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Souper Bowl of Caring

Look for Soldiers for Christ members before and after services on Sunday, February 7th. The youth will again be taking part in the national event, "Souper Bowl of Caring." This is a youth-led movement to help hungry and hurting people around the world. Churches, schools, and community groups have become involved over the years with this simple prayer in mind, "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat."

We are asking All Saints members to put at least \$1 in a soup bowl upon entering church on Super Bowl Sunday. Half of the money received will be donated to our local Hope Mission and the other half will be donated to our local Martha's Mission Cupboard. Last year we raised a total of \$304. Thank you in advance for your support!



Take a look at these happy faces! These were 37 of our youth who enjoyed a weekend at Ridgecrest recently. Many thanks to those who helped financially support this opportunity for our young people.



Saintly Soundings

A publication of All Saints Anglican Church

February 2010

Special Dates:

Pot Luck Supper & Reflections on Winter Conference and Where God is Leading Us
Feb. 3rd

Vestry Retreat
Feb. 5-6th

Souper Bowl of Caring
February 7th

Scout Sunday
February 7th

2nd Wed. Night Healing Service
Feb. 10th

Pancake Supper & Teen Auction
Feb. 16th

Ash Wednesday
Feb. 17th

Lenten Wednesday Suppers
Begin Feb. 24th

THE RECTOR'S CORNER

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

We change seasons of the Church Year this month. Epiphany, which began January 6th ends on Tuesday, February 16th. We call that day Shrove Tuesday. It is the day before Ash Wednesday, which begins the Season of Lent. On Shrove Tuesday, our youth will prepare pancakes and fixings for us at 6:00 p.m. at the church. Dinner is \$5 per person, but no more than \$15 for a family.

Ash Wednesday services are 7:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 5:30 p.m. with Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. We will follow the 7:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. schedule every Wednesday in Lent with Holy Communion.

On Wednesdays following the 5:30 p.m. service we will serve soup and sandwiches in the Hospitality Room. Look for more information regarding the Lenten services and activities on the pullout section. Monies received will go toward Passion Play expenses. This year we will present the Passion Play *Lamb of God* on Palm Sunday afternoon, March 28th, at 4:00 p.m., then on Monday through Wednesday in Holy Week and Good Friday the play will be presented at 7:00 p.m.

During Lent the congregation is urged to observe this 40-day season by self-examination and repentance, by prayer, fasting and self-denial, and by reading and meditating on God's Holy Word. Our liturgy changes as the season changes, reminding us

of the occasion.

The forty days of Lent represent the time Jesus spent in the desert, where He endured temptation by Satan. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes on Holy Saturday. The six Sundays in Lent are not counted among the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini Easter", a celebration of Jesus' victory over sin and death.

As we continue to celebrate the Light of Christ coming into the world in Epiphany and look forward to the observance of a holy Lent, I pray for the Holy Spirit to speak to our hearts the love and mercy of Abba Father.

Blessings,

Inside this issue:

Look for a special Pull-Out Section in this issue entitled

Lent:

Your Place In God's Kingdom



**FINANCIAL REPORT
December 31, 2009
(Year end)**

	CURRENT MONTH ACTUAL	YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL	YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET
INCOME	\$47,111.45	\$535,189.48	\$488,000.00
EXPENSES	\$58,009.55	\$523,216.06	\$475,327.00
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(\$10,898.10)	\$11,973.42	\$12,673.00

**BRANCHING OUT CAMPAIGN
(Collections through December 31, 2009)**

2008	\$234,645.73
2009	\$216,778.47
TOTAL CAMPAIGN	\$451,424.20

Total Branching Out Campaign pledges: \$715,673.50

The campaign runs from July 1st through June 30th annually and began on July 1, 2008 for three years. Therefore, if pledges are received evenly over the three-year period, \$238,557.83 should be received each year.

If you have joined All Saints since the Branching Out Campaign (a special giving campaign to reduce the debt on the physical facility and provide additional facilities) began, you may obtain a pledge card from the church office.

The BB&T loan balance is \$912,217.42

DOUG GOINES, TREASURER

FOCUSING ON MISSIONS

A Legacy Fulfilled

The embers of Dr. John Knelson's enthusiasm for mission in Rwanda continue to spark the flame of ministry in the community he served faithfully for decades. The pediatrician's dream of returning to Rwanda to make a difference was never realized, but his legacy lives on through his wife and members of All Saints Anglican in North Carolina. The Morehead City congregation hosted the fourth annual Homes of Hope fundraiser for the child-headed households of Christian Hope Village, Rwanda.

On December 7, 2009, women from the seaside community surrounding Morehead City gathered for a lunch to learn how their combined donations of close to \$35,000 are building multipurpose building, providing furniture and food and giving hope to the children of Christian Hope Village. Prior to the event, a large donation by a local businessman was given in memory of Dr. Knelson, the gift reflecting the same sense of faithful generosity Knelson characterized.

Commissioned by Archbishop Kolini several years ago, Knelson made many trips to Rwanda to survey the status of medical care and help determine how the church can cooperate with the government to address some of the problems they face. He also volunteered time and experience to teach medical students at the University of Butare, where he realized the importance of mosquito nets to save lives.

Children inside their new "Home of Hope" "He had a call from God to go," explains Knelson's wife Brenda. "They changed our hearts, and we are forever touched by our experience in Rwanda." Since Knelson's death from cancer on January 24, 2007, Brenda has joined the missions committee at All Saints and is a new member of the Homes of Hope event team. "As a member of the Homes of Hope committee it is my hope that I will be able to honor John's desire to carry on mission in Rwanda."

"My involvement is all about sharing the love of Christ with others and fulfilling John's desire to carry on mission to Rwanda. We may be the only Bible that people ever read."

**HELPING
HAITI**

Many have been helping Haiti by their gifts and donations to this shocked and struggling country, and we thank you for your generosity and your heart. If you would like to send a gift through the Anglican Church, please go to AMiA's website at www.theamia.org and click on Giving Online, then Special Projects. Your tax deductible donation will go quickly to this nation in need.

February Birthdays.....



- 2 Hamlin Blackburn
- 4 Tricia Neal
Lee Bailey
- 5 Carol Poston
Frank McAllister
- 7 Buzz Kistler
- 10 Ashley Millikan
- 11 Beth Sims
- 12 King Cole
- 13 Patricia Saleet
- 15 Patrick Millikan
- 17 Pat Barrett
- 18 David T. Perry
- 19 Frances Meyer
Zachary Sowell
- 24 Scott Chowning
Pete Allred
Buddy Davis
- 25 Paul Sproul
- 25 Justin Brooks
- 26 Joyce Lewis
- 27 Liz Horne

.....and Anniversaries

- Feb. 11 Wayne and Marsha Deane
- Feb. 15 W.C. & Lorraine Barnes
- Feb. 15 Bill & Jerri Oehler
- Feb. 21 Charles & Sheri Laughinghouse



Something new

Something beautiful

2nd Wednesday Worship @ All Saints

Wednesday, February 10, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.

A time of worship, prayer, healing, encouragement & restoration

Vestry Meeting
Monday, February 15
7:00 p.m.

**Carteret Community College
Course Announcement**

CCC announced their recent calendar of courses, which will include "America's Relationship with God: An informal Look At The Evolving Role of Religion in the United States, taught by Dr. Ron Montaperto.

This course focuses on identifying the ways in which religion influences the character of American social, political, and economic life, and how that influence has changed and developed since the founding of our republic. This is an introductory and basic class intended for those who are interested in learning about the underpinnings of our religious life. The only requirements are a desire to learn and a willingness to listen critically while suspending judgment about the worth of one tradition over another.

The course will be taught at Carteret Community College on Monday evenings beginning March 1 for six weeks, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. To register, call 252-222-6200 or contact 222.carteret.edu. For questions, contact Ron Montaperto at Montaperto@earthlink.net. or 726-0562

FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

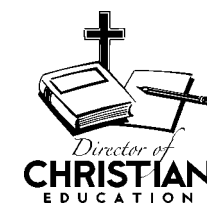
The All Saints Ringers and Ensemble enjoyed fellowship and cheer December 21st at Pat Davis' home following the Christmas Concert. Thank you and appreciation goes to all for their generosity and service. The Ringers are preparing to ring the second Sunday of each month at the 8:45 a.m. service as practice resumes on Monday nights at 6:00 p.m. The ensemble resumes practice on February 1st at 4:00 p.m.



The All Saints Bell Choir has three available positions for ringers. You do not have to read music to ring, but a sense of rhythm is the only requirement. God will call ringers. If He calls you to this ministry, please contact Pat Davis at 247-6909.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

Sunday School Mural Design



Lena Ennis, our artist in residence, is at work in the Sunday School rooms with our Mural Design Plan. You are invited to a "sneak peak" at what is going on in that area. Thank you, Lena, for sharing your talent with All Saints.

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

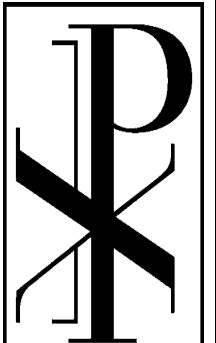
Please check the table in the Narthex for an updated, Pictorial Directory. Since there are many members address, phone number, and email addresses that are now incorrect, I will be printing these updates for you monthly. Look for them in Narthex or the Church Office and keep one tucked in your Pictorial Directory for the most current information.

When you pick up a Directory Update, please check your own name and information. If there are any changes, please call me in the Church Office, or email me at allsaintsmhc@earthlink.net so I can keep our records updated.

Also, please remember to bring your used printer and ink cartridges to the office. By taking advantage of the Staples \$3 per toner rebate, we are able to earn at least a \$60 per month rebate. This can be used for office supplies and greatly reduces the strain on the budget line item. Look for the box in the Narthex to leave your donation of used toner cartridges. Many thanks for helping out in this way.

Wendy Lawson, Parish Administrator

The **Chrismon Committee** has carefully packed away the Christmas tree and Chrismons until Advent 2010. A meeting is planned for February 8th at 10:00 a.m. to set goals for this year and to inventory supplies. All members are asked to bring in any beads they may have and their ideas for 2010.



The deadline for the newsletter is the 15th of each month. Please bring or mail your articles to Wendy Lawson in the Church Office, or email them to allsaintsmhc@earthlink.net. Thank you!



A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR



Dear Friends in Christ,

It's truly been an awesome season around here...

For my family and me, celebrating our first Christmas here at All Saints was a wonderful gift in and of itself...and when I consider what I've seen God doing over the past few weeks, I'm simply blown away.

On the 6th of January, Pamela and Paul Sproul invited me to come and spend some time with our young people. After some pizza and a little teaching, I had the privilege of praying over them and asking the Holy Spirit to come and minister to them; and as He did, He spoke to us through visions and prophetic words and pictures.

A few days later, on Sunday morning, John+ and I scrapped our plans to do an Instructed Eucharist. It seemed that God was calling us instead to do more teaching about the Holy Spirit – and then to pray over the congregation. If you were there, I trust you were blessed by what happened around the rail. Once again, God spoke to us through prophetic words and images. He spoke words of new life, hope, healing, and new ministry.

Then we sent our young people and their chaperones – 37 in all – off to Ridgecrest for YouthQuake, where – no surprise – God was at work in many powerful ways. Our young people came back with reports of healings, visions, and prophetic messages...not to mention new and stronger relationships. Their reports the following Sunday morning indicated that beyond doubt, many of them are riding a new, bigger and more exciting wave of the Spirit than ever before.

And as I write this, I'm preparing for my annual pilgrimage to the Anglican Mission Winter Conference, where I know I'll be blessed by renewing old acquaintances, making new friends and worshipping with over 1,300 saints from across the globe. God Himself only knows how He will choose to reveal His glory and His will during this time.

A few days after the conference, on Wednesday, February 3rd, at 6:30, All Saints will have a potluck dinner, during which we will share our experiences from Winter Conference. Whether or not you were able to make the AMiA conference, please come out for an evening of sharing, fellowship and vision-casting. The following weekend, on Friday, February 5th and Saturday, February 6th, your vestry will gather for another time of sharing and planning. We trust God will be among us to guide us and unify us in His perfect will for All Saints.

How about you? What has God been doing in your life? And where do you think He's leading? We'll address these questions, together, during our Lenten Supper Series, "Your Place in His Kingdom", which begins on Wednesday, February 24th.

In this season, where He is so obviously and powerfully moving, let us all make sure we continually lift these questions up to Him – and let us make sure we're listening for His answers.

May His peace be always with you,

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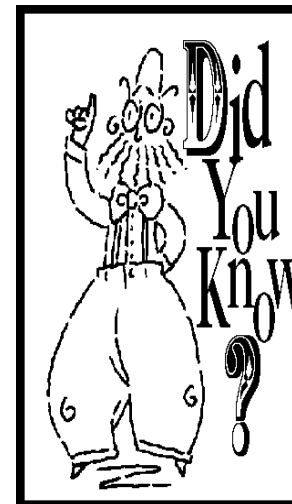
You

Encouraged

Today?

Another aspect of our attitudes toward others as members of All Saints Parish is the idea of looking around to see whether there are folks who are in need of encouragement. Jesus often sent out His followers in teams. Individuals sometimes need someone on whom they can depend for support. If we truly have the love of God in our hearts, we should be vigilant about discerning situations where that God-inspired love is needed. Our nation is experiencing difficult times. Many people are hurting - emotionally, financially, spiritually, perhaps socially. Any of us who are able should be mindful of needs - first of all within our congregation and extend our concern into the community surrounding us. How will anyone know we are followers of Jesus unless we act differently from those who do not know Him? Perhaps a review of the book of James is in order. Knowing Jesus and believing in Him is the beginning. Unless we are motivated to act on His behalf, we will miss the opportunity to carry out His will. We are called to be stewards of the love and gifts of God.

Lois Heffelfinger, Stewardship



Let's take a 'behind the scenes' look at the ministries of the church and the volunteers that keep them going. Here are a few facts about these ministries:

...that the **Prayer Shawl** ministry, led by Helen Anderson, has made 23 prayer shawls since it began in 2005. Each loving stitch and prayers for well being are woven into shawls that are given to those in need.

...that the **Needlepoint and Knitting** ministry has taken on the job of stitching the kneelers. There are 93,312 stitches in each kneeler. Six people are currently working on this project.

...the **Angel Food** Ministries has really taken off thanks to Linda May and over 60 volunteers who help on a rotating basis.

...that it takes 20 people each month to clean the church, offices, and bathrooms? By donating just 1.5 hours each week on a rotating schedule, these volunteers keep our facilities in beautiful and clean condition. Call Chuck or Dixie Marino, who head up the **Cleaning Ministry**, if you can help.

...that there are 16 volunteers who cover the reception desk for daily coverage in the **Church Office**? These cheerful helpers assist in mailings, copying, phone answering, and a huge number of "as needed" tasks. During December they folded and inserted 2000 bulletins, 600 newsletters, 400 programs, 300 Advent booklets and 500 Chrismon booklets, and 300 monthly statements.

...that it takes 12 hours of volunteer time to print, fold, stuff, stamp and prepare to send out your monthly statements.

Do you have interesting facts about the volunteers in your ministry? Please submit your facts to Wendy Lawson at allsaintsmhc@earthlink.net. See the list of ministries in the textbox on the right....send us your facts today. It's a nice way to say thank you to our volunteers.

MINISTRIES AT ALL SAINTS

Acolytes
Adult Choir
Altar Guild
Angel Food
Cleaning Comm.
Coffee Fellowship
Handbell Ringers
Homes of Hope
Hospitality
Lay Readers
Meals on Wheels
Men's Prayer Grp.
Prayer Ministry
Parish Nurses
Pastoral Care
Praise Band
Prayer Shawl
Snug Harbor Angels
Sound Team
Ushers

Have we forgotten your ministry? Please call the Church Office to be added to the list.



Ridgecrest

The Soldiers for Christ youth group attended YouthQuake 2010 at Ridgecrest Conference Center near Asheville, NC January 15th – 17th. All Saints was represented bigger than ever before with a whopping 32 youth plus 5 adults!! The following youth attended: Josh Bailey, Brantlee Barwick, Rachel Brazda, Kristen Carpenter, Alex Clark, Krystal Clearwater, Jesse Ann Damico, Stephanie Durbin, Brittany Festerman, Taylor Festerman, Miranda Holt, Rachel Ladenburger, Katie Liguouri, Alexis Linka, Meredith Linka, Stephanie McCune, Matt Paylor, Erika Potts, Lauren Reed, Jake Sowell, Maggie Sowell, Zach Sowell, Abigail Sproul, Tammi Stroud, Andrew Swindell, Dustin Swindell, Connolly Walker, Kathryn Walker, Elise Wilder, Will Wilder, Caroline Williams, and Hannah Wolfe. Adults who attended were Mary Brooks, Katie Linka, Jennifer Potts, Pamela Sproul, and Paul Sproul.

Since we were blessed to have so many attending, we traveled in style in a motor coach! We shared the bus with the youth group from St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Beaufort. Joining forces like this wasn't just a way to share expenses but to share the experience and fellowship with other area youth.

Every year Ridgecrest is something special. Some things are a little bit different each year from the youth attending, music, bands, speakers, conference

organization, where we sleep, etc... By the way, let's just say that this year we were staying in the nose-bleed section of Ridgecrest (far away, lots of walking, and BIG hills). Each year there are different stories to tell too. But year-to-year, the same things happen -- extraordinary fellowship, lots of laughs, lots of tears, hearts being touched, and yes, even lives being changed. Each year the Holy Spirit fills that auditorium in anticipation of young middle and high school hearts waiting to burst through the doors. Each year the music is loud and inspiring and helps to lead the young people to worship in ways many have never experienced before. Each year there's a dramatic skit that just knocks our socks off! It's a place where the atmosphere is electric with the Holy Spirit's presence. The weekend is full of spiritual rest, refreshment, and rejuvenation. Thanks be to God that Ridgecrest has become something the young people talk about, encourage others to attend, and look forward to for months.

We cannot thank All Saints enough for your generous support of Ridgecrest – from the prayers, encouraging words, and many scholarships that were given. Without your support, this trip would not have been possible! We thank God for each of you and covet your continued prayers for our young people!

Check out the All Saints website for pictures from Ridgecrest at www.allsaintsmhc.com



Pool Party

Is it summertime already? Not yet, but Soldiers For Christ members have been invited to a pool party!! On Wednesday, February 10th, The Grayson family has invited us to join them for an evening of "Pool and Pizza" at their annual winter beach retreat. We had a great time last year and are looking forward to this special treat!

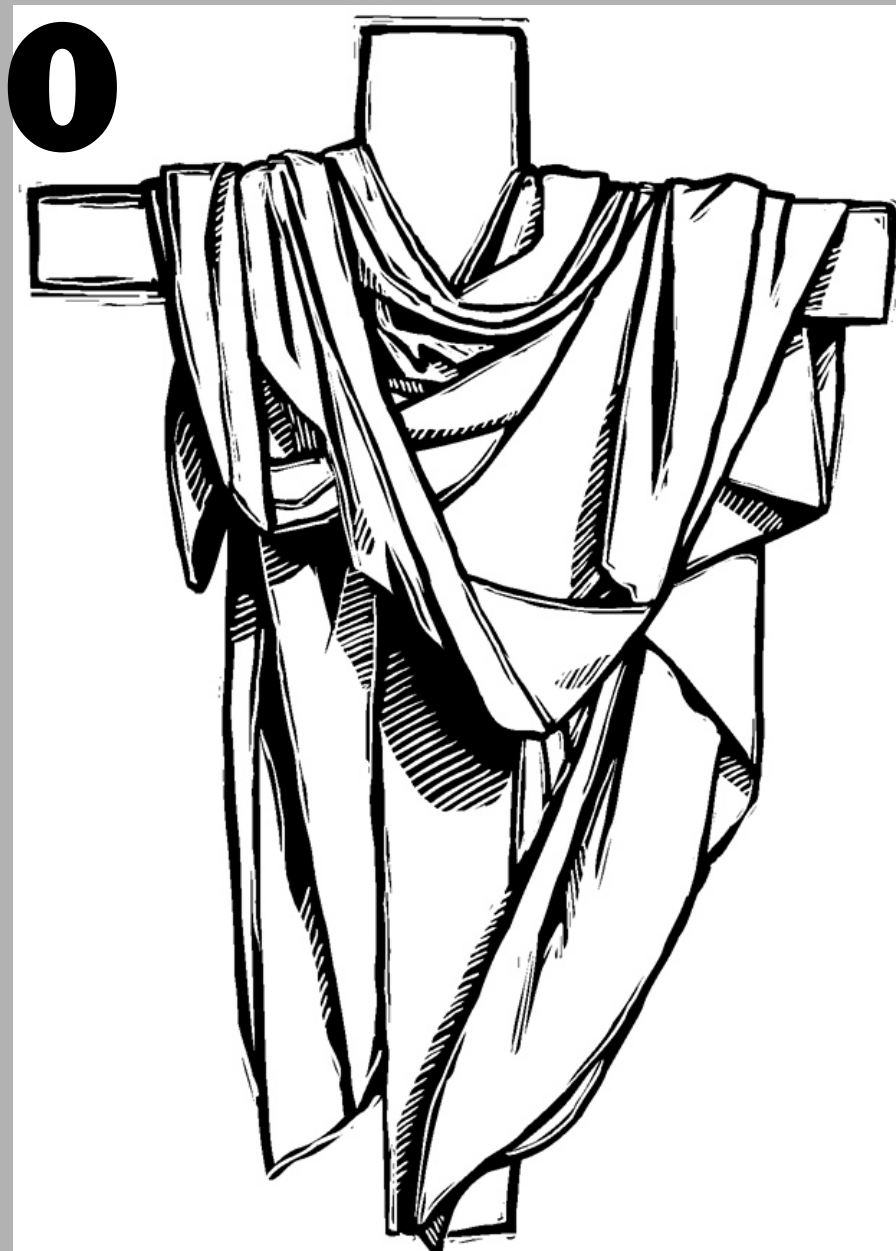


Regular Meetings

Soldiers for Christ meets each Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Meetings are open to youth, 8th grades and up. You're always welcome to bring a friend! Join us in the youth room of the church – located in the house beside the church where the office is located. For more information contact Pamela or Paul Sproul at 240-3527.

Lent

2010



Your Place In God's Kingdom

THE SEASON OF LENT

Lent is the forty-day long liturgical season of fasting and prayer before Easter. The forty days represent the time Jesus spent in the desert, where according to the bible, He endured temptation by Satan. (Matthew 4:1-2, Mark 1:13, Luke 4:1-2)

The purpose of Lent is the preparation of the believer through prayer, penitence, almsgiving and self denial for the annual observance during Holy Week of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, which recalls the events linked to the Passion of Christ and culminates in Easter, the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

In Western Christianity, lent begins on Ash Wednesday, which this year is February 17th, and concludes on Holy Saturday. The six Sundays in Lent are not counted among the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini Easter", a celebration of Jesus' victory over sin and death.

**Shrove Tuesday
Pancake Supper
& Teen Auction
Feb. 16th
6:00-8:00p.m.
\$5 per person
\$15 family maximum**



The Soldiers for Christ will be hosting the Pancake Supper and Teen Auction serving a traditional meal of pancakes, sausage patties, beverages and apples. Take out will be available. Advance tickets can be purchased at church and the Church Office, or available at the door.

Following the meal at 7:00 p.m., the Teen "I Will Work For You" Auction will begin. Many of the Soldiers for Christ youth group members are allowing themselves to be auctioned off to come work for you...to do things such as yard work, cleaning, organizing, pet services, car washing, babysitting, windows, grocery shopping, running errands, etc. The youth will be voting on what "God Cause" the money raised from the auction will go towards. Don't miss this special evening of fun!



- Tues. Feb. 16 6:00p.m.**
Pancake Supper & Teen Auction
- Wed. Feb. 17 7, 10a.m. & 5:30pm**
Ash Wednesday Service followed by weekly Wednesday Lenten Services same times
- Wed. Feb. 17 6:00p.m.**
Soup & Sandwich Suppers following the Lenten Service (each Wednesday night in Lent)
- Sun. March 28 4:00p.m.**
The Passion Play- Lamb of God
other performances on:
- Mon. March 29 7:00p.m.**
- Tues. March 30 7:00p.m.**
- Wed. March 31 7:00p.m.**
- Fri. April 2 7:00p.m.**

Lenten Dinners

Every Wednesday night beginning February 17, 2010 after the Lenten Service the Passion Play Committee will be serving soup and sandwiches for \$5.00 a person or \$15.00 a family. Please join us for a time of teaching to follow as we discover "Your Place in God's Kingdom", the theme for Lent 2010. Be part of a great meal, fellowship, and a fundraiser for the Passion Play "Lamb of God". If you are interested in making soup or sandwiches, please contact Roo Grayson at 247-3186.



All Saints Anglican Church
Presents

"The Passion Play" Lamb of God

All Saints Anglican Church will be celebrating Easter 2010 by presenting the musical production of "The Passion Play" *Lamb of God*. Under the direction of Ann Walker, Roo Grayson and Laurence Stith, the play is about the last days of Jesus leading up to the crucifixion. The musical production will include the All Saints Choir as well as selected individual performances.

Many people are needed for the success of this production. Specific adult characters will be cast. All ages are being cast for crowd scenes. Other areas needing assistance are building of sets, backstage crew, and publicity. We will start working on costumes Saturday, February 6th at 9:00 a.m. in the hospitality room. If you can sew, cut or pin, please come and join the costume crew.

If you are interested in getting involved or if you know someone in the community that would like to be involved, please contact Ann Walker (247-5058) or Roo Grayson (247-3186).

<u>Rehearsal Schedule</u>		<u>Show Schedule</u>	
	Sundays...		
Jan. 31	4pm	Sunday	March 28 4:00p.m.
Feb. 7	2pm		(opening performance)
Feb. 14	4pm	Monday	March 29 7:00p.m.
Feb. 21	4pm	Tuesday	March 30 7:00p.m.
Feb. 28	4pm	Wednesday	March 31 7:00p.m.
March 7	4pm	Friday	April 2 7:00p.m.
March 14	4pm		
March 21	4pm		
March 26	6pm (Friday)		

Taking Leave of the



The Church has the custom of not speaking or singing the word "Alleluia" during Lent. "Alleluia" is one of the church's favorite words because it expresses joy, gives praise – it means "Praise the Lord" – and can be sung easily in so many different ways. Not using the word "Alleluia" during Lent is like putting away a favorite toy for awhile to appreciate it better later. In many churches, along with the silencing of the Alleluia, comes the locking up of the organ, another custom of laying aside a good and beautiful thing so that it might be better appreciated later. The mood during Lent is often one of silence, offering us a time to listen instead to things we need to hear and say inside ourselves. Just reflect for a minute on how beautiful the sound "Alleluia" will be on Easter Day.