



CELEBRATIONS OF MINISTRY

INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES SHARING THE LOVE OF GOD IN CHRIST

Good Shepherd and Holy Family Newsletter September 2014



Vícar's Notes

Celebrations of what?

Glory to God whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.

Ephesians 3:20

For the past few months, we 've been calling the service formerly known as "joint" services by the new "Celebration of Shared Ministry". In part, I'm hoping by naming it as a celebration, we can elevate our expectations of this monthly time together. By celebration, we can mean an event: a festal occasion to build relationships and spiritual growth as larger community than our two congregations. We can also mean recognition of a growing relationship, in which two share a oneness, a unity, that does not diminish uniqueness. These Sundays are, I hope, occasions for both acknowledging a reality, and building a future.

Over the past few months, we've had a lot happen on these Sundays. Race Dialogues, Pride & renewal of vows, the Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene and the author of Sacred Dying, and in August a presentation on human trafficking. We've had guest preachers, guest musicians, and filmmakers and book-authors. And, we've had delicious potluck food and wonderful conversation.

My hope for these occasions is that they will help us, as two communities working together, to achieve some goals:

- Continue to find strength in common mission as two congregations on the Peninsula, each with gifts and vocations for our neighbors, both part of the Episcopal family:
- Learn from folks who are doing good things in the world around us, and who can help us think of ways we can live out our baptismal vows;
- Offer opportunities that make the traffic over the hill seem worth the hassle;
- Generate discernment for ministry occasions to hear about relevant topics and think about ways we can serve our neighbors.

There is another goal: these celebrations are occasions to invite our neighbors and friends to be part of the discernment, conversation, and faith-formation events. I hope that these celebrations will help us invite and welcome others who may need a spiritual home, as well as build relationships and collaboration with people

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of many faiths. These are good days to invite someone to get to know who we are.

As we move through fall toward Christmas, here are the plans for our Celebrations of New Ministry.

September 7th Blessing of the Animals at Good Shepherd

October 5th
 Celebrating Holy Family's 25 years at 1590 Cabrillo Hwy

& 25 years of Holy Family Children's Center

November 2nd
 All Saints Day and special "community learning day"

with the Coastside Jewish Community

December 21st Learn about the custom of Las

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preacher, the Rev. Mary Moreno

Richardson, and a panel on immigration



Michael+

If you have a topic you would like us to address, or a burning question about faith and the world around us you think would make a good topic for this forum, please let Vicar Michael know.

Blessings and Thank-You goes out to:

Angela Loehr - Setting Good Shepherd and Holy Family up on Facebook.

Check us out!

Bernie Martinez & Ken Myers - Webmasters extraordinaire

Leslie Gale and Les Shinozawa - Taking on the arduous task of Treasurer!

Tassie Jenkins - Creating the Good Shepherd fliers

Ken Myers - Organizing a very successful backpack drive

Vivian Costello - Staining the platform stage edge at Holy Family

Marilyn Dodd - Supporting Joan and Janet through Joan's illness and death

Darren Hart - Agreeing to organize Holy Family's Pumpkin Ice Cream Booth

Dave Clark - Coordinating the termite repairs at Holy Family

Linda Montalbano - For organizing the next Good Shepherd rummage sale

All Good Shepherd Hospitalers - For opening Good Shepherd and welcoming all who enter

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Good Shepherd-Mike Fabel

Disaster Preparedness

Several members of our Area Ministry attended a one-day training program Grace Cathedral sponsored by the Episcopal Relief and Development team. About 75 members of congregations throughout the Greater Bay Area participated in group discussions and various training exercises to assist with the process of developing comprehensive disaster plans for our respective missions. One of the plan's goals is for us to think about our roles as a church in the community and how we could assist after a disaster. There are four basic reasons for the development of such a plan –

- Mitigate the damage to church buildings/belongings
- · Resume the business of the church as soon as possible following a disaster
- Support parishioners during the crisis
- Assist vulnerable neighbors in the community

A comprehensive "Preparedness Planning Guide" was provided, as well as numerous resources to assist with planning efforts. The next goal for us will be to develop some "next steps" to begin the planning process.

One of the more interesting team activities we participated in was the listing of gifts a congregation has to offer which resulted in a larger than anticipated list of attributes for our congregation, including: medical professionals, teachers, musicians, computer experts, animal lovers, large kitchen, central site location, a large facility footprint. We have many gifts to offer to each other and the community at large in times of crisis.

A discussion was held on how communities typically respond to large, area-wide disasters such as an earthquake. The first order of business immediately following a disaster is to ensure your family is safe or to seek assistance for family members in distress. Then assist your neighbors and community area as necessary. When those matters are addressed, then we can begin to reach out to parishioners, assess the usefulness of the church to assist the community at large and, last but not least, resume the business of the church. The final step is very important as it allows for the resumption of our personal reconnection with God's spirit, begin the process of healing and continuing to help others. This training was very beneficial and will not only help us during a time of crisis, but also provide the gifts we have by reaching out to our respective communities, and each other, in a time of great need.

Peace!! Mike

Senior Wardens

Holy Family—Peggy Rothernberg

What an exciting time this is for both the Holy Family and Good Shepherd congregations. The Holy Family Bishop's Committee met on March 30 for a full day retreat. Among the many topics we discussed were a review of our existing ministries, goal setting for 2014, and our hopes for our shared ministry with Good Shepherd.

In the next several months we will be exploring both our music ministry and our children's ministry. We need your input. Please take a few minutes to ask yourselves the following questions, and then give feedback to a member of the Bishop's Committee. We want everyone's voices to be heard.

How important is music to your worship experience? Do you like contemporary or traditional music? Is the presence of a choir important to you? Would you like to hear other instruments besides the organ and piano? Would you be satisfied with special music selections only once a month, or would you like them every week?

Parents, what are your hopes for the children's program at Holy Family? Would you like a traditional Sunday school program, or would you rather see your child actively engaged in the service? What do you want your children to learn about? Would you be comfortable with having our older children combine with other youth groups on the coast? Would you be willing to take an active role in the Sunday school program or youth group? Would you be interested in participating in a shared family meal on a Sunday evening? Would you consider going on "field trips" to see other youth programs in the area?

Let us hear your visions for Holy Family. Share your thoughts. The Bishop's Committee is ready to listen and take action. I'll leave you with this inspirational quote by Nelson Mandela:

"Action without vision is only passing time,

Vision without action is merely day dreaming,

But vision with action can change the world."

Peggy

Outreach Backpack Drive A Coastal Community Event

Over 500 children supplied for school



Holy Family lead the Coast-side effort to provide backpacks and school supplies to children whose families could not afford to purchase them. Partnering with other coastside churches and organizations, we collected funds to purchase and donations of backpacks, binders, notebooks, crayons, glue sticks, scissors, highlighters, pens, pencils, erasers, paper and other essential supplies.

Each year the number of children enrolled in the program increases. In 2014, the number of children enrolled in the backpack program was 540! Setup and distribution was held August 22nd and 23rd at the Community Methodist Church's reception hall. On Friday, Holy Family volunteers transported supplies to the reception hall and began unpacking the many boxes and organizing supply lines by age group. Early Saturday morning thirty volunteers from other churches and organizations joined Holy Family to fill the backpacks with supplies, while children and their parents lined up outside the church eagerly awaiting 11AM distribution. At 11 children were ushered in small groups into the hall and each child was encouraged to select a backpack. It was very joyful and uplifting to watch their happy faces as they were given the chance to chose a backpack without the help of their parents! After distribution, the leftover supplies were transported back to Holy Family's outreach barn. It was exhausting yet exhilarating work.

Many thanks as a

Many thanks go out to Starbucks, the library and the Methodist Community Church for hosting collection barrels. Many thanks also to the volunteers from the Methodist, Lutheran, CoastSide Jewish Community, Rotary Club, AAUW, Catholic Worker, Coastside Hope, Cabrillo Unified School District and other organizations who joined with Holy Family to make this a truly remarkable Community event!

We are looking for someone to chair the 2015 backpack drive. The chair works with organizations such as Coastside Hope, our key partner in this effort, along with the faith community on the coast. Please contact Ken Myers, Holy Family Outreach chair if you are interested in either chairing this important ministry for 2015.

The back pack Outreach chair's duties are coordinating volunteers to:

- Organize and conduct funding campaign with other organizations
- Purchase backpacks and school supplies
- Organize setup, filling and distribution of backpacks
- Organize cleanup efforts

Deepening Our Prayer of Faith

Starting with the October issue of Crook & Crèche, we will publish the *Cycle of Prayer*.

Just exactly what is a Cycle of Prayer? Praying for one another is a way of calling to mind that we are part of a church which extends far beyond that which we can see. By holding up each other in prayer, we are also reminded that we are all members of the body of Christ, which extends across time and space. Many people use a Cycle of Prayer, as a way of praying methodically for the work of fellow members in a parish, other missions and parishes within their diocese, chaplaincies and our brothers, sisters and fellow dioceses around the world.



Who will we pray for in the Cycle of Prayer? The cycle of prayer will list members and friends of Good Shepherd and Holy Family; we also will include other missions and parishes of the Diocese of California and the world wide Anglican Communion. While the Diocese of California and the Anglican Communion have established timelines for their respective Cycles of Prayer, we will use a two to three month cycle for members of Good Shepherd and Holy Family.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings



Let us know your birthday or anniversary (month / day only). In future issues of the newsletter, we will publish upcoming birthdays, anniversaries and other special dates you tell us about. Send the dates and event to:

newsletter@holyfamilyhmb.org.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
	1	2 10a Bible Study, Belmont Jackie Daly's house	3 6:30p Evening Prayer, GS Chapel 7:00p Spiritual Conversation,
			GS Chapel
7 Shared Ministry 10a Holy Eucharist, Animal Blessing and potluck barbecue / Rally Day, GS	8 7p HFCC Advisory Board	9	10
		Vicar Michael at Clergy Conference	Vicar Michael at Cler- gy Conference
		10a Bible Study, Belmont Jackie Daly's house	6:30p Evening Prayer, GS Chapel
			7:00p Spiritual Conversation, GS Chapel
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9a Holy Eucharist, HF 11a Holy Eucharist, GS 3p Free Classical bassoon and cello concert, GS	Vicar Michael on Vacation	Vicar Michael on Vacation	Vicar Michael on Vacation
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Thu	Fri	Sat
4 7:30p Bible Study, HMB Dave and Gloria's House	5 Vicar Michael's Sabbath	6
Vicar Michael at Clergy Conference 7:30p Bible Study, HMB Dave and Gloria's House	12 Vicar Michael's Sabbath	13 8a Workday, GS
18 Vicar Michael on Vacation 7:30p Bible Study, HMB Dave and Gloria's House	19 Vicar Michael on Vacation 2-4p, Rummage sale set up, GS	20 8a Prep for Rummage 9a-3p Rummage Sale, GS
25 7:30p Bible Study, HMB Dave and Gloria's House	26 Vicar Michael's Sabbath	9:45am Produce Distribution, HF



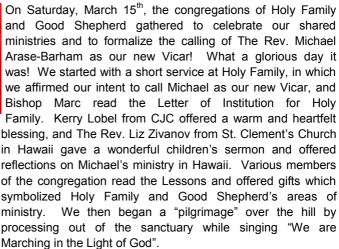
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Celebration of Ministry









The service continued in Belmont with a procession into Good Shepherd, where Bishop Marc read the Letter of Institution for Good Shepherd. The Rev. Dr. Michael Battle, one of Michael's professors and mentors, gave a thought-provoking sermon, which included further reflections of Michael's ministry. We continued with the presentation of gifts reflecting our ministry areas, and a celebration of Eucharist with Bishop Marc presiding. Music was provided at both services by the Holy Family Choir, with Bruce Nickerson at the organ and Rev. Michael's mother Janet sharing her gifts at the piano! Another special treat was Bishop Marc's welcome of Jiro into our community as an integral part of Michael's ministry.



Following the service, we continued the celebration with a delicious meal in the Parish Hall as we greeted our guests and celebrated our joy in receiving Michael into our community! It was a very special day, filled with personal reflections, humor and great joy!



All of it was made possible by the many gifts of time and talent offered by the members of both congregations. A special thank you to all who were involved in planning and preparation, participation in the worship services, and the offering of culinary delights enjoyed by all! It takes a village, and it was a wonderful reflection of the love and fellowship we enjoy as a shared community!

















A Celebration of Life

In Memoriam

Joan Kidd

January 28, 1936 - July 25, 2014

Holy Family was packed on Saturday, August 2nd, as we celebrated the life of Joan Kidd. Many communities were represented that day, reflecting the impact Joan had in several organizations, and the lives of people she served. She kept an involved connection with Good Shepherd, where she was a member for many years, after becoming a member of Holy Family. Her history with Good Shepherd, and her strong leadership, especially during the recent interim years, helped build strong bonds in the formation of a "shared ministry" that will continue serve us well in the future.

Joan, we thank you... we love you... and we look forward to the day when we will join with you, and all the saints, in the heart of God.



Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord;

And let light perpetual shine upon her.

A Celebration of Time and Space

This year marks 25 years since Holy Family Episcopal Church celebrated its first service, outdoors, on its very own property! Prior to that, we were graciously given shared space with other Coastside congregations. Dave and Gloria, Vivian and Flo were among those who purchased and remodeled the original house into the sanctuary we use today. Years later, Bishop William Swing came and dedicated a brand new paved parking lot on roller blades (he wondered if it was an omen that we saved the disabled parking space for him)!

In addition, this year marks 25 years since Holy Family Children's Center opened its doors in September 1989 to its first class of preschool students. Twenty-five years later, it remains a leader among coastside preschools! Its current director, Sue Ross, has worked with staff to build a thriving program inspired by the schools of Reggio Emilia, Italy, and Sue is herself a graduate of the training in Italy.

To mark this milestone occasion, the Bishop's Committee and preschool board have decided to hold two events, a family celebration to kick off the new school year and welcome incoming families, and an adult fundraiser at the close of the school year, which will be a more formal event. Please join us on Sunday, October 5th, for a Celebration of Shared Ministry at 10:00am, to which HFCC families and staff will also be invited. Ann Gordon, the former president of the National Association of Episcopal Schools, will serve as guest preacher.

Following the service, we will hold an outdoor picnic (details to be provided later). During this time, we will open and bless a time capsule, to be filled with symbolic items representing the church and school. At the close of the school year, we will hold another brief ceremony to bless and seal the time cap-

sule. We hope you will help us be creative in deciding what will go into it during the year!

Come one, come all, and help us celebrate this joyous milestone in the history of our church and preschool. Happy Silver Anniversary to all of us!

Beth Myers



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A Note from the Editor:

Welcome to the second edition of the Crook & Crèche newsletter. We will be publishing monthly. Articles and photos received by the 20th of month, will be included in the next monthly issue. The e-mail address is:

Newsletter@holyfamilyhmb.org

Blessings,

Vivian

Good Shepherd Community Rummage Sale, September 20

How does the saying go? Another man's rummage is another man's treasure! Good Shepherd will host a community rummage sale on Saturday, September 20th. Rent a table to sell your "treasures" or browse the tables to purchase the next great bargain! Either selling or buying, you are sure to have a great time combing for treasures! Contact the Good Shepherd Church office to rent a table.



Trivia Bee - Friday, October 17th

Established in 1987, Project READ is a free, volunteer-based literacy program serving adults, children and families. For 25 years Redwood City Friends of Literacy has supported Project READ Redwood City with its annual Trivia Bee. The Trivia BEE event is designed



to promote literacy awareness and raise funds to support Project READ's mission of a literate community.

Good Shepherd participates in this annual event, and encourages all to join in and support Project READ!

6:30pm, Hors d'oeurs 7:30pm, BEE kickoff

Half Moon Bay Pumpkin Festival, October 18 - 19

Holy Family will participate in the 44th Annual Half Moon Bay Pumpkin Festival, by operating a Pumpkin Ice Cream Booth. This is a major fundraiser and FUN raiser for Holy Family. Thanks to Darren Hart for coordinating this year's event. Please consider signing up for a shift or two to scoop ice cream. Time to get your scooping arm into shape!



Worship Schedule

Holy Eucharist: Sundays Holy Family 9 a.m. Good Shepherd 11 a.m.

Clergy and Staff:

The Rt. Rev. Marc H. Andrus, Eighth Bishop of the Diocese of California

The Rev. Michael P. Arase-Barham, Vicar

Sue Ross, Holy Family Children's Center Director

Bruce Nickerson, Organist

Good Shepherd Bishop's Committee:

Mike Fabel, Senior Warden Linda Montalbano, Junior Warden Don Pendleton Monica Hepponstall Fred Saunders Bruce Nickerson Nancy Galleni

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