

Augie's Archives

March 2018

Lenten Happenings and Holy Week

Lent is the season of preparation leading up to Easter. It consists of forty days plus six Sundays. During the season of Lent, we have several ways to observe this time of prayer, fasting, repentance, moderation, and spiritual discipline.

Every Friday during Lent, Fr. Bill will lead a service of the Stations of the Cross, using the book *Everyone's Way of the Cross* by Clarence Enzler. Everyone is invited to attend this time of devotion and personal reflection. If you'd like come on your own, please feel welcome to pick up one of the books (found in the basket in front of the organ) and follow the plaques around the church. The first station is on the wall by the lectern.

On Mondays and Tuesdays during Lent, Fr. Bill leads a video discussion series called "Finding Christ in the World Today." These sessions are at 6:30 p.m. in the undercroft. Sessions are independent of each other and you do not have to attend every session to participate.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on March 25. Holy Eucharist will be celebrated that morning at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. We will have a Maundy Thursday service at 7 p.m. on March 29. A service of the Stations of the Cross will be held at 3 p.m. on Good Friday, March 30, with an evening Good Friday service at 7 p.m.

The Great Vigil of Easter will take place at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 31. During this service, we will kindle a new fire and renew our baptismal vows. The service culminates in the first Eucharist of Easter in celebration of the risen Christ.

The good news of Easter will be celebrated with Holy Eucharist at one 9 a.m. service on April 1. Children of all ages are invited to attend a special Easter activity in the Apple house at 9 a.m. that morning, and we'll have an Easter egg hunt after the service.

We will have a pitch-in Coffee Hour after the 9 a.m. service Easter morning. Please bring a snack to share if you would like to visit after the service.

If you have questions about any of these Lenten happenings, Holy Week, or Easter, please feel welcome to talk to Fr. Bill.

Healing Service

Our next healing service will be March 3 at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend the service, which includes healing of mind, body, and spirit through laying on of hands, prayers, and anointing with holy oil. Holy Eucharist will also be celebrated at this peaceful service.

Chili Lunch Fundraiser Sunday March 11

It's finally here! For a free-will offering, you can enjoy a hot bowl of chili with all the fixings, hot dogs, chips, veggies, drinks, and home-made desserts during coffee hour. Money raised from the lunch will go to our Waycross Campership Fund, which pays for church youth with perfect Sunday School attendance to spend a week at camp.



Children's Service

Our children will take part in the 10 a.m. service on Sunday, March 11. Children of all ages should meet in the sanctuary that morning.

Let's Celebrate!

We will celebrate Fr. Bill's birthday on Sunday, March 11, during the Chili Lunch fundraiser after the 10 a.m. service

★ Money tree ★ Birthday cake!

Hope to see you there!

Pancake Supper Wrap-Up

Our Shrove Tuesday pancake supper made \$1842! A big thank you goes out to Bill and Sarah Reed for organizing the event and for their hard work making everything run so smoothly. Thanks also to everyone who shopped for and donated ingredients, helped prepare sausages and pancakes, handle the cash box, bus tables, wash dishes, set up, and clean up. Thanks also to the Himsels for donating the sausage again this year. And, thanks to everyone who came out to enjoy a fun time and great food.

All proceeds from the supper will go to outreach. If you have suggestions for local organizations, someone in need, or a larger you'd like our church to support, please talk to a vestry member or send a note to the church office.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to purchase a lily to decorate our sanctuary for Easter, please fill out an order form, which you can find on the back table. Please indicate the dedication you would like to have in the Easter bulletin and include your payment of \$15. All orders must be received by March 14. Leave your sealed envelope in the basket with the order forms.



New Baby!

Congratulations to Seminarian Tim Dinger and his wife Caitlin on the birth of their daughter, Elise Rose, on February 8. Elise and her mom and dad are all doing well.

Heifer Project



Our outreach project during the season of Lent will support Heifer International. By providing heifers, goats, pigs, sheep, fish, bees, llamas, alpacas, rabbits, ducks, chickens, and geese to families in need, Heifer empowers them to turn hunger and poverty into hope and prosperity. Their approach is more than just giving them a handout. Heifer links communities and helps bring sustainable agriculture and commerce to areas with a long history of poverty.

Heifer-donated animals provide both food and reliable income to families, as agricultural products such as milk, eggs and honey can be traded or sold at market. When many families gain this new sustainable income, it brings new opportunities for building schools, creating agricultural cooperatives, forming community savings, and funding small businesses.

This year, we are collecting donations to purchase a heifer for \$500, or a few shares of a heifer for \$50 each. To donate, you can fill a Heifer bank with your spare change over the course of Lent, or you can make a monetary donation. Banks and other Heifer-related materials are available on the table by the back pew. Banks and donations may be turned in on Easter, April 1, or by Sunday, April 8. Checks should be made to St. Augustine Episcopal Church, noting that the donation is for Heifer International.

For more information about Heifer International, go to www.heifer.org or call 800-696-1918.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist and Healing Service 5:30 pm
4 Third Sunday in Lent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am 	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lenten video discussion series with Fr. Bill 6:30 pm in the undercroft 	6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lenten video discussion series with Fr. Bill 6:30 pm in the undercroft Boy Scout meeting 7:30-9 pm 	7	8	9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stations of the Cross 7 pm 	10
11 Fourth Sunday in Lent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Children's Service 10 am, all children meet in sanctuary Waycross Campership Chili Lunch Fundraiser Fr. Bill's birthday celebration 	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lenten video discussion series with Fr. Bill 6:30 pm in the undercroft 	13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lenten video discussion series with Fr. Bill 6:30 pm in the undercroft Boy Scout meeting 7:30-9 pm 	14	15	16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stations of the Cross 7 pm 	17
18 Fifth Sunday in Lent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am 	19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lenten video discussion series with Fr. Bill 6:30 pm in the undercroft <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">St. Joseph</div>	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lenten video discussion series with Fr. Bill 6:30 pm in the undercroft Boy Scout meeting 7:30-9 pm 	21	22	23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stations of the Cross 7 pm 	24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Egg decorating 10 am and lunch at the Beehive 12:45 pm
25 Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am 	26 Monday in Holy Week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lenten video discussion series with Fr. Bill 6:30 pm in the undercroft 	27 Tuesday in Holy Week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lenten video discussion series with Fr. Bill 6:30 pm in the undercroft Boy Scout meeting 7:30-9 pm 	28 Wednesday in Holy Week	29 Maundy Thursday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maundy Thursday Service 7 pm 	30 Good Friday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stations of the Cross 3 pm Good Friday Service 7 pm 	31 Holy Saturday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Altar Guild Cleaning Day 9 am Easter Vigil 7 pm

Please Note: Narcotics Anonymous meets in the church basement every Sunday evening at 7:30 pm

Be Sure to Order Your Butter Braids!



Now is the time to order your Butter Braids! You can find the order form on the table by the back pew in the sanctuary. Butter Braid pastries come in many delicious flavors, and are great to have on hand when you have family or friends visit. Most of the pastries and caramel rolls are \$14. The double chocolate and four cheese and herb flavors are \$15. The Martha Circle will get over \$5 for each Butter Braid sold.

Orders will be ready to pick up at church on Sunday, March 25 — just in time for Easter! Please contact Nancy at 317-989-2783 or Cheryl at 317-409-4927 if you have questions or would like to place an order. Orders will be taken through Sunday, March 11.

Thank you for supporting the Martha Circle with your Butter Braid purchases!

Egg Decorating and Lunch at the Beehive

All St. Augie's women are invited to come to the undercroft on Saturday, March 24 at 10 a.m. to decorate eggs. There will be several fun decorating techniques, including Ukrainian. When the decorating is finished, we will head over to the Beehive for lunch. The fee is \$8 and covers all materials and lunch. Please sign up on the sheet posted on the front door of the church so we know how many to expect. If you'd just like to come for lunch, please note that on the sign-up sheet. Please feel welcome to bring a friend.



Easter Egg Hunt Candy Wanted



Donations of wrapped candy, the size that fits in plastic eggs, are wanted for the egg hunt that will be held Easter morning. Donations may be left in the marked basket in the undercroft through March 25. Thank you!!

Books and Treasures Sale

The Martha Circle's annual Books and Treasures Sale is coming up! The group would love to have your gently-used books, toys, tools, kitchenware, small appliances, home décor, bedding, linens, or any other items you no longer use. You can bring your items to church starting Sunday, April 8. The sale will be Thursday and Friday, April 26 and 27. Thank you for supporting this big fundraiser for our women's group!

Waycross Registration is Open!

2018 Waycross summer camp registration is now open! There's a \$25 discount if you apply before March 31. If you are on track to get a campership, we would appreciate you getting signed up early to help us save a little money on the fee. More information about Waycross and registration can be found at www.waycrossccc.org.



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