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BIG NEWS in February

- February 7- SOUPER BOWL of Caring
- February 14 Youth Valentines Party
- February 17 Ash Wednesday - Worship and Soup Supper
- February 21 Annual Congregational Covered Dish and Meeting
- Thursday February 25 and Thursdays in March - Lenten Series of Soup Suppers, Worship, And Learning, "Rediscovering Luther's Catechism"

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February 2010

God Has a Plan - We're It!

Pastor David Deal

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The above vision statement of this congregation is a simple and helpful restatement of

God's plan that we are a part of. The scriptures offer powerful words concerning God's plan for the church:

Matthew 28:18ff "... And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you."

Luke 4:16ff "... (Jesus) stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord in upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.' ... And (Jesus) rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. ... Then, he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'"

WOW! What a plan God and God's Son, Our Savior, has laid before us. Can God really expect us to accomplish that plan? Well -- yes and no. God knows that we are sinful, imperfect and limited human beings who will falter in our faithfulness and frequently lack the courage to go and do what we have been empowered to do. So, no, **we** will not complete the plan alone. But **God** is the chief architect, and God is with us all along, picking us up when we fall, encouraging us when we are discouraged, strengthening us when we doubt we are the ones for the job, and loving us all along.

For 198 years, we the baptized here on Durham Road have been baptizing, sharing the Lord's Supper, singing and praising, praying and serving, teaching and learning, and a whole lot more. Everything we have done or tried to do has been possible because of God's blessing. It is good each year to look back at what God has done among us. In 2009, no one was baptized, but three have already been baptized at the beginning of 2010, and there are plans for several more baptisms. Ten new members (three families) joined our community of faith in 2009. Our Sunday School grew in numbers and excitement in 2009. The new SPARK Sunday School curriculum has sparked participation by children and parents. Vacation Bible School in 2009 set recent records for numbers. Several activities for children and families were started (movie nights and an outing to the Iron Pigs) and more similar and new activities are being scheduled for children and youth. The "Book of Faith" initiative was kicked off with surveys, new "Spark" story Bibles, and significant discussions with adults about a stronger personal engagement with the Scriptures. In 2009, the Care-A-Lot Preschool has worked hard at helping the children grow not just physically, intellectually, emotionally, and socially, but also spiritually. The school continues to have a strong outreach into our community.

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Congregational Highlights in February

Sunday, February 7 - Souper Bowl of Caring

- bring cans of soup, other food items, and/or \$\$\$
- noon bring a bag lunch for the final session of "Rediscovering the Book of Faith"

Sunday, February 14 -Youth Valentines Day Party

featuring the movie "Pay It Forward"

- all middle school and high school youth from the community are invited
- 2:30 PM we prepare refreshments
- 3:00 PM Movie "Pay it Forward" with discussion to follow
- 5:30 PM Conclusion of party (the next day is a school day)

Wednesday, February 17 Ash Wednesday

Services at 1:00 and 7:30 PM

Sunday, February 21 - Annual Congregational Meeting

- immediately after worship - We begin with a covered dish meal downstairs. The meeting will include a review of 2009, challenges in 2010, election of Church Council, reception of reports and opportunities for involvement in the congregation's ministries. In case of bad weather, the meeting will be held on the following Sunday, February 28th.

Lenten Series of Soup Suppers, Worship, and Learning: "Rediscovering Luther's Catechism"

5 Thursday evenings Feb 25 and March 4, 11, 18, and 25 beginning at 6:30 PM. Durham will host on March 4 and 18, the others will be held at St. Peter's in Riegelsville. Schedule - 6:30 PM Soup meal, 7:15 PM Payers, Hymns and discussion of the 5 parts of Luther's Catechism: the 10 Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, Holy Baptism, and Holy Communion.

Council Corner

I believe that God gives everyone some kind of special talent. Perhaps it is as simple as being a good listener or as complex as being a rocket scientist. As part of this congregation we all need to search our hearts to determine just what our talents are and put these talents to use in making God's world a better place. Always remember that God has made this a you AND me world, not a you OR me world!

We have worked together these past several years as a team and that is how we have accomplished so much. God has proven to us just how much He loves this congregation by helping us get over several large hurdles in the past. In return, He expects us to continue His work in the world. We have a lot to do now, and in the future of this church.

His first commandment tells us to love Him with all our heart, and love our neighbor as ourselves. This means to me that we have to take care of ourselves before we can take care of others. By that, I certainly do not mean to ignore our neighbors when they need help, I just mean that we have to make sure that we can sustain ourselves in order to be able to help others.

In this economic downturn that we now face and with rising costs to keep the church going, we need to try harder to do things that need to be done, considering the reduced budget that we have had to create in order to survive. Even though money may be scarce, we all possess time and talents, two commodities we sometimes overlook. Please take a moment to reflect on what talents God has given you that you can share with your church family. Help us to get through these difficult times and to move boldly into the future, stronger that ever. Historically this church has proven that its people have always persevered and have continued for almost 200 years to keep God's work moving forward to do good in this world.

In the near future, I am going to compile a list of little jobs that are needed, usually only once a year. I would like everyone to consider doing at least one "little" thing to help our congregation. If we do not all work together then our historic little church on the hill will have to turn out its beacon of hope to people in this community and around the world. Let's work together so that this does not happen.

Since actions speak louder than words, wouldn't you like to be an "ANGEL IN ACTION?"

Love always, Lynn Gaun - Council president

THANK YOU ...

- ... to Sara Aquino for purchasing a new vacuum for use in our fellowship hall.
 - \dots to Bruce Crouse for putting up the First Aid Kit in the Fellowship Hall.
- ... to David Sauter's brother, Ethan, for donating his time during our septic system emergency. His efforts helped us to resolve the situation without major repairs and expense.

How are you receiving your EVANGEL Newsletter?

As of February 2010, we are NO LONGER MASS-MAILING the newsletter. There will be newsletters available for pick-up in the Narthex. If you would like to have the Evangel newsletter e-mailed to you, please e-mail the Church Office. The newsletter will only be mailed by first class to our homebound members and to those who specifically request it, so call or drop us a note to have your newsletter mailed. Care-A-Lot families will now receive the newsletter in their child's cubby.

Happenings in the Life of the CHURCH ...

Outreach

On **Feb. 7**th we will be celebrating **Souper Bowl Sunday**. Cheryl Mesko has soup pots on the church's window sills for your soup or monetary donations as well as a big box in the narthex.



Please give generously – soup is really appreciated by the food banks in the winter months.

You can also celebrate a happy occasion or honor a loved one by placing a food basket on the altar. The food will be donated to either the Upper Bucks or Easton food bank. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. You can either buy the basket yourself, or give the money to Helen Dungan to shop for you.

Soup Report ~ Helen Dungan

Profits from the January Soup Sale were \$1,147.25

We sold 102 quarts of vegetable beef soup and 77 quarts of cream of potato. We also served supper to 46 people.

The above profits would not have been possible without the generous donation of potatoes, cabbage and leeks from Truager's Farm Market; the donation of onions, tomato base, crackers and cups from Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers, the donation of beef bones from Springfield Meat, and the donation of bread and cakes from congregational bakers.

The soup sale wouldn't happen at all without the help of many many people: thanks to our chief chefs Esther Crouse, Nancy Moskella, and Mark Harwick; to our food preparers who chopped and peeled; to the dishwashers; to those who set up and took down the tables and chairs, those who cleaned up; and to those who helped with the beef broth. I believe our youngest assistant was Hunter Aquino (who helped taking down the tables and chairs) and our oldest Mary Dungan (who was one of the bakers.) All ages and abilities are needed!

The February soup sale will be Wednesday February 17th; supper will be served from 4:30 to 6:30.

The soups will be chicken noodle and cream of broccoli. Help is needed to bake cakes and bread for the supper. Help is needed Monday evening with the chicken broth. Help is needed Wednesday morning (around 9:00) to peel and chop. Help is needed Wednesday afternoon (around 3:30) to wash dishes, fill jars and serve those who eat in. **Please note, this is Ash Wednesday** so we would like more help in the evening cleaning up and tearing down, so we are finished in time for church at 7:30.

Costs are \$5.00 per quart of soup (if possible bring your own container); supper is \$6.00 per adult, \$3 per child 6-12; under 6 is free. Supper includes all the soup you can eat, beverage, bread and desserts.

All proceeds of the soup sales go to hunger causes!

Last year's proceeds were distributed as follows:

\$600 Easton Food Bank \$600 Upper Bucks Food Bank \$500 World Hunger Appeal \$200 Upper Bucks Meals on Wheels

This year we are also including a donation plate for those who would like to contribute the Haiti relief which will be one of the designated recipients of this years proceeds.

Since we began sponsoring the soup nights in 1991, we have given \$24,223.37 to local and world hunger causes. That is 18 years of feeding the hungry a little bit at a time.

Palisades Cluster News At its January meeting the Palisades Cluster reviewed the past year's goals (we met all but the youth-related one) and set goals for 2010.

Goals for 2010:

1. Ministry with no name (as yet) -- offer help to members of our community who need minor repairs or cleanup. As envisioned, congregation members could refer names of folks in need to their pastor or Linda Frey. Pastors would refer the name onto Linda either after doing a preliminary assessment or for her to do the preliminary assessment. Linda would then organize volunteer helpers. She would develop a database of volunteers and their skills. This would be similar to the volunteer help we did for people after the Delaware floods, and was originally seen as being directed toward the elderly and coming out of the Parish Nurse program (but anyone with a need – for a wheel chair ramp for example) could be referred for help.

We need a name for this volunteer ministry. The name Heavenly Helpers is already taken as is Helping Hands. We are holding a 'Name the ministry' contest – submit your entries to Pastor Dave. The winner gets a \$15 cash prize donated by Pastor Shreaves of Trinity, Coopersburg/Pleasant Valley.

Pastor's article (continued from Page 1)

And what about the bold new improvements made to our worship space and building: steeple, roof, painting and new windows. I believe all of these expenditures we have chosen will make a significant difference in our ability to continue God's plan to future generations.

But let's be honest, 2009 was also a difficult year. It was an especially difficult economic year. Are people worried, afraid, distracted, disillusioned with God? Is personal depression leading to weakened involvement with Christ's church? We must admit that overall worship attendance and giving were down. We don't know if this was a temporary blip caused by a world-wide recession, or a greater cause for our concern. Many of us are deeply concerned with financing our mission into the future.

We do know this: God will not desert us. God wants us to baptize, to teach, to love, and to serve in this place. God has a plan - we're it! May God give us the courage to keep on keeping on in faith that God is in charge and that God wants to bless our efforts, imperfect as they are.

WELCA ~ Helen Dungan

Pastor led a discussion on making sense of suffering at our January meeting. We looked at scripture including the psalm Jesus quoted from the cross "my God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" In times of suffering, it is normal to question God — why did you allow this to happen? Or as Job said, I didn't deserve this. Telling someone who is suffering that it is God's will (as Job's friends did) is not helpful and can drive the sufferer away from God. We may not know why things like the earthquake in Haiti hap-



pen; but God is with us in our suffering – suffering with us. We, as his hands and feet, also have a responsibility to help those who are suffering. That help can vary from just holding someone's hand to helping rebuild a home destroyed by fire, flood, hurricane or earthquake.

Our February meeting will be much lighter; we are having a movie matinee; our leader is Gerry Seipt; our hostess is Dot Peterman. The main agenda item in our business meeting is the February soup sale.

Date: Saturday Feb. 13, 2010 Time: 9:30 AM All women are welcome.



Announcing a Joint Mid-week Lenten Series - "Re-discovering Luther's Catechism"



Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 PM
Sponsored by St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Riegelsville and
Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham

Schedule:

Thursday, 2/25, at and hosted by St. Peter's - 6:30 PM - Soup, 7:15 - Worship: The 10 Commandments

Thursday, 3/4, at and hosted by Durham - 6:30 PM - Soup, 7:15 - Worship: The Apostle's Creed

Thursday, 3/11, at and hosted by St. Peter's - 6:30 PM - Soup, 7:15 - Worship: The Lord's Prayer

Thursday, 3/18, at and hosted by Durham - 6:30 PM - Soup, 7:15 - Worship: Holy Baptism

Thursday, 3/25, at and hosted by St. Peter's - 6:30 PM - Soup, 7:15 - Worship: Holy Communion

If you would like to be part of a team to prepare the soup for March 4 or March 18 at Durham, please speak to Pastor Deal.

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| | 7 | 14 | | 17 Ash Wed. | 21 | 28 |
| Acolyte & Com- munion Assistant | Steven Streletz | Corinne Ashmore | | Alaina Apgar | Michaela Segreaves | Morgan Segreaves |
| Greeter(s) | Laura Helfrich & Rachael Kressman | Serena Ashmore | | Lynn Gaun | Lee Ann & Myron Kressman | Manfred & Elfriede Marschewski |
| Lector | Carolyn Williams | Tom Gaur | ı | Mark Harwick | Mary Crouse | Ken Anderson |
| Communion Asst. | Ben Naska & David Sauter | Ben Naska David Saut | | Ben Naska & David Sauter | Ben Naska & David Sauter | Ben Naska & David Sauter |
| Altar Guild | Miriam Anderson and | d Beth Ross | | $\overline{}$ | | |
| Head Usher | Gary Trauger | | | Palisad | des Cluster (co | ntinued from Page 3) |

January Birthdays & Anniversaries

Counters

| | Birthdays | Anniversaries |
|----|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| 2 | Amanda F | |
| 5 | Laura H | |
| 7 | Dianna S | |
| 10 | Wayne M | |
| 12 | Jean H (87th !) | |
| | Steven S | |
| 13 | Miriam A | |
| 15 | Norma F | Betty & George Kreitz (52nd!) |
| 16 | Kathy H | |
| 17 | Betty K | |
| 20 | Esther C | |
| 27 | Tanya N | |
| 28 | Grace Helen L | |
| 29 | Becky H | |

Ben Naska and David Sauter

NOTE: If your birthday or wedding anniversary has somehow been omitted, please contact the Pastor or add your name to the Birthday Calendar on the bulletin board in the narthex. We invite those who are new to our fellowship to add your special days to that calendar.

- 2. Continue a Cluster wide **Ascension Service** -- this year it will be held Thursday May 13, 2010 at Upper Tinicum with a joint choir performing the anthem.
- **3. Bear Creek** plans are to have camp the last week in June (June 28 to July 2, 2010) but he date has to be confirmed. More details will follow
- **4. Discuss Lenten worship opportunities** within the Cluster for 2011 -- How can we improve and expand Lenten worship within the Cluster?
- **5. Evangelism** there are two thrusts, 1. to look into a seminar, perhaps with Pastor Moss, or some activity to reenergize us in our outreach to the community, 2. to consider some revival service or program for our internal use to energize our faith lives
- **6. Parish Nurse Ministry** begin implementing the program. So far the Board of the Upper Tinicum Health Ministry voted to expand their mission to include the Cluster. The Cluster's Parish Nurse Task Force also contacted the Ann Silverman Clinic of St. John the Baptist Church for input and participation.

Mary Hurley, Tinicum Health Ministry's parish nurse will work on a presentation to be given to the individual cluster churches who will be asked to help with start up costs.

- 7. To continue participating in all community events such as Baccalaureate, Nockamixon & Durham Days, as individual churches and as a group
- 8. To continue to communicate and support local vacation Bible school events, and serve as a clearing house for date coordination.

"We pray for the people of Haiti, for the relief of their suffering and the rebuilding of their future. Bring about good, Lord, somehow. Lead the resilient people of Haiti forward in hope and with vision. And may we do what we can to help our brothers and sisters in this endeavor. " Amen



Please speak to the pastor before the service if you have someone you would like him to lift up in prayer. To place someone on the Prayer List, call the Church Office. For urgent prayer needs, start the Prayer Chain Virginia Hager. Please make updates to Prayer List in the Narthex on the condition of anyone you've placed on the list. If you are on the Prayer List and are ready to be removed, please let us know!



For reasons of confidentiality, the web edition of our newsletter does not contain individual names on the prayer list.

Prayers for those with whom our church has a special relationship: our Prayer Partners, Bridge of Peace Lutheran Church in Camden, NJ — our Companion Synod, the North East Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. Please offer a special prayer for the people of the Holy Land on the 9th day of this and every month.



Last Session of "Rediscovering the Book of Faith"

On February 7th (with February 14th as a weather make-up date) we will hold the last of a three-session course taught by the pastor as part of our Book of Faith initiative. In this course we have learned what the Bible is, how it came to be, and what it means for our lives. The group will meet after worship. Coffee will be on downstairs, just Open Scripture. Join the Conversation bring a bag lunch. Plan to spend 60-90 minutes together.

Reminder ...

Annual CONGREGATIONAL COVERED DISH and MEETING on February 21 right after worship.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY meets at 10 AM in the Church Office on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. All women are welcome - we discuss the Bible or a book in terms of how our faith and beliefs affect our everyday lives. Women only!



Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study Wants YOU!



Care-A-Lot News

Love is in the air this month! The Care-A-Lot children will be learning about love and trust which will be emphasized by our Church Chats with Pastor Dave and our

Valentine's Day celebration. The Green Turtles and Blue Whales will be learning about symmetry by making butterfly Valentine's cards and other crafts.

We will continue with our yearly theme of Land, Sky, Sea...You and Me by learning more about the Sky/Air and how air can change. We will also be learning about weather which will be enhanced by a class trip to the DaVinci Science Center where the children can visit a weather station.

It's hard to believe that we are halfway through the school year!

Happy February holidays to you all!

Love, Mrs. Heinemann, Mrs. Hower, & Mrs. Prudish



Valentines Party

Sunday, February 14

for kids in high school & middle school-Bring your friends!!!



If someone did you a favor, and instead of paying it back, you paid it forward to three people ...

- -- come at 2:30 to get refreshments ready --
 - -- at 3:00 we'll watch and talk about the great movie

PAY IT FORWARD --



-- at 5:30 everybody goes home to finish their homework!

Winter Weather Update from Care-A-Lot

In case of inclement weather. if there are school delays and/or closing for the Wilson Area School District due to inclement weather, Care-A-Lot families will receive an e-mail from Kathy Heinemann by 8 AM with information about whether preschool will be held. Parents can also request to be notified by telephone. Please make sure that all of your pertinent phone numbers, including those of any caregivers who may be watching or transporting your child, are on record and correct.

School closing information can be found at these sources:

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JANUARY 2010 HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF ELCA DISASTER RESPONSE www.elca.org/disaster

On Tuesday, January 12, a magni-

overflowing and the search for survipalace is in ruins and many churches Offices, hotels, houses and shops the capital, Port-au-Prince. country of Haiti, primarily impacting tude 7.0 earthquake rocked the island vors is intense. have been destroyed. Hospitals are have collapsed. The presidential

The streets of Haiti are filled with

affected by this earthquake. one-third of Haiti's population, are in Haiti. About 3 million lives, hope for our brothers and sisters immediate relief and continued loved ones among the rubble. people in shock and searching for Your help is needed today to bring

> in the world (70 percent of Haiti's with hunger and poverty. suffering felt by many already living population lives in extreme poverty), Already one of the poorest countries this catastrophe will exacerbate the

nerships on the ground to provide working through long-standing part-ELCA Disaster Response is already

generous gifts will make a life-savrecovery efforts. Your prayers and be used entirely—100 percent— Your gifts to ELCA Internationa Financial gifts are urgently needed medical supplies. emergency food, water, shelter and for immediate relief and ongoing for Haiti Earthquake Relief, will Disaster Response, designated

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it." -1 Corinthians 12:26

Almost two weeks have passed since the devastating earthquake in Haiti. The outpouring of gifts from members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) to ELCA Disaster Response has enabled a swift response on behalf of this church.

Thank you for your generous financial support which now totals more than \$1.6 million. Thousands of other gifts are still being counted. Our community-based partners are already providing:

Two water purification systems to bring clean water to 25,000 people.

Name Address

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Yes, I want to help!

ing difference. Please give today.

Haiti Earthquake Relief Where Needed Most

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ELCA Disaster Response, 39330 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694-9300

write "Haiti Earthquake Relief" on your check's memo line.

Give through your congregation or send your check directly to:

City

ZIP Code

- Emergency food and medical supplies to thousands.
- Blankets and tents to **shelter** 10,000 people who are homeless.

Funding, distributed through three partners, will increase as giving continues.

- \$300,000 has been sent to The Lutheran World Federation (LWF), a key responder and member of Action by Churches Together (ACT). The funds support LWF efforts to provide shelter to people left homeless by the quake.
- \$150,000 has been sent to Lutheran World Relief (LWR), Baltimore, for material aid.
- \$150,000 will be sent to Church World Service (CWS) for construction of temporary water systems and distribution of water purification materials.

In addition, \$25,000 has been sent to Lutheran Services of Florida for initial support to refugees and Haitian Americans entering or returning to the United States.

We are pleased that Louis Dorvillier, director for International Development and Disaster Response in the ELCA Global Mission program unit, is part of a delegation to his country of origin with LWF and ACT.

Your generosity makes this life-saving work possible. As we celebrate this outpouring of gifts and prayers, we also know that we have a long road to travel together. There is so much more to be done. This church is committed to walking with our brothers and sisters in Haiti for years to come; your continued support is needed to provide ongoing care.

I encourage you to visit the ELCA Disaster Response (http://www.elca.org/disaster) Web site for updated information, worship resources, bulletin inserts and details on how to offer financial support. General mission-support dollars and gifts to ELCA Vision for Mission make it possible for 100 percent of your gifts designated for Haiti Earthquake Relief to be used entirely for this response effort.

To give today, go online (www.elca.org/haitiearthquake) or call 800-638-3522. In God's grace,

The Rev. Mark S. Hanson **Presiding Bishop**

February 2010

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|---|--|--|---|---|------------------------|
| | 1 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales | 2 Presentation of Our Lord 9—11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles | 3 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales 7 PM Choir | 4 9—11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles | 5 9 AM—12 noon Care-A-Lot Community Day | 6 |
| 7 Souper Bowl of Caring - Bring in canned goods and \$\$\$ 9:15 AM Spark Sunday School - Baby Moses, Confirmation - 10 Commandments 10:30 Holy Communion Noon - Book of Faith (bag Lunch) | 8 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales | 9 9—11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles 10 AM Ladies Bible Study | 10 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales 7 PM Choir | 9—11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles | 12 9 AM—12 noon Care-A-Lot Community Day | 13 9:30 AM WELCA |
| 14 Transfiguration of our Lord Valentine's Day 9:15 AM Spark Sunday School with Confirmation class - Burning Bush 10:30 Holy Communion 3:00 PM - Youth Group Valentines Party - "Pay it Forward" | NO PRESCHOOL | 16 9—11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles 7:00 PM Care-A-Lot School Board | 17 ASH WEDNESDAY Lent Begins 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales 1:00 PM Communion 7:30 PM Communion | 9—11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles | 19 9 AM—12 noon Care-A-Lot Community Day | 20 |
| 21 First Sunday in Lent 9:15 AM Spark Sunday School -Burning Bush Confirmation - 10 Commandments 10:30 Holy Communion Noon - Annual Congregational Covered Dish and Meeting (snowdate is February 28) | 22 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales | 23 9—11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles 10 AM Ladies Bible Study | 24 9 AM -12:30 PM Care-A-Lot Blue Whales 7 PM Choir | 25 9—11:30 AM Care-A-Lot Green Turtles 6:30 PM Lenten Soup Supper & Worship @ St. Peter's | 26 9 AM—12 noon Care-A-Lot Community Day | 27 |
| 28 Second Sunday in Lent 9:15 AM Spark Sunday School with Confirmation class- Burning Bush 10:30 Holy Communion Snowdate for Annual Meeting if necessary) | | | | | | |

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