

# The Messenger

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**The TCW** will meet on Tuesday April 11 at 12:30 to continue our Sole Hope project helping to make shoes for children in Uganda. We got off to a great start in March and will continue to work on the shoe uppers in April. These shoes will help to protect children in Uganda from jiggers, a parasite that burrows into their feet and make it painful to walk.

The shoes are made from denim. This can be old, clean heavy denim of any color. It just has to be heavy like Levi Jeans. The shoes also require a plastic support for the heal and these are made from milk jugs, 2 liter drink bottles, or think plastic folders. The process involves tracing a template onto the denim and cutting it out. If you can help, we need all the hands we can get.

For those of you who are not able to come, the Sole Hope team also ministers to the children giving them medical help to remove the jiggers. They are also in need of supplies. If you would like to help with this, you can bring these to the meeting or there will be a box in the Parish Hall.

The following items are needed.

Large safety pins

Medical gloves (all sizes)

Band-aids (all sizes)

Alcohol wipes

Gauze wrap

Triple antibiotic/Neosporin cream

Child strength pain medication

Medical tape

Stickers for children



Bring a bag lunch and join your TCW friends for at 12:30 April 11.

Monetary donations for basins, soap, & other supplies to be bought in Uganda

#### A Musical Note

As most of you know, we have a new

Music system that does not play the

Organ. We ARE ABLE TO SING EVERYTHING

IN OUR HYMNAL NOW.

To acquaint you With new hymns, the

CHOIR WILL SING IT ONE SUNDAY AND THEN EVERYONE WILL SING IT THE NEXT SUNDAY.

PLEASE BE PATIENT AS WE LEARN TO USE THE SYSTEM AND EXPERIMENT WITH VOLUME

AND ORCHESTRATION.

We welcome your comments to help us

Make a joyful noise to the lord (and to

You)

JoAnne Ellingson

## March 15, 2017 Lenten Supper

After a delicious potluck, Fr. Wes showed a video about two people who followed their passions to make a difference in the world. We wrote down 3 of our gifts and put them on the wall with sticky pads. He challenged us to find our "fluency" and passions to also make an impact using the gifts we have been given. Fluency in this context meant what group are you best able to connect to and share your gifts: children, homeless, seniors, poor, ill, etc. We broke into discussion groups at our tables and then brought our thoughts to the group. Saundra pointed out that when God gives us a challenge, he also gives us the power to carry out his will. Thank you Fr.



Wes!



On March 15, the M&M group (mature and motivated) hosted a chair yoga class for the community featuring Jennifer Woods from the Adawehi healing community as instructor. The event was well attended despite very cold temperatures and wind! Jen led us in learning how to keep our motility with simple daily exercises that are accessible to all levels of fitness. As always there were refreshments, prizes and fun! It was

exciting to feel the willingness to try this different type of exercise. There were many conversations about health and a renewed commitment to stay active and healthy!

Thanks to the vestry for supporting health through M&M and thank you Jen!



## **APRIL**



04 Tim Turner

06 Wes Shields

11 Charlene Efird

13 Whitney Turner

22 Michael Maziarka

23 Charlene Barnett

24 Sr. Lynn Julian

27 Sara Gray

29 Don Hinton

29 Betty Zieger

## **APRIL**

15 Marshall and Susan Brooks

19 Bryant and Mary Karr Williams

25 Curt and JoAnne Ellingson

25 Ray and Amy Spanjers

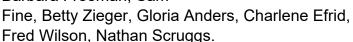
30 Carl and Saundra Nelson



Please pray for our men and women in the military and those serving in other areas of conflict. Daniel Crane, Ralph Salamone, Hamilton, Jordan, Hunter Fitzpatrick, Benjamine St. Pierre & Zach Poole.

Please pray for members who are in the hospital and who are sick.

Gertrude, Ackie Okpych, Berta Whitt, JoAnne Woodcock, Anne Hinton, Barbara Freeman, Sam





## **Events for April**

### **Firewood Ministry**

Every Monday at 1 pm
Cutting and delivering
firewood to those in need
Call Wes for more information

## **Vestry Meetings**

Second Wednesday of the month 12:30 in the Parish Hall. All are welcome

## The M & M Club (Mature & Motivated)

The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration

HIGHWAY 64/74-A Bat Cave, NC

#### A FUN AFTERNOON TOUR OF THE

#### TRYON EQUESTRIAN CENTER

#### Transportation provided

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

1:00 pm - Meet at the church Return between 4-5pm

#### TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT:

**CALL: (828) 625-9244** OR

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To raise funds for Women Helping Women Scholarship Program. WHW program assists women in Diocese of Western North Carolina so they can pursue or further their religious education or ministry.

Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 10 am—2 pm at Lake Lure Inn & Spa. Cost is 30 per person. Raffle; Silent Auction; Luncheon; book signing, anti-aging demonstration. Come out and support this event to help us raise funds for WHW Scholarship. Thanks.

## Hope you can join us for this worthy cause and fun event!

Mail in your registration form today! Registration Deadline: Friday, April 28, 2	2017
Name:	
Address:	
Town:	
Phone/Cell NoEmail	
Send your check to Diane Mance, Diocesan ECW Treasurer, 105 Poppy Lane, NC 28803	GO!
Pay by using Paypal (go to our website: www.episcopalchurchwomen□wnc.org)	ECW

Dear ladies at Transfiguration, I invite you to join our ecw diocesan board on Friday, May 5 at 5:00 pm in the lounge at the Inn. Social hour then dinner at 6. thanks, mary ann

#### Icon of St. Patrick...

After several years of praying and planning, the Episcopal Church of St. Patrick in Mooresville, NC, has commissioned an icon of their namesake. Their assisting priest, The Reverend Sally Brower, and I have been spiritual and icon friends for nearly twenty years, both of us having met as students in our first iconography class at Kanuga.

In preparation for this commission, I have written a small (5" x 7") icon of St. Patrick to give an idea of how theirs may appear. A photo of this icon is attached...it is not quite finished.

The wooden board for the big St. Patrick's icon was ordered from a Russian Orthodox workshop in Wisconsin. It is 24" x 36" with an arched top, made with oak braces for stability, and it is covered with many layers of pure white gesso representing the uncreated light of God. The image



will be painted with egg yolk and pigments from the earth, the way icons were written in the 300's, and 24k gold will enliven St. Patrick's halo and the background. It will be a work of prayer made visible. The board, pigments, gold and drawings will be blessed by Father Wes on Wednesday, April 5, at the 10:00 service.

I had asked my friend Sally if the church could support me in prayer. The following is part of the prayer that is being prayed by St. Patrick's Church:

"Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to reconcile the world to yourself. We bless you for those you have sent in the power of the Spirit to preach the gospel to all nations. We thank you that in all parts of the earth, a community of love has been gathered together by their prayers and labors, remembering especially St. Patrick's and the Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, the community of our iconographer; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

"O God, be ever present with your servant, Veryle Lynn, who seeks through her art to perfectly portray the icon of St. Patrick; and grant to us a glimpse of your divine beauty, that in us Christ may restore the divine image; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

#### Dear Church Family,

There are parish members who are fragrance sensitive and there has been a request to please refrain from using fragrances for services and church events. Thanks for your consideration in this matter.



## Rotation Schedule for 10 am Services

#### Please note:

April 13 April 14 April 13 JoAnne Ellingson; Curt Ellingson Maundy Good Friday at 6 PM Thursday at 6 pm April 14 Julie Maziarka; Marily Floyd Vestry for Coffee Hr plus join us for us for Easter Egg Hunt April 16 April 16 Gloria Anders; Julie Maziarka April 23 Saundra & Carl Nelson April 23 Chuck Watkins; Mike Boff April 30 Jeanette & Johnny Auld April 30 Curt Ellingson; Saundra Nelson



#### April 13 & 14 No Ushers and no music

April 16 Robert & Harriet Taylor Robert Taylor April 13 April 14 None April 23 Marion & Fred Wilson April 16 Veryle Lynn Cox April 30 Lauren & Casey Ward April 23 Robert Taylor Jack Stanier April 30



April 16 Mike Maziarka

April 23 Dawn Milachouski

April 30 Mike Maziarka







Lay Readers

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#### Vestry 2017

#### Please pray daily for the leaders of our church.

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	Danny Holland	
	Gearge Desjardins	

Clerk Michele Yackel





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## **Weekly Services**

Holy Eucharist: Sundays 8:00 am and 10:00 am Holy Eucharist and Healing: Wednesdays 10:00 am

**Bible Study:** 

Sundays 9:00 am & Wednesdays 11:00 am

Children's Sunday School 10am Choir Rehearsal: Sunday 9:15 am The Sunday School children learned about Joseph during the month of March.



