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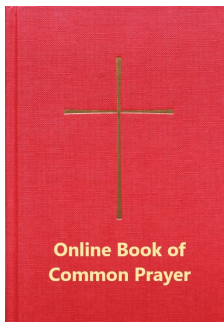


NOW THE LORD IS
THE SPIRIT, AND
WHERE THE SPIRIT
OF THE LORD IS,
THERE IS FREEDOM



2 CORINTHIANS 3:17

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Sunday Services:

Sunday Services:

8:00 am.....Traditional Communion

9:30 am.....Family Communion
(Livestreamed)

9:30 am.....Sunday School

11:00 am.....Contemporary Communion

4:00 pm.....French Service
(Livestreamed)

5:00 pm.....Diving Deeper Bible Study
with Father Tom Rutherford

7:00 pm.....Casual Communion

Wednesday Service:

10:00 am.....Casual Communion

11:00 am..... Bible Study

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Time To PRAY!

It's time to PRAY.

As of May 31, our Operating Expenses are \$63,938.52 MORE than our giving.

BEFORE the pandemic, our Average Sunday Attendance was 328. Our Average Sunday Attendance NOW is 237.

If those 90 missing people were with us on Sundays, and giving as they did before the pandemic, our income would more than cover all our expenses.

But they're not.

So what do we do?

It's time to PRAY.

Throughout our parish family's history, when we're diligent and faithful in prayer, God moves: He keeps us healthy as individuals, in our own families, and as the Messiah family, and he provides all we need – both the people and resources necessary to change the world with Jesus.

When we get busy with life and preoccupied with our own personal stuff and neglect or forget to pray, people get sick, our own families suffer want, and our parish family finances get tight... or sink into a deficit.

When that happens, someone on Vestry (our elected lay leaders) says, "We need to do some fundraisers."

I resist that suggestion, because "fundraisers" have NEVER been the primary way God provides for his people – not in the Bible, not in Church History, and not in our parish family – when we've been healthiest.

Through all of history, the primary way God provides for his people is through his people's generous giving, plus periodic miraculous gifts from other sources.

That's what he's done with us, too.

From time to time, someone dies and leaves us a chunk of money, or someone sells their business or a piece of property and gives a portion of their profit. But for the most part, your faithful, ongoing, generous gifts are how God meets most of our parish needs: from paying the mortgage, to keeping the lights and air conditioning on, to providing bread and wine for Communion, to buying snacks and diapers for our youngest members, to compensating our staff who lead our music and other ministries.

When I resist doing fundraisers, someone on Vestry will say, "Then we need to tell our people to give more."

I resist that as well.

NOBODY likes it when preachers harangue them about money, and that tends only to drive folks away instead of drawing them in.

That's why my promise to you is this: I will NEVER ask you to GIVE more. I WILL ask you to PRAY more.

Because when we pray, God moves, and acts, and provides.

It's time to PRAY.

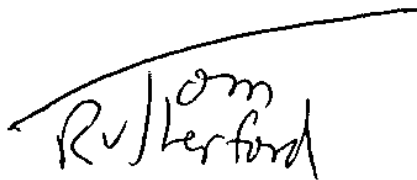
And though I will never ask you to give more, the Holy Spirit might.

If he does, please do what he says.

But whether or not the LORD nudges you to give more, please PRAY more.

Because THAT'S what prompts God to move, act, and provide.

I love you all... and there's a sample prayer below my signature.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rev. Tom Rutherford". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal line extending from the top of the "R".

11. For the Parish

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. [*Father, you know our needs and the human and material resources it will take to meet those needs;*] Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Book of Common Prayer, 817 [plus a sentence I added. TR)

A dark, textured rectangular area with white, chalk-like text. The text is arranged in several lines, with some words in a larger, bolder font. The overall appearance is that of a chalkboard or a sign made of dark material with white paint or chalk.

The Vestry Minutes
for June
Coming
Soon
The Minutes will be
included in August's
Messenger

Who Ya Gonna Call

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Vestry Door Duty for April

Opener at 7:30am: Marci Babione

Closer after 1:00pm: Wally Stewart

Vestry Meeting Host: Mary Kay Predmore

2022 Financial Report

(as of May2022)

Operating Income.....\$269,279.97

Operating Expenses.....\$333,218.49

NET.....\$(63,938.52))

All Building Fund Income....\$165,528.26

All Building Fund Expense...\$149,342.82

NET.....\$16,203.44

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The Youth Group meet for Supper & Sharing each month. They eat supper and watch the episode of The Chosen with the adults. Then, they go to the Youth Room to discuss the episode.



Youth Minister, Garine Adams, along with Jeremy Adams, Yester & J.D. Adams took members of Activate Youth Group to Alive Camp from June 12th-17th. They enjoyed worship and Bible classes along with a ton of fun



Book Review
By
Helen Farnsworth

This month I felt like the butcher that backed into the meat grinder and got a little behind in his work! Deacon Julie helped me set up my Kindle, which my nephew and his wife got me for **Christmas**! So I'm set up for success now. I finished last month's COTM Book Club selection—finally! It was ***"An Untamed Land"*** by Lauraine Snelling, about a Norwegian family that immigrated to America to take advantage of the free farmland in the Dakota Territory. {A daunting venture for me as a native Floridian, but they had similar weather in Norway.) I think the main point of the book was how these brave pioneers (two brothers and their families) depended totally on God to take care of them (plus a whole lot of hard work, of course). Their trials and tribulations were multitudinous! But their faith saw them through it all in the end. I really liked the end !

The book club is currently reading ***"Becoming Elisabeth Elliot"*** by Ellen Vaughan. It's about the missionaries that reached out to the Waodani tribe in Ecuador, noted for murdering outsiders. As it turned out, the men in the expedition were martyred; but the wives still had a heart for the Waodani, and eventually won them to Christ. I'm currently enjoying reading it, having 8 chapters to go to finish it. I'll reprise it next month, with hopefully at least one other book or video.

Messiah's Missionaries



**Changing the world for Jesus:
one child, one person, one family,
one community at a time.**

If you visit another church, please put the bulletin,
or information in Deacon Julie's mailbox.

If you can, please send pictures to:

Office@ChurchOfTheMessiah.com

Helen Farnsworth attended New Life Church in Novato, California
on Sunday, June 12th.

July

Alcoholics Anonymous meets every evening

For more information visit:

<https://cflintergroup.org/meetings/three-legacies-group-8/>

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Wednesday's Schedule

10:00 am Holy Communion
11:00 am Bible Study in the Library
7:15 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

3

Bag Sunday
for Christian
Service Center

ACTIVATE
Youth Group

Cook Out at Simple
Supper at 5:15 for
everyone

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5

Father Tom's
Day
Off!



Men's Supper
(Youth Hall)
Ladies' Dinner
(Parish Hall)
6:30 pm

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The
Order
of the
Daughters
of the King
5 pm Fellowship
5:30 pm Meet in Parish Hall

Mission Mornings

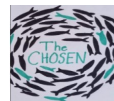
ACTIVATE
Youth Group

12

Father Tom's
Day
Off!

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Tech Class
3 pm in
Library



Supper &
Sharing
5:15 pm

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17

VESTRY
Meeting at 2:00 pm

Diving Deeper
5:00-5:30 pm

Simple Supper &
Ice Cream Social
5:30 pm

18

19

Father Tom's
Day
Off!

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23

Meets in the Library
at 5:15 pm
BOOK CLUB

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Father Tom's
Day
Off!

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ACTIVATE
Youth Group

Will be participating
in the Diocese Mission
Event- Soul in the City

Sunday's Schedule

8:00 am- Rite 1

9:30 am- Rite 2 Nursery and Children's Church

11:00 am- Rite 3 Nursery and Children's Church

4:00 pm- French Service

4:30 pm - Shine Kid's Club in the Youth Hall

5:00 -Activate Youth Group in the Youth Hall

5:00 -Diving Deeper with Fr. Tom in the Library

6:00 pm -Simple Supper in the Parish Hall

7:00 pm Rite 3

Happy Birthday

3rd– Sharon West

4th– Angela Lopez

6th– Douglas Duppenthaler

7th– David Teter

9th– Iris Sandoval

10th– Steve Brueggeman

11th– Jackson Groenendaal

Deborah Grunder

John Hood

13th– Brighton Davis

Jay Dymond

14th– Frank Chase

Ron Lancioni

15th– Wilna Brown

16th– Shelby Monilus

23rd– Linda Bouton

Bob Tate

25th– Leo Henry

Elaine Nathurst

Joyce Taylor

28th– Jessica Brueggeman

30th– Beth Ann Carr

Patti Williamns

31st– Kelsey Beck

John Carins

Melissa Cottle

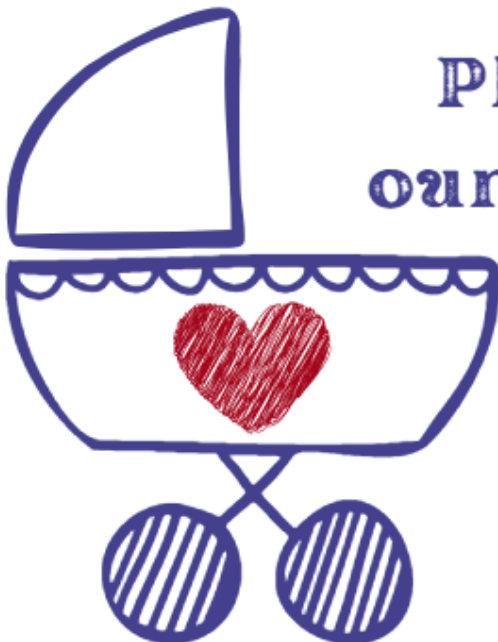
Happy Anniversary

9th– Colby & Stacey Beck

Don & Carolyn Greer

12th– Mike & Linda Ogata

21st– Ron & Linda Bouton



Please pray for
our expectant mom:

Julie Griffin

For questions or to volunteer to serve, please contact Mary Kay Predmore at predmoremarykay@gmail.com.

If you see an opening that you can fill, please email Mary Kay or call the office at 407-656-3218.

Sunday Servants 8:00 AM

8:00 Service	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31
Lector	Alex Hujak	Deborah Townsend	Gretchen Tope	Joyce Taylor	Marta Girone
1st LEM	Julie Altenbach	Don Greer	Joyce Taylor	Julie Altenbach	Joyce Taylor
2nd LEM	Mary Kay Predmore	Gretchen Tope	Mary Kay Predmore	Mary Kay Predmore	Don Greer
Altar Server	Aiden Morrison	Mary Kay Predmore	Mary Kay Predmore	Aiden Morrison	Mary Kay Predmore
Ushers/ Greeters	Jay Predmore Marsha Dymond	Jay Predmore Bill Crawford	Marsha Dymond Jay Predmore	Bill Crawford Jay Predmore	Jay Predmore Marsha Dymond
Prayer Intercessor	Gretchen Tope	Marta Girone	Gretchen Tope	Joyce Taylor	Gretchen Tope

Sunday Servants 9:30

9:30 Service	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31
Lector	Dawn Wirbel	Vince Truglia	Ginger Sirola	Jay Williams	Beth Ann Carr
1st LEM	Chris Brown	Rodger Watson	Julie Altenbach	Tom Buckner	Mary Lynn Levine
2nd LEM	Mary Lynn Levine	Tom Buckner	Susan Kiehm	Rodger Watson	Chris Brown
Altar Server	Francesco Fulvi	Katie Joy Brady	Melanie Field	Katie Joy Brady	Sophie Alexandre
Crucifer	Lily Levine	Annalisa Puchein	Francesco Fulvi		
Torch					
Ushers/ Greeters	John Puchein Beth Ann Carr	Ken Miller Alex Babcock	Chuck & Deborah Grunder	Jay & Patti Williams	Beth Ann Carr John Puchein
Prayer Intercessor	Wally Stewart	Jennifer Roper	Elise Bradford	Susan Kiehm	Elise Bradford
Worship Tech	Alexis Whitted	Sam Lynn	Laura Buckner	Sam Lynn	Wilna Brown



July 1	July 8	July 15	July 22	July 29
Romeo M.	Pat Crawford	Alexis Whitted	Tina Sydnor	Pat Crawford

Sunday Servants 11:00

11:00 Service	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31
Lector	Bob Somers	Jeremy Adams	Paul Buzzonetti	Osni Alexandre	Patty Tate
1st LEM	Elizabeth Kolb-Jackson	Vita Mazzaluna	Helen Farnsworth	Vita Mazzaluna	Julie Altenbach
2nd LEM	Helen Farnsworth	Julie Altenbach	Elizabeth Kolb-Jackson	Helen Farnsworth	Vita Mazzaluna
Altar Server	Giada Mazzaluna	Lily Groenendaal	Jackson Groenendaal	Angela Lopez	Giada Mazzaluna
Usher/ Greeter	Mary Katulic	Richard & Kelley McRae & Logan	Mary Katulic	Richard & Kelley McRae & Logan	Mary Katulic

Sunday Servants 7:00

7:00 Service	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31
Lector	Nancy Gordon	Angela Lopez	Craig Brown	Wendy King	Nancy Gordon
LEM	Susie Marshall	Wendy King	Angela Lopez	Chris Brown	Susie Marshall
Usher/Greeter	Raul Lopez	Bob Greene	Raul Lopez	Bob Greene	Raul Lopez
Prayer Intercessor	Wendy King	Jill Brown	Wendy King	Jill Brown	Wendy King
Worship Tech	Jill Brown	David Peterson	Cherie Greene	David Peterson	Cherie Greene

Readings

	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31
1st Lesson	2 Kings 5:1-14	Amos 7:7-17	Amos 8:1-12	Hosea 1:2-10	Hosea 11:1-11
Psalm	Psalm 30 BCP 621	Psalm 82 BCP 705	Psalm 52 BCP 657	Psalm 85 BCP 657	Psalm 107:1-9 BCP 746
2nd Lesson	Galatians 6:1-16	Colossians 1:1-14	Colossians 1:15-28	Colossians 2:6-19	Colossians 3:1-11
Gospel	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	Luke 10:25-37	Luke 10:38-42	Luke 11:1-13	Luke 12:13-21

Pentecost



Pentecost Picnic





Office Angels prepping bulletins for Sunday Services



Children are invited to choose an instrument and join in the last song on Sundays at 11:00



8:00 am Service



*We welcome to the one holy, catholic and apostolic Church through
the Sacrament of Baptism*

*Joshua Douglas Adams, son of Jeremy and Garine Adams,
Thomas Warder, son of Eileen & Richard Warder Jr.,
and Ava Jayde Villafane, daughter of Chris and Chanessa Villafane
& granddaughter of Bob & Patty Tate
Sunday, June 5th*

