



## Food Basket Ministry

**Bob and Sharon Neller:** We continue our ongoing ministry of transporting the blessed food donations to The Food Initiative of Greater Stanislaus, formerly Inter-Faith Ministries. Sharon comes into the church about every 4-6 weeks to pick up the donations and makes a delivery every month. Please continue to contribute food donations for our ministry.

**Answer to Bible Quiz: D**  
(See 2 Kings 2:19-22.)



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## 2nd Chance Computer Computer Ministry



With the beginning of the new school year, Terry sent out a group email to all schools and organizations on the Second Chance distribution list to notify them of laptops ready to be delivered. He got an immediate response from some schools, but plans to send out another next week when all schools are back in session. Unfortunately, Second Chance lost the free storage unit when the owner of the business sold it. So, Terry bought some storage racks and reorganized part of his third car garage to hold them and the computer work bench.

The list continues to grow and some of the new organizations who have received laptops are Hutton House, Comeback Kids from Stanislaus County, Center for Human Services, the Foster Kids program through Modesto City Schools, International Rescue, Special Olympics and Stanislaus Military Academy.

We are waiting for a response from the Raymus Foundation to find out if we received another grant for this coming year and hope to receive a notification in September. With this grant application, we requested enough to purchase 1,250 computers.

We appreciate your continuing support and prayers!



# The Savior's Voice

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*"Great things are done  
by a series of small things  
brought together."*

— attributed to  
Vincent van Gogh

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## Bishop Menees Visit

On July 2, Bishop Eric Menees visited Jesus Our Savior Anglican Church for our annual visit. We enjoyed a wonderful service and inspiring sermon, followed by a delicious potluck and fun fellowship.

Bishop Eric remarked that he thought we were the "Little Church that Could!"

## Daily Reasons to Celebrate

Poor August, the only month without holidays! Still, there's lots to celebrate these final weeks of summer. Enjoy some summer flavors: August 1 is National Raspberry Cream Pie Day; August 2, National Ice Cream Sandwich Day; August 3, National Watermelon Day; August 10, National S'mores Day (have a bonfire!); and August 24 is National Peach Day.

If you share life with young kids, have a water balloon fight on — you guessed it — National Water Balloon Day, August 6! Head out for a final (National) Beach Day on August 30. Or head out for an intergenerational hike on National Trail Mix Day, August 31.

And don't forget to celebrate God's precious gifts of friends — National Friendship Day is the first Sunday in August; creation — Global Sleep Under the Stars Night is August 8 (prime time for meteor showers!); laughter — National Tell a Joke Day is August 16; and the opportunity to put God's love into action by serving others — on August 22, National Be an Angel Day, or August 28, National Thoughtful Day, and, for that matter, every day of the year — holiday or not.

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# INTERESTING Facts & Trivia

contributed by Linda York



**August** – named to honor the first Roman Emperor (and grand-nephew of Julius Caesar) Augustus Caesar (63BC-AD14)

**September** – from the Latin word Septem, (seven) because this had been the seventh month of the early Roman calendar.

**October** – from the Latin word Octo (eight) because this had been the eighth month of the early Roman calendar.

**November** – from the Latin word Novem (nine) because this was the ninth month of the early Roman calendar.

**December** – from the Latin word Decem (ten) this was the tenth and final month of the early Roman calendar. The early Roman calendar only had 10 months starting with March for Mars. However, Julius Caesar decided to add two more months to the calendar, so he added “Janus” with 2 faces, guardian of gates and doorways and Februa” which means to cleanse. It was named after Februalia, which was a month set aside for atonement and purification, much like Lent, but without any religious meaning. This was a pagan rite.

### Days to Remember:

<b>August:</b> Purple Heart Day	August 7
<b>September:</b>	
V-J Day	September 2
Labor Day	September 4
Grandparents Day	September 10
Patriot’s Day	September 11
<b>October:</b>	
Columbus Day	October 9
Halloween	October 31
<b>November:</b>	
Daylight Savings Time	November 5
Election Day	November 7
Veteran’s Day	November 11
Thanksgiving Day	November 23
<b>December:</b>	
Pearl Harbor Remembrance	December 7
First Day of Winter	December 21
Christmas Day	December 25
New Year’s Eve	December 31



## Christian Symbols

**STONE TABLETS** — The tablets of stone symbolize God’s giving of the Law to Israel through Moses on Mount Sinai (Horeb). They’re often shown with Roman numerals I through III on the left tablet and IV through X on the right. This represents the Ten Commandments — with the first three focusing on God and the final seven focusing on other people. The image of the stone tablets also may represent the entire Old Testament.

*from the Newsletter*

### Who, me? Yes, you!

The Bible is filled with people who don’t feel up to the challenge of serving God, speaking for God or leading his people. But God always knows what he’s doing. Pastor Haviland Houston issues this challenge: “When you are hesitant to act, or feel a failure of nerve coming on, when courage lags, or even if laziness and the ‘I don’t care’ blues get you down, may the words of Mordecai to Esther burn in your hearts and minds: ‘And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?’” (See Esther 4:14.)

Max Lucado offers a similar reminder in *You Were Made for This Moment*. “God always has his person,” he writes, also citing the book of Esther. “When we feel as though everything is falling apart, God is working in our midst, causing everything to fall into place. He is the King of quiet providence, and he invites you and me to partner with him in his work.”

Lucado continues: “[God] has a Joseph for every famine and a David for every Goliath. When his people need rescuing, God calls a Rahab into service. When a baby Moses needs a mama, God prompts an Egyptian princess to have compassion. He always has his person. He had someone in the story of Esther. And in your story he has you.”

*from the Newsletter*



### Bible Quiz

After Elijah was taken up to heaven, his newly commissioned successor, Elisha, performed two miracles. The first was making a poisonous stream’s water safe to drink. What did Elisha toss into the water that made it wholesome?

- A. a stick
- B. a new bowl
- C. bread
- D. salt

*Answer on page 8  
from the Newsletter*



- ♦ Art E.
- ♦ Margie M.
- ♦ Claude K.
- ♦ Tatum
- ♦ Rex A.
- ♦ Laura C.
- ♦ Carol C.
- ♦ Pamela J.
- ♦ Eller T.
- ♦ Pat L.
- ♦ Enid B.
- ♦ Doug C.
- ♦ Margaret M.
- ♦ Harris Family
- ♦ Bob Z.
- ♦ Liz B.
- ♦ Kay K.
- ♦ Bill S.
- ♦ Genie B.
- ♦ Katie H.
- ♦ Mary Lee
- ♦ Luci B.
- ♦ Joan C.
- ♦ Ruby L.
- ♦ Sharon S.
- ♦ Norma P.
- ♦ Pine Family
- ♦ David & Kat
- ♦ Hillary B.
- ♦ Patrick M.
- ♦ Kate B.
- ♦ Leia M.
- ♦ Moses
- ♦ Bill S.
- ♦ Steven S.
- ♦ Stacy V.
- ♦ Gary B.
- ♦ Willie G.
- ♦ Shelby Y.
- ♦ Justin

For all medical personnel, first responders and all who serve this country.

### Answer to Kid's Page

heart, oven, orange, dress, door, lord, hike, fever, tools, shore, hive. Give Thanks to the Lord; for He is good. His love endures forever.

Psalm 107:1 NIV



- ★ Sarah Pine June 3
- ★ Julie Neller June 4
- ★ Elizabeth Basham June 16
- ★ Joan Court June 21
- ★ Bill Thomas June 22
- ★ Terry Scott June 27
- ★ Adam Simas June 30
- ✚ Terry & Mary Scott June 26 24 years
- ✚ Bill & Nancy Thomas June 27 59 years
- ★ Richard McCormick July 2
- ★ Valerie Nolan July 11
- ★ Joan Clendenin July 14
- ★ Brittany Thornburg July 14
- ★ Robby Beyers July 15
- ★ Jordan Simas July 16
- ★ Larry Beyers August 5
- ★ Jeffrey Neller August 21
- ★ Norma Parsons August 26
- ★ Michael Simas August 30



# The Kid's Page



Godly, biblical wisdom is more valuable than gold or silver. Make this do-it-yourself toy to practice your searching skills.

### What you need:

- 12 small, smooth rocks
- An empty, clean egg carton
- Paintbrush
- Acrylic paint (gold or silver)
- Black permanent marker

### What you do:

1. Clean the rocks and egg carton. Place newspaper on a table to protect it from paint.
2. Paint all sides of the rocks and carton. Let dry. Add a second coat, if desired.
3. When rocks are dry, number each rock (1-12) with marker. Place rocks in the carton.
4. Play hide-and-seek with a friend. Take turns hiding the rocks in a room, sand-box or backyard. Give clues, if needed, and count the rocks as they're returned.
5. Use your imagination to incorporate a treasure hunt into study time or family devotions.

# Puzzle!

Fill in the blanks with the correct words. Then transfer the letters to the numbered boxes below to complete Psalm 107:1, NIV.

- Shape that symbolizes love
- Part of a stove used for baking
- Color made by red and yellow
- A present
- Clothing a girl wears
- Something you open to go into a room
- Opposite of soft (sound)
- To take a long walk
- A high body temperature
- Items used to build or fix things
- Edge of the sea
- Home for a bee

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28		
29	30	31	32	33	34	35	
36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51

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From the Newsletter



## The Rector's Message

### TO GROW IN CHRIST

The July 23, 2023 vestry meeting gave a lot of attention on our Church worship space. The discussion started with a review of various problems besetting our Church space – from a broken AC to the homeless issue literally at our doors. Several options to address the situation were presented and agreed upon to be explored.

Then the question arose on how to finance any of the options once selected. The discussion zeroed in on the Building Fund: what it is and how is it to be used, replenished or augmented. The discussion was tabled for another time. However, the treasurer distributed copies on the topic from the Diocesan Treasurer's Manual to help us prepare for the next discussion.

Additionally, this article lists my suggested contribution to the preparation of the said discussion.

Firstly, I suggest framing our discussion from the perspective of this question: *In what space or location is our prospect of growing in Christ as a congregation improved or enhanced?*

Secondly, to follow up my first suggestion, I suggest these questions that I recalled, Ruth and I asked ourselves years ago, when we decided to settle in Stockton: what could we afford to rent or purchase, was the neighborhood safe, was it within a good school district for our children, how about hospitals, bus stops, etc. I remembered our asking Ruth's cousin who was a sheriff, friends who have bought homes, etc. To think of it, these are practically the same questions that we may be asking. Where can we grow in Christ as a family of Jesus Our Savior?

Finally, I suggest not only that question of growing as a Church family, but also the question why are we not growing? I found this question clearly articulated by Rick

Warren (*Purpose Driven Church*):

*The problem with many churches is that they begin with the wrong question. They ask, "What will make our church grow?" This is a misunderstanding of the issue. It's like saying, "How can we build a wave?" The question we need to ask instead is, "What is keeping our church from growing?" What barriers are blocking the waves God wants to send our way? What obstacles and hindrances are preventing growth from happening?*

*All living things grow — you don't have to make them grow. It's the natural thing for living organisms to do if they are healthy. For example, I don't have to command my three children to grow. They naturally grow. As long as I remove hindrances such as poor nutrition or an unsafe environment, their growth will be automatic. If my kids don't grow, something has gone terribly wrong. Lack of growth usually indicates an unhealthy situation, possibly a disease. [pp. 15-16]*

These are some thoughts I am contributing to the conversation. My prayer is for more of us to join in.

*Do not ask for more before saying "Thank you" for what you have already received.*

*If you're looking for somebody to blame, look in the mirror.*

*There is no problem that cannot be met and dreams that cannot be won.*

Contributed by Linda York



## The Bishop's Note

The Rt. Rev. Eric Vamter Menees

The Bishop's Note is a short weekly message from Bishop Eric Menees where he speaks about an area of Christian belief or practice in furtherance of our mission statement that "we will call and equip laity and clergy to bring people to, and disciple them in, a saving relationship with Jesus Christ."

### The Ordination of a Deacon Closing Prayer, Blessing, and Dismissal August 12, 2021

One of my great joys is celebrating the Ordination of a Deacon. The biblical role of a deacon is threefold: First, the public proclamation of the gospel. Second, catechizing new disciples. Third, making the needs of the community known to the church and helping the people of the church meet the needs of the community. Having made a deacon by the laying on of hands, the calling down of the Holy Spirit and the reception of the church the new deacon and all of the people of the church are sent forth into the world, to serve the Lord.

*When the Communion is finished, after the Post Communion Prayer, the Bishop prays the following Collect*

Go before us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally, through your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Bishop then blesses the People saying*  
Our help is in the Name of the Lord;  
People The maker of heaven and earth.  
Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

People From this time forth for evermore.  
Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The newly ordained Deacons together dismiss the People saying  
Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

*From the Easter Vigil through the Day of Pentecost, "Alleluia, alleluia" is added to the dismissal. It may be added at other times, except during Lent and on other penitential occasions.*

*The People respond*

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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## Interested in Becoming a Chef?

### Recipes from a Princess Cruise

Submitted by June & Seth Simas

#### Linguine Pasta in Pesto Sauce

Ingredients:

- Pasta – Linguine cooked
- Sauce – Garlic pesto
- Potato – Red potatoes
- Vege – French cut string beans
- Garnish – Tomatao Concasse

Method of Preparation:

Blend/process the garlic, olive oil, basil, pine nuts and parmesan cheese  
Boil the potatoes, slice and keep warm  
Cook the pasta in boiling salted water and drain  
Plunge the green beans into boiled salted water to heat through  
Drain and add to the pasta, toss together with pesto sauce and season  
Twirl into a bowl  
Garnish with potato, tomato and pinenuts

#### Tiramisu, Espresso Zabaglione

Ingredients:

- Egg Pasteurized Frozen Yolks sugar added 1.20 KG
- Paste Zabaione 37.00 GM
- Sugar granulated 560 GM
- Pastry-Vanilla sponge Roulade 5 ea
- Cream whipping Long life QTS (liter) Butterfat min 36% 2.80 LT
- Paste coffee 2.00 KG
- Marsala Dry 90.00 ml
- Sugar granulated 750.00 GM
- Cheese Mascarpone Pateurized 4.50KG
- Stock – tap water 3.00 LT
- Gelatine Sheets Transparent 18.00 GM
- Cocoa Dark Powder 2.00 GM

Method of Preparation:

Tiramisu Filling:

Whip the cream and set aside, soften the mascarpone  
Whip the egg yolk and sugar to a sabayom  
Add the zabayone paste and marsala wine  
Heat the gelatin in a little water to dissolve and fold into the eggs with the mascarpone and whipped cream

Tiramisu:

Warm the coffee, sugar and water  
Take a layer of roulade and soak well with the coffee syrup, spread filling on top, repeat this method three times so there will be 3 layers  
Arrange Tiramisu on a chilled 10 inch plate

## Footpath to Peace



The following items serve as "little guideposts on the footpath to peace," according to author and pastor Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933):

- to be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars;
- to be satisfied with your possessions but not content with yourself until you have made the best of them;
- to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice;
- to covet nothing of your neighbor's except [their] kindness of heart and gentleness of manners;
- to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends and every day of Christ;
- to spend as much time as you can with body and with spirit in God's out-of-doors.

*from the Newsletter*

## Some Wisdom from Mother Teresa

*Joy is very infectious. We will never know just how much good a simple smile can do. Be faithful in little things. Smile at the people who cross your path. You have a beautiful smile. Don't waste it. Live beautifully. Smile at life. Smile everywhere you go. Smile at everyone you meet.*

*From "Do Something Beautiful for God — the Essential Teachings of Mother Teresa"*