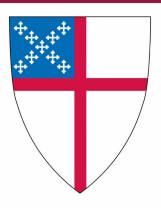
All Saints' Episcopal Church Riverside, CA

The Good News

March 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.

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,

that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,

for wisdom, discernment and compassion

to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,

that you would hold and protect them.



Navigating the Nave The Rector's Reflections

As it so often happens, I write this in a liminal space: I am getting ready to head out the door for the vestry retreat, which will be over by the time you read this. And, as you read this, I'll be setting up for Ash Wednesday services. It's the newsletter deadline version of "Yet, Not yet". We've been in a liminal season for quite a while now.

Liminal feelings are how we feel between gigs- graduating from college, not yet started a job (or don't yet have a job), waiting for surgery to relive pain, engagement.

Liminal space is similar; it can be the physical and spiritual space we hold – "believe, help my unbelief", arriving, not yet arrived.

What we're in is a liminal season. The whole world is in a liminal season. But those of us who follow a liturgical calendar know well how to move through liminal seasons. We have Advent – waiting, watching, wondering after the Incarnation, the birth of Christ. And we have Lent – the "lengthening of days" as we move towards Easter, towards the Resurrection. So, in a sense, we have a liminal season – Lent – to go through while we are going through a liminal season – the end/not yet end of a pandemic.

Outside pandemic times this rector's reflection just before Ash Wednesday would be focused on giving up the rat race of overly tasked life and living, encouraging you to give up a luxury or treat to focus on the depth of sacrifice made by our Savior for the redemption of the world. While both those may still be of use, still wise counsel, it is also the case that many of us are still weary, other of us are looking for the "what next" in the midst of wondering "what just happened?".

Psychologist Adam Grant, writing in the New York Times, speaks of the common experience of languishing during this later part of the pandemic (https://www.nytimes.com/2021/04/19/well/mind/covid-mental-health-languishing.html). He writes:

"Languishing is a sense of stagnation and emptiness. It feels as if you're muddling through your days, looking at your life through a foggy windshield. And it might be the dominant emotion of 2021.

As scientists and physicians work to treat and cure the physical symptoms of long-haul Covid, many people are struggling with the emotional long-haul of the pandemic. It hit some of us unprepared as the intense fear and grief of last year faded."

He differentiates languishing from other descriptors, noting that it isn't burnout — we still have energy; and it isn't depression — we don't feel hopeless. We feel somewhat joyless and aimless. An imposed penitential season may not be the best remedy for those of us walking through a liminal season of languish. But I am intrigued by what the author suggests as a way to address languish: the antidote, he states, is something called "flow". Flow, also known as being in the zone, is a state of being in which we perform some activity and are fully immersed in a feeling of energized focus, full involvement, and enjoyment in the process of the activity. In *continued on page 3*



Here's a resource to get you into the Lenten flow: https://www.lentmadness.org/about/

essence, flow is characterized by the complete absorption in what one does, and a resulting transformation in one's sense of time. "Flow time" can be as simple and inconsequential as a daily word game. My family and I check in every morning these days on our group chat with our daily Wordle score. It's a touch point for us. A brief check in that helps brush off the languishness. And it works. Flow time can be more substantive too. Which brings us to Lent.

How shall we mark another Lent season while still inside the liminal season of the pandemic? For start, we will have, for the first time in three years, the *Imposition of Ashes* on *Ash Wednesday, March 2 at 7:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 7:00 p.m.* A touchpoint, of sorts, to remind us that, yes, we are dust and to dust we shall return, but also that we are not where we were last year or the year before. We are moving forward even as we are moving home.

Second, I invite you to join me on Tuesday evenings 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the church for dedicated time of study, prayer and discernment on the liminal space we occupy this year. We'll look at ways that transform our languish into hope, we'll explore the nature of Lent and the way s we can refocus out of darkness into light. If you need childcare in order to attend, please let either me or Lindy (digital@allsaintsriverside.org) know.

A third opportunity into a state of Lenten flow: come walk the labyrinth with me each Monday morning at 10:00 a.m. in Lent, beginning March 7. Intentional, prayerful walking is an excellent way to refocus your thoughts, your body, and your spirit.

We were not created to languish, but to be the joy and delight of the Creator.

Wild Geese

You do not have to be good.

You do not have to walk on your knees

For a hundred miles through the desert, repenting.

You only have to let the soft animal of your body love what it loves.

Tell me about despair, yours, and I will tell you mine.

Meanwhile the world goes on.

Meanwhile the sun and the clear pebbles of the rain are moving across the landscapes, over the prairies and the deep trees, the mountains and the rivers.

Meanwhile the wild geese, high in the clean blue air, are heading home again.

Whoever you are, no matter how lonely, the world offers itself to your imagination,

calls to you like the wild geese, harsh and exciting

— over and over announcing your place in the family of things.

By Mary Oliver

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2022 LENTEN MEDITATIONS

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Our work with Anglican and Ecumenical partners creates sustainable, transformational change in close to 3 million lives around the world each year.

Consider this resource for Lenten Meditations:

https://www.episcopa lrelief.org/church-in-action/lent/

Note From the Senior Warden

Greetings, fellow All Saints' parishioners:

March is my favorite month in Riverside; the hills are green, the mountains have some snow, citrus is in bloom, the air is clear and you can feel spring around the corner. March 2nd is Ash Wednesday and begins the season of Lent. I hope that you will be able to attend one of the three services (7am, Noon & 7pm) that day and take a Lenten rock home as a symbol of your burdens. Please plan to return with your stone on Good Friday. If you have not had chance to participate in Laundry Love, Lent is the time to come join our outreach. Our next event is on Wednesday, March 16th from 6-8pm. It is wonderful to see the expressions of the clients at the laundromat when they hear that we are there to cover the cost of their wash for the evening "no strings attached."

The month of February marked the first real push for working on "Care of Creation" for All Saints'. Steve Slaten, our Junior Warden, has led the charge on reaching out to all of the different agencies, experts, installers, etc. needed to begin a real effort to have All Saints' convert to solar power and install EV charging stations. As you can imagine the number of emails, required reports and paper work is daunting. The long-range outcome of investing in solar will enable us to focus funding on our community outreach instead of paying increasing yearly energy costs. I'm proud that All Saints' will be a leader of environmental sustainability in Riverside's faith community.

I look forward to seeing you at church.





Junior Wardens' Notes

One building and grounds goal carried over from last year is the refurbishing and repainting of all

wooden surfaces on the exterior walls of our buildings at All Saints' Riverside. If you hadn't noticed, take a look at the doors on Smith Hall, the "Pie Room", and the church offices. They not only have a fresh coat of paint, they also are all the same color. Also, the metal handrails in front of Smith Hall have been painted, and as of this writing, the wooden face and doors on the storage shed at the West end of the hall are being prepped for paint. This step-wise approach to refurbishing the exterior wooden surfaces will continue with the doors on the South side of the sanctuary, the portico, the entirety of the South Wing and the side of the buildings facing Magnolia.

An emergent and pressing need is the attention required to freshen up the inside of the South Wing. Two prospective tenants have expressed interest in renting space there, and a fresh coat of paint, carpet cleaning and a general sprucing up are in order. The plans for the South Wing also include new composite flooring in two of the rooms and new lighting fixtures in the hallway. With those tasks accomplished the South Wing will become a brighter, more welcoming space.

The mega drought plaguing the Western states has caused building and grounds to take a closer look at the landscaping on the church campus, and specifically the planters closest to the upper parking lot. The goal is to retain the attractiveness of the planters, but with the use of more drought-tolerant materials.

As always, if you see building and grounds issues that need attention send me an email at juniorwarden@allsaintsriverside.org or drop me a note in the church office.

Respectfully, Steve Slaten, Junior Warden

Community Engagement ~ Upcoming Events And Opportunities

Andrea Briggs, Minister for Community Engagement



This year's CROP Walk will take place on Sunday afternoon, March 13, starting from Temple Beth El. At 1:30pm the walkers will begin a loop route

along Victoria Avenue that can be as long or as short as you like!

CROP Walk funding fights hunger and all its causes globally. In addition, 25% of what is raised stays in Riverside to support local hunger resources.

There are several ways to participate:

DONATE: You can go to the CROP Walk website https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022. Click on the "DONATE" button on the top banner and find the All Saints' team for your donation. Or drop a check in the collection plate marked CROP Walk, and we'll make sure it gets to the right place.

WALK: If you'd like to join in the walking, on the website in the lower right section, find "JOIN A TEAM" and add your name to the All Saints' team. Or you can just show up at Temple Beth El and register there.

You may remember that the CROP Walk was a special favorite of Rob Hoyt and Meg Hoffman. They walked a number of times, and Rob promoted this event to the All Saints' congregation, as the right thing for his faith community to do. Please consider walking and/or donating in Rob's memory.

Monday, March 14, 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. The host team for March will be Eden Lutheran and Trinity Lutheran churches. As we continue to struggle with COVID uncertainty and many other personal, national and global challenges, Taizé is a place of peace.

Trinity Lutheran on Brockton at Jurupa will be open for worship. Stay tuned for information regarding virtual access.

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Imposition of Ashes

7:00 p.m.

Lenten stones will be available to take and carry with throughout Lent. Let the stone name the burdens you carry and bring it back on Good Friday.

12:00 noon

REMEMBER ALL SAINTS' IN YOUR ESTATE PLANS

You can help the ministries of All Saints' by remembering us in your will/trust. Here's suggested wording to give your financial advisor/estate planner:

l hereby give, devise, and bequea	ath to All Saints' Episcopal Church, Riverside, California, a not-for-profit corporation
with the present address of 38	347 Terracina Drive, Riverside, California 92506 and its successor, the greater of \$
or	_ percentage of my gross estate, to be used in such a manner as determined by its
	rector, wardens and vestry.

A Meditation on Contemplation

Contributed by David Glidden

Now that we are entering the third season of the Long Lent, with the hope that the Covid Series won't be renewed, more masks are coming off, more credit cards charged. Will people soon forget those many months of sequestration, social isolation, deprivation, the suffering, dying, grieving? "The world is too much with us," Wordsworth warns: "Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers; Little we see in Nature that is ours. We have given our hearts away, a sordid boon!" Will the silence be destroyed in a cacophony of chatter?

Aristotle thought the contemplative life was the highest form of human existence. Throughout the ages, we philosophers have smugly praised our proud profession, until philologists came along to point out that what Aristotle's Greek meant by "contemplation" or "theorizing" had nothing whatsoever to do with academic philosophizing or publishing ever more books and articles. It had everything to do with stopping, looking, and listening. What Aristotle was praising was not the Ivory Tower but close observation of nature and our lives.

The first step is to stop what one is doing, close down all distractions. Stop to notice what is happening outside the confines of one's consciousness. This is never easy without supportive silence. In the past two years many of us have become acquainted with a greater silence, although phoning, texting, emailing, zooming, and media kept trying to break in.

The second step is to look deeply at the phenomena surrounding us in nature. This is not merely taking a cursory look around, but rather looking outside our concepts and ideas, to perceive what nature itself looks like to our five senses. To feel a leaf with one's hand, to count the legs on a spider, to smell the dryness of the air, to watch the gleaming of the sunrise, the gloaming of the sunset, the wondrous motions of the stars at night.

The third step is to listen deeply. To listen closely to the ocean waves, a waterfall, a rain storm. To listen to cicadas, the wings of a hummingbird, the wind. To listen with attention. What is even more challenging is to listen deeply to voices. To listen to what someone has to say,

whether it be an owl, a politician, a mockingbird, a friend or a family member. To listen from within the silence of one's soul.

During these past two years we have all known moments of silence, just as we have known anxiety, unassuageable grief, and loss. As Aristotle and his follower Aquinas understood, the contemplative life can be of great consolation to humanity. But it is so very hard to look and listen deeply. It was only when I started hiking silently in our local mountains and then backpacking alone (!) in the High Sierra, that I came to be ever mindful of what it meant to stop, look, and listen.

When the leaves were changing in the mountains and the nights were getting colder, the week before Fall classes began at UCR, I backpacked out of Big Pine's Glacier Lodge Road on the North Fork Creek Trail, gaining ground on a chain of ever ascending seven lakes. Over the next few days I camped at Third Lake and day-hiked to the others. It is the time I spent at Sixth Lake that I best remember, because once I got there, I sat exhausted in complete stillness. I stopped, looked, and listened the entire afternoon.

I remember as if it were yesterday, listening to the water lap against the shore, watching hungry trout leap about. In time the marmots took me as inanimate and went about their busy work storing food for winter. I watched stray clouds rising from the Owens Valley vanishing in the dryness of the air above me. Deer later came beside the lake to graze and drink. It was as if I wasn't there, that my own existence had vanished into the very scene I witnessed. Sounds became ever more noticeable. Thankfully, the background clutter of my mind had silenced: letting me see and listen, without framing observation with thinking. I experienced the wordless teaching of wondrous Nature.

In the days after Covid, when we are out and about again, it will still be possible to retreat from the social world, to enter into greater silence, to walk the labyrinth. It takes an effort. To stop. To look deeply. And especially this Lent, to listen for the quiet voice of God.

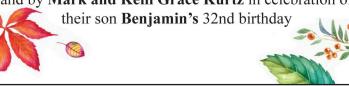


February 6 ~~ The flowers were given to the Glory of God in memory and thanksgiving for Donald and Patricia Richmond by Carrie Addams

February 13 ~ The flowers were given to the Glory of God and and in remembrance of his dear wife Cathy by Robert Lennox, and in Thanksgiving for the gift of music by Luke and Janie Hilland

February 20 ~~ The flowers were given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Lisa Lennox's birthday by her husband David Feimer

and by Mark and Kelli Grace Kurtz in celebration of



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, Grace Slocum, 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 and Ginnie Beck, Liz Tonge, Marlene Coverdale, Anne, Dean Bradley, Robin, Cheryl Bartel, Tim & Suzy Hanigan, Jose Hernandez, Rick & Pam, Michelle, Ryan Gleason, Scott C., Annette Weight, Jim & family.

For Healing, Comfort and Strength; short-term list: Tonya, Franco, Jeremy

For those who are affected by COVID-19: Allison, David, Diane and Sherry, Jose and Chuck, Michelle, Miles, Kelsey, the Speck family, Michelle, Michael, Stephanie, Joe, Liz, Duffy, Paul, Brooke

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

In thanksgiving for the birth of Lucas Martin, grandson of Paul Johnson on February 14, and James, grandson of Andrea and John Briggs, on February 25.

In thanksgiving for the lives and witnesses of: Rob Hoyt, Dan Benner, Dennis Macala

For the comfort of those who mourn: Lynn, Theresa and the entire Hoyt Family, Don, Ana, and Emily Miramontes: Rene and Cole Benner, Ellen Macala, and Bullard family

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

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

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, all those on the diocesan prayer list, the families, friends and communities of the victims of violence and victims of natural disasters

> If you have an addition to the PRAYER LIST, please e-mail: ASRprayers@gmail.com



Andrea in New York with daughter, Kate, and new grandson, James.

		LAY MINISTERS AND USHERS								
		Lay Minister	Lector	Intercessor	Crucifer	Torch Bearers	Ushers			
2 March	7A 12P 7P	Susan Tedesco Mary Ellen Gruendyke David Glidden	Jordan		Emily		Scott Burton, Sue Liddle Burton Roy Harris, Francie Johnson Rebecca Kurtz-Garcia, Jacob Garcia			
6 March	8A	Susan Tedesco	Scott Burton	Scott Burton			Sue Stevens			
	10A	Cathy Welborn	Christina Miller	John Paul Wolf	Michelle	Jordan Andrew	Charles Daily, AJ Jetti Robert Miller, Ian McCausland G: Leslie Sunderland			
13 March	8A	Scott Burton	Brian Draper	Brian Draper			Scott Burton			
	10A	Stephanie McMorris	Ian McCausland	Gavin	Emily	Lucas Shelby	Phil Bruckler, Leslie Sunderland Francie Johnson, Roy Harris G: Diana Testa			
20 March	8A	Scott Burton	Brian Draper	Brian Draper			Sue Stevens			
	10A	Craig Riemer	Peggy Darlington	Oliver	Jack	Ryan Sam	Robert Miller, Jim Boyer, Ian McCausland, Cathy Welborn G: Kristen Urbaniak			
27 March	8A	David Glidden	Susan Tedesco	Susan Tedesco			Sue Liddle Burton, Scott Burton			
	10A	Diane Askren	John Briggs	Nerni Miller	Elliott	Dean Carrie	Rebecca Kurtz-Garcia, Jacob Garcia Diana Testa, Roy Harris			

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Photographers for this newsletter include: Sherri Bradley for Laundry Love and Lindy Colaluca-Polling for the photo of the scouts.

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:

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SCOUT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY, 2022



The Riverside's Civil Rights Walk and Eliza Tibbets

We've all walked on the Main Street Mall at one time or another, and we've all probably noticed that there are statues there. In fact, there are six statues, erected during Ron Loveridge's long tenure as mayor of Riverside, as part of his effort to revive the downtown area. They were put up with private donations, and without any overall plan. It was the interest and energy of the community which was moved to fund representations of persons whom they valued and whose lives spoke to them. From south to north, we can visit with Ysmael Villegas, Martin Luther King Jr., Cesar Chavez, Ahn Chang Ho, Mahatma Gandhi, and Eliza Tibbets. When the final one was unveiled in 2013, Mayor Loveridge commented that Riverside was the only city in the country, outside of Washington DC, to have a social justice walkway.

Most of us know something about these six persons, and we can probably name how several are related to social justice. The December 2021 issue of Good News carried a description of the life and activism of one of the less familiar ones, Ahn Chang Ho. And Eliza Tibbets? Her claim to fame is generally related to navel oranges, isn't it?

Eliza Tibbets (1823-1898) had an outsized impact, especially for a nineteenth-century woman, on the agricultural and economic trajectory of what would become the city of Riverside. Her work with navel oranges was pivotal for increasing the prosperity of the region, and has been referred to as California's "second gold rush." But it was before she arrived in California that she was most engaged in advocating for social causes. She was active in the early suffrage movement, but rejected the major thrust of the movement. Women's suffrage for the most part focused on votes for white women, and did not attend to the fact that persons of other races, especially recently emancipated Black Americans, were denied voting rights. The women's suffrage movement did not seek to challenge this racial inequity or lobby for the

vote for all persons, but Tibbets did. Because of her views regarding the equality of Black Americans, she was driven out of a number of eastern and southern towns, finally finding her place here.

Mayor Patricia Lock Dawson is calling the Main Street Mall and its six statues the Riverside Civil Rights Walk. Her 25-minute video "Riverside's Civil Rights Walk" includes descriptions by local experts of each of the statues and the lives of the persons they depict https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UZnRElquJfw. With the opening of the Civil Rights Institute on Mission Inn Boulevard this spring, we can expect new opportunities to learn about Villegas, King, Chavez, Ahn, Gandhi, and Tibbets, as part of global and our local history, and as role models and inspiration.

[Based in part on Wikipedia and an article by David Allen, published in the Press Enterprise on, November 28, 2021, https://www.pe.com/2021/11/28/these-6-statues-in-riverside-form-a-peace-walk-but-few-know-it/]



Holy God,
in you we live and move
and have our being.
Open our hearts,
open our minds,
and teach us today.
Give us your grace to
approach this work with humility
give us your courage
to take our learnings today
and put them into action.
Help us to always remember
that the whole of humankind
is made in your beloved image
and that when we see
the face of another,
we see the face of God.
In your holy name we pray.
Amen.

The Rev Canon Melissa McCarthy

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,

Mary Ellen Gruendyke

At our February Laundry Love Riverside event we had 12 returning volunteers. Unity Hope sent two volun-



teers that provided water bottles and hand sanitizer. They also helped clients by answering questions, mostly about how to receive help for utility bills. They collected names and contact information so they could follow up with the clients. Another volunteer, Patricia Korzec, assisted clients with laundry service but also provided helpful information and advice on how to file taxes. We passed out coloring pages and crayons to several children.

There was great demand for the service we provide. We served 30 families to complete approximately 249 loads of laundry, including several return clients. We began the night with 381.54 loaded on our cards.

Toward the end of the evening our laundry cards were running very low. Donations were received from some of our volunteers as well as the community we serve. A few clients offered a dollar so that we could continue paying for some additional clients. One client's teenage daughter donated \$5.00 to keep us going. We expressed our thanks and reminded her that good things happen to good people! Through these donations, combined with

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our initial balance, we spent a total of \$525.81 on laundry.

The price of each machine has increased by \$0.25. Laundry Love Riverside offers to pay for 8 loads per client. At the February event, we had 7 families that washed over 10 loads. Two of them washed over 25 loads! At this rate, we will not be able to meet the demand with our donated dollars. Laundry Love Riverside will need to do fundraising efforts and/or rely on the good will of parishioners and others for donations in order to continue our ministry in 2022. Decisions and announcements will be made prior to our April event.

Love never ends... neither does laundry.



Faithfully submitted, Liz Atkinson





The next Laundry Love Riverside Event will be on Wednesday, March 16 at the Sparklean Laundromat.

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

Vestry

Vestry Notes:

In early February the rector and vestry received the resignation of vestry member Sue Stevens. We thank her for her service this past year and will miss her wise council. She continues to serve at All Saints' as an usher and active 8:00 member.

At a special meeting of the vestry in mid February we elected Kristin Varner to fill out the Vestry roster. Kristian brings a wealth of spirit, knowledge, and a deep commitment to the vitality of All Saints'. We are grateful for her willingness to join the vestry team and look forward to serving with her.

The full vestry now consists of

Class of 2022: Francie Johnson - Senior Warden,

Kathy Woodbury - Hospitality, John Briggs - Adult Education, Leslie Sunderland - Children, Youth, & Families

Class of 2023: Craig Riemer - Administration,

Steve Slaten - Junior Warden

Kristin Varner.

Cheryl Bartel - Public Health &

Nurses

Class of 2024: Patricia Korzec - Outreach,

Luke Polling - Information Systems

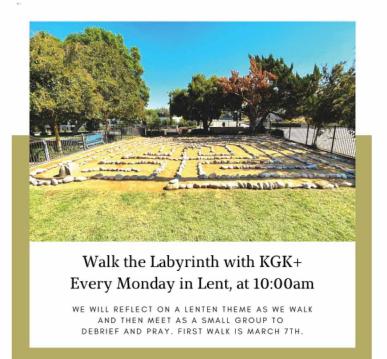
Janie Hilland - Music,

Brian Draper

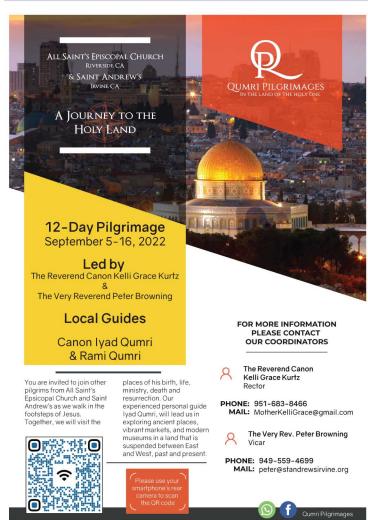
Appointed: Jane Carney - Treasurer,

Laura McMorris - Clerk

Vestry meetings are typically held on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the church library and are open to church members.







Watch for details on an upcoming Information Night about the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land!

A \$500 deposit will hold your spot. Reach out to Mother Kelli Grace for more information.

"If any of you out there could use a prayer of protection I invite you to claim one from the words you read here. What I mean by protection is that some of you have been through a lot recently. You still have your hands full. You have been giving it about all you have got, juggling other demands as you go, trying to keep your energy up the best you can. The last thing you need are any more worries or problems. And that's my prayer of protection: may you have a string of uneventful days, some quiet time to catch up, and a hopeful light at the end of the tunnel." Bishop Steven Charleston

Steven Charleston is a Native American elder, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, and a bishop in the Episcopal Church As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain.

—2 Corinthians 6.1

Blessing the Dust For Ash Wednesday

All those days you felt like dust, like dirt, as if all you had to do was turn your face toward the wind and be scattered to the four corners

or swept away by the smallest breath as insubstantial—

did you not know what the Holy One can do with dust?

This is the day we freely say we are scorched.

This is the hour we are marked by what has made it through the burning.

This is the moment we ask for the blessing that lives within the ancient ashes, that makes its home inside the soil of this sacred earth.

So let us be marked not for sorrow.

And let us be marked not for shame.

Let us be marked not for false humility or for thinking we are less than we are

but for claiming
what God can do
within the dust,
within the dirt,
within the stuff
of which the world
is made
and the stars that blaze
in our bones
and the galaxies that spiral
inside the smudge
we bear.

-Jan Richardson