



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 Sunday School....

Greetings,

We're set to begin a new project of putting in a shade garden under the cedar tree the front yard! We're hoping to accomplish two goals. To brighten up that side of the yard and to help bees, hummingbirds and other pollinators. We'll be starting with a 4 X 4 section to get a feel of what will thrive in a difficult space. If any of you have shady place plants that need to be divided let us know!

And, in case you missed it the article below (submitted by the Sunday School) was in the Journal for Earth Day.

Why do we want clean air and water?

Here are some thoughts from the Holy Trinity Sunday School.

"It just feels clean and nice and healthy. It helps wildlife."

"To keep me alive. Why would you not want to stay alive?"

and, from our youngest:

"So you don't have to eat bathwater or pond water."

We've been talking about caring for "this fragile earth, our island home," and while the problems facing us seem daunting, we believe that small steps can lead to large change. What if we went inside to get our fast food instead of idling the car? Or went a bit ahead or a bit after the busiest times? It may not be practical all of the time, but when it is we're saving a bit of money and lessening our impact on the earth. What if we found different uses for things before we tossed or recycled them? We thought of a few items and checked to find reuses for them. Judging from the resources out there, there doesn't seem to be much you can't purpose! For example, the bags that come in cereal boxes are usually made of high density polyethylene (HPDE). They can be recycled where ever #2 is allowed. If you can get one more use out of them before recycling, you may save adding plastic to a land fill. Here are a few uses we found:

1. Snip off a corner to use as a funnel or icing bag.
2. Place on the bottom of garbage containers to catch any leaks, or in your vegetable bin.
3. Slip a pie inside for easy storage.
4. Use instead of packing material.
5. Cover your hand to spread warm rice crispy treats into a pan.

We found that old toys can be turned into lamps, artwork, mobiles, and book ends without searching too hard and I'm going to put twigs in some of our old paint bottles and use them as row markers in the flower garden - they're bright and easy to see. You can take a pretty cup and saucer and make a feeder for birds and squirrels. Fill them with left overs and see what food are most attractive to them.

Each small step adds up and begins to change our thought process. We become more aware of the impact we have or can have and hopefully help heal the earth. After all, who wants to eat bathwater?

Peace, Mel

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Tell the Truth
Who are we? What have we done and left undone regarding racial justice and healing?

Repair the Breach
How can I participate in the repair, restoration and healing of people, institutions and systems?



Proclaim the Dream
What does Beloved Community look like where I am? How could I share the stories?

Practice the Way of Love
How can I grow as a reconciler, healer and justice-bearer? How can I prepare to seek relationship across dividing walls?

Find resources, opportunities and connections online as you take your next steps into creating the Beloved Community at creatingbelovedcommunity.org



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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**

Bishop search prayer

God of light and life, you have faithfully guided the people of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota since the very beginning. You have raised up hard-working and entrepreneurial leaders, blessed us with racial and cultural diversity, deepened our faith, given us the courage to stand with neighbors who are struggling, and increased our awareness of your presence and activity. Help us to trust your Holy Spirit as we open our minds and hearts to discern the leader who can help us participate in your preferred and promised future. In the name of Jesus, the one who came to share our place and free us from everything that keeps us from your love so we can live for others. Amen.

May '19 Sunday Service Lay Responsibilities

Dates	Celebrants	Acolytes	Lectors & Lessons	Greeters
<p>5</p> <p>Holy Eucharist 10:00 am 3rd Sunday of Easter</p>	<p>Rev. Samantha Crossley Deacon: Lee Grim</p>	<p>Lee Grim</p>	<p>Erik Strand Lee Grim</p>	<p>Donna Day Karen Walls</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Mother's Day  Holy Eucharist 10:00 am 4th Sunday of Easter</p>	<p>Rev. Samantha Crossley Deacon: Lee Grim</p>	<p>Lee Grim</p>	<p>Georgeann & Andy Wright</p>	<p>Georgeann & Andy Wright</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Holy Eucharist 10:00 am 5th Sunday of Easter</p>	<p>Rev. Samantha Crossley Deacon: Lee Grim</p>	<p>Lee Grim</p>	<p>Michelle Dahlin Lee Grim</p>	<p>Flossie Knutson</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Holy Eucharist 10:00 am 6th Sunday of Easter</p>	<p>Rev. Samantha Crossley Deacon: Lee Grim</p>	<p>Lee Grim</p>	<p>Carole Johnson Carolyn Mount</p>	<p>Wilbur & MaryAnn Tveit</p>



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4 Altar Guild
						Flossie
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Altar Guild
Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.		Team/Vestry 5:00 pm				Flossie
12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	16	17	18 Altar Guild
 Holy Eucharist 10:00 am	Ruby's Pantry Reg. 4:30 Dist. 5-6:30	 9:30 am Coffee Landing				Carolyn
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Altar Guild
Holy Eucharist 10:00 am		Newsletter Deadline				Carolyn
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Holy Trinity Good Samaritan Service 2:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.	 *** HAPPY *** MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBER AND HONOR *****					

