

All Saints' Episcopal Church  
Riverside, CA

# *The Good News*

April 2022

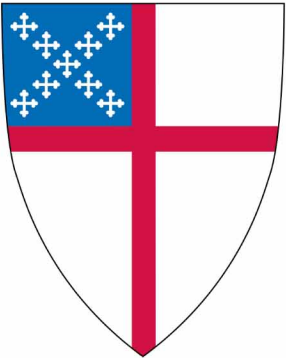


## VISION

The vision of All Saints' Episcopal Church is to be a vibrant, loving, welcoming community of faith called to serve Christ and to nurture all persons to be fully alive in God.

## MISSION

With God's help we will live our vision as a community that serves all people through ministries of worship, education, fellowship, and aid to those in need.



# Holy Week at All Saints

Palm Sunday April 10 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

*Liturgy of the Palms begins at the labyrinth*

Holy Wednesday April 13 6:00 p.m. *Evening Prayer*

Maundy Thursday April 14

6:00 p.m. *Mediterranean Potluck Dinner*

7:00 p.m. *Eucharist and the Stripping of the Altar*

*The Holy Watch* will take place in the side chapel

9:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Good Friday April 15 ***bring your stone to the cross***

12:00 noon *Liturgy of Good Friday*

6:00 p.m. *Stations of the Cross*

7:00 p.m. *Liturgy of Good Friday*

Holy Saturday April 16 9:00 a.m. *Liturgy of Holy Saturday*

EASTER April 17 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

*Liturgy of the Resurrection*

11:45 a.m. *The High Holy Easter Egg Hunt*



## Navigating *the Nave* The Rector's Reflections

The profundity of All Saints' holding 40 funerals or memorial services in less than three years (a congregation our size "normally" does 3-4 a year) is especially acute for me as we head into Holy Week. While so many funerals/memorial services in a relatively small space of time have left us a bit weary of the task of holding space for those who mourn, death has not consumed us. Death has not gotten the last word. What we've experienced time and time again is resurrection and a deep, deep appreciation for the preciousness of life itself. There is, of course, the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior which makes it possible to move from life here on this earth to life after and from which we know we will see our beloveds again. We can only imagine how glorious that will be. But there have also been a myriad of small resurrections, small experiences of hope and joy, of celebrating gifts, of reconciliation and healing. In other words, we have not gotten lost, nor will we be lost walking through the valley of the shadow of death. The difference between mourning and grief has never been clearer for us as we move through the deaths. We mourn for a time, in community, publicly and with great care for ritual and remembering. Grief, however, moves with us as we move forward on our own life journey. But grief is matched by faith, which is imbued with hope and a deep sense of gratefulness for the gift of the life.

I am very thankful for the many hands that come together each time we hold space for the celebration of life and witness. Bulletins made and printed, altar guild on task, ushers in place, music offered, flowers arranged, and when possible, a reception held. There are times when a grave must be dug for cremated remains and a plaque mounted. The faithful of this congregation witness to the power of the resurrection each time they step forward to participate in a funeral. I fuss over the liturgy and the homily, then "robe up", praying for the family, friends and community who gather. When it is time for the service to begin, I stand next to the baptismal font (from which we are marked as Christ's own forever), and also standing there, every time, with dignity, grace, and dutiful faith, is Elaine Crabtree, who holds out a large bell for me. I take the bell, ring it 3 times, twice. The sound reverberates throughout this sacred building and in the souls of the gathered. It's a

sound that holds both hope and pain. We let it linger in the air. Then I hand the bell back to Elaine. We give each other a slight bow and the service begins with "I am the Resurrection and I am the Light, says the Lord . . . " Only out of death can resurrection happen. Death will not overcome nor cause us to get irredeemably lost from our God.

This year, more so than other years, we are a Holy Saturday People living between Good Friday and Easter Sunday. We've walked through hellish times (and, in terms of global politics, still are walking through). We know about Easter but are not there yet. We abide in Holy Saturday, weary of our Good Friday experiences but hopeful for the Resurrection. I'll say it again, death does not get the last word and we will not be lost. But, we'll need to walk through Holy Week, always in community, though. I trust the work Holy Week has for us is generative and spiritually important. I trust God will lead us back to God's self.

A few notes about Holy Week and Easter:

**Palm Sunday** - Begins outside with *The Liturgy of the Palms*, in front of the sycamore tree at 8:00 a.m. and at the labyrinth at 10:00 a.m.

**Maundy Thursday** - Our siblings from Saint Michael's Outreach Center will be our guests. Singing Bird will offer grace over a Mediterranean Potluck Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday worship will follow at 7:00 p.m. with *Stripping of the Altar*.

**Holy Watch** - Takes place 9:00 p.m.-12:00 midnight and 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon in the side chapel. A minimum of two people are needed for each hour watch. More are welcomed. See Andrea Briggs for details.

**Good Friday** Bring your stone back to church to lay at the foot of the cross

12:00 noon	Liturgy of Good Friday
6:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m.	Liturgy of Good Friday

**Holy Saturday** - 9:00 a.m. Holy Saturday Morning Prayer followed by a work party to set the church building for Easter

**Easter Sunday** - High Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. with an outdoor reception after each and the High Holy Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:00 a.m. service.



## Note From the Senior Warden

### *Greetings, fellow All Saints' parishioners:*

Last month's highlight was the 2022 Vestry Retreat at Camp Stevens. We arrived to 5" of snow, starry skies and had the camp to ourselves. The staff took great care of us with cozy lodgings, delightful food and tours of their operations. We dove deep into what All Saints' means to each of us on Vestry and what makes it such a sacred space in our lives and in Riverside. Hours were spent brainstorming about new ways we can communicate with our congregation and the community to illustrate how All Saints' as a sacred space "animates what we do in the world."

Steve Slaten, our Junior Warden, continues to lead the "Care of Creation" effort for All Saints'. Solar power and EV charging stations will improve our environmental footprint as well as free up funds for our outreach efforts. Steve, Mother Kelli Grace and I have met with City of Riverside emergency specialists to get All Saints' prepared as a Red Cross recognized site in the case of city-wide emergency.

During this season of Lent and the great upheaval in Ukraine I hope you are able to participate in our Lenten services and have time to reflect on what All Saints' means to you.

*Sincerely,*  
*Francie Johnson*  
2022 Senior Warden



### *Junior Wardens' Notes*

*We did it!* The exterior walls and doors of Smith Hall, the business offices, and the front of the shed are all recipients of fresh paint. And if the front of Smith Hall seems brighter, taller, and more appealing, it's not only the paint that's contributing to the makeover. The bushes that were in the planters at the foot of each supporting pillar have been removed. The resulting exposure of the full shape of those columns is striking in its ability to visually heighten the front of the building. The plan now is to replace those bushes with drought-tolerant plants that will allow a full view of front of Smith Hall, while conserving

water. We are also moving forward with the work of refreshing the interior of the South Wing and will soon be asking for volunteers to participate in the effort. If you're interested in helping, please drop a note off in the office or send an email to [juniorwarden@allsaintsriverside.org](mailto:juniorwarden@allsaintsriverside.org)

**Care of Creation:** Our national church describes Care of Creation as a covenant, stating that "... we will adopt practical ways of reducing our climate impact and living more humbly and gently on Earth as individuals, households, congregations, institutions and dioceses." I'm not a theologian. I'm more of a nuts and bolts type. But I do know from listening closely during Sunday sermons and Bible readings that we are intended to care about all of creation and become active in our stewardship. The sobering reality of a warming planet is no longer debatable and the life threatening consequences of such a condition amount to a call to action. All Saints' Riverside has joined the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles in taking a proactive approach in attempting to mitigate the effects of climate change. Our Bishop, the Rt Reverend John Taylor, has instituted the Bishop's Commission on Climate Change, and All Saints' Riverside has two congregants appointed as members. Parishioner and UCR Professor, Sally Ness, and I attended the commission's initial Zoom meeting on March 7th.

Our Rector and Vestry are also committed to caring for creation and promoting Climate Justice. Over the past months a long range plan to meet our commitment to become effective environmental stewards has taken shape. The All Saints' Riverside's Care of Creation Plan includes the following goals:

- Installation of rooftop solar panels.
- Placement of electric vehicle charging stations in parking lots.
- Taking care to conserve water.
- Insulating attics and installing weather stripping wherever we can.
- The creation of a community garden.

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When we accomplish these goals, we will come closer to fulfilling our commitments to our covenant and our community. Future editions of Good News will present updates about the status of our Care of Creation program, and other climate related information. Please join in All Saints' efforts to care for our earth, and provide brighter prospects for those who will follow.

*Respectfully,  
Steve Slaten, Junior Warden*

**Community Engagement ~  
Upcoming  
Events  
And  
Opportunities**



*Andrea Briggs, Minister for Community Engagement*

Update on this year's **CROP Walk** – on March 13, Riversiders walked the two-mile Victoria loop from Temple Beth El, and surpassed our goal with over \$15,000 turned in so far for eradicating hunger locally and around the world.

At the Mission Inn Museum, 3696 Main Street, Riverside, **“Toward Peace”** is a new interactive exhibit based on Frank Miller’s efforts to keep the United States out of World War I, and his commitment to relief efforts when that failed. Many visitors have responded to the question that is part of the exhibit, “What do you think are the threats and challenges to peace today?” with answers written on Post-it notes. Museum hours are 9:30am-4pm daily; admission is free. The exhibit opened the day before the Russian invasion of Ukraine, and will close on April 3.

Monday, April 11, 7-8pm, **Taizé Meditative Worship** is an ecumenical style of worship that uses silence, candlelight, repetitive chanting and thought-provoking readings to encourage a deep reflective experience of the presence of God. Several Riverside churches have joined together to provide this worship opportunity to the community every month. As we continue to struggle with COVID uncertainty and many other personal, national and global challenges, Taizé is a place of peace.



The host for April will be First Congregational Church. Attend in person at the church on Mission Inn Avenue; the entrance is on Lemon Street. And stay tuned for information regarding virtual access.



**All Saints  
Episcopal Church**  
presents

*An Evening for Ukraine*

Join us for an Evening of  
**Prayer, Song and Candlelight**  
April 6 at 6:00 p.m.



3847 Terracina Dr, Riverside, CA 92506

*Evening Prayer for PEACE in Ukraine and the whole world.*



## The Way of the Cross

Contributed by David Glidden

This third year of the Great Lent is the most daunting yet. Nearly one million Americans have died of Covid and are continuing to die at a current rate of more than a thousand a day. Millions more across the globe have died or are dying from this pandemic. And now the Russian invasion of the Ukraine has produced ever more horrifying death and nightmarish destruction, with its extortionate threat of nuclear war should NATO intervene to save Ukraine. A tsunami of more than three million refugees in three short weeks have fled Ukraine, with millions more internally displaced. Sudanese, Syrian, and Afghani war victims also seek to flee their homelands where they face brutal starvation, but they find themselves almost forgotten and quite alone amidst the news of war in Europe.

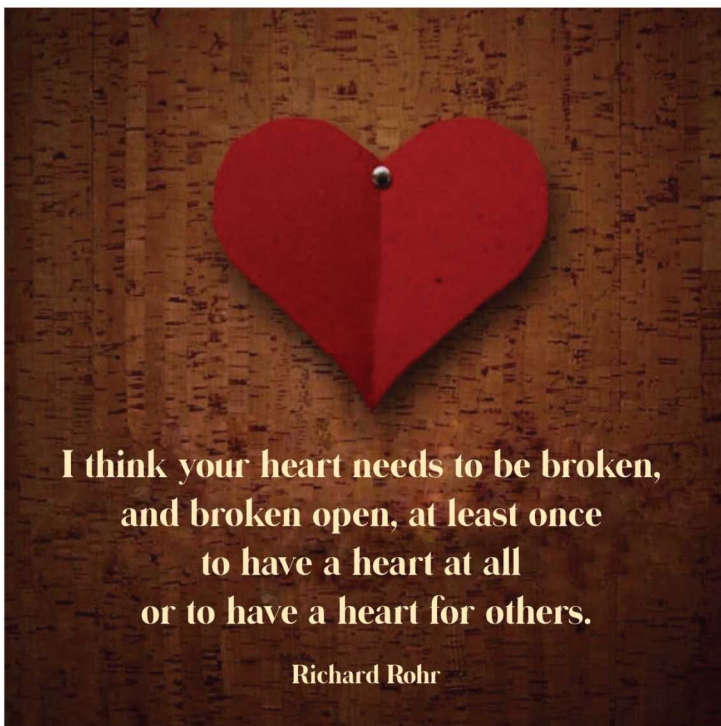
Psalm 146:2 laments there is no help in us. Psalm 120: 6 warns "I labor for peace, but when I speak peace, they labor for war." Psalm 121:1-2 pleads "I lift up my eyes to the mountains –where does my help come from?" The psalmist answers: "My help comes from the Lord."

Welcome to the Way of the Cross. The God we turn to is one of sorrows, well acquainted with grief, for we live in

a world of suffering, as the Bible and Buddhists constantly remind us. And the challenge of our faith is to accept God's grace to find loving peace within ourselves amidst this suffering and to garner the strength to actively engage in compassion toward all of God's children and creation itself. It is a journey thrust upon us, unanticipated and unsought. This journey may be disoriented in battle, but calls upon us to rescue others wherever and however we can. We marvel at ordinary people saving others from the rubble of a bombed-out shelter as the enemy is actively shooting in the streets. Where does that strength come from to take such risks? It is the quiet voice of God's compassion within all of us, calling us to act.

Refugees require food, clothing, shelter, and love. God directs us to attend to them. To halt the comfortable habits of our daily lives. To notice what is happening. To listen deeply to their needs. To walk directly toward their suffering and share their burden, as Simon did with Jesus' cross, persevering even unto death. The Way of the Cross is, after all, the only way towards Easter.

~ DG 3/19/22



**"I do not know the birthplace of war in the human heart. I do not know the origin of cruelty in the human mind. Something within us, each of us, all of us, must harbor the secret. Why do we hurt one another? Why do we not yet know how to share? I cannot understand it much less explain it. I only know it is there. For like you, I see its evidence everywhere. And I will oppose it: everywhere. I may not know the hiding place of the shape-shifter we call evil, but I know the borders of its range. I will be there to confront it: whenever I can, wherever I can, however I can. That is the pledge of my humanity."**

**Bishop Steven Charleston**





## CONVERSATION about race

A Recurring Feature  
Contributed by  
Andrea Briggs

### Do You Know Where You Are?

#### The What, How and Why of Land Acknowledgment

Some public gatherings these days begin with a statement recognizing that indigenous people lived on the land in days past, and also today. For many of us, these statements are a new practice and unfamiliar. What exactly is a land acknowledgment, and how and why do we offer them?

First, we need to notice that there were people living here, on the land we now call Riverside, before most of our ancestors arrived and settled here. It's like knowing something about the previous occupants of the house you live in. I am frequently grateful for the careful design and construction of the house it's my turn to enjoy, and the big trees that someone else planted long ago.

But this is a bit different. When we acknowledge that native peoples lived in Riverside before us, we must also recognize that in most cases they were driven off the land, which was unlawfully seized from them. Many were forced into other places, imprisoned or killed. There's an element of atonement in a land acknowledgment.

In addition, land acknowledgments respect the very different relationship many indigenous peoples have with their traditional lands. We current occupants can be grateful for the care given to the land in the past, and the conservation of its resources often practiced by native peoples, and can learn from them.

When we begin to write a land acknowledgment, research is needed to find out who lived where we are, how to pronounce their names, and a bit about them. It's important to give this learning appropriate attention; this isn't a check-the-box and now-I'm-good-person activity. While an apology for what happened in the past is good, what happens next is more important. When we know the names of our predecessors on the land and something

about them and what happened to them, we can care about those living among us today. What governance do local native peoples have, what organizations, what current needs to which we might contribute? Is there a voluntary land tax program in this area? Is anyone in Riverside working on a return of traditional lands to local native peoples?

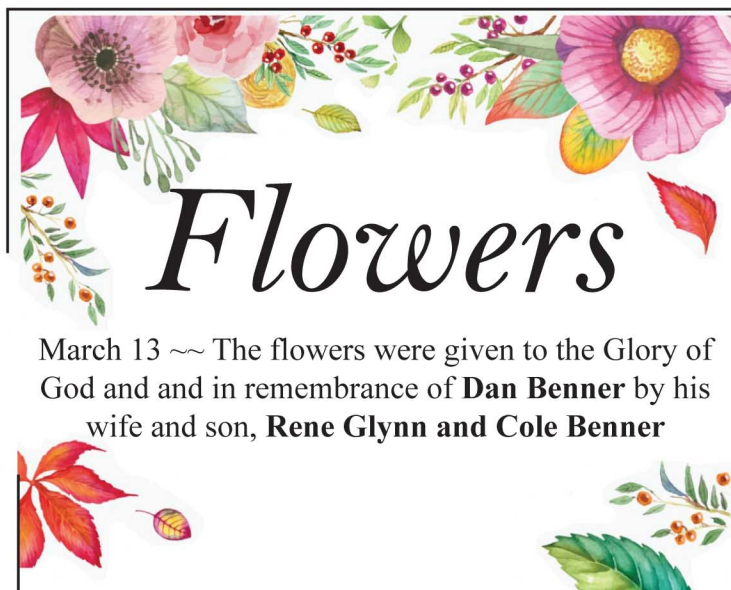
Some of you may have attended the recent virtual Riverside Interfaith Forum, which began with a land acknowledgment, as follows:

"Riverside Interfaith Council acknowledges the traditional, ancestral, and contemporary homelands of the Indigenous Peoples of Southern California whose land it occupies. The Cahuilla (Iviatem), Cupeño (Kúupangaxwichem), Luiseño (Payómkowichum), Serrano (Marra'yam), and Chemehuevi (Nuwuvi) People, and their ancestors have been here since time immemorial. They have cared for the land and all peoples with great integrity. The Cahuilla, Cupeño, Luiseño, Serrano, and Chemehuevi peoples have an immense spiritual relationship with Creator God, the Great Mystery. The first people honor the earth, animal and plant beings, the water, and all peoples that live here. With this land acknowledgement, Riverside Interfaith Council will be respectful to tribal sovereignty and beliefs of the Indigenous Peoples of this land."

This was written and read by Sean Milanovich, a resident of Cathedral City and a citizen of the Cahuilla nation. I and other Forum planners are grateful for his work. Next time we might try learn how to pronounce the nations' names ourselves, and commit to taking action to support the peoples whom our ancestors wronged in the past.

"Love gave us our first inhale of  
breath in physical life, and love  
will be with us in our last  
exhale of breath into spiritual  
and eternal life."





# Flowers

March 13 ~~ The flowers were given to the Glory of God and in remembrance of **Dan Benner** by his wife and son, **Rene Glynn and Cole Benner**

## Prayer List

### Please keep these parishioners in your prayers

**For Healing, Comfort and Strength:** The Nze family, Chuck & Yvonne Stowe, Karen Colaluca, Enor & Roy Harris, Jan & Dwane Mickelson, Jennifer, Beverly, Beth, Micaela, Fritz & Ethel, Beverly N., Polly G., Rickye & Ralph Galliher, Richard, Mary Gabe, Cathy Porter, Jon Schleuter's brother Erik, Crystal, JoEllen, Winnie & Julie Williamson, Blair Gilbert, Sally, Aric, Sandra, Chuck & Ginnie Beck, Liz Tonge, Marlene Coverdale, Anne, Dean Bradley, Robin, Cheryl Bartel, Tim & Suzy Hanigan, Jose Hernandez, Michelle, Ryan Gleason & Scott C., Annette Weight, Jim & family, Lindy Pardee & family, Maria, and Catherine P.

**For Healing, Comfort and Strength; short-term list:** Jeremy, Carrie, Diane

**For those who are affected by COVID-19:** Allison, David, Diane and Sherry, Jose and Chuck, Miles, Michelle, Michael, Joe,

**For those preparing for Marriage:** Danielle Pietro and Danny Renneisen, Dominique Pietro and Matt Marsh, Bill Butler and Elizabeth Kurtz

**For those preparing for the Birth of a Child:** Alisha & Spencer Page (daughter and son-in-law of Pam & Tony Elmo), Ashley Carrol & Kevin Hendrix (daughter of Gayle & Marty Wendt), Emily Miramontes-Johnson & Dallin Johnson

**In thanksgiving for the lives and witnesses of:** Rob Hoyt, Susan, Paul Farmer, Merylyn Cartier, Pam Haag, Grace Slocum, and Earl Pouchie

**For the comfort of those who mourn:** Lindy, Theresa and the Hoyt Family, Kate and Peggy, Richard and Carol Cartier, Rick Haag, the Slocum family

**For those serving in the Armed Forces:** Cameron Wolf, Jonathan O'Connell, Stephen Jenkins, Alia McMorris, Alex and James, Thomas Lopez, Justin Garcia, Andrew Tyner, Shelby Przyk, Michael Daschbach

**We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world:** praying especially for Joseph our president, Kamala, our vice president, members of Congress, Gavin our governor, and Patricia our mayor.

**For Peace in:** Israel/Palestine, Afghanistan, Iraq, Iran, Syria, North Korea, Ukraine, and our own communities

**For those in need of comfort:** the people of Ukraine, the people of Haiti, the people of Tonga, the people of Afghanistan, the people of Russia, and their leaders, and all those on the diocesan prayer list, the families, friends and communities of the victims of violence and victims of natural disasters

**For Immigrants, Refugees, the Oppressed, and the Homeless** throughout the world

If you have an addition to the PRAYER LIST, please e-mail: [ASRprayers@gmail.com](mailto:ASRprayers@gmail.com)



Longtime member Cathy Porter will be moving closer to her daughter in Mexico in early May. Cathy will turn 90 in September and her daughters are asking for cards and letters to be sent NOW so she can celebrate before the move. Please send your greetings to her daughter before May 9:

Sandy Tolzda  
26931 Safiro  
Mission Viejo CA 92691



To send condolences to the Cartier family on the death of longtime member Merylyn Cartier:

The Family of Merylyn Cartier  
3474 South Lunar Way  
Yuma, AZ 85365



### LAY MINISTERS AND USHERS

	Lay Minister	Lector	Intercessor	Crucifer	Torch Bearers	Ushers
<b>3 April</b>	8A	Scott Burton Corbin Young	Brian Draper	Brian Draper		Sue Stevens
	10A	Stephanie McMorris	John Briggs	Christina Miller	Emily	Charles Dailey, AJ Jetti, Robert Miller Kristen Urbaniak, Jim Boyer (G)
<b>6 April</b>	6P	David Glidden	Peggy Darlington	David Glidden	Michelle	
<b>10 April</b>	8A	David Glidden	Susan Tedesco	Susan Tedesco		Sue Liddle Burton
	10A	Craig Riemer Diane Askren	Peggy Darlington	John Paul Wolf	Elliott	Dean Carrie Phil Bruckler, Leslie Sunderland Francie Johnson, Roy Harris
<b>14 April</b>	7P	Craig Riemer	Piotr Gorecki	Scott Burton	Michelle	
<b>15 April</b>	12P	Mary Ellen Gruendyke	Laura McMorris	Peggy Darlington		
	7P	David Glidden	Kurt Marcks	Nerni Miller	Elliott	
<b>16 April</b>	9A	Mother Kelli Grace	Andrea Briggs			
<b>17 April</b>	8A	Susan Tedesco	David Glidden	David Glidden		Scott Burton
	10A	Craig Riemer	Kurt Marcks	Nerni Miller	Nico (T), Emily (C) Sam (B)	Ryan, Oliver Jim Boyer, Charles Dailey, Roy Harris Ian McCausland, Diana Testa (G)
<b>24 April</b>	8A	Corbin Young David Glidden	Susan Tedesco	Susan Tedesco		Sue Liddle Burton
	10A	Laura McMorris	John Paul Wolf	Piotr Gorecki	Jack	Shelby Andrew Rebecca Kurtz-Garcia, Jacob Garcia Diana Testa, Roy Harris, Leslie Sunderland (G)

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Liz Atkinson for Laundry Love, Kathryn Morton for the photo  
of the K&K's birthday sunflowers, and Lindy Colaluca-Polling  
for the photos of the church.  
We are always happy to have photos in our newsletter. If you  
have photos of any of our events, please send them to me at:  
kjkendrick1499@gmail.com*



Office of Public Affairs

#### Resolution adopted by the House of Bishops

March 19, 2022

In light of the baptismal covenant's promise to see Christ in all persons, and the recent and any actions by elected officials in Texas, Alabama, Arizona, Idaho, Iowa, New Hampshire, Michigan, Missouri, Florida, Arkansas, Ohio, North Dakota, Mississippi, South Dakota, Nebraska, Indiana, South Carolina and any other states, municipalities, and school districts targeting transgender children and their families, we, the Bishops of The Episcopal Church gathered at Camp Allen, Texas, in March 2022, voice our love and continued support for all persons who identify as transgender or non-binary and their families. We decry legislative initiatives and governmental actions targeting trans children and their families. We urge all in our Church to create safe spaces and shield all people from harassment based on gender identity.



## Drink this, all of you

Word was received from the Bishop's Office in mid-March that congregations may return to offering the consecrated wine to communicants beginning on Palm Sunday. Several options were given for the safe and healthy return of this part of our sacred shared meal. The Bishop's liturgy advisory team also reminds all that the full efficacy of the Blessed Sacrament is within both/each kinds (bread and wine, Body and Blood); receiving only the Bread is sufficient to hold the fullness of the Sacrament. With that, on Palm Sunday All Saints' returns to offering the consecrated wine/Blood of Christ in the following manner:

Those wishing to receive Communion will kneel or stand at the altar rail as directed by the ushers. The priest will place the consecrated bread in the palm of the hand.

If you choose to NOT receive the consecrated wine, please consume the bread and cross your arms across your chest as the chalice comes in front of you.

If you choose TO RECEIVE the consecrated wine, please leave the bread in your hand. The chalice bearer will take the host and intinct (dip) it in the wine then place the host on your tongue. Please DO NOT self-intinct (dip the host yourself).



The letter from the Diocese reads, in part:

As Episcopalians adapt to a world that includes COVID for the foreseeable future, gathering at the table to receive bread and wine made holy remains a source of strength and inspiration, as it has from the earliest days of the Church.

We gather at the Holy Table at which Christ is host. Though the prayer book directions note: "Opportunity is always to be given to every communicant to receive the consecrated Bread and Wine separately," and that "the Sacrament may be received in both kinds simultaneously," receiving Com-

munion in one kind only – as we have done recently during the pandemic – has precedent at other times in our history, whether out of convenience or necessity.

While receiving in one kind only (the consecrated Bread) continues to be an option in the Diocese of Los Angeles, effective on Palm Sunday (April 10, 2022), Bishop Taylor, acting on our recommendation, has approved the option of returning to the prayer book-preferred option of receiving both the consecrated Bread and Wine”

May the Body and Blood of our Lord Christ keep you in everlasting life. KGK+



Mother Kelli Grace receiving birthday sunflowers and good wishes from the children.

## On Faith & Doubt

Doubt  
is not the opposite of faith:  
fear is.  
Fear will not risk  
that even if I am wrong,  
I will trust  
that if I move today  
by the light  
that is given me,  
knowing it is only  
finite and partial,  
I will know  
more and different  
things tomorrow  
than I know today,  
and I can be open  
to the new possibility  
I cannot even imagine today.



*Dr. Verna Dozier, The Dream of God*



We had 10 volunteers at our March Laundry Love Riverside event and were able to assist 27 clients for \$353.18.



We have been without the assistance of our social worker intern for the past three months and have missed having the support and service that resource provides to the clients. Unity Hope was also not present at this event and some clients were asking about the outreach counselors from Unity Hope and if they would be attending and providing “freebies”. We also missed working with our friends from St. George’s and look forward to having our fellow Episcopalians return for future LLR events. The volunteers were blessed to receive hot tea from a client who wanted to thank us for supporting those who needed assistance in the laundromat.

Inside the laundromat, the top loading machines were all inoperative; despite some malfunctioning machines, LLR had a steady stream of clients and kept business going throughout the entire evening. No lines of clients or anyone waiting for machines... all happy clients!

As you continue your Lenten journey, please consider a donation to LLR. You can donate in Text-to-Give, Pay Pal (designate LLR in your donation), check to ASR with LLR in the memo line, or donate your time as a

volunteer at LLR events.

STAY TUNED for more opportunities to support LLR through back-to-school supplies, donations toward laundry cards and MORE in our summer outreach campaign!

Love never ends... neither does laundry!



*Faithfully submitted,  
Liz Atkinson*



*The next Laundry Love Riverside Event will be on Wednesday, April 20 at the Sparklean Laundromat.*

*Contact Sherri Bradley, Liz Atkinson or Mother Kelli Grace if you are able to participate or donate.*

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## *Holy Saturday<sup>™</sup> Spirituality*

The Book of Common Prayer offers a liturgy for a service of prayer on Saturday morning, the day between Good Friday and Easter Sunday. This is surely the shortest and least familiar service of Holy Week, overlooked by many churches and worshippers. It is based on accounts in all four gospels (Matthew 27.55-28.1, Mark 15.40-16.1, Luke 23.49-24.1, John 19.38-20.1). Jesus's followers were wanting to prepare his body in the traditional fashion for burial. However, they were delayed by Sabbath restrictions; Jesus had died just before the beginning of Sabbath, and no work, including tending to the dead, was to be done on the Sabbath.

So they waited.

Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, the mother of the sons of Zebedee, Salome, Joseph of Arimathea, Nicodemus, and others of Jesus's followers had watched Jesus's cruel and unjust execution on Friday. They had stayed through it all, and finally had taken his body down from the cross as evening fell. These faithful followers had believed that Jesus was the One. And now they had seen him die. Was their God of unending grace still acting? Or was this the end of the story? When all seems lost, we gather, sit, and pray.

And we wait.

We are waiting, waiting to see how God might respond to our many hopes, longings, and yet unanswered prayers. We will mark Easter on Sunday morning, April 17, 2022, in all the usual ways. We will prepare the

church on Saturday morning with polished brass and flowers and candles, for a grand celebration. It's one thing to mark an historical event, to commemorate an Easter of 2000 years ago. What of Easter happens anew every year, will happen within our lives this year?

We wait.

And we remind each other of what we know:

Love is stronger than death.

Love is stronger than COVID deaths, and COVID isolation, and COVID missed proms and weddings and reunions and school days.

Love is stronger than a history and culture of race-based discrimination, violence and injustice.

Love is stronger than merciless Russian aggression.

Love is stronger than political divisiveness and economic turmoil.

Love is stronger than climate disaster.

Love is stronger than gut-wrenching grief and mind-numbing terror.

On Saturday we wait to see what God is doing among us. On Saturday we gather our strength to do our part -- to comfort the grieving, share medical care with all, heal divisions, steward our planet, build peace everywhere, and bring Resurrection among us.

A Holy Saturday service of prayer will take place at All Saints' on Saturday, April 16, 2022, at 9am. All are welcome. Preparing the church for Easter will begin directly after the service.

## **FOOD SHARE MINISTRY**

During the last four weeks St. Michael's served over 160 individuals and families in the Thursday morning food share.

All Saints' provided 22 volunteers during that time who picked up and delivered food to the church, sorted and stacked fruits, vegetables and bread and helped clean up after the farmer's market style food distribution.

In addition, our parishioners donated 10 bags of clothing, two quilts and three sleeping bags. We also secured a donation of 14 boxes of hand sanitizer for their use. If you have any items to donate please call me at 951.543.7171.

The last few weeks saw an increase in numbers due to rising gas prices. Families need gas to get to work so their food budget has been effected. Please pray for them.

If you would like to participate in any way please email me at [pskorzec@me.com](mailto:pskorzec@me.com). We start at 8 am on Thursday mornings are usually done by 10. There is no heavy lifting involved and you are rewarded by the many smiles and personal conversations that take place with those we serve.

~ Patricia Korzec

**ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
VESTRY NOTES  
December 13, 2021**

**Present:** Mother Kelli Grace Kurtz, Sue Burton, Liz Atkinson, Leslie Sunderland, Craig Riemer, Kurt Marcks, Steve Slaten, Kathy Woodbury, John Briggs, Francie Johnson; **Via Zoom:** Ian McCausland, Sue Stevens, Cheryl Bartel; **Treasurer:** Jane Carney; **Clerk:** Laura McMorris

**1. Call to Order** Meeting was called to order at 7:02 with and Advent prayer by Walter Brueggemann.

**2. Approve Agenda** *M/S Atkinson/Marcks* that the Agenda be approved as corrected. **Carried** (correct date to December 13, correct Action Item spelling items 2 and 3)

**3. Approve Minutes of November Meeting** *M/S Atkinson/Liddle- Burton* that minutes of November Meeting be approved. **Carried** (Riemer abstained)

**4. Families, Children and Youth** - Leslie Sunderland

-The making of Advent wreaths, and gingerbread houses was a huge success.

-Youth group will be going to the Festival of Lights, then to Jim Boyer's home for hot cider and movies.

-Youth are serving as acolytes for funerals and memorial services, and will be serving as ushers and readers for the 6:00 Christmas Eve service.

-We will need to find a new lead Sunday school leader, Leslie has received an email from Margaret Wilson resigning as of February 5. Thanks to Margaret for ten years of dedication to our children.

**5. Community Health** - Cheryl Bartel & Kathy Woodbury

-Riverside County Public Health reports COVID 7 day average is going up from 15% to 20%, with a 5.2 - 5.7 positivity rate.

-Pfizer vaccine is now available for children.

-Indoor mask mandate will be reinstated for one month as of Wednesday.

**6. Outreach** - Liz Atkinson

-Andrea Briggs reports that Triity and Eden Lutheran have joined the Taize service rotation

-As always, Paul and Jim did a wonderful job with the Penny Bowl competition and gift drive. Eight hundred dollars and checks provided \$1,100 in gift cards Inspire House, and Path of Life.

-Our last Laundry Love even served 15 people, did 124 loads of laundry, at a cost of \$218.16. Year to date expense is \$3,208.33. We have four crisis counselors from Community Hope are working with us now.

**7. Financial Report** - Jane Carney

**a. Budget vs Actual**

-Congregational giving was down in November, offset by the fact that regular but non-pledging givers continue to outperform the budget, as they have all year. Good news is: year-to-date, congregational giving is \$41,000 above budget and exceeds annual budgeted amount.

-In November, we received \$3,900 in memorial gifts, which helped alleviate the declining in pledgers, so that total income was only slightly below budgeted amount.

*-M/S Burton/Marcks* that we accept the budget report subject to audit. **Carried**

**b. Proposed Budget 2022**

-A Proposed Draft 2022 budget was presented to the Vestry.

-The only changes in the expenses from the draft presented in November, are in the compensation of the Rector and staff. As discussed in November, CPI continued to climb.

The budget shows results if the base compensation adjustment is 4.7% or 5.5%. The aggregate difference is \$3,304.

The budget balances whether the Vestry decides on the 4.7% or 5.5% base pay increase.

-Mother Kelli Grace recused herself from the vote on the final budget.

*-M/S Atkinson/Briggs* that the 2022 budget with a 5% COLA for staff be approved; **Carried** (unanimously)



*November, 2021 Meeting Minutes, continued*

**8. Senior Warden** - Kurt Marcks

**a. Nominations**

-Janie Hilland, Luke Polling, Brian Draper, Patricia Korzec; *M/S Marcks/Burton* that the slate of nominees be accepted as presented. *Carried*

**9. Junior Warden** - Sue Burton/Steve Slaten

-Fire Department will present Earthquake Preparedness at the Staff Meeting tomorrow. The Vestry is invited to attend.

-Completed tasks: poinsettias planted (twice), new olive tree planted, shower closet cleaned/organized, handicapped ramp installed between lobby and patio

-Ongoing: Exterior paint on wooden surfaces, replace downstairs water heater, fix crawl space - Inspire House, getting bids to make rectory master bath handicap accessible

**10. Rectors Report** - Mother Kelli Grace Kurtz

-Camp Stevens is ready, including single occupancy is needed. Retreat scheduled for February 25, 26, and 27 unless COVID requires us to change.

-The office will be closed the week between Christmas and New Years.

-Mother Kelli Grace will work from home the following week, as Mark recuperates from hip replacement surgery.

-Mother Kelli Grace recognized and thanked the four outgoing Vestry members for their last three years of service. They did a tremendous job during her first three years as our Rector:

**Ian McCausland**, provided IT support, parish photography and video, work on our website, despite long commute each day.

**Liz Atkinson**, has been instrumental in our outreach programs, including setting up and managing the Laundry Love program.

**Sue Liddle Burton**, volunteered to serve as Jr. Warden on her very first day. She has been dedicated and passionate about the care of our facility. She has set the standard for Jr. Wardens.

**Kurt Marcks**, has served as a loyal and trusted Sr. Warden, has been instrumental in securing leases to our financial security, and has spearheaded Endowment and Legacy committees. With Vestry approval he will continue as chair of the Endowment Committee

**11. No Executive Session**

**12. Prayer Requests**

**13. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm with the Doxology

*Faithfully submitted*

*Laura McMorris*

ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
135TH ANNUAL MEETING  
January 23, 2022  
Via Zoom

**Present:** Mother Kelli Grace Kurtz, Kurt Marcks, Leslie Sunderland, Sue Stevens, Sue Burton, John Briggs, Francie Johnson, Craig Riemer, Ian McCausland, Kathy Woodbury

**Via Zoom:** Liz Atkinson, Steve Slaten, Cheryl Bartel

**In attendance:** 81 communicants (Via Zoom)

**1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer**

Meeting called to order with opening prayer by Mother Kelli Grace Kurtz.

**2. Clerk and Judge of Elections Appointed**

Mother Kelli Grace appointed Laura McMorris, Clerk and Lindy Collaluca-Polling, Judge of Elections

**3. Review of Qualified Electors and Practice Vote**

The qualifications for electors per the Canons of the Church in the Diocese of Los Angeles were read.

Instructions for online voting were given and a practice vote was taken.

**4. Approval and Corrections to the Minutes of Annual Meeting**

*M/S Atkinson/L Lennox* that the Vestry make corrections to and approve minutes of the Annual Meeting. Carried

**5. Members of Core Team and 2021 Vestry Introduction**

Senior Warden - Kurt Marcks; Junior Warden - Sue Liddle Burton; Clerk - Laura McMorris; Treasurer - Jane Carney

**6. Outgoing Vestry Members and Sunday School Director Thanked**

**-Ian McCausland** provided a wealth of communications support rebuilding our website, photography and video of special events.

**-Liz Atkinson** was integral to the establishment of Laundry Love, supported all outreach programs, and provided continuous reports to the Vestry on those programs. She will continue on with her work with Laundry Love.

**-Sue Liddle Burton**, Junior Warden has been tireless and dedicated in her efforts to maintain our buildings and grounds. She has always been the first to roll up her sleeves and to work on any task that needed to be done. The Vestry presented her with a golf gift certificate, her favorite pastime when not serving All Saints'.

**-Kurt Marcks** has served as Senior Warden for the last two years providing spiritual support to Mother Kelli Grace, and fiscal support to All Saints' seeking and negotiating leases with Quakers, Inspire, and preschool. He worked to establish the Endowment and Legacy Circle, and will continue as chair of the Endowment Committee. One of his favorite pastimes is fly fishing. The Vestry presented him with fly fishing equipment.

**-Margaret Wilson** faithfully served as Sunday School director for ten years, providing weekly Sunday School, special events, writing curriculum, prayer, and bible stories, and Christmas pageants. She seamlessly moved to online Sunday School with the onset of the COVID pandemic. Parents and children have been blessed to have her play such a great part in their lives. She has been a special gift to us all.

**7. Vestry Candidates for the Class of 2025**

**-Patricia Korcez** has worked with food share both here and at St. Michael's since the beginning, She is a talented artist and teacher.

**-Brian Draper** attends the 8:00 service and serves as Lector and Intercessor. He wishes to deepen his commitment to All Saints'.

**-Luke Polling** is the husband of our Lindy, assistant to the Rector and Program Manager. He works in IT for Riverside County, and is our IT guy

**-Janie Hilland** has been at All Saints' since 2001. She attended Sunday School, served as an acolyte, attended and taught music for VBS, and is a choir member.

*-M/S Wolfe/Wilson* that slate of candidates be ratified as presented. *Carried*

**8. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention**

-Jim Boyer, John Briggs, Sue Liddle Burton, Laura McMorris, Mary Ellen Gruendyke, Stephanie McMorris



vote is cast - Voting for three - top three vote getters will serve, others will be alternates

-Delegates to Convention 2022: Jim Boyer, John Briggs, Sue Liddle Burton

-First alternate - Laura McMorris

### **9. Treasurer's Report - Jane Carney**

-Thanks to the generosity of parishioners and the grace of God, we are not just getting by, but thriving. As of the end of 2021, All Saints' is in a stable and strong financial position to support its work in the new year.

-The 2022 budget is conservative in its estimates on the income side. The only income category in which a larger amount is budgeted for in 2022 than was actually received in 2021 is for "Operations-Revenue". This number is almost entirely based on signed leases, and thus is reasonable.

-On the expense side, "Staff-Related Expenses" in the 2022 budget includes an increase in base compensation of 5%. The Vestry carefully considered and debated the rising CPI for the area and numbers on wage increases before approving the 5% increase.

-The church has significant reserves which adds to the financial stability of All Saints'.

-*M/S Atkinson/Boyer* that we receive the 2022 budget as prepared and approved by the Vestry. *Carried*

### **10. Senior Warden Report - Kurt Marcks**

-During his three years on Vestry, two years as Senior Warden, and part of the first class under Mother Kelli Grace, we have faced significant challenges and crises.

-It has been a pleasure to work with this Vestry. Those of us going off are the first class to serve under Mother Kelli Grace's watch. We took our positions together three years ago. We thank her for saying yes when called to All Saints'. Her knowledge of All Saints' and it's people.....as she says "We are a good fit."

-Thanks to Jane Carney, Treasurer and Laura McMorris, Clerk for their dedicated and ongoing service.

-I have long been involved with Stewardship and am grateful for our Stewardship Committee: Andrea Briggs, Jim Boyer, Katherine Kendrick, Ian McCausland and Sue Stevens.

-I am most excited about our Endowment Program. The Vestry formed an Endowment Committee in 2020. I want to express my gratitude to all who have worked on that committee: Mary Sue Berkley, Jane Carney, Francie Johnson, Jeannene Kelly, Jerry Koury and Mother Kelli Grace Kurtz. I plan to continue my involvement with the Endowment Committee working to enhance the future life and ministry of All Saints'.

-My final hope is that Mother Kelli Grace extends the same care to herself and her family as she gives to us.

### **11. Rector's Report**

-Mother Kelli Grace began her report with a reading from Corinthians.

-Mother Kelli Grace announced that Francie Johnson is the new Senior Warden.

-Despite COVID, All Saints' has grown and continues its outreach to the community. We completed our labyrinth, established Small Saints', ran a successful Food Share program and joined St Michael's when our program ended, our youth meets almost every week, Abe continues to provide Friday noontime concerts.

-Looking ahead, we will be researching and implementing ways to become "Stewards of Creation". Some of the ideas we will be looking at are installation of solar panels, charging stations, and a community garden.

-We plan to expand our interfaith and community connections.

-We will be actively looking for a curate or assistant priest (could be fresh from seminary or be ordained for a while). In the past, All Saints' has proven to mentor well.

-Thanks to the staff: Lindy Colaluca-Polling (Assistant to Rector & Program Manager), Abe Fabella (Director of Music & Organist), Darlene Venneman (Business Manager), Luke Hilland (Choir Lead), and Amy Castle (Small Saints Lead).

-Thanks to our volunteer staff: Andrea Briggs (Community Engagement), Jim Boyer (Youth), Katherine Kendrick (Newsletter), Mary Ellen Gruendyke (Minister of Worship), Penny Ellien (Altar Guild), Diana Testa (Sunday Hospitality), Kathy Woodbury/Sue Burton (Office Volunteers), Margaret Wilson (Sunday School)

-This last year we have seen 16 deaths and funerals in our ranks.

-March 3 marks the 3rd anniversary of Mother Kelli Grace with us.

**Annual Report of Ministries**

*M/S Atkinson/Wolfe* that the Annual Report of Ministries be accepted as emailed to the congregation. *Carried*

**12. Announcement of First Meeting of Newly Formed Vestry**

-The Vestry will meet in the Library immediately following this meeting.

**13. Adjournment, Final Blessing and Dismissal**

-The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm with the singing of Rise Up Ye Saints of God!

*Faithfully submitted*

*Laura McMorris*

