

THE MESSENGER – March-April 2019



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FROM DAWN-VICTORIA'S

DESK

You are invited to join us for "Coffee, Cookies, and Conversation" beginning on Wednesdays with March 13th and concluding with Wednesday, April 10th. We will gather from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. each week.

At this gathering, we will learn more about the Christian, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, and Jewish faiths using respectful conversations, watching introductory videos, and studying key texts from each religious tradition. Our goal is to come together to seek a better understanding of our neighbors.

We will not debate who is right or wrong. Nor will we seek to defend one religion as opposed to another or seek converts.

PRAYER & CARE

Please remember to keep those for whom our prayers have been asked in your daily prayers:

Booker family	Toto
Edith	Tim
Marie	Clayton family
Joy	Ferrelene
Our nation	Harold, Sr.
Our military	Tom
The unemployed	Jim
Those battling cancer	
All those living under persecution	

Here is the schedule:

March 13 th	Christianity
March 20 th	Judaism
March 27 th	Islam
April 3 rd	Hinduism
April 10 th	Buddhism

Feel free to join us for any or all sessions as you are able.

Please share this information with your friends, coworkers, and others who may be interested in joining us.

Faithfully Yours in Christ,
Dawn-Victoria+



Please let Dawn-Victoria know of any changes that should be made to our prayer list.

NEW LEADERSHIP

Vestry

Sara North, Senior Warden
Bob Gilstrap, Junior Warden
Robert Clayton, III, Treasurer
Andrea Reinwald, Secretary
Mark Danner
Clark Todd
Gayle Thompson

Trustees

Brad Hodgson
John Morthland
Ryan Rapp

TEN (plus One) RULES FOR RESPECT

Each newsletter highlights two of the Ten (plus One) Rules for Respect. We hope you find these helpful as you seek to live out your Baptismal Covenant and as you strive to love your neighbor as yourself.

The Vestry has covenanted to live by these rules as we worship and minister together here at Trinity~St. Paul's.

- 3. If someone has a problem with me and comes to you, send them to me.** (I'll do the same for you)
- 4. If someone consistently will not come to me, say, "Let's go to Dawn-Victoria together. I am sure she will see us about this."** (I will do the same for you.)

CELEBRATIONS

March Birthdays

Matt Suholdc	1 st
Andrew Gilstrap.	8 th
Dawn-Victoria Mitchell	14 th
Toto Rendlen	18 th
Lauraleigh Deweese	21 st
Erin Clayton	23 rd
Marilyn Skinner	27 th

April Birthdays

Asher Smoot	10 th
Gayle Thompson	22 nd
Allan Atkins	25 th
Scott Cockrell	25 th
Katie Burns Deweese	27 th
Ethan Reinwald	28 th

March Anniversaries

Greg & Mary Celenze 13th

April Anniversaries

Jack & Babs Herring 8th

*“Watch over Your children, O Lord,
as their days increase; bless and
guide them wherever they may be.”*
~after BCP, p. 830.



VESTRY NEWS

At their February Meeting, the Vestry elected new leadership for the 2019-2020 year. As previously announced at the Annual Meeting, Sara Anton North will be Senior Warden. Bob Gilstrap has been elected as Junior Warden. Andrea Reinwald will be the Secretary of the Vestry.

The Annual Meeting also saw changes to the Trustees. John Briscoe has long served as one of three Trustees. We are grateful to John for his ministry to Trinity. Ryan Rapp will succeed John and serve as a Trustee for a six-year term.

Also at the February meeting, the Vestry gave approval for Dawn-Victoria to work from home on Fridays. She will still be available when needed. The afternoons, from 1p until 4p, she will focus on researching and writing for her doctoral thesis.

A Vestry retreat is scheduled for Saturday, March 16th from 8A-12N. The Vestry will use the time to focus on leadership development and goal setting.

CREDO

Credo is Latin for “I believe.” It is also the acronym for a churchwide clergy wellness project. Here CREDO stands for the Clergy Reflection Education Discernment Opportunity. A CREDO is a weeklong program that considers clergy physical, emotional, vocational, and financial well-being.

Participants are chosen randomly. The aim is to have clergy attend a CREDO every ten or so years. CREDO sites are all over the country, usually at a diocesan camp or conference center.

Dawn-Victoria has been selected to attend a CREDO this year. This will be her third CREDO. She attended CREDO I in Florida and CREDO II in North Carolina.

Her third CREDO will be in Fairhope, AL. Dawn-Victoria will be away from May 14th-20th. We will plan for Morning Prayer on the Sunday, May 19th.

SHOUT OUTS

Our first annual Lasagna Dinner was a HUGE hit—almost as huge as the pieces of lasagna 😊. A big thank you to Bob and Susan Gilstrap and their team of helpers who made for such a fantastic evening! We’ll definitely be back next year with another helping of food, fun, and friends.

Thank you also to Frank North for working on the lights. They are almost all changed out!

Thank you to Drs. Phil and Jill Briscoe for the new dishwasher in the church kitchen. Clean up will now be a breeze after coffee hour and parish events!

The kitchen now has a garbage disposal as well! It is in the sink by the new dishwasher. We’ll have to be careful, as we’ve never had one before. Hint: silverware and disposals are NOT friends 😊. Thank you to Bob and Susan Gilstrap for this nifty upgrade to the kitchen!