



St. Paul's

Epistle



APRIL 2019

Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday, April 14

Holy Eucharist, Rite I, with Palms Liturgy at 8am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Palms Liturgy at 10 am

Monday, April 15

Taizé Evensong at St. Paul's Cathedral, Burlington at 7 pm

Maundy Thursday, April 18

Foot-washing, Holy Eucharist, Stripping of the Altar at 7 pm

Good Friday, April 19

Ecumenical service at Ferrisburgh United Methodist Church at 4 pm

Proper Liturgy of Good Friday at St. Paul's at 7 pm

Saturday, April 20

The Great Vigil of Easter at 8 pm

Easter Day, April 21

Holy Eucharist, Rite I, at 8 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at 10 am

St. Paul's In Transition

At our annual meeting in January, Fr. Alan announced that he would be retiring this summer. This will mean a time of transition and deliberation for St. Paul's. The Vestry has already begun to have conversations and at our March meeting

(this is written before that meeting) we will begin to look at our finances in the context of what we can afford, whether continuing with a full-time priest is realistic or whether we consider other options. We recognize that our church life is evolving and that our needs are probably different today than they were when we called Fr. Alan 10 years ago. We are also aware that other parishes in transition are looking at non-traditional options and that we may want to consider a broader range of priest leadership structure.

To that end, Vestry will be meeting with Bishop Ely and Canon Lynn Bates at our April vestry meeting so that we formally begin the process that will guide us through this transition.

If you have any questions or wish to participate as we go through this discernment process, I welcome you to reach out to me or any Vestry member.

Sarah Cowan, Senior Warden

Thank you to all who participated in the 2019 Shrove Tuesday Pancake and Talent Extravaganza!

It was my pleasure to host this Tuesdays Shrove Tuesday Talent Show in the absence of the esteemed MC Bob Laidman. Thank you for the hearty and delicious dinner of pancakes provided by the most excellent Cassidy and Huizenga families. I saw Nate Merrill back there frying pancakes. It is one of the sweetest parts of our Church lives. Thank you, Mary, Bonnie, and family, for keeping up the tradition.

After dinner, the talent emerged. Here's a look at the lineup:

- As we fiddled with the technical aspects, I sang a Bill Monroe tune (y'all may know him as the father of bluegrass) called "Mansions for Me." It's a pure lenten song that says, "Each day I'm getting more ready to go, He's cleansing my sins more whiter than snow. I'm packing my troubles, I'm bound with his love. Gettin' ready to move to Heaven above."
- After that real down-home tune, the mood was lightened with a couple of standup comedy skits. First, Henry Stroup, Del Guilmette and Gabe Hale presented their adaptation of Mo Willems' "My Friend is Sad." It's a sweet story reminding us that our best times, no matter what they may be, are even better with our good friends around. At their conclusion, those boys' older siblings, Ben Hale, Lou Guilmette, and Maddie Stroup, gave us their interpretation of a scene from Monty

Python's "The Quest for the Holy Grail." In this scene, we discovered the hilarious ways one might determine who's a witch. It's hard to do if you don't know what you're looking for.

- Next, Faith McAllister sang and played us sweet song - she's got a talent for that - on the ukulele called "I'm Yours". It was lovely.
- As Chris Hale got ready for karaoke, I sang another tune Bill Monroe tune called "At the Old Crossroads". It's a real fire and brimstone kind of rootsy tune. Are you on to destruction or them fine Pearly Gates, I sang?
- At that point, we reached our crescendo with Chris Hale karaoke version of Johnny Cash's "Ring of Fire." At one point or another I understand Johnny Cash said, "I wear the black for the poor and the beaten down, living' in the hopeless, hungry side of town, I wear it for the prisoner who has long paid for his crime, but is there because he's a victim of the times." Chris brought a whole lot of that "man in black" to the Parish Hall stage.
- After all that fire and a whole bunch of brimstone, the Arend family ukulele pickers came to the stage to sooth our souls a bit. Katie sang us a John Denver tune called "Annie's Song" and then their voices reached the rafters with the Beatles' "Hey Jude".
- Jona Tierney and Solon Coburn and Lux came up to the Parish Hall stage next. With Lux on the Violin and Jona on the guitar, they shared their sounds of the Irish traditional song, "The Road to Lisdoonvarna." Someone tell Lux, it was wonderful because it was. Jona and Solon played banjo tune and we finished off with the traditional "I'll Fly Away".
- Lucky for us, we ended the night in traditional fashion with a rousing version of the Button Song led by Bonnie Huizenga. She was reticent but the crowd sure was determined!

Thanks to everyone for listening and performing!





April Birthdays

1st Greg Hamilton

1st Bob Gordon

3rd Mary Beth Hamilton

7th Isolde Tierney

8th Molly Mangini

10th Tim Cowan

10th Lizzie Sevee

18th Hailey White

19th Lee Martel

22nd Isabel Hamilton

22nd Lily Anderson

23rd Wyatt Jennings

25th Helen Cowan

27th Sarah Mangini

30th Ashley Cassidy

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