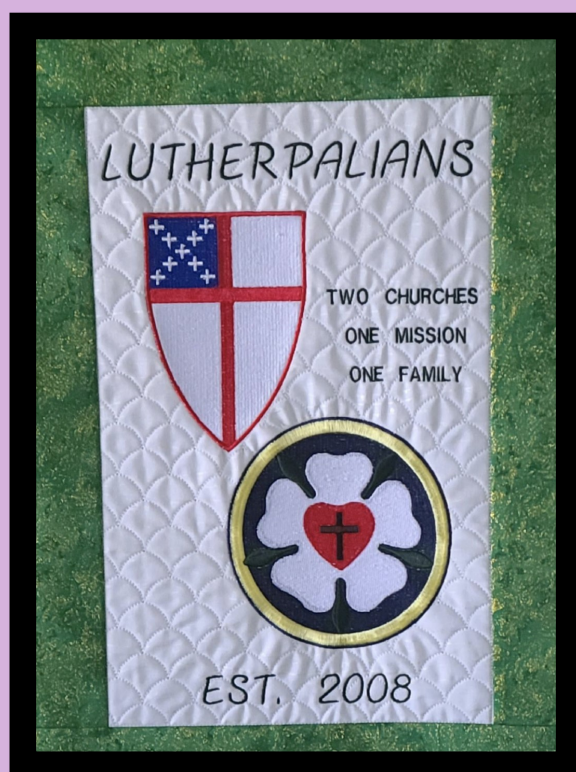


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The Table, A Place of Revolution

Dear Siblings in Christ,

Have you ever noticed that Jesus' ministry oscillates around tables? If you pay attention to the Holy Week events, Jesus goes from the table on Maundy Thursday to the table where the disciples were gathered after the resurrection. John writes: "When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." (John 20:19)

The house where the disciples were was most probably the place where they had had the Passover meal a few days before, the house where Jesus had washed their feet and called them his friends and shared bread and wine.

The events go from table, to tomb, and back to the table!

Jesus doesn't take them back to the site of the execution, neither does he point to the blood-stained hill. Wounds remain, but how he got them is not mentioned except when Thomas doesn't quite buy into the resurrection story. Instead, almost all the post-resurrection events take place at a table, at the breaking of bread with friends.

It is important to note, however, that Jesus never thought about who would be seated next to whom. This attracted criticism from those who observed how he did things:

"Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" (Matt. 9:11)

Jesus had very lenient ideas about dinner parties. He welcomed everyone—tax collectors, sinners, women, Gentiles, the poor, faithful Jews, and ones less so. He wanted everybody to come, to be at the table, and to share food and conversation.

Jesus loved meals. It is no surprise then that the death and resurrection events are sandwiched in the table events—the Last Supper marking the end of the Old World, the last meal under the Roman empire, and the First Meal after the resurrection with the disciples



The first meal—after the resurrection—is a meal of victory, a meal of the new age, the world of mutual service, reciprocity, equality, abundance, generosity, and unending thanksgiving. It was into this meal that the Gentile world would be welcomed at the deliberations of the Jerusalem council in Acts 15.

There is something about the table—this table of welcome—something revolutionary! Something freeing! This table is the hinge of history.

So, come! Pull a chair. Sit at the table.

Pastor Mary



Scripture Readings for April:

April 7 – 2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133 (1)
1 John 1:1—2:2
John 20:19-31

April 14 – 3rd Sunday of Easter

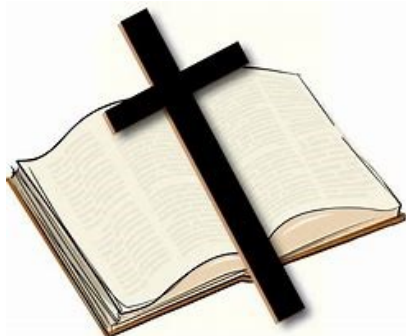
Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4 (3)
1 John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

April 21 – 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:5-12
Psalm 23 (1)
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

April 28 – 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31 (27)
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8



Celebrating With Our Church Family:

April Birthdays:

- 1 David Rosas
- 3 Cadance Somers
- 9 Jeannie Blackwell
- 10 Don Modica
- 12 Cindy Hoffman
- 14 Denise Benner
- 15 Nicolai Gilbert
- 18 Alexys Gilbert
- 20 Cory Foster, Russ von Hagen, Julie Kelso
- 21 Aaron Price
- 24 Randy Luna



April Anniversaries:

- 1 Pastor Mary+ (Year 5 with us)
- 18 Birgit & David Webster
- 30 Susan & Harold Davis

April Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Location	Event	Greeter	LEM/ WA	Aco- lyte	Reader	Coffee Hour
4/2	TU	Cancelled	Chapel	Gospel Study w/ Holy Eucharist					
4/3	WE	3:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	Stewardship Meeting					
		Cancelled	Sanctuary	Adult Bible Study					
	"	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA Meeting					
4/4	TH	5:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Al-Anon Meeting					
	"	3:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Worship & Music Meeting					
4/5	FR	6:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA - We Matter					
4/6	SA	9:30 AM	Sanctuary	Songleader & Spec Music Prac					
4/7	SU	10:00 AM	Sanctuary	Worship w/Bishop	Angie	Susan S	Kristy	Sandie	Tuesday Knights
	"	5:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA Meeting					
4/9	TU	1:00 PM	Chapel	Gospel Study w/ Holy Eucharist					
4/10	WE	5:30 PM	Sanctuary	Adult Bible Study					
	"	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA Meeting					
4/11	TH	5:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Al-Anon Meeting					
4/12	FR	6:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA - We Matter					
4/13	SA	9:30 AM	Sanctuary	Songleader & Spec Music Prac					
4/14	SU	10:00 AM	Sanctuary	Worship	Pat A	Maxine	Debbie	Bruce	Shakers & Bakers
	"	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hall	Joint Leadership					
	"	5:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA Meeting					
4/16	TU	1:00 PM	Chapel	Gospel Study w/ Holy Eucharist					
	"	7:00 PM	Rectory	Tuesday Knights Meeting					
4/17	WE	12:00 PM	1300 E Main St	Laundry Love					
	"	5:30 PM	Sanctuary	Adult Bible Study					
	"	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA Meeting					
4/18	TH	5:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Al-Anon Meeting					
4/19	FR	6:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA - We Matter					
4/20	SA	9:00 AM	Del Taco Mt View	Ladies of Faith					
	"	9:30 AM	Sanctuary	Songleader & Spec Music Prac					
4/21	SU	10:00 AM	Sanctuary	Worship	Jeannie	Kristy	Angie	Susan S	Pot Luck
4/23	TU	1:00 PM	Chapel	Gospel Study w/ Holy Eucharist					
4/24	WE	5:30 PM	Sanctuary	Adult Bible Study					
	"	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA Meeting					
4/25	TH	5:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Al-Anon Meeting					
4/26	FR	6:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA - We Matter					
4/27	SA	9:30 AM	Sanctuary	Songleader & Spec Music Prac					
4/28	SU	10:00 AM	Sanctuary	Worship	Freda	Debbie	Maxine	Kristy	Free Lunch
	"	5:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	NA Meeting					
4/30	TU	1:00 PM	Chapel	Gospel Study w/ Holy Eucharist					

Leadership News:

LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE 10 MARCH 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pastor Mary+, Debbie Luna, Maxine MacDonald, Julie Hackbarth, Mark Hackbarth, Kristy Chambers, Roberta McGinnis, Nancy Bilsborough, Angie Gilbert, Susan Shrum

MEMBERS ABSENT: Doc Harmon,

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeannie Blackwell

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 11:30am

MINUTES – Motion to accept the minutes of the February meeting was made by Julie Hackbarth and seconded by Debbie Luna; motion carried.

TREASURERS' REPORTS

SDLC – report will be filed for audit.

SPEC – Nancy Bilsborough reported that she is still having access issues with our accounts. Pastor Mary+ and Susan Shrum will visit Flagstar bank and try to gain access to the Discretionary account. We received \$5000 grant from the Episcopal One Body and One Appeal Grants and need to submit a report on how the money was used. Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Debbie Luna and seconded by Roberta McGinnis; motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Debbie Luna reported that we do not have access to the church directory to update it since Ken and Carol Nyborg have moved. She will contact him and see what can be done so we can make the changes needed and print new directories.

NEW BUSINESS

The committee discussed the menu for the former Presiding Bishop Katherine Jefferts-Schori's visit. Mark Hackbarth will bring chicken, Cary Jarozewski will bring the salad bar, Doc Harmon will bring deviled eggs, Debbie Luna will bring a cake and she and Maxine MacDonald will bring other items to make a nice luncheon.

MINISTRY AREAS

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

The urinal in the men's bathroom is still not working properly. Nancy Bilsborough will call GEO Services to have them check it out.

After the rains recently, a new leak appeared in the Sanctuary. Julie Hackbarth and Nancy Bilsborough will work with Ceballos Roofing to see where the problem is.

Debbie Luna has made an appointment with Juan's Cleaning on Monday, 18 March at 12:00pm to clean the carpet and floors.

ONE CAMPUS - No update

OUTREACH

Laundry Love is scheduled for Wednesday, 20 March at 12:00pm.

Cont. on next page.

INREACH

Tuesday Knights is scheduled for Tuesday, 19 March at Los Domingo's at 8:30 am and will change the location and time after Easter to 7:00pm at Pastor Mary's+ house.

Ladies of Faith on Saturday, 16 March at 9:00 am at Panera.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 21 March at 3:30pm.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Kristy Chambers is planning an Easter Sunday school class in the Fellowship Hall and then will rejoin the congregation at the Peace.

BUDGET/STEWARDSHIP

The next Stewardship meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 3 April at 3:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

The Altar Guild will meet on Saturday, 23 March to change the paraments for Palm Sunday and set up for Sunday's service. Angie Gilbert will work with Mark Hackbarth to get the palms needed to decorate the Sanctuary.

Easter Sunday will begin with a Sunrise Service in the backyard beginning at 6:30am. Debbie Luna and Maxine MacDonald will serve brunch after the service. After the 10:00am service we are having ham and other items from the congregation since it is free lunch day. Debbie Luna is planning an Easter egg hunt for any children that come to church.

VICAR'S REPORT

Pastor Mary+ reported that the Parochial reports are been submitted to the Episcopal Diocese and the Pacific Synod. She has also submitted the delegate and alternate delegate to convention for the Episcopal convention in November.

The Stations of the Cross will be held on Saturday, 30 March beginning at 9:00am. The Altar Guild will meet at 11:30am to get the Sanctuary and Chapel ready for the Easter services.

Pastor Mary+ reported that Patricia Franco will be baptized at the Easter Vigil service at 6:00pm and when on 7 April she will be confirmed, and Nora Moran will be received when the former Presiding Bishop is here.

Pastor Mary+ also wanted to thank everyone for all the prayers for her and her sister who underwent surgery and for complete healing.

ADJOURNED by acclamation at 12:12pm.

THE NEXT MEETING is scheduled for 14 April 2024.

Ladies of Faith News:

Minutes for meeting held March 16, 2024

PRESENT: Debbie, Maks, Susan, Freda, Pat, Sharon, Pastor Mary, Jeannie, Bea and Ruth Ann

DEVOTION: "NEWLYWEDS"

PRAYERS: N/A

MINUTES: Were read and discussed

TREASURE'S REPORT: The balance at the end of February was \$443.

OLD BUSINESS:

Our attendance is on a roll so keep it up ladies. Well on our way to reaching 100 for the year!!

The third Sunday of the month is now a true potluck lunch being served.

Still working on our summer project for our 2 families from Cameron School. Collecting summer items and gift cards. More information is needed on gender and sizes from Kristy.

NEW BUSINESS:

A "thank you" letter was read from the ELCA for our donation of \$50 to the ministries to help people around the world.

Discussed moving our breakfast meeting to Del Taco located at Mountain View for a few months. The meal would be a little less expensive and quieter. We will try it out next month.

March is a very busy month starting with our St. Patrick's green potluck on Sunday the 17th.

DON'T FORGET THE UPCOMING EVENTS AND SERVICES: Maundy Thursday meal at 5:30 and stripping of the Alter, Good Friday services at noon, Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil, Easter Sunrise Service at 6:30 with a breakfast brunch following the service, Easter Sunday Service at 10:00 with an Easter Lunch after the service. An Easter Egg hunt is also scheduled after the service with Debbie in charge.

I big "thank you" to the Alter Guild for all they do during the Lenten Season and the many changes during Holy Week. A beautiful job is certainly appreciated all year long.

Don't for forget our visit from the Bishop on April 7. A cake is being ordered by Debbie and further updates from Angie is needed about the meal that is being served and what to provide.

The next meeting will be April 20, 2024, at Del Taco, Mountain View, at 0900.



Stewardship Corner:

Stewardship Meeting for March 7, 2024

Prayer –

Call to Order – 3:02pm

Attendance: Susan S, Maks, Pastor Mary, Freda and Deb

Old Business

Panera Bread

Week 1 pickup: Nora

Week 2 pickup: Debbie

Week 3 pickup: Susan S

Week 4 pickup: Carissa

Week 5 pickup: Susan S

The Altar Guild Bakeless Bake Sale during the months of January and February, a total of \$1,849 was donated to our altar guilds.

BINGO was a huge success, with the dinner and raffle monies we collected \$800 for the Roof Fund and 33 were in attendance.

Coffee, Coats and Cookies: Saturday, January 20th was the coat give away, Restoring Dreams picked up what was left.

Roof Fund: \$1,896 was donated in the month of February.

New Business

Fat (Shrove) Tuesday: Tuesday, February 13th. \$100 was donated to Laundry Love with about 16 people in attendance. Thanks to everyone.

Ash Wednesday February 14th: Noon Service, Lenten studies and soup dinner will be starting on Wednesday, February 21st at 5:00pm in the fellowship hall.

Maundy Thursday March 28th Agape meal, washing of hands and stripping the altar. The stewardship committee (and a few others) will provide the meal starting at 5:30. The altar guild will set up at 5:00.

Good Friday March 29th service at noon. Get the cross from the shed. Maks birthday 😊

Stations of the Cross Saturday March 30th at 9:00am, music practice at 10:00am and the altar guild to set up for Easter Sunday at 11:30

Easter Virgil starts at 6:00pm in the chapel, with a baptismal. Chest with bible?

Sunrise service at 6:30am with brunch served, Easter Service at 10:00 followed with luncheon and Egg hunt.

Sunday, April 7th, the former Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal church, Bishop Katherine Jefferts Schori will pay us a visit. Angie to coordinate lunch, Debbie to order the cake.

Vacation: Pastor Mary to be on vacation from April 8 – April 15th, Carol Ziegler will be our supply pastor on April 14th.

Pastor Mary to take four chasubles to the dry cleaners.

Things to think about: greeter/usher training and having a wine tasting event in June.

Adjourn 4:03

.....next meeting: Wednesday, April 3rd @ 3:00p

News From the Pews Date:

Reminder: April 7th = Bishop Katherine Jefferts Schori, the former Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church will pay us a pastoral visit.

Thank you to everyone for the prayers, cards, and well wishes while I was in the hospital and recovering. It has been a journey but I am on the mend and hope to be back to my 'normal' soon. –Susan Davis



Attendance:

	<u>Sanctuary</u>	<u>Online</u>		<u>Sanctuary</u>	<u>Online</u>
3/03	23	11	3/29	14	1
3/10	25	9	3/30a	8	
3/17	30	7	3/30p	11	
3/24	36	14	3/31s	9	
3/28	17		3/31	34	7



Roof Repair Contributions:

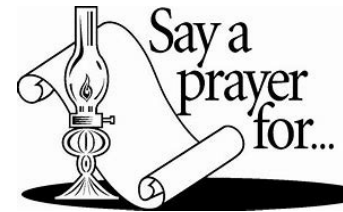
	Designated	Boutique/Bingo Banks/Misc	In Memory Of	Red Buckets	Total
Balance Forward	\$1,155.00	\$2,617.50	\$1,000.00	\$618.30	\$5,390.80
March	230.00	0	0	22.00	252.00
	\$1,385.00	\$2,617.50	\$1,000.00	\$640.30	\$5,642.80

Church family news – if you would like to share information/news with the congregation, please email or call Susan Davis at sadhrd1@verizon.net or (760) 256-0757 any time prior to the 20th of each month.

Easter Sunday



WE PRAY FOR:



--**For those of our faith community who are traveling,**

--**For Peace talks and for peace** to prevail in Israel and Palestine. For those trusted to negotiate peace deals.

--**For the people of Sudan, Russia, and other countries in the area, Israel and Gaza, Lebanon, Egypt,** that the fighting will cease so that help can be provided and the resources they need,

--**For the people of Ukraine** fighting for their freedom and all the agencies and countries helping to provide the necessities needed, including safety and a place to live.

--**We give thanks** for our new friends, new members of our congregations, and our youth,

--**We give thanks** for our local social services and for all who help their neighbors, and all who volunteer and help where needed,

--**For those in need** Patricia Franco and her family,

--**For all who mourn the loss of a loved one,** Tim Kruse, Suzy Beauchene, Irvin Jr, Becky Thompson, Joel Stankavich, Tom Lewis, Beverly Lundgren,

--**For short-term healing,** Bea Lint, Nancy Moran, Dorothy Hartjen,

--**For long-term healing,** Barbara Hackbarth, Susan Shrum, Danny and Sharon Danley, Cathy Carnes, Cary and Sandie Jarozewski, Diane Barnes, Randy Luna, Don Modica, Able Tamez, Jake Wilhoit, Harold Davis, Daniel K, Nicole Jacobs, Nicole P, Cathy M, Ralph Rivera, Don S, Tony J, Kevin Kobel, Ariel Faust, McKenna B, Raynette Greaver, Maurice Lessard, Sharleen Hendrickson, Barbara N, Sylvia F, Joan Craig, Kenneth Davidson, Nick DiNapoli, Jerry Lundgren, Leonard Hilton, Christopher Reynolds, Jacob W, Mary Ann T, Rachel B, Jim H, John A, Colin B, Rachel Bennett, David Klein, Klaus Cataldo, Bill and Mary Phee, Gail Durant, Margaret Dain, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Doug Kruse, Phyllis Sawyer, Nancy Keck, Charie Rincon, Jim Smyth, Melody Martin, Fr John Limon-St. Timothy's, Annie Cendineros and her family, Bill Corya, Susan Davis,

--**For Strength and guidance,** the Cataldo family, the family of Jاليا Phillips, Vera, Kayla, the DiNapoli family and friends, Mary Tororeiy and her family for the surgery and recovery of her sister Monica, Sandie and Cary Jarozewski, Bruce Rowe, Charie Rincon, Diana Horalek, Wayne Perron and family and friends, the Kruse and Nyborg families and friends, Rey Jacob and family and friends, the family and friends of Bill Corya, the family and friends of Becky Thompson, the family and friends of Joel Stankavich, the family and friends of Tom Lewis, the Lundgren families and friends,

--**For all our Youth,** Jake Wilhoit, Adah Somers, Fischer Somers, Elias Somers, Callum Somers, Giuliana Price, Vivienne Price, Lexy Gilbert, Philip Gilbert,

-- **For all our Young Adults,** Shawna Davis, Ryan Davis, Samantha Wilhoit, Cadence Somers, Isabelle Valdez, Elie Valdez, Josh Nyborg,

--**For all members of the military** at home and abroad, and their families: Larry D, Stephanie Serrano, Christopher P, Jared D, Tony J,

--**For all government leaders** that they may work together for the common good.

--**For everyone dealing with flooding and natural disasters,** the people of Maui and their families and friends, people of Morocco and their families and friends, the people of Libya and their families and friends,

--**For all who are dealing with coronavirus,** may we all be calm and careful in our interactions with family and friends and those we meet in public,

--**For victims of gun violence,** and for the conservation around gun safety across the country.

--**For Thanksgivings and Blessings,** from Panera Bread for the bread and sweets we receive every Sunday evening to help with our food ministry, for all the help and donations being given to the people of Maui, Morocco, and the Middle East, the graduation of Kenneth Davidson (Proud Grandmother is Debbie Luna), the healthy birth of Ivy Bordier to Corra and Travis Bordier (Proud Great Grandmother is Debbie Luna), the baptism of Patricia Franco,

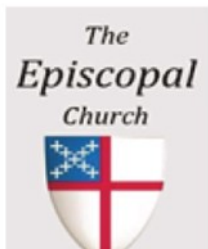
If you have someone to add or remove from the prayer list, please let the office know.

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