

The Spirit

St. Paul's Lutheran Church 301 N. Third Street Millville, New Jersey

March 2019

FROM
THE
PASTOR



Greetings as we enter the season of Lent.

Wednesday, March 2, is Ash Wednesday and marks the beginning of our Lenten season. Life during Lent is a story of death, and above all, resurrection, the story of God's love. The story of God's love is a compass for following in the way of Jesus.

The season of Lent is the season of sacred stories. Telling stories during Lent gives substance to our hopes and fears, our loves and hates, our faith and doubt, the good and evil in our lives. Stories are our inner selves speaking within the language of imagination revealing who we are and what we love and value. Some stories reveal God hiding in our lives, for that is where we find God.

Lent is a time for remembering the stories of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, of his Last Supper with his friends, of his time before Pilate, the horror of his crucifixion, and the glory of his resurrection. All of these stories are filled with the revelation of God through the life and death of Jesus. I invite you to revel in these stories and reflect upon them during this Lenten season,

On Sunday you will all be given a black trash bag to serve as part of your Lenten discipline. We ask that you fill this bag each day of Lent with a piece of clothing that you don't wear anymore and is just sitting in a drawer or closet. When it is full take a picture of it with your name posted on it and send to my email, karenwbern@gmail.com. We will post it and see how many of us can "clean up" for Lent. Take the bag to a local thrift store, the Salvation Army Store or Goodwill.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Bernhardt

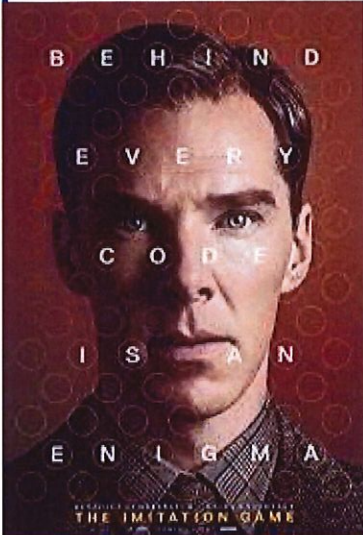


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Soul, Food & Cinema

On March 16th we will gather at 6 pm at the home of Pastor Karen and Keith Bernhardt, 4927 Piacenzia Avenue, Vineland. We will discuss the movie "The Imitation Game." During World War II, the English mathematical genius Alan Turing tries to crack the German Enigma code with help from fellow mathematicians. You are asked to view the movie before our gathering if possible.

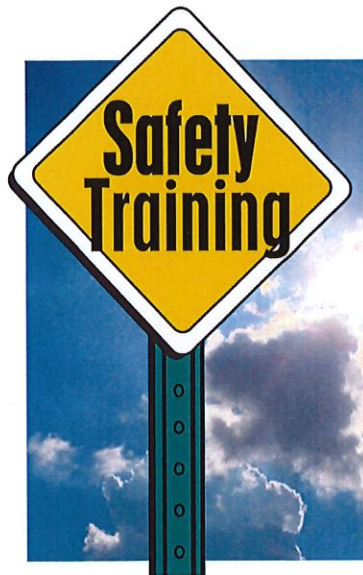


Our food theme for this gathering will be Irish food or anything green in honor of St. Patrick's Day. But, of course, anything you bring will be appreciated! Please email pastor at karen-wbern@gmail.com to let her know how many to expect and what you are bringing.

All are invited!

Bring a friend!

Have you remembered your church in your will?



When:
March 20, 2019
From 6—7 pm

Where:
Creative Enterprise Center
14 E. Mulberry St
Millville, NJ

In this one-hour presentation, they will talk about:

- *How to identify and avoid dangerous encounters
- *Discourage an attacker
- *Verbal and physical escape techniques
- *Options for your and your family's protections

There is no charge, but you must register to attend. Visit www.kenneyprotectiveagency.com/class-schedule or call 856-283-8481

Be Aware! It could save your life!

Lenten Worship

March 6, Ash Wednesday, 7 pm

March 10th, 11 am, Baptism—Remi Brogen

March 31, 11 am, Lay preacher,
Bill Mitchell

April 7, 11 am, Baptism—Emily Hasenpat &
Lainey Fisher

April 14, 11 am Palm Sunday

We would like to send out our newsletter electronically to those who have an email. If your newsletter was mailed and you have an email please contact us!



Community Lenten Worship

- Wednesday, March 13th, First United Methodist Church
Pastor Karen W. Bernhardt, speaker
- Wednesday, March 20th, Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church
Pastor John Mitchell, speaker
- Wednesday, March 27th, St. Paul Lutheran Church
Pastor Lew Hiserote, speaker
- Wednesday, April 10th, Westside Methodist Church
Lay minister, Creed Pogue, speaker

Mark your calendar for these ecumenical gatherings. All services are at 7 pm followed by a time of food and fellowship. The offering received at all services will benefit Help and Hope Ministries!



Community Neighborhood Gathering Highlights . . .

- Stations were set up for suggestions about many areas of improvement
- City of Millville commissioners as well as some of our law enforcement officers were in attendance.
- Participants in the First United Methodist Shine program attended and are willing to partner with us in a few days of Bible Camp in the summer!!
- Progress is being made meeting requirements to be considered for additional neighborhood improvement money from Wells Fargo!

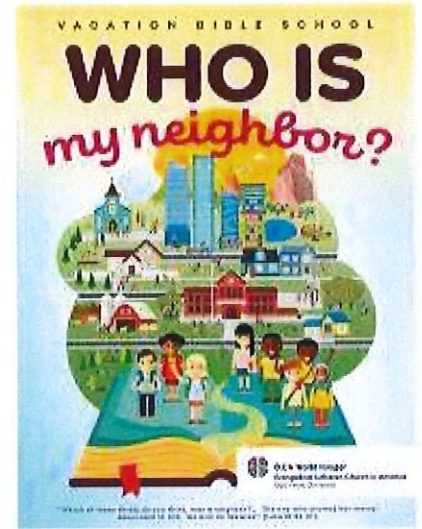
Many thanks to Holly City Development Corporation for organizing this gathering!

Mini Bible Camp July 1—3

In partnership with the Shine program at First United Methodist we would like to offer the "Who is My Neighbor" Mini Bible camp at the beginning of July. We will need some volunteers to teach, get together snacks and serve lunch. Camp will run from 9 am to 1 pm.

With our air conditioning complete we can now offer more programs for our neighborhood. Please consider helping over these three days!

"Who is my Neighbor" is put out by the ELCA and is a free curriculum.



Some photos of the Neighborhood Open House Gathering

Chicken Pot Pie Dinner!

Saturday, March 9th, 4 pm sit down,
2:30-3:30 pm take out.

Tickets are \$10, contact church office email.
All proceeds benefit Help and Hope Ministries.
Many thanks to Paul Ziennker and his "Pot Pie
Kitchen Crew" for their dedication to this time of
sharing a meal and gathering in fellowship in
support of a vital ministry in our local area.



Looking Ahead . . .

May 5th, 11 am, Baptism—Juliette Grace Kelley
May 11th, 2 pm, "Driving Miss Daisy" at the
Levoy followed by dinner—Tickets available
November - Lunch and Christmas show in
Lancaster—details forthcoming!

Worship Times

Traditional Worship
Sunday Morning
11:00 a.m.

Neighborhood Worship
followed by
food distribution
12:45 p.m.

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All are Welcome! Invite a friend!

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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3 TRANSFIGURATION 10 am Choir practice 11 am Worship with Communion Story Time with Pastor Coffee Fellowship 12:45pm Neighborhood Worship	4	5	6 7 pm Ash Wednesday Worship with Ashes and Holy Communion	7 1:30pm Chair Yoga 5:30 pm Bible Study	8	9
10 10 am Choir practice 11 am Worship with Communion Baptism—Remi Brogen 12:45pm Neighborhood Worship	11	12 7 pm Congregation Council	13 7 pm Community Worship, 1st United Methodist—Pastor Bernhardt speaking	14 1:30pm Chair Yoga	15	16 6 pm Soul, Food and Cinema Pastor's home 4927 Placenzia Ave Vineland, NJ
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31 10 am Choir practice 11 am Worship Bill Mitchell preaching! 12:45pm Neighborhood Worship



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Joyce Goelzer	March 3
Bill Yeager	March 5
Madison Kiley	March 7
Karen Locker	
Brian Barr	March 9
Josh Kelly	
Alexandra Piper	
Beverly Szumowski	March 13
Matthew Bernhardt	March 15
Rebekah Garrett	March 17
Hannah Kelly	
Kenneth Stenberg	March 19
Connie Thon	March 21
Kathy Peter	March 24
Taylor Scull	
Mabel Laquitar	March 26
Calvin Neubert	March 28
Samantha Piper	
Ellie Taylor	March 31

March Greeter: Gretchen Bruner



Connie Johnson
Sheryl Scull
Laury Atkinson
Glen
Darlene
Carol McKeon
John
Robert Wood
Heather Ball
Pam Padlo
Madison Trainer
Phil Polizzi
Dani Holt
Elizabeth Jenkins
Marilyn Goldstine
Lillian Ernst
Mikey Nelson
Grace O'Neal
Eleanor Anderson
Conor Thomas
Willie Marlow
Debbie Lahendro
Pat Morris
John Berry
Betty Smith
Nancy Collis
Evelyn Cranmer
Tom Laquitar
Sharon Taylor
Marion Hawk
Julia Heath
Matt Christy
Patti Coles
Mark Ridgeway
Patti Coombs
Rev. David Liefeld
Pat
James Meyer
Paul Testa
Lisa Coombs
Mary Banks
Denise Whildin
Ron & Joan Frantz
Family of Michelle Navone
Webb & Taylor families
Matthew Martin & Martin Family
Caressa Henry & Haven
Morgan & Laine Tighe

Sandy Andrews
Rosemarie Schpakow
Gabe Mitchell
Sonya Saul
Thomas Gaither
Dolores DiJoseph
Rick Moser
Mabel Rumbold
Addie Stewart
Dr. Joseph Wachpress
Roger Branin
Charlotte Frost
Vickie Heard
Dick Street
Barbara Branin
Angel Goonan
Harold Moser
Patricia Jones
Robert Meandro
Gloria Dalbow
Lizzie Burton
Jon Gilliom
Joshua Edmeads
Joyce Ann Myslewicz
Tammy Randazzo
Maggie Higgins
Phillip Carillo
Mary Ella Morie
Ron Lloyd
Betty Kennedy
Betty Whitaker
Judy Liefeld
Arthur Peter
Rick Schwenke
Sylvia Simpson
Karen Lee
Jeffrey McNulla
Kathleen Myer
Ruth Mingin
Walter Garton
Marvin Tozer
Ruth Roburson
Lucy & Emily Adams

Our Prayer List For March

Members of the Armed Forces called to keep our country safe.