



The Signpost Weekly

February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

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Calendar

Sunday, February 24

- 9:15 a.m. Adult Formation Preparing for next week's visit by the **Cowasuck Band of Pennacook Abenaki People**

- 8 and 10:15 a.m. Worship Services

- 10 a.m., Sunday School

Monday, February 25

- 9 a.m. Yoga

Tuesday, February 26

- 9 a.m., Morning Prayer
- 9:30 a.m., Exodus Bible Study

Thursday, February 28

- 7 p.m. Eucharist/Bible Study

Sunday, March 3

- 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. Worship
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- Visit with the Cowasuck Band of Pennacook Abenaki

Wednesday, March 6 ASH WEDNESDAY

- ☆ Distribution of ashes

- 7 a.m. Morning observance

- 4 p.m. Family/kids Service

- 7 p.m. Formal Service

Thursday, March 7

- First Lenten Dinner

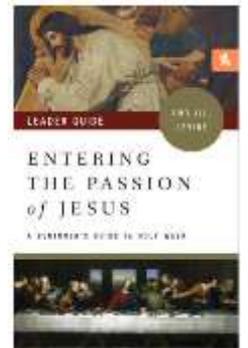


New Prayer Shawl/Lap Robe Ministry. Knitters and Crocheters are needed for a new Prayer Shawl/Lap Robe ministry. Please consider giving of your time and talent to make a prayer shawl or lap robe to go to those who are sick, hospitalized or, in difficult times, may need to know that they are in our prayers and part of a caring parish family. We hope that we can create a supply to have on hand for Fr. Zac to bless and distribute. Corinne Dodge will make cards to go with each shawl/lap robe to let the recipient know that their gift was handmade by a member of our parish family and blessed by Fr. Zac. If you have any questions, please see [Anne Darrah](#) at church or email her at annedar@comcast.net. or call her at 887-2921.



Formation during Lent

In our Sunday 9:15 Adult Formation hour, we will be reading *Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week* by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine. This book takes each week of Lent to focus on one day of Holy Week. The special part of this book is what Levine brings to Holy Week. Levine is a Jewish theologian and scholar of the New Testament at Vanderbilt Divinity School who deeply admires Jesus and who calls us as Christians to understand more of the Jewish context of Jesus' life, ministry and passion. Her book invites us to deepen our faith by walking through Christ's nerve-wracking week before the Crucifixion, to have our lives transformed by Jesus. Anything by Levine is unique and remarkable, and *this book certainly makes for transformative reading*. Copies will be available for purchase for \$12 starting March 3.



Bring in Your Palms, Ash Wednesday is March 6

Ash Wednesday is only a week and a half way. If you still have your palm left from last year's Palm Sunday- please bring in your palm to church. We burn these palms to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

Our Ash Wednesday schedule for March 6 is as follows- all services include Eucharist:

- 7AM a simpler morning observance for those who have to get to work or who would like to receive ashes first thing
- 4PM- a family service, as part of this service kids can help us make ashes for the day out of some of the palms
- 7PM- a formal service with special music

Making the time for Ash Wednesday services impacts how we grow spiritually through Lent & Holy Week. It is worth it.

Lenten Dinners – Thursday nights during Lent March 7 to April 11

Thursday Nights will be very special this Lent. Bob Leonard, Parish Life and other parishioners are



putting together Lenten dinners as a time of community building this Lent. Dinners will be \$5 a plate or \$20 for a family. The Menu is always sounding more incredible;

more details will be out with the next Signpost. Below is the link to SignUpGenius to RSVP for dinners so that we know how much food to prepare. **Dinner will be at 5:30 PM.** Eucharist will still be at 7PM & Bible Study at about 7:30 PM after the service. Come for dinner, come for Eucharist, come for Bible study or come for all of it.



RSVP for Lenten Dinners beginning March 7 by using this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4a-abab2ba7fc1-thursday>

Friday Nights- Stations of the Cross will be every Friday night at 5:30 PM in the sanctuary, and will be lay led. This can be an important way to deepen our Lenten journey by taking time to reflect on the Way of the Cross and our own Christian journey.



9:15 Adult Formation this Sunday is a special session Preparing for next Sunday's Visit with the Cowasuck Band of Pennacook Abenaki People

Our Adult Formation this Sunday (February 24th) will be preparing for our time with some of the indigenous people of New Hampshire. We'll be encountering Scripture through the Indigenous Christian music of Cheryl Bear, from the Nadleh Wuht'en Nation in British Columbia as a way to enter into indigenous perspectives and experience, looking at The Episcopal Church's renunciation of the Doctrine of Discovery and giving a very basic orientation to indigenous history in northern New England. This is so that we can be a little prepared for the visit from members of the Cowasuck band of

Pennacook Abenaki. If you can make it, this will likely open a new door or deepen understanding about what the Gospel means.

At a national level, the Episcopal Church has encouraged dioceses and all Episcopalians in local congregations to learn about the indigenous people in our area and to be in relationship with the indigenous peoples if possible. In this spirit, they have offered to come and be with us in worship and share their culture, history and obstacles they often face. Their visit will involve a presentation with questions after the 8AM and 10:15 services at coffee hour. Please do come as this is a fantastic opportunity to engage and learn more about this rich culture and their history connected with the land here in New Hampshire.



Prayers of the people

Condolences to Scott Webster, and prayers for the repose of his mother, **Harriette**, may she rest in peace. Please pray for Ginette's grandson, **Chase**, and his parents in the face of long-term medical disabilities; for **Peggy Baker**. Ingrid and Mark Chapman ask for your prayers for their daughter **Lisa**. Please pray for **Nick**, Anne Darrah's cousin's husband; please pray for **Angie McCurdy** and her family; please pray for **Lincoln**, Christine Collins' cousin's young son who is ill; and for **Aaron, Alex & family** in their time of grief. Prayers for **Zach**, a relative of a parishioner; prayers for **Noelle Schreiber**; **Ellie McCabe**; prayers for **Bob Gleason**, **Lucille Gigeure**. for **Deb**; for **Roy Jeffrey**; **Ann Donovan**; **Kate**; **Brayden**; **Matty**; **Ian**; prayers for **Howie**; for **Cheryl**; for **Ryan**; for **Jacqueline**; for Natalie's brother **Lorin**; for Mark and Ingrid's son **Eric**.

Serving in the Military: For Pam Vazquez's son Army Ranger 2nd Lt. Nicholas J. Vazquez, for Del's cousins, Daniel, Matthew and Sandra.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Kyle, Glen, Jack, and Jeff Potvin; Cheryl Poussard; Laurie, Andrew, Katherine, and Elizabeth Psarris; Lyn Rockwell

Attendance

Tuesday, 2/12, 9:00am, 9

Thursday, 2/14, 7 p.m.8

Sunday, 2/17 8:00 am, 15; 10:15 am, 62

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. The second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."