

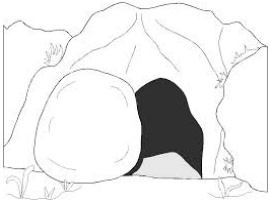
The MESSENGER

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BURIED WITH CHRIST, REBORN BY THE HOLY SPIRIT



“We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. [BCP, 306-307]”

Death – resurrection – rebirth – From the very earliest years of the fledgling Christian faith, baptism and Easter were rightly linked. Christian Baptism has no meaning apart from the resurrection. And so it is not only a lovely gesture but also most fitting that we will have two baptisms on Easter morning! I can think of no better time than Easter to remember that the ones being baptized are being immersed in the death and resurrection of Christ.

For that matter, perhaps Lent, especially during Holy Week, and then Easter, are about *our own* dying and rising. In our liturgy, week to week, but perhaps most powerfully during Holy Week and then Easter, we reenact the events of Christ’s death and resurrection so that we can remember that we, too, have been born again and are now, forever, sustained by the living presence of Jesus Christ in his body and blood and in the faces of all his people. And so the baptisms of Ayden Mullen and Nathan Reynolds provide an opportunity for each of us to deepen our understanding of baptism and add to our Easter joy.

So come, gather around these two families as their children gain entry into our large family! Each of us will not only witness this baptism, but we will also remember, celebrate, and renew our own baptisms as we join in saying the Baptismal Covenant together. To put it in even more profound terms, Easter is foremost about Jesus dying and rising again – but it’s also about each of *us* dying and rising, each of *us* being born again by water and Spirit, “sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked as Christ’s own forever.”

Have a blessed Easter, and I pray that through the remainder of Lent and the joy of Easter, the amazement of God’s love for you deepens and shows itself in new and creative ways.

Grace, peace, and Easter blessings,

Mother Sandra+



Milestones

Births, accomplishments, graduations, the passing of loved ones, special joys or memories, etc.: let us know the latest news:

☆ We warmly welcome Sarah Callow to All Saints. After attending ASC for a few years, she has made it official by transferring her membership from St. James, Perkiomen, to here.

☆ Beville and Prisca Jones' family were recently spotted on Channel 6's March 27 episode of *The Chew*. The show airs weekdays at 1 p.m. You never know where you're going to see someone from All Saints!

E-mail your milestones to allsaints535@yahoo.com with "Milestones" in the subject line, or drop a note in the parish office mailbox by the main entrance.

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Birthdays

(April)

- 1 Jack Spottiswood
- 5 Betsy Gottshall
- 7 Natalia Dello Buono
- 8 James McCarraher
- 9 Bob Penman
- 11 Ryan Cohen
- 14 John Paul Batten
Robin Faulkner
Nicole Gelet
Viviann Harris
- 15 Nina Schrock
Sean McCarraher
- 16 Greg Cohen
- 17 Dottie Hubbell
- 23 Nelson Schrock
- 24 Chrissy Gilroy
- 25 Debbie Heckard
- 26 Dennis Clemson
- 30 Deb Porcelli



Anniversaries

(April)

- 12 Patty & Harry Reese
- 16 Deb & Len Porcelli
- 17 Carol & Brian Harrity
- 22 Cindy & Nick Durante
- 29 Monica & Michael Reynolds

Best Wishes!

Worship

Opportunities

SUNDAY MORNINGS

8 a.m. Eucharist

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
(1st & 3rd Sundays)

10:00 a.m. Sunday School with the Rector: All kids ages 4 through high school for first half of service (2nd Sundays)

9:45 a.m. Youth Forum
(3rd Sunday only)

10 a.m. Choral Eucharist
Rite II, including music, except on 3rd Sundays (see below).
Child care is available for children 4 and under, 10 a.m.-end of service.

Following 10:00 service:

- Coffee, tea and hospitality
- Adult Forums (**First & Third Sundays**)

3rd SUNDAYS MONTHLY:

9 a.m. Rite II Eucharist with opening & closing hymns

9:45 – Youth Forum

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Eucharist in activity room

Change for April only
Contemporary Worship
will be held on
4th Sunday at 10 a.m.

Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday - April 13
Worship (8 & 10 a.m.)



Maundy Thursday - April 17
Dinner (6:30 p.m.)

Liz Parker has graciously offered to help coordinate this dinner, but needs some assistance. If you can help, please talk to Liz or call Donna at 610-279-3990.

Worship (7:30 p.m.)
Choir Rehearsal to follow



Good Friday - April 18
Liturgy (Noon)



Easter Day - April 20
Worship (8 & 10 a.m.)
Easter egg hunt following 10 a.m.
worship

*No nursery care, Sunday school, forums,
or coffee service.*

JOIN US FOR DINNER

Thursday, April 17 (6:30 p.m.)

Bring a side dish or salad.

*Stay tuned for more details on the main
course which will be provided.*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: APRIL CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

To accommodate Easter services, please note the following Sunday schedule changes for April:

- April 20, 2014: Easter Sunday
Holy Eucharist at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.
- April 27, 2014:
Traditional worship, 8:00 a.m. (no music).
Contemporary worship, 10:00 a.m. (Activity Room)

**We've hidden some eggs,
they're waiting for you.**

**Come join the fun
and look for a few!**



Sunday, April 20
following 10 a.m. worship

Remember to bring your baskets!



Easter Flower Memorials

Consider making a memorial donation or a thank offering in honor of your loved ones. Use special envelope included in your box of offering envelopes or use those found beneath the sign-up area of the bulletin board in the vestibule. To have the names of your loved ones who you wish memorialized printed in the Easter Sunday Order of Service, **be sure to turn in envelopes by Palm Sunday, April 13.**

Adopt a Garden

Spring of 2014 is fast approaching. 16 different gardens are waiting to be adopted by caring individuals, groups, or families. All that is required is to keep the area weed free (as much as possible), plant flowers and/or maintain the ones that already exist, and water during the summer.



Please consider adopting a garden to maintain the beauty of All Saints. A sign-up sheet will be available soon: keep an eye out on the vestibule bulletin

board in upcoming weeks.

Questions? Contact Phil Gottshall, 610-489-6124

Correction

In the February edition of *The Messenger*, we incorrectly stated Jane Fitzroy as spending part of her time with her daughters who live in California and Colorado. We would like to apologize for the incorrect transfer of information. Jane brought to our attention she lives part time in Boulder Creek and part time in San Rafael, both located in California.



Toys Needed for Nursery!

ASC Nursery is in need of toys to replace those that have become broken or worn out over the years. If you have any of the following items that your own children have outgrown, but are still in good shape, contact Nina Ely at 610-275-4275, or just bring them with you to church:

- A doll pram or stroller
- Small dolls, such as dollhouse dolls, action figures, "little people," and other similar dolls.
- Dress-up clothes
- Any sorts of toddler toys, like stackers, push and pull cars, bead mazes, and so forth (no battery-powered toys, please)

The nursery is also in need of a few small plastic storage bins for all the toy food (shoebox size).

Thanks!
Nina Ely

Bringing LIFE to Your Kitchen!

I caught this wonderful recipe online. Check the website for more details on sharing the Easter story with your family and friends! Donna Longobardi

<http://www.motherhoodonadime.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/resurrection-cookies11.pdf>



Ingredients and supplies:

- 1 cup almonds (or pecans)
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tsp. vinegar
- Zipper baggy
- 3 egg whites
- Wooden spoon
- Pinch of salt
- Mixing bowl
- Mixer
- Cookie sheet
- Spoons
- Tape
- Bible

- 1) **PREHEAT OVEN TO 300 DEGREES.** Place one cup nuts into a baggy. Beat the nuts with a wooden spoon until broken into tiny pieces. Remind children Jesus was beaten by the Roman Soldiers. **Read John 19:1-3 and Isaiah 53:5**
- 2) Allow each child to smell the vinegar. Pour a small amount into a bowl and allow them to taste it. Explain that vinegar was given to Jesus to drink when he was on the cross. Add 1 tsp. vinegar into a mixing bowl. **Read John 19:28-30**
- 3) Add egg whites to vinegar. The eggs in this recipe represent life. They remind us that Jesus gave his life to give us life abundantly. **Read John 10:10-11**
- 4) Put a pinch of salt in your child's hand. Allow them to taste it. Add a pinch of salt to the eggs and vinegar. The salt represents the salty tears cried by the women who followed Jesus. **Read Luke 23:27.**
- 5) Place a pinch of sugar in your child's hand. Allow them to taste it. Add one cup sugar to the mixture. Up to this point, the ingredients have been very bitter, but the sweetness in the recipe comes from the sugar. The suffering and death of Jesus are bitter, but the sweetness is that Jesus died because He loves us. **Read Psalm 34:8 and John 3:16**
- 6) Beat the mixture for 12-15 minutes until stiff peaks are formed (I recommend setting a timer -- it's important to beat the mixture well). The whiteness of the mixture reminds us of purity and the cleansing of our sins because of Jesus' death. **Read Isaiah 1:18**
- 7) Stir in the nuts. Drop spoonfull of dough onto a cookie sheet. The mounds represent the tomb where Jesus was buried. **Read Matthew 27:57-60**
- 8) After the oven is preheated, put the cookie sheets in the oven. **TURN OFF** the oven. Allow your child to place pieces of tape and "seal" the oven door. Jesus' tomb was sealed with a large rock. **Read Matthew 27:59**
- 9) Leave the cookies in the oven overnight. Your child might feel sad to leave the cookies in the oven overnight. Jesus' followers were very sad when the tomb was sealed. **Read John 16:20-22**
- 10) In the morning, open the oven and have some cookies! Surprise!! The cookies should be hollow inside. Remind your child that the tomb was empty. Jesus is risen! **Read Matthew 28:1-9**

If you do not have access to a computer or printer, we'll have a few copies available in the vestibule for those interested in giving it a try!

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Cross-Making for Lent

This Saturday, April 12, please join us in the Activity Room for a simple breakfast (coffee, bagels and toppings, eggs) and a Lenten craft and prayer activity for ALL AGES. We will be making crosses as preparation for our journey in Holy Week, and the variety of crosses that can be made is infinite.

Making crosses doesn't involve reading, studying, or discussions, like many Lenten programs. It's a more physical approach to God. The author of *Making Crosses: A Creative Connection to God*, calls it "kinetic prayer" – it helps us to an "understanding that does not come from parsing out an explanation for God, but arrives through a sensory, interactive experience of God."

Mother Sandra will offer minimal guidance and a prayer framework, but the artwork will be your own. You can bring "found objects" that are meaningful to you to incorporate into your crosses; and you can always add more later, since there's no need for projects to be completed if you want to continue working on them on your own. If you plan to attend, it would be helpful if you can let me know, but last-minute attendees are welcome. For more details, contact Mother Sandra. 443-797-2360, mothersandra@ymail.com.



Spring is Here!

Now that "spring has sprung," I thought you'd enjoy a little poem written by an associate of the Third Order of St. Francis. Remember that St. Francis was a nature and animal lover, and his most famous writing was the Canticle of the Sun; this poem has that sort of tone.

Oh, Sister Snow, so soft and white
Your every flake is a delight
Beauty rests on every bough,
But oh, I've had enough for now . . .

I figured you might find this funny after the snow was gone! I think we've all had enough for now. I hope you're all having a lovely spring. Bring on the flowers! Mother Sandra



Dear Mother Sandra,
 Thank you; also please thank the Vestry and members of All Saints' Church for allowing the Valley Forge Highland Band the use of church facilities for our practice.

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Regards,
 Joe Raudenbush
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Maundy Thursday

Eucharistic Minister: Bill Koffke

Intercessor: Dale Kerr

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Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, April 15

April 2014

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1	2 10AM-2PM Second Time Around Shop	3 10-Noon Calvary LC visits WECL Noon Bible Study w/ Lunch 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal 7PM N.A. Mtg	4 Rector's Day Off 7:30PM N.A. Mtg	5
6 LENT 5 8AM Rite I 9:45 Sunday school 10AM Rite II 11:15 adult forum	7 Parish Administrator's Day Off 8PM VF Highland Band	8	9 10AM-2PM Second Time Around Shop 5:30PM Wardens Meeting	10 10-Noon Calvary LC visits WECL 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal 7PM N.A. Mtg	11 Rector's Day Off 7:30PM N.A. Mtg	12 4-6:30PM Bread of Life Community Cafe
13 PALM SUNDAY 8AM Rite I 10AM Rite II; Sunday school at the Rectory <i>Easter Flower Memorial Deadline</i>	14 Parish Administrator's Day Off 8PM VF Highland Band	15 MESSENGER DEADLINE	16 10AM-2PM Second Time Around Shop 7PM Vestry Mtg.	17 MAUNDY THUR 10-Noon Calvary LC visits WECL Noon Bible Study w/ Lunch 6:30PM Parish Dinner 7:30PM Worship Choir Rehearsal following	18 GOOD FRIDAY Noon-Liturgy OFFICE CLOSED 7:30PM N.A. Mtg	19
20 EASTER DAY 8AM Rite II 10AM Rite II Mullen & Reynolds Baptisms Easter Egg Hunt	21 Parish Administrator's Day Off 8PM VF Highland Band	22	23 10AM-2PM Second Time Around Shop	24 10-Noon Calvary LC visits WECL 7PM N.A. Mtg	25 Rector's Day Off 7:30PM N.A. Mtg	26 9AM Good Noise Band Practice 4-6:30PM Bread of Life Community Cafe
27 EASTER 2 8AM Rite I 10AM Contemporary	28 Parish Administrator's Day Off 8PM VF Highland Band	29	30 9:15AM West End Preschool visits WECL 10AM-2PM Second Time Around Shop			

Serving for the Glory of God

Date	April 6	April 13	April 20	April 27
Acolytes	Anthony Nero, Alyssa Jones, Emily Spottiswood	Donna Penman, Victoria Batten, Emily Griffin	Anthony Nero, Carley Harrity, Austin Taylor	
Altar Guild	Susan Cohen, Mary Jane Daley	ALL MEMBERS	TBD	Susan Cohen, Kathryn Gallagher, Susan Dean
Bulletin Assemblers	Marilyn & Jack Clemson (4/4)	Marion Shupe, Phil Gottshall (4/11)	Donna & Bob Penman (4/17) <i>Add'l volunteers appreciated!</i>	Ginger Banmiller, Mary Jane Daley (4/25)
Coffee Service	Joanne & Bob Heisler	Steve Dello Buono		Prisca & Beville Jones
Counters	Francie Dean, Diane Mullen	Joanne & Bob Heisler	Betsy & Phil Gottshall	Betsy & Phil Gottshall
Eucharistic Ministers	Donna Penman, Alyssa Jones	Nelson Schrock, Victoria Batten	Susan Dean, Carley Harrity	Eryn Griffin
Greeters	Marilyn & Jack Clemson	Gelet family	TBA	Jackie & Bill Koffke
Intercessor	Cornelia Hoffman	Laurie Sawyer	Diane Mullen	Laurie Sawyer
Lector				
Nursery	Stephanie Flood, Victoria Batten	Nina & Andrew Ely, John Paul Batten	Children are invited to join their families at worship!	Children are invited to join their families at worship!
Presenters	Susan Cohen, Mary Jane Daley	Susan Dean, Stephanie Flood		Prisca & Beville Jones
Server Reader (8 a.m.)				
Ushers	10:00 Karen & Jack Spottiswood	10:00 Stacey & Steve Dello Buono	10:00 Betsy Gottshall	8:00 Betsy Gottshall 10:00 Donna & Bob Penman

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The Rev. Sandra L. Etemad, Rector, The Rev. Geoffrey G. West, Associate Rector

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