

March 7th Worship Information

Available Online on St. John's Facebook Page & Website

Third Sunday in Lent

Theme: "Beautiful Law"

Sermon: "Honeysweet and Just as Enduring"

Scripture: Exodus 20:1-17 Psalm 19

Music: O God, Our Help in Ages Past
Arr. Victor Labenske
Andrew Paulson, Piano

Chancel Flowers

In memory of Sarah Falzone's March 10th birthday from daughter, Pam, Ray, Jessica and Alex Ace



The Agape National Academy of Music (ANAM) in Liberia, which had been closed since the onset of the pandemic, has now reopened, with almost 50 students enrolled. When our Church Council members met early February via Zoom, they voted unanimously to send \$3,000 from the GEM Fund (Going the Extra Mile) to cover the cost of building rental for ANAM for this calendar year.

Almost all of the students participating in ANAM's certificate program have very limited resources, and struggle even to cover the rather nominal fee of \$95 for the program. Council members wanted to invite all of our St. John's family to have an opportunity to support this important work by contributing to the school's scholarship fund. You may wish to donate enough to cover the cost of one student or simply to contribute toward the cost of sponsoring a student. We will be receiving donations up until Easter ~ April 4th. Any checks should be made out to St. John's with "ANAM Scholarship" on the memo line.

As of January 31, 2021	
Budgeted Monthly Income for January	\$47,010.27
Actual Income for January	\$34,484.98
Total Income Difference	(\$12,525.29)
Budgeted Monthly Expenses January	
Budgeted Monthly Expenses January	\$46,501.96
Actual Expenses for January	\$45,695.70
Total Expense Difference	(\$806.26)
YTD Budgeted Current Income for January	\$47,010.27
YTD Actual Current Income for January	\$34,484.98
Total Current Income Difference	(\$12,525.29)
YTD amnt. needed to fulfill OCWM pledge	\$3,871.66
YTD Actual Offering for OCWM	\$5,561.75
OCWM Difference	\$1,690.09
Weekly amount needed for Current Income 2021	\$7,653.56
Weekly amount needed for OCWM 2021	\$893.00
A Look at the Week of Jan 31, 2021	
Offering For Current Income	\$16,632.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$525.00
A Look at the Week of Feb 7, 2021	
Offering For Current Income	\$7,663.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$667.00
A Look at the Week of Feb 14, 2021	
Offering For Current Income	\$10,690.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$1,262.00
A Look at the Week of Feb 21, 2021	
Offering For Current Income	\$3,489.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$569.00
A Look at the Week of Feb 28, 2021	
Offering For Current Income	\$15,498.15
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$1,025.00

March 14th Worship Information

Available Online on St. John's Facebook Page & Website

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Theme: "No Matter What"

Sermon: "The Heart of Lent"

Scripture: John 3:14-21 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

Music: Hear My Prayer, O Lord
from Biblical Songs, Op. 99
Antonin Dvorak
Susan Sands, soprano

Chancel Flowers

In memory of Christian E. Wurster's March 15th birthday from Christine Wiley.

Remembering with love, Wallace & Kier MacKinstry on St. Patrick's Day and Granny's March 16th birthday, from Jean MacKinstry Rogers and the MacKinstry/Rogers family

In memory of Ruthanne Harrison's March 20th birthday from her daughter and son-in-law, Sue & Wayne Bailey



On Palm Sunday, March 28 there will be palms available for you to pick up if you would like. They will be at St. John's in buckets in the front courtyard near our St. John's sign, near the entrance to the labyrinth in the meditation garden, and in the paver courtyard behind the church, near the ramp entrance. Stop by on Palm Sunday to claim a palm or two.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



A **Prayer Vigil** will begin at noon on Maundy Thursday, April 1, and conclude at noon on Good Friday, April 2, at noon. Half hour time slots may be claimed by emailing Rev. Sue at drsueb7@verizon.net or calling the Church Office. Those participating may come to the church to pray, or pray wherever they may be. Rev. Sue will be posting updates on St. John's private Facebook page as time slots are claimed so folks will know which time slots are still available.



Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Easter services will all include both audio and video components (like our Christmas Eve and Ash Wednesday services) and may be viewed on both YouTube and St. John's Facebook pages. More details to come!

Change for the Children Offering Palm Sunday, March 28


When you come to church to pick up your palms on Palm Sunday, remember to bring your loose change to benefit St. John's Child Sponsorship Project. Members of the Outreach Team will be on hand to greet you and receive your offerings.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mar 7 **Third Sunday in Lent**
- Mar 8 Zoom Council Meeting
- Mar 10 Lenten Chimes Concert, Zoom Children's Choir, Zoom Lenten Bible Study
- Mar 11 Thursday Sanctuary Visits, Yoga
- Mar 12 Chess
- Mar 14 **Fourth Sunday in Lent**
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
Enlightener due date
Daylight Savings begins
- Mar 17 Noon Lenten Chimes Concert, Zoom Children's Choir, Zoom Lenten Bible Study
- Mar 18 Thursday Sanctuary Visits, Yoga
- Mar 19 Chess
- Mar 21 **Fifth Sunday in Lent**

Easter Lily Donations: If you would like to donate a lily this Easter in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact the church office by Palm Sunday, March 28. You may also fill out the donation form and deposit it in the locked box on the wall by the back door at the top of the ramp. Your donation may be in any amount, and the lily may be picked up Maundy Thursday, Good Friday or the week following Easter, for you to keep. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, volunteers will not be making deliveries to homebound folks this year.



**2021 Easter Lily Donation Form
Due Date 3/28/2021**

In Memory of _____

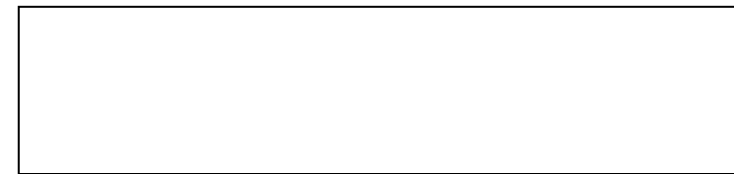
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The **Wednesday Noon Chime Concerts continue during the season of Lent.** Each concert will include hymns highlighting the themes from the previous Sunday. As always, the concerts will be on our Facebook page for all to safely experience.