

MARCH  
2011

# THE TWIN STEEPLES

West Dover Congregational Church (UCC)  
and Wilmington Congregational Church (UCC)



What new thing is God doing?

As Lent starts anew, God is doing new things in us. What will this season bring for you? For your church? Imagine what's possible.

## REV. EMILY C. HEATH

Lent has long been one of the most meaningful seasons of the church year to me. I have always found that keeping a holy Lent has made Easter all the more joyful.

Part of what makes Lent special is that we try to grow closer to Christ in new ways. Sometimes that means trying new things or new ways. For some of us that means taking up a new spiritual practice. For others it means volunteering regularly. For others it means giving something up for forty days. But in all these cases, it means making a change.

You may be noticing a change right now in the look and feel of this newsletter. I hope you all like this new

newsletter and find it helpful. Two major changes you will notice are that this is now a monthly publication, and this is a joint publication of both parishes.

Like all new things, this is a work in progress. And, I'd love to hear your feedback. Is there something missing here? Is there something you'd like to try out in future newsletters? Do you want to contribute something for next month's edition? I'm all ears, and I'd like you to help me make this newsletter useful for all of us.

As always, thank you for your willingness to try new things. God is always working in us, and always moving us forward, no matter what.

## Lectionary



Ash  
Wednesday

Isaiah 58:1-12  
Psalm 51  
2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10  
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-26

**March 13**

Genesis 2:15-3:7  
Psalm 32  
Romans 5:12-19  
Matthew 4:1-11

**March 20**

Genesis 12:1-4  
Psalm 121  
Romans 4:1-17  
John 3:1-17

**March 27**

Exodus 17:1-7  
Psalm 95  
Romans 5:1-11  
John 4:5-42

**April 3**

1 Samuel 16:1-13  
Psalm 23  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
John 9:1-41

# Joint Church Calendar - March 2011

WCC = Wilmington Church, WDCC = West Dover Church

Wednesday, March 9

Ash Wednesday Worship

7pm, WDCC

AA, 7pm, WCC

Saturday, March 12

AA, 7pm, WDCC

Sunday, March 13

Worship, 9am, WDCC

Worship, 10:45am, WCC

Tuesday, March 15

Deacons, 6pm, WDCC

Wednesday, March 16

Coffee Hour, 9am, WDCC

Church Council,

10 am, WDCC

AA, 7pm, WCC

Faith on Tap,

7pm, Last Chair

Thursday, March 17

Food Pantry Distribution

1-3pm, Wilmington

Saturday, March 19

Food Pantry Distribution,

9-11am, Wilmington

AA, 7pm, WDCC

Sunday, March 20

Worship, 9am, WDCC

Worship, 10:45am, WCC

Wednesday, March 21

Coffee Hour, 9am, WDCC

AA, 7pm, WCC

Faith on Tap,

7pm, Last Chair

Saturday, March 26

AA, 7pm, WDCC

Sunday, March 27

Worship, 9am, WDCC

Worship, 10:45, WCC

Wednesday, March 31

Coffee Hour, 9am, WDCC

AA, 7pm, WCC

Faith on Tap,

7pm, Last Chair



Upcoming Events:

Palm Sunday - April 17th

Maundy Thursday - April 21

Good Friday - April 22

Easter - April 24

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

March 2 – Robin Johnson

March 9 - Mitch Cashman

March 9 - Marge Thurber

March 12 – Julia Fillion

March 22 – Dylan Johnson

March 22 - Andy McLean

March 24 – Bill Hamilton

March 25 – Ethan Schoonmaker

March 29 - Sally Stott

March 18 – Buzz & Elizabeth

Cole

*Are we missing your special days?  
Let us know!*

## EASTER FLOWERS FOR WEST DOVER

During Lent we don't have any flowers on the altar in order to reflect the solemn tone of the season. But this all changes Easter morning when we celebrate Christ's resurrection. Please bring potted flowers of any variety to WDCC after Palm Sunday, and we will celebrate new life together on Easter Sunday as we enjoy these signs of spring.

# Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please email [revheath@me.com](mailto:revheath@me.com)

Paul Whittaker

(Christine Kurucz's dad)

Sandy Johnson

(Randy Johnson's mom)

Matt Lavoy

Anne O'Sullivan

Barbara Hyde

Liz and Paul Myers

Sue Wurzberger

Bonnie Nadeau

Carol, Chucky, Richard, Charlie

(Elizabeth Cole's family)

Emily Constantini

(Mindy Child's niece)

Jeff Fillion

Dick Massey

The people of Japan

All deployed service members

And those whose prayers are known  
only to God.



## CHURCH MEETING MINUTES

All meetings at both churches are open to all members. But, sometimes it's not possible for everyone to make every meeting they'd like to attend. Because your church leaders want you to be informed about what is going on in your churches, starting with the next edition, the minutes from all church meetings will be included in this newsletter.

**God Is  
Still Speaking ...  
and We're  
Listening**