

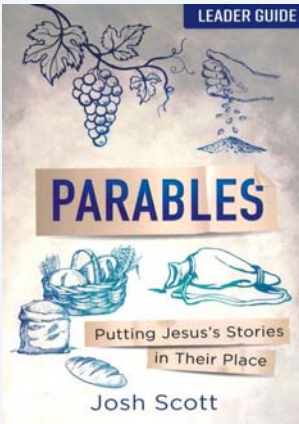
CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Eblast

March 20, 2025



Bible Study



Our Bible study continues this evening from 6:30-8 p. m. There will be no class on March 27th, either in the morning or evening. See Canon Melinda for details this evening.

Youth Group with Baptism and Confirmation instructions meets immediately after the service on 3/12/25 in the Parish Hall. at Redeemer. Youth Group will continue to meet weekly through Palm Sunday.

Youth Group



Family Game Night

We are invited to Family Game Night **TOMORROW**, March 21 from **6-8 p.m.** in the South Wing at St. John. Bring your family and friends. We look forward to seeing you then. (Note this is the same day as the Blood Drive - maybe you can attend both! See page 7)

You are invited to Crafting/Fellowship Day

The next crafting/fellowship day will take place Saturday April 6th from 10-3 p.m. at St. John in the South Wing. Please bring a dish to pass for lunch. We look forward to seeing you then. For more information and to let us know if you will be joining please contact Irene Nazak at ina-zak@live.com or you may call her at 607-331-4008.



Readings for March 22&23

Lessons: Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalm 27

Philippians 3:17- - 4:1

Luke 13:31-35

Reflection for March 22&23

This week's Gospel story features a fruitless fig tree that the owner is ready to cut down. The gardener, however, asks for a little more time. The gardener wants to end and cultivate the soil in the hope that figs may yet grow. The gardener is open to a different future for this tree, in spite of its present condition. Thinking about your own life, or the life of someone you love, in relationship to this story: what needs special tending? What will cultivate the "soil" of daily life so that new growth, new possibilities, might energy? And what can I learn from this gardener about allowing for a different outcome, a new possibility?



Serving in Worship at Redeemer

March 23

Readers: Diane Siebecker

Usher: Walter Chaykosky

Greeter: Glenda Hinsman

March 30 Combined Worship

Glenda Hinsman

Bob Cole

Margaret Cole

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Last fall, both Vestry and St. John Council concurred that we enjoy worshipping together as we do during the summer months. They decided that when there is a 5th Sunday of the month, we will continue our joint worship service. There are four 5 Sunday months this year, 2 of which are in the summer when we worship together anyway. The other two months are March and November. Consequently on **March 30th**, we will worship here with St. John. The service time will be 10:00 a.m. We will be joined by the Sunday School. In November we will worship together at St. John.



On Sunday, March 23rd at 2 p.m. at the Sayre Post office a rally will be held to discuss the possible privatization of the USPS and the affect this can potentially have on those of us who depend on the USPS, especially those in rural communities.

Happy Birthday to:

Neil Carpenter 3/21

Craig Lewis 3/23

Jordan Goodrich 3/24

Jim Shay 3/24

Daye Moreno 3/30



Food Pantry Item for March

For the month of March we will be collecting canned fruit for our local food pantries.



*The Episcopal
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Weekly Video Spotlight

As a part of our Year of Transition to become the Diocese of the Susquehanna, we are sharing weekly videos from Bishop Nichols, Bishop Scanlan, and ministry leaders from the Dioceses of Bethlehem and Central Pennsylvania. In this week's video, Bishop Nichols reflects on the season of Lent and shares his eagerness for this period of intentional spiritual reflection. **To view the latest video please follow this link: [Weekly Video Spotlight: Bishop Kevin Nichols](#)**

Visit the DioBeth website

Visit the Reunification website



Scout Rummage Sale

Our Boy Scout Troop 4019 will be holding their annual rummage sale on March 22 from 8am.-2 p.m. Set-up will begin on Wednesday March 19th in the Parish Hall.

St. Mary's Rummage Sale

On Friday, April 11th from 9-3p.m. and Saturday April 12th from 9 -2 p.m. St. Mary's will be holding their Spring rummage Sale. We will be accepting clean rummage, and **FIC-TION** books. **NO LARGE APPLIANCES OR ELECTRONICS.** We will be accepting rummage through the end of March, but nothing after that. If you have rummage you need to drop off between now and Monday the 28th please leave it upstairs in the Atrium so that we may keep it separate from the Boy Scout Rummage, as they are having there sale on the 22nd.

**BIG
SALE**



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The Sunday school project is once again the Heifer International. In the church is a Heifer table with information about the program and a container to put donations or please take a Heifer mite box home and bring it in at Easter. To help with the donations the 5 cent recyclables bottles and cans will be done throughout the year. Bring in your 5 cent recyclables or take them to redeem the money. All donation are collected at the church's Heifer container, mite boxes or office. Thank you, Betsy

Easter Flowers

To place an order either fill out this order blank or call the church office (570) 888-2270

Deadline to order is *April 8, 2025*

- Single Lilies (6 in. single plant) \$16.00 # _____
- Double Lily (8 in. double plant) \$28.00 # _____
- Mums-6 " Pot \$23.00 # _____
- Azalea (6" Pot) \$23.00 # _____
- Hyacinths (6" Pot) \$13.00 # _____
- Hyacinths (8" pot) \$19.00 # _____
- Hyacinths (10" pot) \$31.00 # _____
- Tulips (6" Pot) \$13.00 # _____
- Tulips (8" Pot) \$19.00 # _____
- Tulips (10" Pot) \$31.00 # _____

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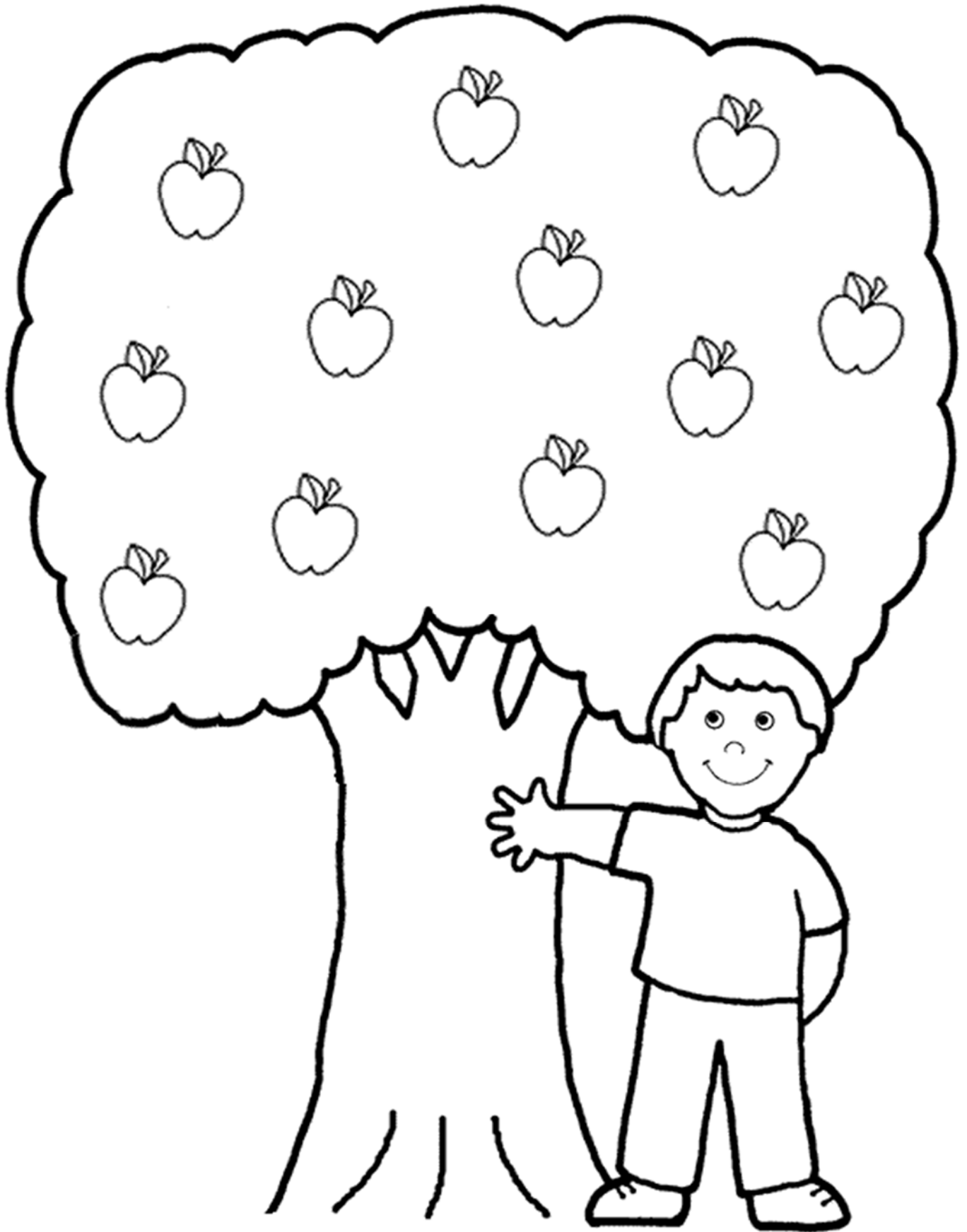
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God wants us to bear good fruit!

The Parable of the Fig Tree

" 'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.' "

Luke 13:8-9 (NIV)

Choose the word that best matches the definition.



- ___ 1. A simple story teaching a moral or religious lesson.
A. fig B. parable C. tree D. fertilize
- ___ 2. The sweet, pear-shaped, fruit of a plant found in Bible lands.
A. vineyard B. parable C. fig D. fruit
- ___ 3. A large plant with a trunk, limbs, branches, and leaves.
A. parable B. fruit C. tree D. soil
- ___ 4. The usually sweet-tasting part of a tree which can be eaten.
A. fruit B. soil C. tree D. fig
- ___ 5. An area of ground planted with vines and fruit trees.
A. vineyard B. dig C. fruit D. tree
- ___ 6. The top layer of the earth's surface favorable to plant growth.
A. dig B. soil C. fig D. vineyard
- ___ 7. To spread a something on land or plants to help plants grow.
A. fruit B. fertilize C. soil D. fig
- ___ 8. To break up and move dirt using a shovel.
A. tree B. parable C. dig D. vineyard

Apple

