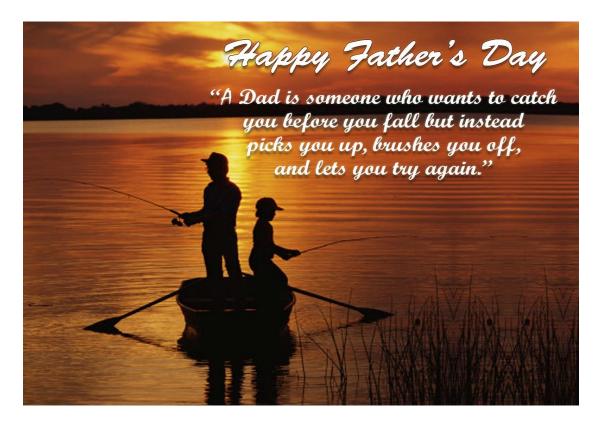
## The Parish Light

The Parish of the Northern Lights Newsletter - June 2019



#### **Just Like His Dad**

Well, what are you going to be, my boy, when you have reached manhood's years:

A doctor, a lawyer, or actor great, moving throngs to laughter and tears?

But he shook his head as he gave reply – in the serious way he had:

"I don't think I'd care to be any of them – I want to be like my dad"

He wants to be like his dad! You men, did you ever think, as you pause,

That the boy who watches your every move, is building a set of laws?

He's molding a life you're the model for, and whether it's good or bad

Depends on the kind of example set – to the boy who'd be like his dad.

Would you have him go everywhere you go? Have him do just the things you do?

And see everything that your eyes behold, and woo all the gods you woo?

When you see the worship that shines in the eyes of your lovable little lad

Could you rest content if he gets his wish – and grows up to be like his dad?

Author unknown

#### **Insights from Flying Geese**

Perhaps you have seen geese flying through the sky in a "V" formation. Christians can learn some valuable lessons from their habits.

Flying in a "V" formation decreases the wind drag for all but the lead goose. The uplift of the wings of the bird in front makes it easier for the flock to fly long distances. Christians can learn from this that we always accomplish far more by working together than by acting individually. That's why God created the church and instructed us to "bear one another's burdens." When we share a common goal and work together in harmony, there is no limit to what can be accomplished.

When flying together in a "V", the lead goose will drop back into the formation to rest a bit while another takes his place as the leader. We can learn from this that it pays to take turns doing the hard jobs, lest a few become "weary in well doing". What excuses have you been giving God when asked to serve?

Seasoned goose observers have also noticed that when a goose becomes ill or wounded and falls out of formation, two others will fall out with him and remain behind to nurse him until he recovers enough to join another flock. What lesson we Christians can learn from this!

Why do we condemn those of our number who fall rather than love and nurse them back to wholeness? If the world knew we would love unconditionally and stand by one another no matter what, we would have to build thousands of new churches to accommodate all the people.

....author unknown

### Church of the Covered Dish by Thom Tapp



"Our family is trying one of those old-fashoned churches, with preaching, the Bible, and all that stuff."

#### I BELIEVE

I believe churches are meant for praising God. But so are 2 am car rides, showers, coffee shops, the gym, conversation with friends, strangers, etc.

Don't let a building confine your faith because we will never change the world just by going to church.

We need to be the church.



#### Thank you, Lord

Just this once, Lord, I want to come to you with no problems, but simple to say, Thank you.

For forgiveness when I fail

For the sheer joy of sleep when I'm terribly tired

For the silent strength of humility when pride overtakes me

For the justice of your laws when men are cruel

For remedies for sickness when I am ill

For the simplicity of orderliness when I face confusion

For the joy of helping others when I see people in need

For the assurance that you have made a place especially for me when I feel inadequate among my peers

For the renewal in moments of silence when I'm dizzy being busy in a hectic world.

For the fun that refreshes when everything gets too serious

For the earthly evidences of your will when I'm trying to find out what life is all about

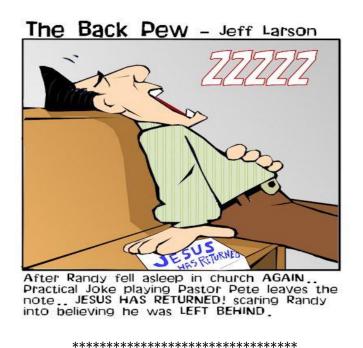
Thank you, Lord, for all these things. But most of all, thank you for your abiding presence that makes every day I live a day of thanks.

#### Why are Fire Trucks Red?

Fire trucks have four wheels and eight firefighters, and four plus eight equals twelve
There are twelve inches in a foot. A foot is a ruler. Queen Elizabeth is a ruler, and the
Queen Elizabeth is one of the largest ships on the seven seas. Seas have fish. Fish have
fins. The Finns fought the Russians. The Russians are red. Fire trucks are always rushin'.

Therefore, fire trucks are usually red!

If you think this is wild, you ought to hear some people trying to explain why they are not attending church on Sunday morning!



Give me a goal to strive for... that is never out of sight;

A dream to live and die for... that will reach desired height.

Give me music in my soul... that throbs like my heartbeat,

And I will face each obstacle and overcome defeat.

Let me leave my mark in life... halt prejudice and scorn,

Then I will fight the hate in man until love is reborn.

Give me faith that knows no doubt, O Jesus, this my plea!

Anoint the whole of human race.....for life eternally.

.....Gene Appleby

#### Faith

Faith is a word of power and duration,

The kind of a thing that builds a great nation.

Faith is a feeling from within your own heart,

That what you are doing is right, from the start.

Faith is the courage to face a new trial

To strengthen the soul, to wear a bright smile.

Faith is the nudge of gentle persuasion,

Chasing all doubts without hesitation.

Faith is the trust we have in each other,

Giving our best to neighbor or brother.

Faith is believing without reservation,

The truths, the love, the real dedication.

Of God, the Father, who sent us His Son,

To teach us this faith.... His will to be done.,.

...... Joan Louise Humphrey



"What do the angels say to God when He sneezes?"



# GARDEN & GREEN SALE & BBQ



Get your local perennials, houseplants, garden plants, planters, and ALL THINGS GREEN!!

Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
St Andrew's Zion Church Yard
BBQ – sponsored by Parish Youth Group



#### June 6th and June 20th - COFFEETIME AT ST ANDREW'S ZION

St Andrew's Zion Church Hall, Colinton

10:30 – 12:00 Noon ..... Join us for fellowship and Good conversation!

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#### June 7 - Service of Prayer and Praise

St. Paul's Anglican Church, Boyle

7:00 pm Everyone is welcome to attend

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#### Service Schedule for June

June 2nd: St. Thomas, Perryvale and St. Andrew's Zion, Colinton: Mike Griffin

St. Paul's Boyle and Christ Church, Wandering River: Rev. John Tyrrell

June 9th: St. Thomas, Perryvale and St. Andrew's Zion, Colinton: Rev. John Tyrrell

St Paul's Boyle and Christ Church, Wandering River: Bruno Wiskel

June 16th: St. Thomas, Perryvale and St. Andrew's Zion, Colinton: Deana Lemke

St. Paul's Boyle and Christ Church, Wandering River: Rev. John Tyrrell

June 23<sup>rd</sup>: St. Thomas, Perryvale (Anglican service) Rev. Scott Brown (tentative)

St. Andrew's Zion, Colinton: Rev. Scott Brown (tentative)

St Paul's Boyle and Christ Church, Wandering River: Joanna Muzyka

JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> - JOINT SUNDAY SERVICE - CHRIST CHURCH, WANDERING RIVER

Rev. John Tyrrell - followed by a Potluck Lunch

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