TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

MARCH 7, 2021 THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT 10:00 A.M.

A PLACE OF WELCOME, HOPE & HEALING



PENITENTIAL ORDER RITE TWO

PRELUDE

What Wondrous Love Is This

Traditional Folksong, arr. Teresa Wilhelmi, adpt. M. Horsley

Savannah Stowell, flute

WELCOME

The Rev. D. Littlepage

GATHERING HYMN Sing, My Tongue, The Glorious Battle

1982 Hymnal #166

BCP 351

Presider
People
Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

God's mercy endures for ever.



*Hear O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is One (From Wonder Love and Praise #818)

Presider

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.



Presider

The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark* 12:29-31



Presider

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

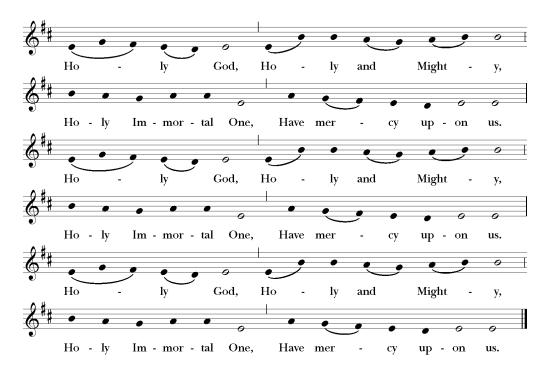
Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus

Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you

in eternal life.

People Amen.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you. Presider Let us Pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

THE FIRST READING Exodus 20:1-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 19 Setting: Charles Parry



- The heavens declare the / glory of / God, * and the / firmament / shows his / handiwork.
- One day tells its / tale to an/other, * and one night imparts / knowledge / to an/other.
- 3 Although they have no / words or / language, * and their / voices / are not / heard,
- Their sound has gone out into / <u>all</u> / lands, * and their message to the / <u>ends</u> / of the / world.
- In the deep has he set a pa/<u>vilion for the</u> / sun; * it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; √ it rejoices like a / <u>champion</u> to / run its / course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens √ and runs about to the / end of it a/gain; * nothing is / hidden from its / burning / heat.



- The law of the LORD is perfect and re/vives the / soul; * the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives / wisdom / to the / innocent.
- The statutes of the LORD are just and re/joice the / heart; *
 the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives / light / to the / eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and en/dures for / ever; * the judgments of the LORD are true and / righteous / alto/gether.
- More to be desired are they than gold, $\sqrt{}$ more than / much fine / gold, * sweeter far than honey, $\sqrt{}$ than / honey / in the / comb.
- By them also is your / <u>servant</u> en/lightened, * and in keeping them / there is / great re/ward.
- Who can tell how / often he of/fends? *
 -- / cleanse me from my / secret / faults.
- Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; √ let them not get do/minion / over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, √ and / innocent of a / great of/fense.
- Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be ac/ceptable in your / sight, *
 O LORD, my / strength and / my re/deemer.

THE SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL John 2:13-22

Presider The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rev. D. Littlepage

Silence for reflection.

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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 FORM I

BCP 383

Intercessor With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying

"Lord, have mercy."

Intercessor For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our

souls, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity

of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For this city for every city and community, and for those who live in them,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and

captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially Norman Stephens, Jeff

Kramer, Joseph Negrelli, Jr., and Stuart, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all

our life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC There is a Balm in Gilead

Spiritual, arr. Paul Nicholson

Savannah Stowell, flute Debra Stowell, viola

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Presider The Lord 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 God thanks and praise.

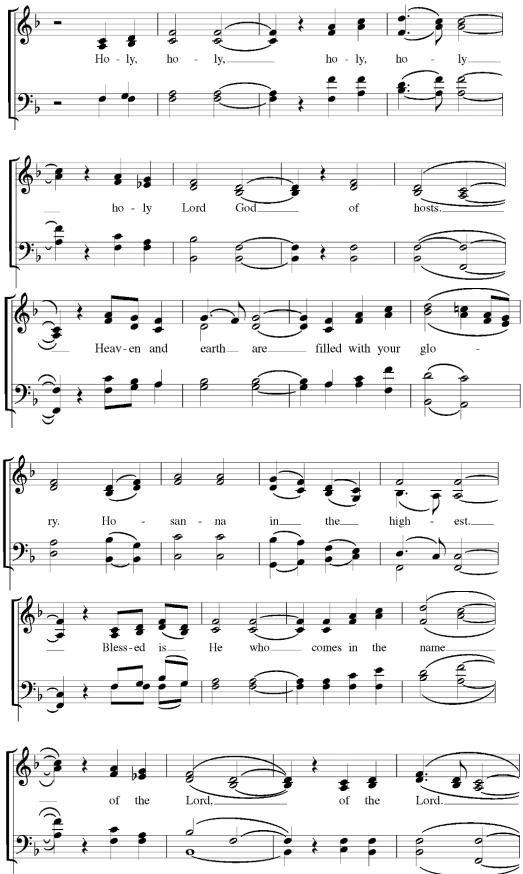
Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

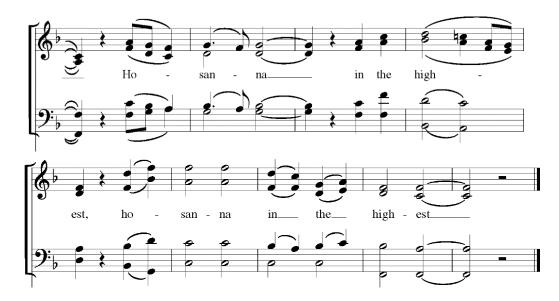
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS LEVAS II #255





Presider

Holy and gracious God:

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 Father 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 many 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.

People AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
And deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
Now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Presider Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

People Have mercy on us.

Presider Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

People Have mercy on us.

Presider Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

People Grant us thy peace.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

God of love and grace, of justice and peace, we give you thanks that in the Sacrament of the altar you assure us of your presence within us and within the body of Christ, the faithful through all the generations. Grant that we who have witnessed anew these holy mysteries, though unable to receive the physical elements of the Sacrament, may be moved by your indwelling Spirit ever more fully to embody your holy and life-giving presence,

reshaping in your likeness the world around us, until we are gathered at last into the fullness of your glorious and eternal presence; through Christ our Risen Lord, Amen.

COMMUNION MUSIC Day by Day Martin How (b. 1931)

Choir School of Hartford

Jonathan Reuning-Scherer, guest organist

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food through your Word and Presence. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage

to love and serve you

with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Presider Bow down before the Lord.

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may

be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SENDING HYMN Christ is Made the Sure Foundation 1982 Hymnal #518

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE III. Fuga (from Sonata in C minor, Op. 56) Alexander

Alexander Guilmant (1837-1911)



LET US PRAY

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for Horace Johnson; Casandra Joseph and Elyon & Garvey Udokwu; K Taw Doh & Sarah Paw Doh; and Lectors and Intercessors.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Barnabas', Greenwich; Christ Church, Guilford; St. John's, Guilford, and all ministries to, with, and for women and the Girl's Friendly Society.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.

We pray for Johanna, Kate Smith, Patrick, Sam Hines and Yoleanna Russo, Juli Porter, Juhudi Mgombo, Fred Margeson, Jennifer Stephens, Zechariah Stephens, Jo-Ellen Jansing, Katie Reynolds, Mavis Bennett; Ginny Catanzaro; Tori Henry; Louise Krippenstapel; Carlene Lewis; Judy Miller; Margaret Moore; Valentina Moore; Al Pereira; Jo-Ann Sadosky; Diane Bodine, Helen Strassner; Lindsey Tengatenga; Alice Turcotte; Mary and Jim Register, Richard Green (brother of Peter Green), Donald Bowens (Dianne Bowens-Waller), Bill McMunn and Richard Alan Garver, Diane Bowens-Waller, Bruce and Jane Tatge (parents of Anne Green), Polly Thomas, Rebecca Bourret, Peter Vreeland, Amy Williams, Ken Rousseau (Casey Rousseau's dad), and Diana Perkins (friend of Suzanne and Boo), Jessica Compfer, Raldah Stephens, Joan and Ean Walsh (family of Jennifer Stephens) and those affected by mental and physical ailments, violence, natural disasters, and immigration and refugee policies, and their families; and for those who mourn for loved ones especially the Stephens, Kramer and Negrelli families.

We pray for all who have died, especially Norman Stephens, Jeff Kramer, Joseph Negrelli, Jr. and Stuart, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray for the repose of the souls of homicide victims in our city of Hartford, and beyond. We pray for those who will die this week, that they may meet their Lord in faith and hope. We pray for ourselves and for our departed loved ones, that rejoicing with them in God's kingdom where every tear is wiped away, we may as one family sing praise forever and ever.

Condolences

The prayers of Trinity Church are with Jennifer Stephens in the death of her father and Zechariah Stephens' grand-father, Norman Stephens, who passed into eternal life on February 23rd.

Father of all, we pray to you for Norman, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May his soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

~~Book of Common Prayer



The Aumbry Candle is lit during the week of March 7th to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jeff Kramer by his brother and sister-in-law, Jim and Heather Kramer.

The words of the service are taken from The Book of Common Prayer.

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+ ASSISTING AT WORSHIP +

The Rev. D. Littlepage-Presider and Preacher

Readers

Michael Okeke Ray Wilson

Intercessor Anne Rapkin

Cantors/Soloists
Savannah and Isabelle Stowell

Director of Music Michelle Horsley

Virtual Vergers Casey Rousseau Jake Troiano

Please join us after this service for Zoom Coffee and a forum about Trinity Academy. Both Allison Bernhard, Principal, and Donna Colliton, Executive Director, will be on hand to answer your questions and provide updates on the 2020-2021 academic year.





Join us on Wednesdays (February 24 through March 24) from 7-8pm on Zoom Meeting ID: 820 8769 1272 for this year's Lenten series, *Bringing Prayer to Life*.

We will explore the treasures that the Book of Common Prayer has to offer beyond Sunday morning worship. We will also explore ways that the Book of Common Prayer can serve as a foundation to launch us into other types of prayer.

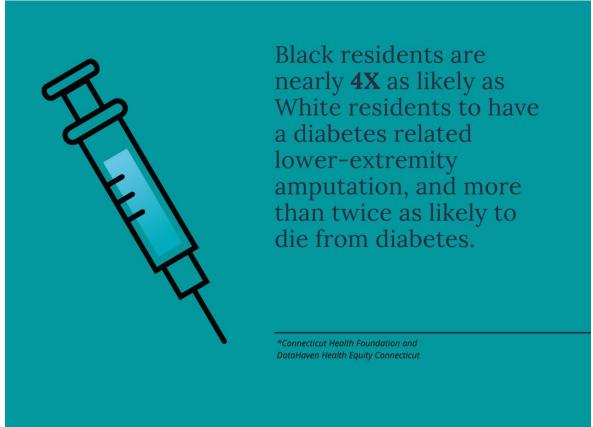
Advocacy for Declaring Racism a Public Health Crisis

The Trinity Community for Racial Justice would like to continue to share resources on our current focus topic, disparities in healthcare" for the remainder of Lent.

This information in the graphic was published recently by the YWCA of Hartford, and if you use this link you can register to join their advocacy to create a community without racism. https://www.ywcahartford.org/advocacy/create-a-community-without-racism.html



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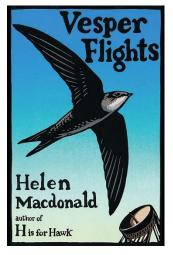


Follow-up information from the 2/21 Open Forum on Racial Disparities in Health:

The Connecticut State Legislature will consider SB 842 during this legislative session. If enacted, this bill will expand access to health insurance in Connecticut by offering a "public option" health insurance plan. This would allow many people with limited income and no health insurance to purchase insurance they can afford. Let your state senator know if you support this bill.

EMAIL SPAM REMINDER

There has been another increase in spam emails purporting to be coming from Rev. D. Please remember that Rev. D. will never email you asking you to purchase gift cards, or to urgently email back but not call. If it's urgent Rev. D will call you and will not request that you not call. An easy way to check the validity of an email is to check the 'from' email address. Finally, if there is any doubt, DO NOT RESPOND TO THE EMAIL. Instead, call or text Rev. D. at 860-986-3289.

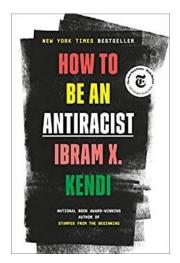


Trinity Church Book Group

"Animals don't exist in order to teach us things, but that is what they have always done, and most of what they teach us is what we think we know about ourselves." So writes Helen Macdonald, author of Vesper Flights, the book to be discussed at the next meeting of Trinity's Book Group on Friday, March 26th.

The book contains short essays on topics ranging from the migration of songbirds to hunting mushrooms, in a style described as "breathtaking" and "dazzling".

All are most welcome to join in this Zoom meeting, starting at 7:00 pm and lasting about an hour. For a link, please contact Linda MacGougan at macgougans@gmail.com.



Companions open meeting: April 19th 10:00 AM -12:00

The Companions of the Holy Cross invite the women of the parish to a book discussion of: <u>How to be an Antiracist</u> by Ibram X. Kendi.

We will discuss this best-selling book in hopes of understanding this controversial topic better. Please contact Kate Smith at Kate48smith@comcast.net for details.

Voice Deadline

The deadline for the next issue of *The Voice* is Friday, March 12, at 5:00 p.m. This issue will cover events in Holy Week (March 28-April 4 this year), plus all other events scheduled to take place this coming April and May.

Please email your articles to voice@trinityhartford.org. Be sure to use this address, as doing so will ensure that your information doesn't go astray. Thanks!

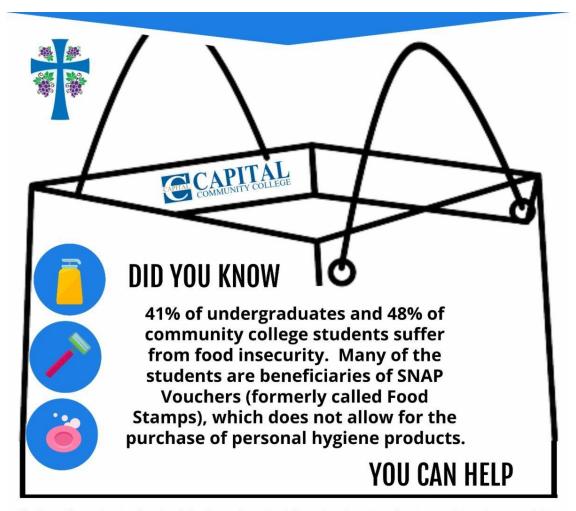
Christ Church Cathedral Drive to Support the Capital Community College Panty.

In-person drop offs at the dates/times listed will be in the alley between the Cathedral and the Parish House. Volunteers will be available to receive products as a drive through, with no contact.

If you would like to participate but cannot in-person, online purchases of hygiene products may be sent to:

Christ Church Cathedral

(Attn: Deacon Bonnie Matthews)
45 Church Street
Hartford, CT 06103



Christ Church Cathedral invites the Parishes in the North Central Region and it's members to collect weekly one personal care hygiene product for each week of Lent (February 17th to April 4th) to benefit Capital Community College (CCC) Food Pantry. Please share with your family, friends, and communities. The Director of the CCC Food Pantry has identified the most needed hygiene products:

- Soap
- Conditioner

 Large size Poise and Depends products

- Shampoo
- Men's and Women's Razors
- Deodorant
- Feminine hygiene products

Drop off for all collected items will be at our Cathedral from Wednesday, April 7th to Friday, April 9th, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Sunday April 11th 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For more information contact Cathedral Deacon Bonnie Matthews at bmatthews228@comcast.net

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, March 7th The Third Sunday in Lent

8:00 A.M. Call-in Morning Prayer – Phone call

10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II – Spiritual Communion (via YouTube); The Rev. D Littlepage, Presiding and Preaching. Zoom Coffee and Adult Christian Formation with updates from Trinity Academy following.

Monday, March 8th

8:15 A.M. Trinity Academy - in person learning

7:30 P.M. Life in the Spirit – Book Club – Zoom

Tuesday, March 9th

8:15 A.M. Trinity Academy - in person learning

2:00 P.M. Women Together (w/ St. John's and St. Monica's) via Zoom

5:15 P.M. Bible Study via Zoom

6:00 P.M. Choir School rehearsal - Church

7:00 P.M. Outreach Meeting - Zoom

7:30 P.M. Choir School Board Meeting - Zoom

Wednesday, March 10th

7:00 P.M. Lenten series: Bringing Prayer to Life - via Zoom

7:00 P.M. Property Team Meeting - Zoom

Thursday, March 11th

8:15 A.M. Trinity Academy - in person learning

12:00 P.M. Noonday Prayer - Zoom

6:00 P.M. Choir School rehearsal - Church

Friday, March 12th Articles for The Voice due

8:15 A.M. Trinity Academy - in person learning

Saturday, March 13th

10:00 A.M. Sanctuary Stitchers - Zoom

Sunday, March 14th The Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:00 A.M. Call-In Morning Prayer – Phone Call

10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II – Spiritual Communion via YouTube



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