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Experience the drama of Holy Week at Holy Spirit

Holy Week signals the culmination of our Lenten practices. We hope to enter it with ears to hear and eyes to see, perhaps in ways we haven't experienced before. Consider giving yourself extra down time during this week to fully integrate the twists and turns of this upending drama, allowing Jesus to speak to you.

We celebrate Palm Sunday*, the joyous palm-laden procession of Jesus into Jerusalem, on April 9th. This year rather than gathering in the parish hall before the service, we invite you to find your place in a pew. The choir will do a special procession around the nave, and the palms will be blessed in the chancel. This service requires us to make an abrupt shift from celebration to the darkness of crucifixion. At both services the Passion Gospel will be read.

The Maundy Thursday* service happens on April 13th, this year starting early, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. A simple table Eucharist will be offered along with foot washing to be hosted by Holy Spirit families. This service offers an intimate experience of the Last Supper and powerful visual images pointing to Jesus' sacrifice. The altar is stripped at the end of the service, and the congregation leaves in the dark.

The prayer vigil begins immediately after the Maundy Thursday service. The

disciples slept while Jesus prayed and then they fled, leaving him all alone. And so it is on this night that we stay awake. Parishioners sign up for one-hour increments to sit in the church, to watch and wait and pray.

Good Friday services are on April 14th at noon. On this day, we remember Jesus' death. The Passion Gospel will be read, and there will be opportunity to venerate the cross. As is our tradition, parishioners are invited to a soup and hot cross bun luncheon in the parish hall immediately following the service.

The Easter Vigil* happens on Saturday, April 15th, starting at 7:30 p.m. and followed by an Easter reception. The service begins in the dark, symbolizing Jesus' dark tomb. The space is lit only by the paschal candle, *the light of Christ*. Hope builds incrementally within the service until Jesus' resurrection is recognized and celebrated.

Easter morning services celebrate that glorious resurrection with music, bells and flowers. Services will be offered at both 9* a.m. and 11 a.m. Please join us!

**Childcare will be provided during these services.*

Allow Jesus to speak to you through the liturgies of Holy Week.

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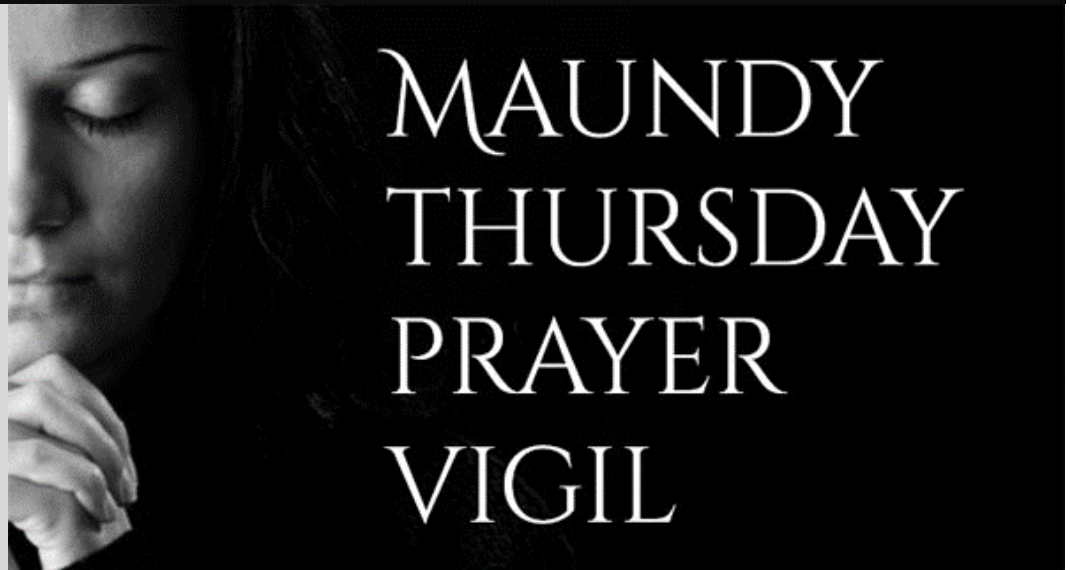
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NEWSLETTER

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Sign up to be a part of the Maundy Thursday prayer vigil

Devote an hour or more to prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane with Jesus on the Thursday of Holy Week, April 13th. Starting immediately after the Maundy Thursday service and continuing until the next morning, parishioners will sign up for an hour at a time to sit in the church and pray. Bring a journal, a book for reflection, or even an instrument, and sit with others (two people sign up for each 1-hour slot) as we "stay awake with Jesus." Look for the sign up in the parish hall.

We need to have two people for each hour. The church doors will be locked and opened when you knock on the door for your time. Those who have done this in previous years have found this to be a moving and spiritual time. Consider inviting a friend to join you in your shift! If you have questions, contact the coordinator, Holly Swartz at 542-1978.

— HOLLY SWARTZ
VIGIL COORDINATOR

Help us celebrate Easter with flowers Easter flower donors needed

One of the most vivid and beautiful symbols of the Easter tradition is the return of flowers to our altar and church. Along with joyous music, beautiful liturgies, and the return of Alleluias, flowers herald the arrival of light and warmth and the promise of renewed life. To make the special services come alive with the color, scent, and beauty of these flowers, extra donations are needed and greatly appreciated.

Please contact the church office at 542-2167 if you would like to give toward the Easter flowers. Any amount is most welcome. Gifts can be sent to the church office, and special prayers and memorials will be listed in the Easter bulletin. **In order for your memorial to appear in the Easter bulletins, we need to hear from you by 9 a.m. on Wednesday, March 29.** Thank you in advance for your special help with the Easter flowers.

Got a kid? Ask about the box!

Over the last several weeks the children have been learning in-depth about the events of Holy Week. They started in March, learning about Palm Sunday and the Last Supper. In April they'll focus on the Garden of Gethsemane, the crucifixion and resurrection. Our hope in spending more time on these stories is that the children will be more familiar and comfortable with them. On Palm Sunday, rather than participating in the Palm Sunday procession, the children will be focused on the crucifixion and resurrection, pre-learning the events of Holy Week. We

have found over time that this pre-learning model can make a significant difference in the child's interest and engagement with the material. On Palm Sunday each child will take home his or her own Holy Week Box. The box will contain visual cues to remind him or her of the events of Holy Week. The goal is that each child can share the significance of Holy Week with friends and family. If you've got a kid, or know a kid in Church School.....Ask about the box!



Bible Game Day set for April 23!

Your kids won't want to miss it, believe me. This is often a favorite Church School day. Classes divide up and compete, answering questions based on Bible stories we've studied during the year. This time we have **VERY SPECIAL PRIZES**, and we're not talking cheap, plastic things that will clutter your house and then be thrown out. These are prizes the kids will use and keep (perhaps for a

lifetime). So make every effort to be here Sunday, April 23 (the week after Easter). To brush up on Bible trivia check out these stories that we've focused on this year: Abraham and Sarah, the Red Sea, Christmas, Disciples Are Called, Wedding at Cana, Holy Week & Easter.

— GRETCHEN STROHMAIER
DIRECTOR OF
SPIRITUAL FORMATION



Here's what's happening in Youth Ministry this month!

There are lots of great opportunities to participate in Youth Ministry this month. In addition to our normal youth group and QUEST, we'll be headed out to the annual Clark Fork River Cleanup on Saturday, April 22nd. This opportunity is available to all ages, so please consider joining us for this important community effort. Contact me at lindsay.hsp@qwestoffice.net or text 529-3637 for more information or to sign up.

On Friday, April 28th, Holy Spirit and Empower Montana, a local non-profit that works to create a more just and inclusive society, are teaming up for a Youth Sleep Out. This overnight in the church courtyard will be an awareness-raising event about teen homelessness in Missoula. We're excited to be taking part in this important teach-in.

Thanks for your support of Youth Ministry!

— LINDSAY AND PJ





Explorations:

Opportunities
to cultivate,
challenge
and live our
faith

Lenten Program 2017

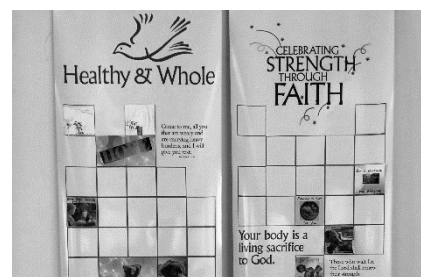
Healthy and Whole: celebrating strength through faith

Last Lenten Potluck. On Wednesday, April 5th, join your church family for the last Lenten potluck. Potluck begins at 6:30 p.m. Joel Makeci and his family, recent immigrants from Congo, will share songs of faith and inspiration that Joel has written. They will play for us at the end of the potluck (around 7 p.m.) just before we enter the church for our speaker. Reverend Tom King, Chaplain at Providence St.

Patrick Hospital, will be with us to share *Faith and Resilience*. Tom will share life stories from personal and professional experience of this paschal mystery of death and resurrection, noting this pattern of lost and found, trauma and transformation. He will speak to this journey of presence, God with us, upholding us through the losses of life, so we come out even more alive on the other side.

Add your piece to our Healthy and Whole quilt

Our Healthy & Whole Quilt is taking shape in the parish hall. If you haven't had a chance yet, take a moment to share your vision of what healthy and whole looks like for you, our community, or our world. Supplies are in the parish hall for you to add a square to our quilt.

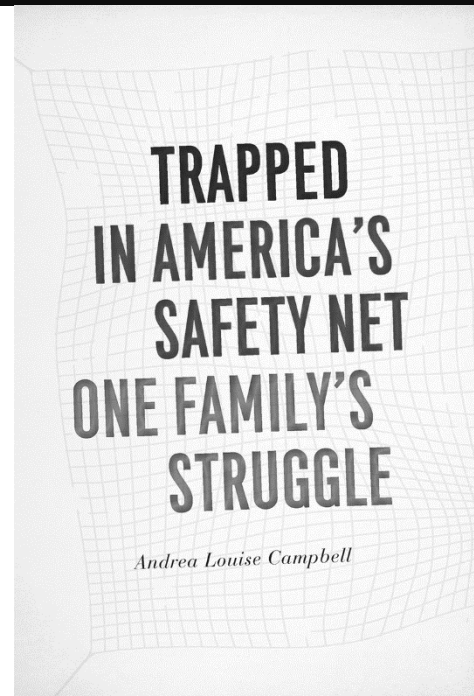


Trapped in America's Safety Net

Thursday evening book study, April 20-May 18, 7-8:30 pm

Have you wondered why poverty persists despite all the government "benefit" programs? Have you been in desperate need or worked with poor people only to find you are confused, frustrated, overwhelmed and perhaps ultimately hopeless about getting help? Are you facing impossible costs of long-term care for yourself or a family member? Social policy analyst Andrea Louise Campbell writes of her awakening, when tragedy struck her own family, to the hard facts of life for those in need of help in our society. She describes how and why our social assistance programs developed in such a way that they discourage rather than facilitate access and close off opportunity. As people of faith charged with serving the poor we may feel helpless in the face of overwhelming need. Whether you are working actively in the community or simply wish to increase your understanding of the dilemmas that you and others face, you are invited to join in a book study and discussion of *Trapped in America's Safety Net*. Facilitated by Margaret Watson, the group will meet to share experiences and reflections on five Thursday evenings, from April 20 through May 18, 7-8:30 p.m.

Order a book online or purchase at the local bookstore. It may be checked out through Missoula Public Library. If you have questions, please contact Margaret at marg59803@gmail.com.



Send a note of welcome back for Rev. Terri's return on April 18

Reverend Terri plans to be back in the church office on Tuesday, April 18th. Many of you have expressed warm wishes and concern for her during this time as she grieves her father's death. Sending a card to the office welcoming her back would be a lovely gesture and expression of your solidarity with her in this time of loss.

Use Centering Prayer to prepare for Holy Week

Join Willie Hoffer on Saturday, April 8th, for a special Centering Prayer opportunity. Prepare yourself for Holy Week. Give yourself the gift of this hour in prayer. Praying silently with others is very different from praying silently on your own. Come experience

the difference. Fortify your Lenten prayer practice and get ready to truly hear and experience the excitement, sorrow and joy of Holy Week.

Saturday, April 8th, 12:00 – 1:00
Guild Room. Contact Willie Hoffer with questions (541)815-9609.

Join us for egg decorating!

Join Barbara Morrison on Saturday April 8th from 9:30 -11:30 a.m. in the parish hall for Ukrainian egg decorating. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Bring two room temperature eggs. Registration

required; contact the church office at 542-2167 or holyspiritparish@qwestoffice.net. If you have questions about the event, contact Barbara Morrison at 721-6159.

Ukrainian Egg Workshop

Saturday, April 8
9:30 am-11:30 am



It's time to register for church camp at Camp Marshall!

Grace Camp (June 18 - June 23) - *for campers entering grades 3-8 with an incarcerated parent*

Junior Middler 1 (June 25 - June 30) - *for campers entering grades 3-8; cost, \$380*

Mini Grace Camp (July 4-7) - *for campers entering grades 3-6 with an incarcerated parent*

Junior High Adventure (July 5-8) - *an adventurous session of kayaking, camping, and hiking for youth entering grades 6-8; cost, \$280*

Junior Middler 2 (July 9-14) - *for campers entering grades 3-8; cost, \$380*

Senior High (July 16 - July 22) - *for campers entering grades 9-12; cost, \$400*

Family Camp (July 23-July 28) - *for families of all configurations; cost, \$600/cabin*

Adventure Week (July 23 - July 28) - *for campers entering grades 9-12; cost, \$400*

Alumni Weekend (August 11-13) - *for camp alumni of any age; cost, \$60-\$100 per person*



of Rummage Sale donations

Need a few suggestions of what to donate for our Spring Rummage Sale on May 5 and 6? Just follow the ABC's of Rummage Sale donations. Your home will be clutter free in no time, and we'll have the makings for a great Rummage Sale!

- A** – Art items and apparel
- B** – Books (paperback or trade)
- C** – Clothing and clocks
- D** – Dishes and DVDs
- E** – Egg timers and poachers
- F** – Fondue pots or furry hats
- G** – Games and guitars
- H** – Holiday decorations
- I** – Ivy or other house plants
- J** – Jewelry
- K** – Kitchen gadgets and knick knacks
- L** – Linens 'n things
- M** – Mugs and marbles
- N** – Neckties and note cards
- O** – Outgrown boots and shoes
- P** – Pots and pans
- Q** – Quart jars and pints
- R** – Radios and remnants
- S** – Shirts, slacks and sweaters
- T** – Toys for all ages
- U** – Utensils and umbrellas
- V** – Vases and "vahhses"
- W** – White elephants
- X** – XXL, XL, L, M, S
- Z** – Ziploc bags of zippers

We need your donations to have a successful sale. Bring your donated items to the parish hall on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 1, 2 and 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Need a pick up for your donations? Call Mary Tromly at 274-4795 before Monday, May 1, if you'd like this service.

Rummage Sale set for May 5 and 6:

Rummage Sale – the perfect spring cleaning incentive!

As you tackle drawers, closets, garages, basements, or storage units in your spring cleaning, let Holy Spirit be your recycling headquarters! Our annual Rummage Sale is Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6, and we will gladly accept your items Sunday – Wednesday, April 30 – May 3. We can come to your home, too, and pick up your items. Just call Mary Tromly at 274-4795 before Monday, May 1, if you'd like this service.

The sale also includes the famous Heavenly Boutique that features top o' the line women's and men's clothing and accessories. Perfect for those special items you haven't worn for several years.

And, be sure to check out the full-of-information Rummage Sale website.

Start at the Holy Spirit homepage, www.holyspiritmissoula.org. Click on "Parish Life" then "Rummage Sale." Follow the link for a complete list of what you can donate, when and where to bring donations, and how you can volunteer. There's even a sign-up page! We will also have sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall on Sunday, April 23 and 30. Interact in as many ways as you can with this year's sale. It's fun for every member of your family. And your closets, garages, drawers, basements, and storage units will thank you, too!

– BETSY HOLMQUIST
RUMMAGE SALE COMMITTEE



Sign up to volunteer at this year's sale following services on April 23 and 30 in the parish hall, or online at holyspiritmissoula.org. It's lots of fun!

Perspectives from a diaconal ministry: Building a web of care and connectedness for youth and families

It was a newsletter link from our Missoula Forum for Children and Youth (missoulaforum.org) that introduced me to the Missoula resource of Brightways Learning (brightwayslearning.org). Brightways' Kaleidoscope Connect work in empowering youth and families to thrive amidst challenges provides a colorful model that aligns so well with how we move as a faith community. Using the colors of the rainbow, they lay out components of a sustaining web of support:



- Red signifies the Rule of Five - Anchors of five or more caring adults who form the foundation of a youth's "personal village", adults who hold high expectations and provide opportunities, teach skills and celebrate progress.
- These Anchors work to throw both tangible and intangible strings, reflected as Orange and Yellow, for strong webbing - strings like basic needs, safety,

respect, support for learning, persistence, resourcefulness, compassion, and more.

- Green stands for Growing One's Balloon, expanding a youth's natural abilities and talents to be able to ride strongly on and above the ever-changing strings of one's web or the loss of an Anchor.
- Scissor Cuts are Blue, and they reminded me in part of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). The goal is to reduce or remove the conditions, actions and attitudes that snip away at the strings held by one's Anchors.
- Indigo and Violet bring to light the importance of caring for the web beneath one's Anchors, and how social norms affect youth, adults, and school and community environments.

As we explore the ways we will build on how we walk and serve alongside the children, youth, families and leadership at Hellgate High School, the Parenting Place and our greater faith community, this Kaleidoscope model speaks of the community, love and call which are core to our baptismal vows. We are and can be Anchors, throwing Gospel strings, mitigating scissor cuts and being a part of how the Holy Spirit grows one's "balloon". It is a visual that is bringing color to my prayers and discernment, and I lift it and these valuable community resources up for yours as well.

— THE REV. DORCIE DVARISHKIS
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The Wider Church...Mission Enterprise Zones

At a recent meeting of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church grants totaling \$821,000 were awarded for church planting and Mission Enterprise Zones to fund the start of 20 new ministries throughout the Church. These awards represent a response to Resolution D005 approved at General Convention 2015 and focused upon church planting.

Mission Enterprise Zones are evangelistic ministries with populations that are under-represented in the Church. Through this action, church starts are funded for a new community being built in Parker County in the Diocese of Fort Worth; a Spanish-speaking faith community in Tulsa in the Diocese of Oklahoma; a Latino-Hispanic ministry in the Aspen Hill community in Washington, DC; a ministry led by one of the first women priests ordained in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and serving those resettled from Sudan in the Diocese of Central New York; a new Hispanic church community being planted in Denison, Iowa in partnership with the Western Iowa Synod of the ELCA; and a Latino Hispanic church planting initiative in Monmouth County in the Diocese of New Jersey.

— PRU RANDALL

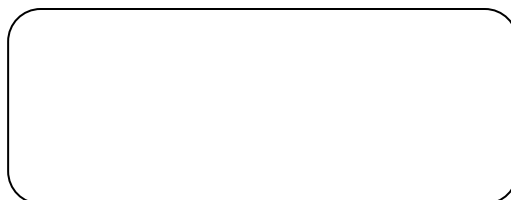
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Holy Week and Easter Schedule of Services

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 9

8 a.m., Blessing of the Palms, reading of the Passion and Holy Eucharist

10:15 a.m., Blessing of the Palms, reading of the Passion and Holy Eucharist

(Both Sunday services begin in the church this year.)

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 13

5:30 p.m., Liturgy of Maundy Thursday, in the church, followed by the Maundy Thursday Prayer Vigil

(Please note new time for service)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 14

12 noon, Liturgy of Good Friday, in the church, followed by the sharing of soup and hot cross buns in the parish hall after the service

EASTER EVE, APRIL 15

7:30 p.m., The Great Vigil of Easter, followed by the sharing of “milk and honey” in the parish hall

EASTER DAY, APRIL 16

9 a.m. and 11 a.m., Choral Eucharist; Coffee Hour follows both Sunday services