



# ST. JOHN'S HONEOYE FALLS NEWS

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE

## RECTOR'S REFLECTION

BY REV. JIM TRIMBLE

A couple weeks ago, the Rochester area was amidst a windy weather event. On a Monday morning commute to the church from home in East Rochester, I chose the Victor-Mendon route and saw several limbs on front yards, and a few power lines taken down by fallen trees. I had to keep my hands tightly on the steering wheel in a few spots to stay on the road. When I pulled up to St. John's, I noticed a couple small branches, but also, on the yard between the Sanctuary and Carriage House, a little bit of chaos. Two large garbage bags, presumably from the Post Office had been blown onto the property and one of the bags had come open. There was trash everywhere.

The wind had put me a bit out of sorts, away from my comfort zone. The wind did nothing wrong. There was no sin or evil intent resulting in rubbish all over the grass. That's what the wind does. It blows. We can't see it, have no idea where it comes from, or where it goes. Wind just is. Sometimes, it fills a sail so a boat can travel across the water. Or spins a child's pinwheel at a family picnic. Or blows trash in the churchyard. It can also topple trees, and help create violent hurricanes and tornadoes. The wind just happens. And sometimes it creates a bit of chaos.

Wind is a powerful character in the stories of our Judeo-Christian Scripture. In Hebrew, the word for wind is ruach. It also signifies breath or spirit. God's Spirit, or ruach, covered the land and waters giving life to Creation. God breathed spirit into the people giving life to humankind. The winds blew in the Valley of the Dry Bones bringing forth life to that which was seen as dead. Jesus stilled the winds in the Sea of Galilee. The sound of a violent wind entered the upper room as the disciples gathered after Jesus' ascension and were gifted by the Spirit as tongues of fire. *(continued on next page)*

## JOIN US!

### WEEKLY WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

#### SUNDAY

**10 AM** HOLY EUCHARIST  
(SANCTUARY &  
STREAMING)

**11:15 AM** COFFEE HOUR  
& CHILDREN'S CHURCH

#### TUESDAY

**11 AM** BIBLE STUDY  
ON ZOOM ONLY

ZOOM MEETING ID:  
532-398-8617



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The Holy Spirit is a powerful 'person' of the Trinity, often portrayed as God's life force flitting around the world. Sometimes within a still small voice, and other times as a raging storm. This Spirit can be seen as a gift to believers, guiding us and leading us with Jesus no longer physically present with us. In services of clerical ordination, the Spirit is invoked with song or chant and is passed on to the candidate through the laying on of hands.

The Holy Spirit might also be a source of chaos for our hearts and souls. Sometimes we might not be ready or able to hear what God's Spirit might be calling to us. The Spirit might be sharing a vision of a future with which we're not comfortable. The Spirit might show us a path to God's will and Kingdom, or a Way to follow in the footsteps of Christ, and we just say no. And that's okay.

God will always be open to our hearts, and we can choose to respond in our own time. And the Spirit will never stop furling the leaves of Creation as it strengthens us and guides us in paths toward justice, mercy, compassion, and the love of the resurrected Jesus Christ.

On that windy Monday morning, I spent time collecting the pieces of paper, cans, water bottles, and orange peels knowing that none of this little bit of chaos was done on purpose, and confident that my brief anger at the extra work I had in front of me was just a passing thought. The ruach led me to do my small part in making things right again, confident that God's Spirit will always something new and exciting to share with me. And with you, And with us. All of us.

Fr. Jim+




Date	Crucifer	Old Testament & Psalm	New Testament & Prayers	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour
Easter 4/5	Nancy Gift	Nancy Gift	Mary Jo Smith	Anne Struele	Easter Reception
4/12	Allan Shafer	Catherine Faurot	Gaie Goodness	Ray / Catherine	Sponsored by Ann
4/19	Ray Locke	Judy Haravitch	Shelly Shellman	Allene Baillargeon	Gina Hurley
4/26	Mary Jo Smith	Jan Metcalf	Lorraine Reynolds	Lorraine Reynolds	OPEN



Please remember those we help at Eagle Star Housing and our neighbors that we help through the FISH Food Pantry. Your donations help to make ends meet!





Holy Week with Jesus is a text message experience that walks participants through the final days of Jesus's life, from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday, with messages arriving at the actual hours the events unfolded. This experience comes from Virginia Theological Seminary's TryTank Experiment program. Visit [holyweekwithjesus.org](http://holyweekwithjesus.org) to sign up with just your name and phone number.

## Holy<sup>+</sup>Week SCHEDULE

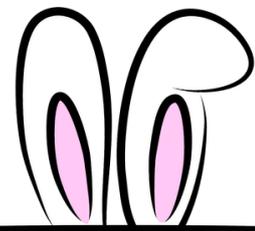
Wednesday	April 1	6 PM TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE FOR PEACE
Maundy Thursday	April 2	5 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS 6 PM HOLY EUCHARIST WITH FOOT WASHING
Good Friday	April 3	12 PM SERVICE WITH RESERVED SACRAMENT 6 PM ECUMENICAL CROSS WALK
Easter Sunday	April 5	10 AM FESTAL EUCHARIST, RITE II 11:30AM EASTER EGG HUNT & RECEPTION

## Silver Spoons RETURNS!

Wednesday, April 23  
lunch at noon  
in the Parish House!

Please RSVP to the church office.

\$5 suggested donation



## Egg Hunt



Join us after church Easter Sunday, April 5 for an Easter Egg Hunt and coffee hour!

Help us fill the eggs - candy can be left in the basket at the back of the church!



# GOOD FRIDAY OFFERING

Dear people of God in The Episcopal Church:

For more than a century, Episcopalians have given generously to the Good Friday Offering, which supports the vital work and ministries of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East. Today, the need of the church in the Holy Land is greater than ever, particularly given the recent escalation of war in the Middle East, and I hope you will join me in making a generous gift today at [iam.ec/goodfridayoffering](http://iam.ec/goodfridayoffering), or send a check with “Good Friday Appeal” in the memo line to: The Episcopal Church (DFMS), P.O. Box 958983, St. Louis, MO 63195-8983

I am in frequent touch with Archbishop Hosam Naoum, who leads the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East, and I know how urgently he and his people need our support as they alleviate suffering and provide hope to God’s people of all faiths. The Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey recently gave the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem \$1 million to support medical and trauma care for children, youth, and families in Gaza and the Palestinian territories, and I am hoping that we can build on that extraordinary gift with this year’s Good Friday Offering.

Your gift will support:

- al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza, which has continued serving patients during the Israel-Hamas War amid bombardment, devastating shortages of food, water, and medicine, and extended power outages.
- St. George’s Church in Baghdad, Iraq, and its medical center.
- An eye clinic at Christ Church in Yemen.
- All Saints’ Episcopal Church in Damascus, Syria.
- All Saints’ Episcopal Church in Beirut, Lebanon.

The Episcopal Church supports just and sustainable peace in the Holy Land and around the world. While we pray and work for peace, our siblings in the Holy Land will continue to serve God’s people with hospitals, schools, orphanages, and humanitarian aid programs. These ministries serve people of all faiths without distinction, bearing witness to the power of hope and healing across divides.

Together, we can support the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East as it turns despair into hope for God’s people in the land where our faith was born.

The Most Rev. Sean Rowe, Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church



## ST. PATRICK'S DAY COFFEE HOUR!



# APRIL

Sunday    Monday    Tuesday    Wednesday    Thursday    Friday    Saturday

<p><b>Fr. Jim will be away April 11-17.</b></p> <p>For pastoral emergencies, please contact</p> <p>Rev. Bryan Bedell at (585) 317-2963 or Rev Kirk Baker at (315) 878-2399</p>			<p>1 <b>6 pm</b> Taizé Prayer Service for Peace</p> <p><b>7:30 pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)</p>	<p>2 <b>Maundy Thursday</b> <b>5 pm</b> Stations of the Cross</p> <p><b>6 pm</b> Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing </p>	<p>3 <b>Good Friday</b> <b>12 pm</b> Service with Reserved Sacrament</p> <p><b>6 pm</b> Ecumenical Cross Walk </p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5 <b>10 am</b> Holy Eucharist - Easter Sunday</p> 	<p>6</p>	<p>7 <b>11 am</b> Bible Study</p>	<p>8 <b>7:30 pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 <b>10 am</b> Holy Eucharist - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</p> <p>Fr. Bryan Bedell, celebrant</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 <b>11 am</b> Bible Study</p>	<p>15 <b>7:30 pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>
<p><b>Fr. Jim away 4/11 - 4/17</b></p>						
<p>19 <b>10 am</b> Holy Eucharist - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 <b>11 am</b> Bible Study</p> <p><b>7 pm</b> Vestry Meeting (PH)</p>	<p>22 <b>7:30 pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)</p>	<p>23 <b>12 pm</b> Silver Spoons</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 <b>10 am</b> Holy Eucharist - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 <b>11 am</b> Bible Study</p>	<p>29 <b>7:30 pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)</p>	<p>30</p>		

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

*Health and well-being:*

John, Gloria, Alice, Chelsea, Greg, Rob, John, Zeke, Robert, Patrick, Michael, Jan, Christopher, Mark, Taran, Kate, Sharon, Lew, Nora, Lizzie, Joel, Jean, Emile, Cannie, Anne, Sandy, Jim, Brenda, Lorraine, the Siebold family, Cindy, Christine, Audet, and Kevin

*For those who have died:*

Robin, Patricia, Lauren, Glora, Earl, Lynn, Vicki, and Margaret



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