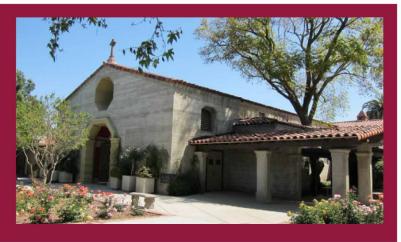
## All Saints' Episcopal Church Riverside, CA **The Good News**

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June 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.

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#### 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.

## Pentecost 2022

June 5th please join us for a picnic & fun following the 10:00 a.m. service.

> \*\*There will be a Bounce House for the kids!

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### Navigating the Nave The Rector's Reflections



I am delighted to introduce you to Ryan Macias who will be joining the staff June 13. Ryan recently graduated from Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley with his Masters in Divinity. He'll be ordained to the transitional diaconate on June 11 at Saint John's Cathedral in Los Angeles and will be ordained a priest in January

2023. He will be with us for two years, possibly three, as our curate.

A curate is an ordained person on their first assignment out of seminary who works closely with a rector or vicar, learning the ropes of ordained life in a congregational setting. As a friend is fond of saying "law school did not prepare me for how to act in a court room", so too much of life as a parish priest is not directly taught in seminary. Oh, let me count the parochial tasks that are not taught in seminary! But I digress . . .

This particular position is unique in two ways: first, the position is described as a "generalist", that is, Ryan will be involved in a wide range of congregational life, not just one or two areas. He'll take his turn preaching, teaching, administrating the sacraments, making pastoral calls, and pulling the Sacred and the profane closer together. Second, beginning in the late fall Ryan will be spending some of his hours at St. George's and St. Michael's. He'll supply for St. George's vicar, the Reverend Karri Backer, when she needs to be away and he'll spend time at St. Michael's learning from the Reverend Canon Mary Crist about clergy life in an outreach setting. All Saints' has received permission from Bishop Taylor to explore the possibility of having a late afternoon service at St. Michael's that invites the St. Michael's community and the soon-to-be residents of the apartment complex being built on the St. Michael's property to come worship the living, loving, life-giving God. This permanent, supportive housing solution for unhoused families and those who are unhoused and face other life hurdles provides wrap around services using the "housing first" model and managed by Mercy House (www.MercyHouse.net). It is our hope that we will be able to provide a worship experience on Sunday afternoons that meets the needs and concerns of this particular community. At the very least, what should come out of that beautiful church on Sundays is the joyous, hopefilled message of the Episcopal Church with its strong, clear message "all are welcomed here." Ryan, KGK+, and Mary+ will be working together to design a creative liturgy that fits into the great liturgical tradition and is responsive to the community which gathers at St. Michael's. Look for more about "All the Saints at Saint Mike's" coming in the months ahead.

I will be away a bit this summer, so it's good to have a curate on the way. While Ryan will be preaching and taking on pastoral calls, he will not be taking the full helm until he is priested in January. In the meantime, and whenever we are in need, Fr. Pete Wright and Fr. John Saville continue to provide priestly coverage. Ryan's first Sunday preaching will be July 3 which will be the day we officially welcome him on board staff. We'll have an ice cream social after the 10:00 a.m. service to celebrate not only Ryan's arrival but also Independence Day. If you'd like to meet Ryan before he's officially on board, he'll be with us on his last Sunday as a lay person on Pentecost Sunday, June 5, for a sneak peak.

Preaching schedule for the summer: KGK+

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June 5	KGK+
June 12	KGK+
June 19	Fr Pete
June 26	Fr Pete
July 3	Ryan+
July 10	Fr Pete
July 17	KGK+
July 24	KGK+
July 31	KGK+
August 7	Ryan
August 14	Fr Saville
August 21	Fr. Saville
August 28	KGK+
September 4	Ryan
September 11	Fr Saville



## **Note From the Senior Warden**

#### Dear All Saints' parishioners:

As usual, things are busy at All Saints' after a wonderful celebratory Easter service and egg hunt. As the Senior Warden, one of my main responsibilities is supporting Mother Kelli Grace in whatever capacity she requires. I'm thrilled with the news that Mother Kelli Grace has chosen Ryan Macias as our new curate. Ryan will assist her with services, programming, pastoral care, marketing and much more.

The support of another clergy member will bring another perspective to our worship as well as give Mother Kelli Grace some breathing room as she juggles all the hats she wears as our leader. I encourage you to welcome Ryan; he will be visiting on June 5th, with his first official Sunday at All Saints' on June 19th. Also please mark your calendar for Ryan's first Sunday presenting the sermon on Practice The Tithe Sunday, July 3rd, with a celebration/welcome reception to follow.

See you in church.

Sincerely, Francie Johnson 2022 Senior Warden





All Saints Episcopal Church presents our Adult Summer Learning Series with Professor John Briggs, meetings at 7:00pm

> Tuesday, July 12, Babette's Feast Thursday, July 14, Mostly Martha Tues, July 19, Eat, Drink, Man, Woman Thursday, July 21, Discussion of films

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Participants will view the films at home through their own streaming services (for example, Netflix) before attending each meeting.







Junior Wardens' Notes

We are in the process of examining our buildings and grounds with an eye on security and safety. The narthex is now more secure after hours due to

work on the mechanisms that ensure the red doors remain locked while the sanctuary is not in use.

New procedures for securing the gate to the lower parking lot have also been established. On Sundays, the gate will be monitored while children are present until about 10:15 a.m., when our Quaker friends begin their services. The gate will be locked thereafter, and the Quakers have agreed to ask their members to use the upper business office entry points if they arrive late for services. Further we are in the process of installing a metal mesh barrier on the gate from the playground to the breezeway near the music room. This will render that gate more secure while allowing it to function as an emergency exit.

On the Care of Creation (COC) front we now have three bids for roof top solar, and we are meeting individually the representatives of those companies to discuss their installation strategies. The hope is to minimize the surprises that seem attendant on modifications to older structures and make a final selection.

Other pending COC programs and services include:

• The establishment of an Information Advocacy Table. Patricia Korzec and Sally Ness are working on this project with the goal of providing information about government and private sector proposals and programs that might be of special interest to our parishioners. The table will be intermittently present after Sunday services, beginning on Sunday, June 12.

• Kathy Woodbury is looking into First Aid and CPR classes for interested parties. The goal is to make them available later this summer for staff, volunteers, and the general congregation. A small fee may be required. And on that note, did you know we have a defibrillator? It is currently in the narthex but will soon be moved to Smith Hall.

• Emergency and Disaster Resiliency: I learned something last week during a zoom meeting of the Bishop Taylor's Commission on Climate Change. Notice the naming convention change from disaster preparedness to disaster resiliency. This is a purposeful change designed as "an emerging approach to public health (and) emergency preparedness..." that stresses not only being individually prepared, but also anticipates the establishment of supportive social networks that will enable communities to withstand and recover from disasters. All Saints' Riverside seems to be the perfect model for this change in view.

We are all excited to welcome our new curate, Ryan Macias, and work is underway to provide him office space and help him settle into his new role.

As always, if you see building and grounds issues that need attention please email me at juniorwarden@allsiantsriverside.org, or drop me a note in the business office.

> Respectfully Submitted, Steve Slaten, Junior Warden

#### **Did You Know?**

To those who have a retirement account or accounts. . . .

We all know that when we turn 70 ½ it is mandatory that we take a Minimum Required Distribution from those accounts. Did you know that you can designate all or a portion of this distribution to be sent to All Saints' and you do not have to pay taxes on that amount? I wish I had known this a few years back! It's good for you and good for All Saints'!

Just a bit of helpful information from the Legacy Circle,



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#### **Community Engagement** ~ Upcoming **Events** And **Opportunities**

Andrea Briggs, Minister for Community Engagement

Thursday, June 2, 6-9pm, and subsequent first Thursdays. Riverside Artswalk welcomes you back to free, in-person art exhibitions. This is a monthly community event that celebrates the diversity of arts and culture in Riverside and the Inland Empire. Visit over 22 downtown locations, including museums, galleries and studios, presenting an eclectic mix of visual and performing arts. At this time some venues may have limited capacity, and/or may require masks. Riverside Artswalk is hosted by the Riverside Arts Council and sponsored by the City of Riverside and Riverside Downtown Partnership. More information at https://www.riversideartswalk.com/

Saturday, June 4, 22nd annual Riverside celebration of Juneteenth, "A Day of Remembrance." Juneteenth recognizes the date in 1865 when the news of the Emancipation Proclamation finally reached Texas, and all enslaved persons there were given their freedom. See article elsewhere in this newsletter. This will be an online event; more information at https://juneteenthsocal.org/

Tuesday, June 7, California Primary Election for State and County offices. Registered voters have been sent their ballots, which are to be returned by mail or in person by June 7. The Voter's Guide has also been mailed, and is also available at https://voterguide.sos.ca.gov/

This is a primary election in which we will be choosing the candidates who will stand for election in November. However, if a primary candidate receives more than 50% of the votes cast in the primary, that person is elected. Therefore, for some local contests in which there are only two candidates, such as Riverside County Sheriff, this will be the only opportunity we have to voice our opinion. This may also be the case for

contests in which there are three candidates, such as Riverside County District Attorney, should one of them receive more than 50% of the votes cast in this election.

The Press Enterprise has run several articles on the candidates in this election. Go to https://www.pe.com/ and search for June 7 Primary Election. Another useful resource is https://votersedge.org/ca which lists all candidates on your ballot and compares available information about them.

All of us are impacted by our local elected officials -how they lead and how they care for Riverside residents. With every election we have the opportunity to put our values and priorities to work. Please learn more about the candidates; perhaps we can find ways to vote for justice, mercy and humbleness (Micah 6.8).

Monday, June 13, 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 on the second Monday of every month. As we continue to struggle with many personal, national and global challenges, Taizé is a place of peace and restoration.

The hosts this month are Eden Lutheran Church and Trinity Lutheran Church. The service will be held at Trinity at 5969 Brockton Avenue, near Jurupa, and

also will be livestreamed on Trinity's YouTube channel.

Now through July 8, at the Center for Social Justice and Civil Liberties, downtown at 3855 Market Street, visit the exhibit "Black Lives Matter: Voices of Protest, Activism, and Art." Center hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11am-3pm, plus the first Thursday of each month, 6-9pm, and the first Sunday of each month, 12-3pm. For more information, call (951) 222-8846 or go to https://socialjustice.rccd.edu.

## The Power of the Pentecost

Contributed by David Glidden

St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 15 wrote: "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile." And again, "If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead." John the Evangelist tells us (11.1-44) that when Jesus learned of the death of Lazarus, he wept and shared Martha's and Mary's grief. Saying "I am the resurrection and the life," Jesus then raised Lazarus from the dead, thereby anticipating his own resurrection.

Ever wonder what Lazarus felt after he was resurrected? His life had been miraculously changed. But we need not speculate, since especially in recent years there have been thousands at the point of death resuscitated from unconsciousness. Over a million Americans have died of Covid, millions more across the globe. Millions too have died from war, civil conflict, terrorism, homicide, addiction, and disease. They continue to perish in horrifying numbers. But there have also been thousands of resurrection stories of those who regained consciousness and lived: from the very point of death they survived. Their lives have been transformed, as was true for Lazarus.

An English friend lost three weeks of her life to Covid, intubated and unconscious; then miraculously she began to recover. My barber spent weeks in an ICU on a BIPAP ventilator. Barely conscious, he could dimly see his wife watching over him from beyond a glass window and praying for him. He had quotations from Isaiah to contemplate, pasted on the walls. Beyond all medical expectations, he lived. He told me he felt the presence of God was with him, and he recovered with the knowledge he had more to do in this life.

These are only two of those thousands who have been resuscitated from death. But they didn't do this on their own, just as Lazarus needed Jesus. There are the nurses, doctors, health care workers who have worked selfless hours, day after day, month after month, when so many more were dying whom they could not save. They were in Aleppo, when Russians and Syrians were bombing their hospitals. They are today in the Ukraine and continue to serve across the globe, trying to save as many as they can of the wounded and the diseased, at a considerable cost to themselves, working beyond exhaustion, tenderly holding the hands of the dying. We also know that thousands of Poles and other central Europeans have taken into their own homes for shelter millions of women and children and elderly from Ukraine.

Why are they doing this? We know that Jesus saved Lazarus out of love for his family, moved to grief at his death. We know that health care workers and compassionate civilians in desperate situations are also acting out of selfless love, as that stranger did for me when he found me drowned in a pond when I was two. I still remember seeing his hairy arms as he pumped the water out of me and brought me back to life.

What is the lesson here? It is the power of the Pentecost, the empowerment to love others as Jesus loves us, a power transferred from God to us with this new kind of unknown, selfless love, called agapé. Every day we are well aware of all the horrible suffering afflicting friends and strangers at home and abroad. And, yes, we can dwell in the darkness of despair. But it is also true that there is this divine gift of selfless love, working against the darkness, resurrecting so many lives and carrying this love forward with courage and a power God has given us to use. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, let us go forth and do likewise. One way or another, the opportunity to love is always present, every day.

David Glidden 22 May 2022



May 1 ~~ The altar flowers were given to the glory of God by **Scott and Sue Burton** in celebration of granddaughter **Natalie's** 5th birthday and by **Cathy Welborn** in memory of **Scott and Nancy Herring's** 74th wedding anniversary and by **Steve and Sheri Bradley** in thanksgiving for the 42nd wedding anniversary

May 8 ~~ The altar flowers were given to the glory of God by **Kathy and Rick Woodbury** in thanksgiving for 36 years of marriage

May 15  $\sim\sim$  The altar flowers were given to the glory of God

May 22 ~~ The altar flowers were given to the glory of God by **Kelli Grace Kurtz** in celebration of **Mark's** 74th birthday and by **Jane Carney** in thanksgiving for grandson **Gavin's** birthday

May 29 ~~ The altar flowers were given to the glory of God anonomously, wishing for world peace and by **Steve Slaten** in celebration of **Marci Slaten's** birthday

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#### **Prayer List**

For those killed in gun violence: We pray especially this week for the victims of the Robb Elementary School shooting- Alexandria Aniyah Rubio, Alithia Ramirez, Amerie Jo Garza, Annabell Guadalupe Rodriguez, Eliahana Cruz Torres, Eliana "Ellie" Garcia, Eva Mireles, Irma Garcia, Jackie Cazares, Jailah Nicole Silguero, Jayce Luevanos, Jose Flores, Layla Salazar, Makenna Lee Elrod, Maite Rodriguez, Miranda Mathis, Nevaeh Bravo, Rojelio Torres, Tess Marie Mata, Uziyah Garcia, Xavier Lopez. For Healing, Comfort and Strength: The Nze family, Chuck & Yvonne Stowe, Enor & Roy Harris, Jan & Dwane Mickelson, Jennifer, Beverly, Beth, Micaela, Fritz & Ethel, Beverly N., Polly G., Rickye & Ralph Galliher, Richard, Cathy Porter, Crystal, JoEllen, Winnie & Julie Williamson, Blair Gilbert, Sally, Aric, Sandra, Liz Tonge, Marlene Coverdale, Dean Bradley, Robin, Cheryl Bartel, Tim & Suzy Hanigan, Jose Hernandez, Michelle, Scott C., Annette Weight, Jim & family, Maria, Catherine P, Elaine, Bill, Carolyn & Ed Bartel

For healing, comfort and strength—short term list: Jeremy, Carrie, Diane, Carol U., Con, Penny, Diana & her husband, Amanda, Logan C., Claudia M., Lexi, Mary Ellen, Cathy, Don, Margie, Mary White, Fritz Ward, Claire.

**For our unhoused neighbors, especially:** Anthony, Marc, Thomas, Gary

**For those working on being clean and sober:** Johnny, Frank

For those unemployed or underemployed: Allen For those recently married: Mr. and Mrs. Alfredo and Edith (Giles) Alonso

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

**For those preparing for a birth:** Ashley Carrol and Kevin Hendrix (daughter of Gayle and Marty Wendt), Emily Miramontes-Johnson and Dallin Johnson

**For those preparing for Baptism:** Eloise Maryanne Bradley, daughter of Kyle and Miranda Bradley, grand-daughter of Steve and Sheri Bradley

For those preparing for General Convention

**In thanksgiving for our new curate:** Ryan Macias; prayers for clarity and peace as he completes his studies for the ministry

**In thanksgiving for the lives and witnesses of:** Rich Petruzzi-brother in law of Patricia Korzec, and Marilyn Wilcox

**For the comfort of those who mourn:** Kate & Peggy, Mark & Holly, Tom, Patricia

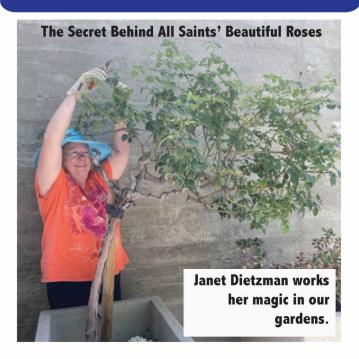
**For our ministry partners:** Path of Life, Laundry Love Riverside, Inspire Life Skills, Saint Michael's, and Research and Development Early Childhood Center, the Riverside Taize community, our Friends the Quakers, Believe Center, Family Promise, Rebirth Homes, and PFLAG.

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5 June	8A 10A	David Glidden Ryan Macias Stephanie McMorris Ryan Macias	Brian Draper Kurt Marcks	Brian Draper John Briggs	Emily Jack, Banner; Jordan, Dove	Andrew Carrie	Scott Burton Jim Boyer, AJ Jetti Roy Harris, Diana Testa, Leslie Sunderland, G
12 June	8A 10A	David Glidden Craig Riemer Cathy Welborn	Scott Burton John Paul Wolf	Scott Burton Ian McCausland	Elliott	Dean Jordan	Sue Liddle Burton Robert Miller, Leslie Sunderland Francie Johnson, Roy Harris Diana Testa, G
19 June	8A 10A	Scott Burton Craig Riemer Laura McMorris	Scott Burton Paul Wolf	Scott Burton Christina Miller	Michelle	Shelby Oliver	Sue Stevens Charles Dailey, James McMorris Rebecca Kurtz Garcia, Jacob Garcia Diana Testa, G
26 June	8A 10A	Susan Tedesco Cathy Welborn Mary Ellen Gruendyke	David Glidden Piotr Gorecki	David Glidden Nerni Miller	Jack	Lucas Sam	Scott Burton Robert Miller, Ian McCausland, Roy Harris Leslie Sunderland, G

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Photographers for this newsletter include: Liz Atkinson for Laundry Love; Kathryn Morton for the photos of Enor & Roy and Janet D.; Photos of the graduates were provided by family. 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





#### Juneteenth

Last summer the federal government officially added a new holiday to our calendar, Juneteenth, to be celebrated each year on June 19.

Juneteenth celebrates freedom for enslaved people in the United States. Liberation did – and did not -- take place with Abraham Lincoln's signing of the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, during the Civil War. Persons held as slaves in Confederate states were immediately freed, in areas occupied by the Union army; others were freed later. Some, such as those living in Texas, did not know about emancipation for two more years, even after the last battle of the Civil War took place in April 1865 at Appomattox, confirming that freedom for all.

The news neither of the Emancipation Proclamation nor of the end of the war had traveled to Texas. As the story goes, some 250,000 enslaved persons learned of their freedom only after Union General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas, on June 19, 1865, and announced that the president had issued a proclamation freeing them. On that day, Granger declared, "The people of Texas are informed that, in accordance with a proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free. This involves an absolute equality of personal rights and rights of property between former masters and slaves, and the connection heretofore existing between them becomes that between employer and hired labor."

Last summer, in creating the new federal holiday, President Biden said, "On Juneteenth, we recommit ourselves to the work of equity, equality, and justice. And, we celebrate the centuries of struggle, courage, and hope that have brought us to this time of progress and possibility. That work has been led throughout our history by abolitionists and educators, civil rights advocates and lawyers, courageous activists and trade unionists, public officials, and everyday Americans who have helped make real the ideals of our founding documents for all." (A Proclamation on Juneteenth Day of Observance, 2021, President Joseph Biden, June 18, 2021.) https://www.govinfo.gov/features/juneteenth#:~:text=Ju ne%2019%2C%202021%20marks%20the,federal%20h oliday%20to%20commemorate%20Juneteenth.

In Riverside, Juneteenth has been celebrated for 22 years with music, vendors, food, and entertainment. This year's celebration will take place online on Saturday, June 4. Find more information at https://juneteenthsocal.org/.

#### Adapted from

https://www.nationalgeographic.com/culture/article/juneteenth and other sources.

#### **The Food Share Ministry**

Patricia Korzec

Our support of the Thursday "Food Share" at St. Michael's in Riverside continues with our providing the trucks and vehicles to pick up the food at different sites and bring it to St. Michael's for distribution. This month another pick up was added -1,000 lbs of non-perishable items from Stater Brothers which will supplement their weekly dinners and be available for distribution with the fresh fruits and vegetables on Thursdays. We had seven volunteers who worked 65 hours during the month and we estimate we fed 185 families during that time. That number is fluid because several persons picked up larger amounts to distribute to seniors and neighbors in their areas.

We are designing a new tee shirt for volunteers which will read "All Saints Team Riverside, Caring for God's Creation" (in a magnificent purple color) which will be available for purchase by not only our volunteers but other volunteers at our church. Final design and pricing will be available soon.

We always need new volunteers to supplement our core. We can find a spot for you based on your needs. Please call me or text me at 951.543.7171. Proud to be of service. Patricia Korzec



#### EPPN Series on Children: Kids and Climate Change

This series is available in English and Spanish. Esta serie está disponible en inglés y español.

O heavenly Father, who hast filled the world with beauty: Open our eyes to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works; that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, we may learn to serve thee with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer, pg. 814 While climate change significantly impacts the global population, children are often more vulnerable to its effects than adults. Estimates show that children today will face three times as many climate disasters as their grandparents. In the short term, this causes injury, damage to communities, forced migration, food shortages, and water contamination. Long-term, it causes major mental health disorders, malnutrition, disease outbreaks, interruptions to children's education, and the breakdown of social networks and families. While every child is at risk, approximately 1 billion children (about half of all children) are at "extremely high risk"

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Climate change aggravates the principal causes of migration, including food insecurity, conflict, economic instability, and natural disasters. While children often migrate with adult companions or family members, many children cross borders unaccompanied. Migration exacerbates preexisting conditions while also exposing migrant children to new diseases. It can cause or worsen mental health disorders like anxiety, depression, and PTSD. These symptoms are seen at both a family and an individual level, worsening an already extreme adjustment. Displacement will continue, both nationally and internationally, as places become increasingly uninhabitable due to climate-related issues.

In the United States, storms and wildfires cause temporary or permanent displacement within the country, disrupting children's lives and precipitating mental and physical health issues. Extreme temperatures prevent children from spending time outside, which research shows is beneficial for their development. The top 10 cities in the U.S. with the youngest populations all experienced extreme weather events in the last year, primarily heatwaves which have steadily increased in the last 30 years. This trend especially impacts children of color and lower-income families who are more likely to live in areas with limited access to green spaces, which in turn causes those neighborhoods to be hotter than wealthier, whiter neighborhoods in the same city.

While extreme weather presents its own dangers, air pollution is a greater threat to children than it is to adults. Children have faster heart rates and breathe more frequently making them more susceptible to breathing issues. 2 billion children(almost 90%) are highly exposed to air pollution and thousands have died due to complications from this exposure. In the United States there are over 5 million children with asthma, many of whom live below the poverty line. Improving air quality has direct, positive effects on children's health.

Beyond poor air quality, flooding increases the likelihood of mold outbreaks, which are more harmful to those with asthma and other preexisting conditions. Flooding also causes water contamination and diarrheal disease outbreaks that are especially dangerous for children under 5 and infants. Higher temperatures and changing weather patterns increase disease outbreaks. *continued* 

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Children raised in warmer climates will see higher rates of dengue, malaria, and zika, while children in cooler climates will see increases in Lyme disease due to hotter summers.

The significance of climate change is not lost on children. While its consequences are being felt more frequently, so too are the voices of youth from all over the world. They are putting themselves at the front and center of the climate justice movement, continuously demanding political leaders make greater changes to protect the environment and future generations.

• Greta Thunberg is one of the most prominent climate activists and has inspired millions to organize and join protests and school walkouts all over the world. She has cofounded Fridays for Future, a youthled organization which helps young people organize their own climate strikes.

• The Children's Climate Summit in Bangladesh released their declaration in 2020, calling for significant political changes to protect Bangladesh from the climate crisis.

• Children vs Climate Crisis is an international coalition of children petitioning the UN and the world's leading economic powers to be held accountable for inaction on the climate crisis. They demand major changes to protect children around the world, citing the climate crisis as a violation of the UN Declaration on the Rights of the Child.

Unless we take immediate action to address climate change, we will continue to put the health and wellbeing of children around the world at risk. Combating it requires substantial political and economic changes to be made. Necessary changes include the major reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, building resilient infrastructure, and keeping the focus on the future rather than just the present. Listening and upholding the voices of the young is critical to both saving children's lives and ensuring they have a future.



Our Laundry Love Riverside event was held on Wednesday May 18th at the Sparklean Laundromat. We had 7 volunteers and



were able to assist 25 clients with 212 loads of laundry. Our total expenditures for the evening were \$316.44.

The top loading machines that were removed in March have left space for the laundry carts. Once again, we had clients waiting for us at set-up and we had a steady stream of clients all evening long! We received a generous donation from our YOUTH volunteers... THANK YOU for all you do! We have detergent sheets and dryer sheets for our clients as well as office supplies for operational purposes. We need financial donations to load on the laundry cards.

Laundry Love Riverside will be at the Pentecost picnic on Sunday June 5th to provide more information about our outreach and to accept donations.

As you continue your Easter journey, please consider a donation to Laundry Love Riverside. You can donate in Text-to-Give, Pay Pal (designate LLR in your donation), a check to the church with LLR in the memo line, or you can donate your time as a volunteer at LLR events.

Our next event is Wednesday June 15th at 6:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed by 5:30 p.m. for orientation. Last loads of laundry go in at 8:00 p.m.

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! Liz Atkinson



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#### WHY I DRIVE AN ELECTRIC CAR

Did you know that Henry Ford's wife did not drive a Model-T? Instead, she drove a "1914 Detroit Electric Model Brougham" electric car. H-m-m-m?!

At a recent Creation Care meeting I was asked to write about driving an electric car. I wondered why anyone would think I knew anything about "driving electric" as we say. Well, while I will not count myself as any kind of authority on the subject, I will share my experiences in the subject.

I am on my second electric car and have driven an electric automobile since February of 2017. During the fall of 2016 I realized that my commuter car was coming to the end of its life and aware that I was spending more money on gasoline than I wanted. I read an online article about the great deals to be had, since first generation electric vehicles were coming on the used car market as their leases were expiring. I did more research and within hours I was hooked.

I bought my first electric car, a used 2016 Nissan LEAF with 111 miles of range! And a 30kWh battery pack. (kWh -kilowatt hour is how battery sizes in cars are measured. Current new electric vehicles have an average battery size in the neighborhood of 50-90 kwh – as a rule, the bigger the battery the longer the distance you can travel before recharging.). My little silver LEAF took me to work and back for three years, to Palm Springs on a weekly basis, to downtown L.A., to 29 Palms, and to some of the sketchiest charging areas I would have ever have imagined – with some interesting stories along the way.

It didn't take long before I read (another) online article discussing the tremendous discounts being offered on new EVs (electric vehicles) in early 2020. I realized that I could get a car with more than twice the range for a really smoking deal, so I jumped in.

So, why drive electric? For me, it's because I love to drive. My little electric car is quick (I can beat most ICE cars off of the blocks...for about 100ft.), it is quiet, it is smooth, and it is fun to drive! And because there is a smaller carbon footprint to driving an electric car, I also can try to do my part to tread a little lighter in our world. Another important reason, in my case, is expense. Electric cars have far fewer moving parts than an internal combustion engine, making for fewer things to break or have to maintain. EVs do not need oil changes, tune ups, or any emissions control systems to maintain. When I retired, my school district was reimbursing mileage at the federal standard of 55 cents per mile and the cost to drive my LEAF was estimated at 8.1 cents per mile. EVs are cheaper to drive! Many people still have a lot of questions regarding driving electric. The first I often hear is "What about all of the fires?" Sixteen cars (out of 161,000) have caught fire since 2017. An average of 50 internal combustion vehicles catch fire per day in the U.S....I don't lose any sleep at night.

The most common question is what about charging? Most EV owners with their own garage have a 220v home charger so that we can charge at home and never need to charge away from home. (Imagine leaving your house every morning with a full tank of gas). If you do need to charge while out there are numerous public charging companies operating in public parking areas, retail sites, and government and educational facilities. "ChargePoint", "EVGo", "Electrify America", "Greenlots", and "Blink" are just some of the public charging infrastructure companies that operate in Riverside, Orange, San Bernardino, and San Diego counties – all of which have apps with interactive maps for your phone.

Some of the most exciting innovations in the automotive industry are happening in the electric vehicle field. EVs are getting better, cheaper, and more fun to drive. If you have ever wondered about owning an electric car now is a great time to talk to me or anyone else you may know about the future of automobiles.

## Electric Vehicle Glossary (Some terms you may hear used by EV drivers.)

**EV**: Electric Vehicle. (Also "**BEV**" - Battery Electric Vehicle.)

ICE: Internal Combustion Vehicle.

**kWh**: Kilowatt Hours. The standard measurement of EV batteries.

**Range**: The miles your EV can travel on a single charge.

**Regenerative Braking**: A means by which energy created through braking recharges the battery.

**Being "ICE-d"**: When an ICE car takes a parking space at a charging station. (DO NOT do this! Especially at a Tesla charging station. Things can get ugly...)

Submitted by Jim Boyer - EV owner, tankless hot water heater owner, solar array owner.

#### What shall we do to prevent gun violence in our community?

#### Andrea Briggs

Can we learn to know and love all our neighbors without reserve? Can we learn to see the aloneness and woundedness that some of our sisters and brothers carry? Can we move not away but toward the bullied and the bulliers, the angry, the hopeless, the confrontational and the isolated, with compassion and with open and listening hearts? Can we hear their need, and stay close, and offer resources of redirection and healing to them?

Just as we see the Trinity as a dance of relationship, of interdependence, we can see that our own lives are divinely enmeshed with those of our neighbors. When one of our members is in pain, the whole body hurts. And if we hear a neighbor or coworker or classmate intending to act out that pain by shooting at people in a grocery store or a church or a school, how might we intercede? Do we have the resources and support networks to report that intention, to summon help that helps, and help turn our hurting sibling toward another path?

Some suggestions: First have the courage and compassion to engage long-term with someone troubled. If you discover that someone is about to hurt themselves or another right now, it may be right to call 911. In other circumstances, talk with someone you trust about what you might do. Then consider getting support and advice from the many online and phone resources available in Riverside Police Department non-emergency (951) 354-2007. RPD runs a Community Behavioral Health Assessment Team (CBAT) which might offer advice on whether to report your concern and to whom. Riverside University Health System (RUHS) HELPLine, 24/7, (951) 686-HELP (4357). More information at https://www.rcdmh.org/Directors-Message. Also see the RUHS "Take My Hand" peer support network, (951) 955-7360. See description at https://www.ruhealth.org/resources/take-my-hand. Call 211 to speak to a Riverside Community Resource Advisor 24/7. Also the 211 online database has many resources. https://inlandsocaluw.org/211. Riverside County Network of Care online resources https://riverside.networkofcare.org/ US Department of Homeland Security sponsors the program "If you see something, say something." The https://www.dhs.gov/see-something-saywebsite something has help for recognizing suspicious activity and how to report it. The 24/7 number for this part of

this community and nationwide. Here are a few:

California is (888)705-5742. Cain asks God early in the book of Genesis, "Am I my

brother's keeper?" May our answers reflect the compassion God has for each one of us.

#### **Urge Congress to Pass Bipartisan Gun Reform**

The recent mass shooting of grade school children and teachers at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas, has elicited cries of anguish from across the country and around the world. Amid this tragedy, we hold the fallen victims and their bereaved families in our hearts and lift them up to the Lord in prayer. But as the Scriptures say so clearly, "faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead" (James 2:17). We must pray for an end to gun violence, but we must also act.

The Episcopal Church has a long history of supporting commonsense gun safety legislation. General Convention has repeatedly called upon Congress to restrict access to firearms. **Bishops United Against Gun Violence** have taken a particularly strong leadership role in response to the scourge of firearms in our society. In the wake of the tragedy in Uvalde, as well as the senseless racist murders of elderly African American shoppers at a grocery store in Buffalo, we again call upon Congress to set aside partisanship and come together to pass commonsense, bipartisan gun safety legislation.

We ask all Episcopalians to take action and to urge their members of Congress to pass legislation to restrict the ownership of firearms, require background checks for all gun purchases, eliminate background check loopholes, tighten laws against gun trafficking, require gun safety training, fund gun violence prevention programs, and address gun violence as a public health crisis.

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#### news from the pews

In this section we will mark the collective milestones of our community important accomplishments and celebrations. Please send any content to kjkendrick1499@gmail.com

#### Welcome, Little One!

**Oliver Samson McMorris** was born May 7 at Kaiser Riverside, He weighed 8 lbs 2 oz,and was 19 inches long.

Parents Jordan and Amanda McMorris are doing well. Oliver is grandson to James and Stephanie McMorris and great grandson to Laura McMorris



**Roy and Enor Harris** received a blessing on their 66th anniversay, joined by daughter, Gillian. Roy quipped that Enor had renewed his contract for 5 more years.



**Rick and Kathy Woodbury** celebrated their anniversary with a cruise. Here they are pictured in front of Godafoss (Falls of the Gods) in Akreyri, Iceland. They were married 36 years ago in Las Vegas.

#### **Congratulations, Graduates!**



**Zachary** is graduating from RCC on June 10th with an AA degree in psychology. He will be attending Point Loma Nazarene University this fall to get his Bachelor's degree in Psychology.

**Nico Colaluca** is graduating from High School this year! Nico enjoys working with his hands and spending time outdoors. Homeschooling allowed Nico to focus on his love of rock climbing and he spent his high school years climbing all over the country. He is really looking forward to spending the summer on staff working at Camp Stevens. We are all



so proud of Nico and all that he's accomplished and we can't wait to see where he will go next!



Mariana graduated from Jurupa Hills High School in Fontana, CA. She graduated with honors and completed the IB diploma program. received She the California Seal of Biliteracy as well as recognitions from National Honor Society, California Scholarship Federation and an Art award. She received

award. She received scholarship awards from the Jurupa Hills Staff fund, the Fontana Exchange Club and the Fontana Teachers Association. In the fall she will be attending UC San Diego and majoring in Communications.

#### Graduations and Promotions Congratulations!

**Grace,** granddaughter of Peggy Darlington, will be graduating from King High School. Next year she will be attending the University of California Santa Barbara, majoring in chemistry and participating on the UCSB Dance Team.





Alejandro was promoted from 8th grade at Almeria Middle School in Fontana, where he acheived honor roll. He was also the goalie on the Almeria soccer team which won the Fontana Middle School Champion-League ship. He represented Almeria on the archery team and

placed 6th in the Olympic Archery in Schools National Championships. He will be attending North High School in Riverside where he has been accepted in the IB program and is planning to play soccer.



In the first century, Jesus of Nazareth inspired a movement. A community of people whose lives were centered on Jesus Christ and committed to living the way of God's unconditional, unselfish, sacrificial, and redemptive love. As Episcopalians, we believe in a loving, liberating, and life-giving God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We believe in following the teachings of Jesus Christ, whose life, death and resurrection saved the world.

We have a legacy of inclusion, aspiring to tell and exemplify God's love for every human being; women and men serve as bishops, priests, and deacons in our church. Laypeople and clergy cooperate as leaders at all levels of our church. Leadership is a gift from God and can be expressed by all people in our church, regardless of gender, sexual identity or orientation.

We believe that God loves us all – no exceptions.

Source:

https://www.episcopalchurch.org/who-we-are/lgbtq/

Michelle promoted from Earhart Middle School and will be attending Poly High School next year. While she wished she was going to King with her friends, she's determined to make the best of it and is looking forward to her four years there!



Riverside Pride GLOW Walk for Love



Learn more about the Riverside Walk for Love at: https://www.riversideprideie.org/event/pride-walk/

#### ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH VESTRY MINUTES April 25, 2022

**Present**: Mother Kelli Grace Kurtz, Leslie Sunderland, Kristen Varner, Steve Slaten, Luke Polling, Patricia Korzec, Kathy Woodbury, Francie Johnson, Craig Riemer; **Via Zoom:** Cheryl Bartel, Janie Hilland, John Briggs; **Absent**: Brian Draper; **Treasurer:** Jane Carney; **Clerk**:Laura McMorris

1. Call to Order Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with prayer from Mother Kelli Grace.

2. Approve Agenda M/S Woodbury/Sunderland that agenda be approved as written. Carried

3. Approve Minutes M/S Polling/Slaten that the March Minutes be approved as corrected. Carried

(Item 4, Community Health - change of 100 tested to of 100 in a gathering)

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

-Easter is over. We had a big group of kids participating in the Easter Egg Hunt.

-Vacation Bible School is scheduled for the last week of July. It will be in the evening, and last 2-3 hours.

-It was suggested that the adult VBS be scheduled at a different time because many of our adults like to work VBS.

-Leslie is looking for Sunday School teachers, and researching a curriculum.

-All acolytes were present for the pre-Easter training.

#### 5. Community Health - Cheryl Bartel

-COVID positivity rate is 4.3%, just about the same as last month.

-Riverside County: Of those vaccinated, 7.75% get COVID, and 300 have died. Of those unvaccinated, 34% get COVID and 3500 have died.

-The Bishop has lifted the mask requirement for choirs.

-Three cheers for Abe who wore a mask the whole pandemic, leading, playing and singing.

6. Hospitality - Kathy Woodbury

-Fellowship Hour is going well. We have only had one Sunday with no host. Kathy will make an announcement if there is no one signed up for the next week.

-Easter Fellowship hour went extremely well. The weather was perfect. Perhaps we can hold fellowship outside more often.

-Pentecost Picnic on June 5. We will need help in setting up and cleaning up. We will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and buns. Parishioners will provide sides (potluck).

-We will baptize our new Barbeque grill. (Steve will see to beefing up the shed lock so it is more secure)

-Inreach: We are coordinating meals for those recovering from surgeries, or those in mourning. Fr. Con will be coordinating rides for those in need, hospital, airport, etc.

#### 7. Outreach - Patricia Korzec

-Path Of Life dinners continue on Thursday and Sunday.

-The last Laundry Love served 28 families, with 10 volunteers (one from St. George's), and doing 272 loads of laundry at a cost of \$383. This month was sponsored by Luke and Janie Hilland who did a Go Fund Me and made a freewill offering for Laundry Love. We are planning some sort of fundraiser on Pentecost to support Laundry Love.

-St. Michael's Food Share has served 172 families in the last 4 weeks, with 19 volunteers, providing 39 hours of their time. Our sources for food are thinning, but we stretch it as far as we can.

-Bishop Taylor will visit on May 12 with Bishop Sylvestre Romero of Guatemala.

#### 8. Financial Report - Jane Carney

-As discussed at the March Vestry meeting, no reserve funds are being transferred to the Episcopal Church Foundation for investment because of the volatility in the equity markets and the world.

-While pledge giving is down February/March, plate giving to date is \$13,500 over budget. All in all congregational giving remains strong.

-The three-person audit committee formed to interview other possible accounting firms to conduct our annual audit will re-group in September with the intent of finishing the process well before tax season and the scheduling of the

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field work for the audit.

-The committee to investigate a refinancing of the mortgage loan, encumbering the Rectory, and the Terracina house, has held its first meeting and developed a work plan for next steps.

-Jane fielded various questions on the financial statements.

-The financial status of Inspire House was questioned. There is concern over supervision, the onsite manager is now a client. We lease to Inspire and Inspire sub-leases to clients. Kristen will take a look at the lease to see if there is motivation to take on the Inspire Lease. Mother Kelli Grace will check with Diocesean Service Corps about resources that could assist with Inspire clients.

M/S Woodbury/Riemer that we accept the financial statements subject to audit. Carried

9. Junior Warden Report - Steve Slaten, Luke Polling

-Security is again an issue. Someone has tried to pry the lock on the red doors. There is a gap between the doors that invites tampering, as well as not being energy efficient. A locksmith has been called and was supposed to come, but didn't. Steve is seeking a firm appointment for this week.

-The theft in the offices during Easter Mass, in itself, reveals several security vulnerabilities that need to be addressed. All doors to church offices need to be kept locked during services. Gates left unlocked and unattended while children are in attendance presents an unnecessary safety risk and will be addressed.

-Care of Creation issues continue to be researched. The costs of solar are extremely expensive. Steve suggested that we might want to make a start to set an example, and add to the system over time. If you already have solar in place, you become more attractive for EV installations.

-It has become apparent that advocacy is a necessary part of Care of Creation. As a member of the Bishop's Commission on Climate Change, Steve has expressed an interest in the Advocacy subcommittee. Further, he and Andrea Briggs recently attended two webinars on advocacy offered by the Episcopal Office of Government Relations. -We continue to fine tune our site Disaster Plan.

-Girl Scouts will be planting the Smith Hall flower beds with drought resistant plants.

#### 10. Senior Warden Report - Francie Johnson

-Francie continues to support Mother Kelli Grace, Steve and Kathy as needed, and routinely checks in with Vestry members via email.

#### 11. Rectors Report - Mother Kelli Grace Kurtz

-Holy Week and Easter were wonderful. A lot of effort went into making it special. A lot of effort by so many made it really special: the music, a full complement of acolytes and servers, the Altar Guild, a beautiful Hospitality Hour, and a packed House to top it off. We even had a good crowd on Low Sunday, we ran out of bulletins.

-Mother Kelli Grace will provide a Creation Care Bible Challenge to the Parish in the fall.

-We have a 3-Way relationship with St. George's, St. Michael's, with Mother Kelli Grace, Mother Mary, and Mother Carrie meeting regularly.

-St. Michael's Housing units will be ready by August. The Diocese has been approached as to what kind of congregation they hope to see at St. Michael's, Evangelical or Episcopalian? We plan to have a Sunday afternoon service at St. Michael's to keep the Episcopal presence.

-Mother Kelli Grace's schedule through September:

June 19 Alabama, daughter's wedding

June 28 Camp Stevens Chaplain

July 10 General Convention

August Some vacation time

September 5 Holy Land Pilgrimage (20 from All Saints'/20 from St. Andrews Fullerton

-Mother Kelli Grace is prayerfully considering a candidate for an All Saints' Curate.

12. No Executive Session13. Prayer Requests14. Next Meeting Monday, April 25, 7:00 p.m.15. AdjournmentMeeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.