

# ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

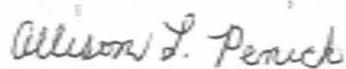
St. Mark's Annual Parish Meeting  
will be held on:

Sunday, February 5, 2023

[Blizzard date: February 12, 2023]

Location: Cooper Hall Following the 10 a.m. Service in  
Erwin Chapel - Zoom will be available.

The annual meeting is called for Election of Officers and Vestry and  
any other business as designated by the Vestry.



Allison L. Penick  
Parish Clerk

Snow Day Reading  
By Barbara A. Campbell, Ph.D.

Get these in the house so when the 12" snow storm is announced, you are ready!

The Light We Carry by Michelle Obama  
Rough Sleepers by Tracy Kidder

In Michelle's book, there are touches of the Obama family, being First Lady, and Michelle's mother who lived in the White House. Michelle focuses on issues relevant to today's culture such as how do you survive being an "only"? She was frequently, in classes and living at Princeton, the "only" Black student. What was helpful?

Michelle recommends creating your own "kitchen table" of friends so you are surrounded by good friends to talk things through with.

She also suggests in difficult working situations, it may not be individuals in an office who need to change but the workplace itself that needs to change. This might be a welcome lead in to a discussion of CRT.

Rough Sleepers are homeless persons who sleep outdoors year round. It is the story of Dr. Jim O'Connell of Boston who as a new doctor was asked to spend only a year taking care of medical needs of Bostonians who were homeless, had issues with health and drugs, and issues with getting access to shelters – or tolerating living in shelters.

Thirty years later, author Tracy Kidder rode with Dr. Jim for five years taking notes as the van rolled into Thursday outdoor clinics, Monday meetings on patients, insurance restrictions and housing laws.

What might be transferrable to Friendship Service Center? What part of Rough Sleepers might be woven into the next version of Morning Mingle? What is the current connection between various ministries for the homeless in New Britain and what used to be Bew Britain General?

Kidder makes Rough Sleepers real people and you want to turn the page to see what your new friend has done now in the locale of Mass General.

## February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
February is Black History Month			1	2	3	4
5 In-Person/Hybrid Service 10:00 a.m. Erwin Chapel followed by the Annual Meeting in Cooper Hall	6 9:00 - 2:00 Food Pantry	7 5:45 p.m. Exec. Committee Mtg	8 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg	9 9:00 - 2:00 Food Pantry 7:00 p.m. Thursday Night Group - Zoom mtg	10	11
12 In-Person/Hybrid Service 10:00 a.m. Erwin Chapel	13 9:00 - 2:00 Food Pantry	14 6:45 p.m. Vestry Meeting <b>St. Valentine's Day</b>	15	16 9:00 - 2:00 Food Pantry 7:00 p.m. Thursday Night Group - Zoom mtg	17	18
19 In-Person/Hybrid Service 10:00 a.m. Erwin Chapel	20 <b>Office Closed</b> 	21	22 <b>Ash Wednesday</b>	23 9:00 - 2:00 Food Pantry 7:00 p.m. Thursday Night Group - Zoom mtg	24	25
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