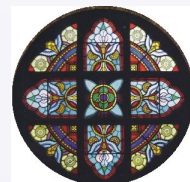


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Greetings! Today is Sunday, February 28, 2028, the Second Sunday of Lent.

Live worship resumed in the sanctuary last week. It was wonderful to see everyone who was able to come in, and it was great to have all of you who joined online as well. Thank you for your presence, no matter the medium.

The Annual Meeting Part 2, is scheduled for next Sunday, March 7 immediately following the service. We look forward to seeing you in the sanctuary or you can connect to a Zoom Meeting using the link included in the email that brought you this Newsletter. You can stay tuned via YouTube or Facebook, but you will only be able to ask questions via Zoom. Instructions for raising questions will be provided next week.



A Morning Prayer In A Little Church

Helen Hayes - Nyack, NY



Once, years ago, I got into a dogfight. I was wheeling a baby carriage, my pet cocker spaniel trotting beside me. Without warning, three dogs—an Afghan, a St. Bernard and a Dalmatian—pounced on the cocker and started tearing him to pieces. I shrieked for help. Two men in a car stopped, looked, and drove on.

When I saw that I was so infuriated that I waded in and stopped the fight myself. My theatrical training never stood me in better stead. My shouts were so authoritative, my gestures so arresting, I commanded the situation like a lion-tamer and the dogs finally slunk away.

Looking back, I think I acted less in anger than from a realization that I was on my own, that if anybody was going to help me at that moment, it had to be myself.

Life seems to be a series of crises that have to be faced. In summoning strength to face them, though, I once fooled myself into an exaggerated regard of my own importance. I felt very independent. I was only distantly aware of other people. I worked hard and was “successful.” In the theater, I was brought up in the tradition of service. The audience pays its money and you are expected to give your best performance—both on and off the stage. So I served on committees, and made speeches, and backed causes. But somehow the meaning of things escaped me.

When my daughter died of polio, everybody stretched out a hand to help me, but at first I couldn't seem to bear the touch of anything, even the love of friends; no support seemed strong enough.

While Mary was still sick, I used to go early in the morning to a little church near the hospital to pray. There the working people came quietly to worship. I had been careless with my religion. I had rather cut God out of my life, and I didn't have the nerve at the time to ask Him to make my daughter well—I only asked Him to help me understand, to let me come in and reach Him. I prayed there every morning and I kept looking for a revelation, but nothing happened.



And then, much later, I discovered that it had happened, right there in the church. I could recall, vividly, one by one, the people I had seen there—the solemn laborers with tired looks, the old women with gnarled hands. Life had knocked them around, but for a brief moment they were being refreshed by an ennobling experience. It seemed as they prayed their worn faces lighted up and they became the very vessels of God. Here was my revelation. ...*Continued on Page 3*>>



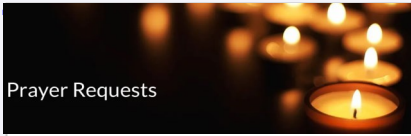
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Prayer Requests

Prayer Requests will be added each week by your requests, and will run for two weeks unless a request to continue is received.

From Wendy Varga – for God’s comfort and presence for **Shawn Varga** as he prepares to undergo chemotherapy treatment.

From All of Us – for a favorable test result for **Jack Harkins** following his recent cancer screening

From Barbara York – for God’s healing touch for **Wendy Pearl** who continues to deal with multiple health concerns after her liver transplant.

From Becky Jensen – For continued prayers for the **PNC** as they carry on their mission.

God’s blessing to **all who sacrifice their time and talent** to keep our church active in the community and open for worship.

For success for our drive to provide boxed cereal to **children in need** led by Wendy Varga.

For God’s divine leading as we journey together during this Lenten season, for renewal in spirit and truth.



Jerrie Glass has reactivated the Flower Book. Anyone who wishes to put flowers in church for any Service, please call Jerrie at (856) 906-2284, & she will help you to make that happen. Last week’s lovely bouquet was brought to Betty Jenkins at the Masonic Home following the service.



Please mark you calendars for the following Lenten/Easter Season services:

Maundy Thursday — April 1, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Good Friday — April 2, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Easter Sunday — April 4, 2021 at 9:00 AM

Additional details will be announced during service regarding instructions for decorating the sanctuary with Easter flowers.

Please Remember to Bring in Boxes of Cereal to help provide children breakfast. Drop Off Your Donations at the Sanctuary. Contact Wendy Varga for Additional Details.



COVID-19 vaccine



The Moorestown Mall has available appointments for the COVID-19 vaccine for those who are currently eligible. As of right now, the earliest appointments are in March. Here is the link to schedule: https://mychart-openscheduling.et1017.epichosted.com/mychart/signupandschedule/embeddedschedule?dept=1000021227&vt=117773&fbclid=IwAR3XVu_WyM0WgKEJluJUMN1GyeelZ8fk2vwfEpBI6IjuUN8IjWJeUmoNTi0

COVID-19 Vaccinated!



If you try booking an appointment then it says not available, you just have to try again with a different date and time. I guess it’s first come, first serve, and someone beat you to it. My dad only had to try twice and got a February appointment. He signed up to get alerts from Virtua (as well as the state website) but never got any notifications. The confirmation is then listed in MyChart with Virtua. (If you don’t have a MyChart account with Virtua, you can sign up for one as you book an appointment or proceed as a guest.)



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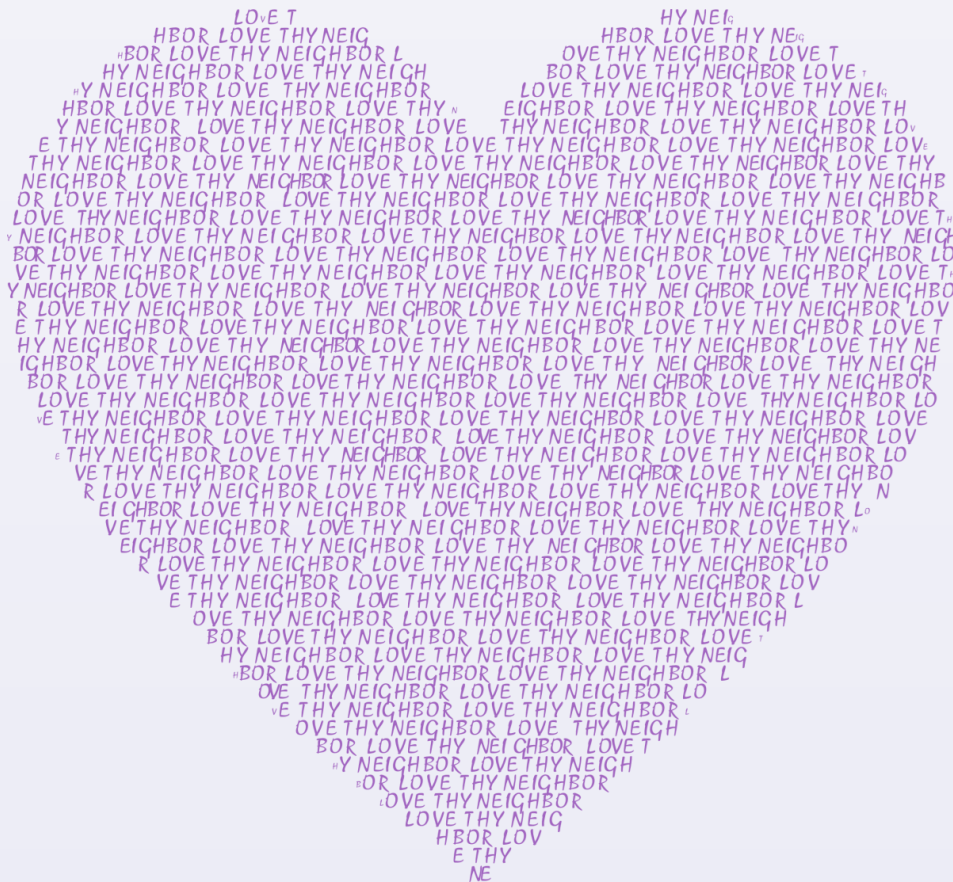


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A Morning Prayer...

Suddenly I realized I was one of them. In my need I gained strength from the knowledge that they too had needs, and I felt an interdependence with them. I experienced a flood of compassion for people. I was learning the meaning of "Love thy neighbor...."



Truths as old and simple as this began to light up for me like the faces of the men and women in the little church. When I read the Bible now, as I do frequently, I take the teachings of men like Jesus and David and St. Paul as the helpful advice of trusted friends about how to live. They understand that life is full of complications and often heavy blows and they are showing me the wisest way through it. I must help myself, yes, but I am not such a self-contained unit that I can live aloof, unto myself. This was the meaning that had been missing before: the realization that I was a living part of God's world of people.

Known as the First Lady of American Theater, Helen Hayes was a star of Broadway, movies, and television. She received three Tony Awards in her 60 years on stage, and she is one of only

now 16 people who have won an Emmy, a Grammy, an Oscar, and a Tony Award. Her movies ranged from The Sin of Madelon Claudet (1931) to Airport (1970), both of which garnered her Academy Awards. Ms. Hayes died in 1993 at the age of 92. Reprinted from <https://thisibelieve.org/essay/16625/>

Bustleton's Best

St. Paddy's Day is coming and in preparation for the "Wearin' O' The Green". We will provide recipes o'er the next few weeks to get you ready. First up is Dinah Lee's Irish Potatoes. This ain't no blarney! For that you have to kiss a stone in County Cork!

Irish Potatoes

Dinah Lee

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| 1/4 c. butter | 4 c. confectioners sugar |
| 4 oz. cream cheese | 2 1/2 c. flaked coconut |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | 1 tbsp. cinnamon |

In a medium bowl beat the butter and cream cheese together until smooth. Mix in the coconut and roll into balls the shape of potatoes then roll into the cinnamon. Place onto a cookie sheet and chill in the refrigerator. Roll potatoes in cinnamon again for a darker color. Chill 30 minutes after you mix in the coconut. Chill them 30 minutes after shaping them. Chill 20 minutes at the end.





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Ladies & Gentlemen, Boys & Girls, Techno-geeks of all ages!

There continue to be exciting opportunities to learn how to operate the new A/V System. The Lesson includes "How to script the video production of services"; "How to design, edit, and utilize Title overlays"; and "How to set up and live stream the service to the internet."

Just drop me a line or let me know if you would like to participate indicating dates & times that you are available. I will work to schedule additional sessions so that everyone that wishes to join may do so.



This Week's Birthdays!

Ivo Meilands — February 24th



Continuing Signs Of Spring

