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A STORY FOR THE TIMES

FEAR & HOPE
A True Story of One Ukrainian Family

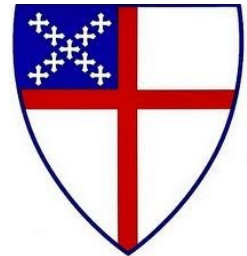
ZINCHENKO FAMILY

Meet Whitefish's resident refugee family from Ukraine and hear their amazing story.
Feb. 19th @ 11:30 am
Soup luncheon followed by presentation.

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DONATIONS ENCOURAGED



Happy Valentine's Day

Hear a first-hand account of living in Ukraine before and during the Russian invasion. Mr. Zinchenko will share the story of his family's move from Ukraine to Montana.

The Zinchenko family moved from Ukraine to Whitefish last September (August/summer?). They are sponsored by the Methodist Church. Yuri, Vitalina and their daughter will join us at All Saints' to share their story of leaving their home and migrating here. They will share what they are learning and their hopes and dreams for the future in the U.S.

The presentation is suitable for adults and children, age 7 and older. Nursery care is provided.

Soup luncheon served at 11:30 am. Presentation begins at Noon.

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ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Ash Wednesday Eucharist with the imposition of ashes will be at 12-noon on February 22.



ALL SAINTS' YOUTH

On January 22, the jr/sr high youth groups from Christ Church and All Saints' met at All Saints' for an evening of fellowship, pizza, and board games.

The next youth group meeting is scheduled for February 19th at Christ Church. If you have a middle school or high school student in your life and they would like to attend, please contact Cynthia or Charlie if you have any questions.



FLATHEAD WARMING CENTER

The Flathead Warming Center gives homeless people a place to sleep during cold and wet weather, and they need help feeding clients on Sundays. All Saints' has expressed interest in covering just about every Sunday dinner thru April, when the center closes for the season

Below is a sign up sheet. Volunteers may sign up in groups of three.

The groups can communicate with each other regarding what one-pot recipe they would like to prepare as a team. The goal is to provide a total of 50-55 portions.

Team members buy ingredients for their batch and prepare it in a crock pot at home or between/after services in the parish kitchen. The meals will then be consolidated into 1-2 electric roaster ovens at church. Lonnie Cunningham and/or other volunteers will transport the meals to the Warming Center (889 North Meridian Rd, Kalispell)

The Pricketts and/or another volunteer will collect the roasting ovens from the Warming Center during the week and bring them back to the church kitchen for the next Sunday.

[All Saints Episcopal Church: Sunday Meals for Warming Center](#)

ANNUAL MEETING

All Saints' annual meeting was held on January 29th with members in attendance in person in the church and via Zoom. The meeting started with opening prayers and the necrology of those who passed away since the last annual meeting: Carl Sobczak, Mary Lou Hurley, Sissy Wynne, Susan Wiegratz, and Thomas Barranger III. Charlie gave a summary of accomplishments from the previous year as well as a look forward to goals for this upcoming year. All Saints' Treasurer, Cynthia Benkelman, reviewed the 2022 end of year financial report and presented the 2023 budget.

Retiring Vestry officers Carl Thomas (Jr Warden) and Kathy Thomas (Clerk) were recognized for their years of faithful service to the church. Kathy first began serving as the Clerk of the Vestry back during Frank Johnson's tenure as Rector (2001-2003). Carl began serving as Treasurer during Gordon Temple's tenure as Rector (1993-1996) and served as Treasurer up until 2021 when he became Jr. Warden. Prior to their serving as officers on the Vestry they both served as "regular" vestry members. We can not thank them enough for their decades of service to All Saints' (and St. Matthew's and Holy Nativity before we became All Saints').

Elections were held for new Vestry Members and Kathleen Martin and Amy Peterson were both elected to 3-yr terms. Judi Williams was elected to a 1-yr term (the completion of a 3-yr term which was vacated early). Charlie appointed Dan Prickett as the new Sr. Warden. The Vestry's first meeting will take place on February 13, and at that meeting they will "reorganize" the Vestry and elect a new Clerk, Treasurer, and Jr. Warden. All 3 of those positions are held for one year, however, the Clerk and Treasurer can be re-elected every single year, there is no "term-limit" for those positions, but the Jr. Warden can serve no more than 2 consecutive years, just like the Sr. Warden.

Elections were also held for delegates to Diocesan Convention which this year will be hosted by St. Andrew's in Livingston from October 6-8. Representation for each parish is determined by ASA (average Sunday attendance) and All Saints' is allowed 4 delegates. This year's delegates are Howard and Kate Wright, Hank Stamm, Jenanne Solberg, and Rachelle Williams as the alternate. Thank you to everyone who attended either in person or remotely. We look forward to a wonderful year!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

St Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church, Eureka, runs a wood bank that provides supplemental firewood to low income families, elderly, veterans and the disabled. To date, they've provided 196 pickup loads to 83 households.

If you'd like to help with sawing, splitting, or stacking, their next work day is on Saturday, February 18th from 9-noon at the corner of Grave Creek & HWY 93 in Fortine.



BOOK CLUB

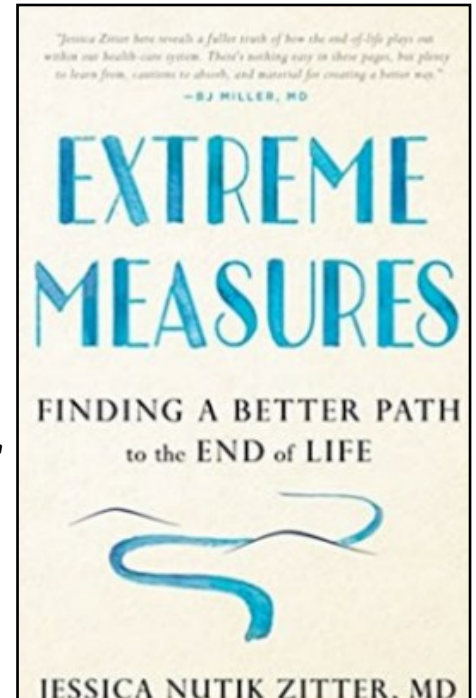
Book Study is starting back up on February 23 with their Lenten reading choice: *Extreme Measures: Finding a Better Path to the End of Life* by Jessica Nutik Zitter.

Some reviews of the book from Amazon:

"Extreme Measures provides a gripping and intimate tour of the experiences and dilemmas physicians, patients and families face dealing with terminal illness in the modern ICU. A tour de force for those seeking to better understand and improve care of patients and families at end of life."

"With compassion, intelligence, and a rare expertise, Jessica Zitter shines a light on some of the most difficult issues we face in our lives."

"A stunning portrait of the ways decisions in the intensive care unit shape the way we live—and die—now. Whether we live with illness, love someone who is facing these decisions, or care for them professionally, Dr. Zitter has written a call to action that none of us can ignore."




SING OUT! (OR BETTER YET. SING IN!)

On January 11 All Saints' held its first "Soup and Hymns" evening. Around 15 people gathered to sing some hymns and enjoy a meal together. The next "Soup and Hymns" evening will be February 8th at 6 pm. All ages and skill levels are welcome, NO musical experience needed. Everyone is invited to come join this fun evening of fellowship.



FEBRUARY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Spirings Service 11 am	3	4
5 Service Hours on page 6 Adult Sunday School 11:20	6	7	8 Soup & Sing 6:00 pm	9 Spirings Service 11 am	10	11
12 Service Hours on page 6 Adult Sunday School 11:20	13 Vestry 5:00pm live and on Zoom	14 	15	16 Spirings Service 11 am	17	18
19 Service Hours on page 6 Zinchenko Talk 11:30 Holy Moly Youth Group, grades 5-9 at Christ Church	20	21	22 ASH WEDNES- DAY SERVICE 12 NOON	23 Spirings Service 11 am Lenten Book Group 6:00-7:00 pm	24	25
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SUNDAY SERVICE HOURS

8:00 am-service only, no music



10:00 am-service with hymns

10:00 am service is streamed live on Facebook & YouTube



11:00 am-coffee hour

7:00 pm-contemplative service, no hymns

FLOWER SPONSORSHIP

If you would like to sponsor altar flowers on a Sunday, please let Shawn know. There are several dates available throughout the year. There is no required amount for sponsoring flowers, but the suggested donation is \$40-\$50. Usually you can offer suggestions for flower type or color, however some days of the liturgical year have specific colors (ie red for Pentecost, or white for All Saints' Sunday). But the flower guild will do their best to meet any special requests. Thank you to everyone who supports the altar flower ministry, your generosity enriches our worship.



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*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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