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"WE LIVE AND SHARE THE CELEBRATION OF CHRIST"

The Deadline for the May newsletter is April 15th

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Dates to remember in May

May 1st & 2nd ECW Convention
May 8th Wild Men Dinner
May 8th Youth Group- Lock-In
May 9th Food for Friends
May 10th Mothers Day
May 15th Wine & Cheese fundraiser for Habitat
May 17th Last Day of Sunday school luncheon
May 21st Vestry Meeting
May 23rd Ladies Day Out

Dates to remember in June

June 7th Trinity Sunday Gospel Book Dedication
June 12th Wild Men Dinner
June 13th Food for Friends
June 18th Vestry Meeting
June 21st Fathers Day
June 27th Ladies Day Out

From the Interim-Rectors Desk

Dear Friends at St. Michael's,

We are now in Easter-Tide, the great 50 days between Easter and Pentecost. Our worship continues with all the visual signs of Jesus Resurrection from the dead, the beautiful white vestments and liturgical hangings, flowers, candles, torches. I hope every Sunday we are put in mind of the Jesus who has come back to life for us and for our salvation.

We have already started to remind ourselves we have a purpose in this world. Sister Ephrance radiated the joy of Jesus in caring for those with many diseases from polio, to HIV-Aids, dysentery, malaria, and in addition those who are orphaned and are in need of education. Her face and message radiated with the Good News of the Resurrected Christ and our part in fulfilling the mission of Jesus.

We are going to participate with Habitat for Humanity to build a house for a Norman family. Also, we are offering an opportunity to know and participate in an understanding of ministry to those in prison. We will also be asking for your support for HOPE which helps the children of those incarcerated.

The possibilities are many and we are called to reach out as often and as much as we possibly can.

You have heard of our Bishop's need for traveling vestments and some have responded. Our Bishop has also called for the establishment of a Alleluia Fund to aid in our diocese growth and meet the needs so prevalent.

Read this newsletter and see the vitality of this parish in worship, and reaching out to those in need.

May God bless you, each and every one,

Father David +

APOSTLES BUILD NEWS

Thank you very much to our cooks for the Good Samaritan Breakfasts on March 29 and April 19. They are Nancy & Dick Hancock, Tracy and Jim Johnson (twice!), Kathaleen & Brandt Cassidy (twice!), Tara Calhoun, Bob Franklin, Joel & Janet Whitaker, David Zittel and Mary Meacham, Tina Mahle, Art & Sylvia Crucet, Emogene & Clancy Huslig, Carol and Dan Gibbens, Patrick Calhoun, Sara and Pepper Haraway, Basha and John Hartley, Amy Gardner, Paula and King Price, Octavia and Robert Trueheart, Ann Schumacher, Clark Morter, Anne Million, Peter Rodriguez, Tim Phillips and Sue Harrington.

We have raised approximately **\$590** toward our **\$2500** goal with these two breakfasts.

Our next (and biggest) fund raiser is the **Wine & Cheese Tasting on Friday, May 15 from 7 to 9 p.m.** It will be held at the Main Site gallery 120 East Main Street in Norman. Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$25 each or \$40 per couple. Wine is being furnished by the Cellar Wine & Spirits and cheeses will be provided by Forward Foods, both on Main Street in Norman. Music will be provided by Flatland Summit - cool laid back jazz!!! This would make a great date night!

All of these events are leading up to the really great part of the project. We get to build a home with Habitat for Humanity here in Norman! Construction on the house will begin in June and continue throughout the summer. If you would like to work on the

project, please contact EAnn Robinson at 360-6346 or eanr@sbcglobal.net. You must be 18 or older to participate when power tools are in use, but we will also need people to provide lunches, clean-up, and possibly babysitting for workers, so there are lots of ways to be involved.



Wild Men's Night Out

We invite all "Wild Men" to join us Friday Night, May 8th for Steak, Potatoes, Salad, Soft drinks & Beer. Only \$12.00: Plus Great Conversation. Please make note of this new date. Sign up at the office window table. First time attendees eat free.

Search Committee News:

We are meeting more often in order to keep our brains focused on writing the parish profile. The areas we are considering now are: St. Michael's goals and future, our mission, what we pray for in our next priest, who are we!!, the community of Norman, worship, programs/ministries, St. Michael's history, church buildings, our parish life and other various data. Some of these areas we will be writing as a group and for other areas individuals have volunteered to do the work at "home" and then bring it semi-completed to one of our meetings. The order of this is: we write it and then when we are "happy" with what we have written, we send it to Canon Jose who then discusses our profile with the Bishop. They make suggestions and then we change our profile as we see fit, and then send it to the vestry to read. We then will share it with all of you before going to the printers. God speed!!

The search committee is in need of your help. We will be using various pictures to make our profile complete. We need digital pictures of various church functions, activities, people, etc. We also need digital pictures of our church buildings both inside and outside. We're not sure yet how many pictures we will include in our profile, but we would rather have more to work with than fewer. You can email your pictures to this website OR burn a CD and give it to anyone on the search committee:

twinpinesok@gmail.com

Thanks as always for your prayers and support. We are now meeting in the Adult Bible Study room in the education wing if anyone wants to talk with us.

Your Search Committee

Food For Friends

Volunteers who served in April were Jeff & Carol Baldwin, Octavia Trueheart, Ann & BG Schumacher, Sara Haraway, Sue Harrington, Anne Million, Lilly Strout, Tim Phillips & Miranda Freeman.

Christian Formation--- Youth

Youth Group lock-In Friday May 8th at 7:00 pm until Saturday, after our Garage Sale.

Don't forget when planting your garden to plant some for our "Share Your Bounty" program!

May 17- Last Day of Sunday School

On Sunday, May 17, we will celebrate our last day of Sunday School.

Please take a moment to welcome our new nursery attendant- Jessica!

Holy Week Thank You's

I want to thank a number of people for all their help during Holy Week. The kids did a great job on painting the stations of the cross for Good Friday. Thanks to Father David for trying a different Stations of the Cross this year. Once again we had a beautiful cross covered with flowers on Easter Sunday morning. Thanks to all the kids who did such a wonderful job and thanks to Earl's Flower Shop for donating a portion of the flowers! I wish to thank LaVetta Dent for bringing marshmallows on Easter morning for the kids to eat and for helping with the flowering of the cross. Jessica and other parents who helped with the cross and took pictures afterwards are also appreciated. Many thanks to Brandt and Kathaleen Cassidy who cleaned up after both the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday! I must also send a thanks to my husband Eric who picked up the donated flowers on Saturday morning while I worked. Thanks to my kids, Joshua and Elizabeth, who helped to stuff numerous eggs, cut up palms and strew them across the education building floor, blew up and tied balloons, prepped flowers for the cross, loaded and unloaded my car of all kinds of paraphernalia, gave input on "egg stuffers", and endured very early Sunday morning risings. And finally, thanks to all those who came, participated, and provided help unseen (or just forgotten- my apologies, getting old you know)!

Spring Cleaning?? Bring Your Extra Stuff to the Youth Group Rummage Sale

To help raise funds for the mission trip to Lead, SD the youth group will have a rummage sale on Saturday, May 9th from 8-12. We would appreciate donations of items to sell. So get ready for Spring and clean out those closets, garages, attics, or barns and bring your stuff to the church. If you need help bringing items or cleaning out your space, the youth group is available to help. You can bring items any time before 10pm, Friday, May 8th. Place items for the sale behind the marked screen at the east end of the ingathering space. Thanks!

Lay Ministers for May, 2009

Lock Up Duty – Robinson & Gardner

8:00 Alms Basin Bearer – Suzanne Moore

May 3, Easter 4	
8:00 am	Lector- Emogene Huslig LEM- Paula Price
Welcome Team C	Keith Stejskal and Kathaleen Cassidy
Layreaders	Acts 4:5-12 – Judy Lewis Psalm 23- Choir 1 John 3:16-24- Andrew Strout Gospel- John 10:11-18 LEM- Amy McGovern & James Smith
Acolytes	PC/S- Winston Smith
	Healing Prayers- Sue Harrington & Emmie Brown Oblationers- Magarian Family Nursery Aid- Laura Smith
May 10, Easter 5	
8:00 am	Lector- Keith Catto LEM- Bob Franklin
Welcome Team A	Clark Morter, Betty Eick, Dean and Mary Oliver
Layreaders	Acts 10:44-48 – Tina Mahle Psalm 98- Choir 1 John 5:1-6- Randy Witzke Gospel- John 15:9-17 LEM- Lezlie Christian & Amy Gardner
Acolytes	PC/S- Madeline Witzke
	Healing Prayer- Anne Million Oblationers- Kellogg Family Nursery Aid– Sarah Oxenreider
May 17, Easter 6	
8:00 am	Lector- EAnn Robinson LEM- Paula Price
Welcome Team B	Keith Christian, David Zittel, Suzanne Witzke
Layreaders	Job 14:1-14- Peter Rodrigues Psalm 31:1-4- Choir 1 Peter 4:1-8- LaVetta Dent Gospel- Matthew 27:57-66 LEM- Kathy Rodrigues & Clark Morter
Acolytes	PC/S- Jonathan Smith
	Healing Prayer-Clark Morter Oblationers- Blazek Family Nursery Aid- Madeline Witzke
May 24, Easter 7	
8:00 am	Lector- Nancy Hancock LEM- Bob Franklin
Welcome Team C	Keith Stejskal and Kathaleen Cassidy
Layreaders	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 – Patrick Calhoun Psalm 1- Choir 1 John 5:9-13 – Rosemary Ford Gospel- John 17:6-19 LEM- Tim Phillips & Keith Christian
Acolytes	PC/S – James Cassidy
	Oblationers- Witzke Family Nursery Aid- Laura Smith
May 31, Pentecost	
8:00 am	Lector- Dan Gibbens LEM- Paula Price
Welcome Team A	Clark Morter, Betty Eick, Dean and Mary Oliver
Layreaders	Acts 2:21 – Joel Whitaker Psalm 104:25-35, 37b- Choir Romans 8:22-27 - Carrie Min Gospel- John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15 LEM- Lezlie Christian & John Hartley
Acolytes	Thurifer- Laura Smith Boat Bearer- Rachel Gray PC/S – Lezlie Christian Torch Bearers- Elizabeth Blazek & Francesca Smith Clergy Cross- Josh Gray
	Healing Prayers- Sue Harrington & Emmie Brown Oblationers- Cruet Family Nursery Aid- Sarah Oxenreider

ALTAR FLOWERS – CANDLES – BIRTHDAYS – ANNIVERSARIES

	The Altar Flowers are given by:
May 3	
May 3	
May 10	
May 10	
May 17	Judy Mahan in loving memory of her father Ken Mahan.
May 17	Brandt & Kathaleen Cassidy in celebration of their wedding anniversary.
May 24	Amy & Jim Gardner in celebration of Katie's graduation.
May 24	
May 31	
May 31	
	The Sanctuary candles are given by:
May 3	Joel & Janet for their many blessings received.
May 10	
May 17	Joel & Janet for their many blessings received.
May 24	
May 31	Joel & Janet for their many blessings received.
Birthdays and Anniversaries for the month	
4/27 – 5/2	26 Michael Ahedor, 2 Steve Wright
5/3 – 5/9	3 Robert Franklin, 8 Lilly Strout, 9 Tim Phillips, 9 Patrick Cody
5/10 – 5/16	11 Anne Million, 11 Amy McGovern, 11 Mark Griffin, 11 Patrick Moore, 12 Frank & Yami Hoke , 16 Sharon Russell, 16 Jeremy Wance
5/17 – 5/23	18 Mirabai Hull, 19 Kathy Rodrigues, 20 Jennifer Lomax
5/24 – 5/31	25 Cheryl Mohr, 26 Dave Woodward, 27 Tom & Ann Selvidge , 29 Anastasia Calhoun, 29 Melanie Harding, 30 James & Martine Smith

Altar Guild Schedule

4/26 - 5/9 - Suzanne Moore, Margaret Smith & EAnn Robinson
 5/10 – 5/23 - Emogene Huslig, Betty Eick, Carol Gibbens & Kathaleen Cassidy
 5/24 – 6/6 – Paula Price & Judy Mahan
 6/7 – 6/20 - Sara Haraway, Tim Phillips, Ann Schumacher and Nelson & LaVetta Dent