

# THE NEW VISION

of St. Nathaniel's Episcopal Church

March, 2010



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### Lent 2010

Dear Friends,

A vineyard is a different kind of garden. You do not need to worry about planting seeds, because vines can be many years old. There is work to be done, though. Vines need to be pruned. Soil around them needs to be loosened and weeds cleared away. When harvest time comes, more helpers are needed. Owners of large vineyards hire workers to do these tasks.

Jesus told a story about one such owner, who was surprisingly generous. He went out early in the morning to hire laborers and agreed to give them the usual day's pay. Every three hours during the day he went out again and hired more men. Then, a surprising thing happened. The latecomers received a full day's pay, even though they had worked only a short time. So did those who came at noon. When the early hires came, they expected to be paid more. Hadn't they earned it? But they received only the amount originally agreed to. Was that fair?

Jesus is illustrating a different kind of economics. The latecomers had not earned the full pay, but they were

people in need. The owner saw them not as “hired hands” but as human beings. They had the same needs as the others.

God is like that vineyard owner. We shortchange God, if we think that faith is only a system for earning our way in life, trying to do enough good to make up for the bad. With amazing grace, God forgives and extends a wonderful acceptance to all. Some people may feel that they deserve more, but God acts with surprising generosity. Jesus invites all to come to him.

We should not take advantage of God’s love. It is better to live faithfully throughout our lives. The early workers spent the day working, but assured of receiving the income they needed. The latecomers spent most of the day worrying about having food to put on their table. God wants us all to be nourished and to know life’s rewards. May your Lent be one filled with the love of God and true laborers of our Lord.

Blessing,

*Rev Pat*

## COUNTING SCHEDULE



MARCH 7



MARCH 14



MARCH 21

MARCH 28

BARBARA GROSS  
HENDERSON STUART  
HELENE CHARPENTIER

PAM MEREDITH  
PAUL MEREDITH  
RUTH GULLIKSON

ALANA FLAHERTY  
BARBARA LANDRY

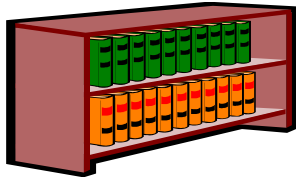
NANCY FLEMING  
BRIAN COX

**If the above schedule is inconvenient for anyone, please call me at 426-7275 to reschedule.**

## Treasurer's Report January, 2010



Income	\$13808.57
Expenses	<u>\$(13306.13)</u>
Surplus (Loss)	\$ 502.44
Year To Date	\$ 502.44



## BOOK CLUB

March 17, noon

Beck Hall Library

Bring a sandwich!

### PERFECTLY IMPERFECT: A LIFE IN PROGRESS, Lee Woodruff

Following her memoir of healing, coauthored with her husband, Bob Woodruff, an ABC journalist gravely wounded in a bomb attack in Iraq (In an Instant ), Lee delivers a collection of 17 brief, plainspoken essays about being a busy mother to four kids and a loving wife, daughter and friend who doesn't always know the right answers.

Come join in - and tell everyone what YOU think the answers are!

will begin at 5:30 followed by Soup at 6:00 and the program at 6:30. We look forward to seeing you there and to look at “Why We Are Episcopalians!”

## Holy Week Schedule



Holy Week is such an important part of our Lenten journey before we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. Please note these days:

**March 28<sup>th</sup>** Palm Sunday

**April 1<sup>st</sup>** Maundy Thursday 7:00pm

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>** Good Friday, 12:00 & 7:00pm

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>** Holy Saturday Prayers 11:30am

Evening Prayer 7:00pm

followed by the Vigil

**April 4<sup>th</sup>** Easter morning – 7:00am

Lighting of the New Flame

## Easter Celebration

8:00am & 10:00am

## Lenten Programs



**Soup for the Soul** began February 24<sup>th</sup> with the program “Those Episcopalians: and will continue March 3, 10, 17, 24. Stations of the Cross

## Children selling Candy



The Sunday school children are selling candy to help pay the expenses for Camp. Won't you help? Check out the Gift shop where they are displayed. You may even find a surprise inside – happy eating.

## **Altar Guild for March 2010**



**Set up Saturday and remove after 10am service on Sunday.**

Betty Kline  
Rayetta Haugh

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**8am removal and set up for 10am service on Sunday.**

Linda & Pam  
Meredith

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Thank you.  
Pam Meredith 429-9030

## **Stampin' Up Card Class**

### **Greeting Cards for All Occasions!!**

Germaine Meilach is teaching some ladies of the church ways to make different greeting cards for all occasions. The class is March 11, 1-3 pm and March 27<sup>th</sup>, 9 –noon. Cost is \$10.00 per class. If you are interested and have not signed up please contact Bonnie Cox 426-3381.

## ***THE FEBRUARY YARD SALE***



***THANKS*** TO VALERIE SMITH FOR SUPERVISING THE FEBRUARY YARD SALE. ***THANKS*** ALSO TO ALL THE OTHER LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WHO VOLUNTEERED THEIR TIME AND EFFORTS TO MAKE THE EVENT A SUCCESS. I APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE....AGAIN THANK YOU ALL.....HENDERSON STUART.

*Thank You*

## **THEME PARTY**

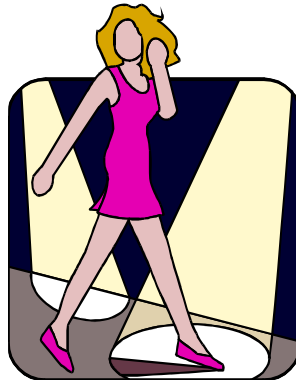
**75 plus gifts to give away**

**Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm to 3:00pm**...If you haven't been to one of our theme parties, we hope that you will attend this year. There are 75 plus gifts to give away...come out and bring your neighbors...you won't be sorry, it is lots of fun... You pay \$10.00 at the door and for that money you will receive 25 tickets to be placed in the prize you would like to win...There are many door prizes to be won...Lunch will be available, so come out and support us



The day of the Theme Party a **Gas Grill** will be chanced off and with this you will receive everything you will need to have a great barbecue...3 chances for \$5.00...

## SPOT LIGHT



A big thank you to Rick Kovach and Bill Haugh for the installation of the lights that are in the back...we can now see outside again...

Thanks to Barbara Lynch and her kitchen crew for the excellent dinner that was served in February...

The yard sale this past month was a success because of Valerie Smith and her hard working assistants...

Ash Wednesday evening service was very inspiring, thanks to the efforts of Rev. Pat... We really appreciate all that you do for us spiritually...thanks

Rev. Pat and Liz welcomed us to their home to take part in Carnival Night in Brazil...it was lots of fun...some came in costumes but all had a great time...Donations were made to the Church from all that attended...

Thanks to the Sunday School children for the work they did in cleaning up the fenced in yard...Special thanks to each of you that helped...

and to all of you...we hope to see you at the Dinner and Show on March 6<sup>th</sup>...

Thanks to Rick and Mack McShane for cutting down the weeds off the fence..

And to all that have donated gifts for the Theme Party, you have really stepped up, your donations will become part of the Theme Party...

Thanks to Larry Musgrove and Chris for the wonderful job they did on rejuvenating the floor in the hall...

# Thank You

Many thanks for the cards, prayers and well-wishes following my recent surgery. It is all very much appreciated.

Thanks

Ella Richard

## MAG's Shrove Tuesday Pancake Meal

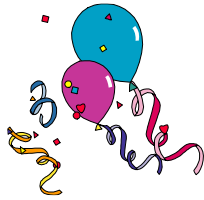


The Men's Action Group would like to thank all who attended the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Meal. We served over 150 meals and made about \$800. Special thanks to the Ladies of ECW (Episcopal Church Woman) for stepping in and helping us serve during the busy dinner hours.

The next MAG meeting is Saturday, March 6 at 8:30am for Eucharist, 9:00am breakfast and 9:30am meeting. All men attending St. Nathaniel's are automatically members of the MAG group. We would like to have your input so please attend the next meeting.

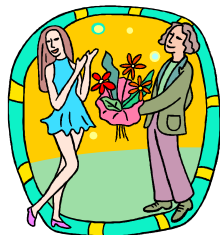
Henderson Stuart  
President

### MARCH BIRTHDAYS



March 3	Valerie Smith
March 11	David Musgrove
March 15	Dolly Schaft
March 26	Joan Rigoulot
March 27	Douglas Thornton

### MARCH ANNIVERSARIES



March 11 John & Alice Dumphy

Happy Anniversary

# INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

Friday, April 9, 2010

**Who:** Everyone in the church is invited to attend International Night.

**When:** April 9, 2010

**Where:** St. Nathaniel's Beck Hall

**Time:** 6:00pm - - BYOB  
6:30pm - - Pot Luck Dinner  
Entertainment to follow

**Cost:** FREE

**What to bring:** A dish to pass (plan on serving 8-10 people with this dish). This dish can be an international dish relating to your family heritage.

**Entertainment:** If you are interested in singing, playing an instrument, telling about your background or heritage, doing a comedy skit, telling a joke, or just relating something about you for the evening's entertainment contact: Bonnie Cox at 426-3381.

**History:** We have been doing these International Nights for about 6 years and everyone has a great time. So I encourage you to mark your calendars for a fun and free evening of fellowship with your fellow parishioners of St. Nathaniel's.

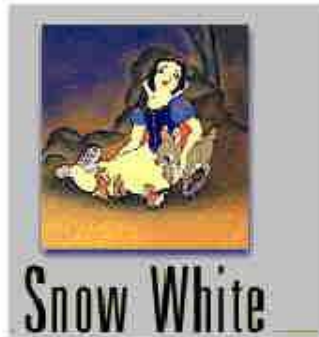


# Snow White & The Four Dwarfs

March 6th 2010

Time : BYOB 5:30 pm  
Dinner 6:00 pm  
show 7:15 pm

Cost: \$15.00 each



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4200 S. Biscayne Dr.  
North Port, FL 34287



Menu: Pork Roast  
Escalloped Potatoes  
Vegetable casserole  
Applesauce  
Cake

Tickets: Reserved Seating



<b>Nuts &amp; Bolts March</b>	<b>Week 1 7th</b>	<b>Week 2 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Week 3 21st</b>	<b>Week 4 28th</b>
<b>8 a.m.</b>				
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Linda Meredith	Kitty Leonowicz	Rayette Haugh	Ken Leonowicz
<b>Lectors</b>	Barbara Gross Richard Gross	Nancy Fleming Ed Fleming	Ruth Gullikson Paul Meredith	Elaine Allin Kitty Leonowicz
<b>Prayers of The People</b>	Barbara Gross	Nancy Fleming	Ruth Gullikson	Elaine Allin
<b>10 a.m.</b>				
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Marcie Bernauer	Ella Richard	Cathy Trimble	Pat Kralle
<b>Lectors</b>	Regina Breeden Pete Richard	Barbara Lynch Pete Maher	Liz Daniel Larry Musgrove	Pat Kralle Tom Weems
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Dorothy Teague	Barbara Musgrove	Nancy Maher	Cathy Trimble
<b>Ushers</b>	Rick Kovach Bonnie Patterson	Barbara Lynch June Stark	Dorothy Teague Larry Musgrove	Everett Pina Alma Pina
<b>Greeters</b>	Judy Graf Bryan Trimble	Ethel Bertrand Rachel Maietta	Helene Charpentier Lois Moon	Marcie Bernauer Judy Griffing
<b>Acolyte:Crucifer</b>	Michael Moritz	Brian Cox	Cathy Trimble	Alana Smith
<b>Acolyte:Torchbearer</b>	Bailey Schultz	&	&	
<b>Acolyte:Torchbearer</b>	Cyrah Smith	Eddie Weems	Janell Bentinck	
<b>Acolyte:Server</b>	Alana Smith			

# March

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<b>7</b> Services 8:00 & 10:00 am UTO Sunday	<b>8</b> Bible Study 9:00 am Quilters 10:00 am Men's Nite Out: Meet at 6pm going to Joe Crackers in PC	<b>9</b> Morning Prayer 8:30 am Chair Exercises 2:15 pm	<b>10</b> Rev Pat Speaker at Rotunda Club-Noon Stations – 5:30pm Lenten Program 6:00 pm	<b>11</b> Clericus – 9:00 am  Card Making 1 – 3:30 pm	<b>12</b> Morning Prayer 8:30 am	<b>13</b> Theme Tray/Chinese Auction
<b>14</b> Services 8:00 & 10:00 am	<b>15</b> Bible Study 9:00 am Quilters	<b>16</b> Morning Prayer 8:30 am Finance Mtg-8:30 Leadership Meeting 10:30 am Chair Exercises 2:15 pm	<b>17</b> Book Club 12:00 Noon Stations – 5:30pm Lenten Program 6:00 pm	<b>18</b> Food Packing 2:00 pm Food Distribution 3:00 pm	<b>19</b> Morning Prayer 8:30 am	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> Services 8:00 & 10:00 am Vestry Meeting After 10:00 am Service	<b>22</b> Bible Study 9:00 am Quilters 10:00 am	<b>23</b> Morning Prayer 8:30 am Chair Exercises 2:15 pm	<b>24</b> Stations 5:30 pm Lenten Program 6:00 pm	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Morning Prayer 8:30 am	<b>27</b> Card Making 9 – 12:00 am
<b>28</b> Services 8:00 & 10:00 am PALM SUNDAY	<b>29</b> Bible Study 9:00 am Quilters 10:00 am	<b>30</b> Morning Prayer 8:30 am Chair Exercises 2:15 pm	<b>31</b>			

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