

Lent 2023

Dear Parishioners,

It has been said that Lent seems *like an ancient practice that is out of step with the age, promising no immediate result, no instant answer, no dazzling communication from on high* (Keith A. Russell). Being "out of step" is the purpose of Lent, a time when we are asked to try and focus on what God is doing in our lives rather than what we are doing. As Thomas Keating points out, any of us who have ever tried to enter into the real spirit of Lent *struggle with what we want to do and feel we should do, and our incredible inability to carry it out* (Journey To The Center).

We have several things planned for Lent this year, and I hope you will participate in some, or all, of them. As you make decisions about how you want to engage with the Lenten season, I hope that whatever you choose brings a deeper awareness of God's presence within you and that you let that awareness shape and form your relationships with God and with others.

Lenten blessings,



David+



Ash Wednesday
SERVICE

February 22, 2023
7:30 am, 12:00 pm, & 6:00 pm

ENTER INTO A
HOLY LENT WITH A
SERVICE OF HOLY
EUCCHARIST AND
THE IMPOSITION OF
ASHES

OUTREACH



TRINITY HOT LUNCH AND ST. JOHN'S PEACE MEAL

MARCH 26, APRIL 8

Serve our neighbors this Lent at either Trinity Hot Lunch (Sunday, March 26) or St. John's Peace Meal (Holy Saturday, April 8). Prepare and serve meals with a team of parishioners. Please contact Bill Gilbert at turkgobble@aol.com for more information.



MONTHLY FOOD DRIVES

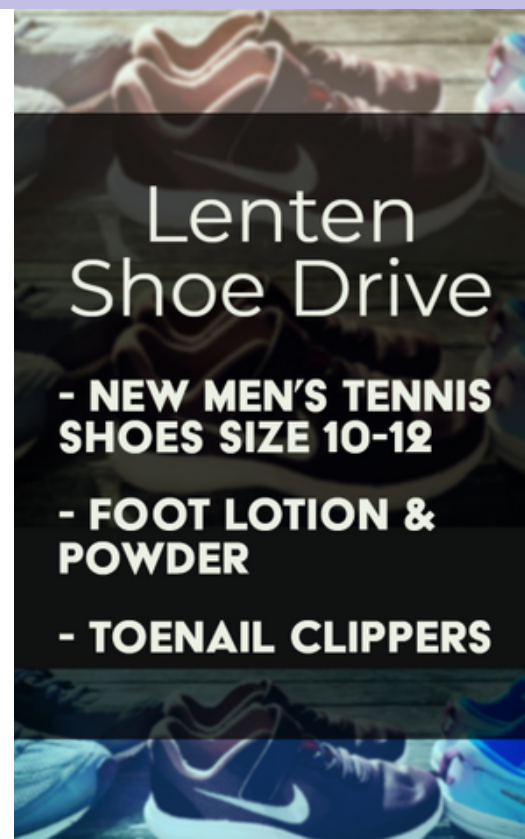
MARCH 5, APRIL 2

Join us as we collect needed items each month for Trinity Food Ministry. As you leave church on the last Sunday of the month, an usher will hand you a grocery bag with a list of needed items. Bring the bag back the following Sunday (first Sunday of the month) to be taken to Trinity Food Pantry.



LENTEN SHOE DRIVE AND MAUNDY THURSDAY FOOT CLINIC

This Lent, we will once again collect needed footcare and shoes for those in need in our community. Look for more information soon regarding the opportunity to pair with Trinity Food Ministry's Maundy Thursday Foot Clinic, a special event to care for the feet of our neighbors.



Lenten Shoe Drive

- NEW MEN'S TENNIS
SHOES SIZE 10-12

- FOOT LOTION &
POWDER

- TOENAIL CLIPPERS

The Stories We Tell

Storytelling is about revealing what we value. The stories we tell — both about ourselves and others — reflect what is important to us, and what we believe to be true about who we are. Our Lenten Speaker Series, "The Stories We Tell," will include speakers from around St. Louis who will share some of their formative experiences. Through their stories, we'll discover more about who we are as individuals, as a community, and as people of God. What common ground do we share? Which values bring us together? Where can there be opportunities for fellowship, discussion, and learning? Join us in the Undercroft on Wednesday evenings during Lent at 6:00 p.m. A light supper will be served.



Bishop Deon Johnson

Wednesday, March 1st at 6:00 p.m.

Bishop Deon was ordained as the 11th Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri on June 13, 2020, at Christ Church Cathedral in St. Louis. He has led with compassion and hope, redefining the mission and vision for The Diocese. Bishop Deon and his husband Jhovanny Osorio are the proud parents of two children, Lilohalani and Ja'Lon. He enjoys cooking, photography, hiking, and being an armchair movie critic.



Rabbi Amy Feder

Wednesday, March 8th at 6:00 p.m.

Rabbi Amy Feder is the Senior Rabbi at Congregation Temple Israel. She began her work as an assistant at Temple Israel following ordination and was invested as its Senior Rabbi in 2010, becoming the youngest woman to lead a large Reform congregation. Amy's rabbinic passions include creating opportunities for flexible education, ritual innovation, and intergenerational worship. She is also a coffee snob who knows how to make the perfect cappuccino.



Imam Muhamed Hasic

Wednesday, March 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Muhamed Hasic was born in Bosnia and emigrated to North America 33 years ago, later settling in St. Louis. During his 25-year residence in St. Louis, Muhamed has been working for the Islamic Community Center as Executive Director and Chief Imam, after its establishment in 2000. Muhamed has been a board member of the Interfaith Partnership St. Louis for 20 years and works closely with the International Institute helping refugees settle in St. Louis.



Pastor Andre Alexander

Wednesday, March 22nd at 6:00 p.m.

Andre Alexander is lead Pastor of The Tabernacle and Founder of The Hub in St. Louis. Born and raised in St. Louis, Andre graduated from Berkeley Senior High School. He graduated as one of only a few African American students in his class at Mizzou, with a degree in Electrical Engineering. Andre is a pastor, engineer, author, and all around family man. He is a proud husband (Tiffany) as well as father (Ahmad & Kendal) and has a passion to develop and inspire all to reach their full potential.

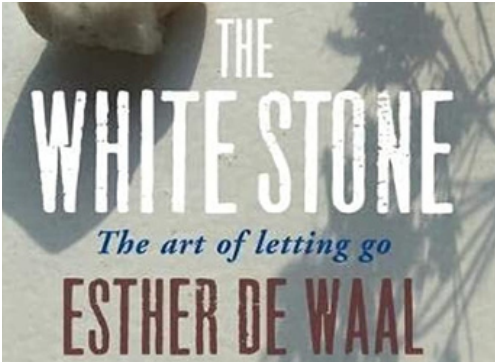


Charlie Brennan

Wednesday, March 29th at 6:00 p.m.

Charlie Brennan is "Provocateur" of KETC-TV's "Donnybrook," among the highest rated locally-produced talk shows on PBS. He retired on May 12, 2022 after almost 34 years hosting "The Charlie Brennan Show" on KMOX. His fourth book, **Only in St. Louis: The Most Incredible, Strange and Inspiring Tales**, was published in 2020. The St. Louis Business Journal named Brennan "A Most Valuable Volunteer in St. Louis" and St. Louis Magazine called him one of "St. Louis' 50 Most Powerful People."

Lenten Offerings



Lenten Book Study: The White Stone

One way in which people practice a Lenten spirituality is to give something up and make a change. But what happens when you go through a change you didn't expect, ask for, or even want? Scholar and spiritual writer Esther de Waal works through this question in her book **The White Stone: The Art of Letting Go**, where she reflects on her own loss, illness, solitude, and the identity we have in Christ as we experience change.

The Lenten Book Series will be held on Thursdays during Lent (2/23 - 3/30) at 11:00 a.m. in the Elliot Room.



Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs:

A Musical Journey Through Lent

TUESDAYS IN LENT AT 7:00 P.M.
(NO CLASS ON 3/7)

Explore words and music that speak deeply about the Christian life. Led by Organist and Choirmaster David Sinden, the class will examine how different modes and styles of music change how we experience the words we sing and hear. We will also try to understand how music can speak to us in ways that words cannot: from "sighs too great for words" to spine-tingling excitement.



Inquirers Class

SUNDAY MORNINGS IN MARCH

A spring Inquirers Class will be held starting in March. This class is open for adults who want to learn more about the Episcopal Church. It is required for those interested in Confirmation, which brings people into full membership of the Episcopal Church. Join us Sunday mornings at 9:15 in the Elliot Room, March 5th-April 16th.



Please come to St. Peter's for a Lenten Quiet Day on Saturday, March 25, 9:00 am-12:00 p.m. in the Elliot Room. Join us for the opportunity to reflect in tranquility and prayer as we journey to Easter and the resurrection.



Sunday nights are for the whole family at St. Peter's! The church buildings will be buzzing with opportunities for all ages **on the last Sunday of each month** coming up! Adults enjoy a casual, "come as you are" service. Youth are invited to come enjoy a time of fellowship and games all while learning more about God. Join us in the Little Building, where children will have an opportunity for a Bible lesson, time with friends, art activities, and games.

A soup supper for the whole family follows the service and activities, wrapping up around 6:45 p.m.

Dates for Sunday Nights at St. Peter's: February 26th, March 26th and April 30th from 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
5:00 p.m. Casual Service in the Undercroft

Maundy Thursday

7:00 p.m.
A service of Holy Eucharist, Foot Washing,
and Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday

12:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Day
6:00 p.m. Meditations on the Cross



HOLY SATURDAY EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Children ages ten and younger are invited to hop on over to the front lawn of St. Peter's Church on Saturday, April 8, at 10:30 a.m., rain or shine. Be sure to join us with your Easter Basket! Questions? Contact Yvonne Twillmann at yvonnet@specstl.org.



Easter Day

April 9, 2023

6:00 a.m. (Laird Garden)

7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.
(Nave)

5:00 p.m. Come as You Are
Service (Undercroft)

**Nursery care available at the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. services for ages 0-4.
Come enjoy a special parish breakfast 8:45-10:30 a.m.**

