

MINISTRY OF THE SAINTS THIS WEEK - February 11, 2018

WELCOME VISITORS. If you have come as a stranger, may you depart as a friend. If you come with heavy burdens, may you leave knowing Jesus is supporting you. If you have come in joy, may you leave celebrating God's love for you through Jesus Christ, the Risen Son. Please do us the favor of signing our guest book, so that we may respond to your being with us. Please join us after worship for fellowship.

NURSERY IS PROVIDED during this worship service. Parents are encouraged to attend worship services with their children. This begins the good habit from an early age of worshiping with others. However, if you feel your child's behavior may be distracting to you or others who are worshiping, please feel free to speak with an usher for guidance to the staffed nursery.

FLOWERS BY THE ALTAR are given for the glory of God.

WELCOME to Rev. Dr. Michael Kuchinsky who is leading worship, preaching, and presiding at Holy Communion. Mike is a retired ELCA pastor and seminary professor. He and his wife, Cathy, live in Maryland. Please take a moment to offer him a personal welcome this morning. Pastor Gary is recovering from the flu.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION TRACK 1: We will meet TODAY at 9:45 am we continue our study, *Questions for Jesus: Studies in Mark*. See the January Grapevine for more details or speak to the course facilitator, Sven Allenbach-Schmidt. The class will meet in the southwest classroom.

G.I.F.T. classes meet today. Grades K-5 will meet in the North Classroom. Middle and High School youth will meet in the youth/choir room.

LUTHERAN WOMEN PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: The February meeting of the Prayer Shawl group will be Thursday, February 15, from 1-4 pm at the home of Jan Withers. Her address is 2457 Symphony Lane, Gambrills.

FEBRUARY MOVIE NIGHT! Join us for the February Family Movie Night on Saturday, February 17, at 5 pm. **Save the Date!** There is a poll for the movie; *Barnyard, Gnomeo & Juliet, Home on the Range* or *Babe*. If you are not voting via Facebook page, you can email your vote to Melissa Bitter.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: The next meeting will be on Saturday, February 17, at 10:00 am in the Youth room. For more information contact Diane Cvitko at 410-571-8413 or dcvitko@comcast.net.

MONTHLY POTLUCK: is NEXT Sunday, February 18, at 12:30 pm. The theme is "**Starts with Me!** Bring a dish that begins with the first letter of your first or last name. Bonus for your whole name! The Pantry contribution is dry cereal.

TRANSITION UPDATE: Dr. James Pence, our Walkalong consultant, will present the congregation with an overview of the Ministry Site Profile and the next steps in the pastoral succession process NEXT **Sunday, February 18**, following each worship service. Please mark your calendars and make a point to attend one of the sessions.

Let's go BOWLING! The 7th Annual Bowie Interfaith Recreation Council (B.I.R.C.) bowling fundraiser will be Sun. March 11th, beginning at 2:00pm. It will be at the Crofton Bowling Center, 2115 Priest Bridge Dr. Crofton, MD 21114. Entry fee is \$25 per bowler for 3 games. All proceeds will go to the Bowie Food Pantry. There are sign-up sheets on the narthex table. Contact Jim Sichelman (spqr2k@yahoo.com) or 301-661-1733 for details or to register.

GET YOUR HANDS ON THE MONEY. There is a financial offering during worship each Sunday. The cash and checks that are placed in the offering plates need to be counted after the 11:00 worship service. This is an important responsibility. It ensures that the offering is counted accurately and deposited expediently at the bank. Your help is needed. Two people are needed each Sunday to count the offering. One person makes the deposit at a bank branch near the church building. It takes about 30 minutes each week. Contact Dan Bendt danbendt@marylandlawyer.biz, 301-922-4202 or Steve Roberts Best1973@comcast.net, 301-262-9061 if you have questions or are ready to help.

SERVE TEAM: Volunteers are needed Thursday, February 15 to price items for the Beta House estate sale. **NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED!** Assistance is also needed February 23 and 24 to stage the items in preparation for the sale. Talk to Liz Muller or send her an email: eamuller4@gmail.com.

THANK YOU to all who participated in helping the Youth with the 2018 Souper Bowl. We collected 360 food items for the Bowie Food Pantry!

FELLOWSHIP PLANNING TEAM: The next Fellowship Planning Team meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 24, 2018, at the home of Louise Waynant, 12616 Kinder Place, Bowie MD. 20715. Breakfast will begin at 9:00 am and the meeting will begin at 9:30 am. If you have questions contact Mark Steiner at k3msmark@gmail.com.

Lent Wednesdays: At the Crossroads

Lent begins on **Wednesday, February 14th**.

There will be worship services at 12:00 noon and 7:30 pm.
Worship will include the imposition of ashes, Holy Communion, an emphasis on the traditional Christian practices during Lent: Repentance, Prayer, Fasting, and Acts of Compassion.

Lent is 40 days long (not counting Sundays.)

It is a time for individual reflection and repentance.

It culminates at the Easter celebration of Jesus' Resurrection

Each Wednesday during the next five weeks of Lent will include a Soup Supper and worship service shared with our neighbors of Grace Lutheran Church.

Soup will be served from **6:30 pm – 7:30 pm**.

Worship will begin at **7:30 pm**.

You are encouraged to come for worship even if you are unable to arrive in time for soup.

The **THEME** for the five Wednesdays of Lent will be
"At the Crossroads"

The **SCHEDULE** for the Wednesdays of Lent will be

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Theme</u>
February 21	All Saints Church	Betrayal
February 28	Grace Church	Judgement
March 7	All Saints Church	Compassion
March 14	Grace Church	Declaration
March 21	All Saints Church	Obedience

HOLY WEEK

Palm/Passion Sunday	March 25	"The Passion of Jesus according to Mark"
Maundy Thursday	March 29	12 noon & 7:30 pm
Good Friday	March 30	12 noon & 7:30 pm – Tenebrae Service of Darkness
Easter Sunday	April 1	8:30 am & 11:00 am—Festival Worship

Soup Supper Led by Fellowship Team

As part of the continued growth of the Fellowship Ministry here at All Saints, this year the Fellowship Ministry team will be coordinating meals for the Lent Wednesdays that All Saints is hosting. As we will be joining with the good folks of Grace Lutheran, we anticipate needing 4 soups, 2 salads, and 2 loaves of bread for each of the Wednesdays held at All Saints listed in the schedule above.

Mark Steiner will be coordinating the meals, so please email or call him, at k3msmark@gmail.com or 301-741-2761. You may also put your name on the sheets on the table by the front door.

Thank you in advance for your generosity in sharing this simple meal with your extended worship family of Grace and All Saints.



You and your families are Invited to an **“All-American” Open House**
to say Thank You and Godspeed
to **Melissa & Matt Bitter and girls** before they head to Germany.
Saturday, March 3, 2018, 4:00 pm-8:00 pm
at the home of Rob & Kim Watson
12618 Kinder Place
Bowie, MD 20715

THE NEXT WORSHIP AND MUSIC MINISTRY TEAM meeting will be held on Saturday, March 17, at the home of Louise Waynant. A light breakfast will be available at 9 am prior to the meeting, which begins at 9:30 am. As a reminder, no experience or advance preparation is required in order to participate. Anyone who is interested in learning more about, sharing ideas for, and/or enhancing our ASLC worship experience is welcome! Save the date on your March calendar now. For more info, please contact Melissa Steiner or Pastor Gary. **Louise’s Address, Phone, and email:** 12616 Kinder Place, Bowie, MD 20715-2653, 301-262-4179, rblw@comcast.net

MARCH WARM NIGHTS MEAL FOR VILLAGE BAPTIST: On Monday, March 12, we will cater a dinner for Village Baptist Church to assist them with their Warm Nights hosting week. Our menu will include fruit, salad, pulled pork and pulled chicken sandwiches, mac n' cheese, and dessert. If you are willing to contribute food for the meal, please contact Liz Muller (eamuller4@gmail.com). Thank you.

TONE CHIMES: Tone chimes are musical instruments which are rung by hand. You have seen and heard them used in All Saints services, usually around Christmas time. Tone chimes have a lovely ring, like a handbell. Each tone chime rings a different note. When several people join together, a tone chime choir can be formed. If you have an interest in being a part of such a choir or in teaching others how to play tone chimes, please let Melissa Steiner or Hyojin Ahn know of your interest.

Planning Meeting on Feb. 6, 2018 for the “ACT Now!: Unite to End Racism” Rally

April 4, 2018 marks the 50th anniversary of the assassination of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. You are invited to an important meeting from 10:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2018 at the Metropolitan Baptist Church, 1200 Mercantile Lane, Largo, Maryland. We were asked by the National Council of Churches in the USA to host an informational meeting in Prince Georges County for people of faith to discuss the **“ACT Now!: Unite to End Racism” Rally** and other events being held from April 3-5, 2018.



This is a critical moment in our nation’s history. We hope that you will be a part of this opportunity to get involved in the work. The National Council of Churches’ Truth and Racial Justice Initiative is a call to faith and community leaders to ACT (Awaken, Confront, Transform) to end racism, even as we remember the great sacrifice made by Dr. King.

In addition to the National Council of Churches, the rally and other events on April 3-5, 2018 are being co-sponsored by the Conference of National Black Churches, Sojourners, the Religious Action Center for Reform Judaism, the National African American Clergy Network, Franciscan Action Network, Churches Uniting in Christ, and others. The meeting on February 6th will provide details about the events and how we and our congregations can get involved.

I hope you will join us as we advance the sacred mission to end racism and to honor the life, legacy, and ministry of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Perhaps we were called for such a time as this.

Please RSVP by February 2, 2018. If you have questions, feel free to contact Rev. Brenda Girton Mitchell, at bgirtonmitchell@metropolitanbaptist.org or call her at the church, 202-238-5000.

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& PASTOR PEYTON GRAY
CELEBRATE

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

be a part of the community

SHARE, LEARN,
AND GROW AS
WE DEAL WITH
MULTIPLE TOPICS

FREE
GIVEAWAYS!

4600 POWDER MILL ROAD
UNIT 300
BELTSVILLE, MD 20705

6:00 PM

March 3
BLACK CHURCH
AND BLACK FAMILY
- DO WE REALLY
NEED THEM?

Feb.3
BLACK PRESENCE
IN THE BIBLE

Feb.10
BLACK WEALTH
VS. WHITE WEALTH

Feb.17
THE RELEVANCE
OF THE BLACK
CHURCH TODAY

Feb.24
WHAT DOES IT
MEAN TO BE
BLACK IN AMERICA?

Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake

**Paid Internships Available
for Young Adults!**

Answer the Call for Healing Creation



This program provides hands-on entry level experience for those seeking green careers as a stepping stone to a permanent position in their field of choice.

Participants work fulltime at their selected host site and receive extensive leadership and professional development training.

Applicants choose from full-time internships offered for young adults ages 18-25 years old by organizations working to protect the environment in the Chesapeake Bay watershed beginning August 2018 for one year.

Application portal will open at the beginning of February
[Click here to apply.](#)

Please remember to mention that you learned about the program from IPC in your application.

For more information contact Bonnie Sorak at bsorak@interfaithchesapeake.org or call 410-609-6852
[Click here to learn how IPC can help you.](#)

IPC is working with the Chesapeake Bay Trust to help reach young adults, ages 18-25, to apply to be Chesapeake Conservation Corps interns. These full-time paid internships will place applicants at host organizations that focus on improving the environment.

The application process opens in February 2018 and the internships begin in August 2018.

Questions? Contact Bonnie Sorak at bonnie@interfaithchesapeake.org or call 410-609-6852

OUR THANKS FOR THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY:

	8:30 am	11:00 am
Ushers:	Fred Wentland	Shirley Braxton, Liz Muller
Altar Service:	Louise Waynant	Alice Lentz, Nancy-Pat Weaver
Acolyte:	Caleb Summerlot	
Reader:	Ann Greenawalt	Mark Steiner
Assisting Minister:	John Summerlot	Gus Wolf
Communion Assistant:	Emily Summerlot	Diane Cvitko
Accompanist:	Dr. Hyojin Ahn	Dr. Hyojin Ahn
Nursery:	Kim McDermott	Kim McDermott
Counters:		Bev & Steve Roberts



Thank you to Melissa Steiner for baking the communion bread for today.

TODAY: Transfiguration Sunday
 8:30 & 11:00 am Worship
 9:45 am Adult Education Class
 9:45 am GIFT: Family Faith Formation

MONDAY: 7:00 pm Bowie Crofton Camera Club
 7:00 pm M.E.F. Committee meets

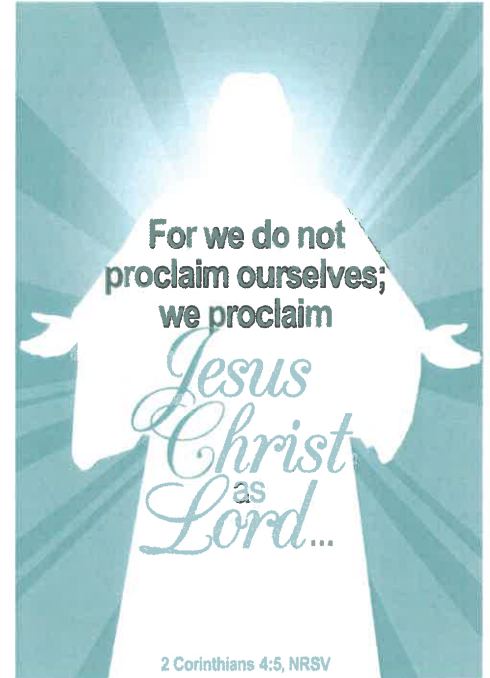
TUESDAY: 10:00 am Adult Bible Study
 5:30 pm Holy Communion Instruction

WEDNESDAY: 12:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship
 6:30 pm Girl Scouts in North Classroom
 7:30 pm Ash Wednesday Worship

THURSDAY: 7:00 pm SonShine Choir Rehearsal
 7:45 pm Combined Choir Rehearsal
 8:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY: 8:30 am Transition Retreat at Grace Church
 9:00 am AA
 5:00 pm Family Movie Night

NEXT SUNDAY: First Sunday in Lent
 8:30 & 11:00 am Worship
 9:45 am Transition Update, MSP presentation
 9:45 am Adult Education Class
 9:45 am GIFT: Family Faith Formation
 12:15 pm Monthly Potluck
 12:15 pm Transition Update, MSP presentation



Request for Prayers

Prayer is an important part of this congregation. We invite you to share your prayer needs and concerns with us. Give to ushers or mail to church.

Today's Date: _____

I request prayers for Name(s): _____

Description of the Concern or Celebration: _____

Requested by: _____ Your Telephone Number: _____

Please check all that is applicable:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Prayer (shared with the congregation in worship) | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Shawl requested |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Praying Team (shared with Prayer Team and Staff) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral Visit requested |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pastor Only | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral phone call requested |

