

Special Events—March 2012

Thursday, March 1	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice -- Church
Friday, March 2	7:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Men's Group – Parker Room Karuna Center Brown Bag Luncheon – Connector
Sunday, March 4	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:20 a.m. 9:35 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Liturgy in the Round – Parish Hall Coffee Hour – Connector Bible Study – Parker Room Sunday School – Parke House Holy Eucharist Coffee Hour – Connector Memorial Reception for Alexandra Dawson – Parish Hall Education for Ministry -- Connector
Monday, March 5	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Rector's contemplative Bible reading – Parker Room AA – Parish Hall
Tuesday, March 6	3:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Shawl Ministry – Parker Room AA – Parish Hall
Wednesday, March 7	12:10 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I, with Healing Prayer Al-Anon – Parish Hall Adult Education: “Lent: Practicing Forgiveness,” Led by the Rev. Margaret Bullitt-Jonas, Veronica Chapman, and Anne Homme. Forgiveness looks simple when we read about it, and we may find it easy to discuss the theory of forgiveness. Yet how difficult it is to practice forgiveness when someone has deeply hurt us! Why is it so hard to seek or to grant forgiveness? Are there places in our lives where we are unreasonably demanding of someone? What about people who don't deserve to be forgiven? This five-week Lenten study and practice of forgiveness will use the exercises in Doris Donnelly's book, <i>Putting Forgiveness into Practice</i> , as a springboard for personal exploration and discussion. Every class will include time for private reflection and small group sharing. This course would be especially helpful for those preparing to receive the sacrament of reconciliation. (The book is out of print, but available on-line; several copies, used and new, are available for sale in Annie's office. If possible, please bring a copy to class.) Veronica Chapman and Anne Homme are mentors in the Education for Ministry program. Veronica is also a certified Veriditas Labyrinth facilitator. (Continues on March 14, 21, and 28 th .) – Parish Hall
Thursday, March 8	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice -- Church
Friday, March 9	7:00 a.m.	Men's Group – Parker Room
Saturday, March 10	10:30 a.m.	Not Bread Alone , Join Grace volunteers in preparing meal and serving a meal – First Church

Yes! Spring ahead; set your clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed tonight.

Sunday, March 11		Daylight Saving Time Begins
	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:00 a.m.	Liturgy in the Round – Parish Hall
	9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour – Connector
	9:20 a.m.	Bible Study – Parker Room
	9:35 a.m.	Sunday School – Parke House
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour – Connector
	12:00 p.m.	Episcopal Peace Fellowship – Parish Hall
	12:30 p.m.	Iconography – Parish Hall
6:00 p.m.	Education for Ministry – Connector	
Monday, March 12	5:30 p.m.	Rector’s contemplative Bible reading – Parker Room
	7:00 p.m.	AA – Parish Hall
Tuesday, March 13	5:15 p.m.	AA – Parish Hall
	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting -- Connector
Wednesday, March 14	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I, with Healing Prayer
	4:00 p.m.	Al-Anon – Parish Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Education (See entry for March 7) – Parish Hall
Thursday, March 15	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice -- Church
Friday, March 16	7:00 a.m.	Men’s Group – Parker Room
Saturday, March 17	9:00 a.m.	Quiet Day “Reconciliation: Putting a Burden Down,” led by the Rev. Margaret Bullitt-Jonas. In every act of reconciliation, we connect again with the boundless love of God. Through brief presentations and conversation, as well as silent prayer and guided meditation, this Lenten retreat will give us space to explore and to pray about the places in our lives where God may be inviting us to let go burdens of resentment, guilt, or shame. This retreat would be especially helpful for those preparing to receive the sacrament of reconciliation. – Parish Hall
Sunday, March 18	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:00 a.m.	Liturgy in the Round – Parish Hall
	9:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour – Connector
	9:20 a.m.	Bible Study – Parker Room
	9:35 a.m.	Sunday School – Parke House
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour – Connector
	12:00 p.m.	Sunday Forum “Labyrinths, Forgiveness, and Inner Peace,” led by Sister Lorraine Villemaire, SSJ. Sister Lorraine Villemaire, a Sister of St. Joseph at Holyoke’s Mont Marie convent, is the author of The Labyrinth Experience and the lead facilitator of a course on labyrinths at Hampshire Jail and House of Correction. After her 6-week class, the inmates received permission last fall to build an 80’ x 80’ labyrinth, and she dedicated the cornerstone. Carrying a portable labyrinth with her, Sister Lorraine also visits schools, hospitals, and nursing homes in her quest to share this powerful tool of transformation. Come hear Sister Lorraine speak about the power of labyrinths, and how this form of walking meditation can transform lives. – Parish Hall

(March 18 continued)	6:00 p.m.	Education for Ministry – Connector
Monday, March 19	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Rector’s contemplative Bible study – Parker Room AA – Parish Hall
Tuesday, March 20	3:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Shawl Ministry – Parker Room AA – Parish Hall Liturgical Commission – Connector
Wednesday, March 21	12:10 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I, with Healing Prayer Al-Anon – Parish Hall Adult Education (See entry from March 7 th) – Connector
Thursday, March 22	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice -- Church
Friday, March 23	7:00 a.m.	Men’s Group – Parker Room
Sunday, March 25	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:20 a.m. 9:35 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Liturgy in the Round – Parish Hall Coffee Hour – Connector Bible Study – Parker Room Sunday School – Parke House Holy Eucharist Coffee Hour – Connector Education for Ministry – Connector
Monday, March 26	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Rector’s contemplative Bible reading – Parker Room AA – Parish Hall
Tuesday, March 27	5:15 p.m.	AA – Parish Hall
Wednesday, March 28	12:10 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I, with Healing Prayer Al-Anon – Parish Hall Adult Education (See March 7 th) – Connector
Thursday, March 29	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice – Church
Friday, March 30	7:00 a.m.	Men’s Group – Parker Room

April preview

April 1-- Palm Sunday
 April 2--Monday in Holy Week
 April 3--Tuesday in Holy Week
 April 4--Wednesday in Holy Week

April 5--Maundy Thursday
 April 6--Good Friday
 April 7--Holy Saturday
 April 8--Easter Sunday

