

# PARISH CALENDAR

**MORNING PRAYER - Monday through Friday - 7 AM**

**EVENING PRAYER - Tuesday, Thursday, 5:45 PM**

**HOLY EUCHARIST - Wednesday, 5:45 PM**

**HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING - Wednesday at Noon**

**Sunday, March 7**

Coffee hour after church ..... Parish Hall, 11:45 AM  
 Youth Confirmation Class ..... Room 101, 12:00 NOON  
 Ascenders' meeting ..... Room 104, 12:00 NOON

**Monday, March 8**

Icon Guild ..... Room 102, 11:00 AM  
 Lyons View Housing ..... Room 101, 6:00 PM

**Tuesday, March 9**

Men's Bible Study ..... Parlor, 7:00 AM  
 Pilates Mat Exercise.....Parish Hall, 7:55 AM  
 Vestry Eucharist ..... Chapel, 6:00 PM  
 Vestry meeting ..... Room 101, 6:30 PM  
 Stephen Ministry training..... O.T. Parish Hall, 6:30 PM  
 Tyson House committee ..... N.T. Parish Hall, 6:30 PM

**Wednesday, March 10**

Women's Bible Study ..... Room 101, 10:45 AM  
 Scriptural Meditation before noon service ..... Chapel, 11:15 AM  
 Boys and Girls' Choir rehearsal.....Choir Room, 4:45 PM  
 Music for the Young ..... Room 209, 4:45 PM  
 Dinner ..... Parish Hall, 6:00 PM

*This week's menu: chili noodle soup or potato soup;  
 salad of mixed greens, cheddar rolls, dessert  
 Please sign up in the office.*

Youth Group ..... Youth Room, 6:30 PM  
 Wednesday Evening Class on "Living in Fear" ..... Parish Hall, 7:00 PM  
 Parish Choir rehearsal ..... Choir Room, 7:00 PM

**Thursday, March 11**

Brotherhood of St. Andrew ..... Room 101, 7:00 AM  
 Pilates Mat Exercise ..... Parish Hall, 7:55 AM  
 Contemplative Prayer Group..... Library, 4:30 PM  
 Boys and Girls' Choir rehearsal.....Choir Room, 4:45 PM  
 Alpha ..... Parish Hall, 6:15 PM

**Saturday, March 13**

Family Promise Dance Project ..... Parish Hall, 10:00 AM

**— DON'T FORGET: DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS SUNDAY, MARCH 14. —**

**MOVE YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD ONE HOUR NEXT SATURDAY NIGHT.**

# PARISH NOTICES

**Baptisms at the Easter Vigil** ~ The Great Vigil of Easter, which takes place on Saturday evening before Easter, is the First Eucharist of the Easter celebration and is the ancient liturgy in which new Christians were baptized in the earliest Church. Since it is an evening service, it is a great time for adults and older children to be baptized. If you or someone you know are interested in being baptized at the Easter Vigil, April 3, 2010, please contact Fr. Rob in the office.

**Maundy Thursday all-night vigil** ~ The church will again be open all night on Maundy Thursday. The Agape Meal with foot washing begins at 6 PM in the parish hall and moves to the nave for Holy Eucharist. At the end of the service, the sanctuary, chancel, and altar are stripped and the lights lowered for those who wish to stay (or return in the night) to watch with our Lord. Please sign up on the sheet at the counter in the office.

**What paths led us to the Church of the Ascension?** ~ During Lent, the Sunday morning adult education class is taking a break from our series on the catechism of the Episcopal Church. We are discussing individual spiritual journeys in an informal interview style. We began with Father Howard Hess and then heard from Rick Turner and Bert Ackermann. Marilyn Roddy, Bob Wadley, and Amy Morehous are on the schedule to discuss their individual spiritual travels. At the end of the series, we will provide questions and suggestions so the members of the class can take time during Holy Week to contemplate their own spiritual paths. We invite you to join us for this honest, thoughtful, and moving series.

**The website** for the Bishop Search is now live at [www.etdiocese-search.com](http://www.etdiocese-search.com).

**WANT TO GET CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND GOD?** ~ If you would like greater depth, growth, and enrichment in your relationship, you

will like the difference the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can make. The next Episcopal expression of Marriage Encounter in Knoxville is April 30 to May 2, 2010. Married couples of all faiths and backgrounds are welcome. Couples interested in attending are invited to call local couples, John Robertson/Dana Teagarden at (865) 671-0608 or the Reverend Mary Lee Bergeron/Paul Bergeron at (865) 584-7673. **There will be an additional Marriage Encounter informational meeting on Sunday, March 21, at noon in the library.**

**Volunteer Project** ~ The vestry is planning an Ascension volunteer project to paint selected classrooms and hallways on Saturday mornings in March and April from 8 AM to noon. If you are interested in signing up for one or more of these Saturday mornings or would like more information before committing, there is a sign-up sheet in the reception area. A detailed description of what we will be doing will be sent to everyone who signs up.

**LAMBS to offer Easter Cards** ~ Beginning next Sunday and continuing through Sunday, March 28, the LAMBS pet ministry will be selling Easter Cards to benefit the FISH Hospitality Pet Food Pantry. If you enjoyed sending the FISH Christmas cards, here is another opportunity to remember



**STEPHEN MINISTRY**

Pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

James 5:16b

friends and colleagues and help provide food for pets in families that are struggling with daily needs.

**Icon Workshop to be held in April** ~ Peter Pearson, a leading American icon writer, will again lead an icon workshop from April 12-16, 2010 at the Church of the Ascension on 800 Northshore Drive in Knoxville, Tn. The total cost



is \$350, with a initial deposit of \$100 which is due March 30th. The remaining \$250 is due at the start of the class. Checks are to be made out to the Church of the Ascension. The class will be completing an 11" by 14" icon of

Christ. All supplies will be furnished and no previous art experience is necessary to participate in this class. The classes are held from 9 AM daily. Please bring your own lunch and beverage each day. Contact persons are: Jim Phillips at 865-577-2509 and Jeannine Weeks at 865-982-4723.

**Other Brothers of Ascension Yard Sale** ~ On Saturday, April 24th, The Other Brothers of Ascension will host a yard sale to support the 2010 Bolivia Mission Trip. This summer, members of our church will be returning to Cristo Pan de Vida, in Santa Cruz to continue Ascension's support of their wonderful children's ministry, conducting outreach activities in the neighborhood, and will likely include some construction on their facilities. All proceeds from the Yard Sale will go directly toward the Bolivia Mission Trip. The 2009 Yard Sale generated over \$3,300 and with your help, we hope to do better in 2010. Donations of any type are welcome and appreci-

ated. Donations may be dropped off starting March 15 in Room 105 downstairs. If you have large items that you cannot bring to the church, The Other Brothers can pick up them up. Please contact David Smelser at smelser@gmail.com if you have any questions or need to schedule a pickup. You can also see Bob Wadley about tax deduction forms.

**Lunch Bunch** - Sign up at the counter in the office today to attend the next Lunch Bunch on Tuesday, March 16. Wear green for St. Patrick's Day and bring a casserole, salad, or dessert. Flossie McNabb and Martha Arnett from Carpe Librum bookshop will present the program. If you have had any work published, please bring a copy for display that day.

**The People We Select in our Life Journey** - Next Sunday, March 14, at 3 PM Dr. Glenn Graber will speak in the parish hall on *Facing Mortality with Friends and Family* at the third in our series looking at The People We Select in our Life Journey. The program will conclude with a wine and cheese reception followed by the Taizé service at 5 PM.

**Help us keep our supplies intact** ~ If you remove either a hymnal or a *Book of Common Prayer* from one of the pews, please be sure to return it to the same pew. This will ensure that parishioners will have access to the books on Sunday morning.

**For Sale** - Two beautiful vases were purchased for the diocesan convention floral arrangements. Each is 27" high, blue, and, at cost, \$84.95. If you would be interested in purchasing one or both of these, please call Jeanie Davis at 588-6939. They may be viewed in the alcove off the narthex, (the one nearest the lobby.)

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN AT 9:15 ON SUNDAY MORNINGS.

## ADULT MINISTRIES

### WHAT DO WE BELIEVE? HOW DO WE FIND OUR WAY?

During the Sundays in Lent, selected parishioners will share their faith journeys in an interview format during the Sunday School hour.

## YOUTH MINISTRIES

MIDDLE SCHOOL 6TH - 8TH GRADES ..... Room 104

HIGH SCHOOL 9TH - 12 GRADES ..... Youth Room

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES — CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Level I (ages 3-5) ..... Room 202

Level II (grades 1 - 3) ..... Room 204

Level III (grades 4 - 6) ..... Room 213

**KIDS' WORSHIP (during 10:30 service)** ..... Room 211  
ages 4 (pre-school) through 2nd grade

**NURSERY (birth to 3 years)** ..... Rooms 206 - 207

### Please keep these individuals in your prayers this week:

*Zella Carpenter, Phyllis Castings, Christy Davis, Bobbie Frank, Elizabeth Hammond, Lou Lofgren, Chuck Murphy, David Shirley, Bob Sleeman, Everett Smith, Kathryn Smith, Janet Testerman, Ruby Walton*

This list includes parish members or staff and their immediate family members. The supplementary intercessions list of friends and other relatives is available in the parish office or from any usher. Please notify the office if you would like a friend or family member added to either list. Each person remains on the list for 30 days. Call Cathy Wadley in the office, 588-0589, to request that a name remain on the list.

**Youth Group! Every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:00 ~ Join us!**