

THE SUNDAY PAPER

Early March 2019

THE PARISH CALENDAR

TODAY, The Transfiguration of Our Lord
 8:00 a.m. Worship-Holy Communion
 9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 10:15 a.m. Worship-Holy Communion/ Sunday School
 11:30 a.m. First Sunday BLAST Pot-Luck Breakfast
 in the Fellowship Hall

IN MINISTRY TODAY

Asst. Ministers 10:15- Peter Susling
 Usher - Janice Hogan
 Reader - Nicole Lewis
 Acolyte - Zaire Reed
 Counters - Lois Kummer/Peter Susling
 Altar Guild - Maj Karlson/Linda Parker

Installation of Church Council at both services today:

Geoff Schmidt - President
 Lois Kummer - Vice President
 Terry Benesh - Treasurer

Team responsibilities:

Education/Youth Geoff Schmidt
 Property Earl Hogan
 Social Ministry Lois Kummer
 Worship/Music/Arts Megan Wills-Llewellyn/Terry Benesh

Lenten Devotionals for adults "Hope-Full Living," Daily Devotions for Living Life to the Fullest are available on the table in the entry way. "Come Follow Me" a devotional coloring book has been sent to all Sunday School age children.

THIS WEEK

Ash Wednesday, The Imposition of Ashes at 12 Noon and 7:30 p.m.

IN MINISTRY

Asst. Minister - Melanie Apicella
 Usher - Joe Apicella
 Reader - Melanie Apicella
 Acolyte - William Johnson
 Altar Guild - Maj Karlson/Linda Parker

Toni's Kitchen: Carole Behnke/Rebecca Ford/Janice Hogan/Irene Smith/tammy Zolnowsky

LAST WEEK

8:00 a.m. 11 10:15 a.m. 28 Pledge Income \$580

Daylight Savings Time Begins - Clocks go ahead one hour on Saturday evening, March 9th. Spring Ahead!

NEXT SUNDAY, The First Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m. Worship-Holy Communion
 9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 10:15 a.m. Worship - Holy Communion/Sunday School
 11:30 a.m. Coffee/Goodies/Fellowship-Gathering Area
 4:00 p.m. Confirmation I
 5:00 p.m. Youth Club

IN MINISTRY NEXT WEEK

Asst.Ministers 10:15 - Chris Hamden
 Usher - Wolfgang Benz
 Reader - Terry Benesh
 Acolyte - Landon Ruggiero
 Counters - Melanie and Joe Apicella
 Altar Guild - Maj Karlson/Linda Parker

First Sunday BLAST!

March 3rd

A Pot-Luck Breakfast following the 10:15 a.m. Worship for adults/children (members and non-members)
 Free will offering

On that day expect to see:

- Special music - We welcome and thank Steven Falker, trumpet for sharing his talents at our worship service today.
- A Special Stewardship project - "Fish Farm" through the ELCA Good Gifts - \$250. Begins with a pond, training and a few fast-growing fish, such as tilapia. Provides healthy meals for families in the community.
- Evangelism Emphasis: Fill the Church Sunday!

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FUND (Fellowship and Stewardship)

We Are Proud Of... Chris Hamden's (communion assistant/altar guild) daughter, Erika. She has been chosen to give a TED Talk on NPR. Erika is an astrophysicist and is developing telescopes with new ultraviolet detection technologies to improve our ability to observe distant galaxies. This year's TED class represents 12 countries across 4 continents. We will keep you informed as to the date and time of the talk.

We Are Proud of...Our Alto section leader Marcia Pelletiere, who has recently published a book of poetry titled, "A Crown of Hornets". It is available through Four Way Books (in Tribeca), under Poetry. Marcia suffered a traumatic head injury as a result of an automobile accident some years ago and recounts her painstaking recovery through her poems. This is Marcia's second publication.

If you, or your spouse, or your children or grandchildren have an accomplishment that others would like to know about, please submit the information for consideration at the church office.

The 32nd NJ Synod Assembly this year is Thursday, June 6th - Saturday June 8th at The Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick. One more voting member is needed to attend with Pastor Will. Terry Benesh who has previously attended, has already agreed. Registration, hotel reservations are handled by the church office and paid for by the church. Interested? Call the church office.

INVITE (Evangelism)

If you are visiting today, our family extends a heartfelt welcome and please join us again. Sign our "guest book."

REJOICE (Worship, Music and Arts)

A new flower chart for 2019 is posted on the bulletin board in the entrance way. This is how we have flowers by the baptismal font. Please choose a date and fill in your name. There is no limit to the number of people who can sign up for a Sunday. Cost of flowers is \$35; all money will be put into the flower fund. The flower fund also helps with the cost of special occasion flowers like Easter and Christmas. You will receive a call from the office the week you are signed up for to find out what you want said in the bulletin - in honor of/in memory of/on the occasion of - many options.

The Icon for Lent will be displayed during the Season beginning Ash Wednesday. It is a gift in loving memory of parents/grandparents, Anna M and Axel G. Peterson by Nancy Von See and son, Bob.

SERVE (Social Ministry)

We collect for our friends at The Human Needs Food Pantry in Montclair which is located at 9 Label Street. Their diverse client base includes the elderly, the disabled, the unemployed and under employed, single parents, the homeless and homebound as well as others with food insecurities. Their clients are residents of Montclair and 11 surrounding communities in Essex County with no existing food pantry. Needed:

soup (canned or dried)
rice, noodles, macaroni, beans (canned/dried)
canned vegetables/canned fruit
spaghetti sauce
coffee (instant) and tea (regular/decaf)
peanut butter and jelly
powdered or evaporated milk
meat/fish (canned/requires no refrigeration)
jell-o/pudding mixes
handled paper grocery bags
paper products (towels/toilet paper/napkins)
baby items (baby food/diapers/pull-ups/wipes/
new bottles/pacifiers)
dog and cat food and treats
travel and full-size toiletries/soap/deodorant,
toothpaste/toothbrushes/feminine supplies
cooking oil
cleaning supplies
feminine hygiene products
batteries

We are adding some new items that are needed:
clean, like-new blankets/towels/sheets
ensure
new socks and underwear

(in unopened packaging and check expiration dates)
(Bring to the gathering area bench (by the elevator)

TEACH (Education)

Our Sunday School continues today. Students first gather at the 10:15 a.m. service with their parents. Children are dismissed after the Children's Sermon and gather for Sunday School with their teacher, Melissa Foord. Sunday School is for youth ages 3 through 6th grade. Each session has a Bible story & craft. Join us!

Confirmation I meets next on Sundays, March 10th with Youth Club at 5 PM. and March 24th at 4 PM.