

MINISTRY OF THE SAINTS THIS WEEK - March 7, 2010

WELCOME VISITORS. We are pleased that you have joined us to praise the Lord. We trust you find our community of believers a warm and caring one. We invite you to worship with us again. Please do us the favor of signing our guest book, so that we may respond to your being with us.

NURSERY IS PROVIDED FOR BOTH THE 8:30, 11:00 AM WORSHIP AND THE EDUCATION HOUR. Parents are encouraged to attend worship services with their children. This begins the good habit of worshipping with others from an early age. However, if you feel your child's behavior may be distracting to you or others who are worshipping, please feel free to speak with an usher for guidance to the staffed nursery.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

DEPLOYED SERVICE: Ross Bogard, Bob Brennan, David Cinalli, Chelsea Cooper, Chad Field, Ted Jasik, Chris Kampsen, Serge Loiseau, Kurt Müller, Ed Seely, Shanna Stann, and Susan Volgelsang.

AT FULL-CARE HOMES: Joan DeHenzel, Dick Hartfield, Judy Ho, Lillian Hug, and Walter Schoenfuhs Sr.

OTHER CONCERNS: Wendy Andrews, Tim Beal, Mary Bohannon, Sheryl Burcham, Kirsten Burton, Carl Carlson, Jerry Champion, Dick Davis, Bob DeHenzel, Michelle Dowsett, Milton Estep, Ryan Gerhold, Leo Gogul, Sue Hackman, Alan Harry, Pearl Hibbard, John Keyes, Roz Kleffman, Lillian Kulick, Kathy Kvach, Doris Livelsberger, Diane Mackey, Betty Marshall, Marie Marshall, Family of Jim McEachern, Maria McNamara, Sadie Lee Miller, Jason Newell, Robert Olds, Michelle Palmateer, Jacob Phelps, Martha Ploor, Guy Renner, Chuck Rohrs, Benjamin Schultz, Eula Schmidt, Frank Senger, Curt Stende, Bobbie Silva, Tom Tobin, John Wenger Sr., Jordan Wells, Linda Weinhardt, Bill Wesley, Mary Wright, Phil Woodruff.

Yesterday's Vision, Today's Reality, Tomorrow's Promise. TODAY we celebrate the anniversary of the "first worship service" of All Saints Lutheran Church which took place on March 1, 1970. We thank Russ DeVilbiss for providing special music today at both worship services in honor of this celebration. There will be a reception following both worship services today. A photo display created by Gary Beecher and Jan Withers that covers the 1970's of All Saints is presented for everyone to view and enjoy. More photos will be added as the year goes on. This is the first of several activities that will culminate in the 40th Anniversary Celebration worship service which will be held on All Saints Sunday, November 7, 2010.

Adult Faith Formation classes TODAY at 9:45 AM in the North Classroom. Nursery care is available. There are TWO adult learning options:

TODAY 9:45, Bible Study of the Revelation to John continues, led by Sven Allenbach-Schmidt. Learn how the unfamiliar imagery of this book may be understood in light of it's first hearers. Due to the classes missed on the 'snow days', the Adult Faith Formation Sunday Bible Study schedule is being adjusted. The study of the *Revelation to John* will now continue up to Sunday, March 21. On Sunday, April 11, we will begin the video course taught by Bishop N. T. Wright titled *Simply Christian*.

TODAY: Pastor Alebachew will lead a discussion on reaching out in Witness to the Gospel: Proclamation, Service and Advocacy of Justice for All People.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: SPARK has come to All Saints! Today the Pre-K through 6th Grade begin utilizing the new Spark curriculum. The lessons follow the Lectionary, so today the children will learn about the Parable of the Fig Tree. 3rd-6th Graders are reminded to bring their Spark Bibles to Sunday School each week. The 7th Graders will study the story of Jesus healing the centurion's servant, and their faith trait is humility. The Youth will focus on today's Old Testament reading from Isaiah in a lesson entitled "Open Invitation." Find out what your children learned today!

THE BOWIE INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY: The shelves are in need of the following items: pork& beans, spaghetti sauce, vegetable soups, and desserts.. Or you can take a list (in the entrance of the church) of the daily foods needed. Let's FILL those SHELVES, as we give thanks for the bountiful food on our plates.

BAKE SALE! In preparation for our Youth's retreat at Shekinah, a bake sale will take place after each worship service on Sunday, March 14. All funds through sales or donations will go towards an offering at Shekinah's worship on Saturday evening, March 20, for Southeast Ministry. Southeast Ministry provides a ministry of hope for men and women in a safe and respectful environment through education, job readiness training and other programs that build self-esteem, transform lives and help those involved realize their God given abilities. Thank you for supporting our Youth in this endeavor.

ONLINE TOWN HALL FORUM with ELCA Presiding Bishop Mark S. Hanson will be held on TODAY, March 7, at 4:00 pm CST. There are many easy ways to participate: Watch the event live from 4-5 pm CST at www.elca.org/townhall, log in to post questions, post comments using Facebook Connect, and/or tweet about the event using the hashtags #ELCA and #BishopHanson. Please plan to join us for this important conversation on March 7 at 4 p.m. CST and invite friends and family to join in too.

CHOIR REHEARSAL will be on Monday, March 8 for this coming week. The SonShine Choir will rehearse at 7:00 pm and the Chancel Choir will have rehearsal at 8:00 pm. There will be no rehearsal on Thursday.

WORSHIP & MUSIC TEAM is meeting today following the 11:00 am worship service.

CHRISTMAS IN APRIL This year All Saints is sponsoring a house in Bowie for Christmas in April. We are looking for volunteers to help out on Saturday, April 24. There will be yard work, painting, cleaning, light construction, and a few odds and ends to take care of. All ages and abilities are welcome and needed. Please contact Chuck Arnold at chuck.arnold@verizon.net or (301) 262-5484 to sign up. There are sign up sheets available in the narthex between services.

SHOE DRIVE FOR HAITI - Thank you to everyone who collected shoes for Haiti. All Saints donated **78 pairs** of shoes which were part of approximately 13,000 pairs collected.

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP: The next meeting will be on March 13 at 9:00 am (note change in time) at the home of Sig Beecher. The book for this month is *Have a Little Faith* by Mitch Albom.

MEN'S BOOK GROUP: The Men's Book Group will meet on March 20 at 9:00 am. The book for March is *Replay* by Ken Grimwood. Location of the meeting is to be determined.

GOLF TOURNAMENT has been rescheduled. The date of the All Saints Lutheran Church Golf Tournament is April 23, at 2:00 pm. Put it on your calendar now. The tournament will be held on the South Course at Andrews Air Force Base. Don't miss your chance to play the South Course, which is a 5 star military links-style course. The proceeds from the Golf Tournament will go to the Bowie Food Pantry. Sign-up forms on table in narthex.

LECTORS please sign-up today for Sundays in March and April. The sign-up sheets are on the table in the narthex. Please take the readings for the Sunday you sign-up for.

WOMEN OF ELCA BIBLE STUDY: We will explore this topic of *The Renewing of Our Minds* at our meeting in fellowship hall on Thursday, March 11 at 10 am. The theme verse will be Romans 12:1-2.

Metro DC WELCA will hold an informative one day workshop/retreat on Saturday, March 20th from 9am – 2 pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Alexandria, VA at 100 W. Luray Avenue. Registration in advance is requested. Contact Martha Ploor (301-464-9309) for additional information.

PRAYER SHAWLS MINISTRY: A new ministry is forming to create prayer shawls. All those interested in learning about and participating in this new ministry, talk with Dottie Hall and/or Sig Beecher. This Prayer Shawl Ministry is for knitters, crocheters and anyone who would like to learn. We will begin meeting the first Tuesday of each month, 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm starting April 6. Bring yourself something to eat and drink.

THE ALL SAINTS EASTER BUNNY will be preparing 50 Easter baskets for the children of Shepherd's Cove. Shepherd's Cove is a homeless shelter for women and children. We need 50 baskets, grass, small stuffed animals, & lots of candy. (PLEASE, NO loose candy- candy must be individually wrapped). There is a tub at the front doors to collect the goodies. Please help make Easter special for these children of God. Cash contributions are also needed. You may contact Marguerite Mattison for any questions.

SENIOR SAINTS: On Tuesday, March 16, the Senior Saints will meet at The Bowie Comfort Inn for a buffet lunch. The cost is \$9.00 each, which includes lunch, tax and gratuity. Please sign-up on the sheet in the narthex by March 14th. For questions contact Bob Jones phone 301-262-0042 or e-mail bobncaroljones@verizon.net.

ALL SAINTS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM: Attention all college and technical trade school students. Applications for the 2010 scholarships are now available on the table in the narthex or by calling the church office. Applications must be received in the Church office by April 20, 2009. **See Grapevine insert!**

Lent 2010



The three Lutheran congregations in the neighborhood are traveling again through Lent together in 2010. Grace Lutheran Church, St. Michael Truth Lutheran Church and All Saints Lutheran Church will eat together and worship together on the five Wednesday evenings of Lent. Each Wednesday we will gather at 6:30 pm for a soup meal and begin worship at 7:30 pm.

PLEASE NOTE: You are encouraged to join us for worship, even if your schedule does not allow you time to be at the scheduled church building by 6:30 pm. Also, soup will be served continuously until 7:15 pm each Wednesday; therefore you may arrive at any time and still be able to eat.

The THEME for Lent Wednesdays 2010 is: H-A-I-T-I.
The remaining SCHEDULE of Wednesday in Lent will be:

March 10 – at Grace Church, “INSPIRATION: by The Spirit”

March 17 – at All Saints Church, “TRUST: Continuously”

March 24 – at Grace Church, “INCARNATION: by our Action”

May 13 – at St. Michael Truth, “ASCENSION of Jesus”

Hope
A diversity
I nspiration
Trust
Incarnation

The All Saints Arts Program presents in concert:
THE ANNAPOLIS WIND SYMPHONY

Sunday, April 11, 7:00 p.m.

Featuring splendid chamber works for woodwinds and brass.

All welcome!!



B.I.R.C. BOWLING FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, March 21, at 1:15 pm

To raise money for the Bowie Food Pantry

Location: Crofton Bowling Centre

Cost: \$20.00 per bowler (3 games)

Our All Saints Contact is Jim Sichelman, please send your information to him via:

Email: spqr2k@yahoo.com

Cell phone: 301-661-1733

Home phone: 301-464-1707

Forms available on table in Narthex

EASTER FLOWERS ORDER FORM

(Flowers will be Easter Lilies, Tulips, Hydrangeas, Mums, Azaleas and Hyacinths)

Please complete this form and return it with payment to All Saints Lutheran Church by **March 21**. Each plant is \$15.00. Flowers may be picked up after the 11:00 am service on a first come basis.

Name of donor as you wish it to appear in the Easter Sunday bulletin:

Telephone number: _____ Number of plants ordered _____ @ \$15 each = _____

Your designation:

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

In thankfulness for _____



Attendance Sunday, February 28, 68 + 82 = 150
 Sunday School Attendance 44

OUR THANKS FOR THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY:

	8:30 am	11:00 am
Greeters:	Carol Jones	Liz Muller, Michelle Palmateer
Ushers:	Jim Meyer, Roz Kleffman	Jan Withers
Altar Service:	Jan Withers	Nathan Rich
Crucifer:	Wayne Bossler	Caitlin Richardson
Acolyte:	Shannon Bettinger	Dorothy Christon
Lector:	Dave Conrad	Alebachew Engedayehu
Assisting Minister:	Rick Bates	Leon Weaver
Communion Assistant:	Mike Schumacher	Chris Sala
Cantor:	Sven Allenbach-Schmidt	Kim McDermott
Nursery:	Kim McDermott	Kendra Bozick
	Meghan Chaney	Skip Thomas
Counters:		
Sound System:	Bob Jones	



MEETINGS THIS WEEK:

TODAY: **Third Sunday in Lent**
 8:30 & 11:00 am Worship
 9:45 am Education Hour
 12:30 pm Worship & Music Team Meeting
 5:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 1007

MONDAY:
 7:00 pm Camera Club
 7:00 pm SonShine Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 pm MPDG and North Property Finance Committee Meeting
 8:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY:
 10:00 am Bible Study
 7:00 pm Ministry Planning
 7:30 pm BCT Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY:
 6:30 pm Lenten Wednesday Soup Supper at Grace Lutheran
 7:30 pm Lenten Wednesday Worship at Grace Lutheran

THURSDAY:
 10:00 am Women of ELCA Bible Study
 7:00 pm Camera Club Slide Workshop
 7:30 pm BCT Rehearsal

SATURDAY:
 9:00 am Women's Book Group
 9:30 am Alcoholics Anonymous

NEXT SUNDAY: **Fourth Sunday in Lent**
 8:30 & 11:00 am Worship
 9:45 am Education Hour
 12:15 pm Teen Youth Group

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