



TRINITY TALK

March 2022

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ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

10am - Ash Wednesday Liturgy with imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion—in person

Noon—12:30pm—Drive through imposition of Ashes

7pm - Ash Wednesday Liturgy with imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion—in person

Friendly Center Food Drive

Food insecurity continues to be a severe challenge for many of Friendly Center’s client families.

Responding again to Orange’s premier family resource center’s need for non-perishable food supplies, your Outreach team will hold a FEED THE NEED food drive beginning March 20th.



You may bring your contributions to church on Sunday, March 20th and on Sunday, March 27th. The Outreach bins will be in church for the 8:00a.m. service. There will be an Outreach member in the parish hall after the 10:00a.m. service, and drive through communion 12:00 -12:30p.m. to receive your food items. (PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR ITEMS ARE FAMILY SIZE, NOT GIANT SIZE).

Suggested Food Items are:

Rice and dried beans

Pastas and sauces

Canned fruits and vegetables

Shelf-stable milk

Cereals and oatmeal

Stuffing and dried potatoes

Peanut butter and jelly

Canned tuna and meats

Outreach will deliver Trinity’s FEED THE NEED contributions to Friendly Center on Monday March 28th.

LENTEN MEDITATION BOOKLETS



The 2022 ERD meditations are available online to [download](#). Supporters are also invited to [sign up](#) to receive the daily meditations in English and Spanish by email. Like year, the meditations are only available online, not as printed booklets.

From our Rector

.....*The Rev. Jeannie Martz*

Because I'm writing this on Feb. 28 and Lent begins in two days, some of the information in this article will duplicate what I wrote last month.

Given the realities of life and attendance at this point, our March 2 Ash Wednesday service schedule will be slightly modified. We will have two services rather than three, one at 10 a.m. and the other at 7 p.m. Both of these services will include the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion, and both will be **in-person only**.

Unfortunately, there will not be a Zoom worship option available on Ash Wednesday, but drive-through Imposition of Ashes will be administered between noon and 12:30 p.m. at the church for anyone not comfortable attending in person.

For our Lenten Series this year, we will once again be doing a five-week online book study on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. This time our selection is The Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path for Healing Ourselves and Our World by the late Archbishop Desmond Tutu and his daughter, the Rev. Mpho Tutu. This book grew out of Archbishop Tutu's work as the Chairman of South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission in the wake of the end of apartheid in South Africa in the mid-1990's.

As the discussion series will be completely online from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. on the Monday evenings in Lent (March 7, 14, 21, 28, and April 4), there is no need to sign up for it in advance. The Zoom link will be sent to everyone later on the Sunday afternoon before. Those participating only need to purchase the book, available through Amazon (and perhaps other vendors as well), and log on.

In preparation for our first gathering on March 7, those planning to join Rev. Annie and me online are asked to read the book's Introduction, as well as the three chapters that make up Part One.

At the end of each chapter, the authors offer readers suggestions for various optional spiritual exercises such as journaling, guided meditations, and rituals involving the physical object of a stone. Because they potentially involve issues that could be deeply personal and could become rabbit holes that lead the group as a whole off track, the exercises will not be part of our regular discussions. No one will be required to make a weekly report!

Another Lenten practice we're continuing from last year is that the service of Compline will be offered online, again through Zoom, on the Wednesday evenings in Lent at 7:00 p.m. Light a candle at home and join us online on March 9, 16, 23, 30, and April 6 for a peaceful and mindful way to end the day and the Wednesday-to-Wednesday week.

LOOKING AHEAD:

At this point in time, we anticipate offering our regular Holy Week services in person, although we'll also offer our online congregation the opportunity to pick up PRE-BLESSED palms at the church during the final week of Lent, leading up to Palm Sunday.

Holy Tuesday's Taize service, Holy Wednesday's evening online Compline, Maundy Thursday's foot washing and stripping of the altar, and Good Friday's Liturgy and Stations of the Cross: we expect that all of these services will be on the calendar and, with the exception of Compline, in person. We'll keep you posted as we move through Lent and confirm the various service times.

Also being planned is Holy Saturday's Great Vigil of Easter, followed by our "First Service of Easter" party at the back of the church. **IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING A READER FOR THE VIGIL, PLEASE CALL AMY IN THE OFFICE.** (We have a couple of folks already scheduled, but could use one or two more!)

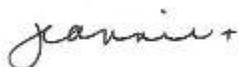
A final comment as State health mandates change and Orange County's number of new COVID cases continues to drop: I know that many of us will have both questions and ongoing concerns about masks, congregational singing, and Holy Communion. The Diocese hasn't responded to these favorable developments yet, although I anticipate that the Bishop's Council of Advice will have a (yet to be scheduled) meeting sometime during Lent.

Unless the pandemic situation worsens once again, I think that Bishop John will increasingly leave these decisions up to individual parishes and their own comfort levels. With this in mind, Trinity's Reopening Committee will be meeting in the coming weeks to take a look at where we are, and what steps, if any, we feel comfortable taking.

Whether we take any steps forward or not, our 10 a.m. Zoom worship and drive through Communion of Bread only will continue to be available.

And so begins our Lenten journey!

Faithfully,

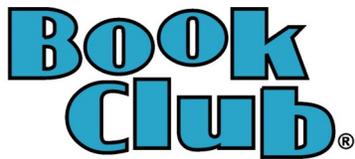


**March
 Anniversaries**

03/06	Dean and Toni Gavello
03/26	James and Katie Wood
03/30	Jack and Nell Luce
03/31	Tim and Janette Mattson



03/01	Ty Richter	03/15	Megan Richter
03/02	Uzo Elendu	03/17	Heather Anderson
03/03	Jenny Oberschlake	03/18	David Ripley
03/04	Miranda Hubbard	03/20	Connie Donaldson
03/05	Laurie McKinnell		Pat Kress
	Darwin Kibby		Pat Fauteux
03/06	Denis Bilodeau		Kimmie Powers
03/09	Allen Stephens	03/30	Mike Long
03/14	Arlyce Underwood	03/31	Paula Fisher



The Book Club will be meeting on **Saturday March 12th**. This month's featured book is Once There Were Wolves by Charlotte McConaghy. The club meets in the Parish Library from 9:30am - 11:00am. Come join everyone for a truly enjoyable morning, and some lively literary discussions. A synopsis follows:

Inti Flynn arrives in Scotland with her twin sister, Aggie, to lead a team of biologists tasked with reintroducing fourteen gray wolves into the remote Highlands. She hopes to heal not only the dying landscape, but Aggie, too, unmade by the terrible secrets that drove the sisters out of Alaska.

Inti is not the woman she once was, either, changed by the harm she's witnessed—inflicted by humans on both the wild and each other. Yet as the wolves surprise everyone by thriving, Inti begins to let her guard down, even opening herself up to the possibility of love. But when a farmer is found dead, Inti knows where the town will lay blame. Unable to accept her wolves could be responsible, Inti makes a reckless decision to protect them. But if the wolves didn't make the kill, then who did? And what will Inti do when the man she is falling for seems to be the prime suspect?

Propulsive and spell-binding, Charlotte McConaghy's Once There Were Wolves is the unforgettable story of a woman desperate to save the creatures she loves—if she isn't consumed by a wild that was once her refuge.

**WORSHIP AND GIVING
 SATURDAY AND SUNDAY ATTENDANCE**



02/06	\$ 6,557	101 in person— 31 on Zoom
02/13	\$ 9,457	100 in person – 26 on Zoom
02/20	\$ 7,494	116 in person —28 on Zoom
02/27	\$ 6,629	82 in person—26 on Zoom

Amy will be heading up to Portland to visit her grandson, March 31-April 04. Please contact Rev. Jeannie (714) 342-4463 or Rev. Annie (949) 300-8434 in case of an emergency.



PARISH DINE OUT

For this month's Parish Dine Out we will be going to Tulsa Rib Company, here in Orange. The Tulsa Rib Company has been one of Orange County's favorites since 1981. If you enjoy good old down home barbecue, you will love Tulsa Rib. Come join us Thursday March 24th from 11am-9pm, and help Outreach meet their 2022 goals. They are located at 220 E Katella Ave. Don't forget the flyer in your Sunday Bulletins. We can now enjoy Tulsa Rib at lunch time!



LENTEN PROGRAM

Our Lenten study this year will be a five-part online discussion of the late Archbishop Desmond and the Rev. Mpho Tutu's 2014 book, The Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path for Healing Ourselves and Our World. Finding its origin in Archbishop Tutu's work with South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission, The Book of Forgiving offers readers both narrative and optional personal spiritual exercises in order to better understand and explore the human dynamic that is forgiveness and reconciliation. Please join Revs. Jeannie and Annie online via Zoom on the five Monday evenings in Lent: March 7, 14, 21, 28, and April 4. We will convene at 7 p.m. and conclude by 8 p.m., and each week's link will be sent out to the whole parish on the previous day. For our first meeting on March 7, those interested in participating should read the book's Introduction as well as the three chapters of Part One ahead of time.

SPRING AHEAD

It's that time of year again! Yes, the dreaded "spring forward." While we love the longer days, we are not so crazy about the loss of an hour of sleep! Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead before going to bed on **Saturday March 12th**.



The following are dates that Amy will be out of the office. Please check your calendars and let her know if you can cover any one of these days.

March 31- April 5,

May 4-10, May 23-27, and July 18-22.

(She is waiting to see what the future holds, to see if she will travel to Europe in the fall)



Youth Group News!

Youth Group will be starting up on Sunday March 6 with our regular weekly meetings Sunday afternoons from 4 to 5:30. All middle school and high school students are invited. We play games and have snacks while we practice living out Jesus' call to love each other in real time.

Sunday School

Sunday School is in session! Every Sunday morning during the 10AM service children are invited to come and learn more about the Bible and our faith. The teacher for that day will wait outside the church to gather up the children and lead them to the classroom. Children are brought back into church during the 'Peace'. Children who are three or younger are invited to be with Ofelia in the Nursery.