

The Episcopal Church of Our Saviour

Rich in history, a visible & living church welcoming everyone to the family of Christ.



Dear all,

I miss being with you all very much! I am grateful to Pastor Christine and Deacon Stephen for stepping up in more ways than I can say. I am also grateful to Trish Sweeney who has been keeping up the office work and finances, and helps fix an untold number of things that come up - like thermostat issues, salt for the icy bridge and calls when propane gets low. The snowy days presented an unexpected challenge for everyone but it sounds like the worship services were very cozy and warm on those snowy Sunday mornings. I want to thank you for all the delicious meals that kept coming for over a month! It helped me eat better than I would have otherwise and helped me feel connected and loved by our wonderful church community!

My recovery is taking longer than I imagined. I have to ice my knee several hours each day just to keep the swelling down. I keep up with most of the physical therapy exercises. I will be back with you as soon as I am able. The doctor is considering doing a second surgery, but I am trying my best to avoid that!

Part of the arrangement with the church disability claim is that I am not supposed to take care of any church business or go to church while on disability, which is why I have not been to the church to see you at all. I am glad that the bishop election was so close to home. In fact it was just 5 blocks from my house. That enabled me to attend and vote in this important election. I am thrilled with the selection of our new bishop and look forward to working with Bishop-Elect, the Reverend Canon Megan M. Traquair. I will share more about her later.

Other than 'countin' flowers on the wall, which don't bother me at all, playin' solitaire till dawn with a deck of fifty-one..." I have kept busy reading several books:

- ◆ Around the World in 80 Trees; a delightful book about the history of 80 trees. The graphics are what drew my attention to this book.
- ◆ Hild; about St. Hilda of Whitby. She was the abbess and founder of a monastery in Whitby, which was the venue for the Synod of Whitby in 668. I also listened to an audio book called Absolution by Murder, a fictional book that used the monastery and town of Whitby as the place of the murders while the Synod of Whitby was going on.
- ◆ The Fourth Cup; a book about the fourth cup of wine at the Last Supper, which was a Passover meal.
- ◆ The Life Changing Magic of Tidying Up and Spark Joy. These books by Marie Kondo describe her method of philosophy of keeping things cleaner.
- ◆ And a new three set volume of the Hebrew Bible: A Translation with Commentary translated by Robert Alter. The review on Amazon says: "Robert Alter's translation of the Hebrew Bible, now complete, reanimates one of the formative works of our culture. Capturing its brilliantly compact poetry and finely wrought, purposeful prose, Alter renews the Old Testament as a source of literary power and spiritual

inspiration. From the family frictions of Genesis and King David's flawed humanity to the serene wisdom of Psalms and Job's incendiary questioning of God's ways, these magnificent works of world literature resonate with a startling immediacy."

Each one of you is in my prayers each day. I will let you know as soon as the doctor gives me clearance to come back.

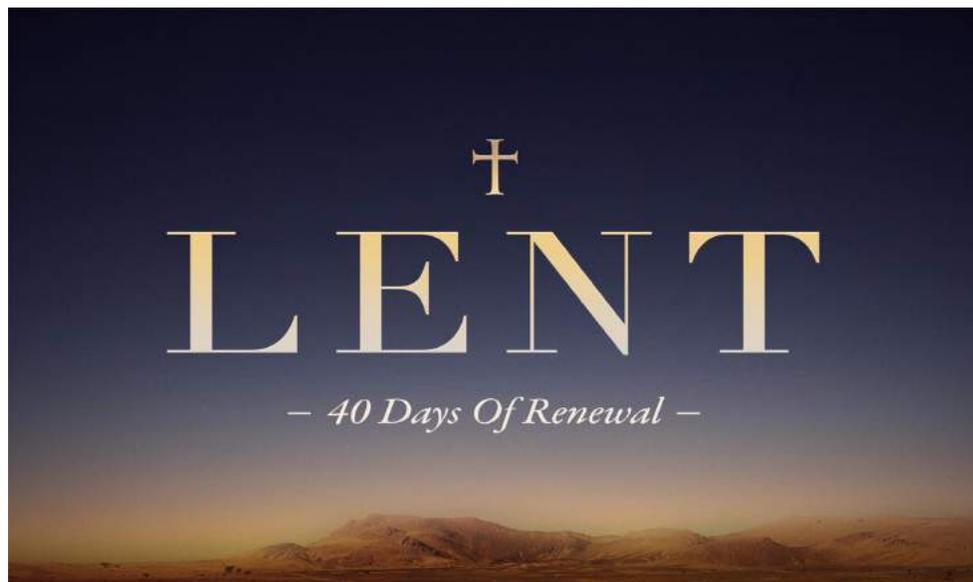
Rev Deb

Ash Wednesday

The beginning of our season of Lent starts with a quiet and reflective service on Ash Wednesday, this year on March 6. We will have services at noon and 6 pm that day.

Lent is the period of 40 days preceding Easter during which we are invited to consider how we might be better followers of Jesus Christ. We are also invited to take on a new discipline for the duration - one of eliminating or possibly adding - a daily practice. Many faithful people take this opportunity to try a practice that they might think too daunting for a whole year, but 40 days is doable. You will have support in the Our Saviour community for whatever you choose to focus on during Lent - prayer, fasting, repentance or a new action. We hope that Lent 2019 will be a time of cleansing and renewal for all of us.

Pastor Christine



Lenten News

We are going to have a contemplative worship service following our soup suppers in Lent. The soup suppers will start at 5:30 and the service will begin at 6:30. They will start on March 13th. Sign up's to provide soup are on the board in the Parish Hall.

Shrove Tuesday

But before we start the hard stuff, we gather for an evening of fun and foods that were traditionally banned before Easter. Shrove Tuesday is the English equivalent of Mardi Gras - Fat Tuesday - at which all the rich foods were consumed before Lent.

This year our Shrove Tuesday dinner - open to the whole parish - begins at 5 pm with pancakes and trimmings. As an alternative, there will be an Ettoufee casserole over rice - a classic rather spicy Cajun dish - for those who prefer something other than pancakes for dinner! Come and enjoy fellowship with your faith community.

Maundy Thursday Agape Meal

After the Maundy Thursday service on April 18 all are invited to the traditional Agape Meal in the Parish Hall. As we get closer to the time we will post a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall for the simple food items we traditionally enjoy during the meal. If you have questions you may contact Yvonna Giordano at 642-2311 or LeAnn Bettencourt at lkbett@live.com. from the Daughters of the King who are facilitating the meal.

New Parish directory in the works!

Frustrated that you don't have the latest phone, address, e-mail or cell number of someone you would like to contact at church? I am, too. We have a small committee to rectify this. Look for print-outs of current address info in the back of the church. Add your updates, and check your name when done. If you are not on the list, it is either our mistake or you are new, and welcome! We have forms for you to add your info, including ministry interests. You may include as much info as you like, but we hope you will provide a working phone number and email address, since we send a weekly announcement of coming events. Dona Adams (a new member herself), Ruthie Sinclair, a database wizard, and I are working on this. It will take a while to get all the data, but our hope is a pocket directory in late Spring 2019.

Pastor Christine

Summer Camp opportunities for youth and children

Our diocese is near and home to several Episcopal summer camps where young people can explore their relationship to God through all the astonishing natural beauty our region has to offer. Swimming, hiking, boating, rock climbing, worship services, camping, and the chance to make friends for life, are just some of the activities offered by summer church camps. For more information, including scholarships, go to communications@norcalepiscopal.org and look for info on camps. You may not have children or youth at home, but perhaps grandchildren would love one of these adventures.

Pathways Youth Pilgrimage - Apply by April 1!

Join youth of the diocese for Pathways in Humboldt County, from June 16-21. Pathways is a pilgrimage that

aims to equip youth to be agents of truth, peace, and reconciliation. Led by the young adults who started Pathways, participants will spend a week together sharing meals, worshiping, having fun and traveling as pilgrims.

Camp Living Waters - Arcata

A week-long Episcopal summer camp in the heart of Redwood Valley, Camp Living Waters is based at St. Alban's parish in Arcata and draws staff members from the faith communities of the North Coast.

Camp Galilee - Lake Tahoe

Located on the shore of Lake Tahoe, Camp Galilee is the camp of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. Camp Galilee's summer camps help youth develop deep relationships with their peers, caring counselors, the natural world, and God.

St. Dorothy's Rest - Camp Meeker

Beautifully located in the heart of a redwood forest on the Russian River and just miles from the Pacific Ocean, St. Dorothy's offers a summer camp experience that celebrates the natural world.

Bishop's Ranch - Healdsburg

BREAD Camp is set among the forest, farms and vineyards of Sonoma County, where campers can discover community and spirituality, and participate in summer camping activities.

ANTICIPATION AND PROMISE

That is the title of the booklet of Lenten reflections we have created at Our Saviour. There is a short reading for every day inspired by the lessons of the day*. The writers are your fellow members of our congregation, our clergy, and some special friends of Our Saviour. The meditations are varied and all show great thoughtfulness. As editor, I am awed by the willingness to participate and the depth of sharing by these authors. The booklets will be available Sunday, March 3 in time for Ash Wednesday. We hope you will take one to read during Lent. It is our gift to you.

Please contact me at eklktwe@earthlink.net or 530-644-0382 if you have any questions or concerns.
Lee Weikert

* The lessons of the day that we used are from the website <http://www.lectionarypage.net/> a resource created by the same group that compiled the Revised Common Lectionary that we use for the Sunday lessons.

Easter Lilies

It's time to start thinking about the beautiful lilies and flowers that decorate the church in celebration of Easter. Decorating the church with an array of beautiful flowers and plants is a tradition of love and gratitude at Our Saviour. Please help fill the church with beauty for Easter by making a donation for Easter lilies.

Please fill out one of the regular flower donation forms, found in the narthex, with the number of lilies you would like to donate. Describe why you wish to donate and for whom you are giving. We suggest a donation of \$15.00 for each lily.

Please make your check payable to Our Saviour and put "Altar Guild" on the memo line. Place the form and the envelope with your check in the offering plate.

Thank you very much!
The Altar Guild

The deadline for lily donations is April 14, 2019



Veteran's News

The Philosopher

He was in jail to work off an old warrant.

Part of what I do is to encourage inmates to connect with the VA.

He got out in less than two years. Some kind of honorable discharge, but out early due to inability to conform to military norms.

So, the Army took him in, but after a period of time, more than one year, less than two years, said, "Thanks, but no thanks."

Today he is homeless and alcoholic. He also loves to read, and is a deep thinker.

I ask him to consider how he was ok going in to the service, and then, he wasn't. What happened in between the beginning of service and the end, that could cause that change?

He thinks, nothing. It was all normal stuff.

I dig a little deeper.

It comes out that he saw people get wounded. He had to clean up the aftermath, including body parts.

I ask him to consider that as a trauma. It could explain things like depression, bad choices, self medication, insomnia, anxiety.

He says to me:

"There are three truths. Your truth. My truth. And the real truth, somewhere in between."

I ask him if he will stop drinking. Nope. He plans to start drinking at 4.

I wave goodbye to a good man. A thinker. A reader. Honest as the day is long. A worker.

But...

A drinker.

David Zelinsky
Service Officer
American Legion Post 119
530-919-8488



March Birthdays:

Marcia Goodrich	March 11th
Chris Piazza	March 22nd
Sheila Wagner	March 23rd
Emma Piazza	March 25th
Roger Evans	March 29th
Boyd Roberts	March 31st

March Anniversaries:

Jim & Mona Baker	March 24th
Rich & LeAnn Bettencourt	March 24th
Sandy & Ralph Bert	March 25th

March Ministry Schedule 8 am

Date	EM	Reader	Usher
3	T.Weikert	L. Weikert	S.Bert/C.Griffin
10	C.Griffin	C.Persse	N.Lawson/J.Schoener
17	C.Griffin	J.Griffin	S.Bert/J.Schoener
24	D.Zelinsky	T.Wilson	T.Wilson/S.Bert
31	D.Zelinsky	L.Perpall	L.Perpall/T.Wilson

March Ministry Schedule 10:30 am

Date	EM	Reader	Usher
3	Y.Giordano	B. Roberts	B.Roberts/E.Cannon
10	J.Baker/M.Baker	J.Baker	T.Berkery/M.Berkery
17	Y.Giordano	T.Fritschi	D.Decker/E.Cannon
24	J.Baker/M.Baker	T.Fritschi	D.Decker/D.Lightfoot
31	T.Weikert	L.Weikert	T.Berkery/M.Berkery

Church Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 8:30-11:30**Contact list**

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Altar Guild	Marcia Goodrich	a_goodrich@sbcglobal.net	
Treasurer	The Rev Stephen Shortes	stephenshortes@gmail.com	

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24 8am - Holy Eucharist 9am - Sunday Forum 10:15am - Nursery 10:30am - Family	25	11:30am - Harp 5:30pm - Yoga with	10am - Qi Gong 11am - Women's 12pm - Harp 4pm - Sheryl	10am - Arts Council 12pm - Upper Room	1 9am - Gavin- choir 6:30pm - Welcome	2 9:30am - Yoga with
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All things grow
with love



Thank you, Olivia, and
all the kids at Church of
Our Saviour's Sunday School
who took the time to send
me a nice home-made
valentine! I loved it!
Patti Woodbridge

Help Wanted!

The church needs a handyman or handywoman! If you would like to volunteer your time to help around the church to create a group to do small repairs, call to have the propane refilled, de-ice to sidewalks, etc. please contact Rev Debra or the Church Office and let us know. We need your help!

Financial Corner

February was a very snowy month with some very small services. If you are a pledging member please mail your monthly pledge into the church if you are going to miss a service. This helps the church meet their financial obligations. Thank you!



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