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April 2018

The Rev. Canon Timothy M. Dombek



feel the connection!

"Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!" The Lord Is Risen, Indeed!

Have you ever contemplated how "this joyful Eastertide" completely undoes the tone and mood of Lent in wonderful and extended ways? On Sundays in Lent we begin our worship with the Penitential Order, starting the liturgy with confession and absolution, and continue with the ancient lament, the *Trisagion*: *Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One: Have mercy upon us.* Lent and its forty days of regular self-examination, confession, and repentance—a turning around—is then magnificently superseded by Easter's message of hope, victory, and transformation in light and power of Jesus' resurrection.



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"Alleluia! Christ is risen!" shouts the presider at the beginning of the Easter liturgy—and Easter lasts for fifty days! During the Great Fifty Days of Easter we add the "Alleluia" throughout the liturgy, and especially at the dismissal. We forego the confession in Eastertide, standing with confidence in God's grace and forgiveness—it is time to celebrate the joy of the Good News: God raised Jesus from the dead! Jesus lives and Jesus is Lord! And we encourage those who are able to adopt the original prayer posture of the Early Church and stand as celebrants of the liturgy, along with our clergy presiders, to proclaim the joy of what God has accomplished in Jesus of Nazareth, the Crucified and Risen One.

The Great Fifty Days of Easter might just be a rehearsal for the life that is to come—life in the nearer presence of God. Yet, in this life that Easter proclamation still offers good news to this world, and we, as baptized people, carry that good news out to those in need: the hungry and homeless; the lonely, sick and despondent; the least, the last, and the lost. We are all "Christ-bearers" between Sundays—we carry Christ to the world, in all we say and do. May we all be faithful on behalf of the One who was faithful for us, even unto death.

God bless you in this time of Easter joy and celebration! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, indeed!

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!

My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.

Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison, our faith had been in vain; but now is Christ arisen.

The Hymnal 1982, H19<mark>2</mark>



E-mail

Advent's New Emails

Please update your contact information for the following Advent emails.

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WHY ARE THERE SO FEW PLAQUES ON THE "WALL OF REMEMBRANCE?"

There have been a significant number of parishioners in our history who contributed so much by the giving of their time, talent and treasure to Advent. Yet very few are remembered by having a plaque, given by friends or family, installed on the Wall. So far we have about 23 spaces filled with room for many more. The 4" X 6" plaque made from granite costs \$250.00. The regulations for eligibility are the person has passed on and their interment was at a site other then the Advent Memorial Garden. Is there anyone you would like to remember?

Newcomers' News

The Newcomers' Ministry has had a busy couple of months. We have welcomed the following new members to our Advent family – Joan DuChemin, Janet Helgemo, Malinda Case, Lynn Simms and her mom Betty Sturm, and Michael and Jerrika Diaz. As always, you will note that they have a blue dot on their name tags to denote that they are new to our church family. Each new member has been assigned a buddy from our committee for the first few months of their membership at Advent. The buddy is able to answer questions about Advent and advise them of events and ministries of interest that are available. Each member of the Newcomers' Committee now has a Newcomers' Ministry name tag. If you are new or visiting and have questions or concerns, please seek out our Newcomers' Ministry members. A Newcomers' Welcome Party is planned for *April 29th*, *12 pm* [after the 10:00 service and Food and Fellowship] in North Hall. All new members are invited to attend. Please plan on attending to discover what activities are available to you at Advent. Pat Carroll [623-547-7527, ptcarroll96@hotmail.com]

Outreach Update

Advent's Outreach programs continue to flourish. ECW and the Men's Club have held extremely successful projects this year, the annual rummage sale and fashion show raised more money than ever before. What that means is they will be able to provide additional support to outreach programs this year. Soon these groups will gather and prayerfully consider what charities they will support this year. Our monthly food distribution and soup kitchen programs are also steadily growing, last month the dedicated volunteers provided 40 delicious lunches. Everyone involved in these programs should be commended for their servitude.

Submitted by Sharon Navratil

Proverbs 19:17

¹⁷ Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed.



Tree of Life

"You did all the right things and now you are reaping the rewards. What is needed now is a plan and the quidance to make it right".

This quote, from a publication of the Univ. of Wisconsin Foundation, describes the purpose of a new presentation to the Parish about planning the use of those rewards.

When: Sunday, April 8, 2018 Time: 11:30 ... right after church

Featuring: Bernard Strass, PLC who specializes in estate planning law, and a presentation developed by the Diocese that addresses the planning of your use of life's rewards.

We are stewards of God's bounty. Caretakers. For a brief period we are given time, energy, and resources. What we do with these gifts ultimately defines the character of our life and the depth of our spiritual understanding. The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is a treasure chest that can be used personally and communally. Page 445 of the BCP provides instruction about the duty of Christian parents to make prudent provision for the well-being of their families, and of all persons to make wills, while they are in health, arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods, not neglecting, if they are able, to leave bequests for religious and charitable uses.

Please join us for food, fellowship, and thoughtful information from Attorney Bernard Strass who will be with us to also answer your questions.

The Major Gift Committee: Nan Wheeler, Herb Norton, Canon Timothy, and Pat Finnell

If you have considered going on the *Celtic Spirituality Pilgrimage*, this October 7th through 17th *now is the time to sign up!* You can pick up a brochure with all the details about this marvelous trip to Scotland and England in Paine Hall, by the church doors, or in the church office; or visit the link on our website at: adventepsicoplaz.org You can also speak with Canon Timothy.

2018 Food Bank Donations—Please bring your items the first Sunday of each month.

Please NO Glass or expired food items. - Thank you!

April Pasta

May Your choice—Please no glass or expired food.

June Tuna

July Peanut Butter

Aug Canned Vegetables

Sept Soups & Stews

Oct Rice

Nov Pasta

Dec Beans



March Donations:



Food = 204 lbs.

YTD = 584 lbs.

Dollars = \$115

YTD = \$507

FULL PANTRIES AND GRATEFUL HEARTS

As the temperatures rise in the Valley of the Sun some of you parishioners will be leaving Arizona and returning to your summer homes. This is also a time when Food Banks see an increased demand for food. This happens when the desert heats up and kids are out of school. Members of our community who are already struggling have a harder uphill battle to feed their families. Our Parish supports St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance with time, treasure and talent as one our Outreach Ministries.

Please, before leaving for the summer, clean out your pantries and kitchen shelves and donate your nonperishable items (no glass please) in our food boxes at Church. Thank you for your continuing generosity and have a blessed summer. See you again in the Fall!

"Feeding the Hungry is a greater work than raising the dead." St. John Chrysostom, 4th Century Archbishop of Constantinople

The St. Mary's Food Bank Outreach Volunteers



Welcome to April at Advent. It is a month of mixed emotions. Members of our parish family who "winter" here will soon be heading back to their summer retreat. It is like sending your children off to camp. We are going to miss them, but we want them to have a good time, be with their other friends, be healthy, safe and accident free and come back to us next fall rested and with new ideas and energy.

Meanwhile, the year-around residents will enjoy less traffic congestion, a slower pace with fewer meetings, an early morning stroll to see the cactus blossoms, and the company of friends that have learned how to "beat the heat". Yes, many of the programs will continue and it means working with fewer members, but no one complains.

The Episcopal Churchwomen had their third General Meeting this past month with a Biblical Luncheon, featuring women from the bible and food mentioned in the bible. Janet Gooltz gave a dramatic portrayal of "Sarah" and her anguish when Abraham took their son, Isaac, to be sacrificed. Thank you Janet and all our other women who made this a memorable Lenten program.

Karen Andrews, ECW Treasurer, reported that the rummage sale and fashion show made a commendable profit and the money from these two fund raisers will be distributed to Out Reach programs and special needs at Advent. Thank you all for supporting these events. Our programs would not be successful without all the volunteers and your support and generous gifts.

UTO Ingathering with be Sunday, April 15th. Look for the blue envelopes in the bulletin.

Our next ECW General Meeting will be April 19th, at 11:30 A.M. The new ECW Officers for 2017–2018, will be installed: Barbara Wolfe, President; Colleen Grimes, Vice President; Phyllis Yingling, Secretary; Karen Andrews, Treasurer.

The program will be a Hawaiian Luau theme with special entertainment guests, the Nani Komohana Tutus. Come and enjoy the fun, fellowship and a fabulous lunch.

Blessings,

Joyce Rozon, ECW President

National Organization for Victim Assistance Seminar, Saturday April 14, 2018 in Paine Hall

For the past 38 years, the National Organization for Victim Assistance ("NOVA") has been a leader in promoting awareness of victims' rights during the National Crime Victim Rights Week ("NCVRW") which takes place the week of 8 - 14 April 2018. This year, NOVA continues the tradition by inviting victim advocates, allied professionals, crisis responders, survivors, and communities to join in this annual observation of NCVRW. Church of the Advent Episcopal is an important and integral part of the community of Sun City West. We hope that members of the congregation, as well as friends and neighbors of our congregation will join us in an informative presentation by members of the Arizona Attorney General's Office on **Saturday**, **14 April 2018** in Paine Hall from 10 a.m. to noon. The focus will be on ways in which the attendees can protect themselves from becoming victims of criminal conduct. Information will also be provided regarding resources available within the community in the event a person does become a crime victim.

For questions please contact, Virginia C. Swisher, Problem Solving Consultants, 623-398-8628 or email vcswish@gmail.com



Jo Ann Deiner April 02

Walter Knecht April 02

Lloyd Findlay April 08

Danny Pierce April 08

Robert Gooltz April 09

Sadie Mauri April 09

Leslie Mowers April 09

Geraldine Jacobson April 10

Jody Johnson April 10

Martha Saunders April 11

Clinton Ostrom April 16

William Rozon April 17

Cliff Sowle April 17

Kimon Ayan April 18

Kathryn Flaherty April 18

David Pettit April 18

Betty Pettit April 18

Stella Wegner April 18

John Quigley April 19

Jack Williams April 20

Janet Gooltz April 21

Sharon Mather April 21

Joseph Marquis April 22

Tom Heinbaugh April 24

Joy Schaeffer April 24

Janet Chicvara April 27

Rita Smith April 28

Alberta Brown April 30

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William Nordstrom April 30

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Kim & Maureen Haskell, April 22

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Our sincere condolences to the family of

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