

The Magnificat



Growing from the Season of Creation to “Un-Ordinary Time”

As Christians we know that scripture describes the creation of the earth, and all that inhabit it, as the handiwork of God's own nature. He created and brought into existence everything as a manifestation of his divine love. If we therefore know and understand creation to reflect God, we see that humanity has the privilege and responsibility of reflecting this love to each other and all creation. We were made in his image and in his likeness; with the ability to reason, love, forgive, and find joy; and God allows humans the privilege of stewardship over creation.

As humans, we seek to be like God in human ways. In the ways we love and serve others, in the creating of homes and peace, in the joy of salvation that we seek to share, and in the ministering to those who needs to be embraced in our care. Even though we cannot be like God in ways that he is God, we can create from what he has made us stewards over. God created time and the beauty of the created world to reflect the reality of timelessness; the eternity of God's presence that we will one day rest in.

If we live with this focus; we live with purpose to grow in our fullness and understanding of God within us and within others. It is in this relationship with the one who adores us that our true destiny is fulfilled. We draw to God because the divineness of our being responds to the eternal divinity that he is. And as we draw near to the Creator, God creates a life within us that reflects God. As we live into this vision for our lives, we embrace our true selves; ones who are created in the image of God, and who create the image of God in all aspects of our humanity.

Now as we leave the Season of Creation and enter the Season of Ordinary Time, I invite all of us to take with us the lessons and beauty that we have gathered in the Season of Creation. May we seek to find the “Un-Ordinary” in the ordinary. May we commit our life to continuing to see the creational love of Christ all around us and in each other. And may our hearts be turned ever more longingly to our Heavenly Father. May we seek growth, spiritual and personal, this fall as we live into the divine nature of God in our Liturgy during this next liturgical season. And may we continue to wonder and discover God's creational love in all of the unordinary ordinary moments of our lives.

With Love in Christ,
Mother Leanne+

7n Celebration

Please join us for the ordination of
The Reverend Leanne Dawn Beaumont
St. Mary's Episcopal Church
Wednesday, November 6th 6:00pm

News from your Vestry

The Shoppe: Since the closure on July 17, the vestry has been in a time of discernment regarding the path forward, looking at the many aspects of the operation of the Shoppe. Bishop Russell brought in Deacon Pratt Paterson, a church business professional, to help the vestry examine the past operation and the feasibility of it going forward. The vestry decided on September 17 that the operation of a resale shop in the Allen House is not the best use of our resources of space and volunteers. Bishop Russell and Deacon Pratt agreed with that vestry decision. We will be moving forward soon with a plan for the remaining contents of the Shoppe.

The Allen House: So that brings us to a discussion of the best usage of this property. There have been suggestions of using it for various ministries such as a space for food pantry, children and youth programs, or a place to start a new ministry. Unfortunately, those programs would be a financial drain on the church as we would still have the expenses of insurance, utilities and upkeep. The vestry is committed to having any future usage of the house be financially sustainable, paying all the expenses and making some revenue for the church. The vestry is still in a period of discernment about the future usage. Two of the ideas so far are, 1. operating a music school and 2. renting the building. Fortunately, during this time, there is about \$8,000 in the Shoppe account that supports the operating costs of the house. Please contact Mary Salinas if you have any questions. Mlydia10@gmail.com

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Blessing of the Animals – 6:00 p.m.--
Tuesday, October 8th we will celebrate The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi with the Blessing of the Animals service. Please bring any or all of your pets to be blessed on the front steps of the church! If your pet is not able to travel, you are invited to bring a picture of your pet. Should there be inclement weather we will gather at the hall back porch or in the hall.

ECW—Episcopal Church Women and the Men's Group (Men of St. Mary's) will meet October 20th, between services, in the Parish Hall. Anyone who attends St. Mary's is invited to be a part of these two meetings as we discuss events, tasks, and how to help our church & community.

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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			Centering Prayer 10:30am Bible Study 11:30am: MP 5:30pm: Choir 6:45pm: Bells	9am Food Pantry	Office Closed School of Ministry-rectory	9am Pastoral Care class-hall School of Ministry-rectory
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9am:H.E Rite II 10am. Men host Breakfast 11am: H.E. Rite II Noon: Inquirers Class		6pm: Blessing of the Animals	Centering Prayer 10:30am Bible Study 11:30am: MP 5:30pm: Choir 6:45pm: Bells	9am Food Pantry	Office Closed	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9am: H.E. Rt II 10am ECW host Breakfast ECW & Men's mtg 11am: H.E. Rt II Noon: Inquirers Class		5:30 Vestry	Centering Prayer 10:30am Bible Study 11:30am: MP 5:30pm: Choir 6:45pm: Bells	9am Food Pantry Parish hall closed for floor waxing	Office Closed Parish hall closed for floor waxing	Parish hall closed for floor waxing
27	28	29	30	31		
9am: H.E. Rt II 10amVestry host Breakfast 11am: H.E. R tII Noon: Inquirers Class			Centering Prayer 10:30am Bible Study 11:30am: MP 5:30pm: Choir 6:45pm: Bells	9am Food Pantry		HE=Holy Eucharist MP=Morning Prayer



Inquirer's Class

Beginning **Sunday, October 13th**, we will meet at **noon in the church** for **five consecutive Sundays, ending on November 10th**, to learn about the history, theology, practice, and essence of the Episcopal church.

This class is available to those seeking Confirmation, Reception, or Reaffirmation and anyone seeking a deeper knowledge of their Christian faith.

A make-up class will be offered on **Tuesday, November 12th @ 6:00pm.**

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/18 CHRISTIAN KLAUSS
10/28 NICK CAMPO
10/31 CATHY BROOKS

ANNIVERSARIES

10/24 TED & MANDIE REESE

If your special date was missed at any time throughout the year, please contact the church office to update your records.



WinterFest Arts & Crafts show at St. Mary's.

Dec. 6th –11a.m. to 6p.m. & Dec. 7th —9a.m. to 2p.m.

Vendors will be inside the hall and out on the lawn selling their wares & crafts.

~ECW Bake sale

~ Lunch-- the Men's group will be grilling up lunch both days. Gumbo will be available Friday, and food trucks will be on the campus.

We still have vendor spaces available!

Please pick up a flyer from the church office or hall board, to post around the local area and share the Facebook Event page to help with advertising.

Volunteers will be needed.

Prayer Requests

Family

- Cathy Parker
- Ed & Caroline Wyrsh
- Frank Causey
- Jackie Calloway
- Kristi McKeown
- Stewart Calloway
- Roger Calloway
- Jim Johnson
- Jim Longshore
- Jesse & Jennifer Reeves
- Jessica Morawski
- Mimi Dolce
- Roy & Judy Whalen
- Sam Harris
- Tyler Richmond
- Vickie Dollhausen

Our Friends

- Alicia Larkins
- Bill & Pat Davidson
- Daniel Parker
- Freda Ashworth
- John Freezer
- Judith
- Kim Smith
- Kristie
- Linda & Sanford
- Mary Raisler
- Sharon Brooks
- Tom Faison

Military

- Anthony Cunningham
- Bradley James
- Edward Estrada
- Fischer Morgan Lay
- Kevin Murphy
- Lena Ryan
- Joshua Krause
- Mary Dunn
- Nick Rinaire
- Phillip Holmes
- Thomas Ryan
- Tyler Hart

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Date Reminder about ALL SAINTS Sunday-- Nov. 3rd is the day the church has remembered Christians of all traditions who have passed into the Life Triumphant. This remembrance at St. Mary's will be in the context of the Sacrament of Holy Communion and the ringing of a bell as names are read. You are invited to bring a picture of your loved one to the service, to be placed on a table at the front of the altar. Please submit names of your loved ones who you'd like read at the services on 11/3. Names can be placed in the offering plate or you may email/call them into the church office. Deadline for submission is October 29th.



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Join us for Worship on Sunday—9am or 11am
Morning Prayer, Wednesday at 11:30am

"To build one another up in Christ."