Area Council Representatives

Peter Batcheller, 2019

Linda Webb, 2019

reminder



Mother Ann changed her Cell Phone # a few months ago. If you haven't already updated your contact information, her new # is: 207-664-4041

April

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

	1	2 9:30 Staff Meeting 6:00 Movie & Simple Supper 	3 Mother Ann at Fresh Start 10:30 AM Guild Board 6 PM Cub Scouts	4 5 PM Evening Prayer 8 PM Riverside AA	5	6
7 Lent V 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Church School, Adult Forum, Handchime 9:30 am Choir 10 am Nursery 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 	8 9-11 AM Stephen Ministry	9 9:30 Staff Meeting 6:00 Movie & Simple Supper 	10	11 5 PM Evening Prayer 8 PM Riverside AA	12	13
14 PALM SUNDAY 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Church School, Adult Forum, Handchime 9:30 am Choir 10 am Nursery 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:20 am Junior Choir   HOLY WEEK	15	16 Mother Ann at Clergy Vow Renewal	17 6 PM Cub Scouts	18  5:30 PM Agape Supper & Stripping of Altar 8 PM Riverside AA	19 GOOD FRIDAY  12:00 Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM Holy Eucharist St. Andrews Blessed Are We Dinner Meet @ 4PM	20 Our Savior Lutheran Food Pantry 11 AM
21 EASTER Choir 9:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Egg Hunt 11:00 am Holy Eucharist 12:00 p.m. Egg Hunt 	22 9-11 AM Stephen Ministry 4:30 PM Watershed Meeting	23 9:30 Staff Meeting	24 6 PM Vestry Meeting	25 5 PM Evening Prayer 8 PM Riverside AA	26 Wedding Rehearsal	27  3:00 Wedding
28 Easter II 8 am Holy Eucharist 9 am Church School, Adult Forum, Handchime 9:30 am Choir 10 am Nursery 10:15 am Holy Eucharist 11:20 am Junior Choir 	29 Bargain Box Set Up	30 9:30 Staff Meeting Bargain Box Set Up 6:00 NEMAC @ Grace Willoughby		Canned Fruits and Vegetables (including tomatoes and tomato sauce), Applesauce  		

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Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:00 a.m. Nursery Care for 10:15 service
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Parish Office

Open T-W-TH 8:30-2:30
440-423-4451
stchrisbytheriver@gmail.com

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We welcome you to join us:

Sunday, APRIL 7th – Lent V

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Sunday, APRIL 14th – PALM SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Sunday, APRIL 21st – EASTER

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
No Nursery. Egg Hunts after Each Service.

Easter Egg Hunt



Sunday, APRIL 28th – Easter II

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

SUNDAY MORNINGS FOR KIDS 5-14

9 -10 a.m. Church School Class (Upstairs)
10-10:15 a.m. Break & Snacks in the Nursery
10:15-10:30 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary with class
10:30 -11:00 a.m. Children's Chapel
11:00-11:30 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary with families

NURSERY CARE

10 am-11:30 am for Ages 0-4

