

Christ Episcopal Church...  
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# The Mustard Seed

March 2019

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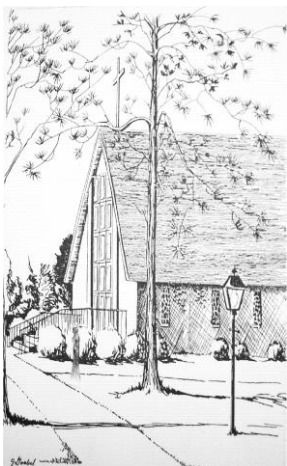
**Christ Church** –  
*where we gather to  
worship, pray, sing,  
and share so  
together we may  
serve our  
community and the  
world.*

## Will This Be Just Another Lent, Or?

In a few days, once again, Lent begins. Most of us over the years have said to ourselves and God that this is the year “I give up ..., or take on ...” we generally begin our Lenten journey desiring to make whatever changes we feel God would want us to make. Unfortunately, when Easter arrives, we often find ourselves a little short; or later find we have reverted to old habits.

Making changes in our lives can be very difficult, just ask the person who has quit smoking. Sometimes it is helpful to begin with small changes and work our way up. To that end, I suggest that as in the past we all ask God to help us with the changes we need. Yet, maybe we should consider the small changes and make ourselves accountable to a friend. Together, with our friends and God, we can make the changes we all want.

Peace,  
Gordon+



**March Anniversaries**

March 11<sup>th</sup> – Alan & Anne Marie Streeter  
 March 21<sup>st</sup> – Jim & Merrio Morton  
 March 28<sup>th</sup> – Jamie & Trayce Griffin



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**March Birthdays**

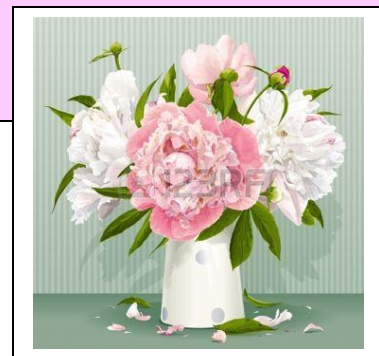
March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jake Wilson  
 March 10<sup>th</sup> – John Riemann  
 March 10<sup>th</sup> – Griggs Griffin  
 March 11<sup>th</sup> – Philip McGuirt  
 March 15<sup>th</sup> – Gene Alexander  
 March 19<sup>th</sup> – Terry Michaelson



**Wednesday Evening  
 Service will be held  
 on March 20<sup>th</sup>  
 at 6:00 pm.**

**March Flowers**

March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Jim and Merrio Morton



**Pastries in the Parlor**

March 3<sup>rd</sup> – open  
 March 10<sup>th</sup> – open  
 March 17<sup>th</sup> – Iris Hinckley  
 March 24<sup>th</sup> – open  
 March 31<sup>st</sup> - open



Please contact the office or sign the calendar on the bulletin board if you would like to provide snacks for open dates.

<span style="float: left;">◀ Feb 2019</span> <span style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold; margin: 0 auto;">March 2019</span> <span style="float: right;">Apr 2019 ▶</span>						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>3</b> HOPE Sunday  ECW after 10:30 Service	4	5	<b>6</b> Ash Wednesday Noon @ Christ Church & 7:00 pm @ Reformation Lutheran	7	8	9
<b>10</b> HOPE Sunday  Lenten Meal and Svc. @ Reformation Lutheran 6:00 pm	11	12	<b>13</b> Choir Practice 7:00 pm	14	15	16
<b>17</b> HOPE Sunday  Vestry Meeting following 10:30 Service  Lenten Meal and Svc. @ Reformation Lutheran 6:00 pm	18	19	<b>20</b> Choir Practice 7:00 pm  Wednesday Evening Service 6:00 pm	21	22	23
<b>24</b> HOPE Sunday  Lenten Meal and Svc. @ Reformation Lutheran 6:00 pm	25	26	<b>27</b> Choir Practice 7:00 pm	28	29	30
<b>31</b> HOPE Sunday  Lenten Meal and Svc. @ Reformation Lutheran 6:00 pm	8:00 am H.E. Rite I 10:30 am H.E. Rite II 9:15 am Adult Study 11:45 am Pastries in the Parlor					

## MUSIC NOTES

Have you ever wondered why some Episcopal churches use the term, Voluntary, instead of Prelude and Postlude? Well, the answer is (and you will be so surprised): TRADITION. Way back in the 16th century, a book was published which had 120 music compositions. Two were called voluntaries. Voluntaries were approved for liturgical use.

By the 17th and 18th centuries, there were many organ compositions called voluntaries and voluntary was the actual name of the piece. There were Voluntaries in C Major, Voluntaries in G Major, Voluntaries in D Major, or in D minor, or they were named for individuals, like Voluntary for Mr. Hatfield and Voluntary for Mr. Archdeacon Thornbrough and so on. I think you get the drift.

Most voluntaries had two sections; the first section was slow and the second section was fast. Some were imitative and some were not. (Handel composed his share of organ voluntaries.) This practice carried over into the 19th century making four centuries worth of voluntaries. That adds up to a lot of voluntaries! All can be used as preludes, offertories, and postludes.

These days, in some parishes, including Christ Church, all preludes and postludes are called the Voluntary. Now you know why.

Also, and on a totally different subject, I offer a belated “thank you” for the generous Christmas gift. I appreciated this gift very much. I hope I will be able to serve Christ Church for as long as I am needed. My time is in God’s hands.

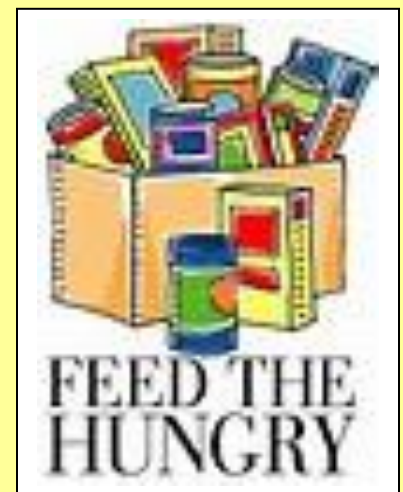
Dana Lee Walters

***MARCH/APRIL PARTICIPANTS***

DATE	CELEBRANT/ OFFICIANT	PARISH MUSICIAN	E M RITE II	ACOLYTE	USHERS	TELLERS	ALTAR GUILD	LECTOR
Sunday, March 3, 2019	Gordon Hamilton/ Rocky Dworak	Dana Lee Walters, Director of Music/ Organist Emeritus	Chris Smith	Mary Bemis	Mike Sistare & Earle Holmes	William Bixby & Joan Crawford	Linda Baker & Merrio Morton	Mary Bemis
Sunday, March 10, 2019	Gordon Hamilton/ Rocky Dworak	Dana Lee Walters, Director of Music/ Organist Emeritus	Robert Horton	Mary Bemis	Jake Wilson & TBA	Diane Dworak & Ernest Jenkins	Linda Baker & Merrio Morton	Marilyn Ponzer-Morris
Sunday, March 17, 2019	Gordon Hamilton /Rocky Dworak	Dana Lee Walters, Director of Music/ Organist Emeritus	Linda Baker	Mary Bemis	Mike Sistare & Earle Holmes	Wayne Johnson & Mike Sistare	Linda Baker & Merrio Morton	JoAnn Riemann
Sunday, March 24, 2019	Gordon Hamilton/ Rocky Dworak	Dana Lee Walters, Director of Music/ Organist Emeritus	Chris Smith	Mary Bemis	Jake Wilson & TBA	Linda Baker & William Bixby	Linda Baker & Merrio Morton	Robert Horton
Sunday, March 31, 2019	Gordon Hamilton/ Rocky Dworak	Dana Lee Walters, Director of Music/ Organist Emeritus	Robert Horton	Mary Bemis	Mike Sistare & Earle Holmes	Joan Crawford & Diane Dworak	Linda Baker & Merrio Morton	Kathy Sistare
Sunday, April 7, 2019	Gordon Hamilton/ Rocky Dworak	Dana Lee Walters, Director of Music/ Organist Emeritus	Linda Baker	Mary Bemis	Jake Wilson & TBA	Ernest Jenkins & Wayne Johnson	Mike & Kathy Sistare	Mary Bemis
Sunday, April 14, 2019	Gordon Hamilton/ Rocky Dworak	Dana Lee Walters, Director of Music/ Organist Emeritus	Chris Smith	Mary Bemis	Mike Sistare & Earle Holmes	Mike Sistare & Linda Baker	Mike & Kathy Sistare	Marilyn Ponzer-Morris
Sunday, April 21, 2019	Gordon Hamilton/ Rocky Dworak	Dana Lee Walters, Director of Music/ Organist Emeritus	Robert Horton	Mary Bemis	Jake Wilson & TBA	William Bixby & Joan Crawford	Mike & Kathy Sistare	JoAnn Riemann
Sunday, April 28, 2019	Gordon Hamilton /Rocky Dworak	Dana Lee Walters, Director of Music/ Organist Emeritus	Linda Baker	Mary Bemis	Mike Sistare & Earle Holmes	Diane Dworak & Ernest Jenkins	Mike & Kathy Sistare	Robert Horton

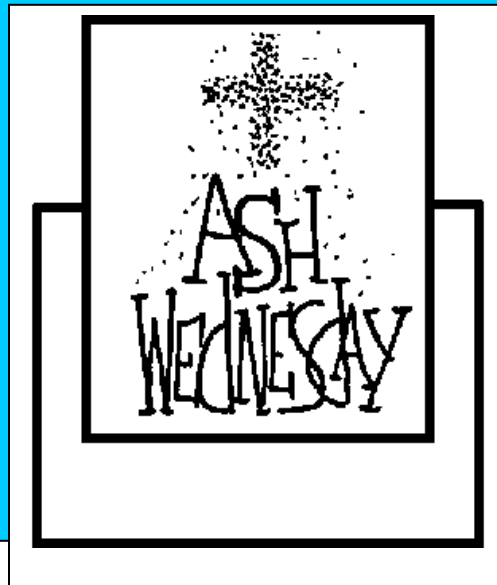
**HOPE Sunday – EVERY SUNDAY**

Each Sunday will be designated as HOPE Sunday at Christ Church. Please consider contributing to this wonderful organization. They are especially in need of the following items: **canned chicken, peanut butter, jelly, juice, canned fruit, grits, instant potatoes, soup, stuffing mix, canned pasta, sugar free juice, sugar free jelly, and oatmeal.**



## Ash Wednesday Services are as follows:

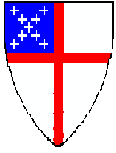
**Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>  
at Noon at Christ Episcopal Church  
and  
Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at  
Reformation Lutheran Church**



Reformation Lutheran Church has extended an invitation to participate in their Lenten meal with service to follow. The meal begins at 6pm and services follow at 6:45pm. The dates are March 10<sup>th</sup>, March 17<sup>th</sup>, March 24<sup>th</sup>, March 31<sup>st</sup>, and April 7<sup>th</sup>.



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THIS IS A PRETTY BIG PROMISE ... WE  
REALLY DON'T NEED PAPERWORK OR LEGAL?

## Miscellany

### Adult Sunday School Class

Please make plans to join  
us at 9:15. Coffee is being  
served.

### ECW

The first Sunday of each  
month after the  
10:30 a.m. Service

### Choir Rehearsals

10:00 a.m. each Sunday  
7:00 p.m. each  
Wednesday

### Sunday Service Times

8:00 am Rite I  
10:30 am Rite II  
Education Classes  
9:15 am Adult Classes

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

Terry Michaelson\*, Edith Burns, Sloan McLaughlin, Maxcy  
Westmoreland, Lois Scott\*, Brooke Hamilton, Makenzie White,  
Philip, Marilyn Ponzer-Morris, Amanda Ford\*, Matt  
Williamson, Sara Anne Foster\*, Tracey Davis, Charles Ballard,  
Julie Percival, Nicholas, Glinna Higgins, Sis Parker,  
Sherry Stalvey, Pierre Cunningham, Gene Alexander\*, Libby  
Woodruff, Robert Richards\*, Mike Lamberton\*, Susan  
DeVenny, Becky Stevenson, Jon Bryson, Dixie Roberts,  
Amanda Aycock, Hayes Robinson, Shirley Bowers, Richard  
Knight, Joan Bixby\*, Geary Yamashita, Donnie Wright, Alan  
Amsler. Holly

