

The Weekly Messenger  
*for*  
SAINT ANNE'S CHURCH  
MIDDLETOWN, DE  
*News and Announcements for  
the week of March 24, 2019*

*From the  
Fig Tree Learn*

*the urgency of repentance,  
the grace of God's mercy  
& patience*



Sunday, March 24 is the Third Sunday in Lent. We are nearly at the mid-point of our Lenten journey! Now is the time to fine-tune those essential spiritual disciplines: Self-Examination and Repentance; Prayer, Fasting and Self-Denial; Reading and Meditating on God's Holy Word.

The Gospel text we will hear (Luke 13:1-9) is just what we need to bolster our pilgrimage through the coming days of Lent. It's both comforting and challenging – like Jesus himself. In the story, Jesus is making his way toward Jerusalem. People are drawn to him and to his teachings. They share with him the tragic news of certain Galileans massacred by Pilate's soldiers in the temple, while the Galileans were there to worship, to make offerings to God! The people want to know: Did these Galileans deserve this terrible fate? Was God punishing them for notorious sins? Jesus' response is comforting and at the same time is a startling summons to look within and to repent, that is, to turn ever more toward God. His teaching reaches its high point in the parable that he tells, which could be titled "A Man Had a Fig Tree."

Adult Enrichment and Sunday School will be offered this Sunday.  
Invite family and friends to Saint Anne's services, 8:00 AM and 9:30 AM.  
*All are welcome!*

## Great Hall Memorial Windows

I am pleased to invite the members of Saint Anne's Church to participate in the renovation of the Town Church Campus by purchasing a Memorial Window for the Great Hall. Each window may be dedicated "In Memory of" or "In Thanksgiving for" a loved one or loved ones. The cost for each window includes the window, installation, and engraved brass plaque that will be fixed to the base of the window. Each window will match the new windows installed in the Church Offices. For more details, please open the announcement attached to the email sent to you earlier today. If you would like to make a Memorial Gift to Saint Anne's Church and purchase one of the windows, please contact me and let me know which window you would like to fund and to whom you would like the window dedicated. I will then make all of the arrangements with you. Also please contact me if you have questions about this opportunity. *Russ+*



## Sunday Coffee Hour Ministry

Please sign-up to support this important ministry. A sign-up sheet is posted in the bulletin board in the Great Hall. You may select the Sunday that works for you and sign-up the day you wish to sponsor. We still need volunteers to help with set-up and clean-up of the Coffee Hour. Questions? Contact Nadine Burton [Nadine@owensburton.com](mailto:Nadine@owensburton.com).

## New Saint Anne's Church Playgroup Fridays from 10AM to 12PM in the Children's Room

*located at the foot of the stairs.*

Children of all-ages along with their parents, grandparents, or caretaker are invited to a new playgroup at Saint Anne's Church! The playgroup will be open play with occasional

stories, crafts, games and field trips. *All parishioners and their friends are welcome.* If you have questions, please contact Michelle Wyatt - [michelle.lynn.wyatt@gmail.com](mailto:michelle.lynn.wyatt@gmail.com),

Mandy Catalfamo - [mandycatalfamo@gmail.com](mailto:mandycatalfamo@gmail.com), or

Julie Quackenbush - [juliehollo@yahoo.com](mailto:juliehollo@yahoo.com).



**Saint Anne's Outreach Ministries News** - If you would like to participate in any of the Saint Anne's Church Outreach programs, including serving a meal at Our Daily Bread, please contact Larry Norfleet at [fleetnor@gmail.com](mailto:fleetnor@gmail.com) or 302-602-0969.





**Parish Prayers:** We pray for Meta Barrow, William Cosans and Alan White.

We pray for Emily Toy, Olin Davis, Jr., and Lucia Mendez Lopez, who have died.

**In the Episcopal Church in Delaware,** we pray for Saint Anne’s and Saint Andrew’s Schools and The Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and Christian Council.

**In the Anglican Communion,** we pray for in Mount Kilimanjaro, Tanzania.

**Emily Toy**, a parishioner of Saint Anne’s Church and mother of Frances McCoombe, died on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Please keep Frances, and the rest of the family in your prayers during this difficult time. May Emily’s soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



**Worship Ministers for Sunday**

**8:00AM** Readers: Scott Lawrence & David Hipp.

**9:30AM** Readers: Peter Hall & Lea Hutchins. Eucharistic Ministers: Sue Norfleet & Lea Hutchins. Ushers: Randy Shackelford & Martin Bradshaw.

Altar Guild: Kathy Cavanaugh & Judy Shackelford.

**Activities at Saint Anne’s Church**

- Sun** 2:00PM Greta Myers Strings Recital-Sanctuary
- 6:00PM Youth Group 7th & 8th-Youth Room
- 7:00PM Youth Group High School-Youth Room
- Mon** 6:00PM English as Second Language Class-Great Hall
- Tues** 6:00PM Centering Prayer-Chapel
- 6:00PM Narcotics Anonymous Meeting - Great Hall
- 8:00PM Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting-Great Hall
- Wed** 12:10PM A Service for Healing-Chapel
- 6:00PM Bell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- 7:00PM Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- Thurs** 7:30AM Holy Eucharist-Chapel
- 8:00AM Thursday Morning Bible Study-Great Hall
- 6:00PM Al-Anon Meeting-Classroom
- Fri** 10:00AM Saint Anne's Church Playgroup-Children's Room
- 8:00PM Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting-Great Hall
- Sat** 8:00AM 4-H Meeting-Great Hall
- Sun** 8:45AM Choir Rehearsal-Music Room



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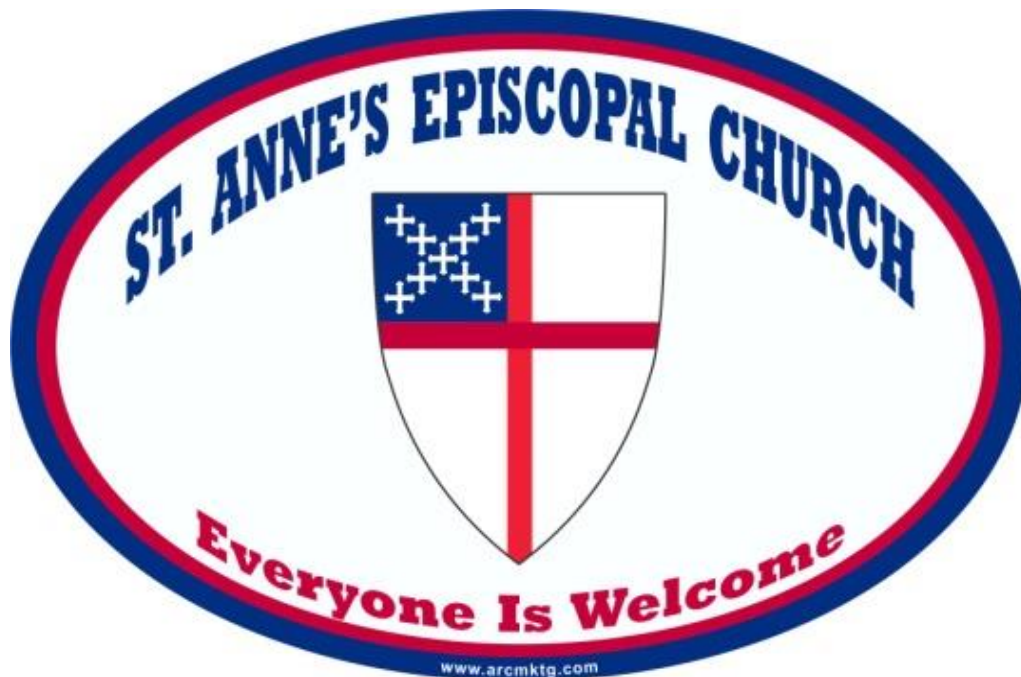
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## SAINT ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH: CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MARCH/APRIL 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>24</b> <b>8:00 AM Holy Eucharist: Rite I</b> <b>8:45 AM</b> Choir Rehearsal-Music Room <b>9:00 AM</b> Bell Choir Practice-Sanctuary <b>9:00 AM</b> Fellowship-Great Hall <b>9:15 AM</b> Child Care-Classroom <b>9:30 AM Holy Eucharist: Rite II</b> <b>10:30 AM</b> Fellowship-Great Hall <b>10:40 AM</b> Adult Enrichment-Sanctuary <b>10:40 AM</b> Sunday School-Classrooms <b>2:00 PM</b> Greta Myers Strings Recital-Sanctuary <b>6:00 PM</b> 7 & 8 Youth Group <b>7:00 PM</b> High School Youth Group	<b>25</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> English as Second Language (ESL) Class-Great Hall	<b>26</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> Centering Prayer-Chapel <b>6:00 PM</b> Narcotics Anonymous Meeting-Great Hall <b>8:00 PM</b> Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting-Great Hall	<b>27</b> <b>12:10 PM</b> A Service for Healing-Chapel <b>6:00 PM</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary	<b>28</b> <b>7:30 AM</b> Holy Eucharist-Chapel <b>8:00 AM</b> Thursday Morning Bible Study-Great Hall <b>6:00 PM</b> Al-Anon Meeting-Great Hall	<b>29</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Saint Anne's Playgroup-Children's Room <b>8:00 PM</b> Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting-Great Hall	<b>30</b> <b>8:00 AM</b> 4H Meeting-Great Hall
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## An invitation from Bishop Brown

Presiding Bishop Curry is one of the religious figures providing commentary and context in a 4-week series, *Jesus: His Life*, which airs for the first time on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> and each Monday evening through April 18. As we continue our Lenten journey through this holy and penitential season, I invite you to join me in viewing the premier.

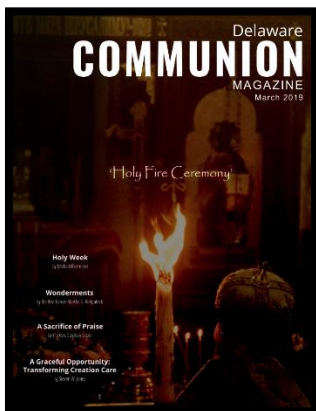
*Jesus: His Life* tells the extraordinary story of Jesus Christ from before birth to after his Resurrection.

Blessings,  
Bishop Brown

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- Monday, March 25 @ 8/7c
- Monday, April 1 @ 8/7c
- Monday, April 8 @ 8/7c
- Monday, April 15 @ 8/7c



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