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St. James Episcopal Church, Amesbury

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Lenten Offering

On the Sunday's in Lent (March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2 and on Palm Sunday, April 9) beginning at 5PM the St. James choir will lead us in the beautiful service of sung candlelit Compline.

Compline is the final service of the day in the monastic tradition and is sometimes referred to as nighttime prayers.

All are invited to this service to reflect on our Lenten pilgrimage. It is an opportunity to simply come and listen, sit, kneel, pray, contemplate and bask in the Glory of God as our choir leads us in the beautiful sung

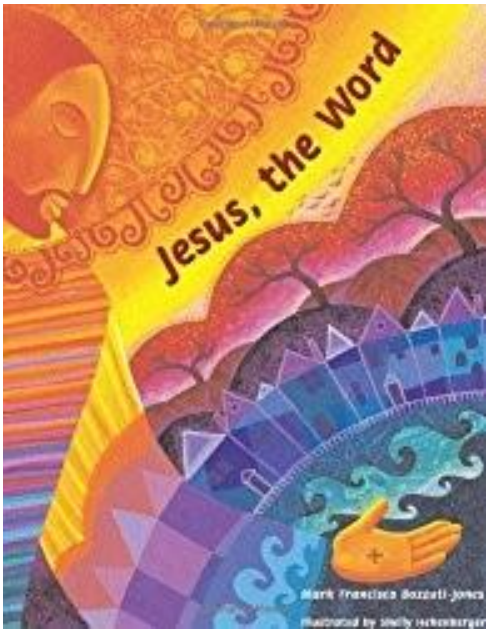
prayers of our Compline service. The service lasts approximately 30 minutes and is a great way to wind down the day and prepare for the week.

March 10th and 11th
LMVC Lenten Soup Supper
& Presentation

Lenten Weekend Workshop

Our Stories & the BIG Story (of Salvation!)
With The Reverend Mark Bozzuti-Jones
Friday, March 10 and Saturday, March 11, 2017

Host: Trinity Episcopal Church,
26 White Street, Haverhill, MA
Cost: Free. Public is Welcome!



Participate in the whole weekend or sessions of your choosing!

Date: Friday, March 10, 2017
Time: 5:30 pm -6:30 pm, Soup Supper (Optional)

6:30 pm -8:30 pm, Mark Bozzuti-Jones with
Adults and Teens

Date: Saturday, March 11, 2017
Time: 9:00 am -10:00 am, Children and Families Program:
Story with Mark Bozzuti-Jones
Art with Lilli Leggio

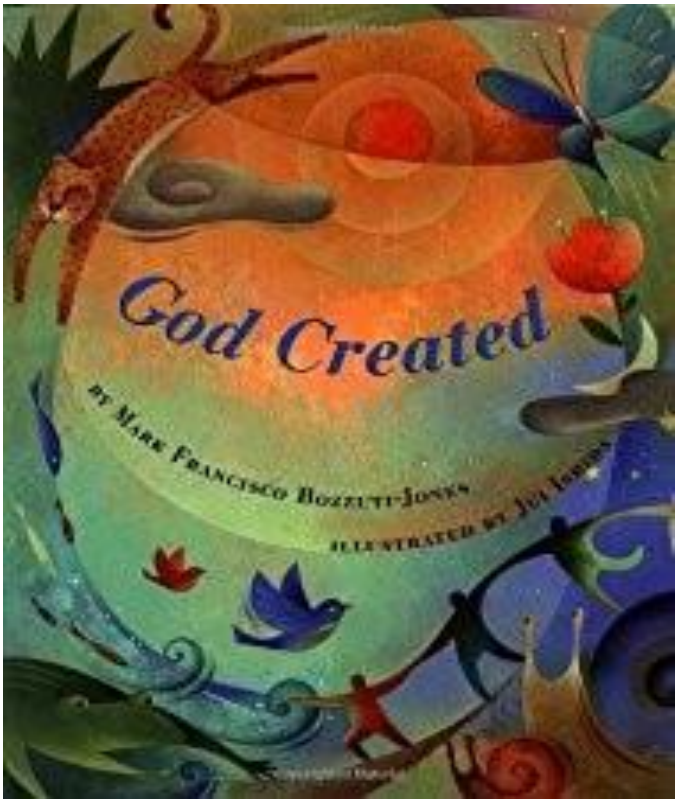
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Adult and Teen Program
4:00 pm - Eucharist, guest preacher
Mark Bozzuti-Jones
Reception to follow

RSVP to Helen Pickard at
mapickard1@verizon.net or
contact via phone: (978) 681-9915

Please register to attend (and to help if you can) by clicking on the following link:
Register to help and/or attend!

This is a free event sponsored by the
Lower Merrimack Valley Episcopal Ministry Collaborative

(All Saints Church, West Newbury; St. Andrew's Church, Methuen; St. James Church, Amesbury; St. James Church, Groveland; St. Paul's, North Andover; St. Paul's, Newburyport; Trinity Church, Haverhill; Guests: Christ Church, Andover)



Family Service

Sunday, March 12th is our Family Service. During this service, Father John will invite our children to come up to the altar steps (parents are also invited to accompany our youngest members as well as our children who are a little shy) and ask them questions about the readings we just heard, the Church, our service or another part of our rich tradition. They will also have an opportunity to ask Fr. John questions

as well. Our children are invited to remain in the Church for the whole service today.

Vestry Meeting

The March Vestry Meeting will be held on Tuesday the 14th at 7pm in Fr. John's office. All parish members are invited to attend the meeting to hear and observe our Vestry Leaders.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

YLA fundraiser "Parent's Night Out," was a success! Thank you to everyone for their support.

Our monthly "Family service," will be held on 3/12.

The Middle School Sunday School Class is scheduled for Sunday, March 12 and March 26th in the parish hall from 6:30 to 7:45 P.M. Please inform Dawn or Ron if unable to attend.

Diocesan Pre-Confirmation retreat at BCH will be Friday, March 17 & 18. The retreat will serve as the March Confirmation Class.

Youth event will be held on Saturday, March 25 - "Game Night," located in parish hall, 6 to 9 p.m. Youth and their friends are invited.

YLA overnight is scheduled for March 30 & April 1 located at Trinity Church in Concord.

March Food Donations

ONT is in need of cereal, soups, crackers, pasta sauce, pasta and peanut butter and nutritious snacks.

Also, personal items such as deodorant, mouthwash, toothpaste, toothbrush, etc., are always in need.

Click **here** to view ONT's website.

Let us give thanks for God's many blessings to us.