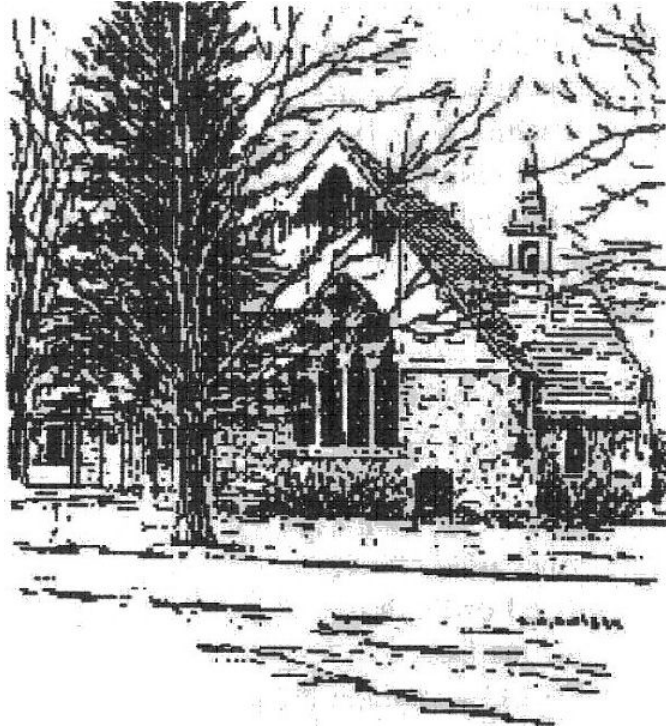


CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR
GIDEON'S TRUMPET

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VESTRY'S VIEWS

Church of Our Saviour has been blessed with visits from old friends who joined us for worship. It was good to see them and to reconnect. We have also had two fun Sundays of cookies and crafts. Thanks to Debi Gallucci for the idea and for all her work prepping and setting up the Friendship Hall. Come and join us on April 2 from 12:30 - 1:30. Please keep Carol, Randy, Meredith, and Nathanael in your prayers as they prepare for their future and rebuilding. Spring is coming and a rebirth of the land and the joyful resurrection of our Lord.

Bitsy

VESTRY – 2017

Senior Warden	Elizabeth Sheffer-Winig	(01/2018)
Junior Warden	Mary Young	(01/2019)
Vestry Members	Richard Dauchy	(01/2018)
	Eugenia Browning	(01/2019)
	Tom Stone	(01/2020)
Clerk	Eugenia Browning	
Diocesan Delegate	Mary Young	

PRAYER CONCERNS

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry
The Right Rev. William Love, Bishop
David Ball
Daniel Herzog
Rev. Canon Clinton Dugger
Deacon Randolph Lukas
Rev. Frank Lockwood
Pastor James
Brother Bill
Pope Francis
Fr. John
Deacon Peter
Metropolitans of Eastern Orthodox Services
Bishops of Lutheran Synods
Archbishop of Canterbury
Missionaries
United States Government
President Trump
Governor Cuomo
Senator Kirsten Gillibrand
Senator Kathy Marchione
Senator Charles Schumer
Congressman John Faso
Supervisor Colleen Teal

PRAYER CONCERNS (Cont'd)

Ann DeVost	Kimberly Harrington
John & Teri Koepp	Richard Jones
Roberta Page	Kristen Thompson
Edgar LaCombe	Melissa
Vince Flanigan	Mark & Sue Bull
The Rev. Christian Agunwamba	Lois Johnson
Nancy Mills	Florence Stock
Doug	Barbara Felter
Marie	Nathaniel
Malina	Beth
Michael D.	Sharon
Pat Ruby	Betty Hicks
Heather Kromer	Bennett
Rose G.	Scott
Katrina	Janet
Carolee Hearrel	David
Janis	Jessi
Eric	Angela B.
George Ertel, Jr.	Lynne E.
Al & Jeanne Mayer	Jane Garnsey
Don Tinney	Peter Guiler
Adrian	Sue H.
Margaret	Rich
Julie & Ken	Ralph
Ken	
U.S. Military – Evan, KI and families	
Church of Our Saviour Parish/Vestry/Prayer Table and Saturday evening contemporary service	

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN

Florence Stock
27 Canna Drive
Freehold, NY 12431

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

2 – Jane Allard

8 – Nathanael Lukas

8 – Lauren Stone

18 – Phil Marriner

21 – Thomas Stone

24 – Kathy LePore

27 Michael O'Grady

28 – Laurene Teachout

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

8 - Thomas and Janet Stone

14 – Neil and Joanne Haley

22 – Frank and Judy Tallet

If you know of a birthday or anniversary that we haven't included in past newsletters, please leave a note in the church secretary's mailbox in the office or email Kris Smith at pioneer03@aol.com with your date so that I can update my list.

Thank you

DOLLARS AND SENSE

As I sit here looking out at the snow falling, making everything clean and bright, I'm reminded of Jesus making us all clean and bright on the cross. He died for us. Then I really think about His entire life and His parents and what they must have thought.

Here is this rebellious teen who disappears and they find Him in the Temple talking to the elders. Don't you think His mother was upset? He just disappeared and didn't tell them where He was going. His father, no doubt, was proud of his Son but probably a little apprehensive – was his Son showing the respect that the elders were accorded?

It's interesting to extrapolate the stories in the Bible to today and wonder what a typical family would do with Jesus as a Son. Yes, I know in those days, children became adults as they entered their teens. But don't you think Mary and Joseph were typical parents? Wanting the best for their child? I know they didn't have tablets (except stone) or TV or phones. I believe they would sit down to dinner together and go to Temple together as a family.

During Lent, I tend to think of all the things God has given me over the years. Maybe the rest of the year I don't think of that as much. I know Lent is a solemn time leading up to the joy of Easter and His resurrection. It is also my thank you time for the support and guidance, God has given me during my life.

I wish could write poetry, sometimes, to share some of God's gifts. So I pray, say, share God's love and blessings with all. Come join us some Sunday at Jimmie D's – maybe just coffee or breakfast. We share, laugh, and enjoy everyone – super way to start the week!

Blessings to all!

Susan Darcy

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Crafts and Cookies

On Sunday, April 2nd we hope you will join us for another crafting session. We are having a great time making crafts and cards to send to hospitals, nursing homes and to our veterans. We have some delicious cookies and, yes, coffee and tea, too. Please come out and see what fun spring crafts we will be making. If you know of someone who might like a card or craft to cheer them up please let me know. We will be happy to make them one. Thanks and Happy Spring!

Debi

Spring Cleanup

As I write there is 2 feet of snow covering the yard and with it a large amount of gravel from the driveway. Easter is in mid April and we will probably have some daffodils by then. Mark your calendars for the spring clean up day now so you can come and join us. Bring rakes and shovels, clippers and gloves. ALL HANDS ON DECK on Saturday, April 8th at 9:00 a.m.. Refreshments will be provided. Thank you, Mary.

Newsletter Deadline

The newsletter deadline for the May issue will be **Saturday, April 15th**.

If you have any news to share, please send it to
Susan Darcy at susan@darcy-systems.com
or
Kris Smith at pioneer03@aol.com.

Province II ECW meeting

Mary is the secretary of this group of ECW women from all of Province II. They talk about their own diocesan programs and concerns. We elect a National ECW delegate, UTO delegate and CPC delegate. We work with the National ECW Board to develop the ECW program at National Convention. All women who are a part of this parish are members of the ECW. Eugenia is the President. Contact her if you are interested in participating.

APRIL CALENDAR

Sunday, April 1 – *5st Sunday in Lent*

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

8:00 a.m. Sunday School

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Crafts and Cookies

Saturday, April 8 -

9:00 a.m. Spring cleaning at church

Sunday, April 9 – *Palm Sunday*

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, with Rev. Canon Clinton Dugger

Thursday, April 13 – *Maundy Thursday*

Friday, April 14 – *Good Friday*

Wednesday, April 15 – **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!!!**

Sunday, April 16 – *Easter Sunday*

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Rev. Frank Lockwood

Sunday, April 23 – *2nd Sunday of Easter*

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

8:00 a.m. Sunday School

Sunday, April 30 – *3rd Sunday of Easter*

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

8:00 a.m. Sunday School

Coming Up:

Monday, May 29 - Memorial Day

9:00 a.m. Memorial Day Parade steps off from Shatford Park

Friday, June 9 – Sunday, June 11 – Diocesan Convention – registration is on line.

I Like Hugs

It's wondrous what a Hug can do
A Hug can cheer you when you are feeling blue

A Hug can say "I love You So"
Or "I Hate To See You Go"

A Hug is welcome back again!
And great to see you! Or where have you been?

A Hug can soothe a small child's pain
And bring a rainbow after rain

A Hug! There's just no doubt about it
We scarcely could survive without it

A Hug delights and warms and charms
It must be why God gave us arms.