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ST. JAMES' THE APOSTLE

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*From the
Rector*



Dear People of God,

The past two Sundays have been the celebrations of Pentecost and The Holy Trinity. Both of these Sundays have been all about the glory of God.

We have now entered into what is known as ordinary time. It is indeed the season of Pentecost, and in this Liturgical year there are twenty-seven Sundays of Pentecost. Last Pentecost is November 25th and is also Christ the King Sunday. So, Pentecost begins with two major celebrations and ends with yet another. In between is that time in the valley, the time of doing as the disciples of the Christ have done, proclaiming the Gospel, living the Great Commission, and with a deliberate act, fulfilling our Baptismal Covenant. Well, this 2nd Sunday after the Pentecost has a very interesting way of entering into that time. Mark's Gospel details two cases of Jesus (and his disciples) doing 'work' on the sabbath; one immediately after the other. In both cases Jesus essentially puts the Jews in their place by addressing what is the intent of God's law.

We know, of course, that Law of Moses was and is paramount to the Jews, and that Jesus openly stated that he supported that point of view. What he wants them to understand is that it is not merely the law that was established by a man, even if it was given through Moses, but that it is the Law of God. As such, he, "the Son of Man, is Lord even over the sabbath."

Mark goes on from here to detail many other events in which Jesus was in conflict with the Jews (to be read as the leadership) because of their legalism and the threat to their status by the new teaching of the Son of Man.

For us, this has a parallelism to this season of ordinary time. Jesus was about the work that he came to do in the Name of the Father. As John 3:17, included in the readings for Trinity Sunday reads, "Indeed, God did

not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." In the process of doing that he fulfilled the Law through his ministry by revealing the Father in whose image we are made.

He defined for them and for us what is the great commandment and the second that is like it. He also gave us a new command to love one another as he has loved us. That would be a love that is sacrificial and given for the benefit of the other. A work-a-day love poured out that others would come to know the Lord God Almighty and gain eternal life.

What has always been the hard part for us is that it means we are always and everywhere about the Great Commission. It has always been hard for those who do, in fact, believe, to live as Jesus lived, loving as he loved.

Just as the disciples did when they were on the Mount of Transfiguration, we want to stay on the mountain top — above it all. You know, like on Christmas, Easter, Pentecost and Trinity Sunday. But, the work of the Gospel is in the conflict of proclaiming the Good News of God in Christ Jesus.

Ordinary time can allow us to become a bit apathetic to the mission we have been commanded — and by the way, that we promised / covenanted to accomplish. The example we have from Jesus in those two early cases of Mark's Gospel is that conflict will come when we are about the mission and ministry of the faith. God's Holy Spirit will be our Advocate, our Counselor in such times. Jesus stood against wrong teaching, I hesitate to use the term false teaching, as an example of who and what we are to be. Ask yourself how that is being manifested in your own life.

God bless you and keep you,
and hold you always
in the palm of his hand,
Fr. Tommy

St. James' Lay Ministries - June, 2018

SERVING DURING WORSHIP THIS MONTH

USHERS

Maggie Ray

LECTORS/CHALICERS

03-Benja Gibson
10-Jo Munn
17-Margaret MacKinnon
24-Melina Elum

ALTAR

Lynn Dwyer
Nina Kaufmann

ACOLYTES

Diana Burkett

*** As always, we still need MORE servers; many hands make light work.**

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

*Our Ministry of Caring
May and June*

Diana Burkett and Helen Quackenbush



**God bless all the Saints celebrating Birthdays
and Anniversaries this month**

Birthdays

Lina Minzner	06/09	Jo Ann Timbrook	06/16	Rita Beasley	06/21
Don Ray	06/23	Bill Thomas	06/26		

Anniversaries

(If we missed any please let the office know)

Parish Prayer List - June, 2018

Our Family and Friends:

 Blake Quay, Roger Beasley, Jack Gaffney, Susan Gannon, Bert Munn, Sandra Burgamy, Roberta Cozine, Marjean Gabelhausen, Bobby Costin, Mary Wilkinson, Diana Epple, Sheila Mahlkov, Jean Peters, Nicole Windolf, Michelle, Steven & Edward Fruge, Richard Quackenbush, Casey Sanke, Victoria Elum-Zink, Leslie Griggs-Rhodes, The Rev. Cass Daly, Julia Colton, Katie Gannon, Mike McKinney, Carol McKenzie, Eric Campbell, Sylvia Costin, Nicki Brimer, Dustin Martina, Mary Agnes Kilbourn, Ann Roberts, Pauline Pendarvis, Charles Nelson, Kathy Rogers, Jack Collier, Bob & Jo Ann Timbrook, Hannah Smallwood, Ci & Ashby Jones, Cameron and Elba & Loxley Work Releases, Easterling & Fountain/JO Davis Correctional Facilities.

Our Military and Civil Servants:

 Brian Thomas Rogers, Trey Munn, Jesse Burkett, Bryan Tune, Jamie Squire, Lakin Chaffer, Brogan & Jamil Arroyo and Zachary Minzner Pipkorn, Richard Lhotan.



In the News this Month

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

We bring you all the *news* that is the *news*, and fit to print, right here for your reading pleasure. Peruse and enjoy!



Education News

Adult Study

We joined the Diocese in its partnership with Forward Day by Day as a Lenten / Easter study of Luke /Acts. The study has been dubbed The Good Book Club.

The Study and Lunches began with Lent on Wednesday, February 21st at 12:00 Noon. Lent is now past and we have entered into the Eastertide. The study continued on Wednesdays at Noon as our Adult Study all the way to Pentecost.

This has been a marvelous study. Fr. Tommy has posted the daily Good Book Club reading on our facebook page and then Nina has picked them up and added it to our webpage. Since the study has now finished, we have returned to Fr. Tommy's daily selection of Scripture passages to post. The postings will just be a bit shorter than those for the study.

If you participated and enjoyed the study, please tell Fr. Tommy. The Good Book Club is planning another study — on Romans — that will begin in Epiphany.

In the interim, we will break from study for the Summer. We reconvene in the Fall with a look the Old Testament Book of Leviticus. This is the detailing of the Law of Moses. Come see!

What are the areas of the Episcopal Church?

The Episcopal Church is a member of the world wide Anglican Communion of Churches. As the American progeny of the Church of England, the traditions and architecture of both its parish churches and diocesan cathedrals have been strongly influenced by the same in the United Kingdom. Episcopal churches and their cousins look very much like Roman Catholic Churches at first glance due to a shared heritage.

ENTRANCE AREAS — Many Episcopal churches have their doors painted red. The color traditionally signifies that refuge from persecution could be offered inside. There is also the story that doors are painted red to signal the Church's Anglican heritage since the English flag's primary color is red. Once inside the door, you are in the entrance area of the church called the vestibule. Some churches following an Anglo-Catholic tradition may have a font of holy water by the door for congregant use if they choose. The vestibule leads to the rear of the church called the narthex. This traditionally was the area in the early church where non-baptized believers would go to be instructed in the Christian faith. Next comes the Nave where the congregant seating is located. Most Episcopal churches use pews for seating. When you sit down, you will see a red Book of Common Prayer in the cubby in front of you. The church uses this prayer book to guide Congregants through the responsive liturgies. Many congregants kneel to pray during certain parts of the service. In the middle of the nave and often to the sides are aisles. They are designed and utilized for liturgical processions and easy access for the congregants to partake of the Eucharist. Next are the Transept, Chancel, Altar, Rails and Sacristy.

Bert Munn, SW

VESTRY

Our next meeting is Sunday, *June 17th* at 9:45am in the Conference Room.

Your Vestry

Bert Munn – Sr. Warden
Jim Askew – Jr. Warden
Nina Kaufmann
Jean Faliski
Jack Gaffney
Margaret MacKinnon
Rosemary Lhotan – Clerk of the Vestry
Al Minzner – Treasurer

St. James' Monthly Activities

Vestry

Sunday, June 17th at 9:45 AM.

Daughters of the King

Every second and fourth Tuesday, Noon.

Quilters

Every second and fourth Thursday, 7:00 PM.

Adult Education

None over the summer.

Episcopal Church Women

None over the summer.

Episcopal Church Men

Suspended

Art and Soul

Every Thursday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

Mahjong

Every Tuesday from 9:00 AM to Noon

(All times are Eastern).

Taste and See That the LORD is Good

Easy Crispy Orange Chicken

*4 boneless skinless cubed chicken thighs
2 Tbs. Corn starch
1/2 C. Orange Sauce
1 tsp. diced scallions*

*4 egg whites
1/2 C. vegetable oil
2 tsp. sesame seeds*

Whisk egg whites and cornstarch in a medium sized bowl until frothy. Place chicken pieces into mixture and allow to rest for 10 minutes. Using a medium heavy bottomed skillet, heat oil to 350 degrees. Carefully drop coated chicken pieces into hot oil, lightly stirring. Cook until golden brown, about 5 minutes. Remove chicken from oil onto a paper towel lined dish. Drain excess oil. Place chicken back into the oil for about 1 minute. Remove from pan. Heat the orange sauce and combine with the chicken. Toss in sesame seeds and garnish with scallions. Serve Warm.

8 servings

