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## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES**

### **Adult Christian Education**

*Here are our Adult Christian Education offerings at ECR. Please join us for any or all of these opportunities to learn and grow in Christ.*

#### **NOON BIBLE STUDY**

Guided by our rector, Fr. Jim, we're studying the Gospel of Mark, believed to represent the earliest recollection of the life and ministry of Jesus. We meet in classroom 4 in the education wing of the church building *every Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m.* Invite a friend and come grow in your knowledge of Scripture, and appreciation for God's Love. Thanks and God's Peace.

*Fr. Jim +*

#### **The Way to the Cross of Jesus**

Ever ponder the journey Jesus made in his mind, heart, and soul as he journeyed to destination on the cross? This Adult Ed. class meets 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. beginning Sunday, Feb 21 and concludes on Palm Sunday, March 28. This program offers inquiry and inspira-

tion as it explores the way of the cross that Jesus knew, and where he calls his followers to join him. Our Rector Fr. Jim and our seminarian the Rev. Marie Butterbaugh co-lead this class. Invite a friend or neighbor and come join the journey.

#### **LENTEN SERIES CONTINUES AT ECR**

#### **TAKING A BREAK FROM COMFORTABLE AND FAMILIAR**

ECR is hosting a Lenten Series that addresses the human experience of sameness and difference, of the familiar and the strange.

Guided by the Rev. Alex Montes of St. Mary Magdalene, a new Episcopal community gathering in Manor, this Series will raise awareness of the human tendency to favor sameness over difference in others, and to cling to what is familiar in others and to fear what seems strange

about them.

It will incorporate Christian themes appropriate to Lent, such as Reconciliation and the practice of Fasting, to assist participants in growing toward celebration of difference and diversity.

The Series is offered free of charge and donations are accepted. All are welcome. *Taking a Break* meets Sundays from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m., February 21 through March 14. You're invited, and bring a friend - or bring a stranger.

### **CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

We are continuing teaching the basic stories of Godly Play for ages 3 through 5th grade, and continuing the series of Life Lessons for Middle School and High School ages.

There are several additions to our already fine staff of caring leaders: **Mary Jo Hernandez, David Prather and Tim Butterbaugh.** Mary Jo will be working

with **Reba and Granville Ott** and me in Godly Play, and David and Tim will be working with **Andy Lyon** in the youth departments. As usual, there is a place for everyone at ECR, and we have a place for every child in Children's Christian Education Ministry. We strive always to practice what our Seminarian Marie preached so clearly last Sunday -- that no one is excluded at ECR, and we warmly

welcome every child in the name of Our Lord.

God's Peace, Mary Morrison  
Director-Children's Christian Ed.

