

Ash Wednesday

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

March 1st at 12:00 Noon and at 7:00 P.M.

THIS year St. Paul's will have two services just for Ash Wednesday.

We will meet at 12:00 noon and again at 7:00 p.m. The Noon time service is to accommodate people who do not drive at night or would like to come on their lunch break. Both will be the same service, with the imposition of ashes on the forehead as a reminder of our mortality. In Genesis 3:19 Adam and Eve were told "from dust you came and from dust you shall return." Ash Wednesday and all of Lent is a time of repentance and Turning our heart towards the Lord.

SUNDAY TEXTS

In order to help you better prepare for the reception of the Word on Sunday morning, the Sunday texts are printed for your study.

February 5, 2017

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 58:3-9a

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:13-20

February 12, 2017

Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:21-37

February 19, 2017

Old Testament Lesson: Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:10-23

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:38-48

February 26, 2017

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 24:8-18

Epistle: 2 Peter 1:16-21

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 17:1-9

New Women's Ministry: Acts 2:46

We read in Acts 2:46 (NIV), “Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts”. In reading Acts 2, I think of those who made up the early church. They were in the middle of ridiculously trying times with lots more crazy stress than I even can imagine; yet they “continued to meet ... and break bread” with each other. This act of sharing a meal and talking about God is one of the best ways I know to do life together. I want my life to be like that. I want to continue to meet and break bread in my home with my people no matter the season or transition. And I would love for you to do it with me. Life is going to knock us around, but God gives us the community of Christians to revive and stabilize.

What is Acts 2:46?

A place to gather and share a simple meal and dive deep with women over real stories and Christ centered conversations. A time for a whole lot of laughter – and maybe a few tears – but time spent that leaves us with glad hearts. Full hearts. Grateful hearts.

Who is Acts 2:46 for?

All women! All ages, all stages of life and faith. You do not need to be a member of St. Paul's, so invite your neighbor! Invite your friends!

What happens? Is this a Bible study?

This is not a Bible study! There is no commitment, but Acts 2:46 will meet for a meal each month in homes- 2 hours, 4 questions, 6-8 women. Groups can change or stay the same each month.

If I want to host, do I need to be fancy?

No! These are simple meals in real homes- however messy and Pinterest uninspired they may be! If you are interested in hosting a group, talk to Jill Hardin.

We would love for you to be a part of Acts 2:46! Talk to Jill Hardin for more info or check out our website at www.stpaulswoodland.org.

PRESCHOOL HAPPENINGS

Well, the rain has been a little bit of a challenge this month with active preschoolers. We were blessed with tumbling mats that Miss Ruthie brought with her. They are an energy life saver allowing us to jump and roll inside!! We continue to be blessed each Wednesday morning with chapel singing and message from Pastor Hardin.

Miss Ruthie's class focused on Jesus is powerful, heals, cares and shows mercy during Bible Time. Their unit study focused on the letters M, N, and O. They studied time/ sequence, community helpers and opposites. This months cooking was monkey bread and oatmeal (for the letters M and O!!).

Miss Hilary and Miss Chelsea's class focused on Jesus as a boy, baptism and his care during their Bible Time. Their unit study was winter/changes, good hygiene and healthy foods. Their cooking days included fresh fruit snacks, sugar cookies and squeezing fresh lemon aid.

We also were blessed this month with 2 new students in the 3 year old classroom!!

We now look forward to the month of February focusing on Ground Hog Day, Lincoln and Washington's birthday and Valentine's Day!!

Blessings,

Laurie Stephens

Administrator/Teacher

4TH AND HOPE REVISED SCHEDULE

Below is the revised schedule for St. Paul's to prepare and serve meals at 4th & Hope shelter.

February 11, 2017

March 4, 2017

May 13, 2017

July 15, 2017

September 16, 2017

November 11, 2017

If you are interested in helping out on this program call Manny Souza, 661-1195 or Russell Pullmann, 666-6895

