Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.

I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

- ISAIAH 43:19



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ow do we find our way in the wilderness? Just as a labyrinth's winding path always leads us to the center, spiritual practices ground us in faith and point the way to God.

The season of Lent invites us to begin or renew a spiritual practice that can serve as a guide in whatever wilderness we might find ourselves. As you prepare for the joy of Easter, we hope you will find something on the following pages that could become that practice for you.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT LENT, VISIT WWW.CHRISTCHURCHCHARLOTTE.ORG/LENT

WORSHIP AND PRAYER

The Well

Wednesdays, March 9 - April 6, 6 pm, The Church

This special evening worship experience will include music, prayers for healing, and time for contemplation and reflection, to ground us in God's presence and orient us to God's wisdom in our midst.

Sunday Worship

8:45 & 11:15 am in the Church and All Saints' Hall 5 pm in the Church

Looking Ahead to Holy Week and Easter

April 10	Palm Sunday
April 11 - 13	Evening Eucharist
April 14	Maundy Thursday
April 15	Good Friday
April 16	Holy Saturday/Easter Vigi
April 17	Easter Sunday

Easter Lily Memorial Gifts

A beautiful Christ Church tradition, every Easter we adorn our spiritual home with Easter lilies in loving memory of those who have passed away, and in thanksgiving for special people in our lives.

Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/memorials to provide details about your memorial or honorarium and make your gift online by March 28.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes will be held at 7 am, 12 noon, and 7:30 pm.

Clergy will also be available from 7:30 to 9:30 am in the Christ Church Circle for drive-thru prayer and imposition of ashes.



You are dust, and to dust you shall return.

- GENESIS 3:19

Journey Through Lent Interactive Poster

This interactive Lent calendar is an invitation for spiritual reflection for all ages. The poster is just right for hanging on the wall or refrigerator or keeping on the table for daily doodling and coloring. It is illustrated by award-winning cartoonist and Episcopal priest Jay Sidebotham. Copies are available to pick up in the Rotunda.

For more details about Lent, visit www.christchurchcharlotte. org/lent

LEARNING | RECONCILIATION | REFLECTION

Making a Way in the Wilderness

An Invitation to Deeper Life with God in Uncertain Times

Wednesdays, March 9 - April 13, 6:45 - 7:30 pm

During these five sessions we will explore ancient spiritual practices that can ground us in the reality of God's love and move us into flourishing, whole, and purposeful living. Participants will be invited to cultivate practices for walking with God which can be accessed in moments of crisis, in everyday life, or over long seasons of uncertainty.

Lent Madness

Learn about the saints of the church in a fun, engaging way, with a twist on the March Madness bracket. Vote for your favorite saint and see who makes it to the finals to win the golden halo! Register at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/lent to get your scorecard with details about this year's 32 saints and to let us know you are joining us in the fun.

Becoming Beloved Community

Wednesdays, March 9 – April 13, 7 pm, via Zoom

Following the Episcopal Church's outline, we will join with Chapel of Christ the King Episcopal Church, St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, St. Martin's Episcopal Church, and Steele Creek AME Zion Church to listen, reflect and dialogue about what it means to be in community. See details and register at www. christchurchcharlotte.org/outreach-learn.

Book Study: *The Return* of the Prodigal Son

Wednesdays, March 9 - April 6, 7 - 8 pm, M207

Scottie Stamper will lead this study of Henri Nouwen's reflection of his own spiritual life through the parable of the Prodigal son and Rembrandt's painting of the parable. Through our study of the book, as well as Rembrandt's work, participants will explore their own journey to a spiritual home. Register at www. christchurchcharlotte.org/classes. \$15 fee covers the cost of the book. Contact Scottie Stamper at stampers@ christchurchcharlotte.org for more information.

Sundays During Lent

Live at 10 am or online any time later

March 6 March 6 & April 3	Rector's Class: How to Forgive Parenting with Faith & Wellness
March 13	Faith Forum: James Alison
	God's Unconditional Love
March 20	Clergy Class: Hope in the Face of
	Adversity, The Reverend Connor Gwin
March 27	Clergy Class: Hope in the Face of
	Adversity, The Reverend Joan Kilian
March 27	EPEC (Exceptional Parents
	of Exceptional Children)
April 3	Rector's Class: The Cross

Episcopal Heritage of Music Series

Wednesdays, March 9 – April 6, 7 – 8 pm, Choir Room

Ben Outen will lead a five-week series exploring the many facets of the Episcopal musical tradition. Guest speakers from our staff and the larger church will discuss the Prayer Book and our liturgical traditions and customs, as well the connections between music, worship and wellness, and how music builds community. Participants will be encouraged to hum, sing, clap, or listen as we experience a variety of musical offerings.



For Children & Youth

Navigators Lent Bible Study

Tuesdays, March 8 – April 12, 4 – 5 pm

4th and 5th graders are invited to quietly and thoughtfully prepare for Easter in this six-week Bible study just for them. Each week we'll offer a lesson, fellowship, and fun. Register at www. christchurchcharlotte.org/ navigators.

Middle School EYC

Wednesdays, 6:30 -8 pm

Sunday Night Live

6th – 12th grade Sundays, 6 – 7:30 pm Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

- PHILIPPIANS 4:9

SERVICE / WELLNESS / COMMUNITY

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper March 1, 5:30 – 7 pm

We are very excited to bring back the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper in a new and creative way. Visit www. christchurchcharlotte.org/shrove-tuesday for details.

Habitat for Humanity

Saturdays through April 30

Help build a home or provide lunches or snacks for the crew. Find details and sign up at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/habitat.

Living with Grief and Hope

Thursdays, March 10 - 31, from 1:15 - 2:30 pm; or Wednesdays, March 16 - April 6, from 6:30 - 7:45 pm

This four-week series provides support and resources for those who are dealing with grief and loss, led by our Wellness staff team. Registration required. Contact Alex at bacona@christchurchcharlotte.org to learn more or to register.

Men's Annual Retreat

March 11 – 13, Valle Crucis Conference Center Banner Elk, NC

Men of all ages are invited to enjoy our annual weekend of fun and fellowship, reflection, recreation, and relaxation. Dr. Brian Foreman, Executive Director of the Campbell University Center for Church & Community, will be our guest speaker. Lodging and all meals are included in the \$250 registration fee (scholarships are available). Learn more and register at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/men. Note: If you signed up for January, your registration will automatically be transferred to March.



Holy Hike

Saturday, March 26, 8 – 10 am Park Road Park and Little Sugar Creek Greenway (accessible for wheelchairs and strollers) After opening with mindfulness and prayer, we will travel the greenway to Huntingtowne Farms Park and back (approx. 4 miles round trip). Worship will take place in an alcove on the greenway upon our return to Park Road Park. We will meet at Park Road Park near the softball field, the access point to Little Sugar Creek Greenway.

Coping in the Wilderness Wellness Video Series

Facing the unknown can be intimidating. During Lent, our wellness team will offer a series of videos to teach mindfulness-based, spiritually rooted practices that can help you re-center and find balance as you walk your journey. Videos will be available at www. schooloffaith.church/wellness and on the Christ Church app. For more details about Lent, visit www.christchurchcharlotte. org/lent



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