

### Our Sponsored Child in

Please remember that Jesus Our Savior is continuing to sponsor Marvin Ntale during this time. The monthly cost of \$30 helps with food, clothes and school costs. The Coronavirus is hitting Uganda especially hard and all financial help is appreciated.

Please put your donation in with your offering envelope. Thank you!

Answer to Bible Quiz: A
(See Numbers 11:4-6



### 2nd Chance Computer



H & R Block in Modesto has recently donated 38 high-end desktops. Since desktops are not popular with most students, Terry was able to sell them to a private person, who paid \$500 for them. Yesterday, Terry drove to Stockton to pick up an additional 62 high-end desktops from the H & R Block in Stockton and the private person has indicated he would also like to purchase those systems.

On January 8th, Terry purchased 63 Chromebooks from Tri Valley Recycling and again on February 8, he purchased 58 Chromebooks. Please note that he only uses the dedicated money in the Computer Ministry Fund and there is still a remainder of the grant. After he has completed the scrubbing and installation of Cloud Ready Chrome OS, he then sends out a group e-mail to the school sites and other organizations on his list. Recently, he has added a couple more school sites. In addition, Community Hospice in Modesto continues to sell and ask for more desktops to sell in their thrift shop.

Please keep this wonderful ministry in your prayers!

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""Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?"

-Corrie ten Boom

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## Jesus, Our Savior Anglican Church LENT and HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2021

- + LENTEN SCHEDULE
- **†** ASH WEDNESDAY Service February 17 at noon
- **†** FRIDAYS of Lent Stations of the Cross @ Noon (2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26)
  - \* SUNDAYS of Lent Service @ 10 a.m. (2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21)
- + HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE
  - **★ Palm Sunday Service March 28 at 10:00** a.m.
  - **★Maundy Thursday Service April 1 at noon.**
  - **★ Good Friday Service-April 2 at noon.**
  - **★** Holy Saturday Service-April 3 at noon
  - **★Easter Sunday Service -April 4 at 10:a.m.**

We are following the **DIOCESAN GUIDELINES** for safe and healthy inperson worship inside the Church during the corona virus pandemic:

- 25% capacity of our Church space.
- ♦ 6 feet apart seating arrangement (same household may sit together).
- ♦ Wear a mask/covering (mask available at the door.



The Most Rev. Foley Beach,	
Archbishop, ACN	A
The Rt. Rev. Dr. Eric Menees	
Bishop	
The Rev. Woodrow Gubuan	
Rector	
The Rev. Tom Foster	
Rector Emeritu	ıs
Mary ScottSecretar	ry
Sarah PineSexto	n

#### Vestry

James O'Neill	Senior Warden
Nathanial Pine	Junior Warden
Seth Simas	Treasurer
Mary Scott	Secretary

Joan Court June Simas Audrey Foster Linda York Mary Harnisch

The Vestry meets the third Sunday of every month following the service.



#### Laud & Honor on Palm Sunday

The Palm Sunday anthem "All Glory Laud and Honor" is one of Christendom's oldest hymns. St. Theodulf of Orleans, who helped reform the church under Charlemagne, wrote the lyrics in the year 820 while imprisoned in France.

The lyrics recount Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, an event the medieval church reenacted every Palm Sunday. Clergy and townspeople processed from fields through the city gates, behind a Jesus figure riding a donkey. At the gates, children began singing the hymn in Latin — Gloria, laus et honor — and onlookers soon chimed in.

City gates may be a thing of the past, as the website Hymnary.org notes, yet we still praise our blessed Redeemer "because we know just what kind of King he was and is — an everlasting King who reigns not just in Jerusalem but over the entire earth. What more could we do but praise him with glory, laud and honor."

All glory, laud and honor to you, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring. You are the King of Israel and David's royal Son, now in the Lord's name coming, the King and Blessed One.

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### **Food Ministry**

Bob and Sharon Neller picked up all the accumulated food donations at the church and brought them into Interfaith Ministries. They were very impressed that the total donation weighed 74 pounds! Keep your food donations coming — they are needed more than ever during this difficult time.



Liz Basham Mary Harnisch June Simas Jim O'Neill Linda York

Editor.....Fr. Woodrow Gubuan Design & Format......Mary Scott

The church continues to pay rent, utility bills, office supplies and salaries. With your financial support during this difficult time, the church will continue to thrive. If you are unable to come to services, please mail your offering to the church or to Mary Scott. Thank you for your support!

\* Christian Symbols \*

#### **CROSS OF TRIUMPH**

Also known as the Cross of Victory, this cross symbolizes Christ's final triumph and his reign throughout the earth. The Cross of Triumph is often depicted atop Jesus' scepter when he's shown in his kingly office

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Did you know that regular attendance at church services will result in a reduction in stress, boost the immune system and decrease blood pressure? Additionally, people live an average of at least 1-2 years longer.

uring Lent, Lord, help us grow in faith, hope and love — "and the greatest of these is love" (1 Corinthians 13:13, NRSV).

# Prayers

• Tom D. • Margie M.

• Russell ◆ Jackie P.

• Shirley E. ◆ Tatum

◆ Art E. • Ruby L.

 Velmer R. • Richard T

• Mary Lee ◆ Bob Z.

• Claude K.

• Doug C. ◆ Luci B.

• Genie B.

• Margaret M. • Joan C.

• Kay K. • Pamela J • Don G. • Jenny A.

• Pat L. • Juanita T.

• Rex A. Russell

• Mary H. • Stephanie O. • Pat ◆ Margaret

◆ Liz B. • Mary S.

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

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February 19

#### Special Dates

•	African-American History Month	
•	Transfiguration Sunday	February 14
•	Valentine's Day	February 14
•	Presidents Day	February 15
•	Ash Wednesday	February 17
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•	World Day of Prayer	March 5

Bible Quiz

As the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, they longingly remembered some of the foods they'd had in

Egypt. Which foods were not mentioned?

A. carrots and potatoes C. fish and leeks

B. onions and garlic D. melons and cucumbers

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#### Answer to Kid's Page

Margaret Moore

★ Marilyn Gaa

Dove, owl, eagle, stork and sparrow, sparrows, sparrows

*	Nathanial Pine	January 20
*	Mary Scott	January 21
*	Ruth Carrillo	January 24
*	Luci Beyers	January 26
*	Glory Hernandez	February 7
*	Marjorie Mateyer	February 10
*	Willy Gaa	February 12
*	Velmer Reeh	February 12

t	Nicky Beyers	March 1
<b>t</b>	Suzana Pine	March 4
<b>t</b>	Angelina Pine	March 16
۲	Thomas Carrillo	March 28

If we don't have your birthday or anniversary, please let Mary Scott know.

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### The Kid's Page

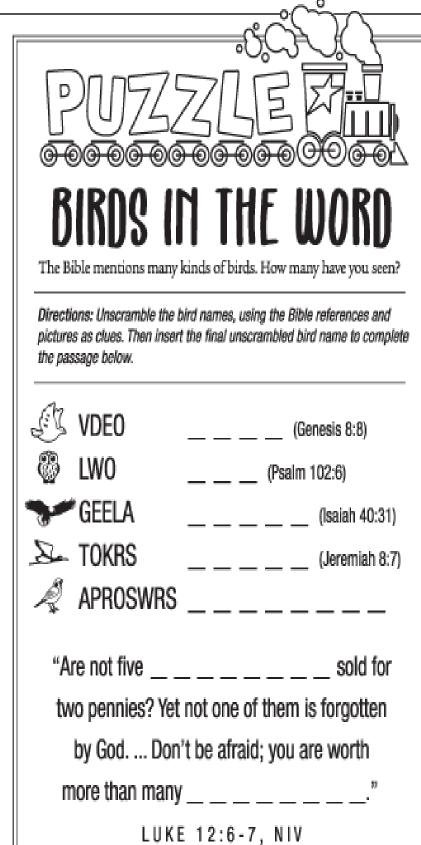


#### What you need:

- Peanut butter or vegetable shortening
- Plastic knife
- Empty toilet paper tube
- Bird seed
- A plate
- String

#### What you do:

- 1. Spread peanut butter or vegetable shortening on the tube, covering the entire outside surface.
- 2. Pour bird seed on a plate and roll the tube in the seeds.
- 3. Thread string through the tube and tie it to make a loop.
- 4. Hang the bird feeder outside. When seeds are eaten, coat the roll again.



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## The Rector's Message

### LENT IN THE TIME OF THE PANDEMIC

This is our second Lenten Season in the time of COVID-19. I would like us to reflect on the major ongoing difficulties and sufferings of the pandemic against the backdrop of the three traditional practices of Lent: Fasting, Almsgiving and Prayer.

**FASTING** involves self-denial. Because of the pandemic, we have been forced to deny ourselves from seeing and holding our loved ones, our relatives and friends. We denied ourselves of birthday and anniversary celebrations. We denied ourselves a vacation, or even the simple eating at our favorite restaurant. The pandemic has given us opportunities for self-denial.

The other side of self-denial is self-giving – the offering of ourselves back to God and to others. In denying ourselves, we free our life cumbersome loads and open it to God and to others. Fasting helps us to love God and our neighbor. The pandemic is giving us opportunities for self-giving.

**ALMSGIVING** involves the compassion and loving care of the poor and needy. During the pandemic we have seen and experienced new forms of poverty, of unemployment, of homelessness, of sickness, and of deaths. But new forms of almsgiving have also emerged: not just giving money and material things, but acts and gestures of kindness, words of comforts — phone call, text or email. There are those volunteer drivers to those living alone, volunteer aides and errand persons. The pandemic is giving us new opportunities to be compassionate and merciful.

**PRAYER** involves a childlike relationship with God. During the pandemic, there is lock down, and social distancing. More time at home is spent, and with this situation, more time to focus in prayer. With in-person worship cancelled or limited, there is more time on focusing on our relationship with God in prayer: personal or with our families. There is also the growth of awareness of the need for praying for one another, and for the needs of others. The pandemic is giving us new ways of praying and new opportunities of relating to God and to one another.

Yes, it has been a long year, and a new season of Lent is just getting started. But with the vaccine, there seems to be light at the end of the tunnel. Perhaps, it is just a reminder that the end of Lent is Easter – new life, new possibilities.

A holy Lent to one and all!



#### **Annual Meeting Held**

The annual meeting was held following the service on Sunday, February 14. Fr Woodrow reported that the Vestry agreed to remain for another year, along with the Diocesan delegates. He further noted that it has been a challenging year with inside services ending last March due to the Pandemic. We then went to mailing Morning Prayer bulletins and Communion in the Car beginning in July. Joan Clendenin and Fr. Tom were thanked for their donations to purchase a tent for outside services. We also want to give a big thank you to Nathanial, Gabriel and Isaiah Pine for faithfully setting up and then taking down the tent every Sunday.

Fr. Woodrow also noted that over the last year, Joan Simas reached her 50th year as a foster parent; Seth Simas received his doctorate in education; Gabriel Pine joined the Navy; Nancy Thomas for donating her paintings for a church fundraiser and Suzana Pine received a School Presidential Award in academic excellence. In addition, Fr. Woodrow reached his 50th year as a priest and Fr. Tom his 65th anniversary. He thanked Nathanial Pine for donating the paint and covering the graffiti with Robby Beyer's assistance. We also remembered the people we have lost this past year: Eva Breshears, Janet Miller and Jim Harnisch.

Seth Simas, our returning treasurer, reported on the church's financial status and noted that we will continue to use last year's budgeted amounts. Seth noted that 2021 pledges are below last year, but we are hopeful that with regular attendance we will reach that amount. He also thanked everyone for their help, especially Fr. Woodrow, Linda York and Mary Scott.

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The Bishop's Corner

The Rt. Rev. Eric Vawter Menees

#### **BURIAL COLLECTS**

Dear brothers and sisters,

I pray that this Bishop's Note finds you safe and well! We continue our examination of the 2019 Book of Common Prayer, and more specifically over the last several months we've been examining the Pastoral Rites. Last week we looked at the opening anthem that begins the actual burial. Today we cover the short section that immediately follows it, the burial collects.

Each Eucharist has a collect and these ones are similar in their structure and place in the service but with unique meanings. They help gather the thoughts and intentions of the service and summarize them. The first one does a wonderful job of framing the burial in the context of Christ's resurrection. When we as Christians look back at the resurrection it's not us looking at something that's myth or even just a historic event that we're disconnected from, it's us looking at an event with implications that reverberate throughout creation. We as Christians know that the resurrection wasn't just a singular event, it's a preview of what will happen to all the dead when Christ comes again. As Christians we live and die in the hope of the resurrection, not a vain hope like so many in the world, but a firm trust in the promises of Christ.

The second collect hits on that even more for pastoral reasons. The death of a loved one is hard but the death of a child is even worse. The collect is still about the resurrection, but it emphasizes God's mercy and our trust in that mercy in a way the first collect doesn't. It's not that the collects contradict each other at all, it's just a question of what our situation is and what does that lead us to in prayer.

And we get that in the third collect as well. The first two collects need to be said depending on whether the burial is for an adult or child, but this collect is optional. This collect lifts up in prayer the loved ones of the deceased. Including

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it is a great way to lift up a family that's struggling with a death and not only ask God directly to act in their lives, but remind them of the trust they can place in him.

I pray you all have a blessed first Sunday of Lent!

Your servant and bishop,

**Bp. Eric Menees** 

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The Officiant then says
The Lord be with you.
People And with your spirit.
Officiant Let us pray.

#### AT THE BURIAL OF AN ADULT

O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that your servant N., being raised with Christ, may know the strength of his presence and rejoice in his eternal glory; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### AT THE BURIAL OF A CHILD

O God, whose beloved Son took children into his arms and blessed them: Give us grace to entrust N. to your never-failing care and love, and bring us all to your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

The Officiant may add the following prayer

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: deal graciously with those who mourn [especially \_\_\_\_\_\_]. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Jim Harnisch June 1, 1936–February 8, 2021



We are very sorry to report that a member of our church family has recently passed into God's kingdom.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, February 26 at 11:30 a.m. at the church.



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#### **Daylight Saving Time**

Contributed by Linda York

Credit for Daylight Saving Time is attributed to Ben Franklin (who else), who suggested the idea in 1784 as a joke. British-born New Zealander George Hudson proposed the concept in 1885, but was ridiculed. The idea was revived in 1907 when William Willett, an Englishman, proposed a system in the pamphlet "The Waste of Daylight".

The Germans were the first to officially adopt the light-extending system in 1915 as a fuel-saving measure during World War I. The British switched one year later and the US followed in 1918, when Congress passed the Standard Time Act establishing our time zones. This experiment lasted only until 1920, when the law was repealed due to opposition from dairy farmers (cows don't pay attention to clocks).

During World War II, DST was imposed once again to save fuel. Since then, DST has been used on and off with different start and end dates. For 2021, DST begins at 2:00 a.m on the Second Sunday in March (March 14) and ends 2:00 a.m. on the first Sunday in November (November 7).



Though the date of Easter varies, the majority of the Lenten season occurs during March. In fact, the word *Lent* comes from the Anglo-Saxon

words *lenctentid* (meaning "March") and *lencten* (meaning "spring").

The first reference to Lent dates back to 325 AD, in one of the 20 canons decreed at the council of Nicaea. By the eighth century, Christians started observing Lent, and a 10th-century monk named Aelfric connected the use of ashes and "the Lenten fast" to the pre-Easter period.

Lent lasts 40 days to represent Jesus' time in the wilderness, when he was tempted by the devil. The six Sundays that occur between Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday aren't counted as part of Lent; instead, as the traditional day of worship, they're considered "mini-Easters."

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#### St. Patrick

Contributed by Linda York

St. Patrick, was he a real person? Yes, he was! He was born on the west coast of



Britain (England). His name was Maewyn Succat. At age 16, he was kidnapped (about AD 400) and carried off to Ireland to become a slave who worked as a shepherd. After six years, he escaped, returned home and received his call to preach the Gospel in a dream. He spent the next 15 years in a monastery preparing for his missionary work. His name was changed to Patricius, when he became a priest; eventually, he was called Patrick.

Although there were some Christians in Ireland, it was Patrick who spread Christianity throughout the land and brought an organized church into existence.

## Fun Facts about St. Patrick's Day

Blue was the color originally associated with St. Patrick, but green in now favored. St. Patrick's Day is the traditional day for planting peas. (English peas, I'm sure). If you decide to plan cabbage, plant the seeds while wearing your nightclothes to make them grow well.



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