



# The In Touch

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*Our Mission: To Seek, Know, Love and Serve Christ in all Persons and in all Creation*

## Ramblings from the Bishop.....

I have often wondered what it would have been like to be in the room when Jesus first appeared to the disciples after his resurrection. It is clear, and completely understandable, that the disciples were filled with fear and anxiety. Witnessing, at least from a distance, the horrific treatment Jesus had received, I'm sure they worried that they, by association, might be next. Who would not be fearful?

In the midst of this anxious place, and with the doors locked, Jesus appears. And the first words out of Jesus' mouth are, "Peace be with you." Of all the things that Jesus could have said, like "Don't worry, it's me," or "Fear not, I'm here now, everything is going to be okay," Jesus chooses to reiterate the message that he had shared with the disciples before his resurrection: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." (John 14:27).

It is clear that the peace Jesus is bringing, is not the type of peace that is the opposite of war, or even peace-of-mind, but rather a deep peace that only Jesus can bring. A peace that resides in the same place as hope, love and faith. It is the peace that Paul will later write about in his letter to the Philippians, "And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:7).

For many, particularly those who did not live the horrors of the wars of the 20th century, the world feels like it has less peace than ever before. Yet for those of us who have chosen to follow Jesus, the world is hungry for the peace Jesus consistently brought to those who he came into contact with. Our call is to first ground ourselves in that peace and then to, as the deacon sends us forth at the end of the service, "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!"

*"May today there be peace within.  
May you trust that you are exactly where you are meant to be.  
May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith in yourself  
and others.  
May you use the gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has  
been given to you.  
May you be content with yourself just the way you are.  
Let this knowledge settle into your bones.  
Let it allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love.  
It is there for each and every one of us."*

**- Mother Theresa**

Blessings,



Brian

*The Bishop is planning to be here May 6<sup>th</sup>*





- 5/2 ~ **Brad Johnson** (son of Byrne & Carole Johnson)  
5/4 ~ **Claire Fontenot** (grandson Byrne & Carole Johnson)  
5/6 ~ **Tom Grim** (son of Lee & Carol)  
5/7 ~ **Pam Oettinger** (daughter of Gary & Carolyn Davison)  
5/12 ~ **Olga Reuter**  
5/12 ~ **Tricia Brennard**  
5/19 ~ **Thatcher Jenkinson** (son Matthew & Edith, greatgrandson of Byrne & Carole Johnson)  
5/23 ~ **Jill Tanem**  
5/26 ~ **Rob Meyer** (son of Lynn Naeckel)  
5/27 ~ **Scott Schlieff** (son of George Schlieff)



- 5/13 ~ **Andrew Kennedy**  
5/26 ~ **Bill Corrin**



- 5/9 ~ **Dean & Karen Tveit**  
5/21 ~ **Diana & Bob Russiff**  
5/30 ~ **Jon & Anne Reuter**  
5/30 ~ **Jim & Cori Davison**




## Volunteer Needed

**Someone to paint the Black Sidewalk Railing!**

**Let a Vestry member know if you are available.**

**Thank you!**

# May '18 Sunday Service Lay Responsibilities

Dates	Celebrants	Acolytes	Lectors & Lessons	Greeters
<p><b>6</b></p> <p><b>Bishop's here</b>  <b>Holy Eucharist</b>  10:00 am  <b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b></p>	<p>Rev. Samantha Crossley  Deacons: Lee Grim  Melanie Mattsen</p>	<p>Lee Grim</p>	<p>Jeanne Corrin  Lee Grim</p>	<p>Georgeann &amp; Andy  Wright</p>
<p><b>13</b></p> <p><i><b>Mother's Day</b></i></p>  <p><b>Holy Eucharist</b>  10:00 am  <b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b></p>	<p>Rev. Samantha Crossley  Deacons: Lee Grim  Melanie Mattsen</p>	<p>Lee Grim</p>	<p>Erik Strand  Lee Grim</p>	<p>Wilbur &amp; Maryann  Tveit</p>
<p><b>20</b></p> <p><b>Holy Eucharist</b>  10:00 am  <b>Pentecost</b></p>	<p>Rev. Samantha Crossley  Deacons: Lee Grim  Melanie Mattsen</p>	<p>Lee Grim</p>	<p>Jeanne Corrin  Michele Dahlin</p>	<p>Gary &amp; Carolyn  Davison</p>
<p><b>27</b></p> <p><b>Holy Eucharist</b>  10:00 am  <b>Trinity Sunday</b></p>	<p>Rev. Samantha Crossley  Deacons: Lee Grim  Melanie Mattsen</p>	<p>Lee Grim</p>	<p>Carole Johnson  Lee Grim</p>	<p>John Shewchuck  Flossie Knutson</p>



# May 2018



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5 Altar Guild
						Tricia
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Altar Guild
<i>Bishop's Here</i> Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.	<i>Ruby's Pantry</i> Reg. 4:30 Dist. 5-6:30	 9:30 am Coffee Landing Vestry/Team meet 5:30 pm				Georgeann & Donna
13 Mother's Day	14	15	16	17	18	19 Altar Guild
 Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.						Georgeann & Donna
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Altar Guild
Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.		Newsletter Deadline				Flossie
27	28	29	30	31		
Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.	 Memorial DAY					

