



THE LION'S TALE

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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Dear Friends:

Holy Week, 2011, is almost upon us. Although the weather has presented us with snow in the last week of March and cool temperatures are still with us, we know that spring is on the way. Our lawns are greening up (and so are the weeds), trees are starting to get a new crop of leaves, and the brown of winter is disappearing.

The services of Holy Week help us walk with Jesus on the night of the Last Supper, his triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, the Last Supper with his friends on Thursday, his arrest and trial, the crucifixion on Friday, burial, and the resurrection. Join us for this powerful spiritual journey.



Here is the schedule of services:

Palm Sunday: April 17: Liturgy of the Palms, the reading of the Passion Narrative and the Eucharist: 7:30am and 10am

Holy Thursday, April 21: Holy Eucharist at 7:30pm

Good Friday, April 22: Liturgy of Good Friday and Communion from the bread and wine consecrated Maundy

Thursday evening: 12 noon and 7:30pm

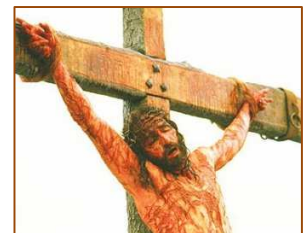
The Great Vigil of Easter Eve, April 23: 8:00 pm

Easter Day, April 24: Holy Eucharist at 7:30am and 10am

Faithfully yours,
(The Rev. Dr.) Peter E. Van Horne

READERS NEEDED FOR PALM SUNDAY PASSION

On Palm Sunday, the Passion Narrative from the Gospel of Matthew will be read at both services. This Sunday, April 3 and next Sunday, April 10 you will have an opportunity to sign up to read (about 6 readers are needed) and take a copy of the Passion Narrative with you to practice. Both male and female voices are needed.



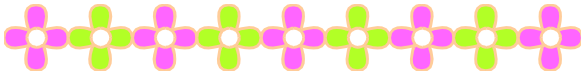
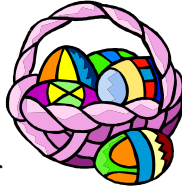


MORE INFO FOR HOLY WEEK
Maundy Thursday Soup Supper
Thurs. April 21st

There will be a soup supper at 6:00 p.m.
 with the service following at 7:30 p.m.
 Free will offering.

Easter Sunday –

There will be a festive
 reception following the 10:00
 a.m. service and the
 traditional Easter Egg Hunt for
 the very young.



WHAT'S COMING UP?

SUNDAY, APRIL 3RD

~Fill out Questionnaires during service
 ~11:15 a.m. Lent Book Study (see p.

MONDAY, APRIL 4TH Election Setup

TUESDAY, APRIL 5TH Election Day

**THURSDAY, APRIL 7TH New Line Theatre
 Group Rehearsals Begin**

SAT., APRIL 9TH Hall Rental

**SUNDAY, APRIL 10 11:15 A.M. Lent Book
 Study**

SUNDAY, APRIL 17TH

~11:15 a.m. Vestry Meeting
 ~1:00 p.m. St. Louis Fashion Doll Club

**THURSDAY, APRIL 21st Maundy Thursday
 Soup Supper and Service (see page 1).**

FRIDAY, APRIL 22nd Good Friday (see page 1)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 23rd Easter Vigil (see page
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SUNDAY, APRIL 24TH Easter Day (see page 1)

~Festive Reception and Easter Egg Hunt
 ~Trinity Lunch

**TUESDAY, APRIL 26TH 6:30 p.m. Endowment
 Committee Meeting in Proehl Building (see p. 4)**

**“THE REFORMATIONS:
 THEN AND NOW”**

**The Episcopal School for Ministry and the
 Lutheran School of Theology announce the
 next course in its joint venture:**

This course explores five phases of the
 Reformation era: Lutheran, Reformed, Anabaptist,
 Anglican and Roman Catholic, the legacies of that
 era and the claim that we are currently in an
 emerging new reformation time.

Instructor: The Rev. Dr. Warren Crews, Adjunct
 faculty, Eden Theological Seminary, retired
 associate rector, Emmanuel Episcopal Church,
 holds a doctorate in American Church History.

Six Wednesdays: 7:00-9:30 p.m.

April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25 and June 1

Grace Episcopal Church, Kirkwood

Tuition: \$81

To register please contact Cory Hoehn
 (<mailto:choehn@diocesemo.org>) at the Offices of
 the Bishop or <http://1ststl.org/>

**THE EPISCOPAL SCHOOL FOR MINISTRY
 SUMMER 2011 TERM,**

SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH -AUGUST 20

The courses offered are as follows:

Preaching, Christian Spirituality, Liturgics.

In addition to the above on the Friday evenings the
 School is in session students will review and
 discuss the summer reading book, Transforming
 Leadership (Transformations Series)

(Transformations: the Episcopal Church in the
 21st Century)" by Katherine Tyler Scott and
 James Lemler. In the Theological Formation

program all classes, worship, and meals are at
 Eden Seminary campus in Webster Groves.

Overnight accommodation is available. For more
 information, including the dates when School is in
 session, please go to

<http://www.diocesemo.org/ministries/episcopalschoolforministry.htm> or to enroll contact Corey

Hoehn, Registrar at choehn@diocesemo.org . or
 (314) 231-1220. For more information contact The
 Rev. Beverly Van Horne



SIGN-UP TO HELP WITH TRINITY LUNCHEON ON SUNDAY, APRIL 24TH

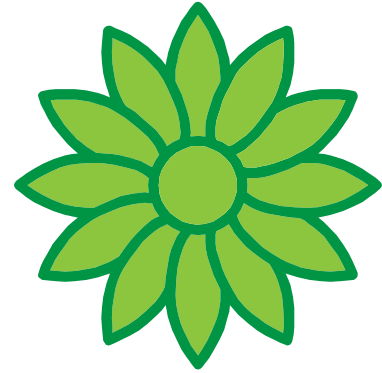
You can be part of this ministry to our hungry friends and neighbors! Contact Amiya Thompson or Carey Tisdal if you would like to help.



SPEND A DAY AT THE OPERA!!

Join us on Sat. June 18, 2011 at Opera Theatre of St. Louis for *Daughter of the Regiment* by Donizetti. It is a comedy!

You can join us for a picnic lunch at 11:00am (bring your own or order online) followed by a free lecture at 12:00. The show starts at 1:00pm. Tickets are \$19. Please contact Mary Feldmeier:



FLOWER SUNDAY

Sunday May 8TH

Per a notice from the Very Rev. Mike Kinman of Christ Church Cathedral, they have decided to end the annual Saturday Flower Festival Eucharist and street fair. They will continue the tradition of "Flower Sunday" - which was for decades the original fulfillment of the bequest of Henry Shaw. On Sunday, May 8 they will welcome Dr. Peter Wyse Jackson, new director of the Missouri Botanical Gardens, as the guest speaker for a special 10:00 am service.

**GIFTS FOR:
LANDSCAPING & FLOWERS AND
THE SPECIAL MUSIC/CONCERT FUND**

I/we enclose our donation of \$_____ for Landscaping & Flowers and/or The Special Music/Concert Fund for St. Mark's Church.

Please list my/our donation as given to the Glory of God and:

In Honor of: _____
Or

In Memory of: _____
Or

In Thanksgiving for: _____

By _____

(Please write your name as you wish it to appear in the bulletin.)

Contributions to the "Landscaping & Flowers Fund" will pay for Altar Flowers/Decorations for Easter and enhancements to our landscaping. Parishioners who choose to do so may make a donation to "The Special Music/Concert Fund."

Please designate my donation to:

- Landscaping & Flowers
- Special Music/Concert Fund

Please bring this form with your donation to church, or send it to the office by Sunday, April 17th.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MARCH 20, 2011 VESTRY MEETING

Financial Report by Sue Healey: Reviewed and accepted with some clarification of the Proehl Fund.

Clergy Concerns: The interim rector left schedule suggestions:

April 3: The questionnaire will be given out to the parish at both services.

May 1 & 8. The parish will complete the time line after both services. Jeff Smith suggested the possibility of an outline "time line" to be filled in by individuals. Kevin would like to have a pancake breakfast on one of those days and Amiya suggested a pot luck on the other Sunday. The search committee structure was also discussed.

Member Concerns: Rita ask for an itemized account of Proehl bequest funds. Sue will seek Rita Diekemper's help to do this. Parish Directory will be sent to all Vestry Members as a PDF.

Old Business: The diocesan standing committee passed the changes in our By-Laws to be submitted at the next convention. An alcohol insurance rider is needed for those wishing to hold events in the parish hall. (check the latest issue of ISEEK p5 Winter-2011) Feed My People donations will be managed by Marti Robards. Soliciting on Sundays: Allen will check Sam's for some kind of offering.

New Business: We considered applying for a 50/50 grant from the diocese for repairing the Proehl patio as a safety hazard. The vestry agreed to seek bids on the project and consult with someone to write a grant. Rita & Kim reported on the Leadership Conference at St. Martin's last Saturday. The morning session concerned making your church "green" with resources and ideas. We need to contact AmerenUE for an energy audit. The afternoon session was related to parish nursing programs as an ecumenical activity. Parish audit was recently completed. Kevin will try to find someone to install a programmable thermostat in the Proehl Building. Kevin shared material from Peter about a "Management Skills of Church Leaders" conference available.

Committee Structure Proposal: Jeff Smith submitted a list of committee's divided into five related areas. There should be a vestry contact representative for each of the groups. Jeff will write a description of each committee. Mitch offered a motion to accept the proposal which was seconded by Tom Smith and approved by the vestry.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Macke

THE FRIDAY BOOK GROUP

We have begun discussing Jesus, Interrupted by Bart Ehrman. We meet at 10:30 a.m. in the Proehl Center. All are invited to attend.

COFFEE HOUR

In the Parish Hall after the 10 a.m. service. A new sign up sheet for coffee hosts is on the bulletin board in the parish hall



Lent Book Study 2011
Sunday Mornings after
10:00 a.m. Service
April 3rd and 10th



PLEASE JOIN THE ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE...

We are looking for new members for our committee. You do not need to know everything about investments, an interest in them is all that is necessary. We are having a meeting with one of our investment advisors on April 26th at 6:30 pm in the Proehl Building. At that meeting we will be discussing possible restructuring of the investment accounts. Please contact Rita Diekemper if you have any questions.

ST. LOUIS HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSN. EASTER EGG HUNT

Sat. April 23rd 11:00 a.m.
Francis Park (near the playground area)

Children of all ages can participate. Also representatives from St. Louis Children's Hospital will be on hand to sell and fit bicycle helmets from 10:30 -12:30 pm.



For the St. Mark's Calendar, please visit our website www.saintmarks-stl.org and click on the calendar tab.