

A Community of Grace, Anchored in Christ, Living to Love, Growing to Serve

## The Evangel

February 2016



Ash Wednesday Services  
Wednesday, February 10  
7:00 AM, 12:15 PM, 7:00 PM  
And Don't forget your pancakes  
on Shrove Tuesday (Feb. 9)!



Congratulations to our new Vestry Persons elected at our Annual Meeting,  
Karen Eckford, Dusty Rhodes, Marti Wallace and Jim Wiley!



Recruiting for Hospitality Teams!

If you're an adult at Grace, you're eligible  
(and strongly urged) to serve on one of our  
five Hospitality Teams!



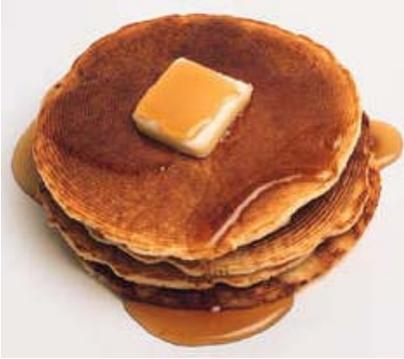
Hospitality Teams, consisting of about twenty-five people each, work to set up, clean up, serve, and provide food for receptions and any whole-church events serving snacks or meals. With so many hands, the work is not too taxing and can be a great source of fellowship.

If you aren't already on a Team, or, if you aren't sure whether or not you're on a Team, please leave your name, email address, and phone number at the office or contact Kay Wages at [kaysahr@me.com](mailto:kaysahr@me.com).

We want you: the more, the merrier!

If you have a need for daily prayers, please feel free to contact any Daughter of the King.  
We are happy to add your prayers our prayers list at any time.  
Have a question? Contact Trudy Reeves (438-1260) or Barbara Goodwin (432-0032).

## February-March Happenings



**Feb. 9 - Shrove-Tuesday Pancake Supper, 6:00 PM**  
**All proceeds go to Youth Ministry**

**Feb. 10 – Ash Wednesday Services,**  
**7:00 AM, 12:15 PM, 7:00 PM**

**Feb. 17 – Club 55 Luncheon,**  
**Richardson Hall, 12:00 Noon**

**March 20– Palm Sunday, The Passion According to St. Luke**

**March 24 – 7:00 PM, Maundy Thursday Service**  
**and The Stripping of the Altar**



**March 25 – 7:00 PM, Good Friday Service**



**March 27 – Easter Day; 6:00 AM - the Great Vigil of**  
**Easter; 10:30 AM - Choral Eucharist**  
**and Flowering of the Cross**



Do you remember your first bed-time toy? Perhaps a plush bunny, a bear, or a blanket with a satin binding? Can you recall how comforting it was? Think for a moment about how much it would mean to have that kind of comfort if you were a sick child.

The Teddy-Bears in our Pediatrics-Hospital Ministry are prayed over and donated to sick children in the Pediatric Wing and the Emergency Room at Kershaw Health. When you celebrate your Birthday each year, will you consider making a donation to purchase a Teddy-Bear for this important Grace Church ministry? It will make you feel good too!

Dear People of Grace, February 2016 [9-Shrove Tuesday; 10-Ash Wednesday; 24-St. Matthias]

(From Ecclesiastes 3) *“To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: <sup>2</sup>A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; <sup>3</sup>A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; <sup>4</sup>A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; <sup>5</sup>A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; <sup>6</sup>A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; <sup>7</sup>A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak.”*

And my time and season as the Rector of Grace Episcopal Church, Camden has come to an end. Last week I delivered a letter to your Senior Warden, our Bishop, and appropriate Diocesan Personnel which was accepted by your Vestry this past Tuesday evening (January 19).

It will be difficult to leave.

Since taking up my call as your Rector in 2012, both Donna and I have been immeasurably blessed by the love and kindness of so many of you. We are also grateful for the opportunities for growth which have permitted both of us to become stronger servants of Our Lord and Savior.

Donna and I will always cherish the memories of our years here. In a way that words cannot really explain, you have all become a part of us. And so we will carry you with us into the rest of our work in the Vineyard of Our Lord.

So many questions lie before us as to how God will use us in this next phase of our journey. But I take great comfort in the words of St. Paul to the Romans when he writes, *“And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose”* (Rom. 8:28)

Donna and I covet your prayers as we try to discern what Our Lord has in store for our future. And you will, of course remain in our thoughts and prayers as Grace Church begins a new chapter of its history.

Faithfully in Christ,

*James †*

**Deadline for information in the March *E*vangel: FRIDAY, February 19**



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**Vestry for the Calendar Year, 2016**  
Frank Trapp (2016), Dwight deLoach (2016), Bill Herbert (2016),  
Harriet Dubose (2016), Johnny Burns (2017), David Farrow (2017),  
Dennis Magee (2017), Julie Magee (2017), Karen Eckford (2018), Dusty Rhodes (2018),  
Marti Wallace, 2018, Jim Wiley (2018)  
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