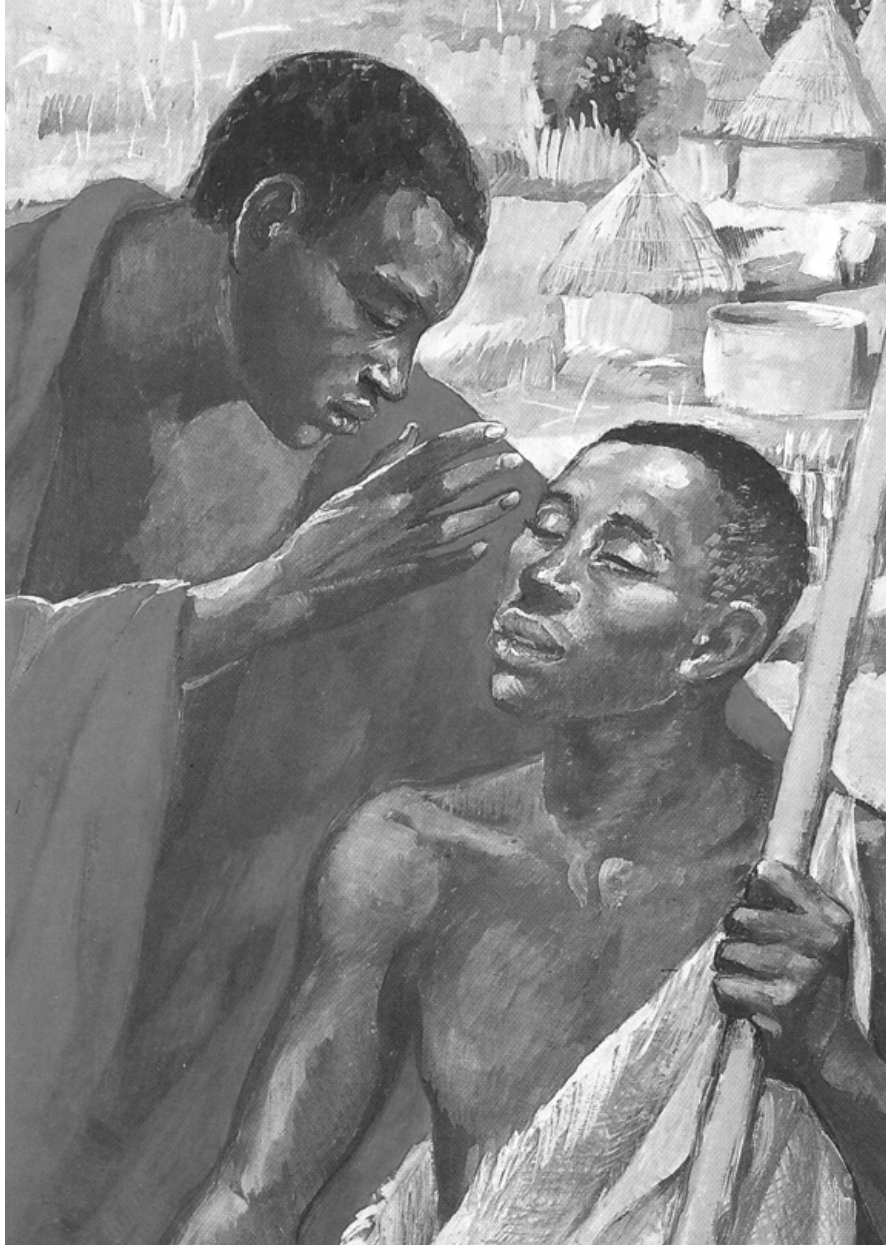


ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST



Jesus cures the man born blind, JESUS MAFA, 1973

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 19, 2023

A PRAYER FOR TRANSITION

Compassionate Creator,

You have journeyed with your people since ancient times, once with pillars of cloud and fire, and later through prophetic visions and promises of a future. Finally, you sent your Holy Spirit to reveal the truth that leads to abundant life.

Give us wisdom and discernment as we listen to the Christ in one another and as we imagine the spiritual leadership we will need to guide the community of St. Michael & All Angels to the future you have in mind for us.

Through Christ our Savior. Amen

SERVING AT 9:00 AM TODAY

Presiding & Preaching	The Rev. Sherman Hesselgrave
Musicians	St. Michael's Singers Brian Fairbanks, Choir Director Hannah Brewer, Music Director/Organist
Crucifer	Lucy Shields
Acolytes	George & Charlie LeBaron, Benji Lighthart-Faletta
Lectors	Leslie Tuomi, Leslie Kowash
Additional Gospel readers	Josh English, Lucy Shields Charlie LeBaron, George LeBaron
Eucharistic minister	Becky Tooley, Tim Shields
Ushers	Patrick McLaughlin
Altar Guild	Carolyn Eaton, Sigrid Huston Georg Ann Flagg, Carol Gordon
Bread	Emily Smith
Eucharistic visitors	Gayle Morris to Mary Louise Lamb
Coffee Host	Tonie Esteban

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St. Michael & All Angels, located in Multnomah County, rests on the traditional homelands of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Molalla, Tumwater, Watalala bands of the Chinook, the Tualatin Kalapuya, and many other indigenous nations of the Columbia River. We acknowledge the ancestors of this place and understand that we are here because of the sacrifices forced upon them. By recognizing these communities, we honor their legacy, their lives, and their descendants.

St Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church acknowledges the gifts of sacred music written by African Americans, indigenous peoples and all people of color. This music enriches our liturgies, and we are grateful for these musicians. Music of oppressed cultures has been appropriated by the dominant culture without an appreciation of the pain and suffering experienced by its creators. We repent and commit to the work of racial justice and ending racism.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

What wondrous love

arr. Vicki Collinsworth

HYMN 567

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

St. Matthew

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to
2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,
3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of

heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,
strength, and sigh; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed
life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,

o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the
owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be
with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and

blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er
near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed
eyes that see, give wis - dom's heaven - ly lore, that whole and

set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.
street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - es - aret's shore.
sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891), alt.
Music: *St. Matthew*, from *Supplement to the New Version of Psalms* by Dr. Brady and Mr. Tate, 1708

ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

TRISAGION

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*, David Hurd (b. 1950)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Revised Common Lectionary

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

All **Discerner of hearts, you look beneath our outward appearance and see your image in each of us. Banish in us the blindness that prevents us from recognizing truth, so we may see the world through your eyes and with the compassion of Jesus Christ who redeems us. Amen.**

*School-age children are invited to the Children's Liturgy of the Word
to hear stories about the Good News of God's love.*

Children return to their families at the Peace.

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 16:1-13 read by Leslie Tuomi

The Lord sends Samuel to anoint David to be the new king over Israel.

After the reading there is a time of silence.

The reader concludes Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23

Plainsong Tone II.1

The choir or cantor sings the first verse. All join the following verses.



- 1 *The Lord* is my / **shepherd**; *
I shall / **not be in want**.
- 2 The Lord makes me lie down in green / **pastures** *
and leads me beside / **still waters**.
- 3 The Lord revives my / **soul** *
and guides me along right pathways for / **God's Name's sake**.
- 4a Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of / **death**,
I shall fear / **no evil**; *
- 4b for you are / **with me**;
your rod and your staff, / **they comfort me**.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who / **trouble me**; *
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is run-/-**ning over**.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of / **my life**, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord / **for ever**.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:8-14 read by Leslie Kowash

Disciples are called to a people of the light, forsaking all the works of darkness.

After the reading there is a time of silence.

The reader concludes Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
 be now and ever given
 by saints below and saints above,
 the Church in earth and heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.; Music: Azmon, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

GOSPEL: John 9:1-41 readers include Josh English, Lucy Shields

Charlie LeBaron, George LeBaron

The story of Jesus' healing of a man born blind. Jesus brings light to a dark world.

At the announcement of the Gospel, the People respond **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The reader concludes The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON *Who Sinned?*

The Rev. Sherman Hesselgrave

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider My brothers and sisters: reconciled to God by the mercy of Christ, we pray with confidence for the needs of the church and the world.

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

Presider Through Christ you make us a new creation, O God, for with him we pass from sin to the new life of grace. Accept our prayers in the warm embrace of your compassion, and welcome all people to the festive banquet of your table, where we may rejoice in your love and celebrate the inheritance you have given to us. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

A WORD OF WELCOME, BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

A PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive communion at this table. If you'd like to receive the bread, please extend your hands out. If you need a gluten free wafer, please let us know as you receive. If you'd like to come forward, but prefer a blessing in place of the bread or the wine, please cross your arms across your chest.
If you wish to use intinction please ask for a wafer.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

There is a balm in Gilead

William L. Dawson (1899-1990)

Carleena Manzi, soloist

There is a Balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole,

There is a Balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain,

But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

There is a Balm...

If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,

You can tell the love of Jesus, and say "He died for all."

There is a Balm...

—*Jeremiah 8:22*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A (REVISED)

Presider May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider We thank you, desert Mother, for in the valley of dry bones you create hearts of flesh quickened by the Spirit's breath.

We thank you, wise Sister, that you walk in cloud and fire with your lost and faithless people.

We thank you, Son of Heaven, that you empty yourself of might and glory and set your face towards the fickle crowd, the cruel empire, the faithful despisers.

We welcome you as God's own fool whose cross brings to nothing the violence of the world and reveals another wisdom outside the city walls.

Therefore, with all who follow your way with the traders and tax collectors, the soldiers and prostitutes, and all who caught a glimpse of glory in the humanity you shared, we worship God's own holiness revealed in sweat and tears:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Presider continues:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Presider We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Setting: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

AT THE FRACTION

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

AT THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION MOTET

O taste and see

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
blest is the one that trusteth in him.

—*Psalm 34:8*

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
 2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
 3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
 dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
 glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
 know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
 vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
 at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
 from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won-drous ban-quet found-ed— high o'er all the heavens he
 be a fit par-ta-ker of this bless-ed food from
 vast and deep its trea-sure; through the gifts thou here dost
 reign-eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign-eth.
 hea-ven, for our good, thy glo-ry, giv-en.
 give me, as thy guest in heaven re-ceive me.

Words: Johann Franck (1618-1677); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.
 Music: *Schmücke dich*, melody Johann Crüger (1598-1662); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

SENDING OUT OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider In the name of this congregation we send you forth to share this Eucharist with N.

All **You carry the prayers of us all as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence. May those who receive it be strengthened and encouraged in the life we find together in our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

PRAYER FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

Presider Let us pray.

All **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world, and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING

May the crucified Christ shatter our brittle fear, draw all people to his glory and make us servants living for the world; and the blessing of God . . .

All **Amen.**

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
 lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
 land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, shield, thee, feed me now and ev - er - more. be thou still my strength and shield. I will ev - er give to thee.

Words: William Williams (1717-1791); tr. Peter Williams (1722-1796), alt.
 Music: *Cwm Rhondda*, John Hughes (1873-1932)

DISMISSAL

Response **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Were you there

African-American Spiritual
 arr. Uzee Brown Jr. (b. 1950)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcoming The Rev. R. Scott Painter!

As most of you are aware by now, Scott+, our new rector, introduced himself to us in a special eblast last Thursday. We are overjoyed to welcome him to St. Michael's for his first Sunday here on May 21. We are also so appreciative to our Parish Profile and Search Committees and vestry for staying prayerfully focused throughout the transition and selection process.

And in turn, there's still time to introduce yourself to Scott+ and tell him a little about you! Please check your eblast for a link to fill out a short questionnaire, or pick up a hard copy on the Welcome Table in the Gallery. Please return completed questionnaires by Monday, March 27. Email Leslie Sackett, leslies@stmaa.org, or drop off hard copies through the mail slot at the church office. A photo would be wonderful; we can use your directory photo or take one of you at church. Just let us know how we can help. :)

Music today

Today's music includes two arrangements of African-American spirituals as well as a folk hymn from the American south. Our choral offering at 9:00 and 11:00 am is *There is a balm in Gilead* by William L. Dawson (1899-1990), a prolific African-American composer, choir director, professor and musicologist.

Youth Group meets with NE Youth Collective

The St. Michael's Youth Group gathers this evening from 5:00 to 6:30 pm with the youth from several other NE Portland churches. They're meeting at Fremont United Methodist Church, 2620 NE Fremont St. The gathering will include discussion, fun, games and snacks. All youth in middle and high school are invited. Please RSVP to stmaayouthgroup@gmail.com.

Happenings with the 1:00 pm Misa community

There's a lot going on with the Spanish-speaking community these days. The Misa happens every Sunday at 1:00 pm, and all are welcome to attend – maybe even pick up a little Spanish! There is a regular rotation of crucifers, acolytes and lectors who serve on Sundays, as well as ushers to welcome attendees and distribute bulletins. The service is usually followed by a *convivio*, a meal provided by one or two families in the Parish Hall.

For Lent, an almost equal number of Spanish- and English-speaking members are meeting for a bilingual book study after the *convivio*. The Coro (choir) meets every Friday night in St. Michael's House to rehearse, and a Spanish-language prayer group meets in the house on Thursday evenings. Quite recently, Sunday School for young children resumed in the Mural Room during the 1:00 service.

The 1:00 services are livestreamed by JT Quanbeck just like the 9:00 and 11:00 services and are watched throughout the week, often by parishioners who work on Sundays. They're posted with our other services on our YouTube channel, STMAA Connection under the "Live" heading.

Lenten evening prayer & soup dinner

Our special Lenten musical offering continues this Wednesday, March 22, and the following two Wednesday. We start each gathering in the Parish Hall with a simple soup-and-bread supper beginning at 5:30 pm, followed by Holden Evening Prayer at 6:15 pm in the chancel area of the church. All are welcome!

Opportunities to contribute to the transition

What exciting news! Our new rector has been chosen, and he and his wife are ready to move to the Rose City. Now, let's help them get here. Our community is being asked to raise approximately \$20,000 to pay for the new rector's moving expenses. We have several ways you can help in this task, including participating in the famous Cake Auction on April 30, donating online, and/or designating an offering on Sunday to this cause. Other special events are being planned; please notify Team L.I.F.E. members Jen McBratney, Tim Shields, Henry Welch, Sheri O'Brien, Paula Raines, Dave Reilly or Brian Fairbanks, or Gloria in the church office if you can help. It's time to celebrate!

Lunch Bunch meets on March 28

The Lunch Bunch, a group of parishioners who meet for lunch in area restaurants, is planning a gathering for Tuesday, March 28, at 11:30 am. They will meet at Pho Korner, 6120 NE Sandy Blvd. If you're interested in learning about this or other parish-life opportunities, please reach out to Paula Raines at psrsmelody@comcast.net.



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