

# MATTHIAS MIDWEEK

Inspired by the life and compassion of Jesus Christ, We are a church of action in our community, engaging in Hospitality by offering bread for body and soul

# ELEANOR!



Dear Friends,

This past week was very exciting at St. Matthias Church. Mary Ross (Junior Warden) supervised the installation of a new furnace just in time for the performance of "Eleanor Roosevelt - Across a Barrier of Fear" in our sanctuary on Saturday, March 11. Kathy Stack was the force behind this endeavor. Her childhood friend, Jan Van Boskirk, came all the way from Oregon to perform this inspiring one-woman play. Jane is an experienced character actress who specializes in portraying strong woken in history.

Kathy and Jane got the chance to get re-acquainted in the days before the play, as Kathy welcomed Jane into her home for the week. Kathy and Carol Bleistine were so good at selling tickets that the performance was sold out in advance!

It was amazing how Jane walked into the sanctuary at the beginning of the play and transposed herself into Eleanor Roosevelt with the smallest adjustments to her

wardrobe. She portrayed Eleanor as a young child, a teenager, a mother of six children, a political campaigner, a First Lady, a social worker, and the head of the United Nations Human Rights Commission. The furniture on the stage was just a wooden chair and a small table, but Jane, through her words and body language, was able to paint a detailed and awesome portrait of Eleanor Roosevelt. The packed church was enthralled.

Jane Van Boskirk plans to continue performing this play around the country and is soliciting bookings. More information can be found on her website: www.janevanboskirk.com

Thank you Jane and Kathy for making our church a landmark in Baltimore with a truly memorable evening of drama. Thanks to all who cooked, baked and served to make the reception following the performance a success. Thanks to Javier Nieves and Jim Shomo who took care of the special lighting for the play. I was happy to provide the flyer, the program, and publicity. The evening was another example of what makes St. Matthias Epispcopal Church so unique!

The photos I took can be found on Facebook at:

https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=oa.1275465649169573&type=3

Sincerely,

## Mary Catherine Day

### **THIS WEEK**

THURSDAY, MARCH 16: 6:30 PM AA Meeting, Parish Hall

FRIDAY, MARCH 17:5:00-9:00 PM Seeing the Face of God: Diocesan Center

**SATURDAY, MARCH 18** 

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM: Seeing the Face of God, Diocesan Center

11:30 AM: Morning Prayer - Sanctuary 11:00AM- 2:00 PM: Loaves & Fishes

SUNDAY MARCH 19: 9:30 AM Third Sunday in Lent Readings: Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 95 Romans 5: 1-11 John 4:5-42

10:45 AM Coffee & Conversation - Parish Hall 11:00 AM: SOS - Scripture on Sunday

11:30 AM: Rebirth Ministries Worship 1:30 PM: Renewed Minds Worship

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22: 10:00 AM: Morning Prayer, Sanctuary 10:30 AML: Lenten Discussion, Strength for the Journey, Renee Miller

### **OUR PRAYERS**

Fern Grumbine - for a peaceful and painless death

The Grumbine Family

Mel Berk and his family

Sally

Debbie Tenney, Ann+'s friend

Sylvia Hooper and her family

All those who are homeless in this cold, icy, weather

The people of South Sudan who and starving and afraid

#### **REMINDER!**

Easter candy orders are due on Sunday, March 19

#### **SOUL FOOD**

"We have all come to the right place.
We all sit in God's classroom.
Now,
the only thing left for us to do, my dear,
is to stop
throwing spitballs for a while."

-Hafiz, *I Heard God Laughing* by Daniel Ladinsky