

CONNECTIONS

All Saints Episcopal Church Monthly Newsletter



HOLY WEEK



- **Palm Sunday** March 24, 10:30am
Procession with Palms
Reading of The Passion
- **Holy Wednesday** March 27, 7:00pm
Tenebrae: A Service of Light and Darkness
- **Maundy Thursday** March 28, 7:00pm
Holy Eucharist, Foot Washing, Stripping The Altar
- **Good Friday** March 29, noon
Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday
- **Holy Saturday** March 30
Prayers, Preparation for Easter 9:00am
The Great Vigil of Easter 8:00pm

He Is Risen

EASTER

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- **Easter Day—The Day of Resurrection** March 31
Easter Holy Eucharist 10:30am
Singing of Handel's Hallelujah Chorus 11:45am
Easter Egg Hunt, Festive Coffee Hour 12 noon

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Welcome to All Saints

Masks are welcome but not required during the service. The service will continue to be available at 10:30am at allsaintsnorthfield.org

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From the Rector Holy Week at All Saints



The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Sunday March 24, 2024

Holy Eucharist at 10:30AM

On Palm Sunday, we triumphantly enter Jerusalem with Jesus and his disciples. We wave palm branches and acclaim Jesus as the King who comes in the Name of the Lord. We will gather together in the Commons for the blessing of palms and then, while singing a glorious hymn, we will process around the church and in through the red doors on Washington Street. Our liturgy quickly shifts from glory to tragedy as we hear the Passion Gospel proclaimed by several members of our parish community. Our shouts of “Hosanna!” become “Crucify him!” rather more quickly than we would care to admit. The service ends as we leave the church walking all over the palms we had only just been waving victoriously.

Holy Wednesday

Wednesday March 27, 2024

Tenebrae: A Service of Light and Darkness at 7:00PM

The service of Tenebrae (Latin for ‘shadows’) is “an extended meditation” on, and prelude to, the events of the Paschal Triduum. We gather in the darkened church, lit only by candlelight, and we listen to members of the choir chant the psalms and canticles foreshadowing Jesus’s passion. After each psalm is chanted, one of the candles on the altar is snuffed out until only one candle is left. That single candle—representing Jesus—is removed from the church and a loud sound is heard, representing Jesus’s death. Just as Jesus did on Easter morning, the single candle returns and we depart in silence. This service does not require you to participate in any way: no hymns to sing, no bulletin to read, no sermon to hear. Sit back and let the ancient psalmody of the church wash over you and prepare your heart for the Great Three Days which will follow.

Maundy Thursday—Day One of the Paschal Triduum

Thursday March 28, 2024

Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7:00PM

On Maundy Thursday, we gather with Jesus and the other disciples in the Upper Room. Jesus defies all convention and washes the feet of his disciples, commanding them to love one another as he loves them. We take up that commandment (the Latin word for commandment is *mandatum*, from which we get ‘Maundy’ in English) and wash one another’s feet. We then commemorate Jesus giving us his body and blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist. Given the centrality of the Eucharist to the ministry of ordained priests and deacons, we all recognize the institution of the Priesthood and the Diaconate, Jesus setting aside ministers to serve the whole People of God in his Name. Just as Jesus was turned over to the authorities and stripped of his clothes, so we strip the altar of all ornamentation. The priest then washes the bare altar and anoints it with the Sacred Chrism, representing Jesus’s body being stripped and anointed for burial. The Blessed Sacrament is then processed to a temporary altar where some among us will keep watch with it through the night and into the morning. The rest of us depart in silence. The Great Three Days have begun.



From the Rector Continued



Good Friday—Day Two of the Paschal Triduum

Friday March 29, 2024

Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday at 12:00PM Noon

On Good Friday, we commemorate the death of Jesus. The liturgy begins with everybody kneeling as they are able or sitting together in somber silence. We hear once more the Passion Gospel read by a single voice and we imagine ourselves into the story, offering aid to Jesus, betraying him, and everything in between. Good Friday is the one day of the year when the Church throughout the world refrains from celebrating the Eucharist. We instead receive Communion which had been consecrated the night before during the Mass of the Lord's Supper. The deacon bids us to pray for various people and circumstances throughout the whole world and the priest collects our prayers together. We sing the virtues of the cross and gaze upon it on the altar. Once more, we depart in silence. The Great Three Days continue.

Holy Saturday—Day Three of the Paschal Triduum

Saturday March 30, 2024

The Great Vigil of Easter at 8:00PM

This is the holiest night of the year! And we will celebrate it in grand fashion. We gather outside at the front of the church to light the New Fire, from which we will light the Paschal Candle. The Paschal Candle burns at every liturgy during the Great Fifty Days of Easter, at every funeral throughout the year, and at other times when we specially remember our baptism. It is a reminder of Christ's presence among us and his victory over death. Following the Paschal Candle, we process into the church and gather together in the Commons. Like our spiritual ancestors, we will hear stories from Scripture about God's saving deeds throughout history. We will present members of our community to be baptized, confirmed, and received by the Bishop and will renew our own baptismal covenant alongside them. We then proclaim Christ's resurrection loudly while singing a song of praise and ringing all the bells we can. We together celebrate the first Mass of Easter, confident that Christ has defeated death and lives forever. The Great Vigil of Easter is the "mother of all liturgies" in the Christian calendar. It is longer than usual, but the drama of the ritual actions make it all worthwhile. If you only attend one service during the year, this is the one. You won't want to miss it. At the deacon's dismissal following Communion, the Great Three Days end.

Easter Day—The Day of Resurrection

Sunday March 31, 2024

Easter Holy Eucharist at 10:30AM

Having followed Jesus through the tragedy of Good Friday and Holy Saturday, we now gather together joyfully as a parish to celebrate his resurrection from the dead! We hear the story of an empty tomb and celebrate the Holy Eucharist with the sung preface of Easter. Our service ends with the whole parish singing Handel's "Hallelujah" chorus together. We move into the Commons for a festive coffee hour while the children search high and low for candy-filled Easter eggs. The best joy of this morning is welcoming friends and neighbors who aren't with us most of the year but who come to celebrate Christ's victory over death with us!

Junior Warden
Laura Kay Allen

I am two months into my second year as the All Saints Junior Warden. I now know who to connect with in the parish and who our outside vendors are thanks to Pam Middleton's great leadership mentoring me during year one.

Things are relatively quiet during the winter months as we do all of our preventive maintenance and yearly safety checks each summer.

Right after the first of the year, we had two occasions where trees at All Saints were trimmed. As last month's Connections indicated, the City of Northfield has been trimming trees throughout Northfield and several of our All Saints boulevard trees were attended to. In addition, a large locust tree to the right of our Fifth Street entrance sidewalk had a split that we've been watching for a long time. In mid-January, we had Cannon River Tree Care assess the tree. They removed the right-side branch and we will reevaluate the tree structure as the months go on.

Our snow removal team continues to be ready to be called upon when needed. The team and Tyler Green combined efforts to clear the mid-February snow and both the team and Tyler's crew did a terrific job.

We are eagerly awaiting the start of our siding and window restoration project slated to begin in the weeks ahead.

Whenever I can, I say thank you to our sexton, Dave McGuire, and to all the individuals who step up in many ways to help maintain our beloved spaces and grounds, buy supplies and participate in work days!

As always, please notify me if you have a concern about anything related to our facilities or equipment.

Change Your Clocks

March 10

Daylight Saving Time

begins!



EASTER

FLOWERS



Easter is on March 31st! Would you like to donate funds for the Easter flowers/plants in thanksgiving for or in memory of loved ones? The suggested donation is \$30.00. Please email the office with your dedication, and send your check to PO Box 663, Northfield or put in the offering plate with "Easter flowers" on the memo line.



Friday Fun and Fellowship at All Saints! Game Night: February 23



Lenten Friday Fish Fry!



Friday Fish Fry! Everyone is invited to the inaugural All Saints Lenten Friday Fish Fry on March 8th at 5:30pm! Keisha Smith and Brad Ely are excited to start a new tradition at All Saints; they will be cooking up a wonderful meal of fried fish (with delicious vegetarian and gluten free options), cole slaw, french fries and dessert! There is a suggested donation of \$10 for adults and \$5 for children over 5. We hope to see you at the Fish Fry!

MARCH

5	Pride in the Park planning meeting
6, 13, 20	Simple Supper/Lenten gatherings/Compline
8	Fish Fry
9	Carleton Reading Days Study Break
13	Outreach meeting
17	Vestry meeting
	Piano Salon
24-30	Holy Week
30	The Great Easter Vigil with Baptism/Confirmation
31	Easter Day Eucharist, Egg Hunt

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Ruth's House of Hope Helping Hearts Fundraiser

Submitted by Deacon Cassandra

Thank you to all who donated and made desserts for the annual fundraiser for Ruth's House. So proud of our church and how many came forward for this amazing cause.

They raised over \$190,000 with all the donations and auctions items. If you are interested in volunteering for next year, contact Deacon Cassandra. They start planning months in advance.



The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem Good Friday Offering

Every Good Friday Episcopal parishes are asked to send the loose offering to the Diocese of Jerusalem. Founded over 200 years ago by the Church Missionary Society (CMS) in England, William Wilberforce being a strong voice of support, it took until 1841 for the Anglican presence to be established. It is a long and complicated history but what we see today is very impressive: 2 hospitals, 2 clinics, 4 rehab centers, 2 retirement homes, 12 schools, 28 churches whose membership totals 7,000 all of which are spread across 5 countries or territories in the Diocese. While many Episcopalians financially support the Diocese of Jerusalem, it is not a part of or a missionary diocese of the Episcopal Church in the USA.

One of the best ways to support the work of The Diocese of Jerusalem is through American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem (AFEDJ.org). Their website is very navigable so making a designation for a gift is a simple task. With the current war situation, the needs are great

Book Discussion

Thursday March 21st 1:30 p.m.
What We Remember Will Be Saved
Stephanie Saldana

Submitted by Mary Jones

The author, Stephanie Saldana, a Syriac Christian, describes the book as a story of refugees and the things they carry. Born in Texas but having lived for the past 20 years in the Middle East, she tells her own story as well as those of 5 refugees from homes between Aleppo and Mosul which they lost when ISIS swept through that area in 2014. What she learns is that it's the little things that count. The fifth story tells of Ezidi refugees arriving at Sr. Makrina's convent in Germany. Fr. Cody will be on hand to join the discussion. There will be a sign up sheet on the credenza so we will know how many books to order.



~~The Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign~~

Submitted by Marshall Hansen

March is the month when we help restock Minnesota's food shelves.

Each year All Saints joins other churches and businesses in Northfield to help restock and raise money for our Community Action Center (CAC) food shelf. The March FoodShare campaign is an annual grassroots Minnesota tradition that goes back over 4 decades and is one of the things that makes Minnesota the outstanding state that it is.

Low income families in Minnesota are still struggling. Do you agree that everyone should be able to afford basic, healthy food and that no one in Minnesota—or anywhere—should go hungry? We are in this together. With our help, the Minnesota March FoodShare and our CAC are, in addition to feeding people, pursuing long term remedies that address supply, education, advocacy, urban planning, racial justice, and faith. Sound worthy of our help? You bet! All Saints has teamed with Northfield's CAC for over 20 years.



During the month of March, please put a check made out to All Saints—**with “food shelf” written on the memo line**—in the offering plate. If you are also curious to know more about our food shelf, talk with Rhonda or Bob Rowe. They've been volunteering there for many years and can best answer any questions you might have about how it works, the quality of the foodstuffs offered, and what the latest needs are.

Please note that monetary donations to each food shelf during March each year are what determine the amount of additional support each receives from the state's FoodShare program. Monetary donations (rather than food items) also allow the CAC to purchase more food quantities wholesale than you or I can buy retail. Cash allows the CAC to obtain exactly what is needed at any given time. So donations of money are what help the most. If, however, you still enjoy choosing and purchasing specific foods to donate, you can do that, too. Use the basket near the sanctuary entrance and be assured that the food shelf will accept your donation with sincere gratitude. **Thank you, everyone!** And many Rice County families thank you, too!



Pride in the Park is June 1, 2024 First Meeting is Tuesday, March 5th

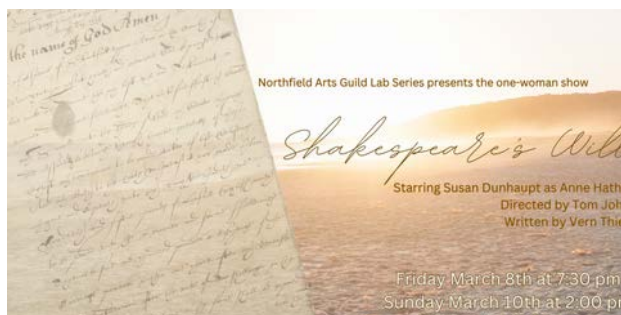
Come be a part of the All Saints Pride committee or come to share your ideas without commitment.

Please contact Rebecca Krug if you would like to know more or have ideas but are unable to attend the meeting.

Pride in the Park 2023

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Northfield Arts Guild Theater March 8 and 10



Susan Dunhaupt will be performing a rare one-woman show entitled Shakespeare's Will at the Northfield Arts Guild Theater on March 8 and 10. The play portrays Anne Hathaway, Shakespeare's wife, telling the personal and moving story of her life, including their home life together and the challenges of being married to the famous playwright. Tickets are available in the Lab Series at the Arts Guild, <https://northfieldartsguild.org/arts/theater/lab/>.



PIANO SALON MARCH 17th



Richard Collman will present a piano salon on March 17th in the Fireside Room at 3:00P.M. Only members and friends of All Saints are invited because of limited seating in the room. Come early!

The program will include music of classical romantic composers (Schubert, Debussy, Mendelssohn, Sibelius), with a nod to an opera aria, some Gershwin, a piano rag by Scott Joplin, and a lush Irish love aria in honor of St. Patrick. Tea and treats will follow. All ages are welcome for some beautiful inspiration.

Meet and Welcome

OUR NEW MEMBERS

Submitted by Joan Ennis

Meet Brad Ely

Brad Ely joined All Saints last fall. He was born in Cleveland and grew up in Saint Paul. He works as the Assistant Chief Nurse at the Education Service at the Minneapolis VA. He is also a Professor of Nursing at the University of St. Catherine. He received his BS from Augsburg University, a Masters from Sacred Heart University in Connecticut, and his DNP from Augsburg.



Brad lives in Farmington, and has been married for 23 years to Katya, who works as a manager at the Lakeville Target. They have three children, Brianna, 22 years old, Nikolai, 20 years old, and Sophee, 17 years old. Bishop Loya's canon suggested that Brad visit All Saints Church, and he has enjoyed being part of the congregation. In his free time, Brad enjoys cooking, reading and golf.

Welcome Brad!

Meet Laura Porter Jones and Morgan Jones.

Laura and Morgan began attending All Saints this fall and have brought their musical gifts to our church. They are both cradle Episcopalians.

Laura grew up in Iowa as an only child. She has worked in education for her career. She has been a classroom teacher, principal, the director of the New Charter School in Apple Valley, and is currently working in the field of education technology.

Morgan grew up in Arizona, and he and Laura moved from Arizona to Minnesota in 2005. Morgan graduated from Northern Arizona University and has worked in the trades. He sells construction materials and works with ceramic tiles.

They have spent over forty years in the ministry of music for churches. Their music has taken them to many places. In fact, they met while traveling for a church music event. They both sing and play guitar.

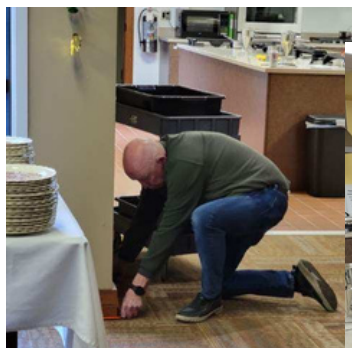
They have four adult children, and three grandchildren in Minnesota and three grandchildren in Arizona.

Welcome Laura and Morgan!



Shrove Tuesday

The traditional All Saints Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was another huge success! Bob Rowe (and his assistant, Rhonda!) got the men of the church organized in prepping, cooking, serving and cleaning! Thank you! Marshall Hansen led the All Saints Dixieland Band for another fun-filled evening of music! Thank you to all the musicians!



Delicious Pancakes and King Cakes!

Thank you to Kalie Ford, who “got the baby” last year and, therefore baked the King Cake for 2024! The Heimans provided a second King Cake straight from New Orleans via Laura’s parents, the Saxtons! Thank you to the Heimans and Saxtons! The babies were found by Sigrid and Sara this year!



PREPARING THE ASHES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Palms from last year were burned in the courtyard, and Fr. Cody prepared them for Ash Wednesday! A new tradition at All Saints!



Another All Saints Ash Wednesday Tradition!

Burying the Alleluia before Lent begins!



Wednesdays in Lent

Following the 5:30 Eucharist, a Simple Soup Supper is served, followed by two programs, and ending with a service of Compline.



Pray For Those Preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, and Reception into The Episcopal Church

Catechumens preparing for Baptism

Jai Miles

Ally Wehr

Candidates preparing for Confirmation and Reception into The Episcopal Church

Bob Craig

Brad Ely

Gretchen Alaniz

Tara Alaniz

Luke Poley

Megan Smith

Joe Peterson



O God of truth, beauty, and goodness, we give you thanks that from the beginning you have revealed yourself in your creation; and that in every nation, culture, and language there have been those who, seeing your works, have worshiped you and sought to do your will. Accept our prayers for Jai, Ally, Bob, Brad, Gretchen, Tara, Luke, Megan, and Joe whom you have called to know and love you as you have been revealed in Jesus Christ, and bring them with joy to new birth in the waters of Baptism, the loving seal of your Holy Spirit, and communion with this church; through the same Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.



LAY MINISTRY UPDATES

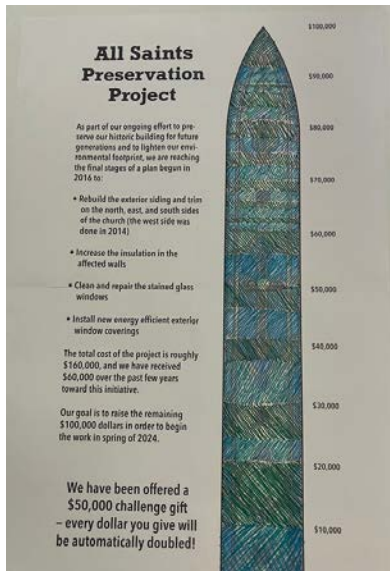
Brad Ely has joined the Acolyte team- thank you, Brad! Betsy Brandt and Paul Pieper are recent additions to the Greeters Ministry- thank you, Betsy and Paul!



CAMPUS MINISTRY UPDATE!

Submitted by Fr. Cody

We are so pleased to announce that All Saints Episcopal Student Association has been awarded an \$8,000 Young Adult and Campus Ministry Grant from The Episcopal Church! This grant will help us further develop our outreach to college students by funding a Ministry Fellowship (currently held by Sigrid Edstrom), offering spiritual and vocational retreats for college students in partnership with the Episcopal House of Prayer in Collegeville, and partnering with the Carleton Chaplain's Office to spruce up the Episcopal chapel in the lower level of Skinner Memorial Chapel. General Convention allocated \$140,000 in Young Adult and Campus Ministry grants and almost \$400,000 was requested, so we are very grateful for our \$8,000! Stay tuned for more information about our revitalization efforts!



PRESERVATION FUNDRAISING UPDATE!

Submitted by Mark Heiman

The generosity of the All Saints community has shown itself again! Last fall we announced the All Saints Preservation Project — an effort under discussion since 2016 to:

- Rebuild the exterior siding and trim on the north, east, and south sides of the original church (the west side was done in 2014 as part of our Building Renewal Project)
- Increase the insulation and reduce air flow in the affected walls
- Clean and repair the stained glass windows
- Install new energy efficient exterior window coverings

The estimated cost of the project is roughly \$160,000, and we had received \$60,000 over the past few years toward this initiative. We launched a campaign to raise the remaining \$100,000, starting with a generous \$50,000 challenge gift to match each dollar raised. A few short months later, we reached our goal!

The construction will begin later this spring — watch for more details in a future newsletter. We will be working under historical preservation guidelines to make minimal changes to the exterior appearance while taking advantage of new materials and energy efficient building methods.

Thank you again for all of your gifts! If you meant to contribute to the project but didn't get around to it, we're still taking designated gifts. Construction projects often run over budget, so any extra flexibility will be welcome.

Episcopalians are celebrated all around the world and we would love for you to submit photos of Episcopal churches that you have taken. Photos from where you have traveled to, have lived or even one you were married in. Share with us the beauty of those churches. Please feel free to include a story to go along with your submission. Send submissions to jaynequarry@yahoo.com

Our friends Rebecca and Mark Krug sent us photos from their recent trip to Hilo, Hawaii



ALL SAINTS YOUTH GROUP!!

The Youth Group is meeting every Sunday from 5:00 until 7:00 with Fr. Cody, Pam and Sigrid! Various activities are planned for each week! If you are able to help with one of the meals (spaghetti, lasagna, taco bar, tater tot hot dish, for example) please speak with Pam Middleton.



Jesus Encounters
Submitted by Fletcher Coolidge

What I have to offer is a series of dramatic monologues where I tried to imagine myself back into the first century and then into an encounter with Jesus (or a situation involving Jesus) without 2,000 years of dogma, theology, history, etc., to fall back on when interpreting the situation. Or, in other words, what would it have been like to encounter Jesus with no preconceived notions (except, maybe what you had heard at the marketplace or in the temple or some such place)? The attitudes of my protagonists may not be politically correct, but they are my attempt to be as accurate as possible in portraying real people, seen through the wrong end of the telescope.

PETER WALKS OUT TO THE MASTER

Matthew 14:22-33

I've never been so scared
Before or since – Fear!
I was scared that time. We saw him
Through the spindrift and thought
He was a ghost. But I love him –
Strange to say it, but I do –
And I thought I knew him;
So I hailed him, and sure enough,
It was him, and he called me.

Well, I just stepped over the side
And walked out to join him.
I wasn't scared then –
Relieved that he wasn't a ghost,
And glad he'd called me,
So I stepped out to meet him.

I took two steps into the wind,
A wave slopped cold across my knees –
And then I looked down. On fifty-one feet
Of water. Straight down.

So what do you do, right then?
You panic, that's what.
And start to sink. Then I was scared.
I'd been scared before, but not like that.
But I didn't seem to sink fast –
Just sort of settled into the water.
Slowly, it seemed, so I had time to think.
Not good, what I thought about
While gently sliding into the drink.
But I never stopped sinking

And then, all of a sudden
"There he was, grabbing my arm
And hoisting me into the boat.
Right then, it didn't occur to me
To wonder how he could stand there
Flatfooted on the water, and still
Be solid enough to lift me
Into the boat without sinking himself.

In fact, I was so delighted to be safe
That it took me a while to realize
I was back in the boat because of
Him . And I remember one of the other
disciples – Matthew, I think it was –
Not a fisherman, anyway –
Was all of a doo-da because
I'd slopped water all over him
When the Master set me down.

The Master seemed a little amused–
I don't know what he really thought;
I usually don't. But I learned something
That night – where to keep looking.
And it's not down into the water

Episco-Speak
A Guide to the Language of Episcopalians

Submitted by James Young

You say you don't know your apse from your clerestory? Well, don't despair! Help is here. Each month I will attempt to dazzle you with my command of the vocabulary of Anglicans and Episcopalians. If there is some term or concept about which you want to learn more, I will also take requests. Please contact me!!

This month: **Just how long is Lent? But wait. There's more!**
The Great Vigil of Easter

Yes, I know that this is a rerun, but it bears repeating because it can be confusing! The number forty is, in our faith heritage, an auspicious number. The rain of the great flood fell on Noah's ark for forty days. The people Israel sojourned in the desert for forty years before entering the Promised Land. Jesus fasted, prayed and was tempted in the wilderness for forty days.

Do you sense a theme here? Yes, Lent lasts for – if you guessed 40 days you are correct! BUT, have ever tried to count the 40 days of Lent on the liturgical calendar? If you start on Ash Wednesday and go to Holy Saturday (Easter Eve) you get not forty but forty-six days. How can that be? All Sundays, even those in Lent, are considered little days of Resurrection. So if you subtract the six Sundays of Lent (Lent 1-5 & Palm Sunday) you get forty!

That is why, for example, when we have had coffee hour in pre-pandemic times, we might have tried to offer more modest ones on Sundays in Lent. They are still days of Resurrection and celebration – though quieter ones than usual when compared to the rest of the year. I hasten to add that we look forward to having coffee hour again sometime in the future!

The Triduum of Holy Week (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday concludes with the Easter Vigil. The liturgy intended as the first (and arguably, the primary) celebration of Easter in the BCP (pp. 284-95). It is also known as the Great Vigil. The service begins in darkness, sometime between sunset on Holy Saturday and sunrise on Easter, and consists of four parts: The Service of Light (kindling of new fire, lighting the Paschal candle, the Exsultet); The Service of Lessons (readings from the Hebrew Scriptures interspersed with psalms, canticles, and prayers); Christian Initiation (Holy Baptism) or the Renewal of Baptismal Vows; and the Eucharist. Through this liturgy, the BCP recovers an ancient practice of keeping the Easter feast. Believers would gather in the hours of darkness ending at dawn on Easter to hear scripture and offer prayer. This night-long service of prayerful watching anticipated the baptisms that would come at first light and the Easter Eucharist. Easter was the primary baptismal occasion for the early church to the practical exclusion of all others. This practice linked the meanings of Christ's dying and rising to the understanding of baptism.

Next Month: Holy Oils
Stay tuned for another thrilling installment of Episco-Speak!

All Saints Vestry and Committee Chairs

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WEBSITE DESIGN	Mark Heiman

Save the date

- April 6. Vestry Retreat
- April 13. Lucas Jindra's senior recital, St. Olaf
- April 23-27 Northfield Hospital Auxiliary Book Fair
- April 26. Feed My Starving Children (tentative)
- April 27 Northfield Earth Day
- June 1 Pride in the Park
- June Red Cross blood drive. Date TBD Kate Ford
- July Meals on Wheels. Dates TBD. Marshall Hansen



BIRTHDAYS

March

- 1 Ann Campbell
- 4 Betsy Brandt
- 11 Carolyn Dilley
- 13 Robert Neuhaus
- 14 Greg Gudbjartsson
- 15 Katharine Powers
- 16 Nica Patterson
- 24 Sasha Sherman Garcia
- 24 Sabe Dunlap
- 24 Tom Campbell
- 31 Linda Gleason



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