Dear ones,

“What’s in your bookshelf?” When I was a postulant I was told that it was a good idea to include a section in my newsletter and write about the books I was reading. I had not taken that advice, but 20 years later I decided to take my mentor’s advice. I was listening to a radio interview about a daughter whose mother started weekly Family Book Night when she and her brother were young. Her father recently died in an accident and sharing the books together seemed to be an anchor for the grieving family, and helped in so many other ways. Every Friday night after dinner they had their own book club and share about what they had reading. I thought of my mentors untaken advice and decided to share what I am currently reading.

The picture below includes books strewn on my desk that I had read that morning. One is my well-worn bible that went to seminary with me every day. There is Peak Mind: Find Your Focus, Own Your Attention, Invest 12 Minutes a Day by Amishi Jha (a good TED talk of hers is https://www.ted.com/talks amishi_jha_how_to_tame_your_wandering_mind), The Cure for Sorrow by Jan Richardson, Midcentury Miscreant by a parishioner, Letters to a young Poet by Rilke, Mason-Dixon Knitting Outside the Lines by Gardener and Shayne, Another Desert -Jewish Poetry of New Mexico by Joan Logghe and Why Religion? by Elaine Pagels (who might come and give a talk at our church).

Deep Work by Cal Newport and Everything Happens for a Reason - and Other Lies I’ve Loved by Kate Bowler are not on my desk because I gave them away yesterday, Atlas of the Heart by Brené Brown is in my car and I just ordered Blessed: A History of the American Prosperity Gospel by Kate Bowler after a conversation at a vestry meeting about the Prosperity Gospel.

What’s in your bookshelf? Would you like to send in a short book review about books you read and what they have to offer? Would you like to have a Church Family Book night?

Oremus (Let us pray),

Rev Deb
Parish News and Events

Art Show Success and More Coming Up

The art show just held in the Parish Hall was a great success! We managed to raise $700 for the choir start up! Coming up in the first week of May, we will have an art show where everyone in the church can bring in a work of art they really like and would like to share with everyone else. This isn’t a fundraiser necessarily, just sharing one’s art. If the artist does want to sell their work they can put a dollar amount on it. If their work is sold, they can donate the proceeds to the church, or pay the church a 25% commission and keep the remainder. Please contact, Kathy Fritschi at 530-651-4056 if you are interested. She will hang this art show the first week of May.

Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to Cherie Raffety for doing such an amazing job getting things for the Easter egg festivities. The raffle, the Easter bags with gifts and table arrangements were beautiful!
Forums

On the church front, we just finished a good forum on Love is the Way by Presiding Bp Michael Curry. We had interesting conversations from being in the Valley of the Dry Bones to the Resurrection and how we understand the resurrected body (not resuscitated corpse) of Jesus.

Our next Forum (9:30-10:15 Sunday mornings) will be 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 will serve as a Confirmation class for those who wish to be Confirmed.

The dates and topics are:

May 15 - Governance, Authority and Via media
May 22 - Bible - Who was Jesus? What does the Episcopal Church say about Jesus? What does Green Valley Church say about Jesus? What other church experiences have people had?
May 29 - Our Creeds - what do you give your heart to?
June 5 - The Book of Common Prayer
June 12 - Sacraments
June 19 - Liturgy and worship

Thai Dinner photos

The Thai New Year’s celebration and dinner was enjoyed by all who attended. Mark and Becky Leighton provided lovely food and a beautiful atmosphere where folks could take in the simple, but meaningful, Thai ceremony to mark the Thai New Year which was celebrated from April 13 – 15 this year. It is a ceremony that every Thai participates in, whether they are Christian, Buddhist or Muslim.

Thank you Mark and Becky!
Choir

We have had a lot of interest in starting a choir again. Why have a choir? As Rob, my music director husband, likes to remind me—"They don’t leave church humming your sermons.” Another choir director wrote that “singing gives you more energy while improving your immune system, strengthening muscles and lung capacity. People who sing have less stress and are in a better mood. Singing in choir will build thinking skills such as concentration, memory and listening. You will be able to express yourself in a creative way.” In order to move ahead with adding a choir we need to increase our Music Director’s hours to include weekly choir rehearsals. We did not include that in our 2022 budget and we would need approximately $3,600 for the remainder of 2022 to start a choir this year. Our recent Art Show made a wonderful $700 dent in what we need, but we have a ways to go. Please consider donating to a Choir Fund to help start a new choir.

Help Needed for the Dixie Fire Kids

The Caldor Fire bike collection has 60 bikes that need new homes and the Dixie Fire Kids need 60 bikes. I thought I could haul them with my truck and trailer, but apparently the 6 x 12 trailers from U-Haul don’t fit 60 bikes. Does anyone have a really huge trailer, or are available to drive a separate truck and haul a trailer? I am happy to take bikes to the to the Dixie Fire folks (near Chico?). I am also going to ask Faith Church to help.
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

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 revdebra.oursaviour@gmail.com or call the church office (530-622-2441) and leave a message if we are not there.

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.

If You Have Invoices to Submit to Our Office For Payment

Karen is now taking care of Accounts Receivable and Payable on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month.

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.

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**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.

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**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!

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**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.

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**Diocesan Happenings**

**Support for Ukraine**

Episcopal Relief and Development is deeply engaged in addressing the humanitarian needs of Ukraine. Bishop Megan has directed a significant donation from the Bishop’s Discretionary Fund for this humanitarian crisis. Give by clicking on this link: Episcopal Relief and Development.

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**9 Ukrainian Refugees welcomed to Sacramento**

Last Wednesday night, World Relief Sacramento (one of our Refugee Relief partners) welcomed refugee families from Ukraine for the first time since war broke out. **Click here for photos and the story**.

More refugees are on their way to Sacramento. **Click here** for a recent story in The Sacramento Bee to learn how you can help.
Mission: Joy ~ The Film

Two of the world’s most revered spiritual leaders are uniting one last time to share spiritual wisdom and cutting edge neuroscience that show us exactly how we can each access more joy, no matter our circumstances. And just in time, during these dark and divided days.

His Holiness the Dalai Lama and the late Archbishop Desmond Tutu share their wisdom (and humor) through a laugh-out-loud funny documentary film called Mission: JOY, Finding Happiness in Troubled Times, that is inspired by their international bestseller, The Book of Joy. The film production team includes multiple Academy Award winners and Emmy winners, and is predicted, like the book, to be "the antidote to the times" (Boston Globe). It premiered at Tribeca, and has been featured in 34 film festivals and counting.

Watch the trailer (RT 2:45) here.

The film is offered FREE OF CHARGE to faith communities and other groups in order to help further the Archbishop's and His Holiness's goal of making the film and its messages available to as many people around the world as possible, without regard to ability to pay.

To host a screening for your congregation, simply sign up HERE (it takes 3 minutes) or email MissionJoy@RocoFilms.com.

Save the Date!

Episcopal Community Services & Diocesan Partners in Ministries of Health Present:

A Webinar with Sister Joan Chittister

A Monastic Heart: How to Live an Ordinary Life Extraordinarily Well, Saturday, September 10 | 10 a.m. – noon | On Zoom

Diocesan Ministries

Serving God and Neighbor

In addition to the diocesan-level ministries listed here, our individual congregations are deeply committed to their communities. We are proud of our congregation-based ministries and believe them to be a testament to the desire present in all our congregations to serve others. Looking for a ministry not yet listed? Please contact us at communications@norcalepiscopal.org.

Ministries webpage. As followers of Jesus Christ, we seek to serve Him in all people. We have a number of ministries that reach out locally, nationally, and internationally for the glory of God's Kingdom.

Worship

Everything we do flows from our worship of God, in keeping with the best of our Anglican tradition.
Outreach  In the love of Christ, we care constantly for the least, the last, and the lost in body, mind and spirit.

Formation  We help people of all ages to grow into spiritual maturity, and to be fully equipped to live the Christian life.

Links to Diocesan Ministries

- Committees and Commissions
- Committee for Intercultural Ministries
- The Episcopal Foundation of Northern California
- Ministries of Health
- Recovery Ministries
- Episcopal Community Services
- Center for Bible Study
- Camps

Links to Diocesan Resources

- United Thank Offering
- Disaster Resilience
- Church Administration and Finance
- Congregational Development
- Formation and Leadership Development
- Resources for Worship

News from the Wider Church

The Episcopal Church

- Office of Government Relations ~ Advocacy Newsletter, April 2022

Episcopal News Service

- Episcopalians step up support, donations, prayers for Ukraine as Russian war nears two months
- Final Executive Council meeting before 80th General Convention reviews a church in flux

Episcopal Café

From Speaking to the Soul:
- Grace Everlasting

From The Magazine:
- Lori Walton: Birds on a Wire

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May Birthdays

Birthdays

Judy Muetz  5/4
Sandy Bert  5/10
Karen Cornell  5/11
Angela Sullivan  5/12
Kay Gordon  5/13
Jerry George  5/26

Vestry ~ Finances for March

2022 FINANCES FOR MARCH

Actual March Revenue  30,352.94
Budgeted March Revenue  13,306.25
Actual March Expenses  10,464.18
Budgeted March Expenses  13,274.07
March Net  19,888.76
Total Revenue (Jan 1 to Mar 31)  51,064.56
Total Expenses (Jan 1 to Mar 31)  49,082.06
Year-To-Date Net (Jan 1 to Mar 31)  1,982.50

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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