

# NEWSLETTER

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## News and Notes

### Holy Week Schedule

Please see Page 2 for this year's Holy Week Schedule.

### Bishop Beisner Visits April 19th

Bishop Barry Beisner will be making his biennial pastoral visit to Christ the King on April 19th. We hope that as many parishioners as possible will be present to support the Bishop in his ministry.

As part of his visit, CTK will be hosting a Parish Pot-luck following the service. BBQ Hot Dogs and Burgers will be provided, and we are asking parishioners for their help in providing drinks, sides, and desserts.

We are requesting the following:

Last Name A-H: Drinks

Last Name I-P: Sides

Last Name O-Z: Desserts

We look forward to seeing you there!



## From the Vicar's Desk

*The Triduum: The culmination of Lent and of our common faith*

As I write this, I am in the midst of Holy Week. Bulletins are printed and ready to go, sermons are percolating, and tomorrow I will begin preparing the sanctuary for the most important 72 hours in the life of the Church: The Triduum.

The word "triduum" is taken from the Latin for "three days" (Tri-dium), which encompass Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday and, taken together, these three days are more than just the culmination of Lent—they are a microcosm of our Christian faith.

### *Maundy Thursday*

One of the many things that I inherited from my father is my belief that the Birthday of Church is Maundy Thursday. Maundy Thursday derives its name from the Latin word for "mandate," which begins the portion of scripture from the Last Supper in John's Gospel: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another, as I loved you (John 13:34)."

Maundy Thursday does more than simply memorialize Christ's Last Supper, it focuses all Christian ethics in the context of compassionate action. As Justin Martyr observed in the 2nd

**Lector & Chalice  
Bearer Training  
May 3rd**

Fr. Matt will be offering a second training program for Chalice Bearers and Lectors. If you are interested in serving in these ministries, please let Fr. Matt know! The training will be held May 3rd following the Sunday Worship Service.

**Diocesan Book  
Read**

Bishop Beisner hopes to engage the entire diocese in reading *The Agile Church: Spirit-Led Innovation in an Uncertain Age* during Eastertide. CTK will be hosting a book club review of the book on May 17th. Epilog Books in Quincy has ordered several copies which should be in stock soon, so be sure to support both the Bishop and local businesses!

**Are you a fan of  
CTK?**

Are you on Facebook? Are you a fan of Christ the King? We have been slowly building our social media presence on Facebook, but we need your help! Become a fan of our page, and be sure to share posts with your network to spread the word about all the great things happening at CTK!

Century, “Christianity is a verb, not a noun.” Likewise, our call as Christians comes with the responsibility, the obligation, to care for others in our midst. This new commandment towards compassion becomes the lens through which we are able to understand the institution of the Sacrament of Communion: it is not enough to simply remember what Christ did for us, we must also remember what Christ asked for us to do for one another.

*Good Friday*

Inevitably, Maundy Thursday transitions to Jesus’ eventual arrest and trial; the services of the Triduum transition in a similar fashion. The services do not “end”—there is no dismissal—we simply take up the story where it last left off.

It is hard to describe Good Friday without sounding hyperbolic but, put simply, Good Friday is the fulcrum upon which all of God’s Salvation History rests. Christ’s actions upon the cross become the culmination, the fulfillment of the scriptures, the ultimate demonstration that God’s triumph will not come in conquering power, but through humble service.

*Holy Saturday*

Holy Saturday is marked by quietness. It is the full day in which Christ lay in death. The Creeds acknowledge that Christ descended into hell on this day and opened the way for all souls into heaven.

In many ways, Holy Saturday is the night whose darkness fades at the first rays of Easter’s light.

Happy Easter, everyone!

*Fr. Matt+*

**Holy Week Worship Schedule**

Date	Time	Service
Sunday March 29 Palm Sunday	10:00 AM	Liturgy of the Palms Holy Communion Rite II
Thursday April 2 Maundy Thursday	6:00PM	Maundy Thursday Agape Meal with Communion
Friday April 3 Good Friday	12 Noon	Good Friday
Sunday April 5 Easter Sunday	10:00 AM	Easter Celebration Holy Communion Rite II

**Prayer List**

*Birthdays:*

Klytia  
Katie

*Anniversaries:*

*For those expecting a child:*

*In thanksgiving for newborns:*

Emma Charlotte Felker

*For those in the hospital:*

*For those in need of healing:*

Chris  
Margaret  
Torrey  
Klytia  
Leila  
Quincy  
Robin  
Joseph  
Ian  
Betty

*For those who have died:*

*For those in need:*

*For those who travel:*

Ken & Pat  
The Dutton Family  
Emily

*Special Concerns:*

Christians in the Holy Land  
Inquirer's Class

**CTK Mission Priorities**

At the Annual Meeting, the Mission Committee shared the Three Mission Priorities for our parish for 2015. They are: 1, Complete the renovations of St. Giles' Hall; 2, Increase Sunday attendance; and 3, Promote an Anglican/Episcopal Brand Awareness. In an effort to highlight these efforts, we will be sharing news and progress on each of these fronts.

**St. Giles' Hall Renovations:**

March saw our successful inspection of plumbing, electrical, and insulation work! Drywall was installed, and paint work has begun! We expect flooring to be installed soon.

**Weekly Attendance:**

Here is a comparison of our March attendance reports from 2014 and 2015:

Monthly Attendance	March 2015	Previous Year
Week 1	13	17
Week 2	9	13
Week 3	17	10
Week 4	10	14
Week 5	13	8
Year to Date	185	169

**Anglican/Episcopal Brand Awareness:**

Our new website continues to serve as our digital front door. Our daily average has increased from nearly 15 page views per day up to 25!

Our advertising for Holy Week Services continues on two fronts: Traditional and Online Media.

## April Worship Schedule

Date	Service	Reader	Coffee	Lessons
Sunday April 5 Easter Sunday	Holy Communion Rite II	Gimbel	Hood	Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Acts 10:34-43; Mark 16:1-8a
Sunday April 12 Easter II	Holy Communion Rite II	Muñoz	Muñoz	Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; I John 1:1-2:2; John 20:19-31
Sunday April 19 Easter III & Bishop Beisner's Visitation	Family Church	Batson	McNett	Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4; I John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48
Sunday April 26 Easter IV	Holy Communion Rite II	Hoover	Hoover	Acts 4:5-12; Psalm 23; I John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18

## May Worship Schedule

Date	Service	Reader	Coffee	Lessons
Sunday May 3 Easter V	Holy Communion Rite II	Batson	McNett	Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:24-30; I John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8
Sunday May 10 Easter VI	Holy Communion Rite II		Hood	Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; I John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17
Sunday May 17 Easter VII	Family Church	Way	Way	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; I John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19
Sunday May 24 Whitsunday/Pentecost	Holy Communion Rite II	Muñoz	Muñoz	Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 104:25-35, 37; Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15
Sunday May 31 Trinity Sunday	Holy Communion Rite II	Gimbel	Warren	Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17

## June Worship Schedule

Date	Service	Reader	Coffee	Lessons
Sunday June 7 Pent. II, Proper 5	Holy Communion Rite II	Batson	McNett	Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; II Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35
Sunday June 14 Pent. III, Proper 6	Holy Communion Rite II	Gimbel	Hood	Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 92:1-4, 11-14; II Corinthians 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34
Sunday June 21 Pent. IV, Proper 7	Family Church	Muñoz	Muñoz	Job 38:1-11; Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; II Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41
Sunday June 28 Pent. V, Proper 8	Holy Communion Rite II	Way	Hood	Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15, 2:23-24; Psalm 30; II Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43