

Visions

*Building Bridges of Hope
with the Living Christ*



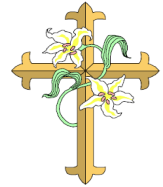
April 2019



HOLY WEEK/EASTER 2019

Palm Sunday

April 14 at 8 :00 am & 10:00 am



Maundy Thursday

April 18 at 6:00 pm

The Community's Agape Meal (potluck sign up in church)

The Liturgy of the Last Supper

The Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday

April 19 at 12 Noon and 7:30 pm

The Traditional Good Friday Liturgy:

The Passion Gospel

The Solemn Collects

Easter Day

Sunday, April 21

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

10:00 am Festival Eucharist

Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 28 The Rev. Deacon Deborah Drake to preside and preach

No 8:00 am Holy Eucharist

10:00 am Deacon's Mass with Flowering of the Cross

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From our Priest, The Rev. Jon M. Richardson



Dear Friends,

When I first moved to New Jersey more than 14 years ago, one of the things that struck me was how many colloquialisms and popular ideas suddenly began making sense to me. The first one was the idea that Labor Day was the unofficial “end of summer”. For one thing, where I grew up, school started weeks before Labor Day. But the other reality was that in Louisiana, it was hot for so much of the year that Labor Day didn’t even signify any change in the weather. But in New Jersey, school didn’t start until after Labor Day, and there was a palpable shift in the weather. Even though it can still get hot later in September and into October, there would be a shift in the air after Labor Day. It wasn’t cool yet, but there were hints that cooler weather was finally coming. It was eye opening for me.

Another of those revelations was the old expression, “April showers bring May flowers”. This was a pattern of weather and biology that I’d always heard, and even recited, but didn’t really understand from growing up in a place without distinct seasons. But in New Jersey, April was a really wet month. And what’s more: the ground did seem to explode with color at the start of May! On the campus of Drew University, the big thing was the daffodils. The campus, affectionately known as “The Forest”, was dull and gray through the winter, but come May, everything was lush and green and dotted with yellow flowers everywhere we looked.

It wasn’t until then that I really began to understand the effect that our physical surroundings had on living into the seasons of the church. The gray of winter is already beginning to melt away, but by Easter, we should at least be beginning to see Spring coming into bloom all around us. There’s a comfortable predictability about it.

We are often less comfortable about the predictability of our faith. When we’re in the winters of our lives – those dull and gray periods when things seem bleak; or, those Lenten seasons of our lives when we feel like we’re wandering in the wilderness, separate from God and from each other – it can be hard to remember that Spring is coming; that Easter is coming.

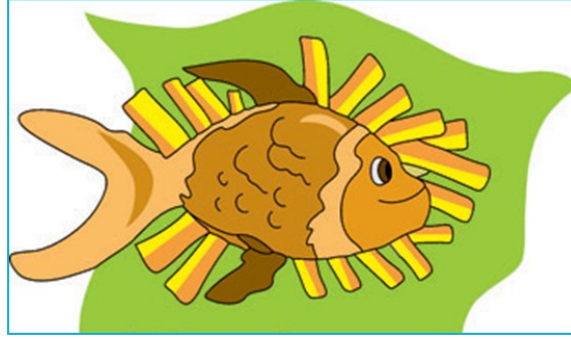
But despite the ways that our faith is lacking, the cycle continues. In the earth around us, the dull and the gray will, once again, give way to lush green and flowers. In the church, the wilderness of Lent will, once again, give way to the promise of Easter. And the same is true in our own lives. Like the cliché says, “If you’re going through hell, keep going.” Or, to put it in more of a theological context, St. Theresa of Avila famously said, “All shall be well, all shall be well, all manner of things shall be well.”

A popular expression these days is to say, “The struggle is real.” And it is. But so is the relief. Our faith teaches us – and the earth teaches us – that the struggle is never the end of the story. Life finds a way. And it will again.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon M. Richardson'.

FISH & CHIPS SUPPER Saturday, April 13, 2019



IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

- Tickets will still be available on March 31 and April 7 in church or online or in the parish office, Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am—2:00 pm. **Deadline: April 10.**
 - If you're not "hooked" on fish, chicken is available.
- You can order take-out (5:30 pm—6:00 pm) or sit-down (6:00 pm—7:30 pm)
 - Tickets—\$20 per PERSON (\$21 by credit card)

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RESERVATIONS A MUST !!

Please bake cookies! Can you bake cookies for dessert for the Supper? Any kind of cookie welcome. Important: If your cookies contain nuts, please indicate clearly that they do. Please sign up in the narthex and bring them in to the **parish office by 2 pm Thursday, April 11.** Thank you!



THE ENVELOPES for contributions toward Easter decorations are in the pews. Both memorials and thank offerings are appropriate—just be sure to clearly print the first and last names on the envelopes. They will be printed in the Easter bulletins.

Deadline: April 11.



AGAIN THIS YEAR the offering collected through the special Easter envelopes included with the pledge envelopes has been designated for outreach. The vestry will be sending Easter greetings to those on their lists and included will be a special envelope for those who do not have pledge ones, so that everyone has the opportunity to make a special gift.



ST. DAVID'S ANNUAL PLANT SALE

This year's plant sale once again will be a 'pre-order only' sale. There will be a full selection of flowering plants and vegetables at very reasonable prices. Order forms will be available the week of March 25th. They will be sent out by e-mail & regular mail. Extra copies will be in the narthex as well as the parish hall during Sunday Coffee Hours. Pick them up for family, friends and neighbors!

Don't forget – plants make an ideal Mother's Day gift and orders will be ready for pick up the day before Mother's Day – on Saturday May 11th.

Please keep in mind that THE DEADLINE FOR RETURNING ORDER FORMS IS MAY 1st.

Completed orders can be turned in to the office or directly to Mike and Deb in the parish hall following Sunday service - beginning on March 25th and continuing through the end of the selling period.

Make checks payable to St David's (plant sale on note line).

Order pickup will be along the front loop drive on Saturday May 11th (9:00am till 12 noon).

Please remember this is a pre-order sale only. There will not be any plants for sale on the day of the event.

If you have questions/concerns contact Mike or Deb Roehrer.

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**We Need
YOU**

OUR NEXT COMMITMENT to St. Paul's Shelter is on Tuesday, April 16. Still needed are one driver/server to collect the food and take it to John Simonelli's house and help serve at the shelter; vegetable provider.

If you can help, please sign up in the narthex. Many thanks!

Thank You!
THANK YOU!

*The Vestry wishes to share the following thanksgivings
with the congregation:*

Tom Snyder for his many years of service as a Greeter
Guy Baskinger for his quick and efficient snow removal
the Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Kaeton for facilitating our leadership retreat
and those who attended
Nancy & Lee Moody and Mary Harbinsky for attending Leadership University
the Diocese for sponsoring Leadership University.



THE READERS CIRCLE BOOK GROUP
MONDAY, MAY 6, 2019, SKYLIGHT ROOM at 7:00 PM
MANHATTAN BEACH, JENNIFER EGAN
DISCUSSION LEADER: CHRIS SNYDER

Twelve-year old Anna joins her father to visit his boss and is awe-struck by the sea beyond his house as well as by the tension between the two men. Years later, her father disappears and the country is at war.

Anna works at the Brooklyn Naval Yard as the first female diver, repairing the ships that will help America win the war. One evening at a nightclub, she meets her father's boss and begins to understand the complexity of her father's life and reasons he might have vanished.

MANHATTAN BEACH is a dark thriller with skillful, dazzling exploration of a transformative period in American history. Winner of a Notable Book or Best Ten Books of 2017 by the New York Times, NPR, BBC, Kirkus Reviews, Booklist and many others.

St. David's Readers Circle meets each month at 7:00 PM on the first Monday of the month. Newcomers are welcome to join the Readers Circle at any time. For more information about The Readers Circle please contact Sondra Odian.

Vestry Meeting Highlights February 27, 2019

Mary-Esther Arther led the opening prayer and Marty Stanton shared remembrances of his uncle, Brother Nivard, who was a Trappist Monk, and also played a selection of Thomas Merton speaking on MLK.

We discussed a concern from a parishioner that there is too much "abandoned furniture" in the skylight room and classrooms, which the Vestry agreed was the case and which the Property Committee will deal with.

Stewardship reported that the Fish & Chips Dinner will be April 13 at a cost of \$20 a person, that parishioners will be asked to bake cookies for dessert, that the event will be posted on the outdoor sign for at least 3 weeks prior, and that chicken dinners will also be available at the same price.

Outreach recommended that the Easter outreach offering be designated to go to Willing Hands, Family Promise, and Episcopal Relief and Development, allowing us to support local, regional, and world outreach, which the Vestry voted to approve. They reported that six \$200 checks will go out in March to the 5 food pantries we support and North Porch; that the ingathering for the Linus Project will be Pentecost Sunday, that the outreach page on the parish website has been updated; that they would like to dedicate one Sunday a month to presenting information about a different are of St. David's outreach; and that we have received a request from PATCH to provide hands-on workshops for children of incarcerated parents.

We gave thanks for Sal and the choir for their beautiful anthems; for our Diocesan Convention Deputies; for Ed Horton and John Simonelli for their work on the Parish Audit and Parochial Report; for Lee Moody for his clarinet solo in church; for Laurie Pisani for joining a worship team; for the Transition Team; for the congregation for allowing Michael to use the parish hall for his play rehearsals; and for Bonnie Hook for producing the year-end statements and on time.

We reviewed and accepted the January Quickbooks reports.

We voted to approve the 2018 Parochial Report and the 2018 Parish Audit.

We supported Jon Richardson's suggestion to use Rite 1 for both Sunday services during Lent.

The Transition Team distributed their final report, noting that we have had a very good year with Jon as priest-in-charge, that Jon and Michael are very happy being with us, and that a packet of documents including the Vestry Mutual Ministry Review, the 2019 Budget, the 2019 Annual Meeting Report, the 2018 Parochial Report, and the 2018 Parish Audit will be sent to Bishop Hughes.

The Property Committee has been investigating the poor outdoor lighting and will be replacing all of the CDLs with LED bulbs, which will remedy the situation. Quotes have been received for replacing the handicapped bathroom door, which the Vestry approved.

We approved the March calendar.

Respectfully submitted,

John Simonelli, Senior Warden

Vestry Meeting Highlights March 20, 2019

Mary Harbinsky led the opening prayer and Mary-Esther Arther spoke of the many inspirational moments she's had in 40 years of hospice volunteer work.

Stewardship reported that there will be a sign-up sheet for parishioners to bake cookies for the Fish & Chips Dinner and that there will be a Saturday training session for those interested in learning new worship team ministries (crucifer, acolyte).

Outreach reported that six \$200 checks are going out to the 5 food pantries we support and North Porch.

We gave thanks for Tom Snyder for his many years of service as a Greeter; for Guy Baskinger for his quick and efficient snow removal; for the Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Kaeton for facilitating our leadership retreat; for those who participated in the retreat; for Nancy and Lee Moody and Mary Harbinsky for attending Leadership University; and for the Diocese for sponsoring Leadership University. We also approved including the thanksgivings in the Sunday service leaflet.

We reviewed and accepted the February Quickbooks reports.

We amended and approved the Easter outreach letter.

With the full support of the Vestry, Senior Warden John Simonelli will be meeting with Bishop Hughes and Canon Jacobs to discuss the possibility of calling Jon Richardson as our rector.

The Property Committee reported that the remainder of the outdoor lights will be replaced with LED bulbs, that the handicapped bathroom door and flower sacristy rack have been replaced; that a second quote for A/C for the large skylight room has been received; and that a Needs and Assessment List for the property has been prepared and priorities will be established.

We amended and approved the April calendar.

Respectfully submitted,

John Simonelli, Senior Warden

ATTENDANCE

March 2018 March 2019

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Pending

VESTRY CALLING LIST—2019

If you have any questions, concerns, compliments about parish life, you're encouraged to contact your vestry member.

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APRIL 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 7:00 pm Readers Circle Book Group	2 7:00 pm Stewardship Commission Meeting 7:00 pm AA Meeting	3 1:00 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednesday Group	4 9:30 am Healing Eucharist Service 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	5 <i>Office closed</i> <i>Priest's day off</i>	6
7) Lent 5 8:00 am Holy Eucharist/Healing 9:15 am Choir Warm Up 10:00 am Holy Eucharist/Healing 11:15 am Coffee Hour, Bible Study 11:30 am Joyful Noise	8 Gold Team	9 10:30 am Outreach Committee 7:00 pm AA Meeting	10 1:00 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 7:00 pm Vestry 8:00 pm AA Wednesday Group	11 9:30 am Healing Eucharist Service 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	12 <i>Office closed</i> <i>Priest's day off</i>	13 Fish & Chips Supper 5:30 pm Take out 6:00 pm Eat In
14) Palm Sunday 8:00 am Holy Eucharist* 9:15 am Choir Warm Up 10:00 am Holy Eucharist* 11:15 am Coffee Hour, Joyful Noise *With Birthday & Anniversary Prayers	15 Red Team	16 5:00 pm St. Paul's Shelter meal 7:00 pm AA Meeting	17 1:00 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednesday Group	18 Maundy Thursday 9:30 am Healing Eucharist Service 6:00 pm Agape Supper & Liturgy 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	19 Good Friday <i>Office closed</i> 12 Noon Service 7:30 pm Service	20
21) Easter Day 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 am Choir Warm Up 10:00 am Festival Eucharist <i>No Coffee Hour</i>	22 White Team	23 <i>Priest away</i> 7:00 pm AA Meeting	24 <i>Priest away</i> 1:00 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednes. Gp	25 <i>Priest away</i> 9:30 am Healing Prayers Service 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	26 <i>Office closed</i> <i>Priest's day off</i>	27 <i>Priest away</i>
28) Easter 2 Flowering/Cross Deacon <i>Deb. Drake to preside</i> <u>No 8:00 am Holy Eucharist</u> 9:15 am Choir Warm Up 10:00 am Deacon's Mass 11:00 am Boonton Care Center serv. 11:15 am Coffee Hour, Joyful Noise	29 Green Team	29 7:00 pm AA Meeting	30 1:00 pm Meditation in Church 2:00 pm Tai Chi Chih 8:00 pm AA Wednesday Group			

St. David's Leadership Team

Empowering all our members to build bridges of hope with the living Christ through worship, spiritual formation, hospitality and outreach.

Bishop *The Rt. Rev. Carlye J. Hughes*

Priest-in-Charge *The Rev. Jon M. Richardson*

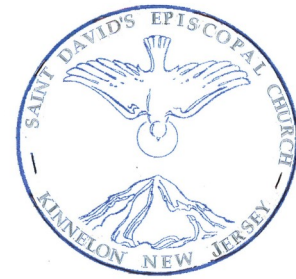
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Junior Warden: *Marty Stanton*

Mary-Esther Arther (Treasurer)

Bonnie Hook (Assistant Treasurer)

Mary Harbinsky (Clerk)



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