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*News & events from
All Saints Episcopal Church
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APRIL 2009

HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2009

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION/PALM SUNDAY – APRIL 5
PROCESSION WITH PALMS AND HOLY EUCHARIST
8:00 & 10:30 A.M.



MAUNDY THURSDAY – APRIL 9
FELLOWSHIP MEAL - 6:00 P.M.

HOLY EUCHARIST WITH THE WASHING OF FEET AND STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR
7:30 P.M.

VIGIL IN THE CHAPEL
9:00 P.M. MAUNDY THURSDAY – 12:00 NOON GOOD FRIDAY



GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 10
THE GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY – 12:00 NOON
WITH THE PASSION ACCORDING TO JOHN, THE SOLEMN COLLECTS,
THE VENERATION OF THE CROSS, AND COMMUNION FROM THE RESERVED SACRAMENT
(THE CHURCH WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 3:00 P.M. FOR PRAYER)



EASTER EVE – SATURDAY APRIL 11
THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER – 8:00 P.M.
KINDLING OF THE NEW FIRE, LIGHTING AND BLESSING OF THE NEW PASCHAL CANDLE,
HOLY BAPTISM AND RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT, FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER



EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 12
HOLY EUCHARIST - 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.
EASTER EGG HUNT AND EASTER BRUNCH TO FOLLOW – ALL WELCOME!

THE GREAT TRIDUUM

By Rodney Gehrke, Director of Music

The three days from Maundy Thursday until Easter Day are collectively known as the Triduum, simply translated as "Three Days." In practice, the term is used most to refer to the liturgies of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil. These days are most revered by Christians because on them we celebrate the events surrounding the death and resurrection of Jesus, and thus, the nature and mystery of our own redemption.

Originally, the Church celebrated these events as one great feast. Later, as the Church grew in numbers after the end of the persecutions in the fourth century, the entire group of church festivals was enlarged, and the distinct observances of the various happenings in Jesus' life came into being. The Triduum, as we celebrate it, achieved its basic shape at least by the fifth century.

Since the entire Rite of the Church relates to the Triduum, reverent Christians latched onto some of the ceremony of these days with unmatched fervor. Thus, although many details of worship practice have changed over twenty centuries of the Christian era, many elements of the Triduum liturgies have remained unchanged since earliest times.

The Maundy Thursday liturgy ("maundy" comes from the Latin word mandatum meaning "mandate" or "commandment" -- Jesus said to his disciples on this night, "a new commandment I give to you, that you love one another") includes two special elements. The feet of some worshipers are washed in remembrance of Jesus' act of humility at the Last Supper. After

the Eucharist is celebrated (it was at the Last Supper that Jesus instituted our sharing of his body and blood in Holy Communion), the altar and sanctuary are stripped of linens and vessels, as Jesus was stripped the night he was betrayed. Reserved sacrament is brought to the chapel, where members keep vigil through the night until the Good Friday liturgy. Significantly, there is no benediction at either Maundy Thursday or Good Friday in order to link them with the Easter Vigil symbolically, as was the practice of the early Church.



The Good Friday liturgy has four main elements: first and foremost, the entire Passion story from St. John's Gospel is read, as has been done since earliest times. St. John's Passion emphasizes the glory of the crucified Jesus, triumphant even in death. Second, the Church offers "solemn" (meaning elaborate, formalized) prayers to God: prayers for the Church and its leaders, for the people of God, for those separated from the faith, and for the world. The prayers are summed up by our archetypal prayer, the Our

Father. Then the cross is brought to the altar in procession, and we meditate on the inestimable love of God and the sacrifice of Jesus in the adoration of the cross. The liturgy concludes by sharing the Eucharist from sacrament reserved at the Maundy Thursday celebration. Once again, there is no benediction at this liturgy. The unitive celebration of the climactic happenings of Jesus' death and resurrection continues.

The Great Vigil of Easter on Holy Saturday is the climax of not only the Triduum but of the entire Church Year. It is the oldest, richest, and most elaborate of liturgies. In it the church experiences with Christ the passage from death to life. The Vigil is made up of four parts. In the first, the Service of Light, the new fire is blessed from which the new Paschal Candle is lighted. The people are led into the darkened church by the "pillar of fire" just as the children of Israel were led through the desert after their escape from Egypt. Then, in the magnificent Easter Proclamation ("Exsultet"), the Church praises God for the light of Christ.

The second part of the Vigil consists of four readings from the Old Testament, in which we hear of God's saving mercy to the Israelites. These readings sum up the Church's understanding of God's redemptive power for the people of the Covenant, and we also see in the stories' rich imagery the prefiguring of Jesus' death and resurrection. One of the stories is that of the Exodus from Egypt and how God threw the Egyptians into confusion in the Red Sea while safely leading the children of Israel through, unharmed. The symbolism of water and drowning to sin are at the root of the Christian theology of Baptism.

The third part of the Vigil picks up on the theme of water in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. The

Easter Vigil was the original time for new Christians to be baptized in the early Church. In Baptism, we die with Christ to be raised with him to eternal life. At this point in the liturgy, all worshipers are also called upon to renew their own baptismal vows.

Finally, we celebrate the first Eucharist of Easter. We rejoice with the Church Eternal that the Risen Christ gives himself to us in the sharing of his body and blood. Indeed, this is what we celebrate every Sunday, for all Sundays are "little Easters" in which we praise God for our salvation, nurture each other through prayer, and share in the meal which Jesus instituted for us.

In the dramatic liturgies of the Triduum, Christians are given unique opportunities to participate in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Since we are members of Christ's body, these liturgies are not mere relics, mere reminders of what happened almost 2,000 years ago. These liturgies, in the deepest sense, define who we are. They are special yearly pilgrimages that remind us of our identity, for we are Christ, here and now, Christ died yet resurrected.

A good deal of the music of these liturgies is likewise ancient: plainchant psalms, canticles, and hymns. Following ancient tradition, we will not use musical instruments from Good Friday until the Easter Proclamation at the Vigil Eucharist. Unaccompanied song, so effective in our resonant worship space, will support the liturgies with timeless beauty.

Plan to join us for all of these marvelous liturgies!



VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

March 10, 2009

The Vestry extended *thanks* to:

Susan Barkan for providing homemade bread for the Vestry retreat; **Joanne Westendorf, Tom, Margaret, and Sarah Wootton** for spearheading the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper; **Lauren Bonomi** for her extensive work on the All Saints' website; **Sigrid Pinsky, Christian Pease, Lauren Bonomi, and Susan Reaves** for their exhaustive efforts on marketing and improving the All Saint' facilities.

Margaret Weil reported on a new outreach initiative called Capernaum Fellowship inspired by Bishop Mary and proposed at a recent Deanery meeting. This project would support parolees and their families. (See Margaret's article at page 7 for details.)

Peter Keep presented an idea for evangelism at All Saints' with the theme: "There is a place for you at All Saints'," including All Saints' business-like cards that every parishioner could carry with her/him in a purse or wallet.

Lauren Bonomi announced that hospitality after the 10:30 service on Sunday March 15 would be a preview of the Campus Community Mixer, which was held on March 25.

Nancy Cohen and Charlie Weigle reported that at the end of January pledged income fulfillment was 14% of the total for year even though we were only 8% through 2009. This may be due primarily to pledge payments by those who make a single payment in January or prepay in December for tax purposes. Nancy also reported that we have submitted a letter asking for a reduction of \$4700 in our Diocesan Fair Share payment for 2008, and proposing a revised formula for calculating our diocesan assessment.

Sherridan reported finding 300 emails in her inbox. It was suggested that every email does not need to be "replied to all". Sherridan attended the diocesan clergy retreat in San Juan Bautista. Her high priorities for the parish include stewardship, effective parish communication, and top-notch adult formation. She would also like to work with a worship committee.

The Vestry will engage in several strategic planning meetings on the evenings of Tuesdays April 14, 21, and 28 from 6 to 9pm. The Finance Committee will present a Finance 101 seminar for Vestry members at their convenience. The Parish Picnic "Mass on the Grass" will be June 7 at Foothill Park with a Eucharist service at 11am. An 8am service will take place as usual in All Saints' sanctuary.

**COMMUNITY
SUPPORT & SERVICE
ALL SAINTS MEN'S
GROUP**

Interview with Dennis

Romley

By Diane Frankle

We have enjoyed the labors of our wonderful Men's Group at our annual Christmas party and our Easter brunch for many years. What goes on in that Men's Group, anyway, and how do they turn out such a yummy feast for us? I sat down with Dennis Romley to learn more about this All Saints' "community within our community."

Diane: Dennis, thanks for meeting with me. I have wanted to learn more about the Men's Group for some time, and I know you are very active!

Dennis: I actually just came from one of our Men's Group Breakfasts, and we talked about this interview - I can share our collective thoughts on the group.

Diane: Wonderful! First things first! How did the Men's Group get started?

Dennis: I don't remember the year now, but the Men's Group was started by Rod McCaulley during Margaret Irwin's rectorship. Rod was our curate back then, and he thought it would be a good idea for the men to get together. We began meeting on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. We had two breakfasts a month.

Diane: And what was the plan for the breakfasts?

Dennis: The format today is pretty much as it was when we

started – we pray, we eat and we "check in" with each other. The "check in" time is important to us – we each have an opportunity to "say what's up with us" and with "dedicated listeners."

Diane: You mentioned that you pray?

Dennis: There is a spiritual component each time we meet. This varies a lot. A volunteer takes responsibility for this segment of the breakfast. We might have a poem, a prayer, a facilitated meditation, or something else.



Dennis Romley

Diane: It sounds like you have a lot of variety in approach to the spiritual component.

Dennis: We do! A special meeting of the Men's Group happens in June most years – we typically do a special breakfast focused on our fathers in honor of Fathers' Day. We bring in photos and stories and talk about our fathers and our relationships with them.

Diane: Are you still meeting 2 breakfasts a month?

Dennis: No, we stopped meeting for breakfast on the third Thursday of the month. We wanted to attract some men that couldn't meet for breakfast, and so we just started an evening meeting once a month. We are now meeting the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. We've met in the evening twice and our next meeting is on March 17.

Diane: What do you do at the dinners?

Dennis: It's evolving. The first time we had chocolates and "check in." In February we met at the Renaissance Café, bought takeout dinner and brought it to the Library and shared our meal together. It is good to have a meal together. We are talking about doing some different things, and different formats – perhaps, for example, a speaker on an inspirational topic.

Diane: Are the members of the evening group the same as those who attend the breakfast or different?

Dennis: Many of the men who have come to the evening meetings also regularly attend the breakfast meetings, but we have also attracted some new members who haven't come to the breakfasts.

Diane: How many men attend the breakfast meeting?

Dennis: The breakfast group has varied from 8 to 15 members over the years; in early days it was 12-15 members, and dipped down for awhile but it is back up to 12-15 typically these days. We usually cook for 12. We email through a google group that

Bruce Delagi set up for us recently and we have all of the men who are interested in attending on that group.

Diane: I wondered whether you communicated between meetings, and how you coordinated the breakfast cooking.

Dennis: We use email to communicate about our monthly meetings. John Tinsley is currently our coordinator for the breakfasts. We trade that responsibility around the group. Currently Ken Van Bree is our coordinator for the dinners. The breakfast coordinator needs to arrange for 1 person to cook, 1 to help the cook, and 1 to provide a spiritual component. We have a schedule for the meetings and people come as often as they can.

Diane: So the google group is larger than 15?

Dennis: Yes, the email group for the Men's Breakfast is quite a bit larger than 15 – maybe 30 or more men, and we all come as often as we can. Also some of our unhoused neighbors attend sometimes, and they always make a good contribution to our discussions.

Diane: What is the schedule for the breakfasts?

Dennis: The cooks get to the church by 6:30 a.m. and we have breakfast at 7:00 a.m. Today we had French toast, sausage, fresh strawberries and coffee - of course, there is always coffee! Ken Van Bree makes a wonderful dish with eggs, cheese, onions and ham in a plastic bag, with salsa. Some guys will bring bagels and cream cheese – we call them the “cooking

challenged.” The important thing is gathering for a meal.

Diane: But you aren't cooking a meal together for the dinners, so far.

Dennis: No, the dinners will likely be carry out or a restaurant; we are tired in the evening and it is nice to let someone else worry about the cooking.

Diane: In the morning, who pays for the food?

Dennis: It costs about \$20-\$30 to do breakfast for 12 – the cook and the helper often share the expense, or each of the two participants might bring part of the ingredients. One year early on, I volunteered to cook 26 breakfasts and I collected money to fund the breakfasts. That year we actually developed recipes and we documented it with a cookbook.

Diane: Wow, I didn't remember that! Tell me about that project!

Dennis: We called the cookbook Thursday's Breakfasts -- Turning Normal Into Extraordinary and it is still available at [lulu.com!](http://www.lulu.com/browse/preview.php?FCID=1484048) [Interviewer Note: The link is <http://www.lulu.com/browse/preview.php?FCID=1484048>. All Saints receives a small amount of money from any sales of the book, and it is quite a fun read!] The recipes are mostly from me, and some from Ken Van Bree and some from others in the Men's Group. The idea was to use really common ingredients (eggs, cheese, tomatoes, peppers, breakfast meats, avocado, tortillas, etc.), but to give a novel or interesting twist on the old standbys. We called it a Boundaryless Cooking Experience. We gave fun names to the recipes.

Diane: It sounds like there was some Mexican influence?

Dennis: That was from me, actually. My father pioneered the concept of Mexican food for the general public in Arizona in 1946 – he had the first Mexican restaurant for the general public there and had 6-7 restaurants in his lifetime. I worked in restaurants as a chef, a manager, and sold tortillas, chilis and tomatoes as a wholesaler to restaurants. I learned all about Mexican food.

Diane: So give me an example of a recipe you used.

Dennis: One was a twist on a comment from John Tinsley – John noticed that no one ordered two eggs, one scrambled and one fried. So we did a dish with just those components, a fried egg and one scrambled egg, as well as chorizo and some peppers, and other flavors. Some of the recipes are more complex and some are simpler.

Diane: So when were you doing this cookbook?

Dennis: We did all the recipes in 2006. We took over a year to cook and develop the recipes – that was my contribution to the cookbook. Ken Van Bree was my partner and he took photos and got the cookbook published on line. I really enjoyed creating the recipes and writing them down. Lulu charges a bit of money so there isn't much profit, but you can download a version of the cookbook and put it in a 3 ring binder. It was a really fun project and we agreed to donate any profits to All Saints'.

Diane: I am definitely going to find a copy of that cookbook and I recommend it to all of our parishioners and friends – Thursday's Breakfasts at [lulu.com](http://www.lulu.com).



Thanks for the information! Now other than the cookbook, which sounded really fun, what is the purpose of the Men's Group; that is, what do people get out of it?

Dennis: Three main things for me, anyway. First, a sense of community for a group of men. Second, service – we have a great role providing holiday meals to the parish and we really take a lot of pride in that. Third, support – in troubling times we offer support and love to one another. For example, after 9/11 we all supported each other. On Father's Day we also offer each other support while we remember the past and hear about one of our most significant relationships. One thing this allows us to understand is that we are not alone. We hear what others are addressing and find out that we face some really common challenges. We are inspired to take on our challenges.



Diane: I was interested in hearing about your spiritual offerings – these sound very eclectic.

Dennis: Yes our spiritual portion is quite varied. Also our program varies to address what is going on in the parish. For example, this morning we only had a very limited check in, because we had two questions I wanted to pose to the entire group – one was about getting feedback on the interim search process and the other was seeking some group feedback for this interview.

Diane: Another thing that sounds important is the idea that the group keeps each other's information confidential.

Dennis: We have a rule – “what happens in the kitchen, stays

in the kitchen.” We all understand that we are all part of the human condition and we treat each other and our sharing with integrity and respect.

Diane: How did you wind up doing the meals at Easter and Christmas?

Dennis: It's funny – I remember that Julia Ball, a former parishioner, coined a phrase about this during Margaret Irwin's era – “women in the pulpit and men in the kitchen.” We were asked to do the Christmas dinner one year a long time ago, and the job stuck – we own it! We do the dinner for the Christmas party, and the luncheon for Easter. Christmas is the bigger job.

Diane: What's involved at Christmas?

Dennis: Christmas involves roast beef (rib roasts), turkey, 3-4 different vegetables, potatoes, salad and rolls, etc. We have to go shopping – it takes 3-4 men 2 hours on a Saturday to shop and then haul the food into the church. Then I like to prepare the meat with a special rub – it is often pretty adventuresome. We wrap up the meat for Sunday roasting. Then we have committees that come in on Sunday morning on a rigorous schedule.

Diane: What types of things are on the schedule?



Dennis: We have one team that washes and prepares the vegetables (typically brussel sprouts and green beans), peeling, slicing and dicing the potatoes, chopping the beans, rinsing lettuce for the salad and such. Then another team prepares all the vegetables and

makes the salads. All day Ken and Dennis cook the meat. We've had a turkey the last 2-3 years, which we cook out on a Weber – we need to baste, of course.

Diane: I always wondered why this cooking took the whole day.



Dennis: It is a retreat day for us and it is really wonderful. There is music, there are appetizers to munch on, and wine and quiet fellowship among the men. We see lots of the parishioners stopping by to check in and drop things off and they visit with us.

Diane: And then it comes time to serve!

Dennis: Yes, that is quite exciting – we can serve 100 people in 15 minutes – there are teams slicing and carving meat, teams carrying platters to the buffet tables, and taking empties back, and then we make sure the table is full. Last year we had some budget issues, so the parish brought the vegetables and we just made the meat. One year I made salad dressing from scratch. It can be bigger and more labor intensive some years and a bit less involved in other years, but always fun!

Diane: And what about your role for Easter?

Dennis: Our part of the Easter brunch is quite a bit easier – we have a traditional potluck brunch, as you know, and the men are only responsible for the ham. Easter is coming on April 12 and we are already planning. I always buy whole hams on sale because they are more flavorful than the spiral cut hams. We cook the ham to have ready after the service and we have to carve the hams and get

those platters out to the buffet. It is a great way for a man who is interested in joining the group to get a taste of the fun time we have!

Diane: These dinners really are productions and sure take a lot of planning!

Dennis: You are right about that! In the early days we had a chef at the Palo Alto Club who was hired to help us organize and run the Christmas dinner. I think he ran it for us 2 years, and then one

Christmas he was unavailable and we decided to just do it ourselves. We have schedules and timetables and it is quite organized.

Diane: Well, it is really an impressive feat – both Christmas and Easter dinners are quite wonderful affairs and we always enjoy seeing our men in the kitchen. Dennis, thanks for sharing with me about your experiences with the Men's Group. This is a wonderful community and I am so glad it is thriving here at All Saints.' I hope

that we can count on the Men's Group as our chief cooks for many years to come! Thanks to all the men in the Men's Group for all you do!



*Don't forget the Easter Brunch in the Parish Hall immediately following the egg hunt after the 10:30 service on Easter morning.
Everyone is welcome!*

CAPERNAUM FELLOWSHIP

By Margaret Weil
Delegate from All Saints'
to the Santa Clara Valley Deanery

The Santa Clara Valley Deanery, of which All Saints' is a part, has agreed to sponsor and develop a new ministry called **Capernaum Fellowship**. This new ministry, initiated by Bishop Mary, is a re-entry program for ex-offenders coming out of Santa Clara County jails and their families. It will be held at San Jose's Trinity Cathedral, chosen for its central location and public transportation.

The focus of the program will be to provide a Christian community for families, supporting them as they make the very difficult adjustment of re-entering the outside world after being incarcerated. Capernaum Fellowship is expected to be a weekly program having three parts: **A time for worship** – as structured as a Eucharist or as open as an extemporaneous Prayers of the People; **a fellowship time**, including a meal; and **a resource time** for training and/or discussion of topics which help individuals to become more self-sustaining. A program for children will be available during the adults' resource time. Information will be available on resources such as food pantries, clothes closets, free meals, various trainings for jobs, etc., but Capernaum Fellowship will not provide these services itself.

Five areas have been identified where people are needed to volunteer:

- People interested in developing and/or providing meaningful liturgy
- People willing to help with the meal (money for the first year is available for this)
- People willing to work on short programs to help strengthen life skills
- People willing to help with short programs for children and teens (Godly Play, etc.)
- People to work on communications – publicity, developing flyers, etc.

Next Steps: Right now, the most important elements are praying for this new ministry, getting the word out about it, and assessing interest. An immediate goal is to develop a roster of people who feel called to this meaningful endeavor. An organizational meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 21, at 7:30 p.m. at a place to be determined. You will hear more about this in the days and weeks ahead.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

We are using the Seasons of the Spirit curriculum for K-5th grade right now (while still using the best aspects of Godly Play.) It is working well because it follows the same liturgy we use in our service. We are focusing on the readings and then talking about how they relate to our lives. We use various exercises (readings, art, acting out, etc.) and feel the children are connecting.

We are also planning a project for each session. We carved crosses out of soap for Lent to signify cleansing and visible repentance, and drew paths, thinking about our journey and also about how God gives us directions along the way. We hope to have the children present something meaningful to Sherridan each Sunday...and talk about it! We are planning a service project also--cleaning up the children's book bags...a much needed and much appreciated service!

On Palm Sunday the children will join the congregation, setting the tone for Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem by singing "All Glory, Laud and Honor" and handing out palm crosses and palm fronds to the congregation. On Easter Sunday the children will sing the Alleluia by John Karl Hirten as well as an Easter Carol by Richard Proulx.

Our long-term plans include more participation in the liturgy for our children, including some family services. We also hope to have more children/youth doing readings. And, thanks to Rodney's marvelous work with the Children's Choir ever Sunday at 9:15, we are looking forward to MORE SINGING!

We are truly blessed to have dedicated and creative teachers who bring our K-5th grade Sunday School program alive: Barbara Sawka, Marianne Witscher, Susan Bailey, and Liz Bratt. And Joanne Westendorf and Sandy Wilbourne are a true gift to our Youth Group. Thanks be to God—and to our talented volunteers!

Join our Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, April 13 !

Right after
the 10:30
service

Everyone is
welcome
!



Won't you join this Easter egg hunt? It's lots of fun!



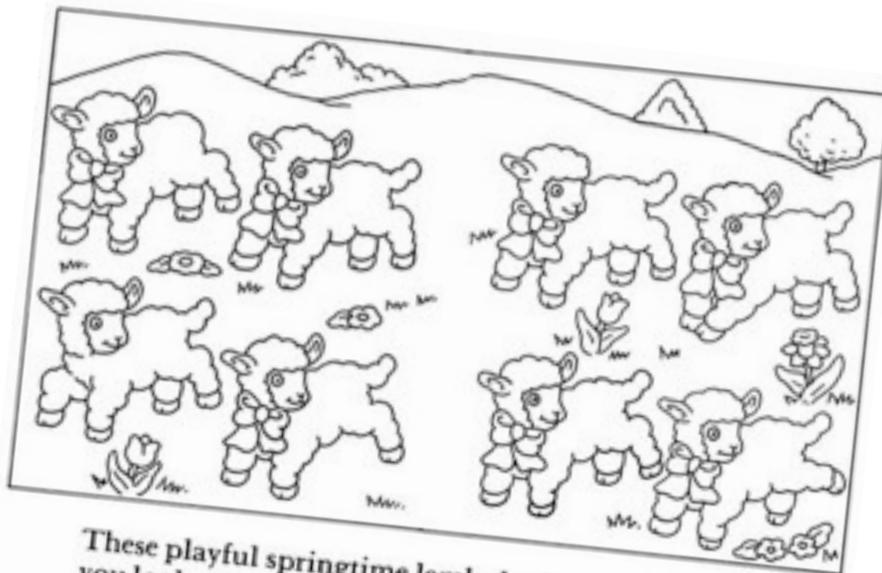
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PUZZLE PAGE



On an Easter egg hunt, as you can see,
Six eggs will make Tom happy as can be!

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These playful springtime lambs look the same, but if
you look very closely you will see differences. Find the
two lambs that are exactly alike.

Answers to
puzzles on page 14

LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT RAISING FUNDS FOR HOTEL DE ZINK

By Sally Cadigan

When Christine Burroughs, InnVision's CEO, called together representatives from the faith communities which host the Hotel de Zink shelter last January, to discuss severe program budget shortfalls in this tough economic climate, the churches responded. All made a firm commitment to help raise funds for this vital community resource--each developing a plan that might work best in their own congregation. One church group is planning a jazz concert in the spring to which we will all be invited; another kicked off a Lenten 'skip-a-meal' program, giving amounts that would have been spent on food to Hotel de Zink; still another has already presented InnVision with a \$5000 check from church funds.

All Saints' Outreach Committee decided to offer a service project as an option for us all to add to our Lenten practices, and as a good way to raise needed funds. Our goal is to raise enough money to sponsor 250 nights at Hotel de Zink, at \$20 per night per client, or \$5000.

And, as many of you know, an All Saints' angel has come forward with a \$5000 challenge grant toward meeting that goal--challenging us to provide as many shelter nights as we can to bring homeless men and women in from the cold and into the safety of the shelter. Thus if we meet our goal, All Saints' will be able to present InnVision with a check for \$10,000 (representing support for 500 shelter nights) at this valuable community resource--another symbol of our ongoing commitment to reaching out to those in need in our community and beyond.

We are making great progress toward the goal. Three weeks after launching this project we had raised over \$2500! And by the time you read this we hope to be well past the \$3000 mark. We are grateful to those involved the Pancake Supper who decided to dedicate the profits to Hotel de Zink; that jumped us up several notches toward meeting our goal right from the start. Proceeds from the Valentine's Dance also helped. The idea for the Valentine's Dance in February was hatched by Kay Kostopoulos and Peter Keep last year. Kay and Peter agreed to co-produce the event and in the end donated all profits to Hotel de Zink. Many thanks to Kay, Peter and Sally Keep, plus the Van Brees and Laura Biche for making this fun event happen, and for donating \$325 in profits to this cause. If you belong to an All Saints' group that might have ideas that could help bring us even closer to our goal, please let us know.

If you haven't made your contribution yet, please look for our information table each Sunday at coffee hour. Checks can be made out to All Saints', with Hotel de Zink written in the memo line. John Sack has made some great gift cards which you could send to friends or family if you'd like to designate your donation in honor of someone special.

Thanks so much for the generosity of all who have contributed so far. May your gifts to this Lenten project bring you joy as they will certainly bring comfort, warmth and hope to people in need.



Saturday, May 2, 2009 at 8 pm California Bach Society

The California Bach Society presents "From Tallis to Tavener" - 300 years of British choral music. Showcasing the English Renaissance choral tradition and its rich 20th century legacy, we perform the resplendent polyphony of Thomas Tallis and William Byrd and find fascinating resonances in Gustav Holst's *Nunc Dimittis*, John Tavener's meditative *Hymn to the Virgin* and the joyous part-songs of Gerald Finzi. Rarely-heard works by Henry Purcell, Charles Wood, and Charles Villiers Stanford and Orlando Gibbons' double choir *O Clap Your Hands* will fill out this program of glorious British choral works.

Advance: General \$25, Senior \$18, Student \$10

At the door: General \$30, Senior \$22, Student \$10

Phone: (415) 262-0272 Web site: www.calbach.org

BISHOPS GRAPPLE WITH DIFFICULT ISSUES

By Mattie Scott

What does it mean to be a part of the Worldwide Anglican Communion? How does the structure of the Episcopal Church differ from, say, the structures of the Roman Catholic or the Congregational churches? As a relatively new Episcopalian, I had never given deep thought to such questions until I began to research Bishop Mary's trip to Tanzania. Now I am beginning to understand why reason is the third leg of the three-legged stool, and how inseparable it is from faith and scripture.

In the face of deep, headline-grabbing divisions in the Anglican Church, Bishop Mary Gray-Reeves and two other Bishops have begun to lead their dioceses into a three-way relationship designed to build bridges and foster understanding. The three Bishops, who first encountered each other at the Lambeth Conference in late 2008, came together last week at a celebration in the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Kasului, Tanzania, and, supported by the prayers of over 2,000 people in attendance, signed a document committing the three dioceses to a tripartite relationship of prayer, sharing, and efforts at mutual understanding.

The three dioceses, and their Bishops, could hardly be more different. The Diocese of Gloucester, England, was founded in 1541; its Bishop, Michael Perham, was the author of the most recent legislation proposed at Lambeth on the ordination of women to the episcopate. Bishop Perham posted an illuminating letter describing that legislative process at <http://www.gloucester.anglican.org/downloads/618.doc>

The Diocese of Western Tanganyika, in Tanzania, was founded in 1966; its Bishop, Gerard Mpongo, was



consecrated in 1980, the same year our Diocese was founded. Bishop Mpongo opposes women's ordination and participated in GAFCO, the mid-2008 Jerusalem gathering of Anglican bishops in disagreement with ordination of women and homosexuals as well as the blessing of same-sex unions. Bishop Mary describes him as "easy to speak and share with about local context and experience," and she says that he is willing to visit our diocese and be in conversation. The Diocese of Western Tanganyika as yet has little information on its website: http://www.anglican.or.tz/western_tanganyika.htm

The BBC provides some good general information about Tanzania at http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/country_profiles/1072330.stm

The Diocese of El Camino

Real is the youngest diocese in California; Bishop Mary Gray-Reeves describes herself as "open and able to converse with diversity and build relationships." A video of Bishop Mary discussing the tripartite relations, which was sent to Bishop Mpongo to share with the people of his diocese, can be found at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P9VhkkQK_NE

This tripartite relationship could well give rise to models of communication and coexistence that will assist the church at all levels in healing wounds and moving forward with our common mission to spread Christ's love. Will it be easy? No. Could it fail? Of course. But what could be more exciting, in these times of trouble and division, than to see our leaders move forward in faith, down an unknown path, trusting that the Holy Spirit will help them find a path to common ground?

Mabel's Corner

"How much do
You love me"
I
asked
JESUS,
and JESUS said,
"This much..."
Then he
stretched out his arms
and died.

The Stewardship Spot

By Joe Baldwin

"I've always felt that when people hold their hands out to people who have less than they do, they become the beneficiaries, intellectually, spiritually, or materially."

Paul Newman (1925-2008)

CHURCH CHAT

By Barbara Foster

Back home from the Palo Alto School District's spring break last week are several of our Church families:

Jim McVey, Leigh Metzler, and their 6-year-old twins **Connor** and **Amanda**, spent time exploring



Leigh Metzler & Jim McVey

the Southwest's Grand Canyon and visiting friends in Palm Springs. At home, the twins love ice skating at the Winter Lodge and taking clay and ceramics classes. Their mom is a financial planner, currently studying for the Certified Financial Planning certificate at UC Santa Cruz. Their dad is a fiber optics engineer at Finisar Corporation.

The **Bonomis**—



Alex



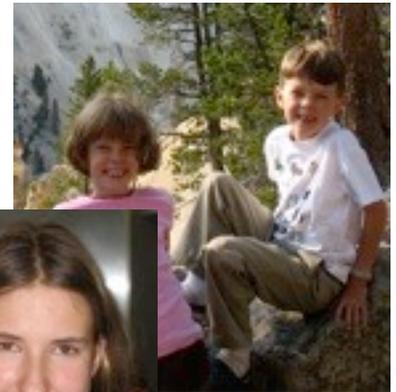
Isabella & Lauren



Flavio

Flavio, Lauren, Alex, and **Isabella**—took advantage of the Sierra snowpack with several good days of skiing at Kirkwood.

Also hitting the slopes were the **Pinsky** family—**Paul, Sigrid, Stina,** 13, and 6-year-old twins **Fraser** and **David.** They went to Heavenly Valley on Lake Tahoe's south shore, took lessons together, did some sledding and some snow-playing and spent family time in front of a roaring fire. **Stina** spent the last part of the week taking her first airplane ride alone—flying roundtrip to Florida to visit her **Aunt Nancy.**



Fraser & David



Stina

Graeme and **Laura Johnson** welcomed home their younger daughter, **Margaret,** a sophomore at

Scripps College, who was on spring vacation. Her sister, **Elizabeth,** a UCLA alumna, is teaching English in the Czech Republic. **Laura** is a fourth grade teacher at Fairmeadow School in Palo Alto, and **Graeme** is a vice president for fixed income investments at American Century Investments in Mountain View.



Andy

Meanwhile, back at home, **Andy Townsend** is engaged in an ambitious project to create individual memory books for each of her seven grandchildren. The beautiful blank template books are entitled "Grandmother Remembers—a Written Heirloom for My Grandchild." She has completed one with photographs and meticulously written anecdotes, memories, and descriptions. She hopes to have all seven ready for Christmas gifts.



Laura, Margaret, Elizabeth & Graeme

Also last month, the Parish greeted the temporary return of former long time members **Larry** and **Wendy Brown.** They moved to Minnesota several years ago to be near their family.



Larry & Wendy



Marilyn & Al

The All Saints' Choir welcomed back former members **Al** and **Marilyn Campbell.** **Al** was also a long-time organist here.

Cynthia Dorgan is at home conscientiously following her physical therapy regimen to reduce pain in her legs and restore her mobility. She plans to return to active status when her legs are stronger.



Cynthia

Sloan Program Fellow **Jon Teeuwissen** was surprised to see that his Stanford Business School marketing professor last quarter was All Saints' member **Carol Scott**. **Carol's** usual academic home is UCLA, where she is a tenured professor.



Jon



Carol

Gone but not forgotten:

Judy Decker is no longer a member of the All Saints' community.

Gene DeForrest has transferred his membership to Trinity Cathedral in San Jose, where he lives.

Daniel Dulitz and **Alice Sheppard** have asked that their names be removed from our membership list.

James Goodell moved to Pacifica last month, after living in Palo Alto and attending All Saints' for two decades. He continues as the owner/director of the real estate and contracting division of Anthony Schools of the San Francisco Peninsula.

Lisa Krieger has been attending St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Saratoga with her elderly father who is a St. Andrew's member. She plans to move her father to the Mid-Peninsula and hopes to resume attendance at All Saints'.



Lisa & daughter Laura

Former member **Pam Grange**, who is Events Manager for Kepler's Books in Menlo Park, alerts us to a forthcoming lecture and book-signing May 26 by The Rev. **William L. "Scotty" McLennan**, Dean for Religious Life at Stanford University. The name of his book is "Jesus was a Liberal.." As you know, Kepler's generously donates 10% of All Saints' members' purchases to All Saints'.



Pam



CAMPUS LIGHTING UPDATE

By Christian Pease & John Sack

Part of All Saints' unique character is that it is located right in downtown Palo Alto -- while that isn't exactly "urban", it is certainly more urban than a lot of Episcopal churches in our area! Our location is a crossroads for people walking from one area to another -- not just church members, but the community -- and we have a goal for safety and security of people who walk through or visit our campus.

A new campus lighting plan was developed and equipment purchased last year to improve the lighting and thus enhance the safety and security of people on campus at night. This is especially important in the winter (it gets darker sooner) and as we have more evening events on campus for our church members and for rental of our facilities.

The lighting plan is now being implemented. If you have been on campus in the evening this year you've noticed the very bright lights in the walkway between our courtyard and the "Borders parking lot". In addition, there are many new lights on the exterior of the Education Building: lights over doors, walkways and hallways. The walkway and Education Building lights are so bright that they even partially illuminate the courtyard!

But real courtyard lights are part of the plan too. These lights require some trenching to install electrical conduit, so the weather has to improve for this work to be done. We're hoping to have the courtyard done by mid-April, weather permitting, and to have the entire project finished by the end of June.

The new lights going in are much brighter than the ones they replaced, and they are also more energy efficient. The lights will be on timers and sensors so that they go on and off at optimum times for energy use, but especially safety.

answers to
puzzles



Here's a delicious new monthly feature: The All Saints Cookie of the Month, compiled by John Sack from the delectable Parish Cookie Exchange during Advent. This month we feature Sally Keep's Coconut Oatmeal Cookies.

Sally Keep's Coconut Oatmeal Cookies

- 1-1/4 cups sifted flour
- 1 tsp soda
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 8 oz granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine
- 1 egg
- 1/2 tsp vanilla
- 1 cup Quaker oats (Quick or Old Fashioned)
- 1 cup unsweetened coconut

Sift together flour, baking powder, soda & salt into a bowl. Add sugar, butter, egg & vanilla. Beat until smooth, about 2 mins. Stir in oats & coconut. Drop onto cookie sheet, flatten top with spoon. Bake at 350 til light brown

NEW BOOKS IN THE PARISH LIBRARY

Want to soothe your busy mind? Deepen your prayer life? Come into the Library for a quick read before the service! Just 15 minutes spent thumbing through the right book can point the way to that little change you've been meaning to make.

Knitting into the Mystery: A guide to the Shawl-knitting Ministry, Jorgensen, Susan S. and Susan S. Izard

Fabric of Faith: A guide to the Prayer Quilt Ministry, Kimberly Winston

Bead One, Prayer Too: A Guide to Making and Using Prayer Beads, Kimberly Winston

Our December Hearts: Meditations for Advent and Christmas, Anne McConney

Liturgy Explained, Katherine Howard

Living Faithfully: As A Prayer Book People, John H. Westerhoff

Praying With Beads: Daily Prayers for the Christian Year, Nan Lewis Doerr

A String and a Prayer: How to Make and Use Prayer Beads, Eleanor Wiley

A Church for the Future South Africa

Faithful Living/Faithful Dying, Cynthia Cohen, et al.

Grace's Window, Suzanne Guthrie

A New Complete Server, Christopher Heller

A Guide to Pronouncing Biblical Names

The Great Emergencae, Phyllis Tickle

Women's Work, Elizabeth W. Barber

The Birth of Christianity, John D. Crossan

New Testament Story, David L. Barr

Those Episkopols, Dennis R. Maynard

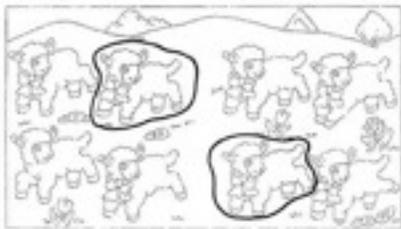
The United Methodist Hymnal

Teaching Your Child to Talk to God, Todd Temple and Roberta Hromas

Common Prayer 1928

The Bible and the Common Reader

The Oxford Annotated Bible RSV



April at All Saints

1
7:00 PM CBS Rehearsal: PH
7:00 PM Women's AA: FR

2
7:00 AM Men's Grp Breakfast Mtg: PH
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal: PH
5:30 PM Evening Prayer: CPL
7:30 PM Ch
8 PM Narc. Anon. PH

3
Parish Office Closed
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal: PH
8:00 PM Tango: PH

4
8:00 AM Yoga: PH
9:30 AM Altar Guild Prep:CH
9:30 AM Nicotine Anon.: FR
7:00 PM Young Peoples' AA: Rm 28

5
Palm Sunday
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:15 AM Adult Education:FR
9:15 AM Library Open: LB
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist

6
10:00 AM KW**Private Business Mtg: PH
6:30 PM Women's AA: Rm 28
7:00 PM Grief Workshop: FR, PH
7:30 PM Healing Group:LB

7
9:30 AM Library Committee Work:LB
6:30 PM Line Dancing: PH
7:00 PM Debtors Anon: YR

8
7:00 PM CBS Rehearsal: PH
7:00 PM Women's AA: FR

9
Maundy Thursday
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal: PH
5:30 PM Evening Prayer: CPL
6 PM Maundy Thursday SupperPH
7:30 PM Choir
7:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service: CH
8 PM Narc. Anon.: PH

10
Good Friday
Parish Office Closed
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal: PH
12:00 PM Good Friday Service: CH
:00 PM Tango: PH

11
8:00 AM Yoga: PH
9:30 AM Altar Guild Prep:CH
9:30 AM Nicotine Anon.: FR
6:00 PM Easter Vigil Reception
7:00 PM Young Peoples' AA: Rm 28
8:00 PM Easter Vigil: CH

12
Easter Sunday
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:15 AM Adult Education:FR
9:15 AM Library Open: LB
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist
11:45 AM Easter Brunch: PH

13
10:00 AM KW**Private Business Mtg: PH
6:30 PM Women's AA: Rm 28
7:00 PM Grief Workshop: FR,
PH

14
9:30 AM Library Committee:LB
6:00 PM Vestry: CF
6:30 Line Dancing: PH
7PM Debtors AnonYR
7:30 PM Amnesty International:Rm
28

15
7:00 PM CBS Rehearsal: PH
7:00 PM Women's AA: FR

16
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal: PH
5:30 PM Evening Prayer: CPL
7 Men's Book Grp:YR
7:30 PM Choir
8 PM Narc. Anon. PH

17
Parish Office Closed
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal: PH
6:30 PM 7pm Fellowship Gathering:FR,
PH

18
8:00 AM Yoga: PH
9:30 AM Altar Guild Prep:CH
9:30 AM Nicotine Anon.: FR
7:00 PM Young Peoples' AA: Rm 28

19
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:15 AM Adult Education:FR
9:15 AM Library Open: LB
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Holy
Eucharist

20
10:00 AM KW**Private Business Mtg: PH
6:30 PM Women's AA: Rm 28
7:00 PM Grief Workshop: FR,
PH

21
9:30 AM Library Committee LB
6:00 PM Vestry: CF
6:30 PM Line Dancing: PH
7PM Debtors Anon YR
7 PM Men's Group Evening Mtg:
LB

22
7:00 PM Women's AA: FR

23
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal: PH
5:30 PM Evening Prayer: CPL
5:30 PM Outreach Comm: LB
7:30 PM Choir
8 PM Narc. Anon.:PH

24
Parish Office Closed
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal:
PH

25
8:00 AM Yoga: PH
9:30 AM Altar Guild Prep:CH
9:30 AM Nicotine Anon.: FR
7:00 PM Young Peoples' AA: Rm 28

26
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
9:15 AM Adult Education:FR
9:15 AM Library Open: LB
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist

27
10:00 AM KW**Private Business Mtg: PH
6:30 PM Women's AA: Rm 28
7:00 PM Grief Workshop: FR,
PH

28
9:30 AM Library Committee LB
6:00 PM Vestry: CF
6:30 PM Line Dancing: PH
7PM Debtors AnonYR

29
7:00 PM CBS Rehearsal: PH
7:00 PM Women's AA: FR 30
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal: PH
5:30 PM Evening Prayer: CPL
7:30 PM Choir
8 PM Narc. Anon.:PH

1
Parish Office Closed
11:30 AM Breaking Bread Meal: PH
8:00 PM Tango: PH 2
8:00 AM Yoga: PH
9:30 AM Altar Guild:CH
9:30 AM Nicotine Anon.: FR
6 PM CBS prep CH,PH
7 PM Yng Peeps' AA Rm 28
8:00 PM CBS Concert:CH

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Strong and tall once the dogwood grew,
Or so they say. Could it be true?
Could such a flowery slight thing
Have borne the suffering of a king?
I only know, as I grow old
I love to hear the story told
How tree became cross, and how it felt
The very pain that it had dealt
The loving victim, who did bless
The brutal wood in its distress.
The rough tree, when Our Lord was dead
Grew slim and beautiful instead;
Its blossoms precisely speak the tale
Of cross and blood and thorn and nail.
O, sister dogwood, I believe
As I relax my grip and grieve
The wrongs I wrought in youth and strength,
I'll bloom in loveliness at length.

