This Week at St. Paul's

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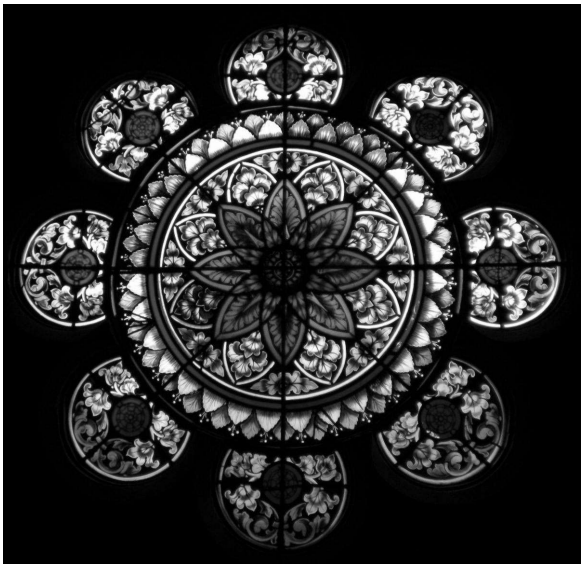

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Ministry Support Team will be meeting Sunday, April 3rd following the church service in the Great Room

A Song and A Prayer

A Song and A Prayer will be on the first and third Sunday of each month, beginning on Sunday, Mar 20, at 7pm. (Disclaimer – this will not be Evening Prayer or Compline from BCP. We're thinking more like a hymnsing combined with a prayer meeting.) If you come, you can choose at least one hymn or song to sing, and say at least one prayer or make one request for us all to pray about. If you'd like more information, contact Charlie at ***mqtchaz@gmail.com*** *or 906-360-9216. Or just come and give it a try.*

Announcements

Wednesday, March 30th: Meet at 10am at the Beaumiere Center at NMU to experience the Decolonization Exhibit. All are welcome to join in.

MSTIC gathering: MST members please save the date: Friday, June 3rd and Saturday, 4th for a Beyond these Walls gathering. We will have as guests some Episcopal experts on Creation Care. More details to come.

Please double check that the doors are locked and closed behind you! With the cold weather and all of the snow, the doors can be a little finicky and not want to lock/close properly!

****You will notice that the faucet is on in the Sacristy, please leave it running. The church has been put on a "let run" until further notice! Thank you!!****

A Note from Marna

This Lent, I have made it a priority to pass on to all of us the much needed work that is being done to address racism in the Upper Peninsula, especially as it relates to our Native American Sisters and Brothers. Often, as a white woman on this journey, I need and want role models: role models not for what I need to do, but role models on how to think about racism, about white supremacy, about not putting my foot in my mouth and not falling into microaggressions when it comes to others. The tricky part is to uncover hidden racist attitudes and thoughts in myself and then know what to do with them.

I have recently run into a couple of resources that I would like to pass on. One is the book How to be an Antiracist by Ibram X. Kendi. I have only gotten through the introduction so far, but it has helped me tremendously. The other resource is a podcast by Barak Obama and Bruce Springsteen called ***Renegade.*** In 8 episodes of conversation, we are taken on a journey of exploration and consideration as these two men describe their attempts to live on both sides of this story. The podcast is not about racism per se, but I sure learned a lot about navigating this tricky terrain.

I have found, that for myself, nurturing curiosity is my starting place. I have begun to read novels that are written by Native American Authors. I highly recommend *Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley. I listened to this on Audible as Lydia Bucklin suggested and it was awesome! The St. Paul's book group read *The Sentence* by Louise Erdrich. I wish we all could have been in on the discussion. I took the beading class at NMU. I went to the Bead store in Escanaba.

I would love to hear what your starting point has been and what you are discovering.

Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service

Stewardship Thoughts on the Lectionary Texts

"Rain and snow fall from the sky. But they don't return without watering the earth that produces seeds to plant and grain to eat. That's how it is with my words. They don't return to me without doing everything I send them to do." (Isaiah 55 CEV – and I know, we didn't hear Is 55 yesterday; that's because the Episcopal Church lectionary occasionally differs from the Revised Common Lectionary!) But anyway, most of us are somewhat familiar with Isaiah 55 – this part of it is in canticle 10 in BCP. What I'm noticing today is that the rain and the snow and the words all are not just here – they are here with a purpose. (In fact the more traditional wording of the passage ends with "will accomplish that which I have purposed.") If the rain and snow and word all have a purpose, then so do we - to discover God's will and way, and be in service to it. Maybe that means being on the Vestry; maybe it means feeding people who are hungry; maybe it means somehow sharing the good news of God's love with someone needing to hear it afresh. How are you in service to God's intention?

Happening this Week

Monday 3/21:
11am: Outreach Meeting *Conference Room*
11:30am-12:30pm: Liturgy Planning Meeting *Library*
2:45-6:30pm: Piano & Voice lessons *Chapel*

Tuesday 3/22:
2:00-6:00pm: Piano & Voice lessons *Chapel*
2:30-7pm: String Lessons *Church*
6-8:30pm: Meditation Group *Great Room*

Wednesday 3/23:
2:15-4:45pm: Piano & Voice lessons *Chapel*
2:15-4:45pm: String Lessons *Church*
4:45-6pm: Piano & Voice Lessons *Church*
5-6:30pm: Tai Chi *Chapel*

Thursday 3/24:

12pm-1pm: Design Thinking Meeting *Conference Room*
2:15-4:15: Piano & Voice lessons *Chapel*
4:30-9pm: Queen City Ballet practice *Chapel*
4:15-6pm: Piano & Voice lessons *Church*

Friday 3/25:

Messenger Deadline:
Please get all submissions into Meg Goodrich and Jane Ryan

Saturday 3/26:

8am-3pm: Santina Saturday

Sunday 3/27:

10:30-12:00pm- Sunday Eucharist *Church*
1pm-5pm: Queen City Ballet practice *Chapel*
7pm: A Song and a Prayer *Chapel (more info below)*

****Masks will be required to be worn by everyone****
***Sunday In-Person Service 3/27**
10:30 am
If you would like to ZOOM the service the link is below
St. Paul's Sunday Service

Episcopal Relief & Development is partnering with Anglican agencies and other ecumenical partners to provide humanitarian aid in response to the refugee crisis caused by the war in Ukraine. Partner with Episcopal Relief & Development by donating to the **International Disaster Response Fund**. Your support will help meet critical needs for people fleeing the violence including food, cash, blankets and hygiene supplies. **Help today**

Zoom Morning Prayer with Charlie -
Weekdays through Lent I am doing Morning Prayer on zoom at 8:30am. If you'd like to do it with me, here's the link -
Topic: Morning Prayer 08:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87875865671?pwd=ZHhLSDg5NE5GTWIyNjdVOGE5Z2lDdz09

Register for an interesting conversation about Women in the Bible. Follow this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_8Tp3joZITda8p9qEv0W3fA?blm_aid=0&blm_aid=10566656

David Carlisle, Missioner with the Diocese is leading a lectionary study group every Monday at 4:30 and every Tuesday at 10am, both on ZOOM. It is a great guide for those who are preaching, but it is not JUST for preachers: it is for all of us who want to have the scripture percolating in our minds and hearts.
All are more than welcome: It would be great to see a bunch of people jump in. David is great and the conversation is delightful:
Here is the login information:
Topic: Lectionary Discussion Group
Time: 4:30 EST/3:30 CST and 10:00 EST/9:00 CST

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88230566617?pwd=RWRIakNRU3JTeldWWXpPd1czQnRXdz09

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