

March Anchor Line

Saint Patrick's Day

Having an Irish grandfather from Tandragee ,on the border of County Armagh and County Down, my mother would send me to school with clover pinned to my blazer each 17th March. I felt proud of my Irish heritage and listened extra carefully to the story of Saint Patrick and the clover leaf representing God, father, son and Holy Ghost.



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News from Kim Jacobson

March brings many things. It brings the beginning of Daylight Savings Time for which I am very glad because I like my daylight hours to last way past 5:00. It brings St. Patrick's Day which, interestingly, was also the day of my 100% Swedish grandpa's birthday and every year he wore a flashing green bow tie. It also brings the beginning of Spring. We all look forward to Spring....a time of new growth. This past year has been a year of growth for the ECW; the Episcopal Church Women! A year ago we decided that we needed to form a women's group. While our meetings have been more spontaneous than regularly scheduled, we have enjoyed a mid morning coffee, a lunch hour, or an evening meal together while also reading and discussing Shannon Bream's book, "The Mothers and Daughters of the Bible Speak." It has been a time of fellowship with faith filled women who are also friends and who share the common goal of spreading Christ's love. Our next meeting on **Thursday, March 9**, will be a potluck at Grace Episcopal at 11:30 AM. Please bring a "green" dish to share and wear something green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and the new life of Spring. We will finish up our first year by reading and discussing the final three chapters in our book while enjoying our lunch. If you have not yet been to a meeting, we welcome you! If you are a regular, we can't wait to be together again! It seems like our cookie exchange took place a long time ago now and the delicious treats as well as our time together was enjoyed by all! Finally, if you have ideas for where the ECW should go from here or a new book to read and discuss, we welcome your ideas. Thank you for being part of our first year. May we all feel the abiding love of God every new day that we are given and use it to support each other.



News from the Men's Group



Adopt a Highway clean -up crew from left to right are, Bill Smyth from St. Thomas and from Grace, Sam Richardson, Carl Walters, Dean Beckman and Jack Friou. Thank you, Fred Pope, for being behind the camera.

After meeting at Grace at 10:30 to pick up safety gear and other equipment they cleaned up Moylan Drive between Front Beach Road and Panama City Beach Parkway. Then a well-earned lunch at The Wicked Wheel.



All men from both churches are welcome to participate in either or both events which happen on the second Tuesday of each month. No reservations needed.

March Lay Ministry Schedule

March 5 (Second Sunday in Lent)

Lector*: Kelly Hodges

Crucifer: Katy Hodges

Chalice Bearer: Carl Walters

Greeter: Fred Pope

Counter: Carl Walters

March 12 (Third Sunday in Lent)

Lector*: Deb Gray

Crucifer/Chalice Bearer: Carl Walters

Greeter: Sam Richardson

Counter: Carl Walters

March 19 (Fourth Sunday in Lent)

Lector*: Amy Helms

Crucifer/Chalice Bearer: Jack Friou

Greeter: Beverly Nield/Jillian Carrick

Counter: Fred Pope

March 26 (Fifth Sunday in Lent)

Lector*: Jamie Shepard

Crucifer/Chalice Bearer: Sam Richardson

Greeter: Deb Gray

Counter: Sam Richardson

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A Huge Thank You to all our Readers,

Bonnie Hale

Jamie Shepherd

Bill Demo

Amy Helms

Kelly Hodges, and anyone I may have forgotten.

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