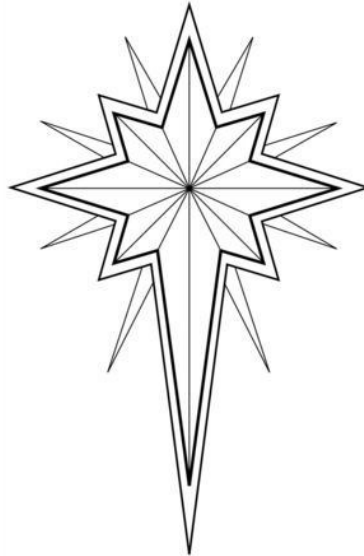


ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1307 North Main Street, Mount Airy, Maryland

ENCOUNTER Christ ~ ENGAGE the World

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany



**February 20, 2022, 8:30 am and 10:30 am
Holy Eucharist**

Welcome! We're glad you found your way to St. James' today.

Activity sheets for young children are available from an usher.

*Please sign our guest book to receive information
about the mission & ministry of this community.*

St. James' WiFi password on both levels is NorthMain.

*We are on Facebook and invite you to check in
or use your favorite social media app to let your friends know you are here today!*

GATHERING

Prelude: *"They'll Know We Are Christians"*

Peter Scholtes, arr. Lyndell Leatherman

Processional: *We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light*
All standing, as able

arr. Hal H. Hopson

Acclamation

Blessed are you, holy and living One.

You come to your people and set them free.

Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Canticle of Praise: *Canticle 11*

The Book of Common Prayer

Arise, shine, for your light has come, *

and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.

For behold, darkness covers the land; *

deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.

But over you the Lord will rise, *

and his glory will appear upon you.

Nations will stream to your light, *

and kings to the brightness of your dawning.

Your gates will always be open; *

by day or night they will never be shut.

They will call you, The City of the Lord, *

The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Violence will no more be heard in your land, *

ruin or destruction within your borders.

You will call your walls, Salvation, *

and all your portals, Praise.

The sun will no more be your light by day; *

by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

The Lord will be your everlasting light, *

and your God will be your glory.

The Collect of the Day

Scripture Insert

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

The Officiant prays the Collect

WORD

The First Reading

Scripture Insert

After the reading

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Scripture Insert

Gospel Alleluia: *Celtic Alleluia*

Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

All standing, as able

The Holy Gospel

Scripture Insert

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rev. Kristin Krantz

The Nicene Creed

All standing as able

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**
**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**
**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Sisters and brothers, do to others as you would have them do to you. Let us pray, saying: We have come before you, O God; and here will we wait for you.

Merciful God, help us to love our enemies, to do good to those who hate us. It is a hard thing for us. Make us merciful, just as you are merciful. We have come before you, O God; **and here will we wait for you.**

Holy God, make your justice shine like the noonday sun. Vindicate the meek; save the righteous; rescue those who find their refuge in you. We have come before you, O God; **and here will we wait for you.**

We pray, Creator God, for those who experience the pangs of hunger. We cry to you for those dying of starvation. Provoke us to give them provision. Give us a new appreciation for the abundance in our lives. We have come before you, O God; **and here will we wait for you.**

Heal families. Heal our families. Heal the families in our community. Mend our divisions. Make us ministers of reconciliation. We have come before you, O God; **and here will we wait for you.**

Heal these bodies, O God, that you have made from the dust of the earth. Deliver us, and those for whom we pray, from our infirmities. We have come before you, O God; **and here will we wait for you.**

You're invited to name, silently or aloud, prayers of intercession and thanksgiving.

Raise in power all who proclaim you as Redeemer in this and every age. Amen.

The Confession

Let us confess our sins to God.
Silence may be kept.

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

May the peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Thanksgivings of the Community

You are invited to offer public thanks for the movement of God's Spirit in your life: thanks for a birthday, an anniversary, a new job, and unexpected act of compassion, or another grace-filled change in your life. We close this time with the following prayer:

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they mark this day. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TABLE

*Please place your offering in the plate
when you come forward to receive communion*

Choir Anthem: *Trust and Obey*

Daniel B. Towner, arr. Lloyd Larson

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship, Eucharistic Prayer 3

All standing, as able

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

After the Celebrant breaks the bread for us to share, a moment of prayerful silence is kept

This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.
Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Behold what you are, become what you receive.

The Communion of the People

*All who seek Christ are welcome at God's table. The usher will invite you forward to the altar.
Please take a cup with a wafer and return to your seat before lifting your mask to consume.
If you are not receiving communion today you are invited to silently pray
the Prayer for Spiritual Communion found below.*

Music at Communion: *In Memory of His Mercy*

arr. Ruth Elaine Schram

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1988)

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

Prayer After Communion

All standing, as able

Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

SENDING

Blessing

May the light of God surround us, the love of God enfold us, the power of God protect us, and the presence of God watch over us, in the name of the Holy Trinity, now and forever more. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: *Jesu, Jesu*

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Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude: *Postlude in Bb*

Caleb Simper, arr. Michael Ryan

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany		
February 20, 2022		
8:30 am		
	Usher	Vic Pellicier
	Reader	Peter Sabonis
10:30 am		
	Usher	Jim Bullington
	Reader	Steve Stowell
	Livestream	Zachary Krantz
	Altar Guild	Aline Sautter
	Counters	Natalie DelRegno Heather Albertson

Today's Activities

8:30 am Holy Eucharist
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Holy Eucharist w/music and livestream

Calendar This Week

Tuesday, February 22
Wednesday, February 23
Thursday, February 24
Friday, February 25
Saturday, February 26

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 10am to 4 pm.

4:30 pm CPR Class
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal
11:30 am Online Bible Study
Fri.-Sat. Vestry Retreat
6:00 pm BSA 829
7:00 pm NA—Lower Level

NEXT SUNDAY February 27

The Last Sunday after
the Epiphany
8:30 am Holy Eucharist
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Holy Eucharist w/music and livestream

Closing Hymn: *Jesu, Jesu*

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show

us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from you. **Fine**

1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
 2. Neigh - bors are rich and poor, neigh - bors are black and
 3. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
 4. Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we are
 5. Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their

1. feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 2. white, neigh - bors are near and far a - way.
 3. love; all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
 4. slaves, this is the way we should live with you.
 5. feet, this is the way we should live with you. **D.C.**

Prayer Rotation

Please join the **Daughters of the King** in praying for each parishioner in rotation during 2021 by taking this notice home and by posting it where it will remind you pray to on a daily basis for the needs and blessings of:

Fred and Jennifer Meisenkothen (Zachary, Emma)
Dee Moore (Kyle)
Glenn Mullett and Averelle Smith (Kenleigh, Lindsay)

A member of the Daughters of the King will be contacting you this week for special prayer requests.

Sunday School Schedule

Sunday School classes for 3rd – 5th grades with Natalie DelRegno and middle-high grades with Joan Fader, **will resume on February 20th** indoors at 9:30 a.m. (Masks required and guidelines followed).

Note: K – 2nd grade with Betsy Davis and Yvette Allen will continue on Zoom through the end of February

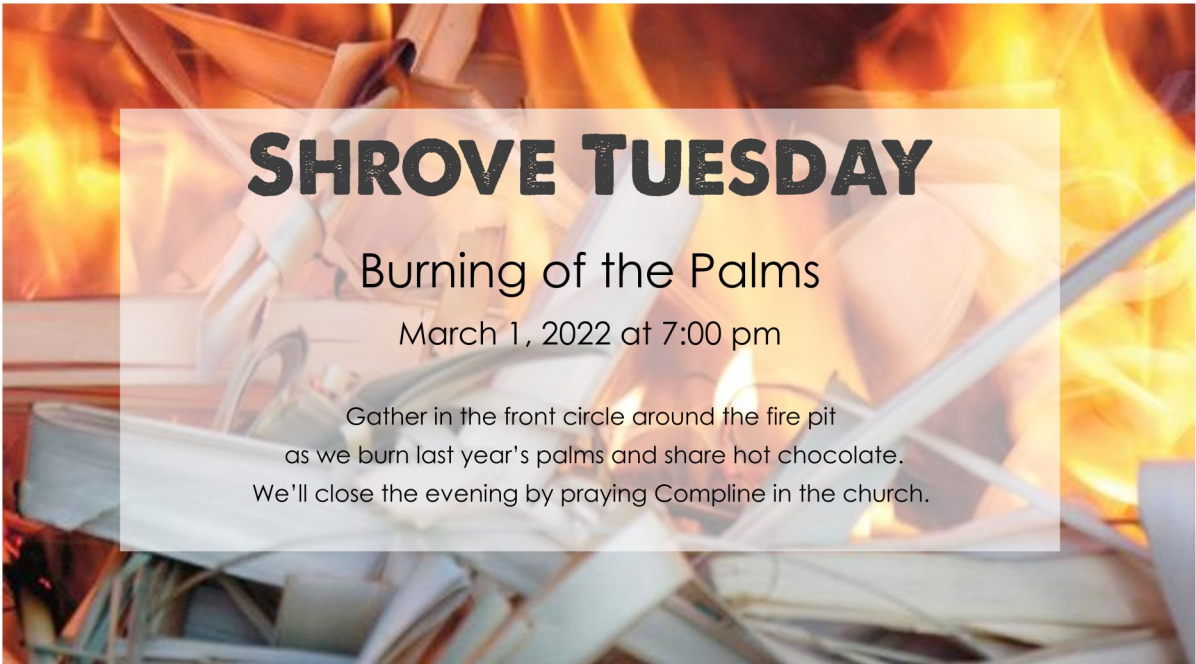
Outreach Ministry Appreciates You!

The mission of St. James' Outreach Committee is to serve as a liaison between our church and the wider community. Our Christian faith calls us to seek out those in need or crisis and provide necessary resources.

Over the past year we were very productive from Easter Baskets for Lorien to Angel Tree gifts for foster kids in Carroll County. Our success is made possible in large part by the generosity of your donations and giving of your time.



**Please stop by and see us in the narthex today
and pick up a small gift of appreciation.**



SHROVE TUESDAY

Burning of the Palms

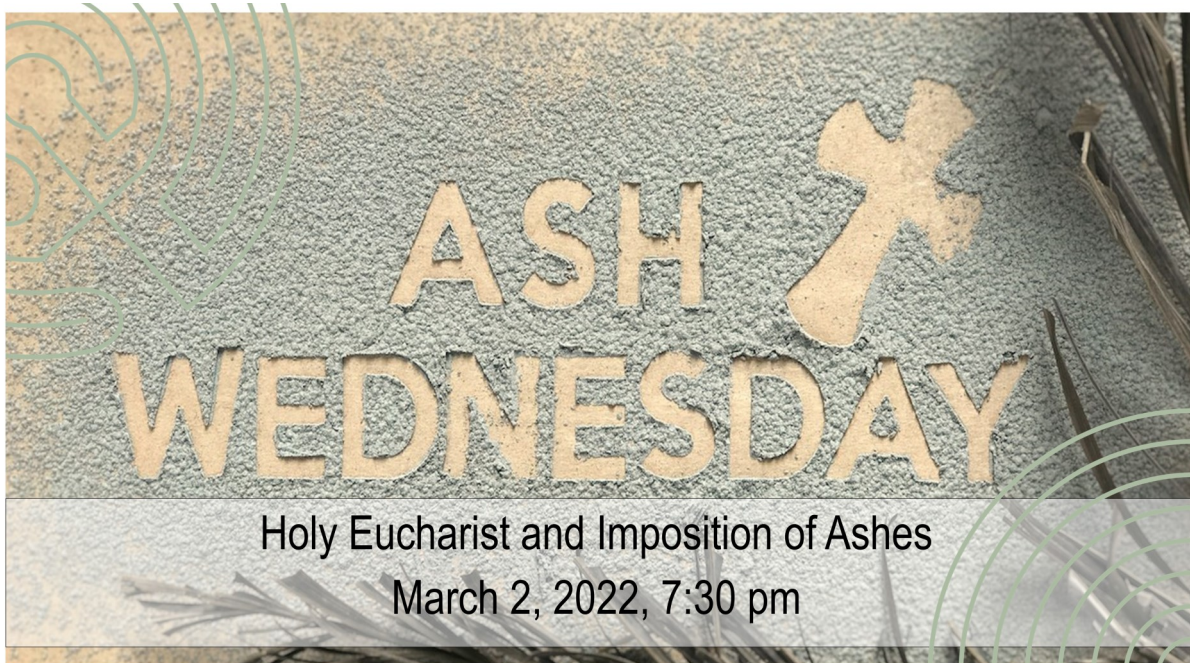
March 1, 2022 at 7:00 pm

Gather in the front circle around the fire pit
as we burn last year's palms and share hot chocolate.
We'll close the evening by praying Compline in the church.



ASH WEDNESDAY DRIVE THRU IMPOSITION OF ASHES

March 2, 2022, 8:00 am



Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes
March 2, 2022, 7:30 pm



Journeying through Lent

Labyrinth Walking and Compline

Thursdays at 7:00 pm
March 10, 17, 24, 31 & April 7



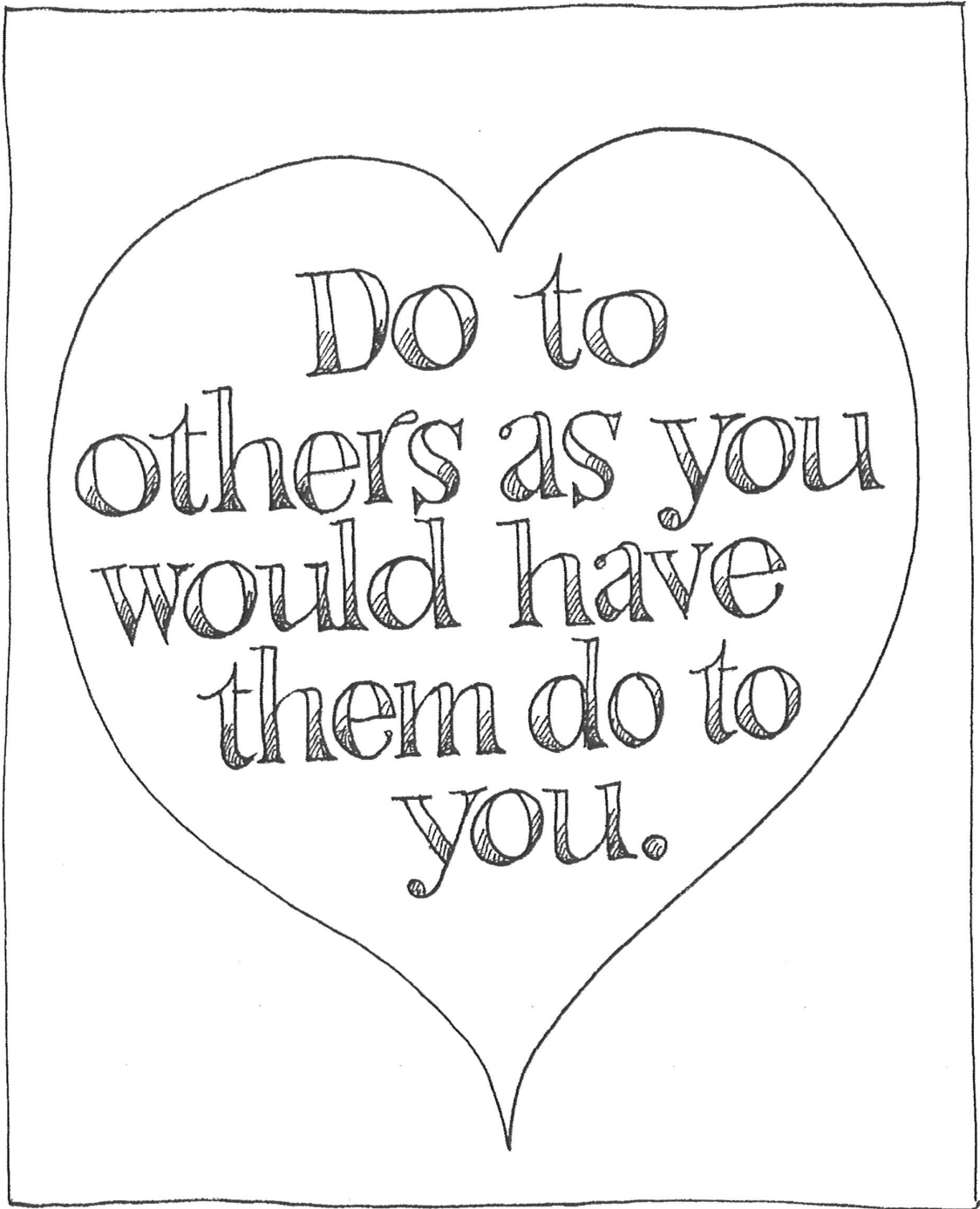
Beginning February 20th

Your Outreach Committee will sponsor a new program called "Random Acts of Kindness".

A basket containing specially labeled envelopes will be located in the narthex of the church for the next month; parishioners may take one or more envelopes.

It is requested that you place a small gift (possibly a local business gift card/certificate, money, a special note/poem/child's drawing with a message or other small item) in the envelope then give it to someone in our community to brighten their day, or week!!

It is our hope that you will be excited to participate in our Random Acts of Kindness to bring more smiles of hope into our community!



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Holy Eucharist: 8:30 am, Sunday School: 9:30 am, Holy Eucharist w/Music: 10:30 am

**The mission of the churches of the Diocese of Maryland is to
ENCOUNTER Christ everywhere and
ENGAGE in God's mission of reconciliation in the world.**

This Week's Commemorations (A Great Cloud of Witnesses)

- 20 Frederick Douglass, Prophetic Witness, 1895
- 21 John Henry Newman, Bishop and Theologian, 1890
- 22 Eric Liddell, Missionary to China, 1945
- 23 Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr of Smyrna, 156
- 24 **Saint Matthias the Apostle**
- 25 John Roberts, Priest, 1949
- 26 Emily Malbone Morgan, Prophetic Witness, 1937

Lectionary readings for The Last Sunday after the Epiphany, February 27, 2022

Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99
2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a)

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