



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

February 2008

Dear Brother's and Sister's in Christ,

It's hard to believe, but Lent is almost here! Ash Wednesday this year is VERY early, as is Easter. So mark your calendars for February 6th. This season of Lent provides us with the time and the setting to focus ourselves on our salvation. It is considered a time of repentance, a time of reflection, a time of meditation, and a chance to stop, and reorient our lives onto God. It is a time to see if we are truly prepared for our Lord's incredible gift of Salvation. If the second coming were to happen tomorrow, would any of us be ready? I don't know, but it is something that each and every one of us needs to consider and be reminded of, because taking up our crosses and following our Lord is the work of a lifetime, not of one day a week, not of just Sundays, not of just Ash Wednesday or any other holy days or fast days, not of just this season of Lent, but of a lifetime. I hope and pray that we will all take advantage of this penitential season and work hard to refocus ourselves on God and His will for us, both individually and as a community.

With this in mind, we will begin the season with two services this on Ash Wednesday. The first will be at 6:30 AM. This will be a very simple, said service with no music, but will include the Imposition of Ashes and the Holy Eucharist. With the number of folks we have who head out early in the morning to go to work, I thought this might provide a better opportunity for them to be able to make it to the service. I'll do my best to keep it short and simple so everyone can get to work on time. The second one will be at 7:00 PM, but this one will have music. I hope that offering two services will help more of you to be able to observe this very important day in the church year.

Once we have kicked off this season of reflection, penitence, fasting,

prayer, and repentance on Ash Wednesday (I know it sounds like a very dull season, but it can also be a very rewarding one if you truly observe it, allow yourself to be removed at least a bit from the distractions of the world, and truly focus on your relationship with Jesus and His will for you, it can really be very rewarding and spiritually refreshing) then take advantage of the opportunities for prayer, worship and study that will be available to you at St. Paul's.

Our Lenten Series will start on Wednesday, Feb. 13th with a simple meal followed by prayer and study. This year we will be doing a workshop on Gifts of the Spirit. We'll continue to meet on Wednesday evenings through Holy Week.

We will also be taking part in the ecumenical "Lenten Trysts" again this year on Wednesday mornings during Lent. Please watch your Sunday bulletins for the for more information on this and for the schedule of service dates, times, and places. And as always, we will continue to have Evening Prayer at 6:30 PM on Tuesday evenings and on Thursdays at 11:00 AM, Holy Eucharist (Rite I) followed by bag lunch and Bible Study. Everyone is welcome to come and join us!!!

One thing that I have always encouraged during Lent along with giving something up, which is a good and often difficult discipline, is to take on something new. Whether it's attending a Bible study, going to a weekday service, doing different, extra, or new devotions, or deliberately setting aside a bit of extra time to spend with our Lord, it is a way to deepen your relationship with Christ and possibly even build new and better habits and routines that often can last a lifetime. If you feel you need some help or guidance in this, please feel free to contact me. I'm more than happy to help in any way that I can.

You are all in my prayers, and as we move together into this season of Lent, I hope that we can all grow and move forward in our relationship with our Lord, and in our relationships with each other.

Yours in Christ's Love,

Fr. Guy

Sunday School News

By Amy Dickerson

The children started 2008 learning about Ephiphany and donating coins to Food for the Poor. Between the coins and the aluminum cans (\$91.00) I believe around \$200.00 was collected for Food for the Poor. In February, the children will share their love of Jesus by making Valentine cards to send to our military men and women serving in Afghanistan, and host coffee hour (date to be determined).

The middle high kids will have a Bible quiz bowl where the girls will challenge the boys to a rematch. Last year the boys won the quiz bowl, but the girls have been working hard to earn the title this year. Good Luck!

On February 3rd the children will sing, and our offering for the adoptive family is canned and dry goods.

Search Committee Update

The search committee met on Tuesday, January 22nd. The questionnaires have been tallied. We are currently working on our parish profile and information packet. We are still in need of digital photos of any St. Paul's Parish events; Carnival, Sunday School events, Bundy Hall, Christmas Pageant, High Tea, etc. or pictures of Hudson and surrounding area (during all seasons). If you do have photos to share, please get them to Cal Woods, via email or disc. Next meeting is scheduled for February 25th. Thanks everyone!

February Birthdays:

5 Bruce Dickerson
5 Ayla Jo Granberg
9 Susan Gerard
11 Alex Cooley
13 Amy Dickerson
15 Tracy Conover
15 Steve Hamill
15 Evy Nerbonne
16 Eileen Shoemaker
16 Marlys McGaver
17 Ben Chirhart
19 Nathan Washington
21 C.R. Hackworthy
24 Rose Rasmus
24 Joey Mensen
25 Betty Brower
28 Kim Ball
29 Beth Schneider

February Anniversaries:

1 Bob/Eileen Shoemaker
14 Richard/Tracy Conover
28 Keith/Karen Solimar

If your special day is not listed—
Please contact the church office,
or let Tori know. Thanks!

Newsletter Deadlines:

Deadlines for the upcoming 2008 newsletters are as follows:

February 15th; March 14th; April 18th; May 16th.

Send any newsletter inclusions to Tori at vbkmarben2@juno.com or
Tori.Marben@genmills.com. Thanks everyone!!!

Suggestions and/or additions to newsletter welcomed. Please email
to above address or put written notes in Marben mailbox.

(Summer schedule will be posted in April)



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 502 County Road UU
 Hudson, WI 54016
 Office Hours Monday-Friday
 10 am-1 pm

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 5:30 Pizza & Games	2
3 8 am Holy Eucharist Traditional Service 9:15 am Adult Bible Study Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Contemporary Service 12 noon Ultreya potluck	4	5 10 am Circle of Love 4 pm Grace Place Supper 5:30-7:30 pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 6:30 pm Evening Prayer 7 pm Vestry meeting	6 6:30 am Ash Wednesday Service 2-3 pm Women's Bible Study 3-5 pm Networks Middle High 6-9 pm Networks Senior High 7 pm Ash Wednesday Service	7 9:30-11 am Hudson Mom's Group 11-1 pm Holy Eucharist Bag Lunch Bible Study 5 pm HOME Supper @ Bethel	8	9 8:30 am Band of Brothers 8:30 am Women's Group
10 8 am Holy Eucharist Traditional Service 9:15 am Adult Bible Study Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Contemporary Service 4-6 pm Confirmation Class	11	12 6:30 pm Evening Prayer 7 pm Vestry meeting	13 11:30 am Birthday Bash 2-3 pm Women's Bible Study 3-5 pm Networks Middle High 6-9 pm Networks Senior High 6 pm Lenten Soup & Pie supper	14 9:30-11 am Hudson Mom's Group 11-1 pm Holy Eucharist Bag Lunch Bible Study 7 pm ECW Meeting	15	16
17 8 am Holy Eucharist Traditional Service 9:15 am Adult Bible Study Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Contemporary Service 4-6 pm Confirmation Class	18 7:00 pm Networks Board Meeting	19 6:30 pm Evening Prayer	20 2-3 pm Women's Bible Study 3-5 pm Networks Middle High 6-9 pm Networks Senior High 6 pm Lenten Soup & Pie supper	21 9:30-11 am Hudson Mom's Group 11-1 pm Holy Eucharist Bag Lunch Bible Study 5 pm HOME Supper @ Bethel	22 6:30 pm ECW Quilting	23
24 8 am Holy Eucharist Traditional Service 9:15 am Adult Bible Study Children's Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Contemporary Service 4-6 pm Confirmation Class	25 7 pm Search Committee	26 6:30 pm Evening Prayer 7 pm Servant Community	27 9 am Lenten Tryst 2-3 pm Women's Bible Study 3-5 pm Networks Middle High 6-9 pm Networks Senior High 6 pm Lenten Soup & Pie supper	28 9:30-11 am Hudson Mom's Group 11-1 pm Holy Eucharist Bag Lunch Bible Study	29	

St. Paul's Servant Schedule: January 2008

Date	Time	Acolytes	Eucharistic Min	Lector	Greeters	Pray bfr worship	Ushers
2/3	8:00	J Kadidlo	D Kadidlo	D Kadidlo	Conovers	D Martin	Conovers
2/3	10:30	J Ball B Blanchard	J Harrelson N Cicero	K Peterson	K Peterson	N Cicero	Marbens
2/10	8:00	C Conover	B Dickerson	R Brower	Muenich	E Slamkowski	Dickerson
2/10	10:30	P Solie T Granberg	CR Hackworthy M Blanchard	T Marben	N Cicero	C Hackworthy	Singerhouses
2/17	8:00	H Schuler	A Wurzberger	L Barber	Dickersons	R Brower	Pogalz
2/17	10:30	I McGinnis A Granberg	J Freese P McGinnis	C Hackworthy	Granbergs	T Marben	K Peterson C Bailey
2/24	8:00	A Dickerson	C Tank	V Cooley	Pogalz	V Cooley	Granberg
2/24	10:30	K McGinnis A Solie	N Freese K Larsen	B Rupert	Marbens	B Rupert	Marbens

Notes:

- If you cannot serve when scheduled, please arrange a switch and change the kiosk schedule @ 386-2348.
- Acolytes & Eucharistic Ministers: if help is needed, please vest during the Peace and join the Worship service
- All: If you are being scheduled incorrectly or are missing from a schedule and wish to participate, please contact Kim Larsen at 425-0015 or klars@mac.com.

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The Rt. Rev. Keith B. Whitmore, Bishop
The Rev. Guy Usher, Interim Rector
The Rev. Richard McGinnis, Associate

Services:

Sun. 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Traditional Service
9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study/Sunday School
Children's Sunday School (Sep-May)
Youth Confirmation Class (Sep-Apr)
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Praise Service
Tues: 6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
Wed. 2:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Sep-Apr)
3:00 p.m. NETworks Youth Ministry Middle High
6:00 p.m. NETworks Youth Ministry Senior High
Thur. 9:00 a.m. Hudson Mom's Group Meeting
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist/Bag Lunch/Bible Study

NETworks Youth Director: Dave Pulsfus
Episcopal Church Women: Patti Muenich 715-386-8532
Band of Brothers: Fr. Derek Washington 715-386-2348
Men's Ministry: Ed Slamkowski 715-246-9989
Sunday School: Amy Dickerson
Operation H.E.L.P. Volunteer Phone Line 715-386-0881
*Small Group Bible Study: Sunday and
Wednesday evenings
* Inquirer's Class is offered in the fall and early spring.
Call the church office for dates, times and locations

Clergy: