

## This week at St. Stephen's

### And Ministries Schedule:

#### ❖ Monday, March 12

- 2pm (approx.) – 5pm: Judith+'s hours
- 9am – 4pm: Jan's office hours
- 5:30- 6:30pm: Stone Soup Suppers

#### ❖ Tuesday, March 13

- 6 -8pm: dance class in preparation for Cinco de Mayo (Adelina) – every Tuesday and Thursday through May 3 -- pending confirmation

#### ❖ Wednesday, March 14

- 9am – 5pm: Judith+'s hours (reserving 3:30-5pm for visits and pastoral calls away from the office)
- 9am – 4pm: Jan's office hours
- 10:30 – 11:45am: Adult Discussion Group
  - The topic this week will be Paul and women. In preparation, please read Galatians 3:23–4:7, 1 Corinthians 11:1–16; 1 Corinthians chapter 14; and Romans chapter 16. As you read each passage, pay attention not just to what Paul is saying about women, but also to the larger issues that he is discussing. What is he concerned about? What problems in the church is he trying to address? Does his attitude about women's involvement in the life of the church seem to be consistent throughout these passages?

If you have another translation besides the NRSV, please bring it. It would be interesting to compare, for example, the NRSV, the King James Version, and the NIV translations of particular words and verses.

As always, I'd love for you to share your own questions and reactions with the group. Paul has had an enormous influence on the church's rules about women, so I anticipate a lively discussion! - *Judith+*
- Noon: Holy Eucharist, celebrating Gregory the Great

#### ❖ Thursday, March 15

- 6 – 8pm: dance class

#### ❖ Friday, March 16

- Noon: Stations of the Cross

#### ❖ Saturday, March 17

- 1 – 3pm: The inaugural local "Canterbury Forum," led by Brian Jones, will be held at the Waldport Community Center (about two blocks East of Highway 101 on Hemlock Street/Alsea Highway). This is the first of a three-part spring lecture series focusing on the interface of faith, community, society and politics. The topic of this inaugural gathering will be "Christianity & American Politics," with a question and answer period to follow.

## ❖ Sunday, March 18 – the Fifth Sunday in Lent

- 11am: Holy Eucharist
  - Ministries of the day
    - Judith+ – Preside and Preach
    - Gavin+ – Associate Priest
    - Allan – Eucharistic Minister
    - Katie and Kate – Lectors
    - Steve and Gloria – Ushers
    - Amy – Altar Guild
    - Gloria and Steve – Coffee
    - Nicky Sampson and \_\_\_\_\_ – Offertory Counters

## ❖ LOOKING AHEAD

- The Adult Study Group will NOT meet on March 28 and April 4. A new study series will begin on April 11 led by Brent Burford. The topic of the new study will be determined at the March 14<sup>th</sup> or March 21<sup>st</sup> class.
- On **March 22** at noon you are invited to join the women of St. Luke's and St. Stephen's at St. Luke's for a potluck/palm cross making event. Come give it a try and see how our palm crosses are made.
- Holy Week and Easter schedule:
  - **March 25** – Palm Sunday – 11am Holy Eucharist with blessing of the palms, outside procession (weather permitting), and the Gospel read in dialog. **Please let Jan know if you will be attending and willing to read a part; many volunteers are needed.**
  - **March 29** – Maundy Thursday – 5:30pm: Holy Eucharist and foot washing. Same time at both St. Stephen's (Gavin+ presiding) and St. Luke's (Judith+ presiding). The Watch will begin immediately following the service and continue until 7am Friday – watch for a sign-up sheet.
  - **March 30** – Good Friday – 5:30pm Good Friday Liturgy with Communion from the reserved Sacrament. Again, the Gospel will be read in dialog so **please let Jan know if you will be attending and willing to read a part; many volunteers are needed.**
  - **March 31** – The Great Vigil of Easter – 8:30pm, at St. Luke's (this service alternates yearly between St. Stephen's and St. Luke's)
  - **April 1** – Easter Sunday – Holy Eucharist at our usual Sunday time of 11am; we want everyone to bring flowers to create a flower cross.

Peace,  
Jan

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