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LOOKING UP

REACHING OUT

GATHERING IN

We are rapidly approaching the end of another Season of Lent and looking forward to Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. Holy Week is the most important week on the Church calendar. It begins as we watch as Jesus rides into the Holy City on the back of a donkey. The crowds of people poured into the streets and covered the ground with palm leaves and shouted, "Hosanna to the King of the Jews!"

While most of these people didn't really know who Jesus was, they had heard rumors. They heard that he had healed the lame and the blind. He had fed the multitudes of people; and he had just recently raised Lazarus from the dead. Surely, this was the one of whom the prophets of the Old Testament had been writing about for hundreds of years. Surely, this was the one who would come and reclaim the throne of David and restore Israel to her days of greatness. "Hosanna, hail to the King of the Jews."

During Holy Week we will focus on Jesus' last days before his crucifixion. On Wednesday evening we will bring our candles and then watch as they are extinguished one by one, leaving the church in darkness and we will hear the meditations of Tenebrae. On Thursday, we will relive Jesus' last meal with his disciples in an attempt to experience the undeniable connection between the Passover and the exodus out of Egypt and the crucifixion and the resurrection on Easter morning.

Our Good Friday service will give us a quiet time for meditation and reflection as the days of Lent come to a close; and we will do the Stations of the Cross on Saturday morning before the Altar Guild resets the altar in preparation for our Easter Service.

Holy Week is certainly the busiest week of the year yet it is also the most meaningful week of the entire Church year. These are days when we as Christians are meant to be fully involved and I hope that everyone will, in fact, mark their calendars and plan to close out this Lenten season by taking part in these most holy of days as we prepare for the joyous celebration of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Remember that God loves you and so do I,

JDM+

THE PANTHER FUND

Since taking on this newest ministry, everyone has been very gracious in your support. We have been able to make several deliveries of food, clothing and toiletries to the high school. We were also able last month to donate \$2500 to be used for shoes and other items that will be purchased on line. The project has gained support from a wide variety of local businesses and organizations and we are excited to have been one of the first take on this new outreach project.



MAGS

Remember that our two weeks of service at MAGS begins on the 1st. Please let Susan or Kelley know if you can help on one or two days at the food pantry.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

2 nd	Elex Evans	17 th	Susan Huffman
4 th	Kelley Boughton	18 th	Mike & Wendy Horton
	Nancy Barton	19 th	Sunny Lasiter
6 th	Deanna Drab	20 th	Nora Hampton
	Derek & Dale Drab	24 th	Clayton & Martha Sawyers
13 th	Susan Dahlman		

EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

- 1st Hungry Bunch ...6:00 at the Country Club
- 3rd Coffee Hour followed by T.E.A.C.H. "Beliefs and Practices of the Church"
- 6th Study Group at 11:00... study of "Twelve Ordinary Men" with noon mass
- 10th Palm Sunday service at 9:00...begins in the pavilion
- 12th Clergy renewal of ordination vows with bishop at the cathedral
- 13th Service of Tenebrae at 6:00...bring a candle
- 14th Maundy Thursday at 6:00...Seder meal and the stripping of the altar.
- 15th Good Friday service at noon
- 16th Stations of the Cross at 10:00 and resetting of the altar
- 17th Easter morning service as 9:00...there will be no T.E.A.C.H.
- 20th Wednesday Evening Prayer and F.E.A.S.T at 6:00
- 24th Coffee Hour followed by T.E.A.C.H....followed by D.O.K. meeting
- 27th Study Group to begin a new study at 11:00 followed by noon mass
- 30th Ordination service at the cathedral for Nathan Woods

T.E.A.C.H.

We are continuing with our current study of the Practices and Beliefs of the Church. Upcoming sessions will include discussions on ordination, the daily offices, the Church calendar, Holy Week and Easter, and the burial office. Future lessons will cover the topics of the Creeds, the Bible, prayer, the Church and the structure and governance of the Church. Don't miss out on this opportunity to learn more about your church or to review those things that may have been forgotten.

SUNDAY MORNING MINISTRIES

Date	DOK	Greeter	Altar	Acolyte	Prayer
3rd	Tina	Deanna & Gail	DeLois & Claire	Kelley	Marian
10th	Annette	Jeff & Kitty	Barbara & Sunny	Carol	Mike
17th	Carol	Bob & Annette	Susan & Kitty	Sandy	Kelley
24th	DeLois	Tina & James	Deanna & Gail	Mike	Tina

MINISTRIES, cont.

Date	Lessons	Coffee	Chalice	Organ
3rd	Tina	Susan & Kitty	Paul & Gail	Linda
10th	Terry	Carroll & Bonnie	Mike & Paul	Bonnie
17th	John	Annette & Sunny	Kelley & Paul	Linda
24th	Bob	Peggy & Ann	Tina & Gail	Bonnie

Please remember that if you cannot serve on your scheduled date, you need to make sure you have a replacement and mark the change on the bulletin board schedule

