

# The Shepherd's Flock

## Lent & Easter



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### 7 PM Ecumenical Services Remaining

April 6: Seeking the joy of the Kingdom,  
Wesleyan Church, Youth Groups and their leaders

April 13: Seeking the visitation of Christ, Church of the Good  
Shepherd, preacher Deacon Al Burleigh

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Sundays after coffee hour: Bible Study, *Mark's Gospel*

April 17 10 a.m. — Palm Sunday service, Good Shepherd

April 22 Noon — Good Friday Service, The Salvation Army

April 24 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service, St. Mary's Porch,  
Rev. Bob Johnson, Salvation Army Band.  
Breakfast at First Congregational Church

### Holy Week



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and celebrate His resurrection together with us!

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The Rev. Leslie Nesin

John 10: 14-16

" I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

# A Message from Leslie+

Despite the snowpack and an endless procession of snowstorms, spring is coming. The days are lengthening and the birds have a new lightness in their voices. Duchess, the new "girl," can finally run over the crust of the snow, waving her flag of a tail. Soon the goldfinches will begin to show their bright summer plumage!

The seasons go on, at their timeless pace. It's as Mark says, "...first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear." In a nutshell, that's what the season of Lent seems like. A time of waiting, a time of growing and preparing to become something new and ripe and full. After Shrove Tuesday on March 8th we will enter this season and walk with Jesus down that last road to Jerusalem.

To highlight the season we will have a Lenten Bible study on Mark's Gospel, Sundays after coffee hour. We will also venture into "Enriching our worship," our more modern Eucharistic service in the little red books. This introduces us to some really beautiful forms of Eucharist. So I invite you all--come and walk with us and discover the blessings of a holy Lent.

Leslie+



To be of the earth is to know  
the restlessness of being a seed  
the darkness of being planted  
the struggle toward the light  
the pain of growth into the light  
the joy of bursting and bearing fruit  
the love of being food for someone  
the scattering of your seeds  
the decay of the seasons  
the mystery of death  
and the miracle of life.

John Soos





The Rev. Jessie Drysdale

## From the Deacon's Bench



Dear Friends,

Bleak February gave us Valentine's Day, and Valentine's Day brings the subject of love...

What better time to read the age-old definition of love found in 1st Corinthians, Chapter 13: 1-8.

"If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains,

but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things endures all things.

Love never ends."

Thank God, love never ends!

Blessings to all, Jessie

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### April

#### Birthday

- 2 Jacobs, Hannah
- 21 Wellington, Jodi
- 23 Jacobs, Nolan
- 27 Anderson, David

### May

#### Birthday

- 1 Delucca, Nicolas, Wellington, Robert, Clark, Colleen
- 7 Delano, Tyler
- 9 Wellington, Ryan
- 13 Nelson, Gene
- 14 Nesin, Rev. Leslie
- 24 Butler, Rev. Robert, Mooers, David
- 29 Toby, Amy, O'Donnell, A.J.



Do we  
have your  
special date?

Please  
let us  
know!

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# 2011 Pancake Supper



Shrove  
Tuesday



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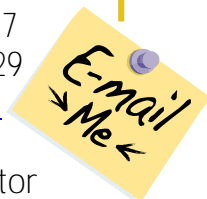
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