Dear all,

Terry Berkery and Sandy Mathews worked closely with victims of the Caldor fire last year. They made a proposal to the vestry that we send what was left from the donations for the Caldor Fire to the Pioneer Fire Protection District in Grizzly Flat. I am pleased to share that the vestry agreed. Ed Mathews gave a check in the amount of $5,961.84 (the amount left in the fund) to the El Dorado Community Foundation. The ECF will work with the Pioneer Fire Protection District to distribute the money for building or equipment needs.

We continue to stay involved in helping those affected by the Caldor Fire. I am part of a group called the West Slope Foundation which provides assistance to Caldor Fire survivors. The West Slope Foundation provides financial aid and in-kind relief for individuals who are most in need within the West Slope communities affected by the Caldor Fire. They coordinate the distribution center at Pioneer Elementary School every third Sunday at 1 pm which provides needed clothing, food and other items. I would like to start a collection for items that they need which currently include paper towels, toilet paper, and summer clothing (all sizes). In August they will be in need of school supplies. There will be a table set up in the Parish Hall to put items on for this collection. Thank you for your help with this. The needs of those affected by the fire will continue for years to come.

The West Slope Foundation has a storage unit filled with bikes that are no longer being used by the Caldor Fire kids. As it turns out, the kids from the Dixie Fire are in need of bikes. I offered to get a trailer and haul the bikes from Somerset to Taylorsville. It sounded like an easy thing to do, but I soon found out that it was not so simple. I could not find a trailer large enough. I was telling a friend of mine, Rick Ploipao, the president of RCP Construction (you probably see their trucks and signs on various projects around town) that I was looking for a trailer big enough to carry 60 bikes. Rick offered to have someone take one of their trucks and take the bikes from Somerset to Taylorsville.

Other good news re: Caldor: The executive director of New Morning, Victor Antonio, sent a proposal to the El Dorado Community Foundation asking for funding counseling services for families affected by the Caldor Fire. His proposal included:

- A case manager or clinician for the high school, middle school, and elementary school with the highest concentration of children attending who have been affected by the Caldor Fire, 1 full school day each per week.
• Group counseling and support for parents, scheduled for the late afternoon and early evenings 1 day per week.

• Group counseling for the kids **once per week.**

The El Dorado Community Foundation agreed to fund his proposal!

I am so grateful to be around people who are eager to help in whatever way they can. Please be sure to collect items to put on our donation table to be taken to the distribution site to help.

I continue to help a family that escaped Ukraine and is now living in a small town called Vonoklasy in Prague West. One of our church members donated some Apple gift cards for the family. I planned on sending them to the family. Instead, Vladimir (the father of the family) sent me a link for two items he wanted for his children and asked me to purchase them online and have them sent to his address. When I clicked on the link the information was in a language I could not understand. I didn’t even know if it was Russian, Uranian or Czechoslovakian. I called the Apple Store, but they transferred me to another Apple store which only spoke Russian. I remembered that I had donated money to a local person who was helping Ukrainian soldiers and thought he might be able to help me understand the language on the website. I took a chance and texted this person I had never met and explained the situation. He agreed to meet me at a nearby Starbucks to see if he could help. I met him and his wife and showed them the Apple site. The language was Czechoslovakian. He was able to understand it and helped me navigate the site so I could purchase the items. Before he left he showed me a photo he had taken with himself and President Zelensky (before he was president). It reminded me of the six degrees of separation theory which says that each person in the world is connected to every other person in the world by a chain of family members, friends, or acquaintances that number no more than 5 people. I guess I am now two degrees separate from President Zelensky, thanks to one of our families who decided to give some Apple cards to help Ukrainian refugees. I don’t know if the six degrees of separation theory is accurate or not, but I do know that we are all indeed connected in many ways we aren’t even aware of.

Oremus (Let us pray),

*Rev Deb*
Parish News and Events

New Members

This month ~ Ellen Cehand

Hello Our Saviour Parishioners,

Rev. Deb requested I introduce myself to you all and let you know a bit about myself as I have recently joined your lovely community. I retired from my job with the Sacramento Superior Court after 32 years and moved to Camino in January 2022. We purchased our house and got the keys one day before the big snowstorm of 2021. We couldn't move in until mid-January as the snow persisted. My daughter and I have five acres of trees and untamed property we are hoping to turn into a small goat farm. I am learning new skills, including: how to use a chainsaw, how to use a bush wacker, ride-on mower maintenance, poultry farming and gardening. A new adventure keeps us young; I hope. Haha. I am the proud parent to two lovely adults, grandparent to a pup and six chickens and have a fat cat I can't imagine life without.

I have been a member of St. Michael’s Episcopal Church in Carmichael for approximately 14 years. During my time at St. Michael’s, I have participated in several ministries and gained some training and experience that I hope will be beneficial to your community. I taught Sunday School, became a Eucharistic Minister, worked with the unhoused sanctuary events, trained as a pastoral care giver through Community of Hope, and now am also a co-mentor for EFM. I hope I can provide the opportunity to learn through EFM to this congregation as I believe that through that education we can more fully learn to walk in the way of Jesus and gain a greater understanding of our place in God's world.

What I value most from my experience at St. Michael’s is having a community that worships together and supports one another in our growth and understanding of God’s plan for us. I sincerely look forward to getting to know and learn from all of you and to bring my experience and gifts to your community.

Blessings to you all,
Ellen Cehand

Education for Ministry

Have you heard people talking about EfM and wondered what it is?

Education for Ministry (EfM) is a program of theological education of the School of Theology of the University of the South. Students sign up for one year at a time, for this four-year program.

The study is done in a seminar class which meets once a week throughout the academic year, about 36 weeks, under the guidance of trained mentors.
This is a small “community” of learners studying together. Although the course materials provide substantial academic content, the focus is on life as ministry and understanding what that ministry may be. The first two years focus on the Old and New Testament, the third year on church history and the fourth year on ethics and philosophy.

EfM teaches you how to think theologically, deepens your faith, and your understanding of our Christian heritage. The bonds you will form in this small learning community will be deep and long lasting. The program is non-denominational and is open to members of other Christian communities. If you would like more information, please contact Janice Bowdler, janbowdler@comcast.net, or Ellen Cehand, harbawe1961@gmail.com. Financial assistance is available.

What’s on Your Bookshelf?

This month ~ Tom and Lee Weikert

Lee ~

A mix, to be sure.

First my plan. (You know if it’s me, there is a plan!) When I retired I decided that the best way for me to learn about others from other places and times and to appreciate their experiences and journeys would be to specialize in reading novels by authors from other countries. So that has been my focus. The novel is admittedly a Euro/Asian development; some scholars dating the first to 11th century Japan, others more commonly agree that it all started with Cervantes’ Don Quixote. But my research shows that this form has been used to tell the stories around the globe and through all time. Tom reminds me that novels aren’t fact, although in the early days of the form they were expected to be based on facts. I find them a way to deeply share very personal experiences in a way that can’t be done in non-fiction.

In this way I have visited Egypt following a single family through generations, India, China (in ancient times of warlords and during the period of the Great Leap and reeducation camps), Uganda during its civil war, the Caribbean from early colonial days to contemporary times as in “God Loves Haiti”, Indonesia and many other places from long ago up to contemporary times.

Today on my book shelf is a book that I just finished on our latest trip, a story set in Tanzania before World War I written by recent Nobel Prize winner Abdulrazak Gurnah, Paradise; also Herman Melville’s Bartleby because it features in the next Gurnah book on my shelf, By the Sea; and when there’s time more titles such as Yan Lenke, The Four Books (imprisonment during the Cultural Revolution in China), Michael Ondaatje, Anil’s Ghost (Sri Lanka), and others.

But not to be a one note reader, there are also some other books begging attention, a Kathleen Norris inspirational book The Cloister Walk (a gift from a dear friend), an Ursula K. Le Guin book of
reflections, No Time to Spare, and, as always, a perfect page turner mystery by Charles Todd, The Gate Keeper.

Tom ~

What's in my bookshelf and keep it short you gotta be kidding. I'm a bibliophile tempted to bibliolatry and there are books everywhere in our house. On the shelves for recently finished books are Innocents Abroad, Oliver Twist, Bambi, The Greatest Generation Speaks, a biography of Sarah Polk, and Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society. In the stack for Gotta Read Soon are three John Stott books and an anthology of commentary on CS Lewis works. I'm currently in the middle of a history of Ukraine and in a book club that's chewing over The Purpose Driven Life. Daily I read Morning Prayer by myself and Evening Prayer with Lee; regular resources for those devotions include several Bible translations, the 1979 Prayer Book, Day by Day, Living Faith, Jesus Calling, and several recovery resources. Yes, I'd love to have a Church Family Book night!

Putting Your Money Where Your Heart Is

You will be aware that we have been dealing with a long, very long, list of deferred maintenance issues in the preservation of our lovely church. Just since the last Annual Meeting in January 2022 the current vestry has approved a number of repairs. Starting in the library in Peirce Hall: Drywall and windowsill repairs ($2215 Building Fund), the replacement of the broken window ($1195 donated), solar film on the arched windows ($336 donated), and new blinds for the three windows beneath the arched windows (approx. $1500 Building Fund). Donations of time and expertise include the staining of the children's climbing structure with a new covering (all donated), replacement of a Nest thermostat downstairs in Peirce Hall ($270 Building Fund), and repairs to six fluorescent windows in Peirce Hall. We have purchased a new backpack vacuum at the request of our janitor and a new canister vacuum for Peirce Hall to allow clean-up after Sunday school and events as needed ($869 for both from Maintenance Fund). And this is just a partial list!

Now we are facing a very large project. The kitchen roof has seriously deteriorated and has leaks into the building. To replace the roof we will need to replace the platform that leads to the side door. That platform is part of what has caused failure in the roof system. The total cost is currently estimated to be $30,750. We are still negotiating with the roofer for the quality of the surfacing material so that cost could be higher. This project is covered by the Wentz Fund conditions and there is enough money in that fund to cover the full cost but we would be reducing that fund by half. Vestry is supporting the Fixes and Flourishes Committee plan to initiate a capital funds campaign. We will begin in June to raise money to cover the costs of this and several other projects to avoid further depletion of the Wentz Fund.
Other projects that we would like to complete include a remodel of the half bath in the Parish Hall to make it more functional (no more rocking toilet) and more welcoming and replacing the rest of the blinds in Peirce Hall.

The capital campaign plan is two-pronged. First, we have not had a direct appeal to the congregation asking for contributions to the physical needs of the church for some time. We are enthusiastic for this campaign. The roof/platform project is an essential one to maintain the integrity of our church building. A stable toilet, improved storage, and halting of roof leaks is much needed for the half bath. We see all these as needed to preserve our church home. You will receive a letter of appeal soon and we will begin collecting your contributions in June.

The second part of our fund raising campaign is holding various events where admission and donations will be dedicated to the Building Fund. We are working on a series of concerts and other events to raise money for these projects as well. We plan a variety of music for larger events in the sanctuary and smaller, more intimate events in the Parish Hall. Watch for announcements for these events and plan on bringing family and friends.

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**The Current Forum Continues in June**

Our Forum (9:30-10:15 Sunday mornings) is a brief overview of the Episcopal Church. It is a good refresher for those who have been Episcopalian, or for those who want to learn more. This Forum serves as a Confirmation class for those who wish to be Confirmed.

*The June dates and topics are:*

- June 5 - The Book of Common Prayer
- June 12 - Sacraments
- June 19 - Liturgy and worship

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**Welcome ~ New Member Coffee & Tea**

Anyone interested in learning more about our church or becoming a member is invited to attend a *New Member Coffee* to be held on June 25th from 11am-1pm. For more information please contact Rev Deb at revdebra.oursaviour@gmail.com

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**Pastoral Visitation Team**

Pastoral Care is an important part of a church community. It brings a sense of connection and belonging to those who are unable to come to church in person. I would like to develop a Pastoral Visitation Team of people who would be interested in visiting with those in our church who are unable to come to church. Please let me know if you are interested in this ministry. You can email me at oursaviourplacerville.org
New Reimbursement Form

Please use this new Reimbursement Form for your expenses. This is what it looks like. You can find the forms in the Admin Office.

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Church of Our Saviour  Reimbursement Form  (Attach invoice or receipt)
Date: ________________________
Payee: ________________________  Amount: ________________________
Address to mail check: ________________________
City: ________________________  State: ______  Zip: __________
Telephone or email: ________________________
Description: ________________________

Approved by: (Treasurer, Rector or Chair of Dept)

Bookkeeping Staff:
Account to charge: _______________  Date paid: _______________
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The Order of the Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King is an international Order of women whose vision is to know Jesus Christ, make Him known to others, and to be a reflection of God’s love. They seek to deepen their relationship with God and do the will of God through prayer, service, and joyously proclaiming their faith in ways that others may be led to believe in and follow Jesus Christ as Saviour. If you are interested in becoming a Daughter or would like more information, contact our Chapter President, Yvonna Giordano, at church or at (530) 642-2311.
BUNCO anyone?

BUNCO is a social dice game, traditionally played with 12 players who are divided into three tables with four players at each table. Please email the church at oursaviouroffice@gmail.com and let us know if you are interested in joining the BUNCO fun.

Volunteer Opportunities

WASTE CANS: We are looking for someone to take the garbage, recycling, and green waste cans out to the street on Tuesdays. If you are interested, send an email to oursaviouroffice@gmail.com and we’ll send you a collection schedule. Thank you!!

BULLETINS: Can you fold and staple? This is a quiet way to serve and we need your help. Contact Rev. Debra if you can assist.

Recycling

Bring your CRV bottle and can recyclables to church. Place them in the bins in the Robing Room (that area outside the Parish Hall bathroom). Boyd Roberts will collect them and the funds from the returns go to the church.

New Deadline For Newsletter Submissions

Please note: The new deadline for newsletter articles, ministry schedules, etc., is now the 15th of each month. Thank you!

Scheduling a Meeting, Conference, Training, Forum, Counseling Session or Event?

We are thrilled that things are beginning to happen again in person at Our Saviour. This means that we will inevitably have more than one person who wants a particular space at a given time. All scheduling must be done through our Office Administrator, Karen Cornell. Email her at oursaviouroffice@gmail.com or send a text to 530-417-2951 (be sure to identify yourself in the text). Karen will make sure your space is available and put your meeting on the website calendar. (You can check there for conflicts before scheduling), www.oursaviourplacerville.org.

News from the Wider Church

The Episcopal Church  Episcopal News Service  Episcopal Journal and Café

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June Birthdays and Anniversaries

**Birthdays**
- Yvonna Giordano 6/6
- Bill Naylor 6/7
- June Ebbe 6/19

**Anniversaries**
- Chris & Ellen Piazza 6/5/94
- Tom & Kathy Fritschi 6/7/75
- Bob & Elsie Cannon 6/28/57

Vestry ~ Finances for March

2022 FINANCES FOR APRIL

- Actual April Revenue 17,265.90
- Budgeted April Revenue 13,306.25
- Actual April Expenses 17,075.83
- Budgeted April Expenses 13,274.07
- April Net 190.07
- Total Revenue (Jan 1 to Apr 30) 68,330.46
- Total Expenses (Jan 1 to Apr 30) 66,157.89
- Year-To-Date Net (Jan 1 to Apr 30) 2,172.57

Ministry and Hospitality Schedules

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~ Our Values ~

Authentic
We are a community of the Spirit of God.

Rooted
We are rooted in Holy Scripture, history, traditions, sacraments and worship.

Christ-centered
We strive to encounter and emulate Jesus Christ.

Inviting
We seek out and invite all to this holy work.

Welcoming
We welcome all whom God has created, extending hospitality and compassion to them.

Relevant
We engage the world in which we live with the love of Christ.

Serving
We share the love of Christ through our service with others in our parish, neighborhoods and the world.
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