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From Bishop-elect White: Invitation to a Holy Lent

Dear People of God,

You are made of earthly dust and sacred breath. You are God's own handiwork.

During the forty days of Lent, I pray that you will find and be found, again and again, by the God who created and redeemed you. Through the faithful practices of self-examination and repentance, prayer and fasting, and reading and meditating on holy scripture, may you find a pattern that deepens your life of faith and brings you closer to God.

Remember that you do not go alone this Lent, or ever. As we prepare to remember Jesus' passion and resurrection, know that whenever two or three are gathered in his name, he is with us. Together with all the saints, our Lenten pilgrimage will bring us once more to Easter joy.

Beloved, with thanks for you and for this season in which our ministry together will begin, I invite you to a holy Lent.

In Christ,
The Rev. Canon Kristin Uffelman White
Bishop-elect

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MARCH 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Stations of the Cross 9:30 am
3 Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II 10:30 am	4	5 Boy Scouts 6:00 pm & 7:00 pm	6 Morning Prayer Service 9:00 am Bible Study 10:30 am	7 Alanon 7:30 pm	8	9 Stations of the Cross 9:30 am
10 Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II 10:30 am	11	12 Boy Scouts 6:00 pm & 7:00 pm	13 Morning Prayer Service 9:00 am Bible Study 10:30 am	14 Alanon 7:30 pm	15	16 Stations of the Cross 9:30 am
17 Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II 10:30 am	18	19 Primary Election Day	20 Morning Prayer Service 9:00 am Bible Study 10:30 am	21 Alanon 7:30 pm	22	23 Stations of the Cross 9:30 am
24 Sunday School 10:30 am Palm Sunday Holy Eucharist, Rite II 10:30 am	25 Jazzercise 4:45 pm	26 Boy Scouts 6:00 pm & 7:00 pm	27 Morning Prayer Service 9:00 am Bible Study 10:30 am	28 Alanon 7:30 pm	29 Good Friday Holy Eucharist, Rite II 6:00 pm	30 Stations of the Cross 9:30 am
31 Sunday School 10:30 am Easter Sunday Holy Eucharist, Rite II 10:30 am Easter Egg Hunt (after the service)						

March Birthdays



Elizabeth Hoobler on March 7

Jacqui Parker on March 18

Teena Baldrige on March 23

Seth Broweleit on March 25

Diana Graham on March 30

If your name does not appear on our birthday or anniversary list, please contact the church office.

Church
Potluck



Event is CANCELLED
for the month of March

Secret

during
Fellowship
Coffee
Hour

*Bring a dish to share
with others!*

Lenten

Soup
&
Fellowship

Stay after the service for
Lenten Fellowship Hour.

Soup and bread will be
provided after church
during fellowship time on
the Sundays during Lent.

Please come and enjoy!

Please use this form if you would like to donate names for St. Francis' Easter Lilies.

Mark your checks payable to St. Francis and in the memo put "Easter Flowers".

Place them in the alms or mail them to 225 N. Main Street, Springboro, OH 45066.



**Daylight Savings
Time begins
Sunday, March 10.**

**Don't forget to set
your clocks forward.**

Easter Flowers

If you would like to memorialize a loved one or friend, or express thanksgiving for God's many blessings through your donation of Easter Flowers, please fill in the needed information and place this form with your check in the offering plate.

Please make your check payable to **Saint Francis** and mark the memo notate "Easter Flowers".

Thank you.



Your name

(as you wish it listed in the bulletin)

Please list name(s) as you wish it (them) printed in the bulletin and circle the appropriate designation.

In Honor

In Memory

In Thanksgiving

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St. Francis will be hosting Stations of the Cross every Saturday for the season of Lent at 9:30 am. The Stations of the Cross are a 14-step devotion that commemorates Jesus Christ and the day of His crucifixion.

Stations of the Cross, also called Way of the Cross, are a series of 14 pictures or carvings portraying events in the Passion of Christ, from his condemnation by Pontius Pilate to his entombment.

The series of stations is as follows:

- (1) Jesus is condemned to death,
- (2) he is made to bear his cross,
- (3) he falls the first time,
- (4) he meets his mother,
- (5) Simon of Cyrene is made to bear the cross,
- (6) Veronica wipes Jesus' face,
- (7) he falls the second time,
- (8) the women of Jerusalem weep over Jesus,
- (9) he falls the third time,
- (10) he is stripped of his garments,
- (11) he is nailed to the cross,
- (12) he dies on the cross,
- (13) he is taken down from the cross, and
- (14) he is placed in the sepulchre. The images are usually mounted on the inside walls of a church or chapel but may also be erected in such places as cemeteries, corridors of hospitals and religious houses, or on mountainsides.



Welcome

Holy Week & Easter

March 24 – March 31, 2024

Palm Sunday

March 24 at 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion

The Liturgy of the Palms will begin outdoors, with procession to the Nave and celebration of Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Good Friday

March 29 at 6:00 p.m.

Crosswalk with Springboro Churches at 11:45 a.m.

Good Friday Service with music and Communion from Reserved Sacrament

Easter Sunday

Resurrection Sunday

March 31 at 10:30 a.m. *with music*

Easter Day Festival, Holy Eucharist Rite, II

Easter Egg Hunt! Candy - Filled Eggs!
following Easter Sunday service

A background of green palm fronds on a light beige, textured paper. The word "Palm" is written in a large, green, cursive font, overlapping the word "SUNDAY" which is in a brown, serif font.

Palm SUNDAY

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

MATTHEW 21:9

**St. Francis Episcopal Church
225 N. Main Street, Springboro**

**Sunday, March 24
at 10:30 am**

**Celebration of Holy Eucharist, Rite II
with The Liturgy of the Palms**

**St. Francis needs Readers for The Passion of Our Lord Jesus
Christ on Palm Sunday. Sign up on the table in the Narthex.**

PRESENTS

GOOD FRIDAY



March 29
at 6:00 pm

Communion
will be shared
with the
reserved
sacrament

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www.saintfran.org



He Is Risen

EASTER *Sunday*

CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION

March 31 at 10:30 am

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR
OUR ANNUAL

EASTER EGG HUNT

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024

**Directly after
the service!**

**Easter baskets are
provided, and all
children are invited!**

Stay afterwards for an Easter Day Fellowship Hour

ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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The Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Kristin Uffelman White as Tenth Bishop of Southern Ohio

Watch it on YouTube at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2re22TZFLYA>



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**The Ordination & Consecration of
The Reverend Canon
Kristin Uffelman White**

As a Bishop in the Church of God and
Tenth Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Ohio

"The one who calls you is faithful ... " ~ 1 Thessalonians 5:24a

Saturday, February 17, 2024 • 11 o'clock in the morning • Saturday after Ash Wednesday
Greater Columbus Convention Center • 400 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio

Watch on  YouTube

https://diosohio.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Service-bulletin_web.pdf

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GATHERING TIMES

Sundays at 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Wednesdays at 9:00 am - Morning Prayer and Healing Service

Wednesdays at 10:30 am - Bible Study

PRAYER FOR MARCH

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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