Update from All Saints' Email to the Parish from The Venerable Christopher Dunn 18 February 2021

Welcome to the Lentiest Lent ever! That phrase is really starting to catch on.

We have posted last evening's **Ash Wednesday service** to the Facebook page. If you were unable to join us, you can follow the service now and learn from Jarrett about the origin of the word "hypocrite." You will also note that the guidelines have now changed, and we can speak without masks on; but the singers still have to be masked. The link to the service on our Facebook page is: www.facebook.com/allsaintswestboro/videos/474832273693949

This morning, Simone offered the first of the **Morning Prayer services**, and 14 people joined her. She will be leading Morning Prayer again tomorrow and all you need to do to join in, is to click on this link at 9:00 am: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8741442482?pwd=O EI4V090MjVhTmU3N1VkMysvTkdTUT09 (Meeting ID: 874 144 2482 & Passcode: 12345)

This evening, Michael Norman is going to start a series of **Earth Gospel Evening Prayer** services for Lent over Zoom. The service will take place at 5:00 pm, Monday through Thursday, during Lent (February 17th to April 3rd). The book is *Earth Gospel: A Guide to Prayer for God's Creation*, by Sam Hamilton-Poore (Upper Room Books, 2008). You can join in with this link each day at 5:00 pm: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6130506404 (Meeting ID: 613 050 6404)

A reminder that this Saturday (February 20th) is the **Coldest Night of the Year, and our All Smaller Saints Team** are hoping for your sponsorships in support of Cornerstone Housing for Women. You can sponsor one of the individuals, one of the families, or the whole team. Last chance to click on the following link and sponsor this wonderful effort by our youth: https://secure.e2rm.com/registrant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=936301

I will be back tomorrow with other things, but here is a prayer for today:

Extravagant God, lavishing your love on our poverty of heart: inspire us to give with generosity, to love life so that we may find it again, and thus the world will be filled with the fragrance of your love; through Jesus Christ, who offers himself for us. Amen.

Take care on these cold days and nights,

Chris