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St. Francis Episcopal Church



March 4, 2020

How's It Going?

***Whoever sees me sees him who sent me.
John 12:45***

Lent Is Underway

Keeping a Lenten discipline can be a lot like keeping New Year's resolutions. We can start strong and soon run out of steam (read motivation and desire). That is natural and human. It is difficult to keep up disciplines, especially in the beginning of a new discipline. There can be many reasons for this. One could be that the discipline is too rigorous for where we are right now in our lives. It could be that we did not know enough about what keeping up that discipline would take. Those important things to know.

A Picture of God

I would like to suggest another possibility. Could it be that the picture of God you have in your mind, especially in relation to the discipline you are attempting, is a negative picture? What do you imagine God will do if you fail at the discipline you have chosen? Is that the God we see in Jesus? What does Jesus want you to know about your Lenten discipline? What is Jesus telling you about who you are? Can you lean into the Spirit of God and begin to catch those answers right now? It may provide some fuel for the discipline that has stalled. It will also provide much more than that.

Coming Attractions

Sunday, March 8, 2020 Worship at 10:00am using Morning Prayer followed by pot luck.

Sunday, March 15, 2020 Worship at 10:00am

Wednesday, March 11, 2020 there will be no St. Francis newsletter published. We will be taking vacation time for a family wedding. Look for the newsletter again on March 18, 2020

Centerville Circle of Prayer

James River Capital Corporation that the employees would serve the clients with wisdom and diligence

The Diocese of Virginia

For Junior and Senior Wardens and Vestries that they may continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Anglican Communion

For the people of the dioceses of Maper (South Sudan) The Right Revd William Madding MacharTrichy-Tanjore (South India) The Right Revd Gnanamuthu Paul Vasanthakumar that they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Grace and Peace,

John Maher



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