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Thoughts from Pastor Cassie

Dear Friends in Christ,

What if Mary and Martha were living the quarantine life in their day and time, when Jesus came into town & they invited him in for dinner? What would that have been like? If you need a refresher on these two sisters, look up Luke 10:38-42.

Picture this…Martha is busy doing her afternoon chores around her home. She walks outside to hang some linens to dry, and her neighbor calls out to her, "Martha, did you hear the man named Jesus is here? You know, the one everyone's been talking about?"

She scurries to her front porch, and there he is. It had to be him, with all these people chattering and following closely behind him. Martha quickly yells in through the open doorway, "Sister! Jesus is here! I'm going to invite him for supper!"

Martha calls over to Jesus and he accepts her cheerful invitation. He strides across the path with a smile. Some of his followers join him in the sisters' home. Martha gets herself straight to work! There is so much to make ready. Did they even have enough toilet paper? She busies herself in the kitchen and tries to be the safest and best hostess she could be. Thankfully, she just did her weekly deep clean, but she has to double check everything to be extra safe.

Martha wipes the sweat from her brow and adjusts her mask. Mary is sitting with Jesus and his friends. Martha says, "Well, Mary, the table is set and now all that's left to do is to slice the bread and set out the food! Oh, and we can't forget the hand sanitizer!"

Mary doesn't get the hint. She doesn't even look over that way. Martha is now waving her favorite wooden spoon as she attempts to signal Mary. But Mary is content where she is.

Church Business

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This contentedness is just too much for Martha. "NOT TODAY, SIS. NOT TODAY!" Martha whacks that spoon on the freshly cloroxed counter. Normally, she wouldn't want to tattle, but Martha felt like Jesus would care if she told him what was going on. She told him what little help her sister had been. But Martha didn't get the reaction she was expecting.

Jesus said, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her" (Luke 10:41-42).

The good portion…what was Jesus talking about? Late into the evening, long after her guests had left, Martha sits in her living room pondering what in her life was missing when she already felt so busy and overwhelmed. She doses off on the couch and somehow this sense of peace comes over her and gives her the best rest she had had in months.

You are loved!

Pastor Cassie

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

by Karen Cook

Church Council met January 10th at 4 pm. All members were present either in person or on Zoom.

* Greg Webb opened the meeting with a devotion and prayer.
* The NALC has a vision to develop a disciple building culture. To that end, St. Peter's Evangelism Committee has designated 2021 "The Year of the Disciple".
* General fund revenue increased 4% in 2020.
* It was noted that we are in need of members for the Educational Ministry Team.
* A Task Force is being created to explore our social media presence and growth strategies.

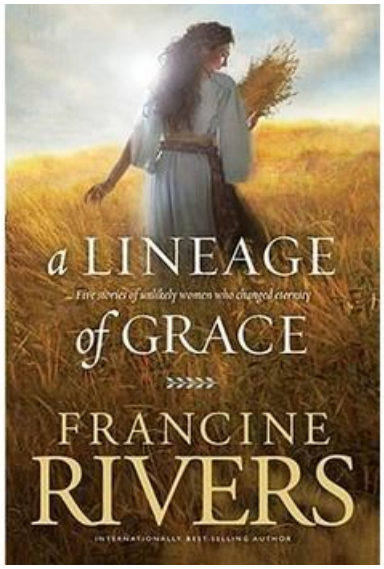
Next meeting is February 14, 2021 @ 4 pm.

St. Peter's By the Numbers Numbers reflect giving January 1-January 17, 2021	
Budget Needed YTD	$ 35,485.38
Budget Received YTD	$ 23,201.00
(Shortage) **Overage YTD**	($ 12,284.38)

ANNUAL REPORTS DUE

Please remember that each committee needs to turn in a report of activities for 2020 and a list of their members for 2021. A bullet list of activities is preferred. Please get them to Carol as soon as possible.

Book Club



BOOK CLUB NEWS

In February we will be reading ***A Lineage of Grace*** by Francine Rivers***.***

There are five stories in this book and each person will pick one story to share with the group. (Dressing like your character would be fun.) You can join the discussion on any of the stories. You do not have to read the entire book if you don't want to do so. We will discuss this book the first of March.

"Even from the ashes of broken dreams and overwhelming despair, the woman who is strong and favored of the Lord will rise and experience redemption."

"In this compilation of the five books within the bestselling ***Lineage of Grace*** *series by Francine Rivers, we meet the five women whom God used to fulfill His ultimate purpose: Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, and Mary. Each was faced with extraordinary—even scandalous—challenges. Each took great personal risk to fulfill her calling. And each was destined to play a key role in the lineage of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the World."*

Contact Brenda Hedgecock with questions.

Because we all need some good news….

Congratulations to our Seminary student, Ben Blobaum on his recent wedding to Amy. He is pictured here with his parents, Rev. Gary & Amy Blobaum. (Yes, you read that correctly. His mother and his new wife are both named AMY.) 😊

Youth Activities

Sunday, February 7

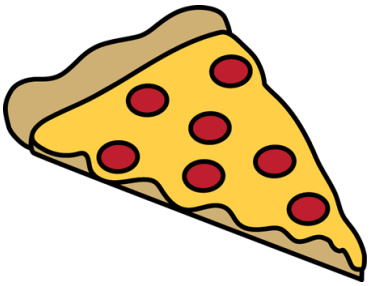
Jr. & Sr. Youth Movie Day

3:00—5:30 pm

Parish Life Center

Popcorn, cookies, and drinks served.

Bring your mask & camping chair.



Sunday, February 14

Club 345 Lunch & a Movie

12:30—2:30 pm

Pizza lunch & movie snacks served in the Fellowship Hall

Junior Youth 5:00—6:00 pm

Senior Youth 6:30—7:30 pm

Sunday, February 21

Confirmation Classes

3:00—6:00 pm

7th graders in Fellowship Hall

8th graders in Parish Life Center

No Junior Youth Activities

Senior Youth 6:30—7:30 pm

Sunday, February 28

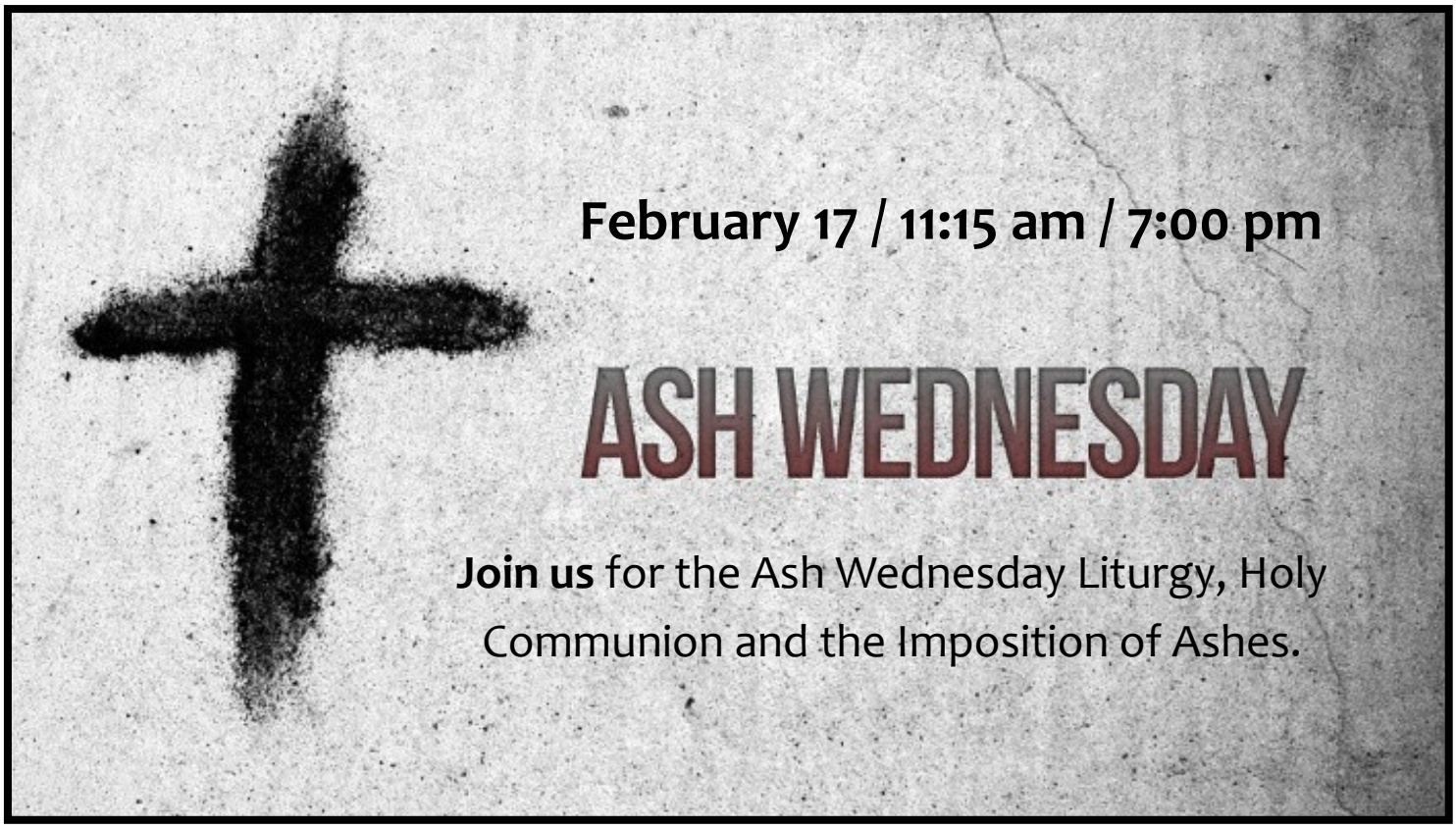
Junior Youth 5:00—6:00 pm

Senior Youth 6:30—7:30 pm

(the Josh with shorter hair will be there)

Contact Pastor Cassie at 678-492-3956 or pastorcassieb@gmail.com with questions.

The Lenten Season is Here!



Join us for
Mid-Week Worship During Lent

Wednesdays
11:15 am & 7:00 pm
In the Sanctuary

Our Prayer List

Member Needs

Rick Baldwin
Landis Ballington
Godfrey Burnett
Claudia Chassereau
Pat & Marilyn Dozier
Charlie Eargle
Summer Eargle
Jay Freeman
Betty Lou Fulmer
Al Holladay
Bob Hundley
Larry James
Claude Lindler
Letha Long
Keith McMillan
Jennifer O'Neill
Marvin Parson
Calvin Porth
Joyce M. Porth
Zack Spence
John Stealey
James Thompson
Elizabeth Ward
Nolan Wessinger

Homebound

Betty Amick (Wellmore)
Wanda Arnold
Grace Harmon
Billie Heidenstrom (Florida)
Frank & Peggy Howard
Jon & Sylvia Monson
Lonna Paul
Albert Porth (Hospice)
Jake Rush
Frances Snelgrove
Larry Varner (Oakleaf)
Retha Wessinger (Morningside)
Barbara Whiteside (Carolina Gardens)

Military

David Ballington (Army)
Andrew Henry (Navy-Hawaii)
Cory Hodgkiss (Army NG)
Brad Smith (Marines)
Kyle Weed (Navy-Virginia)

Family & Friends of the St. Peter's Congregation

Linda Adams (mother of a friend of Wayne O'Neill)
Family of Lorraine Barnette (mother of Carolyn Watkins)
Vivian Best (grandmother of Michael Carter)
Janice Bowman (mother of Carol Wyndham)
Pam Cannon (daughter of Jerry & Sarah Richey)
Kathie Cashion (mother of Hillarie Vaughan)
Rudy Caulder (mother of Tabitha Summers)
Stephen Cochran (son-in-law of Paul & Diane Robison)
Don Eleazer (father of Julynn Spence)
Kenneth Ellingson (father-in-law of Kayla Ellingson)
Family of Marlene Evans (friend of Carol Arnold)
Sandra Frazier (step-mother of Julie Watkins)
Betty Freeman (mother of Jay Freeman)
Marcie Frick (sister-in-law of Lisa Szuhy)
Marie Fulmer (niece of Myra Cantrell)
Terri Hamilton (friend of Angie Williams)
Family of William Jumper
Nancy Kornewald (mother of Julie Harmon)
David Light (father of Pastor Cassie Boehringer)
Penny Lungrum (granddaughter of Paul Todd)
David McCall (nephew of Connie Lindler)
Mary "Millie" McMillan (mother of Keith McMillan)
Grace Mellette (mother of Steve Alford)
Jim Orth (nephew of Doreen Edmondson)
Family of Mark Oxner (brother of Robin Rawl)
Kay Oxner (sister of Robin Rawl)
Bette Paulling (cousin of Debbie Marcolini)
Carmy Payne (mother of Diane Lawhead)
Will Perrin (nephew of Christen Weidner)
Ronda Porth (daughter of Joyce & Oddie Porth)
Jeanette Price (grandma of Kayla Ellingson & Crystal Dennison)
Earl Sanford (Grandfather of Craig Davis)
Jim Spencer (cousin of Russell Watkins)
Jane Sterling (dear friend of the Weidners)
Emily West (mother of Michael Carter)
Kris Whitley (neighbor of Buck & Ashley Ray)
Charlotte Grace Wilson (great niece of the Hoffmans)

Missionaries & Ministry Partners

David Davis in Brazil
Neeraj & Nijhar Ekka in India
NALC Mission Congregations:
- Addis Hiwot, Charlotte, NC
- Advent, Kings Mountain, NC
- Christ United, Granite Falls, NC
- Grace, Winston-Salem, NC
- Immanuel, Sumter, SC
- Joy Mission, West Cola., SC
- Reformation, New Bern, NC
- Trinity, Flat Rock, NC

The ELCA
The NALC

Updated 1-22-2021

Serving in February

8:30 Worship in PLC / 11:00 Worship in Sanctuary

	February 7	February 14	February 21	February 28
Acolyte Early	**Not Needed**	**Not Needed**	**Not Needed**	**Not Needed**
Late	**Volunteer Needed**	**Volunteer Needed**	**Volunteer Needed**	**Volunteer Needed**
Altar Flowers	Stella Hendrick	Steve & Carol Wyndham	***Lent—No Flowers***	***Lent—No Flowers***
Altar Guild	Linda Gable, Connie Lindler, Barbara Weed			
Cameras	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**
Communion Servers Early	**Bread: Pastor Cassie** Wine: Pastor Bill Assist: Jenny Stone	**Bread: Pastor Cassie** Wine: Pastor Bill Assist: Sheryll Gill	**Bread: Pastor Cassie** Wine: Pastor Bill Assist: Nita Eichstaedt	**Bread: Pastor Bill** Wine: Pastor Cassie Assist: Sheryll Gill
Late	**Bread: Pastor Cassie** Wine: Pastor Bill Assist: Meredith Cook	**Bread: Pastor Cassie** Wine: Pastor Bill Assist: Marie Eargle	**Bread: Pastor Cassie** Wine: Pastor Bill Assist: Karen Cook	**Bread: Pastor Bill** Wine: Pastor Cassie Assist: **Volunteer**
Greeters Early	Bob & Patti Switter	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**	Tom & Diane Lawhead	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**
Late	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**	Marie Eargle	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**	Dr. Carl & Donna Shealy
Lectors Early	Tommy Stone	Russell Watkins	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**	**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**
Late	Karen Cook	Marie Eargle	Anna Stiglbauer	Donna Shealy
Ushers Early & Late	**Jeffrey Crapps & Keith Powell —Co-Chairs** Brady Porth, Jr., Dr. Carl Shealy, John Stiglbauer, Stan Whiteside			

SIGN-UP SHEETS are located in the Parish Life Center. Please take time to add your name to a place of service for 2021.

Figure out what fuels your joy, then do lots of that. ~Bob Goff

February Birthdays

2nd	Jake Leitzsey Cohen Lindler Brenda Nichols Melanie Crawford Morgan Wade
3rd	Elliot Porth John Harmon
4th	Missy Porth Grace Harmon
5th	Carson Ray Jodi Ballington
7th	Nathan Nelson Ava Lyn Hoyle
8th	Colt Lax Myra Cantrell David Heffner
10th	Kimberly Jumper Lillian Johnson
11th	Dan Rider Audrey Wilson
12th	Caroline Davis Rachel Price
13th	Joshua Lever Barbara Novak
15th	Brent Harmon John Michael Weidner Dr. Erin Zee
16th	Jodi Chumley Lee Dixon Billie Heidenstrom
17th	Andrea Crawford Barry Powell Keith Powell
18th	Melinda Bedenbaugh Rev. Gary Blobaum Clark Cooper Alyson Shirer Patti Switter
20th	Jake Porth Travis Porth Andrew Henry Phil Hughes
21st	Hugh Nichols Russell Bickley
22nd	Reagan Poole Addyson Galub Jennifer Williams
23rd	Elizabeth Lindler Nathan Sheider Garrett Webb
24th	Zachary Ballentine Fisher Sims
25th	Erin Gobbi Trish Isley Suzette Johnson John Smith
27th	Jackie Jumper Cathy Klotz

February Anniversaries

3rd	Michael & Natalie Carter	25 years
9th	Zack & Julynn Spence	30 years
10th	Matt & Allison Hendrix	11 years
12th	Tetie & Lonna Paul	33 years
13th	**Frank & Peggy Howard**	**72 years**
WOW!!!		

17th	Ashley & Allison Black	20 years
18th	Brent & Sheila Harmon	27 years
21st	Buck & Bunny Dannels	12 years
27th	Marty & Tina Lindler	28 years

FEBRUARY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

8:30 am	Worship
10:00 am	Sunday School/FH
11:00 am	Worship
5:00 pm	Junior Youth/YR
6:30 pm	Senior Youth/YR

MONDAY

6:30 pm	Matins Choir/PLC
6:30 pm	Gideon Study/GR

WEDNESDAY

10:00 am	Bible Study/FH
1:00 pm	Staff Meeting/CR
7:19 pm	Chancel Choir/PLC

THURSDAY

6:00 pm	Hedgecock Group

FRIDAY

6:30 am	Men's Breakfast/FH

CR: Conference Room
FH: Fellowship Hall
GR: Gathering Room behind PLC
PLC: Parish Life Center
YR: Youth Room

PUBLISHING DEADLINES:
Bulletin—Noon on Wednesdays
Proclaimer—15th of every month
Prayer List—5 pm on Wednesdays

February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 6 pm Service Committee 6:30 pm Book Club / FH 7 pm Evangelism Committee	3	4 7 pm Education Ministry	5	6
7	8	9 7 pm Worship & Music	10	11	12	13
14 12:30 pm Club 345 4 pm Council	15	16	17 11:15 am & 7 pm Ash Wednesday Worship	18 7 pm Youth Committee	19	20 Dam to Dam Relay
21 3 pm Confirmation	22	23 7 pm Stewardship & Finance on Zoom	24 11:15 am & 7 pm Lenten Worship	25	26	27
28 4 pm First Communion Class						

It's easy to confuse a lot of activity with a purposeful life. Do what lasts; let the rest fall away.

~ Bob Goff

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