The Good News

Sacred Space

In the early 80's I was on a business trip in San Antonio, TX and also took the opportunity to visit the Alamo. It was a very moving experience. If you have been there you will recall that they request silence within the hallowed walls. The docents would gently remind people, who got careless, that this was a sacred place where many lost their lives in defense of the cause. The hushed silence created the sense of reverence and honor and awe for the courage of those who fought.

In 2009 George and I attended a conference in San Antonio and stayed in a hotel a block away from the Alamo. We took the time for a tour and I was appalled at the change. The same signs requesting silence

were in place but the Alamo had become a din of noise. I don't know if the docents had just given up or didn't care but they made no attempt to remind people that this was a burial ground, a sacred space, a holy place

I sound like an old grouch but I was saddened that, the young people in particular, had absolutely no concept of there being any value for reverence and silence. Both are good for the soul.

Maybe the Church is one of the last holdouts for creating a sense of the sacred. And certainly Lent is the season of our most sacred time as we near the crucifixion of Jesus. We have many opportunities to switch off the noise of daily living and respond with open hearts to the touch of God's Holy sorrow.

Evensong on Thursday's at 6:30 draws us into pure praise through music and scripture. The Lenten Morning on April 5th can nurture and reinforce your prayer life. During Holy Week we celebrate both Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, two of the most important services of the year. For me, they are as important as Christmas and Easter for the Christian.

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- Prayer for the Search Committee
- What is Maundy Thursday?
- Lenten—Holy Week Schedule
- Shrove Tuesday Pictures
- Pictures from The Wiz
- Please bring Easter Refreshments

Sacred Space, continued

In addition, at noon on Good Friday you will be led in the Stations of the Cross. I will also provide a handout with a short reflection for each Station.

If you are unable to attend any of these you might consider taking at least a few minutes a day in silence. Turn off the radio, the TV, the cell phone. Read a very short passage of scripture – perhaps from one of the Sunday texts. Sit quietly. Just rest in the Lord with no agenda, no particular thoughts or even prayers. The Holy Spirit will pray in you. If you create the space, I assure you God will create the Grace.

Sarah Berlin



Deacon Rebecca Jones joins us for Holy Week

We are very blessed this year to welcome a special guest during Holy Week. The Rev. Deacon Rebecca (Becky) Jones has offered to assist at services from Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday. And, she will be the preacher on Maundy Thursday. I know it has been a long time since you had a Deacon and this will be a good reminder of the role of the Deacon — particularly on Good Friday.

Becky is the Jubilee officer for the Diocese and helped EcHO with their successful request for a \$1500.00 grant. Please welcome my friend and thank her for her generous ministry among us.

Sarah Berlin



This month our EChO soup day falls on Easter Sunday. So, soup will be made on Saturday, April 19th at 8 am. Contact Sara Gadeken or Georgine McCarthy for details!



A special thanks to Mary Carlson who will be providing lunch!







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SOUP'S ON, EChO Stone Soup



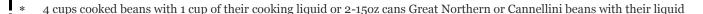


Soup Ministry

Homemade soups in the freezer are available for parishioners and friends that are sick, shut-in or need some TLC. Feel free to give soup to someone you see at church that is hurting, or take soup to someone you are going to visit. The soups are in the freezer on the east wall of the kitchen.

Pasta e Fagioli (Italian Pasta and Bean Soup)

- * ½ cup olive oil
- * 1 cup diced onion
- * 1/3 cup diced prosciutto or pancetta
- * 2 cloves garlic, peeled



- 4 cups Chicken Broth
- * Salt and pepper to taste
- * 2 cups _Italian plum tomatoes, well drained and chopped
- * 1 pound small round pasta cooked
- * 1/4 cup freshly grated Pecorino Romano cheese, optional
- 1. Combine oil, onion, prosciutto, and garlic in a large saucepan over medium heat. Saute for about 5 minutes or until onions are translucent and begin to turn golden. Do not burn garlic.
- 2. Stir in beans and their liquid. Add broth and salt and pepper and bring to a boil. Add tomatoes and return to a boil. Lower heat and simmer, uncovered, for 10 minutes.
- 3. Stir in pasta and cook for an additional 5 minutes. Serve hot, sprinkled with Pecorino Romano cheese, if desired.

Note: You can eliminate the tomatoes for a rich, creamy soup; however, you might need to add additional bean or chicken broth if you prefer a thinner soup

REMEMBER TO MULTIPLY RECIPE BY 8 FOR ECHO

April Soup Team Leaders: Sara Gadeken & Georgine McCarthy



BY THE REV. DR. FRANK HEGEDUS

Maundy Thursday, the last Thursday of our annual Lenten observance.

The word "Maundy" does not have any meaning in and of itself. It is one of those exotic Episcopal or Anglican terms we sooner or later all become familiar with in our church. Scholars are not even sure of the word's origin, though most now believe it to be a Middle English corruption of the Latin word *mandatum* – "commandment" – which appears in an ancient antiphon assigned for this day: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another."

This antiphon, taken of course from today's gospel account, is an apt summary of what this day is about. And Jesus' commandment to love is as much a new commandment today as it was in his own time. The command to love is, after all, always new – as is love itself. And the lesson of this day, Maundy Thursday, applies equally well to last Thursday and next Thursday and to all the Thursdays and other days yet to come. It is a lesson or mandate we, as followers of Christ, dare not forget.

Many Episcopalians today remember Maundy Thursday as the day when clergy and parishioners wash one another's feet at church, recalling the ritual recounted in today's gospel narrative when our Lord washes the feet of his disciples as a powerful example of love and servanthood. While contemporary Christians may be a bit squeamish about the rite, their discomfort is nothing compared to that of Peter and perhaps the other disciples as well. "You will never wash my feet," Peter protests to Jesus.

Masters after all – as Peter well knows – most emphatically do not wash the feet of their disciples. It simply is not done. Yet Jesus surely does it. And eventually even Peter catches on, proclaiming, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" He has learned, in his own larger-than-life way, the lesson of Maundy Thursday, the new commandment of love.

After washing the feet of his disciples, Jesus returns to table and quietly asks his disciples, "Do you know what I have done to you?" He answers his own question. "I have set you an example," he explains. It is an example of profound respect and caring for the other. And what he does for his disciples, he does for us too. He sets us an example. He shows us how things are to be done among his followers even to this day.

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An example is always transformative. It commands our attention and changes us whether we want it to or not. We cannot witness another's example of compassion and love without ourselves being challenged and changed by it.

Our Lord does more than wipe the dust from his disciples' feet. He alters their perception and awareness of human reality itself. He makes them conscious of others and their needs in a new way, which goes far beyond practical hospitality and kindliness.

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another."

We, along with the disciples, can now no longer be unaware or ignorant of the unmistakable mandate given us to "love one another." We cannot say we did not understand. We cannot say: If Jesus had only been a little clearer. Our actions – to the extent that they do not conform to Jesus' example – betray us as surely as Judas' kiss betrayed our Lord himself. The integrity of our faith is measured not by words alone but by the example of our own deeds.

Jesus gives us another "new" commandment that last night with his disciples before the cross, although it is oddly missing from the Gospel of John. Paul tells us about it in our second reading – a passage from his First Letter to the Corinthians. In what is arguably the earliest extant retelling of the Last Supper story, Paul hands on to us what he himself "received from the Lord." After offering the disciples the bread and wine transformed to his body and blood, Jesus tells them to "do this in remembrance of me." He commands them, in other words, to remember.

The ancient words of the Book of Common Prayer echo our Lord's words. "Take and eat," declares priest or Eucharistic minister in our Rite One service, "in remembrance that Christ died for thee." The Eucharistic bread and wine become for us the food of recollection – the provisions that remind us of Christ's example and commandment. And Christ's death on the cross, remembered and experienced in the Eucharist, gives us a share in the life to come – where he has gone but we cannot yet come.

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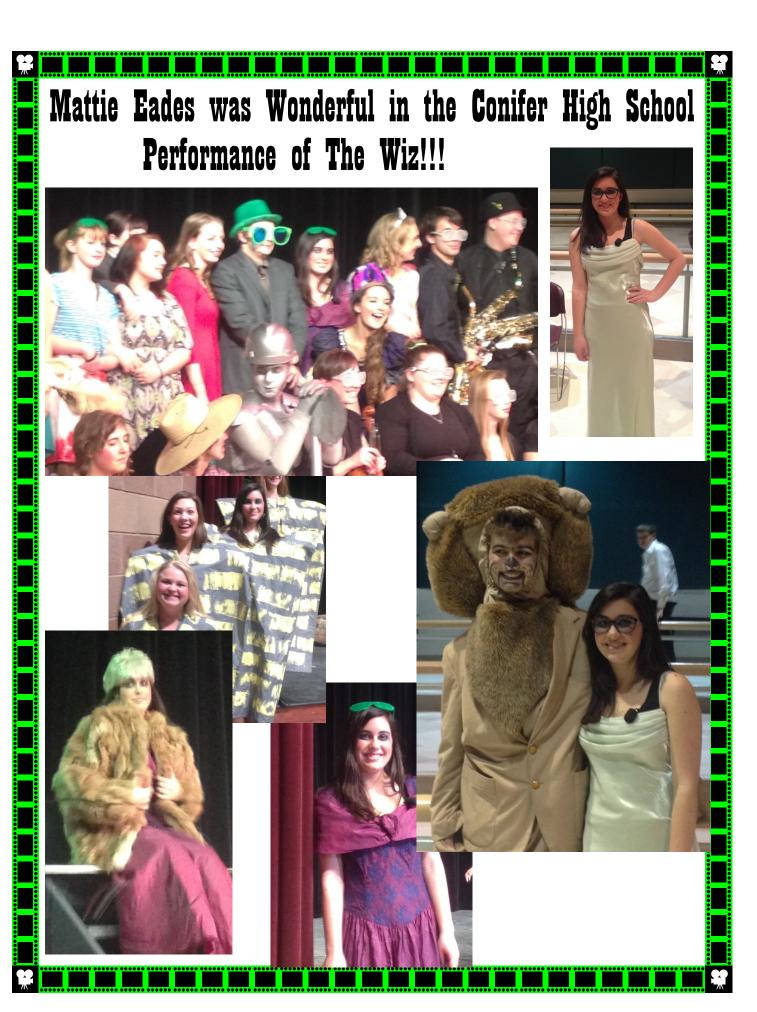
But if, in the meantime, we feed only ourselves, we will never truly be nourished. We will always hunger for more and, ironically, starve to death in the midst of spiritual plenty. This is what the Lord's example has done to us. The Eucharist itself demands of us not only that we remember, but also that we share and serve.

God does not forget us, his people. As we recall this Maundy Thursday what Christ has done for us, so too the Lord "remembers" forward the kingdom to come – and our heritage in it.

And in that kingdom, the Eucharistic meal we share this day is not the Last Supper but the First.

— The Rev. Dr. Frank Hegedus is chaplain of Saint Margaret's Anglican Episcopal Church in Budapest, Hungary, a chaplaincy of the Church of England's Diocese in Europe. Please visit and "like" St. Margaret's Facebook page at www.anglicanbudapest.com.







Most loving God, continue to give the Search Committee a wisdom greater than their own as they begin the interviews. Be with the applicants as they discern Your will for their vocation and call. May the committee and the candidates remain under the guidance of Your Holy Spirit. We thank you for the continued ministry of Jerry, Cindy, Liz, Joe, Holly, Cort, Larry and Michael. And help us all to renew our confidence in the love and strength of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

March 2014

- * Bell Tower repair being discussed and is on the right track
- * Website updates
- Altar piece to be moved to back grotto right after Easter. Sound system will be moved to vesting area.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO SIT IN ON THE OPEN SESSIONS OF THE VESTRY MEETINGS. Evensong (April 3rd, 10th)

6:30 pm

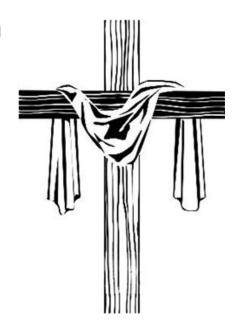
Palm Sunday (**April 13**) 8:00 am & 10:15 am Holy Eucharist with Palm Procession starting in Douglas Hall

Maundy Thursday (**April 17**) 7:00 pm Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing

Good Friday (April 18)

Stations of the Cross: noon

Good Friday Liturgy: 7 pm



<u>Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of our Lord (April 20)</u>

8:00 am & 10:15 am Holy Eucharist

Easter Egg Hunt

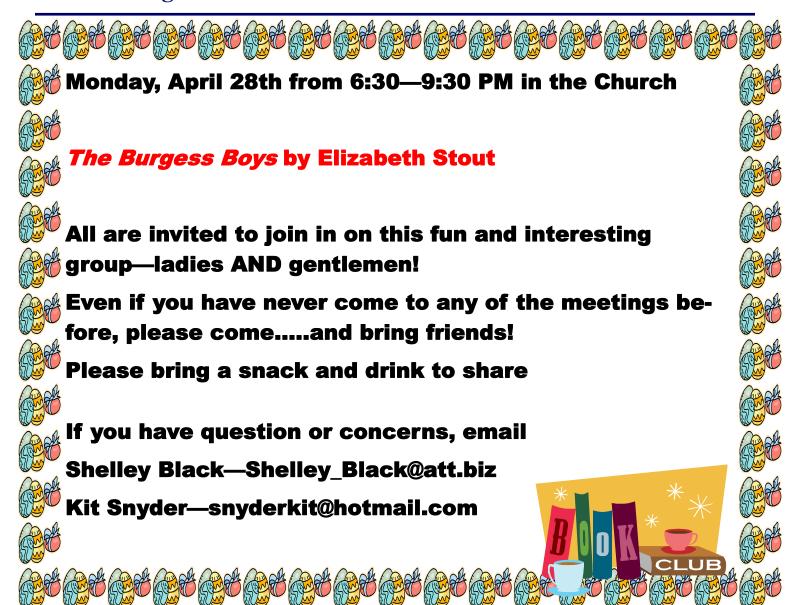
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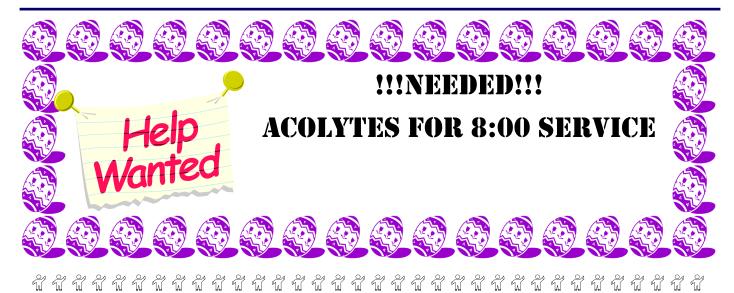
Estate Planning Tips to Protect Your Growing Family

Church of the Transfiguration/Episcopal Day School of Evergreen SNOW RESCHEDULE DATE—Tuesday, April 22, 2014 6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Why do I need a will? What can a will do for me and my family? When is it appropriate to have a will? What needs to be in a will? Should I update my will? Attorney, Timothy S. Wilson, from Sells Law Firm will be leading a discussion on these questions and more. Come and learn more about the many possible benefits of a will and how those benefits can protect your growing family.



PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US
TUESDAY, ÅPRIL 1ST
FOR MOVIE NIGHT! SHOWING IS
ON THE BEACH
STARRING GREGORY PECK, ÅVA GARDNER,
FRED ÅSTAIRE & ANTHONY PERKINS



Have a pre-teen who is interested to learn more about what being an Episcopalian is all about? Contact Stephanie Park or Rev. Sarah Berlin about an exciting class being held on scheduled Sundays at 9:15. The next class will be April 6th in St. Mark's!

Prayers

Anointing and Healing

will be on April 27th.

<u>Prayers</u> Anointing and healing prayers are offered by Mother Sarah and the Daughters of the King during the 10:15 service on the last Sunday of each month. All are welcome to come to the front of the church after communion for this spe-

cial offering. This month the prayers

Morning Prayer Service

sponsored by the Daughters of the King and in fellowship with EDSE is offered on <u>THURSDAY</u> mornings at 9:30 AM in the church. The Daughters and Friends of the Episcopal Day School extend an invitation to all to attend this wonderful service. Please feel free to walk the Labyrinth after.

Evening Prayer Service

also sponsored by the Daughters of the King is offered on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 5:30 pm in the Chapel of St. Mary and St. Joseph. The next Evening Prayer services will be April 14th and 28th.

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Evergreen Christian Outreach

Needs List-April 2014

Small Peanut Butter Toothpaste

Hearty Soups Boxed Pasta

Mac & Cheese Toilet Paper

Spaghetti Sauce Sugar Cold Cereal

Tuna Canned fruit Bar Soap

Laundry DetergentTooth BrushesDish Liquid SoapHelper MealsCanned VegetablesInstant Potatoes

FOOD BANK

Ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard, relish, etc.—small bottles

!!!!!!APRIL ITEM OF THE MONTH: Soup and Easter Candy !!!!!!

Other Items for St. Raphael's House

Coffee Makers Telephones

Pots & Pans Men's Jeans

Spoons & Forks Bedding

Vacuum Cleaners Blenders, Toasters, Microwaves

Tarps Blankets

Socks for all Underwear for all

Towels Drinking Glasses & Dishes

<u>Note</u>: No after hours donations accepted due to fire and safety requirements. Thank you for your cooperation and your donations.

Volunteers Always Needed!

Call: 303-670-1796

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Celebrate!!!

April Birthdays

Shelley Black April 4

Jerri Avery April 13

Liz Hallas April 16

Claire Terry April 26



April Anniversaries

Steven & Vivian Peters

April 1

Jim & Valerie Malone

April 5

David & Shelley Black

April 20

Bob & Liz Jones

April 24

Wayne & Kathi Grider

April 28



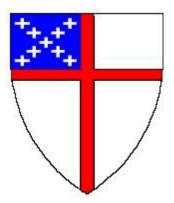


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Church Douglas Hall St. Mark's	Meadow Chapel Stuart Lounge	1 9-3 EDSE 7 Movie Night	9-3 EDSE 7:30 pm AA	3 9-3 EDSE 9:30 Morning Prayer 6:30 Evensong 7:15 Choir	4	5 8 am AA 9 am Silent Morn- ing
6 8 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 Pre-Teen Mtg 10:15 am Holy Eucharist, Sunday School	7 9-3 EDSE 6-9 Search Committee 5:30 EDSE Board Meeting	8 9-3 EDSE 6 Property Committee 7-9 ECHO Board Meeting	9 9-3 EDSE 7:30 pm AA	10 9-3 EDSE 9:30 Morning Prayer 7:30-4:30 EChO 6:30 Evensong 7:15 Choir	11	12 8 am AA 10-12 Park Dis- cernment Mtg
13 8 Holy Eucharist 10:15 Palm Sunday Procession & Holy Eucharist, Sunday School 12 EChO Easter Basket Distribution	14 8-5 EChO Easter Basket Distribution 9-3 EDSE 5:30 pm Evening Prayer 9-3 EDSE	8-4 EChO Easter Basket Distribu- tion 9-3 EDSE 5:30-9 Friendship Bridge	16 8-4 EChO Easter Basket Distribution 9-3 EDSE 7:30 pm AA	17 8-5 EChO 9:30 Morning Prayer 9-3 EDSE 7 Maundy Thursday	18 Noon Stations of the Cross 7 Good Friday Service	19 8 am AA 8 am EChO Stone Soup 10 am Flower Guild
20 8 Holy Eucharist 10:15 Holy Eucharist, Sunday School Fappy Easter	21 9-3 EDSE 9-11 EChO 9-3 EDSE 5:30 Vestry 6-9 Search Committee	9-3 EDSE 6-7:30 EDSE Info on Wills	23 9-3 EDSE 7:30 pm AA	24 8:30-11:30 EChO 9:30 Morning Prayer 9-3 EDSE 7:15 pm Choir	25	26 8 am AA 10-12 Park Dis- cernment Mtg
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Newsletter Submissions

Please contact Stephanie Park with ideas, suggestions and monthly reports for the newsletter. Monthly reports to be submitted **no later** than the 22nd of each month.

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Have something to add to the newsletter?!?! Please contact Stephanie (see contact information to the left).

Upcoming ideas for pages: recipe exchange, community coupons, trivia and games

ALL IDEAS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED!!!