Seedlings 7: "But it is only with courage that you can be persistently and insistently kind and generous and fair.



I am convinced that courage is the most important of all the virtues.

Because without courage, you cannot practice any other virtue consistently.

You can be kind for a while; you can be generous for a while; you can be just for a while, or merciful for a while, even loving for a while.

But it is only with courage that you can be persistently and insistently kind and generous and fair.

---Maya Angelou

### Flight Song

by Norwegian composer Kim André Arnesen, with words by Euan Tait. You may listen by clicking <u>HERE</u> or the link above.

All we are, we have found in song:
You have drawn this song from us
Songs of lives unfolding
Fly overhead, cry overhead:
Longing, rising from the song within

Moving like the rise and fall of wings
Hands that shape our calling voice
On the edge of answers
You've heard our cry, you've known our cry:
Music's fierce compassion flows from you

The night is restless with the sounds we hear Is broken, shaken by the cries of pain:
For this is music's inner voice
Saying, yes, we hear you
All you who cry aloud
And we will fly, answering you:
So our lives sing, sing
Wild we will fly
Wild in spirit we will fly

Like a feather falling from the wing
Fragile as a human voice
Afraid, uncertain
Alive to love, we sing as love
Afraid, uncertain
Yet our flight begins as song



Saturday Evening, March 1st, 5:30-9:30 p.m.

Dinner, Dance and Raffle in the church dining hall.



Suggested donation: \$15 per person which includes

a meal of chicken, seafood, mac and cheese, dirty rice, salad, dessert and coffee.

Children 12 and under: FREE!



Plus... D. J. John Broussard and a 50/50 raffle to benefit the ministries of the congregation.

Please RSVP by signing up on the list posted at the lower west entrance to the dining hall,

or leave a voicemail message at 708-442-5250

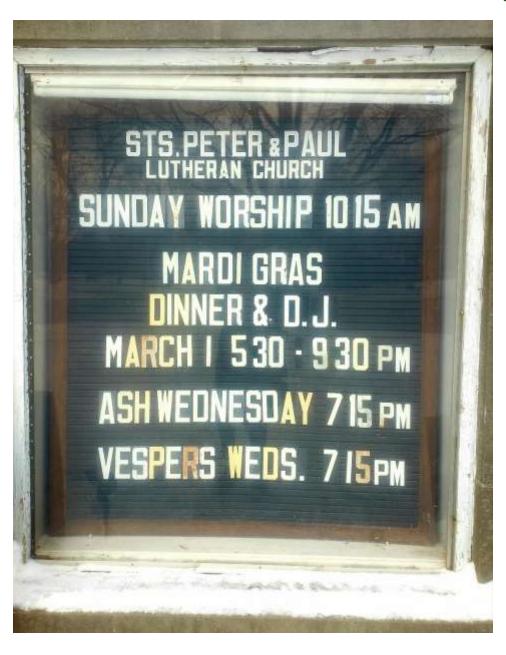
or send a message to the office indicating the number of persons who will be attending with you.

(Thank you, Karen!)

#### Costumes are very much encouraged!

Please invite your family, friends and neighbors! It's as easy as forwarding this message to them.

If you have need for further information or questions, please reach out to Mardi Gras coordinator Vera Borysek.





The Baptism of Theodore Lee Murray



The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany, February 16th



Ash Wednesday and the Forty Days of Lent begin March 5th, 7:15 p.m.

Lenten Vespers, Holden Setting
will be sung every Wednesday evening at 7:15 p.m.
during the weeks of Lent
preceded by a supper of soup and bread
beginning at 6:30 p.m.



Supper hosts may sign up on the list posted at the lower west entrance to the dining hall or please leave a voicemail message in the church office box at 708-442-5250 or send an email message to the office.



### Stevenson High School Baroque Ensemble and Viol Consort

in concert at Sts. Peter and Paul on Sunday, March 9th, 3 p.m.



You may read more about the Consort **HERE**.

### Piano and Violin Studios Recital



Sunday, March 16th, 1 p.m. in the sanctuary. Students of Jane Lauritsen and Kristine Boike



I am sorry I can say nothing more to console you, for love in action is a harsh and dreadful thing compared with love in dreams. Love in dreams is greedy for immediate action, rapidly performed and in the sight of all. Men will even give their lives if only the ordeal does not last long but is soon over, with all looking on and applauding as though on stage. But active love is labor and fortitude, and for some people too, perhaps, a complete science.—Fyodor Dostoyevsky, The Brothers Karamazov



The St. Olaf Choir, Anton Armstrong, Conductor, performs

"Even When He Is Silent"

by Kim André Arnesen. Recorded in concert at Nidaros Cathedral, Trondheim, Norway on June 16th, 2013.

Lyrics are from an anonymous text found written on a basement wall in Cologne, Germany. It had been written by someone hiding from the Gestapo during the Nazi holocaust. This is a powerful and moving testament to faith, beautifully set.

# I believe in the sun even when it isn't shining. I believe in love even when feeling it not. I believe in God even when God is silent.

## You may want to listen by clicking HERE.



"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."



No, this is not the groundhog.  $\odot$ 



For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water... (Isaiah 35:6b-7a).

Join us every Sunday at 10:15 a.m.

# For continuing live streaming of the liturgy please click <u>HERE</u>.

Recordings of the services are uploaded to the same site for viewing at a later date.



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Church office hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. - Noon