



March 2020

Holy Apostles "Grapevine"

The Monthly Newsletter of Holy Apostles Episcopal Church

1730 18th Street, P. O. Box 188,
Mitchell, Nebraska, 69357



"We want our cake and we want it now!" That might be a good motto for today's world. With instant everything from text messaging to iced tea, everything is now on demand. Nothing new here, as preachers of the gospel, we have often raised a critique to our impatient society. I'm including myself

here. Just the other day, I was in a 'big box store' fuming because there were three people ahead of me in the check out line, and I couldn't understand why they didn't open another register. I accept the fact that I am caught up in this push for the 'now'.

We may think this a modern malady, but the reality is humankind has always been impatient. The children of Israel couldn't wait a day in the wilderness for God to do something and it didn't get any better. In Isaiah 9:1-4, the writer speaks of God's salvation coming. At this point in history Judah is the only thing left of the nation of Israel. The writer envisions the people of Israel in a time of oppression calling out for God's redemption. Yet the writer doesn't speak of God coming to them, but to the northern areas of Naphtali and Zebulon. That is, the writer is likening God's saving work to the rising sun. First it appears in the east and then spreads across the land. God's salvation won't come immediately to Judah, it will progress and it will take time. God's people wanted God to act now, God was telling them, "Be patient."

Yes, another Lent is upon us. One of the purposes of Lent is to remind us to wait patiently on God's time. No, we can't leap from Christmas to Easter. To get to Easter from Christmas we have to go through Lent. Lent's disciplines of prayer, fasting, giving sacrifice remind us that while Christ's work on the cross is finished and we stand in the light of God's redeeming love, God's salvation is still progressing. God's saving work is finished, but the work of redemption is still ongoing. One day that work will be completed as well. Until then we wait patiently. Lent is a good time, a good time to remind us in this now generation that from the beginning God's work has taken time, like well aged cheese. Take time this Lent to see God at work, in and through your life.

Pastor Chris

CONFIRMATION CLASS

March 15, 2020

FOLLOWING 10:30AM SERVICE





Holy Apostles' Episcopal Church
1730 18th St / PO Box 188
Mitchell, NE 69357
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Email: apostles@embarqmail.com

Adult Sunday School: 9:30am

Child Sunday School 9:30am

Sunday Service: 10:30am

Office Hours: Mornings - MTW

Mitchell Ministerial Association

MARCH REQUESTS

Food Pantry

CANNED FRUIT

Pantry coordinators:

Susan Weitzel: 308-623-2684 or

Karen French: 308-623-1883

Back Pack Program

**INDIVIDUAL BOXED CEREAL OR
JUICE BOXES**

Thank you!!



**Nebraska Episcopal
CURSILLO**

Save the Date!

May 28th –31st, 2020

Norfolk, NE

3-Day Spiritual Retreat

More Info at

www.nebraskaepiscopalcurso.org

Episcopal Church Women

March 5, 2020 12:30 at the Church

**Marilyn Johnson to provide lunch with
members reimbursing her for the cost**

Scout Sunday
was February 9.
Boy Scout
Atley, Webelo
Weston and
Lion Cub
Sterling helped
with the service.



Vestry Meeting

March 8, 2020 Following 10:30 Service

2020 Episcopal Women's Retreat

April 17-19 St. Benedict Center Schuyler, NE

The 3 Colors of Your Spirituality & Spiritual Yoga

Registration Cost \$150—[Click Here to Register](#)

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SUNDAY SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

Date	Lector/Server	Acolyte	Ushers	Gifts	Coffee
3/1	Steph/ Sister E-S	Bill	Steph & Chris	Steph & Chris	Sylvia & Steph
3/8	Sylvia / Maryruth	Matthew	Nick & Steve	Steve & Sylvia	Andee & Jenny
3/15	Leann / Jenny	Clancey	Sister E-S & Bill	Fred & Nancy	Leann & Nancy
3/22	Marilyn / Leann	Merrill	Nick & Steve	Nick & Katie	Fred & Nancy
3/29	Sylvia / Steph		Sister E-S & Bill	Nikki & Don	Nick & Katie
4/5	Steph / Sister E-S	Bill	Nick & Steve	Sharon	Steve & Marilyn

March Altar: **Amber Plasencio and Nikki Rose**

March Coffee Hour Supplies: **Pete Okamoto**

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

March 3	Jaxon Meysenburg	March 13	Mark Knaub
March 4	Chad Johnson	March 22	Aloha Hettinger
March 5	Evelyn Montz	March 18	Marilyn Wagner
March 6	Larry Wagner	March 19	Alex Rose
March 7	Xoe Allbaugh	March 21	Clancy Symonds
March 9	Abel Plasencio	March 24	Colleen Elliott
March 11	Sharon Francisco		

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

March 22 Bobby and Cory Allbaugh

FEBRUARY FLOWERS (missing from last month's newsletter)

February 2nd **Given By:** Mae Sakurada and Family

In Memory Of: Yukio Sakurada and Paul Ybarra

February 23rd **Given By:** Nick and Katie Sakurada

In Memory Of: George & Wai Konishi, Tokuzo & Sato Sakurada, and John & Ruby Sakurai

NO FLOWERS March 1st—April 5th

March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	2	3 12:00pm Lenten Lunch First United Methodist Church 2002 4th Ave Scottsbluff	4	5 12:30 pm ECW Meeting at the Church	6	7
8 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service Vestry Meeting Following	9	10 12:00pm Lenten Lunch WestWay Christian Church 1701 W. 27th Street Scottsbluff	11	12	13	14 10am-3pm Inclusive Communities Workshop in North Platte No Cost RSVP by clicking here
15 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service Confirmation Class Following	16	17 12:00pm Lenten Lunch Calvary Lutheran Church 17 E 27th Street Scottsbluff	18	19	20	21
22 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	23	24 12:00pm Lenten Lunch St. Francis Episcopal Church 14 E 20th Scottsbluff	25	26	27	28
29 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	30	31 12:00pm Lenten Lunch First Christian Church 2102 Ave A Scottsbluff	*March 15th (the 3rd Sunday of the month) will be the Pastors' Discretionary Fund offering date. Any cash in the offering plate on this day will go to the Discretionary Fund. Thank you for your generosity!			