ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH



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AN EXPLANATION OF HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WEEK SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY: APRIL 14 - 7 p.m. - Maundy Thursday begins the Triduum, the great three days of Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection - the journey from the supper table to the cross, and from the cross to Easter morning. Maundy Thursday focuses on two great moments in the life of the church, the first being the institution of the Holy Eucharist and the second being the giving of the new commandment, "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another" (John 13:34). The service gets its name from the Latin, mandatum novum, meaning "new commandment." Many churches have a tradition of foot washing at this service commemorating Jesus washing the feet of the disciples at the Last Supper. The ceremony of foot washing was often called "the Maundy". Although All Saints' has not had a tradition of foot washing in the past, this year we will hold the foot washing ceremony following the Gospel reading and Homily.

GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY: APRIL 15 - 12 noon & 7 p.m. - Good Friday centers around the Passion as recorded in John's Gospel and our recitation of the Solemn Collects, the church's most ancient form of the prayers of the people. The Eucharist is never celebrated on Good Friday. While the service is as solemn as those collects, it is not grim, and perhaps this is an important mode for us to operate within. Good Friday reminds us of the depth of the love of Christ and how he still lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

GOOD FRIDAY - THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS: APRIL 15 - 6:15 p.m. - The Stations of the Cross is a meditation that mirrors the last hours of Jesus' life, from his being condemned to die on the cross, which took place outside the home of Pilate, to his entombment at a place upon which the Church of the Holy Sepulchre stands in Jerusalem. The stations of the cross most likely began in Jerusalem to help pilgrims remember not just the actual walk of Christ, but also the spiritual reality behind it. At All Saints' we have our own "stations" set along a wooded path on our property. We will gather under the portico and then walk the stations, stopping for brief meditation and prayer at each one.

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER: APRIL 16 - 7 pm - The Great Vigil is one of the most ancient services in the Christian Church and is an especially appropriate service for Baptism (the others being the Day of Pentecost, All Saints' Day, and the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord). The Vigil is comprised of four parts: The Service of Light (kindling a fire and drawing from it the first flame of Easter and recitation of the Exsultet), The Service of Lessons (reading from the Hebrew scriptures with psalms and prayers interspersed), Christian Initiation (Baptism or Renewal of Baptismal Vows) & the Eucharist.

EASTER SUNDAY: APRIL 17 - 8 a.m. (spoken service) & 10 a.m. (live-streamed) & 7 p.m. (contemplative service) - At Easter, the tomb stands open for all of us disciples to enter. The worship on this day is familiar to us, because Jesus was put to death on a cross, and rose again to bring eternal life for each of us. We know that evil and death did not triumph over Jesus and will not triumph over us. Alleluia!

EASTER FLOWERS



If you would like to sponsor flowers for Easter, please let Shawn know, if you are interested and what you would like your dedication to say, by Sunday, April 10. The suggested donation is \$40, but that is just a suggestion. Don't let that stop you from making a dedication and offering whatever you are able to give.

GOLFING WITH UNCLE HARVEY

Join us for the inaugural reading of Golfing with Uncle Harvey Wednesday, April 6, 2022 - 7 p.m.

On Wednesday, April 6th, Bradley Wirth, the Rector Emeritus of All Saints', will read his newest short story, Golfing with Uncle Harvey at 7:00 in the evening. This story is his third of four short stories that follow the Christian liturgical calendar and its drama is within the setting that begins the Fifth Sunday in Lent and goes through to Easter Evening.



As in Bradley's previous stories, A Christmas

Offertory and Mr. Maxwell's Observatory, both of
which have been read in the past at All Saints', animals play a crucial part
and in this particular tale, the plot centers around one such creature
winding up in a tug of war between various entities, one of which will
ultimately decide its fate. It is a sequel to Mr. Maxwell's Observatory and
so the characters will be familiar to many.

At the reading, there will be an opportunity for a free will offering and this year, everything that everyone gives, will go to alleviate the suffering of animals, both pets and those in zoos, in Ukraine. An organization in St. Paul, MN, Pawsitivity Service Dogs, which normally spends its energy in rescuing dogs and then training them to be service dogs for injured soldiers, as well as others, is collecting funds and then giving 100% of what they receive to veterinarians and shelters taking care of these poor wounded and abandoned creatures in that war torn nation. As well, they are channeling funds to neighboring countries where some of these pets, separated from their families, or left orphaned because their owners have lost their lives, will be sheltered until they can find new homes. Pawsitivity is excited to partner with All Saints' in making a difference for those who have no say in their fate but simply have to rely on the kindness and generosity of us if they are to have any hope.

Following the reading, copies of *Golfing with Uncle Harvey* will be available for purchase, from Bradley, for the actual production cost of the books. As well there will be refreshments during an intermission as well as upon completion of the reading.

A NOTE FROM THE RECTOR

By Rev. Charlie Knuth

The fourth Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday, is a reminder that there is always room for celebration, even in the midst of a penitential season.

And last Sunday, after many years of planning, construction, and social distancing, All Saints finally met it capital campaign goal of combining our morning worship services. Before St. Matthew's and Holy Nativity joined to form All Saints, the constituent parishes worshipped at 9am and 11am respectively. When both parishes relocated to the Conn Rd. property, the worship times stuck, because our building was too small to accommodate all of our parishioners.

Our capital campaign, "That they all may be one", raised enough money to expand, retrofit, and furnish our church building. Though the aesthetic of our worship space changed drastically after this project, our main goal wasn't beatification, but expansion. However, the pandemic placed a premium on social distancing, so the leadership decided to create additional Sunday worship offerings.

Now, 4 years since we began our capital campaign, we've begun meeting at 10am for our principal worship service. Hopefully, this change will allow for a more vibrant expression of our Anglican liturgy and music, more consistent Sunday School offerings for children and adults, and a fellowship time that can accommodate the vast majority of our congregants.

Going forward, our Sunday morning schedule is as follows

8am (spoken) worship service

9am Sunday School for adults in church

9am Godly Play in the children's wing

9am Nursery care

10am worship service w/ livestream

Coffee hour

7pm contemplative service

40 new chairs will be delivered the week after Easter, to supplement our seating and replace some pews that are damaged beyond repair.

Thank you for your patience, your churchmanship, and your spirit of generosity and discernment. In the past 15 years, this church has done some incredibly challenging work as a community. You've combined two parishes, relocated and sold buildings, undergone a massive renovation and expansion project. And now, we are finally "one" and better equipped to create spiritual momentum, form Christians in the faith, and meet the rapidly expanding needs of the Flathead Valley.

Laetatus sum in his quae dicta sunt mihi: in domum Domini ibimus

"I was glad when they said unto me, We will go into the house of the Lord."



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BECOMING THE "ONE" WE ALWAYS WANTED TO BE

Signs updated reflecting new service hours



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For information contact Louann Mohn 406-261-1983 Jouannmohn65@gmail.com or talk to our own Betsy and Steve Paugh

Columbia Falls North Valley CROP Hunger Walk

(Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty)

April 24th, 2022 ~ 1 p.m.

Marantette Park, Columbia Falls, MT 1k or 5k walk

You may walk, run, ride a bike, bring a baby in a carriage. Choose your mode of transportation. Pets welcome on a leash. Dress for the weather as we walk rain or shine.

All donated funds are used to assist with disasters and needs around the world through Church World Services and

25% of the funds stay right here in the Flathead Valley and go directly to support the monthly Canyon Community Dinners.



FLATHEAD YOUTH HOME FUNDRAISER

Flathead Youth Home Fundraiser: Dress to the Nines

Thursday May 19th 6-9pm

Snowline Acres 3315 US Highway 93 South | Kalispell

Join other All Saints' members for an enjoyable evening to celebrate and support the 25 years of service The Flathead Youth Home has provided for those vulnerable youth in our area. Our church has been donated 16 tickets for an incredible evening of music, dining, local spirits, speakers giving insight to the services of the youth home, and both a silent and live auction. Come and learn about a vital organization while enjoying incredible food and drinks at a beautiful venue. Normally tickets are \$65 a person, but the first 16 to contact Amy Peterson will reserve their spot for free. You can contact her at the number or email listed below and let her know your dinner preferences: Hope to see you there!

Choices: 1 salad 1 meal

Salad: 1. Local greens, pickled herbs, radish, pea shoots, sunflower seeds, green goddess dressing

2. Beet and carrot salad, pistachios, dried cherries, lemon, and parsley

Meal: 1.Braised beef short ribs, parsnip puree, glazed carrots, button mushrooms

- 2. Grilled beef tenderloin, robuchon mashed potatoes, spring onions, bearnaise sauce
- 3. King salmon, salsa verde, french green lentils, braised greens
- 4. Spring vegetable panang curry, jasmine rice, sweet and salty coconut cream, herb salad

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ALL SAINTS' YOUTH

By Cynthia Benkelman

All Saints' had a joint youth group with Christ Church in Kalispell on March 27th. We played "parachute games", ate pizza, and Cynthia led a Godly Play story and discussion.



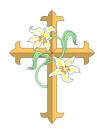




SUNDAY SERVICE HOURS



8:00 am-service only, no music
9:00 am- adult and children Sunday school
10:00 am-service with hymns
10:00 am service is streamed live on Facebook & YouTube
11:00am-coffee hour
7:00 pm-contemplative service, no hymns



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Christian Formation Minister/Children and Youth: Cynthia Benkelman Email: cynthia@allsaintsmt.org Cell: 406-261-9636 Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the church, and in Christ Jesus forever. and ever.

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