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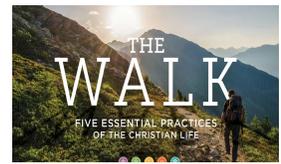
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Season of Lent and Easter Worship & Study Calendar

Lenten Book Study
Tues, Mar 3, 17, 24, 31, Apr 7
@ Homewood — 10:30 AM
@ Grace—6:30 PM w/pizza



Palm Sunday Worship
Sun, Apr 5
11:00 AM

Maundy Thursday Service
Thur, Apr 9
7:00 PM



Good Friday Service
Fri, Apr 10
7:00 PM



From Pastor Rob's Desk

Dear Friends,

If you were in church last week, this letter will come as no surprise to you, but if not, then we need to have a conversation. Back on January 2nd I received a call from my primary care doctor saying my blood work had returned with some problems and that he wanted to send me to a urologist asap. My PSA had risen alarmingly in a short period and indications were that there might be a problem. And so, throughout the month of January I saw a series of doctors and had a whole lot of very fun tests. (Yes, that's sarcasm.) I finally saw a specialist in Baltimore, and it was confirmed through an MRI that I do have a tumor in my prostate. A biopsy was then scheduled for February 17th, where it was confirmed that the tumor is cancerous. The good news is that the cancer is at this point very slow growing.

For this reason, my doctor in Baltimore is recommending what's called Active Surveillance. This means that I will undergo testing every 3 months in Baltimore and a Biopsy every 12-18 months. At some point in the future, the tumor will become more aggressive at which time we will move into active treatments and/or surgery. 5-10 years ago I would be receiving immediate treatments. But, modern wisdom and research indicates that right now, the cancer is less toxic to my body than treatments would be!

Long and short is this... I'll be fine. For right now I just live with this and attend to my treatment plan as my doctor directs. When will my cancer get more aggressive? There's no way to predict. It could be 1 year from now or 15 years from now! We do believe that diet and lifestyle changes can play a part in slowing its progression and so I am researching those things (eating less meat for example).

What I can tell you with confidence is that prostate cancer is highly curable. In fact, it's probably one of the most curable cancers. 99% of prostate cancer survivors are doing well 5 years out and 96% are doing well 15 years post treatment. There is absolutely NO reason to think I won't live to be a very cranky, ornery, old man!

Through it all, know that God will be with us all and that I believe we will experience blessings together in ways we may not expect. God has a way of turning things into glory!
God bless us as we walk this road.

With much love

Pastor Rob +

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Lenten Bible Study

The Walk by Adam Hamilton

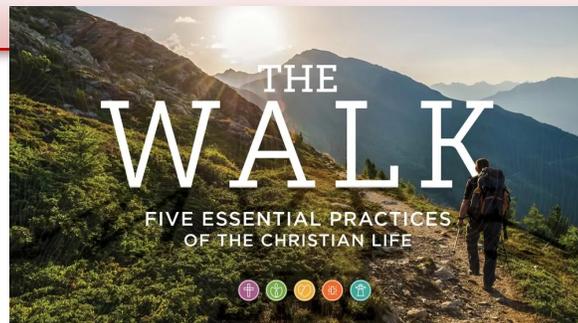
Lenten Bible Study

Tuesdays during Lent at 7PM

Starting Tuesday, March 3rd!

Join us as we walk the Lenten Journey looking at important spiritual practices of the Christian life. There is no cost, but to reserve your spot, please email pastor Rob at pastorrob@grucc.com so we have enough books for everyone. Join us!

(Please note that March 10th there will be no Bible Study due to the Mission trip)



Sanctuary Audio/Video Project News!



DID YOU KNOW...

Grace UCC has a YouTube channel!

Watch our Sermons and Choir on YouTube @ GraceLiveFrederick

Videos are normally posted weekly and ready to view by Sunday Evening.

View our sermons and choir anthems on YouTube. Just search on Youtube or on Google for GraceLiveFrederick. **Please take time to subscribe!**

Join the GraceLiveFrederick Team!

When we reach 100 subscribers we get additional features.



Sanctuary Audio/Video Project Update

We continue our work towards completing our AV system installation the goal of being able to provide in-service projection on the wall, and live streaming to the internet. At the moment ONLY the sermon and the anthems are being posted on the internet. Any change in this will be clearly communicated.

Please join the Grace AV Team! We need both system operators and individuals to discuss privacy and policy, and to help brainstorm ideas to grow our digital footprint!

If you are interested please speak with Mark Edwards or email mse103@mac.com

Links to all YouTube@GraceLiveFrederick videos can also be found at grucc.com under Sermons.

Mission, Outreach, and Volunteer Opportunities

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS NEEDED.
FOR EXAMPLE: PEANUT BUTTER ~ PASTA ~ RICE
SPAGHETTI ~ TOMATO SAUCE ~ CEREAL
CANNED FISH ~ CANNED MEATS

Food Drive



FCAA - Food Bank "Grace Groceries" Collection

On the third Sunday of every month, we dedicate the "Grace Groceries" that have been collected in our little red wagon (in the narthex), and then deliver them to the Frederick Foodbank.

~Thank you for your continued generosity!

*Grace UCC collected
93 items of food
for the Food Bank in
December and January.*



Join Grace on Sunday, April 19 at 4:45 PM
At Frederick Community Action Agency's (FCAA) Soup Kitchen
Come Help Serve!

Volunteers from **Grace** serve at the **Soup Kitchen** on the 3rd Sunday of even months. It's a rewarding mission experience and we always have fun. Won't you join us? Meet at 4:45 PM at the FCAA Soup Kitchen—14 East All Saints Street, Frederick, MD 21701. Contact Jerry Princler at jerryprin@comcast.net or Trevor Addie at trevor.grucc@gmail.com to sign-up!



THE RELIGIOUS COALITION'S
EMERGENCY FAMILY SHELTER AT GRACE UCC

Grace UCC will be hosting the Emergency Family Shelter on the following weeks beginning: **May 9, 2020 ~ August 8, 2020 ~ November 14, 2020**

Please contact Carol Garrison or Trevor Addie-Carter if you have questions or to volunteer.

Grace is COLLECTING HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES
for the Emergency Family Shelter Program.

Please see the poster in the back of the Good Shepherd Room (next to the coat rack) for sticky notes containing needed supplies.

2020 Mission Project



CWS Emergency Cleanup Bucket Drive

You can provide assistance to families and communities affected by flooding, tornados and other disasters.



Grace Church is still collecting supplies for Church World Service's Emergency Clean Up Bucket kits. Each bucket needs the supplies listed below. Those interested can donate buckets, supplies, or any combination of the two. There is a bin in the back of the Good Shepherd Room where supplies may be dropped off.

- One five-gallon bucket with resealable lid (If bucket has been used, clean well but do not use if it has held chemicals of any kind.)
- Four scouring pads
- Seven sponges, including one large
- One scrub brush
- Eighteen reusable, lightweight dry cleaning towels (e.g. Handi wipes)
- One 50 oz. or two 25 oz. bottle(s) of liquid laundry detergent
- One 16-28 oz. bottle of liquid disinfectant dish soap
- One 12-16 oz. bottle of household cleaner that can be mixed with water (no spray bottles)
- One package of 48-50 clothespins
- Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.
- Five dust masks
- Two pairs heavy-duty, waterproof dishwashing gloves (latex-free, non-surgical)
- One pair work gloves, cotton with leather palm or all leather
- 24-28 heavy duty or contractor type 30-45 gallon trash bags on a roll and removed from carton
- One 6-9 oz. bottle of non-aerosol insect repellent



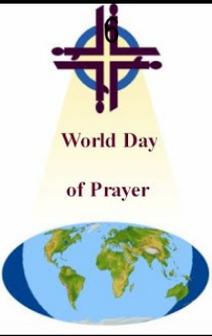
This March, Grace Church will take up a special offering: **One Great Hour of Sharing**. This offering is part of a multi-denominational program which globally supports clean water projects, provides hunger relief and long-term disaster relief, and which empowers men and women to provide for their families.

In addition, Grace Church will be sending 15 people from Grace to New Orleans from March 8th through March 14th. While there, participants will work with **Camp Restore New Orleans**, and will volunteer with the Camp's

non-profit partners throughout the city. This trip needs your financial support. If you'd like to donate to help defray costs, please mark your check for "New Orleans" so the Church Office knows where the money should go."

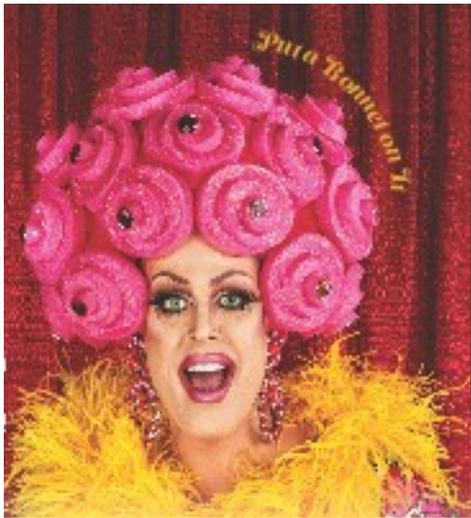
Trevor Addie-Carter ~ Chairperson, Outreach Ministry Commission
 (240)-784-7986 ~ trevor.grucc@gmail.com

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<p>1 First Sunday in Lent Abundant Grace 9:45 AM Christian Educ. 11 AM Worship & Communion</p>	<p>2 6:30 PM/TFC Young Adults</p>	<p>3 6:30 PM Lenten Book Study 6:30 PM MKP (DR) <i>SUPER TUESDAY</i></p>
<p>8 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME Second Sunday in Lent Bold Blessing 9:45 AM Christian Educ. 11 AM Worship INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY</p> 	<p>9 7 PM Finance & Property Meeting</p>	<p>10 6:30 PM MKP (DR)</p>
<p>~Camp Restore New Orleans Mission Trip ~ Camp Restore New Orleans</p>		
<p>15 Third Sunday in Lent Thirsty Voices 9:45 AM Christian Educ. 11 AM Worship</p>	<p>16 6:30 PM/TFC Young Adults</p>	<p>17 6:30 PM Lenten Book Study 6:30 PM MKP (DR)  <i>ST. PATRICK'S DAY</i></p>
<p>22 Fourth Sunday in Lent Restored 9:45 AM Christian Educ. 11 AM Worship ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 6:30 PM MKP (DR) 6:30 PM Lenten Book Study 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting</p>
<p>29 Fifth Sunday in Lent Breath of Hope 9:45 AM Christian Educ. 11 AM Worship (S) Following Worship: March Birthday Celebration</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 6:30 PM MKP (DR) 6:30 PM Lenten Book Study</p>

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>4</p> <p>6:30 PM TFC Youth Group</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:30 AM Lenten Study at Homewood 6:30 PM GAMMA</p> <p>7:00 PM Disciple Bible Study</p>	<p>6</p>  <p>World Day of Prayer</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>11</p> <p>6:30 PM TFC Youth Group</p>	<p>12</p> <p>6:00 PM TFC Youth Cmte 7:00 PM MKP2 7:00 PM TFC Board Mtg</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>Orleans Mission Trip ~ Camp Restore New Orleans Mission Trip ~</p>			
<p>18</p> <p>6:30 PM TFC Youth Group</p>	<p>19</p> <p>10:30 AM Lenten Study at Homewood 6 PM FCHD support group 7:00 PM Disciple Bible Study</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>25</p> <p>6:30 PM TFC Youth Group</p>	<p>26</p> <p>10:30 AM Lenten Study at Homewood 7:00 PM Disciple Bible Study 7:00 PM MKP2</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>



Congregational Life Events: Save the Date!



Presented by
Grace United
Church of Christ
and
The Frederick
Center
*Building
Our Light
Community*

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 *Drag*
BINGO
CASH BINGO • 50/50 RAFFLES • TIP JAR • DOOR PRIZES

Performances by
Nicole James & Stephanie Micheals



Round 1 begins 1:00 pm
Round 2 begins 6:00 pm
\$35 online or \$45 at the door
The Orioles Nest 331
1037 W. Patrick St.
Lunch provided. Ages 21+.
Doors open 12:30pm.

Ladies and Gentlemen
don't put your Easter
bonnet away just yet!!
Prize for the best Easter
bonnet so get creative!

Buy your tickets NOW! GO TO...
Putabonnetonitafternoon.eventbrite.com
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New York City Bus Trip
Wednesday, June 24th

Depart Frederick 6:00 am
Park and Ride Rt 144, exit 56 off I-70
Return from Manhattan Leaving 8:00 pm



Cost: \$48/per person

Who? Everybody!

Grace Church, Family and Friends!

Questions? Contact Tony Hemler
443-536-6829 or Missy Moxley 301-305-9561
This is a 49 passenger bus, seats are limited.
RSVP ASAP to tonyhemler0@gmail.com.
Make checks payable to Grace UCC

Congregational Life News

Sign-up to be a Fellowship Host!

Fellowship hosts provide snacks and drinks after worship on the first or third Sunday of any month. You choose the Sunday date you would like to serve. A sign-up sheet is in the Good Shepherd Room on the bulletin board.

If you would like to host but have questions or don't have the means please talk to Pastor Rob or Tony Hemler, Congregational Life Chair at tonyhemler0@gmail.com

The last Sunday of each month the Congregational Life Commission hosts a birthday party for everyone who celebrated a birthday during that month. -(Please be sure that your birthday is on file with the church office so that you can be recognized!)

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Lisel Powell	March 02
Gwen Edwards	March 03
Laura Tinney	March 03
Patricia Flanders-Lombardi	March 04
Richard Buxton	March 05
Colleen Street	March 15
Melody Slick	March 18
Daniel Travis	March 18
Andria Snyder	March 20
Anita Bartgis	March 21
Joan Princler	March 22
Earl Bartgis	March 24
Sarah Travis	March 24
Brandy Baptiste	March 26
Donna Johnson	March 27
Gary Johnson	March 28

MARCH

Matt Bonin & Eric Black March 05, 2016

ANNIVERSARIES

Sue & Patti Flanders-Lombardi March 15

Doug & Vonnie Crum March 18, 1966

Anne & Marc Meilleur March 20, 1980

Caring and Sharing

Following is a list of members and friends of our Grace Church family who are currently ill, home-bound, recovering from an injury or surgery, or hospitalized. If you know of other folks who should be added to this list, please contact Pastor Rob at 240-217-2768 or call the church office.



Millie Davis	801 Pine Ave., Frederick, MD 21701
Joe Free	Citizens Nursing & Rehab Center
Miriam Himes	Edenton, Orchard Terrace, 5905 Edenton Court, Room #705, Frederick, MD 21702
Charlotte Hoover	7404 Willow Road, Nursing at Meadows, Frederick, MD 21702
Pam Kehne	1632 Wall Dr., Pasadena, MD 21122
Betty Linton	Sunrise Senior Living 990 Waterford Dr., Unit 206, Frederick, MD 21702

A PASTORAL CARE NOTE:

Due to the current HIPAA (Privacy) laws, hospitals are not permitted to contact churches on behalf of patients. If you know of a church member who is hospitalized, please inform the church office. In the case of an emergency hospitalization (whether yourself or a family member), please contact Pastor Rob at 240-217-2768 or call the church office.

For All the Saints: Josephine Bakhita (ca. 1869 – 8 February 1947)

Josephine Margaret Bakhita, F.D.C.C. was a Sudanese-Italian Canossian religious sister who lived in Italy for 45 years, after having been a slave in Sudan. In 2000 she was declared a saint by the Catholic Church.

She was born around 1869 in Darfur (now in western Sudan) in the village of Olgossa, west of Nyala and close to Mount Agilerei.[1] She was of the Daju people;[2][3] her respected and reasonably prosperous father was brother of the village chief. She was surrounded by a loving family of three brothers and three sisters; as she says in her autobiography: "I lived a very happy and carefree life, without knowing what suffering (was)".[4]

In 1877, when she was 7-8 years old, she was seized by Arab slave traders, who had abducted her elder sister two years earlier. She was forced to walk barefoot about 960 kilometres (600 mi) to El-Obeid and was sold and bought twice before she arrived there. Over the course of twelve years (1877–1889) she was sold three more times and then given away.

Bakhita was not the name she received from her parents at birth. It is said that the trauma of her abduction caused her to forget her own name; she took one given to her by the slavers, bakhita, Arabic for 'lucky' or 'fortunate'. [5][6][7] She was also forcibly converted to Islam.[8]

In El-Obeid, Bakhita was bought by a rich Arab who used her as a maid for his two daughters. They liked her and treated her well. But after offending one of her owner's sons, possibly by breaking a vase, the son lashed and kicked her so severely that she spent more than a month unable to move from her straw bed. Her fourth owner was a Turkish general, and she had to serve his mother-in-law and his wife, who were cruel to their slaves. Bakhita says: "During all the years I stayed in that house, I do not recall a day that passed without some wound or other. When a wound from the whip began to heal, other blows would pour down on me." [9]

She says that the most terrifying of all of her memories there was when she (along with other slaves) was marked by a process resembling both scarification and tattooing, which was a traditional practice throughout Sudan.[10][11] As her mistress was watching her with a whip in her hand, a dish of white flour, a dish of salt and a razor were brought by a woman. She used the flour to draw patterns on her skin and then she cut deeply along the lines before filling the wounds with salt to ensure permanent scarring. A total of 114 intricate patterns were cut into her breasts, belly and into her right arm.[12][13]

By the end of 1882, El-Obeid came under the threat of an attack of Mahdist revolutionaries.[14] The Turkish general began making preparations to return to his homeland and sold his slaves. In 1883 Bakhita was bought in Khartoum by the Italian Vice Consul Callisto Legnani, who treated her kindly and did not beat or punish her.[15] Two years later, when Legnani himself had to return to Italy, Bakhita begged to go with him. At the end of 1884 they escaped from besieged Khartoum with a friend, Augusto Michieli. They travelled a risky 650-kilometre (400 mi) trip on camel back to Suakin, which was the largest port of Sudan. In March 1885 they left Suakin for Italy and arrived at the port of Genoa in April. They were met there by Augusto Michieli's wife Signora Maria Turina Michieli. Callisto Legnani gave ownership of Bakhita to Turina Michieli. Bakhita's new owners took her to their family villa at Zianigo, near Mirano, Veneto, about 25 km (16 mi) west of Venice. [10] She lived there for three years and became nanny to the Michieli's daughter Alice, known as Mimmina, born in February 1886. The Michielis brought Bakhita with them to the Sudan where they stayed for nine months before returning to Italy.

Suakin on the Red Sea was besieged but remained in Anglo-Egyptian hands. Augusto Michieli acquired a large hotel there and decided to sell his property in Italy and to move his family to Sudan permanently. Selling his house and lands took longer than expected. By the end of 1888, Signora Turina Michieli wanted to see her husband in Sudan even though land transactions were not finished. Since the villa in Zianigo was already sold, Bakhita and Mimmina needed a temporary place to stay while Turina went to Sudan without them. On the advice of their business agent Illuminato Cecchini, on 29 November 1888, Turina Michieli left them in the care of the Canossian Sisters in Venice. There, cared for and instructed by the Sisters, Bakhita encountered Christianity for the first time. Grateful to her teachers, she recalled, "Those holy mothers instructed me with heroic patience and introduced me to that God who from childhood I had felt in my heart without knowing who He was." [16]

When Mrs. Michieli returned to take her daughter and maid back to Suakin, Bakhita firmly refused to leave. For three days Mrs. Michieli tried to force the issue, finally appealing to the king's attorney general; while the superior of the Institute for baptismal candidates (catechumenate) that Bakhita attended contacted the cardinal of Venice about her protégée's problem. On 29 November 1889 an Italian court ruled that because the British had induced Sudan to outlaw slavery before Bakhita's birth and because Italian law did not recognize slavery, Bakhita had never legally been a slave.[17] For the first time in her life, Bakhita found herself in control of her own destiny. She chose to remain with the Canossians.[18] On 9 January 1890 Bakhita was baptized with the names of Josephine Margaret and Fortunata (which is the Latin translation for the Arabic Bakhita). On the same day she was also confirmed and received Holy Communion from Archbishop Giuseppe Sarto, the Cardinal Patriarch of Venice, the future Pope Pius X.[19]

On 7 December 1893 Josephine Bakhita entered the novitiate of the Canossian Sisters and on 8 December 1896 she took her vows, welcomed by Cardinal Sarto. In 1902 she was assigned to the Canossian convent at Schio, in the northern Italian province of Vicenza, where she spent the rest of her life. Her only extended time away was between 1935 and 1939, when she stayed at the Missionary Novitiate



For All the Saints: (cont'd)

in Vimercate (Milan); mostly visiting other Canossian communities in Italy, talking about her experiences and helping to prepare young sisters for work in Africa.[19] A strong missionary drive animated her throughout her entire life - "her mind was always on God, and her heart in Africa".[20]

During her 42 years in Schio, Bakhita was employed as the cook, sacristan and portress (door keeper) and was in frequent contact with the local community. Her gentleness, calming voice, and ever-present smile became well known and Vicenzans still refer to her as Sor Moretta ("little brown sister") or Madre Moretta ("black mother"). Her special charisma and reputation for sanctity were noticed by her order; the first publication of her story (Storia Meravigliosa by Ida Zanolini) in 1931, made her famous throughout Italy.[2][21] During the Second World War (1939–1945) she shared the fears and hopes of the town people, who considered her a saint and felt protected by her mere presence. Bombs did not spare Schio, but the war passed without a single casualty.

Her last years were marked by pain and sickness. She used a wheelchair but she retained her cheerfulness, and if asked how she was, she would always smile and answer: "As the Master desires." In the extremity of her last hours her mind was driven back to the years of her slavery and she cried out: "The chains are too tight, loosen them a little, please!" After a while she came round again. Someone asked her, "How are you? Today is Saturday," probably hoping that this would cheer her because Saturday is the day of the week dedicated to Mary, mother of Jesus. Bakhita replied, "Yes, I am so happy: Our Lady ... Our Lady!" These were her last audible words.[22]

Bakhita died at 8:10 PM on 8 February 1947. For three days her body lay on display while thousands of people arrived to pay their respects. Her remains were transferred to the Church of the Holy Family of the Canossian convent of Schio in 1969.

A young student once asked Bakhita: "What would you do, if you were to meet your captors?" Without hesitation she responded: "If I were to meet those who kidnapped me, and even those who tortured me, I would kneel and kiss their hands. For, if these things had not happened, I would not have been a Christian and a religious today".[23]

The petitions for her canonization began immediately, and the process officially commenced by Pope John XXIII in 1959, only twelve years after her death. On 1 December 1978, Pope John Paul II declared Josephine Venerable, the first step towards canonization. On 17 May 1992, she was declared Blessed and given February 8 as her feast day. On 1 October 2000, she was canonized as Saint Josephine Bakhita. She is venerated as a modern African saint, and as a statement against the brutal history of slavery. She has been adopted as the patron saint of Sudan and human trafficking survivors.

Bakhita's legacy is that transformation is possible through suffering. Her story of deliverance from physical slavery also symbolises all those who find meaning and inspiration in her life for their own deliverance from spiritual slavery.[24] In May 1992 news of her beatification was banned by Khartoum which Pope John Paul II then personally visited only nine months later.[25] On 10 February 1993, he solemnly honoured Bakhita on her own soil. "Rejoice, all of Africa! Bakhita has come back to you. The daughter of Sudan sold into slavery as a living piece of merchandise and yet still free. Free with the freedom of the saints." [26]

Pope Benedict XVI, on 30 November 2007, in the beginning of his second encyclical letter *Spe Salvi* (In Hope We Were Saved), relates her entire life story as an outstanding example of the Christian hope.[27]

Citations

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- ⁴ [^] Bakhita in Dagnino, p. 37
- ⁵ [^] O'Malley, p. 32.
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- ⁷ [^] "Mother Josephine Bakhita", *www.vatican.va*. Retrieved 2018-05-23.
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- ²⁶ [^] John Paul II, *Homily at the Eucharistic Celebration in honour of Josephine Bakhita*, Khartoum, 10 February 1993.
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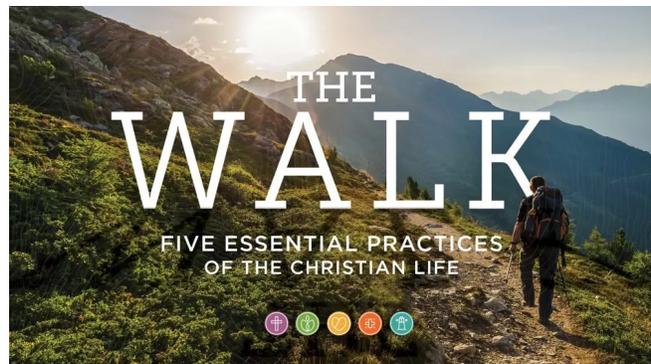
The Walk by Adam Hamilton
Lenten Bible Study

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Starting Tuesday, March 3rd!

Join us as we walk the Lenten Journey
looking at important spiritual practices

of the Christian life. There is no cost, but to reserve your spot, please email Pastor
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