

"I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word."

—The Book of Common Prayer, Episcopal Church, p. 265 (1979)



Six Elizabeth Faith Communities Lead Wednesday Worship and Lunch Series

Prepare for Easter with our Elizabeth neighbors by attending one or more of the Elizabeth Communities of Faith programs. Each Wednesday at 12:00pm, an ecumenical worship service will be followed, at 12:40pm, by an optional \$5 lunch of soup from neighborhood restaurants, with all proceeds benefitting Friendship Trays and the Community Culinary School of Charlotte.

This year's venue is Caldwell Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1609 E. 5th St. (next to Elizabeth Traditional Elementary). Free parking is available behind the church on Park Dr., as well as the lot across from the front of the church on E. 5th St.

February 17 (Ash Wednesday)

Caldwell Memorial Presbyterian Church and Rev. John M. Cleghorn will lead the service. Nothing but Noodles will provide vegetarian tomato bisque for lunch.

February 24

Rev. Eric Guthrie, chaplain at Carolinas Medical Center-Mercy, will lead the service. Customshop will provide the soup.

March 3

Hawthorne Lane United Methodist Church and Rev. Andrew Brown will lead the service. Anderson's will provide a vegetarian soup.

March 10

Presbyterian Healthcare Chaplaincy Services and Chaplain Darryl Jefferson will lead the service. Crisp will provide the soup.

March 17 (St. Patrick's Day)

St. John's Baptist Church (Cooperative Baptist Fellowship) will lead the service. Carpe Diem will provide the soup.

March 24

St. Martin's Episcopal Church and Rev. Sally Brower, Ph.D., will lead the service. Community Culinary School of Charlotte will provide a vegetarian soup.

March 31 (during Holy Week and Passover)

Caldwell Memorial Presbyterian Church and Veronica Rogers, Intern in Ministry, will lead the service. Common House will provide the soup.

Friendship Trays provides meals on wheels in Mecklenburg County. Community Culinary School of Charlotte, Inc., is a private, not-for-profit organization that provides training and job search assistance in the food service industry for people who are chronically unemployed or underemployed. Students from the culinary school will help serve the lunches.