

# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION



THE TRANSCRIPT

September 2022

## September 2022 – Rector’s Article

At the site where Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated, there is a plaque quoting Genesis 37:19-20. These are the words of Joseph’s brothers as they plotted to kill their younger brother Joseph:

“Behold, here cometh the dreamer! Let us slay him and we shall see what becomes of his dreams.”

Joseph had been having dreams in which he was symbolically elevated above the social station of his brothers. This did not sit well with his older brothers. At the insistence of the oldest brother, Reuben, Joseph’s brothers ultimately sold him into slavery instead of killing him, telling the lie to their father that a wild animal had killed his son. Meanwhile, as a slave to an Egyptian official, Joseph rose to a position of great trust and responsibility and ... skipping ahead in the story ... was eventually raised up to rule over all Egypt on Pharaoh's behalf.

That’s when famine drove Joseph’s brothers, who had no idea what had become of their younger brother, into Egypt to purchase grain. Joseph, recognizing his brothers, filled their grain-sacks and tucked in a few contraband items as well. After they were on their way, Joseph sent out soldiers to seek out the “stolen” contraband, which they found in the brothers’ grain sacks. Bewildered and terrified they came before the Pharaoh’s Grand Vizier to plead their innocence. Holding one as hostage, he demanded that they return to their father and bring back his youngest son, Benjamin.

Again, skipping ahead a bit ...

When they returned bringing Benjamin, Joseph could no longer contain himself and tearfully revealed himself to be the brother they sold into slavery. But he does not blame them. “This,” he told them, “was God’s purpose ... in which you all played your roles. Through you, God sent me ahead of you into Egypt so that I might provide for you in a time of need.”

Here are some lessons to take from this story:

By trying to resist the future, Joseph’s brothers helped make it happen.  
God can bring forth good things even from injustice, betrayal, and tragedy.

“Behold, here cometh the dreamer! Let us slay him and we shall see what becomes of his dreams.”

There were and still are many today who resist King’s famous dream, not realizing they are resisting their own liberation ... and ultimately helping to make it happen. In King’s words,

“ \*\*\* And when this happens, and when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God’s children, Black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual: Free at last. Free at last. Thank God almighty, we are free at last.”

... we shall see what becomes of his dreams.

*Joseph+*



## Anglican Cycle of Prayer and Sunday Scripture Readings

**Sunday 4 September 2022** 12th Sunday after Trinity Season of Creation The Anglican Church of Australia

Jeremiah 18:1-11  
Philemon 1-21

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17  
Luke 14:25-33

**Sunday 11 September 2022** 13th Sunday after Trinity Season of Creation The Church of Bangladesh

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28  
1 Timothy 1:12-17

Psalm 14  
Luke 15:1-10

**Sunday 18 September 2022** 14th Sunday after Trinity Season of Creation Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1  
1 Timothy 2:1-7

Psalm 79:1-9  
Luke 16:1-13

**Sunday 25 September 2022** 15th Sunday after Trinity Season of Creation The Anglican Church of Burundi

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15  
1 Timothy 6:6-19

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16  
Luke 16:19-31



## Vestry Corner

At the August Vestry meeting:

- July minutes approved with minor corrections.
- Treasurer's report was approved, pending audit.
- Father Joseph reported that Bill Bartlett is working on a new design/format for the Church website. Exciting!
- Several months ago a private school group had inquired about possibly renting our facility. They have since found another location closer to town center.
- Country Fair update – plans are progressing well for the Sept 16 & 1th Country Fair and Silent Auction. Posters and flyers are ready to go and will be put up soon in Sisters Country.
- Vestry signed paperwork necessary for Tracy's ordination process.
- Saturday evening church picnic on the lawn will happen on weekend.

Submitted by Sydney Harrison

## 25<sup>th</sup> Country Fair & Silent Auction!

As you all know, the **25<sup>th</sup> Annual Country Fair and Silent Auction** is on September 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. The event begins with a reception on Friday from 5-8pm, which includes refreshments, music, special artists, and a big Silent Auction! The event continues on Saturday with the popular Country Fair from 10am-3pm. Oh, and more Silent Auctions too! The popular Café Transfig will be open, with delicious pulled pork sliders and chili on the menu. And, yes, the famous Marionberry Cobbler will be back at the Sweet Tooth booth!



The Good Book booth is gearing up (are you gathering your gently used books to donate?) so your home bookshelves can be ready for Winter!



This year the Animal area will have mustangs, chickens, maybe goats, and probably other surprises. The kids, young and old, love the animals!



The Children's Area will be busy and noisy with laughter, fun, and friendship!

The Country Store will focus on Fall produce, gift items, their famous jams, jellies, and soup mixes, plus new specialty items! Come check out what is new.



Don't forget that all of the funds earned will be returned through the Outreach Committee to community organizations that support families and children. Please come out and support the

Country Fair and the special Sisters community! Your participation is so important for this to be the success it should be!!  
See you at the Country Fair!!



### **The Good Book Booth Volunteers needed?**

If you are donating or buying books can you also volunteer a few hours during the Monday-Thursday mornings before the fair to help sort the books? We usually work from 10am-noon each day. I really need your help! On Country Fair day, Sept. 17, I also need a few more volunteers to help staff the booth to assist customers or act as cashier in the afternoon. Sign up sheets for both activities will be in the gallery, or you can email me at:[adamson1951@gmail.com](mailto:adamson1951@gmail.com).

Martha Adamson, Chairman, Good Book Booth 2022



### **2022 - 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Country Store Baked Goods**

It is time again to start thinking and planning what baked goods you might like to provide for the Country Store Booth at this year's Country Fair. Please sign up if you can help us by indicating what item(s) you would like to provide. Some examples are Sweet Breads, Cakes, Pies, Brownies, Cookies, Cupcakes, Muffins, Scones, Biscotti, and Gluten-Free items, etc. (Sign-up sheet is in the church entry).

Please note: Items may be made in advance and frozen. All items must be labeled and delivered to the undercroft at church no later than noon on **Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>**.

If you have questions, please contact  
Eloise Barry at 541-595-5338.

Thank you for your support in making the Country Store successful for our 25<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary. We appreciate your help.



### **Country Fair and Silent Auction**

Friday Night September 16th at 5pm - join us for the Silent Auction  
and light refreshments.

Saturday September 17th, 10am-3pm - come join in the fun at the Country Fair!

### **Scheduled Meetings**

- **Yoga Class** meets the first 3 Tuesdays of each month at 4:30pm in the Community Hall.
- **The Prayer Shawl Ministry** Meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 10:30am in the Community Hall.
- **Caregivers Support Group** Meets every 3rd Tuesday at 10:30am in the Community Hall.
- **Centering Prayer** meets every Wednesday in the Community Hall at 12:15pm.
- **AA** Meets Thursday evenings at 7:00pm in the Community Hall and Saturday mornings at 8:00am
- **Choir Practice** Will resume in September
- **Women's Spirituality Group** Will resume in the fall.
- **Adult Bible Study:** Meetings will resume in the fall.



## **BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES**

### **Birthdays:**

Eloise Barry, Sept. 1  
Raydene Heitzhausen, Sept. 5  
Bob Reed, September 6  
Len Atkins, Sept. 7  
Sandra Seymour, Sept. 9  
John Collins, Sept.17  
Jim Monroe, Sept 20  
Soren Smith, Sept. 27  
Doug Rude, Sept.28

Greg Pozovich, Sept. 3  
Margery Guthrie, Sept. 6  
Shannon Pozovich, Sept. 6  
Frank Beaver, Sept. 8  
Frank Guthrie, Sept.11  
Doug Bermel, Sept.17  
Jan Baldwin, Sept.22  
Serafina Smith, Sept.28

### **Anniversaries:**

Frank & Margery Guthrie, September 8  
Rodger & Carolyn Gabrielson, September 10  
Dave & Eloise Barry, September 13  
Darrell & Lael Cooksley, September 17  
Bob & Ellie Hammond, September 18  
Stephen and Jennifer King, September 20  
Dave & Marsha Lewis, September 27  
Chris & Marcia Wood, September 29

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

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MINISTER TO OUR COMMUNITY

### **Vestry**

Cory Bradshaw, Sr. Warden  
Betsy Beaver, Jr. Warden  
David Wentworth  
Dee Larsen  
Gayla Nelson  
Sydney Harrison  
Bill Monahan  
Steve Amsberry

### **Term Expires**

Dec. 2022  
Dec. 2024  
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