The Epiphany Star





March 2019

The Light Shines in Darkness.

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The mission of Church of the Epiphany is to celebrate the light of Christ, proclaim the Gospel, deepen our faith, nurture and encourage all people.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PAUL ABERNATHY

My Dear Sisters and Brothers,

As March 6 is Ash Wednesday, our annual penitential season of Lent is upon us! During the season of Lent, we follow Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem to face his destiny of death on the cross of his crucifixion for our redemption.

During Lent, in addition to our Sunday morning services of corporate worship, there are two special offerings of opportunities for us to gather for study and fellowship...

On Wednesdays, there will be our annual community-wide gatherings for Lenten program and lunch at 12 noon and, with All Saints' Episcopal Church, Clinton, our joint Even Prayer and sermon, followed by supper at 6 p.m. (Please see the schedule elsewhere in this issue of the Epiphany Star.)

On Sunday mornings, 10-10.30 a.m. (our "Holy Half-Hour"), I will offer a course on prayer in the library: **A.C.T.S. of Prayer**. The schedule:

- Session 1: Introduction and Overview, 1st Sunday in Lent, March 10
- Session 2: Prayer of Petition, 2nd Sunday in Lent, March 17
- Session 3: Prayer of Intercession, 3rd Sunday in Lent, March 24
- Session 4: Prayer of Confession, 4th Sunday in Lent, March 31
- Session 5: Prayer of Thanksgiving, 5th Sunday in Lent, April 7
- Session 6: Prayer of Oblation, Palm Sunday, April 14

(Skipping Easter Day, April 21)

• Session 7: Prayers of Praise and Adoration, 2nd Sunday of Easter, April 21

In order for me to prepare enough materials on hand, please let me know that you plan to participate by emailing me: abernathy.paul@yahoo.com

Thank you, with love, Paul

LENTEN SERVICES SCHEDULE+

Shrove Tuesday, March 5 Pancake Supper, Epiphany Parish Hall, 6 PM

Ash Wednesday, March 6

Community Service: Imposition of Ashes and sermon, Epiphany, 12 noon (lunch following at 1st United Methodist Church) Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion, Epiphany, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 13

Lenten Program and lunch, 1st United Methodist Church, 12 noon Evening Prayer and supper, All Saints', Clinton, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20

Lenten Program and lunch, 1st Baptist Church, 12 noon Evening Prayer and supper, Epiphany, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 27

Lenten Program and lunch, 1st Baptist Church, 12 noon Evening Prayer and supper, All Saints', 6 p.m.

Wednesday, April 3

Lenten Program and lunch, 1st Presbyterian Church, 12 noon Evening Prayer and supper, All Saints', 6 p.m.

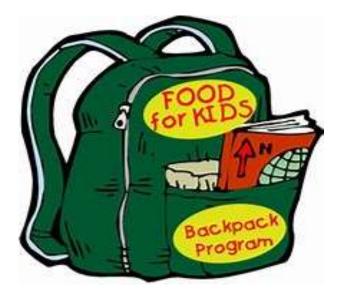
Wednesday, April 10

Lenten Program and lunch, 1st Presbyterian Church, 12 noon Evening Prayer and supper, Epiphany, 6 p.m.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

March 1: Martha Ann Monroe March 13: Thomas Hellams March 14: Caroline Smith March 18: Helen Atwood March 26: Katelynn Lowe (granddaughter of Lorri Roughton)

> VISIT MISS LUCY'S GARDEN BLOG AT www.gardenepiphany.wordpress.com



March 2019 Backpack Ministry Update

Many thanks to those of you who have notified me of sales of food items usable for the Backpack Ministry when you are out grocery shopping. When we save 50 cents on a protein item, that in turn saves us a total of \$25.00. If the use by date is good and we purchase 150 more of those items while on sale, we are able to save \$100 which will allow us to add a little extra into the backpack over Easter. We will be packing and delivering on Thursdays, March 7, 14, 21 and 28 at the Laurens District 55 office building beginning at 9:00 a.m. It takes about 30 minutes or so. If any of you wish to help us, please let Connie Daniels know.

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or suggestions regarding the Backpack Ministry, please contact Connie Daniels.

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MARCH USHER, NURSERY AND LEM SCHEDULE

March 3:	John Womack.	Harriet Barksdale	Graham Duncan
March 6 (Ash	Wednesday)		Graham Duncan
March 10:	Reid Cox	Linda Barksdale	Donna Babineau/Lorri Roughton
March 17:	John Womack	Base Smith	Loren Taylor/Lorri Roughton
March 24:	Reid Cox	Sarah Daniels	Loren Taylor
March 31:	John Womack	Linda Barksdale	Loren Taylor

CHURCH CALENDAR

Schedule of Special Lenten Services is listed on Page 2

MARCH 03:	10 AM, ADULT SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY
	11 AM, HOLY EUCHARIST
MARCH 06:	7 PM, CHOIR PRACTICE
MARCH 10:	10 AM, ADULT SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY
	11 AM, HOLY EUCHARIST
MARCH 13:	7 PM, CHOIR PRACTICE
MARCH 17:	10 AM, ADULT SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY
	11 AM, HOLY EUCHARIST
MARCH 20:	7 PM, CHOIR PRACTICE
MARCH 24:	10 AM, ADULT SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY
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