



St. Paul's Episcopal church

March 2009

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Lent is here! It may seem like only yesterday that we were celebrating Christmas and Epiphany, but for the next 40 days, we will be observing the penitential season of Lent. As I said in my sermon on Ash Wednesday, this season of Lent provides us with the time and the setting to focus ourselves on our salvation. It is considered a time of repentance, a time of reflection, a time of meditation, and a chance to stop, and reorient our lives onto God. It is a time to see if we are truly prepared for our Lord's incredible gift of Salvation. It is a time to see if we are truly taking up our crosses and following Him, or did we set them down somewhere along the way and forget to go back and pick them up? Taking up our crosses and following our Lord is the work of a lifetime, not of one day a week, not of just Sundays, not of just Ash Wednesday, not of just this season of Lent, but of a lifetime, and we need this season to remind us of that. We need this season to step back from the world outside and work at refreshing and renewing ourselves spiritually. I hope and pray that we will all take advantage of this penitential season and work hard to refocus ourselves on God and His will for us, both individually and as a community.

With this in mind, I hope you will take advantage of the opportunities for prayer, worship and study that will be available to you at St. Paul's. Our Lenten Series will start on Wednesday, March 4th with a simple meal followed by prayer and study. This year we will be reading *Forgive and Get Your Life Back*, by The Rev'd Dr. Dennis Maynard, an Episcopal priest with over 30 years of experience in ministry. We'll meet on Wednesday evenings through Holy Week.

And as always, we will continue to have Evening Prayer at 6:30 PM on Tuesday evenings and on Thursdays at 11:00 AM, Holy Eucharist (Rite I) followed by bag lunch and Bible Study. Everyone is welcome to come and join us!!!

One thing that I have always encouraged during Lent along with giving something up, which is a good and often difficult discipline, is to take on something new. Whether it's attending a Bible study, going to a weekday service, doing different, extra, or new devotions, or deliberately setting aside a bit of extra time to spend with our Lord, it is a way to deepen your relationship with Christ and possibly even build new and better habits and routines that often can last a lifetime. If you feel you need some help or guidance in this, please feel free to contact me. I'm more than happy to help in any way that I can.

You are all in my prayers, and as we move together through this season of Lent, I hope that we can all grow and move forward in our relationship with our Lord, and in our relationships with each other.

And finally, I would like to personally thank everyone who helped in any way with my move to my new house. From vehicles to strong backs to cleaning to food, your help was greatly appreciated! We had a large crew, and I don't think I've ever had a move go that fast and smoothly before. So once again, Thank You!!!

Yours in Christ's Love,
Fr. Guy

– A Member's Point of View –

WHEW...What a month

Maintenance

As you no doubt know as Junior Warden my job is to make sure whatever maintenance issues arise are handled as soon as possible. Well, the issues started to show and will continue to arise as our 10 year old building continues to age more. This month we repaired the coffee maker for \$700.00, a freezer for \$1300.00 and a refrigerator for \$300.00. We also replaced a Ground Fault Detector at NC, a 100watt tower light for \$120.00, replaced an AC plug cover plate for \$2.95 and a photo eye for \$10.00. All of these were unforeseen and took us/me by surprise at times.

Volunteerism

If you recall in my last article I listed twenty some projects we have that are handled by volunteers. Please keep in mind that volunteers are not asked to cover the costs involved with their project supplies. They are volunteering their time only. If they want to contribute to the cost of their volunteer project supplies that is their decision but is definitely not required or expected. Let us not forget that we are all servants of God and price is not the issue.

Fellowship

You never know when you will need help but be assured that help is available if your need is known.

Fr. Guy moved into his new abode with the help of numerous parishoners on Saturday: February 21st. Good fellowship and good food was provided as we discussed the Snoopy wallpaper in his bedroom...Oh, sorry, his guest bedroom, his bedroom has no wallpaper. I think we used almost every truck and trailer in the parish to help with the move. Needless to say he really appreciated all the help.

Food

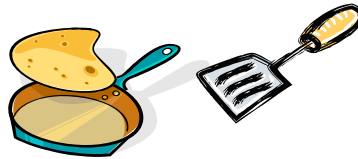
I finished cooking the four (4) Sloppy Joes recipes in "Our Daily Bread Cookbook." I certainly learned a lot through the experiences:

1) 3 lbs of ground beef takes about 10 days of 2 a day meals to finish and it's probably better to cut the recipe in half and/or freeze half of it.

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- 2) I bought a clove grinder to help mince garlic. (That's what "mince" means)
- 3) Most Sloppy Joes recipes contain brown sugar.
- 4) Chicken rice soup goes good with hamburger.
- 5) Vinegar is a baking ingredient and not a cleaning agent. (Or is it?)
- 6) Brown and freeze hamburger you won't use for over 3-4 days or it will spoil.
- 7) You can mix mustard and ketchup together.

By the way I did not pick the best one of the four because they all were better than good...they all were GREAT!!!



Noteworthy Quotes of the month

"Love God with your whole heart and love your neighbor as yourself..."

"If you don't love yourself you can't love others because you don't know what real love is..."

"If everyone were perfect and did everything perfect what would God have to do?" (Boy do I keep Him busy)

Until the next time,
Always,
The Wandering Warden,
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St. Paul's
Episcopal Church
 502 County Road UU
 Hudson, WI 54016
 Office Hours
 Monday-Friday 10 am-1 pm

March 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8 am Holy Eucharist Traditional Service 9:15 am Adult Bible Study Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Contemporary Service	2	3 6:30 pm Evening Prayer	4 9:30 am FOCD 2-3 pm Women's Bible Study 3-5 Networks Middle High 6-9 Networks Senior High 6 pm Lenten Soup & Pie supper	5 9-11 am Hudson Mom's Group 11 am-1 pm Holy Eucharist Bag Lunch Bible Study	6	7 8:30 am Band of Brothers
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15 8 am Holy Eucharist Traditional Service 9:15 am Adult Bible Study Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Contemporary Service	16 7 pm Networks Board	17 6:30 pm Evening Prayer 7 pm Forum	18 9:30 am FOCD 2-3 pm Women's Bible Study 3-5 Networks Middle High 6-9 Networks Senior High 6 pm Lenten Soup & Pie supper	19 9-11 am Hudson Mom's Group 11 am-1 pm Holy Eucharist Bag Lunch Bible Study	20 Newsletter Submissions Due!! 6:30 Quilting	21 Diocesan Clergy Retreat
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St. Paul's Servant Schedule: March 2009

Date	Time	Acolytes	Eucharistic Min	Lector	Greeters/ Ushers	Pray bfr worship	Healing Prayer
3/1	8:00	H Schuler	D Kadidlo	R Brower	Pogalz	V Cooley	K Cooley
	10:30	J Ball	E Shoemaker	B Rupert	Blanchards	N Firth	K Peterson
3/8	8:00	R Kadidlo	B Dickerson	D Kadidlo	Dickerson	D Kadidlo	
	10:30	D Ball Z Larsen	J Freese	N Cicero	Singerhouse	H Jensen	J Kircher
3/15	8:00	J Kadidlo	V Barber	L Barber	Conovers	E Slamkowski	V Cooley
	10:30	T Granberg	J Harrelson	H Jensen	Granbergs	B Rupert	K Solimar
3/22	8:00	A Dickerson	C Pogalz	V Cooley	E Slamkowski K Cooley	R Brower	
	10:30	A Granberg	K Larsen	C Hackworthy	Blanchards	D Ingram	K Larsen

Notes:

- If you cannot serve when scheduled, please arrange a switch and change the kiosk schedule @ 386-2348.
- Acolytes & Eucharistic Ministers: if help is needed, please vest during the Peace and join the Worship service.
- All: If you are being scheduled incorrectly or are missing from a schedule and wish to participate, please contact Kim Larsen at 425-0015 or klars@mac.com.
- Healing prayers: please recruit someone to stand and pray with you.

Dear People of St. Paul's,

Fr. Guy has announced that I have been approved by the Diocese of Eau Claire for ordination to the transitional diaconate, the last step before ordination to the priesthood. It has been a long road of discernment and studies for a degree in ministry at Nashotah House Episcopal Seminary. It has also been a very special time in my life and now the time is near when I will begin my ministry. I believe my calling is to hospital chaplaincy as well as supply priest for the diocese but I am open to any ministry that will serve the Lord and his Church. The diocesan governing body, the Standing Committee, is searching for a bishop to perform the ordination. With Lent rapidly approaching that may be delayed until after Easter.

I want to thank Fr. Guy, the vestry, my discernment committee and all my other friends at St. Paul's for the support and encouragement you have given me throughout this process. Of course my wife, Leslie, has been a huge source of support, encouragement and even forbearance and I thank her as well. I am so grateful to be in this place at this time with this body of believers and servants of Christ.

In His Blessed Name,

Vern Barber

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SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY NEWS

We have spent the past month studying Scripture that illustrates loving God's family and loving our neighbor. We all know that there are different types of love, but our focus was to look at "agape" . . . a servant kind of love that wants the best for the other person.

Well-known author Richard Foster says, "There is a difference between choosing to be a servant and choosing to serve. When we choose to serve, we are still very much in charge. We decide whom we will serve, when we'll do it, and to what extent. We exclaim, I won't let him walk all over me!"

"Servants, on the other hand, have surrendered their right to choose who and when they will serve. All of their life is seen from the perspective of a slave. They no longer possess the rights of free men and women. They are completely available and vulnerable!"

In John 13: 1-17, Jesus shows us very clearly what it means to be a loving servant. He set the example by washing the feet (a task that had always been left to non-Jewish slaves, wives, and children) of ALL the disciples. Jesus knew that Judas was a traitor and His enemy. Yet He washed his feet, too.

How does Jesus expect us to follow His example? What does it mean for us today to "wash someone's feet?" Is it more difficult for us to serve some people than others, and why is that?

Let's think about taking the next step - finding specific opportunities to serve another person. Let's begin each day by praying, "Lord Jesus, bring into my path someone whom I can serve today." Pray that God would cause the servant heart of Christ to be formed in us, that we wouldn't simply do acts of a servant, but that we would BE a servant.

In His service,
Cynthia Hackworthy
715 3-86-8003 or 651-247-9338

P.S. One theologian puts it this way: "One of the problems in Christian congregations today is that our heads are full of doctrine, but our feet smell! Brother, there is nothing that smells worse than unwashed feet. We need to confess to have fellowship with Christ."

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**Deadline for submitting articles  
for the next newsletter is  
March 20th!**



**Birthdays**

- 5 Fr. Dick McGinnis; Addie Washington
- 7 Jennifer Gerard; Don Swanson
- 9 Leslie Barber
- 10 Tammy Schuler
- 11 Peggy Svensson
- 12 Helene Jensen
- 13 Steve Pogalz; Dianne Rudd
- 16 Rachael McDiarmid
- 18 Garth Mueller  
Wanda Burnley
- 19 Tracy [Therneau] Guaman
- 20 Vicki Cooley; Laura Harrelson
- 26 Karl Solie
- 29 Father Guy

**Marriage Anniversaries**

- 19th-Kevin & Diane Kadidlo

*If your special day isn't listed,  
please contact the church office.  
Thanks!*



--Announcements --

**Additions to the directory—**

Bill and Veronica Voelker  
1709 Fairway Dr.  
Hudson, WI 54016  
1-651-208-3223 (cell)

Dorothy Ingram has a new phone number  
715-441-0081 (Local from Hudson)

Fr. Richard & Anita Miller  
Phone 715-381- 0073  
Fr. Richard's Birthday— January 5th  
Anita's Birthday — January 27th  
Anniversary—May 30th

Fr. Guy's new address  
203 Wisconsin St. N.  
Hudson  
Phone remains the same (once Comcast moves)

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**Family Fresh Receipts**

Please remember to save your Family Fresh receipts after shopping, and bring them in to St Paul's!! They will give the church \$1000— once we have collected \$150,000 in receipts! Please place them in the basket on the table in front of the office window. Please lay them flat in the basket.

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**Networks Breakout**

Thank you to everyone who contributed money for the students Breakout mission trip. The Shrove pancake dinner also provided \$316.00 toward the trip. A special thanks to Hopeless and Helpless for sponsoring the pancake dinner.

Please pray for the students, (Katie, Tayler, Nate, Amanda, Andrew, Harold); the leaders, (Dave, Brett, Ken, Pastor Stephanie) for a safe trip, for opportunities to share their faith, and help others in need. The students will do a slide show presentation of their trip between services at an undetermined date.

---Announcements---

**Interfaith Volunteers Are Needed**

Interfaith Volunteers are being recruited to help with activities one day a month at our day respite program in Hudson from 9 am to 3 pm. Others are needed to transport participants to or from the day program on Mondays or Thursdays one way. Other volunteers are needed to companion, do light housekeeping, provide Sunday morning respite for 2 hours in N. Hudson. Please contact Nancy at 381-4360 or [nancysa@co.saint-croix.wi.us](mailto:nancysa@co.saint-croix.wi.us)

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**Wednesday Evening Soup and Pie and Lenten Study**

Our annual Lenten Study this year will be based on the book "Forgive and Get Your Life Back" by the Rev'd Dr. Dennis Maynard who has been an Episcopal Priest for over 30 years and written several books. Twenty books have been ordered at \$15 each. If we need more we can get them or you can order your own through Amazon .com.

We'll meet for Soup and Pie at 6 PM followed by our study and we'll conclude with Compline. The plan is to be done by 8 PM. All are welcome!

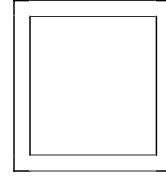
**Also, the sign-up sheets for serving, providing soup or pie, and cleaning up are on the Kiosk!**



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Our Vision Statement:  
To Know  $\neq$  Jesus Christ and to Share His Love



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Services:

Sun. 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Traditional  
9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study/Sunday School  
Children's Sunday School  
Youth Confirmation Class  
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Praise Service  
Tues: 6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer  
Wed. 2:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study  
3:00 p.m. NETworks Middle High  
6:00 p.m. NETworks Senior High  
Thur. 9:00 a.m. Hudson Mom's Group Meeting  
11:00 a.m. Eucharist/Bag Lunch/Bible Study

Clergy:

The Rev. Guy Usher, Interim Rector  
The Rev. Richard McGinnis, Associate

NETworks Youth Director: Dave Pulsfus  
Episcopal Church Women: Patti Muenich  
Band of Brothers: Ted Firth  
Men's Ministry: Ed Slamkowski  
Operation H.E.L.P. 715-386-0881

\*Small Group Bible Study: Sunday and  
Wednesday evenings

\*Inquirer's Class is offered in the fall and early  
spring. Call the church office for dates, times  
and locations

**We're on-line!!**

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