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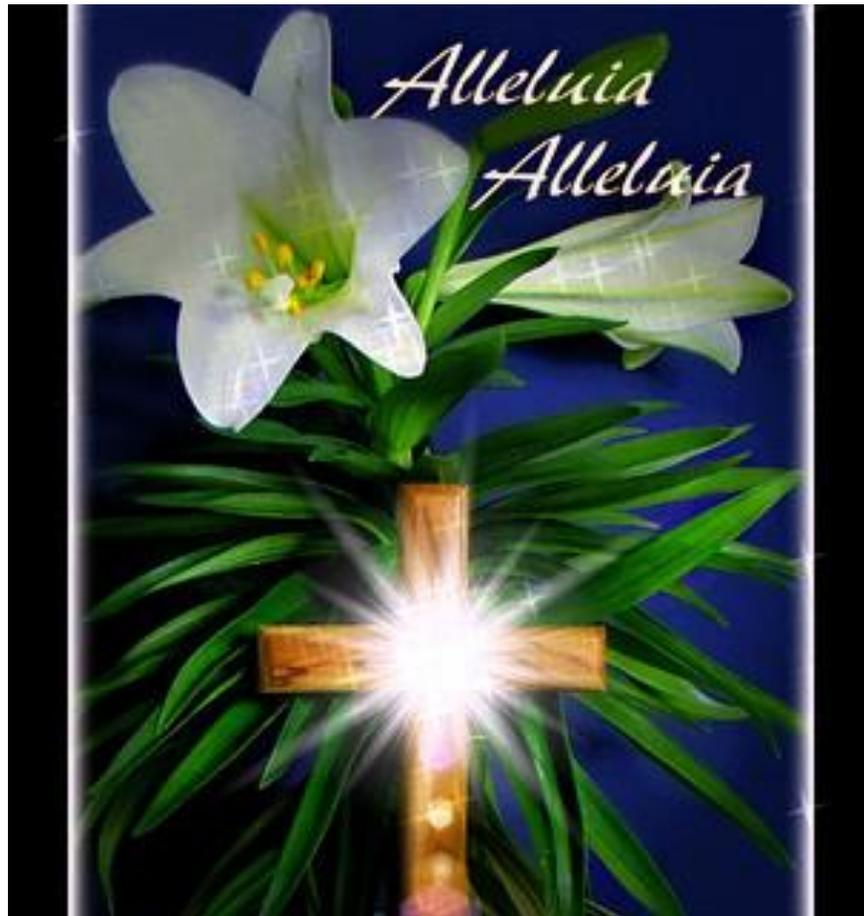
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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 22, 2022

8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional: *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken*

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THE GREETING

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Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: **May he fill our hearts with joy**

Children's Time Rev. Susan

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GLORY TO GOD

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

All: **and peace to his people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day (Prayer of the Day)

All: **Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 16:9-15

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.

A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: 67

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us

People: **and make his face to shine upon us,**

Leader: that your way may be known upon earth,

People: **your saving power among all nations.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

People: **let all the peoples praise you.**

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

People: **for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

People: **let all the peoples praise you.**

Leader: The earth has yielded its increase;

People: God, our God, has blessed us.

Leader: May God continue to bless us;

People: let all the ends of the earth revere him.

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:1-5

A READING FROM BOOK OF REVELATION

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb.

And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day--and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 5:1-9

(All stand for the Gospel)

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According To John

People: Glory to You Lord Jesus Christ

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids--blind, lame, and paralyzed.

One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me."

Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon: Rev. Susan Snelling

God who raised Christ from the dead, speak to us through word and thought so that your will may be done, and our nightmare give way to your dream for our world. Amen.

Paul has a dream which inspires him to go to Macedonia. What he expected to find there may have been the man from his dream who was pleading for Paul to come and help the people there. Or perhaps a situation in which he could roll up his sleeves and get to work. There were many surrounding areas where Paul felt that the Holy Spirit was not allowing them to go. So, this was a welcome prospect.

On the sabbath, Paul and his companion went to a place by the river, expecting it to be a place of prayer. They found some women gathered there. One of the women was a businesswoman named Lydia who dealt in purple cloth. Originally, she has come from Thyatira. It is this woman who was once a stranger herself who welcomes Paul and his companion into the group. And she extends hospitality. Inviting them to come and stay at her house. To make them feel welcome, less self-conscious.

As what we call the church was being formed, some foundational practices were developed. This idea of welcoming the stranger is one of them. It carries over into our modern church with sides people at the door as we are coming in. We want people to feel some level of comfort as they come to the service. Concerns about where they will sit or how to follow the service, or whether they belong can be eased by a friendly face and a willingness to help out.

Practically this works but I think that there is more going on. The early church grew as people like Paul travelled into different places, all around Asia Minor, proclaiming the gospel, telling the story about Jesus and his teaching, about his death and resurrection, about the relationship God sought with humanity, collectively and individually, and about how this would lead to a new reign of peace, love, and justice. Hospitality from strangers was a key part of this ministry.

Paul, Timothy, Silas, and any others came unannounced into a community that may or may not be receptive to the message they were bringing. People had their own religions and systems of belief. Although Paul was adept at meeting people in the synagogue to strike up a conversation, there must have been times when the reception was a little rocky. An openness to new ideas was what allowed Paul to speak freely about his own experience, about Jesus the Christ, and God.

Lydia and the women with her engaged in a conversation with Paul. Lydia seems to have been a God-fearer, someone who goes to the synagogue to worship but it is not Jewish. Lydia was so drawn in that

she and her household were baptized. She insists Paul stay with her. Perhaps to ensure his safety. She would have influence within the community.

What became clear to me as I read this passage was the legacy of our faith. From those early days when Paul was establishing churches in various communities in the known world, the ministry was dependant on the kindness and generosity of others. As they travelled Paul and his companions were unhoused. Someone had to take them in and feed them and provide a bed for them to sleep in. I think there is a significance in Lydia, the stranger, welcoming these new strangers.

In Deuteronomy 26:1-11, (God though) Moses lays out the history of the people freed from the bondage of slavery.

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess and you possess it and settle in it, ² you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name.³ You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.’

⁴ When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵ you shall make this response before the LORD your God: ‘A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶ When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷ we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.

⁸ The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹ and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰ So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.’ You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹ Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

“My father was a wandering Aramean.” Mark Vernon says this phrase gives him shivers. He states, “This fragment of text carries the echo of a very old tradition. It is more ancient than the Bible itself.” He goes on to explain that it may go back to at least the 12th century BCE, maybe even the 18th century BCE, making it one of the oldest phrases known to humanity. “It is a thin thread back to a memory that is almost lost.” Somehow these are our people.

The situation from the book of Acts fills like that to me - it carries an echo of a very old tradition. These are our ancestors - this is our history. Taking a story of freedom that echoes the story of the freeing of the slaves from Egypt, Jesus Christ sets us free to be the children of God, heirs of the promise of salvation. What is our response to this?

To go and tell others the story - so that they may know God and experience grace, mercy, love as we have. We have been given a new land, a new home by God where we have the opportunity to be free from fear and death. And in order to take part in this new reality we are called to be brave and courageous. But we do not do this alone. We do it together. Paul had co-workers who travelled with him, who hosted him when he visited a particular place, who supported the ministry financially.

One of the truths about ministry in Paul's day and in ours - is that much of what is necessary to the undertaking of ministry is often not seen or heard.

Paul was the frontman, but Paul could not have done what he did without a whole network of others behind the scenes. People in communities he had visited and where he had established a church had to keep that church running financially and had to pursue the lifestyle and goals that Paul began. We have many of his letters to churches he founded instructing people on how to behave, what message to proclaim, how he kept them in his prayers.

There is a network of people in these communities which oversee them and report to Paul on what is happening.

We continue in this same work 2000 years later, which is actually quite astonishing. In our various locations, we represent the continuation of this story - passing on a story to those who are willing to listen and engage with us. In his book Intrusive God, Disruptive Gospel, Matthew Skinner says there is an important truth,

About the gospel: it meets people where they are – in their settings, usually with language or concepts that make sense to their particular circumstances. It even meets people in their own selves. (p.123)

We are reliant on the hospitality of strangers at the same time as we extend hospitality to others. The alien becomes the familiar and the companion to the alien who in turn becomes the familiar. This cycle continues from 1800 BCE when the wandering Aramean went down to Egypt.

And we are reliant on the generosity of others to keep the ministry, that network of people behind the scenes, working, so that the message may be proclaimed, and the community of believers can reach out to those around them, engaging in the challenges their neighbours face.

There will always be an audience for the message we proclaim. Like Paul, we search for effective methods and new opportunities to share.

Good and gracious God we give thanks for your child Jesus, the word made flesh, the Christ who came to set us free from fear and death – to teach us joy and love. Help us as we strive to serve you here and now.

We pray for hospitality and generosity shown to all so that the stranger is welcomed the messenger can pass on the experience of acceptance and your Kingdom would come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

People: Amen.

(Time allowed for Silent Reflection.)

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

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Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (#15)

(In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, saying, “Hear us, Lord of Glory!”)

Leader: That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

Leader: That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the Easter gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

Leader: That he may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

Leader: That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

Leader: That by his power wars and famine may cease through all the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

Leader: That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened; let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

Leader: That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God’s forgiveness.

(Silence is kept.)

Celebrant: Most merciful God,
People: **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
People: **Amen.**

THE PEACE:

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: *Make Me a Channel*

#182 SB

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

All: God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER #3:

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup on wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

All: Therefore, Father according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and made them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

By whom, and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Celebrant: As now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF BREAD #8:

Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

LAMB OF GOD:

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION

Communion Hymns:

Holy Holy

All Shall Be Well

#13 SB

#222 HB

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All: Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

THE DOXOLOGY

All: Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING:

Celebrant: The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us.
The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace.

People: Amen.

REMINDERS: *Birthdays/Anniversaries/Announcements*

THE DISMISSAL:

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

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Assisting Rev. Susan:

Celebrant/Preacher: Rev. Susan Snelling
Bread: Rev. Susan Snelling
First Reading: Jim Blogg
Psalm: Doug Court
Second Reading: Lorraine Chew
Prayers: Margaret Paradis
Gospel: Peter Beckett
Servers: Beth Steffler
Music: Craig Snider
Audio/Visual: David Paradis
Chancel Ministry: Diane MacCormack
Sidespersons: Bob Cheesman, Al Lavender

This morning in our worship we remember in our prayers those of our family and friends who have immediate needs and concerns:

Lequita Adkins; Peggy Russell & Family; Pat Ellis; Rineke Semsch; Linda; Gerry Anderson's Family; Don Cuccio and family; Georgina Ferguson & Family; Daphne Hellard's Family; Anthony Stone; Judy Hill; Ida; Lynn Venkat; Shirley Hatch; Edna Goyette; Frances McInnis; Matthew Canning; Bill Canning; Ida; Cecilia Mowat; Stephanie; Alvin Maynard; Nova; Irene; Kayla; Kim Middaugh; Wilma; Sally; Ron and Karen; Braedy; Karyn; Rev. Janet Mitchell; Sharron Snider; Peter Hubbard; Sally Smith; Marilyn Lloyd.

The names below are people in need of ongoing prayers for various reasons so we ask you to please continue to pray for them and their continuing need of God's healing touch and grace:

Brenda; Gail Jones; Jim & Barb Tomkins; Donna, Ray, Nancy & Chris Wilson; Lorraine Whitwell; Steve & Jade; John; Celeste & parents; Colleen; Elizabeth Cresswell; Martin Bertelsen; Stephen Bertelsen; Theresa & Pete; Valerie; Darlene Jessem; Doreen; Derek; Jaxon Croft; Sean; Rose McIntyre; Vayda; Daniel Leibovich; Barb Semsch; Rose Court; Mark Ralston; Jackson; Phil & Kathy C.; Bob Anderson; Nancy Perault; Marco Romita & Rose; Sharon Z; Adesh; Lisa Marie; Joyce Antony; Bill & Cathy Gray; Dave Lawrence; Livia & Neil Purcell; Sheila Green; Carrie Snow; Sheri Scott; Carl; Mark & Erin; Wally Raymond; Christine; Audrey Moody; Lynda Raye; Garn Mennell; Lee & Jeannie Martin; Michelle Sinclair and mom; Jane & Ron Lewis; Marilyn Foley; Bill Snow; Deborah Hall; Jen Galicinski; Arlene; Joan Gough; Eunice Merrett; Jean Wallace; Nancy Dodds; Wendy Goodyer; Do Saunders; Jefferson Jr.; June Osolin; Tanya Wade-Vargas.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

The Church of the Province of South East Asia.

In the Toronto Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

Bishop Kevin Robertson



Pass The Word

May 22, 2022

Student looking for accommodation

A cleric in the Diocese of Toronto is looking for accommodation for his son who is moving to Barrie to study at Georgian College. If you have a room to rent or know of somebody who would rent a room to a student, then please contact Canon Simon

Wally Ferguson

Wally was a former parishioner who many of you may know. Wally passed away this week and we are praying for his wife Georgina and all their family. There will be a Celebration of Life held in the next few weeks so we will let you know in the PTW as soon as we have a date & place.

Daily Devotions – team of writers at Good Shepherd, St. Margaret’s and Trinity – contact Norm Savill nsavill@bell.net to be included or check the parish websites.

Sunday School

We are open again! 10:00 a.m. Sunday service.

Messy Church

Our next Messy Church date is May 28th, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Fun and fellowship for families. Crafts, story time, music and prayers, simple supper. For more information contact Rev. Susan.

Yard Sale

We are planning a church yard sale for Saturday the 4th of June, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We will start setup at 7:00 a.m. to be ready for 8:00 a.m. Please put this date in your calendar and hold on to things we might be able to sale. We also would appreciate baked goods for our goodie table. Contact Beth Steffler for more information at (705) 728-1543 or email: beth.steffler@bell.net.

Movie Nights

We are going to alternate between Friday and Thursday nights for movies as we have some who would like to come out but can’t make it on Fridays.

Friday, **June 10th**, 7:00 p.m.– Movie – “**At Bertram’s Hotel**”, starring Joan Hinkson as Miss Marple.

Thursday, **June 23rd**, 7:00 p.m. - Movie – “**The First Wives Club**”, a comedy starring Bette Midler, Goldie Hawn, Diane Keaton.

******We would really appreciate donations to the foodbank for Movie Nights.******

Book Club

If you would like more information, please contact Michelle: michelle_e_sinclair@yahoo.ca OR 705-737-9895. Please feel welcome to join us even if you have not read the book.

Summer Day Camp

We will be resuming our summer Day Camp. It will be held **July 25th to July 29th**. If you are interested, please contact the church office as soon as possible as space is limited and it will be a first come first served basis.

Mini Meals Sale – Trinity ACW

Trinity ACW do a fundraiser for local Barrie charities by selling prepared meals. They include: **Shepherd's Pies** -Lg. \$7.00/ Sm. \$5.00; **Meat Pies** – Lg. (6") pie - \$7.00/ Sm. (4") pie - \$5.00; **Soups** - Squash, asparagus, beef barley, or bean and bacon -- \$6.00; **Potato Pancakes**, 2 per pkg. - \$1.00. Please **call Mae at 705 734 1888** to place your order and arrange for pickup. Pickup is also available after Church on Sundays but must be ordered ahead.

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL NEWS FLASH!!!

We are seeing good things happening, here, at St. Margaret's. The COVID restrictions are being lifted, attendance is increasing on Sundays and there is a light that is promising good things to come for the balance of the year.

Our expense budget is focused on a slow start with a gradual build to year end. We are keenly aware of the dollars needed to drive the programs, the Clergy and staff and other operating costs. We are confident with our expense numbers. Revenue is what we need!

FIRST QUARTER RESULTS – Q 1 – 2022

Did you know? 77% of annual revenue (congregation)
Main methods are Envelopes & PAG
Monthly budgeted - \$14,753

Expected PAG & Envelope as of March 31st 2022
\$44,257

Actual PAG & Envelope as of March 31st 2022
\$35,027

Revenue Shortfall as of March 31st 2022
(\$9,230)

Your Stewardship Committee