

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**MARCH 26, 2017, 10 a.m.**

**Readings:** *I Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; and John 9:1-41.*

**Presiding Minister:** Rev. Barbara Wilson;  
**Assisting Minister:** Les Knickerbocker  
**Assisting Chalice:** Priscilla Banghart  
**Acolyte:** Bruce Banghart  
**Eucharistic Visitor:** Stephen Leonard

**Organist:** Elaine Shoemaker  
**Readers:** Liz Nitz & Neal Moran  
**Greeters:** John Owen & Debi Taylor  
**Counters:** Les Knickerbocker & Judy Moran  
**Coffee Hour Hosts:** The Leonards

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**ONGOING**

**1st Sunday**— Kids' Mass  
**Last Sunday** — Anointing & Prayers of Healing  
**Every Tuesday & Friday** — A.A. meets 8 p.m.  
**Wednesdays** — "Mass Underground" at 6:15 p.m.

**2nd & 4th Monday** — Food Pantry, 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
**5th Saturday** — Soup Kitchen open 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.  
**3rd Wednesday** — Prayer Shawls at Caffé Tosi 10 a.m.  
**Vestry** — Meets third Monday, 6:30 p.m.

**WEEKLY SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE**

March 19 (40)                      March (40)                      March 5 (35)                      Feb. 26 (51)                      Feb. 19 (35)

**FOOD PANTRY PATRONS**

March 13 (45)                      Feb. 27 (48)                      Feb. 13 (70)                      Jan. 23 (61)                      Jan. 9 (49)

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Lenten Book Study** — Folks interested in a book study, meet in the Rector's Office at 9 a.m. Sunday, March 26, with discussion led by Susan Russell. The book is "The Sin of Certainty: Why God Desires our Trust More than Our 'Correct' Beliefs," by Peter Enns.

**Food Pantry** — Takes place on **Monday, March 27**. Volunteers needed for delivery about 10 a.m., and distribution from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Please help if you can, especially for the evening shift.

**Street Clean-Up** — Volunteers are needed to help pick up trash and debris along Union Street after services on **Sunday, April 2**. Wear appropriate clothing and gloves, bags will be provided. For details see Jenny VanDeWarker.

**Holy Week and Easter Services schedule** — Maundy Thursday, 7 p.m.; Good Friday, 7 p.m.; Great Vigil of Easter, 7 p.m.; and the Feast of the Resurrection at 10 a.m. **Easter Sunday, April 16**, followed by brunch and Easter Egg Hunt.

**Barrier-Free Project** — Bids were opened this week to select a contractor to remodel the west entryway and install a new elevator. Construction will begin this spring. However, It is important to **keep up-to-date on pledges** specific to the project as we are short in our budget and will soon be paying bills. For details about the project, see Bruce Banghart.

**Free Tech Help** — Need assistance with your laptop, tablet, GPS or other microprocessors? Help is available at the Benton Harbor Public Library by calling 926-7720 for a one-on-one appointment at the library. Ask for Ama or Tiffany.

**Play Ball!** — Baseball season is here and the South Bend Cubs will play the Lansing Lugnuts on **Saturday, May 20**. Game starts at 7:05 p.m. and gates open at 5 p.m. The tickets are \$14 for admission and hat combo. The seats are in sections 112 or 113. Sign-up sheets are downstairs on the bulletin board. Deadline for sign up and payment is **Sunday, April 30**.

**FYI First Aid** — The First Aid kit is now located on top of the refrigerator in the food pantry. If you are unable to find in the kit what you need, should a minor emergency arise, please talk to Jean Domer or Patrick Davarn.

**Reimbursements** — For any purchases made on behalf of the church, please inform Mike Wells if the necessary payment is made to you, the person who bought the item, or to the business itself.

**Weekly at The Whitcomb** — All are invited to join the Episcopal community for a weekly informal celebration of the Eucharist at 11 a.m. every Thursday at the Whitcomb Hotel in downtown St Joseph.

**Member Outreach** — Reach out to church members unable to attend services on a regularly. Let them know we care and they are missed.

**WANTED: Coffee Hour Hosts** — Please sign-up to host this special time following Sunday service. For details see Natalee Rogers.

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**PRAYER LIST**

**The Episcopal Diocese of Western Michigan** — For Bishop Whyne Hougland Jr.; St. Andrew's Church, Big Rapids, Rachel Adeyanju, Sr. Warden, and Gary Hamp, Priest-in-charge; and St. Paul's Church, St. Joseph, Dennis Remenschneider, Interim Rector.

**Community, Nation, World** — For the residents, students and educators in Berrien County; our president, governor, congress, legislature, councils and courts; people affected by poverty, political strife and natural disasters.

**In the Armed Forces** — For Geoffrey, Jason, Nathan, Paige, Patrick, Susan, Tom and Zack.

**For Those Who Died** — Due to armed conflict, religious persecution, senseless violence, and those within our community. Comfort those who mourn their loss, who so deeply miss their friendship and their love.

**Good Health** — Extend prayers for Jean Owen; Joan Hart; Roy Shoemaker; Sarah Woolcock; Dan Wilson; Colleen Wilson; Latania and Timmy; and William Schmalfeldt.

**Birthdays** — Macy Benson (3/8); Leslie Arbanas (3/15); Lee Gallay (3/22); Vita Benson (3/24); Elaine Shoemaker (3/28); Bill Hollerbach (3/31); Joan Murphy (4/1); Harry Papadopoulos (4/1); Josie Arbanas (4/2); Terran Rogers (4/2); Cara Gillespie (4/3); Roy Shoemaker (4/3); Pat Davarn (4/3); Alice Ford (4/5); Cheryl Hayward (4/20); Roger Wilschke (4/20); Bob VanDeWarker (4/23); Andrea Anderson (4/25); Jean Domer (4/29); Jean Owen (4/29).

**Anniversaries** — Sharon & Pat Davarn (4/2); Jean & John Owen (4/4); and Natalee & Terrance Rogers (4/4).

**Parish Cycle of Prayer** — Joel, Leslie, Chloe and Josie Arbanas; Priscilla & Bruce Banghart; Reid, Vita, Maya and Macy Benson; and Ruth Blair; JoAnn, Collin & Rob Burgess; Debb & Jeff Bush; and George Daddy.

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