



**The Third Sunday in Lent**  
**St. Peter's Episcopal Church**  
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**THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**MARCH 7, 2021**

**Prelude**

**Opening Hymn: #574 "Before thy throne, O God, we kneel"**

**A Penitential Order**

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* ***His mercy endures for ever.***

**The Decalogue:**

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Honor your father and your mother.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

You shall not commit murder.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

You shall not commit adultery.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

You shall not steal.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

You shall not be a false witness.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

***Amen. Lord have mercy.***

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

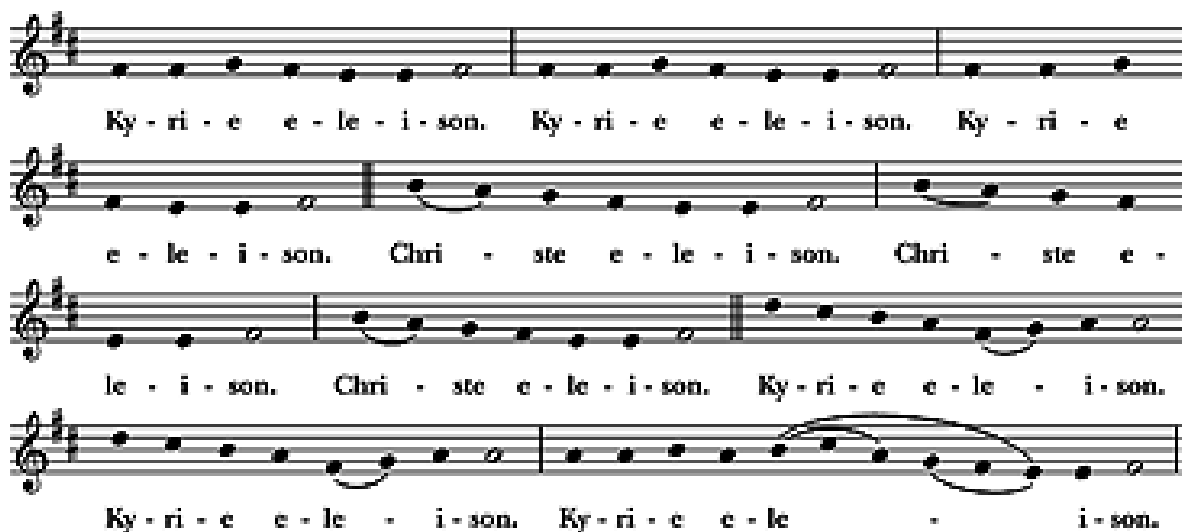
### **Confession of Sin**

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

### **Absolution**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

## S- 86 Kyrie eleison



Musical score for Kyrie eleison, consisting of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

### Collect of the Day

**Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### The First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love

to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God.*

## **The Psalm: Psalm 19**

**1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \***

**and the firmament shows his handiwork.**

**2 One day tells its tale to another, \***

**and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

**3 Although they have no words or language, \***

**and their voices are not heard,**

**4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \***

**and their message to the ends of the world.**

**5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \***

**it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;**

**it rejoices like a champion to run its course.**

- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.**
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.**
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,\*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.**
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.**
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.**
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

### **The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those

who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. ***People: Thanks be to God.***

## **Sequence Anthem**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

***People: Glory be to thee, O Lord***

### **The Holy Gospel: John 2:13-22**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord ***People: Praise to thee, O Christ***

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Ron Kolanowski**

## **The Nicene Creed**

**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: by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.  
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 and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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.**

## **The Prayers of the People for Lent**

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ: Let us pray that the peace accomplished through the Cross of Christ may be realized in our own world and our own relationships. Let us pray for the Church and the world God so loves, for peace among all nations, and for the reconciliation of all people and all things in the Name of Christ.

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Almighty God, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have the grace to take up our cross and follow him in pursuit of your work of reconciliation in the world.

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: For the holy catholic church throughout the world, a sign on earth of the kingdom of God. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Barnabas', Greenwich; Christ Church, Guilford; St. John's, Guilford; All ministries to, with, and for women and the Girl's Friendly Society.

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: For Michael our presiding bishop, for Ian, and Laura, our bishops, for our priest Fr. Ron and for Donna, our deacon and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: For our families, friends, and companions, and for all those we love. We pray for those celebrating their birthdays this week: Leslie Hamilton [3/8], Betty Dombrowski [3/10], Owen Kozlak [3/12], Kim Sullivan [3/13]. Giving thanks for the birth of Joy Percy, great-granddaughter of Nelson and Marianne Moore

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: For all who are tempted, oppressed, afflicted, or in need or sickness, especially those in our bulletin who have asked for our prayers, especially



Sandy Marshall; Donna Gray; Trisha's husband George Dagon; Celeste Moore; Connie Keefe, Rowan, Scott Farren with Jeannette and sons David & Kyle.

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: For the dying and the dead, remembering especially Paul Aruda, Millie Aruda;

*Silence*

God of love, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: For what else shall we pray this day?

Let us pray:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help: for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

**The Peace**

**The Offertory**

**Offertory Hymn: #372 "Praise to the living God"**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

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*Eucharistic Prayer I*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

**People: And with thy spirit**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up unto the Lord**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**People: It is meet and right so to do.**

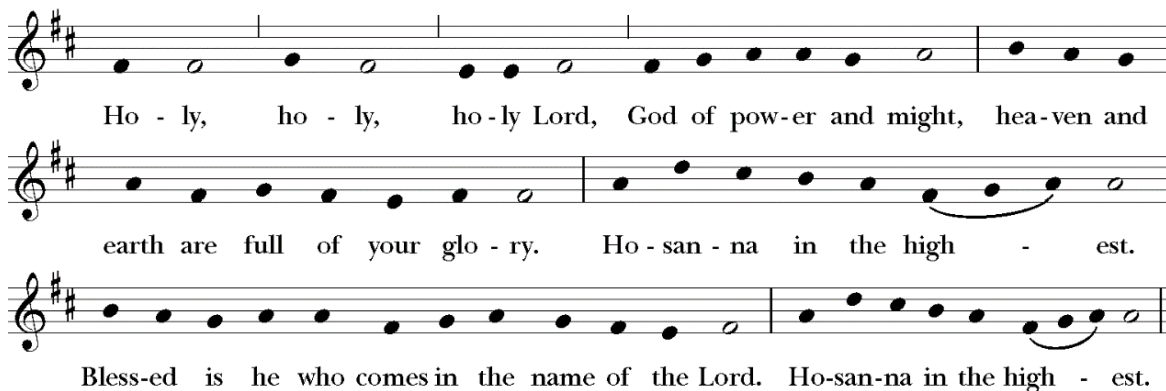
*Then the Celebrant proceeds*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**Sanctus: S-124 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"**

**Powell**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood. And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

**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

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.*

### Fraction Anthem "Jesus Remember Me"

5 Cm Fm/Ab Bb Eb

Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your king dom.

Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your king dom.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features two vocal lines (Soprano and Alto) and two piano accompaniment lines (Right and Left Hand). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 3/4. The score begins with a measure rest (5) and includes the following chord symbols: Cm, Fm/Ab, Bb, and Eb. The lyrics are: "Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your king dom." and "Jesus, remember me when you come in-to your king dom."

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

## Spiritual Communion Prayer

God of love and grace, of justice and peace, we give you thanks that in the Sacrament of the altar you assure us of your presence within us and within the body of Christ, the faithful through all the generations; grant that we who have witnessed anew these holy mysteries, though unable to receive the physical elements of the Sacrament, may be moved by your indwelling Spirit ever more fully to embody your holy and life-giving presence, reshaping in your likeness the world around us, until we are gathered at last into the fullness of your glorious and eternal presence; through Christ our Risen Lord, Amen

## Communion Music

### Post-Communion Prayer

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Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All:** Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

## The Blessing

Closing Hymn: #147 "Now let us all with one accord"

## Dismissal

*People: Thanks be to God.*

## Postlude

**Continuing Prayers for all those who have died.**

**Continuing Prayer List:** Donna Gray, Sandy Marshall, George Dagon, Scott, Karen Thom, Phyllis Swanson, Lynne A., Celeste Moore; Rowan; Joan Hamilton; Stephen, Ambrosio Vidal and family, Eileen Doughty, Phil “Chip” Lewis, Stephen, Kate, Tammy Lopez; Teddi; Sean, Caroline; Russ Boehle, Emma; Janice, Jared and Jenna; Daniel Paez, Kyle Ethan; Sharon, Tim Redden; "Cousin" Phil & Norm H.; Cole; Alyssa & Kayden, Mary; Loretta Ickes, Cheryl & Bruce, Val & Stephen, Tina, John & Dottie, Gloria, Maryellyn, J & J, Arlene, Judy P., Bill, Liz, Nancy, Katy, Chris; Sarah McCracken, Ginny Hellstrom, Jacob Mika; Alice & Bob; John; Cailin & son Connor Campbell; Richard; Flora; Alice Wentz; Daryl Cook; Megan Sulzinski, Janet Kay; Ella; Liz; Bill S.; Patty Sullivan; Marcia Brown; John & family; Jeanette Wade; Susan Hicks & family; Jeannette Farren & family; Grace Jensen; Becky, June; Ella & Nelson; James; Rina Bettancourt; Alberta’s granddaughter, Jessica.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Emergency Rental Assistance** Our area Hunger Action Team has a fund to provide folks affected by COVID-19 for a one-time emergency rental assistance. If you know of someone who might benefit in Andover, Columbia, Hebron, or Marlborough have them contact their Social Services agencies. Andover Social Services: 860-742-7305, ext. 5; Hebron Social Services: 860-228-1681; Columbia Senior Center: 860-228-0759; Marlborough Food Bank: 860-295-6008.

### **Hearts of Hope**

St. Peter's joins other faith communities in sponsoring a Hearts of Hope program to raise funds for AHM Mental Services Fund. You can pick up your Hearts of Hope in the box outside the parish hall anytime to put in your window. Log on to **AHMYouth.org** to donate \$10 for Hearts of Hope.

### **NE Region: Quiet Day Registration**

A quiet day is planned for March 7 for those dealing with various losses during this time. It's simply a time of meditation and reflection no participation or group work on your part. Here's registration that is free and open to all:

[https://episcopalct.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_WmODfHCJTYmUQ5M1727YPw](https://episcopalct.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WmODfHCJTYmUQ5M1727YPw)

**Covid 19 Vaccinations:** As mentioned in an earlier email specifically on updates to the virus and vaccinations, the Governor has announced a plan for all adults and specific timeframes between now and May. Starting Monday ages 55-64 are eligible to make appointments. Here's the link again to the Governor's Press Release:

<https://portal.ct.gov/Office-of-the-Governor/News/Press-Releases/2021/02-2021/Governor-Lamont-Announces-Connecticut-Will-Continue-Age-Based-Approach-To-COVID-Vaccine>. If you haven't done so and fall in ages 55-up please call to make your appointment at 877-918-2224.

Also in regard to the virus, the **Girl Scout Troop** in town created a COVID 19 memorial on the lawn in front of St. Peter's to honor the 500,000+ who have

died so far from the pandemic (one small white flag per 1000 deaths). They will continue to maintain it and sadly add to it as the numbers increase. We still have 300 more flags if needed (let's hope not). If some flags fall with the melting snow they will put them back up. There will also be a sign that reads:

### **COVID: LIVES LOST**

Folks driving by will see the sign and flags and understand its purpose. It was great having a dozen or so girls with their parents here working together at the church.

### **UP & COMING EVENTS**

**Every Wednesday:** All are welcome to join our zoom **Wednesday Coffee hours at 10 a.m.** To join:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86121371917?pwd=SW02TW1ldUJJZHYZ2cUI5ZXYzdS9zZz09>

**Vestry Meeting** via zoom, March 18, 7:00p.m.

**Polish Dinner (March 20, 4:30-6:30) update:** Senior Friends of Hebron have kindly volunteered to purchase the remaining items we need for the dinner. They do it in order to show their gratitude to the church for its support.

**Easter Services:** we are planning to do services in person for Easter Sunday and will set up a reservations system on our website. Fr. Ron will join Denise at Gilead for the 6:00 a.m. Sunrise Service; At St. Peter's there will be a 7:30 a.m. Rite I with no music and a 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. service both of which will be broadcast with music and aired in the Parish Hall in the event we have overflow in the hall at 9 and 11. Please register online at [www.stpetershebron.com](http://www.stpetershebron.com)