

The Scroll

Newsletter of
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March 2019

The seasons of the Christian calendar come at us,
leave us wondering, only to be replaced by
another season of introspection.

At Christmas, we celebrate that God would love
us so much as to send us his son to help us see
God more clearly. So, amidst the Christmas
spirit we feel gratitude that love surrounds us and
is so palpable within our hearts.

Lent shows up. Do we give something up or
not? Do we pick up some good deeds so that we
are doing more or not? Lent is a pretty solemn
time and certainly leads us toward pain and death
which then gets replaced by rebirth and
salvation. The wintery death is replaced by
spring rebirth...the cold is replaced with
warmth of spring and the breath of God growing
around us and within us.

Actually, that breath of God thing is there all the
time if we would pay attention. Let's use our
Lenten time to figure out where we are with God.
Are there areas that need adjustment? Pray
more? Reach out to help people more? You



know, if you have some older folks living around
you, maybe, just maybe, you could visit them
once a week – make sure they are doing OK. If
they live by themselves, they need some visits to
let them know they are not alone and forgotten.



Lent & Holy Week

Ash Wednesday	March 6
Lent 1	March 10
Lent 2	March 17
Lent 3	March 24
Lent 4	March 31
Lent 5	April 7
Palm Sunday	April 14
Maundy Thursday	April 18
Good Friday	April 19
Easter Sunday	April 21

Blessings to you, you beautiful children of God!
Rev. John Sanborn

OUTREACH UPDATE-

February's donations from the Union Church Outreach Committee were:

- One to One
- Pittsford Food Shelf
- Dismas House
- Camp Sebago

They each received a check for \$600.

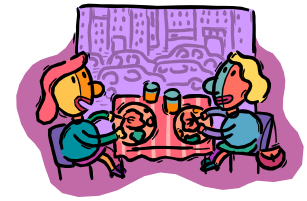
The committee would also like to remind everyone to bring in food items for the Proctor-Pittsford Food Shelf. Items such as cereals, canned vegetables and fruit, instant potatoes, rice, tuna, peanut butter and paper goods are just a few suggestions. The food basket will continue to be picked up the last Sunday of the month and brought to Pittsford. Thank you for your continued support of the food shelf!

We passed a soup pot on Souper Bowl Sunday and brought in \$149.20, which was sent to the Special Olympics of Vermont to support our own amazing athletes. Thanks once again for your support, it will surely warm some hearts!

The Union Church of Proctor continues to reach out beyond our walls to serve our brothers and sisters in Christ in our community and throughout the world. This year, in an effort to be more responsive to emergency needs wherever they exist, the Outreach Committee will allocate the Lenten Offering to The Humanitarian Respite Center. The center is located in McAllen, Texas and is overseen by Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley. It is a collaborative effort composed of Catholic Charities (RGV), the Salvation Army, and the city of McAllen. It provides a place of respite and much needed supplies so that immigrants (50-200 per day) may continue on their journey. Thank you in advance for giving what you can during this Lenten Season to support a great humanitarian effort.



LADIES LUNCH



Our March Ladies' Lunch will take place at the Rutland Country Club at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 12th. Come and join us!

PRISON VISIT

The March Prison visit will be on Wednesday, March 13th. Anyone wishing to join us is welcome or if someone would like to make something, it would be appreciated. See Sue Osgood or Carol Trudelle for more information



MEN'S COFFEE... NEW TIME!

Members & friends of Union Church- Join us for Men's Coffee every Saturday from 8-9 a.m. in the Parish House.



MEN'S BREAKFAST 8 AM

We hold a Men's Breakfast on the second Saturday of each month. Our March Breakfast will be on Saturday, March 9th, from 8-9 a.m. in the Parish House dining room.



THE CHURCH MOUSE



I really hate the month of February. Maybe 'hate' is too strong a sentiment. I probably should just say intensely dislike. The weather changes at the drop of a hat and it's too short. That, and there never seems to be enough time to plan anything. Oh well, c'est la vie!

I heard that the Men will be holding their Breakfast now at 8 AM and still on the 2nd Saturday which will be on March 9th this time. Coffee hour every Saturday morning will change to 8 AM as well.

The Ladies Lunch will be held on March 12th at 11:30 AM at the Rutland Country Club. The Country Club has been doing renovations so the luncheon was back on during February and the ladies had a wonderful luncheon. I heard that the renovations were completed and the building was looking very nice.

The Dismas House Dinner prep is scheduled for 5:15 pm on March 6th. The Open Door Mission pizza dinner is scheduled for 5:15 pm on March 23rd.

Roy Pilcher's Saturday evening program on Butterflies was originally scheduled for January 19th but, because of the predicted snowstorm, it was rescheduled for January 26th. Roy's Butterfly Program was held on that evening and was extremely interesting. I never knew how many different species of butterflies and moths there were and most were very beautiful. The February Program was held and it was another painting session hosted by John and Deb Sanborn. It was amazing what could be accomplished with paint and a piece of yarn. Everyone seemed to be having a great time.

The Prison Visit will be held on March 13th. Contact Sue Osgood or Carol Trudelle if you need further information.

And this just in...Barbara and David Lacy are very pleased to announce that their son, Mack, and his girlfriend, Missy Matteis, are engaged!! Congrats to all!

God Bless each and every one of you!



March Birthdays

2 Erik Chapin	18 Liz Fothergill
Jean Lertola	19 Paul Pilcher
4 Donna Knipes	20 Melanie Mace
Amy Larson	21 Nancy Allenby
5 Nancy Thompson	Tanya Morgan
7 Barb Corliss	Seth Richardson
Peg Thomas	22 Leah Moody
9 Chris Heintz	23 Mike Kingsbury
10 Jeff Metcalfe	25 Jeff Bergquist
14 Collin Elliott	26 Cairle Ault
Jim Toher	Roy Pilcher
16 Karyn Colburn	27 Carol Westin
17 Debra Kingsbury	
Reilly Knipes	
Shelby Moody	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROY!



The family of Roy Pilcher invite you to join them for a celebration of his 90 years on Saturday, March 23rd, at 1:30 p.m. at the Gables, 105 Gables Place, Rutland, VT.

Please RSVP to Lynn Pilcher at 802-558-6006 or lynnpilcher@gmail.com.



March Greeters

- 3 Phyllis Sawtell
- 10 Meryl Lisananti
- 17 Phyllis Lanz
- 24 Sue Osgood & Carol Trudelle
- 31 Elsie Valach

SATURDAY NIGHT SOCIAL



Our next Saturday Social is on Saturday, March 16th. Snacks are at 6:45 p.m, and the program starts at 7 p.m. Slow down and tag along with Paul Pilcher as he describes his adventures on four world renowned trails. Between May and September of last year, Paul hiked and camped 1000 miles on the Long Trail, Pacific Crest Trail, Tour Mount Blanc, and the Walkers Haute Route. Epic scenery, great community, and lots of good stories and pictures. Come and enjoy.

WE'VE GOT MAIL!



*Dear Friends,
 What a lovely surprise to receive a beautifully packaged mug of sweets. Thank you so much. We are so grateful to you for the monthly meals and support for our residents. They look forward to you coming for dinner each month. Thank you for your warmth and good cooking.
 We wish you peace and joy in 2019!*

*Best,
 Geraldine Burke (Rutland Dismas House)*

Easter Memorial Flowers

Once again, we expect to have Easter lilies and other potted spring flowers enhancing the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday. In order to have an accurate listing of Memorial Flowers, we ask that you please fill out the slip below and return it to the church **by Palm Sunday, April 14th**. You may email your memorial information to Kris at kris.finni@gmail.com or send it to Union Church of Proctor, 5 Church St., Proctor, VT 05765.

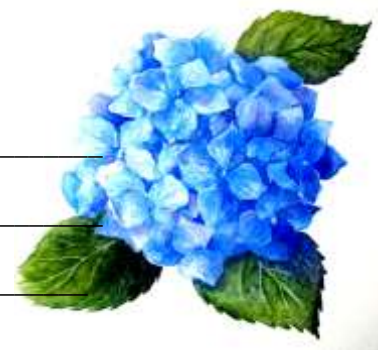
Please note that the information you provide below is **only for our memorial listing in the Easter Sunday bulletin**. *All flowers must be arranged through a florist or brought to the church by those wishing to give them.*

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Easter Flowers Memorial Listing


In Memory of:

Given by



March



- 3 Choir Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary
Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Coffee & Fellowship, 11:00 a.m.
- 6 Dinner Prep. and Meal Sharing at the Rutland Dismas House, 5:15 p.m.
Ash Wednesday – Lent begins
- 9 Men’s Breakfast, 8:00 a.m., Parish House
Set your clocks ahead tonight so you’re on time for church
- 10  Choir Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary
Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Coffee & Fellowship, 11:00 a.m.
- 12 Ladies’ Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Rutland Country Club
- 13 Prison Visit
- 16 Saturday Night Social- Paul Pilcher’s trek, 6:45 p.m., Parish House
- 17 Choir Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary
Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Coffee & Fellowship, 11:00 a.m.
- 20 Articles & info due for April Scroll
- 23 Pizza Dinner Prep. and Meal Sharing at the Open Door Mission, 5:15 p.m.
- 24 Choir Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary
Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
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MARCH READERS



- 3 Jeff Bergquist
- 10 Glenn Giles
- 17 Kim Metcalfe
- 24 Lynn Pilcher
- 31 Ray Ault

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Deep in their roots, all flowers keep the light.

Theodore Roethke