



Food Ministry

Please continue bringing your cans and boxes of food for the Food Basket. It is brought up to the Altar with the offering every Sunday to be blessed.

Bob and Sharon Neller faithfully bag up the cans and boxes every week and bring them into Interfaith Ministry. We appreciate all your help with this important ministry!

Church Calendar

- Bible Study every Friday at 10:0 a.m.
- Vestry Meeting May 19
- Youth Bible Study May 19

Answer to Bible Quiz: A
(See Matthew 1:5.)

2nd Chance Computer Update



Modesto City Schools continues to donate pallets of computers to the 2nd Chance Computer Program. Unfortunately, they are not including the power bricks for the laptops. So with our Computer Ministry donations, Jesus Our Savior has purchased 20 power bricks at a cost of \$12.69 each. Please note, that these expenses are never taken out of general church expenses.

In addition, Community Hospice Thift Shop has requested some desktops to sell in their shop. Since desktops are not very popular with students and we have a good supply of them, Terry has brought over a total of 35, which they sell for \$30 each. We're happy to help support this wonderful organization.

Since school will be ending soon and students will have to turn in their school laptops, we are anticipating some requests from students going to summer school and graduating seniors.

Please keep this wonderful ministry in your prayers.

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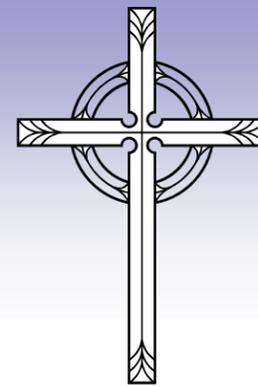
Mission Statement:



To Know

Christ

& to Make Him Known



The Savior's Voice

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Palm Sunday Procession & Potluck and Easter Celebration

Our parishioners enjoyed a wonderful Palm Sunday procession and service, followed by a delicious potluck.

Jesus Our Savior was blessed to have 51 people in attendance on Easter Sunday ringing their bells to the Hallelujahs!

After the beautiful service, we enjoyed a wonderful Easter brunch and fellowship.



Palm Sunday Procession began on the front lawn of the Church and processed into the church.



Enjoying fellowship at the Easter Brunch.



Easter bunnies from left: Michael Simas, Adam Simas, Isaiah Pine, Gabriel Simas, Gabriel Pine



Easter egg hunters from left: Payton & Soleil Foster, Angelina & Suzana Pine.

"The wise man doesn't give the right answers; he poses the right questions."

—Claude Levi-Strauss
from the Newsletter Newsletter



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The Vestry meets the third Sunday of every month following the Sunday service.

- ✚ Sunday School - Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
- ✚ Nursery - Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
- ✚ Church Service - Sunday at 10:00 a.m.



Altar Guild

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Stories Behind Some of our Favorite Hymns

by Audrey Foster

“Jesus Loves Me” is one of the most popular children's hymns around the world. The words were originally composed in the 1800's as a poem written by Anna Warner to bring comfort to a dying child.

*Jesus loves me this I know
 for the Bible tells me so
 Little ones to Him belong.
 They are weak but He is strong
 (Refrain) Yes, Jesus, loves me, yes Jesus loves me
 Yes, Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so.*

These words were set to music in 1862 by William Bradbury and fast became a favorite in many languages because this hymn has a simple, direct message that speaks to children and intellectuals alike. It was the favorite hymn of respected theologian Francis Schaeffer and played a large part in the conversion of Amy Carmichael, the Irish missionary to India, who heard it sung at a children's mission.

This was the lullaby I used every night when I tucked our babies into their cribs many years ago. Most of us know the first verse and the refrain. Here is one of the other verses from the original poem:

*Jesus loves me, He who died
 Heaven's gates to open wide
 He will wash away my sin
 Let His little child come in.*



20th of every month.

Please e-mail your submissions to Mary at mlscott159@gmail.com or call 606-5692.

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+ Christian Symbols +

7-Pointed Star

This star represents Isaiah's list of the gifts of the Spirit to be revealed in the Branch of Jesse — that is, Christ: “The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him — the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD — and he will delight in the fear of the LORD” (Isaiah 11:2-3, NIV). Some baptism and confirmation liturgies pray for God to “stir up in” the newly baptized or confirmed “the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in [God's] presence.”

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Special Dates

- National Day of Prayer May 2
- Mother's Day May 12
- Armed Forces Day May 18
- Victoria Day (Canada) May 20
- Memorial Day May 27
- Ascension May 30



Bible Quiz

In Matthew's genealogy of Jesus, to what two women is Boaz connected?

- A. Rahab and Ruth
- B. Tamar and Rahab
- C. Ruth and Bathsheba
- D. Bathsheba and Mary

*Answer on page 8
 from the Newsletter Newsletter*



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| ☉ Tom D. | ☉ Margie M. |
| ☉ Maxine M. | ☉ James H. |
| ☉ Shirley E. | ☉ Tatum |
| ☉ Art E. | ☉ Margi |
| ☉ Ruby L. | ☉ Jaime |
| ☉ Velmer R. | ☉ Mary Lee |
| ☉ Claude K. | ☉ Eva B. |
| ☉ Janet M. | ☉ Genie B. |
| ☉ Margaret M. | ☉ Luci B. |
| ☉ Shannon | ☉ Marcela |
| ☉ Bob N. | ☉ Sebastian |
| ☉ Pamela J. | ☉ Fr. Tom |
| ☉ Ed R. | ☉ Albert H. |
| ☉ Jenny A. | ☉ Fr. Jack |

If you have a name to add to the prayer list, please fill out a Prayer Request card, located at the entrance table and also on the parish hall table or call the church at 551-5279.

Answers to Kid's Page

up, night, food, family, children, up, call



- ❖ Gabriel Pine May 1
- ❖ Kyle Simas May 8
- ❖ Ruby Louis May 9
- ❖ Gina Neller May 13
- ❖ Kay Knighten May 14
- ❖ Eva Breshears May 19
- ✚ Tom & Ruth Carrillo May 7 14 yrs.
- ✚ Fr. Woodrow & Ruth Gubuan May 29 39 yrs

If we don't have your birthday above or you are not on the Birthday & Anniversary chart located on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall, please let Mary Scott know.

The Kid's Page

HEART-SHAPED breakfast

Treat Mom with this yummy, beautiful yogurt parfait.



What you need:

- Large heart-shaped cookie cutter
- Greek yogurt (any flavor)
- Toppings (mini chocolate chips, granola, shredded coconut, chia seeds, oats, slivered almonds, blueberries, sliced strawberries, raspberries, bananas)
- 2 teaspoons maple syrup

What you do:

1. Place cookie cutter on a plate. Spoon in yogurt, spreading it to the edges of the cookie cutter.
2. Add toppings, making a nice design. Remove cookie cutter.
3. Drizzle syrup around the edge of the plate.
4. Serve to your mom on Mother's Day!

A blessed woman

The last chapter of Proverbs describes a woman who loves God and strives to be a good wife and mother.

Directions: Use the picture clues to complete Proverbs 31:15, 28.

She gets while it is still ;

she provides for her

Her rise and

 her blessed.

PROVERBS 31:15, 28 (NIV)

from the Newsletter Newsletter answer on page 7



The Rector's Message

The Ascension Reminds Us of Our Mission

Since Easter Sunday we have been hearing several familiar stories of Jesus' post resurrection appearances to his disciples. During these appearances Jesus dispelled their doubts and fears, and proved to them that he is alive. He told them not to leave Jerusalem until they had received power from the Holy Spirit.

On the fortieth day, Jesus' appearances ended. Then our minds and hearts are taken to that poignant scene, at the top of the mountain, where Jesus summoned his disciples and commissioned them: *"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."* (Mt 28: 19-20)

According to Luke, in the beginning of Acts, Jesus tells his disciples these final words: 'You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and all over Judea and Samaria, and even to the ends of the earth.'

At this point of the ascension narrative, Luke tells us what happened next: *after saying this, as they watched, he was lifted up, and a cloud removed him from their sight."*

The story of the ascension reminds us first of that time when people could get in touch with Jesus: by feeling the touch of his hands, hearing the sound of his voice, looking at his face and capturing the expression of his eyes. But that moment of time is over. Jesus *"has been lifted up and a cloud had removed him from their sight."* He is gone.

Now when we think of it, the seeming absence of Jesus is just symbolic of his new and hidden presence. His physical presence limited him to time and space. His new hidden presence enabled him to be present among us everywhere and always.

It was in the context of this hidden presence that Jesus commanded his disciples to proclaim the good news of salvation to the whole world by being his witnesses. This means that from henceforth, it is through our humanity — through our human words and deeds that the hidden presence of Christ is again made visible and tangible everywhere and for all times.

This is the function of Christian witnessing. This is the function that gives reason for the existence of the Church in general, and of Jesus Our Savior Anglican Church, in particular.

It is against this backdrop that we proclaim our Mission: *"The mission of Jesus Our Savior Anglican Church is to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known."*

That is to say, that we see our common responsibility of making our mission tangible and visible by means of witnessing by our life and actions.

In other words, *having known Jesus Christ and accepted him as our Lord and Savior, we are called to make Him known by the witness of our lives and actions.*

The feast of the Ascension reminds us that we are all missionaries and witnesses.



The Bishop's Note

The Right Reverend Eric Vawter Menees

Feast of the Ascension

In this the third week of Easter we are closing in on the climax of our worship. We've sang the Lord's praises, read his word, listened to a learned and spirit filled sermon, professed our faith, offered the prayers of the people, asked for and received forgiveness, given our tithes and offerings to the Lord, joined as the Bride of Christ in the prayer of consecration, and received an invitation to come to the altar of the Lord.

Today we look at the Administration of Holy Communion. As we respond to the invitation of the celebrant we reverently come forward and either kneel or reverently stand before the ministers as they come forward with the elements. We receive the elements in one of two ways – either opening our mouths to have the host placed on our tongue or we place our hands out to receive the host hearing the words:

"The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, [which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith, with thanksgiving.]"

The Chalice Bearer follows immediately and invites us to either sip from the chalice (or, if the communicant so desires, the chalice bearer will intinct the host into the wine) and says:

"The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, [which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for you, and be thankful.]"

Coming forward to receive the Body and Blood of Christ is both a declaration of our faith and an act of faith. I think of the Prologue of the Gospel of John and the declaration: "12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but

of God." (John 1:12-13) In the act of communion we both "receive" Christ into our bodies and in action profess our belief in him. We assert our role and position as Children of God coming to the table of our loving Father.

I am also reminded of the words of our Lord, "53 So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54 Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. 55 For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. 56 Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him." (John 6:53-55)

The reception of Holy Communion is literally stepping into the Kingdom of God. In our faith and our action of feeding on the body and blood of Christ we experience a foretaste of the eternal life we have with Christ. However, that is not simply a future experience but a present reality for those of us who "abide in Christ." The act of communion with Christ in the Holy Eucharist is of utmost importance and therefore, only to be done with reverence and a right attitude. I recall the warning of St. Paul as he wrote to the church in Corinth: "27 Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. 28 Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29 For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself." (1 Cor. 11:27-29)

This coming Lord's Day I pray you every blessing and peace as you commune with the Lord in worship and in the reception of the Holy Eucharist!

Eric Menees

Diocesan Calendar

- † May 4 - ACTS Meeting
- † May 12 - Standing Committee
- † May 27 - Diocesan Office Closed
- † May 30 - Feast of the Ascension

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From Left: Terry Scott, Tony Albertoni, Rera Burchett, Susan Hey & Audrey Foster

Container Drive "To Uganda With Love"

Jesus Our Savior is taking part in the mission outreach "To Uganda with Love". A shipping container filled with needed items will be sent to the Shared Blessings projects in Uganda, Africa and we will be helping gather those items. As you may know, Shared Blessings is a non-profit agency that supports orphans and needy children in Uganda, India and Myanmar. The material needs of these children are drastic and helping them is a good opportunity for us to share our Lord's command to feed the hungry. We have a chance to share our resources with people living in grinding poverty.

One of Shared Blessings' partners in Africa, Shared Love Uganda, has built a medical clinic (out of used shipping containers!) and needs to stock the clinic with equipment and medicines. We hope to give them a good start by putting these items in the shipping container (which they will convert into another building).

This same group, under the leadership of Moses, who visited Jesus Our Savior last year, started a jungle school that now has over 300 children attending. The children not only learn their ABC's, but also get a meal each day. For many, this is their main sustenance. We hope to collect many things that the school needs— desks and benches, text books, children's story books, playground equipment, school supplies (pencils, paper, scissors, etc) and much more.

There is also a need for items for the Trade School where vocational education prepares the children with skills to be self sustaining. Tools, farming implements, sewing supplies, and adult bikes are some of the things on the list in this department. Of course, everyday things, like soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, blankets, sheets and towels are valuable items to send and we will include them in the container.

Brochures that give the details of the Container Drive project are available in the church for you to take. Let's know the joy of sharing our abundant material blessings.

Healing Hospitality



Repeated headlines about violence can make us "feel like locking our doors and never entering society again," writes pastor and author Max Lucado. After another mass shooting, he penned an online opinion piece that urged people to do the exact opposite by opening their doors, their hearts and their circles.

"It's no accident that hospitality and hospital come from the same Latin word," Lucado writes, "for they both lead to the same result: healing. When you open your door to someone, you are sending this message: 'You matter.'"

Because daily life is filled with rejections, extending an invitation — even to a simple meal — can be life-altering, Lucado contends. What you think is a messy house might be a sanctuary to someone else, "and to those who eat alone every night, pork and beans on paper plates tastes like filet mignon." Our kitchen tables are "God's secret weapons in the war on fear," Lucado says. "We never know what one meal will do."



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