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From Canon Kate



“Everybody needs beauty as well as bread, places to play in and pray in, where nature may heal and give strength to body and soul.” - John Muir

Everybody needs beauty as well as bread.

It is just that simple.

For a HUMAN life to be lived, and not just a sustained life to be lived; it is just that simple. We all need beauty as well as bread.

We all need our basic food needs met (bread), as well as our basic spiritual and beauty needs met (play and pray).

This is all and everything that we as a Christian community should strive for on behalf of all people. This is the mission of the church! That every member of the church should seek to strive so that everyone who needs both beauty and bread should have access to that beauty and bread.

Striving for human dignity is so basic that Maslow included “beauty, balance, and form” on his upper levels of hierarchy of needs for the human being in addition to “bread/food” on his bottom rung the ladder of human needs.

We as Christians are called to help all people up the ladder of Maslow’s hierarchy of needs into a more “HUMAN” life. We are called as Christians to help people move from bread to beauty.

The Food Distribution which I had the opportunity to see for the first time in February is a start in this direction. The hot meal and grocery bags provide some sort of “bread” for those who come to our doors. They are part of the bottom rung of Maslow’s ladder which addresses mostly, *bread*.

This congregation’s on-going concern, education, advocacy, and witness regarding the plight of the Palestinians addresses a different

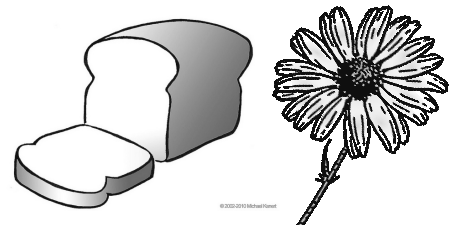
kind of human need. These events are addressing a higher level of need for human dignity. They are addressing and advocating for more beauty and quality of life on behalf of others.

I have just moved here after living a number of years only 45 minutes away from Yosemite. John Muir was essential in the establishment of the Sierra Club and the establishment of many of our National Parks. His legacy was all around my former diocese...and his calling, as well as Jesus’ calling, to us is higher than just bread. John Muir’s legacy, and the following of Jesus, calls us into the basic understanding that Jesus had when Jesus called us to address both spiritual and temporal needs. We are to preserve and share the beauty of God’s creation which exists all around us but we are also called to invite others into the beauty, sharing, and preserving of God’s creation.

We are called not only to provide bread for our neighbors, but also to help preserve the beauty of creation and thereby provide for some of the spiritual needs of our neighbors.

Beauty and Bread. That is what we are all called to be about.

*Blessings,
Canon Kate*



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Attendance and Offerings for January

January Attendance	573
January Offerings	\$27,561
YTD Income as of 01/31/16	\$64,751
YTD Expenses as of 01/31/16	\$36,373

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DEADLINE FOR THE APRIL ISSUE

Friday, March 18, 2016



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Hau'oli la hanau to all
 Those born in March

March 1	Hilary Gangnes
March 2	Max Haworth Victoria Hill Robert Nakatsuji
March 3	Pam Fern Noemi Jackson Bruce McDonald Gerry Peel
March 4	Abigail Alo Lauren-Ashley Fujioka Adrienne Lau
March 8	Mary-Vie Argones Amanda Doty
March 9	Alofa Carpenter Will Schoen
March 10	Julie Nguyen
March 12	Kalpana Tata Kayla Morikami
March 14	Cole Palimo`o Gail Suzuki-Jones Linda Taber
March 15	Mony Brousseau Anne Swanson
March 16	Janie Schaefer
March 17	Martha Morgan
March 18	Larry Hinkel Rhett Taber, Jr
March 19	Pamela Anderson Kelly Kennedy
March 20	Keith Kalway
March 22	Stuart Coleman
March 24	Wesley Rogers
March 25	Mark Haworth Isa Yamauchi
March 26	Sophia Hurd Joy McElroy
March 27	Elizabeth Peel
March 29	Ella Cicero
March 30	Camulus-Michael Argones
March 31	Liz Ho

If we missed your birthday, please let the office know!

Holy Week and Easter Worship Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 20, 7:30 am and 10:15 am
Procession of the Palms and Holy Eucharist

Holy Monday, March 21, 7 pm - Evening Prayer

Holy Tuesday, March 22, 7 pm
Evening Prayer and movie *The Pawnbroker*
(A story of racial tension and reconciliation)

Holy Wednesday, March 23, 7 pm - Stations of the Cross

Maundy Thursday, March 24
6 pm Agape Meal in Parish Hall
7 pm Maundy Thursday service in the church
8:30 pm-11 am (Friday) Vigil with the Reserved Sacrament
in the Chapel of Peace

Good Friday, March 25, Noon and 6 pm
Good Friday services in the church

Holy Saturday, March 26, 9 am - Morning Prayer

Easter Sunday, March 27
6 am Sunrise service at Queen's Surf Beach
9 am Festive Easter service in the church
10:30 am Festive brunch and live music in the Parish Hall

Mahalo Nui Loa

♥ To the **St. Clement's Choir** for sharing their labor and breakfast-preparing skills for another delicious Shrove Pancake Sunday.

♥ To **Lorraine Dove** for her years of leading the Prayer Chain, an invisible but vital ministry to the parish and beyond.

St. Clement's Work Day

Saturday, March 12
9 am to Noon



Come and help spruce up our church and campus with church and school volunteers. If you can't attend

for the entire time, whatever time you can donate will be greatly appreciated. No special skills needed. If you have questions, please contact the Parish Office by calling 955-7745 or via email at secretary@stclem.org

From the desk of Mark Haworth



I cannot believe it has been two years from my first meeting to assemble my discernment committee! As my sponsoring Parish, my home church, and hub of spiritual support, this note is to update the Parish on where I am in the process for ordination to the priesthood.

Currently I am in formation year two of three in Hawai'i's diocesan school of study, Waiolaihui'ia. When I have finished my studies, and passed of course, I will be eligible for ordination to the Transitional Diaconate. Six months or so later, I will then be eligible for ordination to the priesthood. Of course, just finishing the formation studies is not all I need to do to be accepted. There are a myriad of other very important steps, interviews, discernment groups, diocesan commissions, and committees that will be tasked with helping me discern this very special calling.

The Bishop has assigned me to serve as an intern at St. Elizabeth's in Kalihi, with Father David Gierlach. My start date for this internship will be Palm Sunday, March 20, 2016. I have met with Father David and am looking forward to working with him and St. Elizabeth's in this next phase of formation.

With God's help and the help of the St. Elizabeth's congregation and staff, Father David has instituted programs at St. Elizabeth's that have had tremendous impact on their congregation and their community. Like me, Father David entered into the priesthood at a later stage in his life while fully ensconced in his career. I am very humbled to be sent there, and am looking forward to tremendous personal growth opportunities.

What I am sad about is the fact that I will be leaving my home church for this internship. St. Clement's is where my wife, Jill, was baptized by Dr. Wheeler (Dr. Wheeler also married us 34 years ago), where I discovered God in my heart, where I sang with the choir for over 25 years, where my children were baptized, where my daughter Jessica was married, and where my family (my wife and my son Tanner; my mother-in-law, Betty; my sister-in-law, Gail; my brother-in-law, Scott) loves to be every Sunday. My internship will be approximately a year and a half, taking me right up to the gate of graduation from Waiolaihui'ia. My love and

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Don't forget Palestine and Israel this Lent



Throughout the holy season of Lent, and particularly, the climactic 'Holy Week' leading up to Easter Day, the church has often observed an intentional time to pray for the Holy Land. On Good Friday, St.. Clement's has traditionally given any monetary collections on the day to the work of

the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, to support its work of running schools, hospitals, and other institutions across the Middle East that benefit Jews, Muslims, and Christians alike.

While the agonizing Syrian conflict continues, in which the United Nations estimates over 250,000 people have been killed, and approximately 14 million people have been displaced, it is easy for the world to miss the rising tensions in Israel and Palestine.

On February 17, the Coordinator for Humanitarian and United Nations Development Activities for the occupied Palestinian territory, Robert Piper, called for the destruction of Palestinian-owned property in the occupied West Bank be halted. "International law is to be respected," he said. "Over 400 Palestinians have been displaced from their homes... in the first six weeks of 2016." That is "equivalent to over half the total number of Palestinians displaced in all of 2015."

"Palestinians in the West Bank have the right to adequate housing and the right to receive humanitarian assistance," said Mr. Piper. "As the occupying power, Israel is obliged to respect these rights."

283 homes and other structures were "destroyed, dismantled or confiscated" in the period January 1 to February 15, 2016. "Over 100 of these structures had been provided as humanitarian assistance to families in need."

In the wake of such demolitions as part of the occupation of the West Bank, and the ongoing blockade of Gaza, murmurs of a third 'intifada' (or uprising) of Palestinians continue to grow louder.

Most recently, three attempted attacks against Israel Defense Forces soldiers in the West Bank have been reported. On February 21, "a 16-year-old Palestinian was killed after attempting to stab [a soldier] south of Nablus

in the West Bank." "East of Hebron a 14-year-old attempted to stab a soldier... and was arrested" on the same day. On February 3, Border Police Officers killed a 20-year-old outside Jerusalem's Damascus Gate, shooting him multiple times in a highly frequented area of the Old City.

So far in 2016, however, the violence continues to be one sided. According to the U.N. in just six weeks, 30 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli forces in the West Bank, while 3 Israelis have died at the hands of Palestinians. This year alone, 882 Palestinians have been injured by Israeli forces. 30 Israelis have been injured. In 2015, 127 Palestinians and 18 Israelis were killed. 13,550 Palestinians and 882 Israelis were injured.

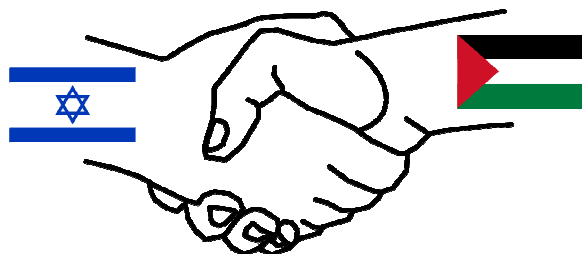
Perhaps in this Lenten time, in reflecting on Middle Eastern conflict, in praying for the people of Palestine and Israel, in reading books and watching movies about the past history and the present situation, in purchasing fair trade goods, in joining organizations, or even considering pilgrimage to see the Living Stones of that great Holy Land, we may find a deeper way into understanding, and perhaps, just perhaps, we may find a pathway to a hopeful, non-violent resolution of conflict, and a road to lasting justice and peace in the Holy Land.

Some of this content was delivered as part of my sermon on the 2nd Sunday in Lent, February 21, 2016.

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Grace and peace – Christopher+



Adult Discussion Group

Sundays during Lent between services

During Lent this year, the Sunday morning Adult Discussion Group are all about lemon trees.

We are taking a two-fold approach

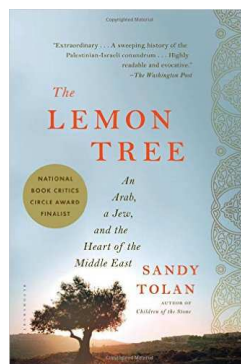
- Watching the movie, "The Lemon Tree"
- Reading the book, "The Lemon Tree"

Although the movie and the book are the same name, and they both use interpersonal relationships to speak about the conflict and the search for peace and justice in Palestine and Israel, they tell two different stories:

The movie tells the modern day story of a widow who tends the family lemon grove along the Green Line dividing Palestine from the West Bank. Conflict begins when the Israeli defense minister moves in next door.



It is a parable of the middle east conflict which is brought to life by fantastic acting and down to earth characters



The book, set in 1967, is the story of a Palestinian twenty-five-year-old, who journeyed to Israel, with the goal of seeing the beloved old stone house, with the lemon tree behind it, that he and his family had fled nineteen years earlier. There he meets a nineteen-year-old Israeli college student, whose family fled Europe for Israel following the Holocaust. On the stoop of their shared home, they began a rare friendship.

This book reminds us that even amid the bleakest political realities there exist stories of hope and reconciliation. A finalist for the National Book Critics Award, highly praised by NPR and The Washington Post, this book is not to be missed.

Copies of the book are available now at the Parish office for \$12.00 (credit card on file can be used as well as cash or check).

Canon Kate and I, together with the Global Ministries Team of the Parish commend the book to you as your 2016 Lenten reading, and also invite you to join the Adult Formation Group (each Sunday 8:45 am - 10:00 am) to watch the movie, and discuss Palestine and Israel through these two mediums.

*Blessings,
Christopher+*



SAVE THE DATES

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2017

The Parish of St. Clement and friends Journey to the Holy Land – all are welcome!

11 days – October 20-30, 2017

Pilgrimage under the direction of the Rev. Christopher Golding and local guide, Canon Iyad Qumri
Jerusalem, Jericho, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee, Nablus, Bethlehem, Emmaus & much more

Optional pilgrimage extension:

10 days – October 31-November 9, 2017

"Christian Zionism and Colonialism - a Response from Palestinian Christians"

Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Centre's Fall Witness Visit

~~ Submitted by Christopher+

From Mark Haworth

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my heart will always be with St. Clement's.

Jill has committed to serve with the Family Ministries Team as a Sunday School teacher through to the end of the 2015/2016 school year. Jill will leave behind 25 years of storytelling, glue, and glitter when she retires from teaching Sunday School in May of this year. Jill will then join me at St. Elizabeth's to work with me in my developing ministry.

Tanner, our sophomore in high school, plans to continue serving at St. Clement's as an acolyte – St. Clement's is his church. I will continue to keep in touch regularly with St. Clement's since you will always be my home church as well as my sponsor. I have several more Sunday's left, and I look forward to spending those Sundays with you, speaking with you, and serving Jesus Christ our Lord with you.

*With God's peace,
Mark Haworth*

MARCH 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue
		1 9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH 2:00 Staff Meeting-PH1 5:00 Labyrinth Open-PKG 6:00 Punahou Terr. AOA-PH
6 THE 4TH SUNDAY IN LENT 7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH 8:30 Bible Workbench-PH2 8:45 Adult Discussion-PH 9:30 Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH	7 CLERGY SABBATH 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:00 EFM Class-SL 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 AI-Anon-PH	8 9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH 2:00 Staff Meeting-PH1 3:30 Wooley Funeral-CH/COP 6:00 Vestry Meeting-PH
13 THE 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT 7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH 8:30 Bible Workbench-PH2 8:45 Adult Discussion-PH 9:30 Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH 11:30 Prayer Chain Mtg.-PH1 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH	14 CLERGY SABBATH 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:00 EFM Class-SL 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 AI-Anon-PH	15 9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH 2:00 Staff Meeting-PH1
20 THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION: PALM SUNDAY 7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH 8:30 Bible Workbench-PH2 8:45 Adult Discussion-PH 8:45 EV's-PH1 9:30 Sunday School 10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH	21 HOLY MONDAY CLERGY SABBATH SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:00 EFM Class-SL 7:00 Evening Prayer-CH 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 AI-Anon-PH	22 HOLY TUESDAY SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL 2:00 Staff Meeting-PH1 6:00 Punahou Cliffs AOA- PH 7:00 Evening Prayer & Movie- CH
27 EASTER SUNDAY 6:00 Easter Sunrise Service @ Queen's Surf Beach 9:00 Festive Easter Service-CH 11:00 Easter Brunch-PH 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH	28 CLERGY SABBATH PRINCE KUHIO DAY –NO SCHOOL/OFFICE CLOSED 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:00 EFM Class-SL 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 AI-Anon-PH	29 9:00 SCS Campus Tours-CH 2:00 Staff Meeting-PH1

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>2</p> <p>8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2 6:00 Vestry Mtg. w/Bishop-PH</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:00 SCS Campus Tours 10:00 Holy Eucharist-Arcadia 3:00 Book Study-KAHALA NUI 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:00 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:30 SCS Keiki ID Day-PH 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:00 Altar Guild-CH</p>
<p>9</p> <p>8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 3:30 Tourist Wedding-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:00 SCS Campus Tours 9:00 C3 Kupuna Day-PH 3:00 Book Study-KAHALA NUI 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:00 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:00 C1 Kupuna Day-PH 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9-noon Parish Work Day</p>
<p>16</p> <p>8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 11:30 Godfrey Memorial Service & Reception-CH/PH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2</p>	<p>17 St. Patrick's Day</p> <p>9:00 SCS Campus Tours 3:00 Book Study-KAHALA NUI 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:00 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p> <p>Ke`Alemanaka Deadline</p>	<p>19 St. Joseph</p> <p>9:00 Altar Guild-CH 10:30 Food Dist. Prep-KIT/PH 11:30 Food Distribution-KIT/PH 4:00 Tourist Wedding-CH</p>
<p>23 HOLY WEDNESDAY SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL</p> <p>10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2 7:00 Stations of the Cross-CH</p>	<p>24 MAUNDY THURSDAY SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL</p> <p>3:00 Book Study-KAHALA NUI 6:00 Agape Meal-PH 7:00 Maundy Th. Service-CH 8:30pm-11am Vigil with the Reserved Sacrament-COP</p>	<p>25 GOOD FRIDAY SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL</p> <p>12:00 Good Friday Service-CH 6:00 Good Friday Service-CH 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>	<p>26 HOLY SATURDAY</p> <p>9:00 Morning Prayer-CH</p>
<p>30</p> <p>8:00 Flowering of the Cross Chapel & Bday blessings-CH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 5:30 Overeaters Anon-PH2</p>	<p>31</p> <p>9:00 SCS Campus Tours 3:00 Book Study-KAHALA NUI 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:00 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p> <p>Ke`Alemanaka Assembly</p>		<p>Key</p> <p>CH - Church PH - Parish House, main hall PH1 - Meeting room 1 in Parish House PH2 - Meeting room 2 in Parish House MB - Music Building SL - Staff Lounge KIT - Kitchen PG - Playground PKG - Parking Lot</p>

Punahou Carnival Parking FUNdraiser 2016

*Mahalo to the many volunteers
Special Mahalo to Amanda and Mary*



Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help with the Punahou Carnival parking. Many of you worked multiple shifts - being runners, drivers, key takers, and cashier. You braved the drizzles on Saturday morning. Thanks to those who donated snacks, sandwich fixings, drinks, and the ingredients for Amanda's yummy chili.



Thanks to Mr. Oda, our school parent, who worked alongside our parishioners. Thanks to Jeff, our sexton, who also worked a shift. Thanks to Stan, Carolyn, and Joanna. You all are very appreciated. Because of your generosity, the church made almost \$5,300. YOU made it a **FUNdraiser** for our St. Clement's Church.



A very special thanks goes to Amanda Doty and Mary Carpenter. After many, many years, they retired as co-chairs after this carnival. They stayed the whole two days, from early morning until closing. That is true commitment, love, and support of our church. You both are very special indeed!

~~ Submitted by Sandy Souza



February 9, SCS students were treated to a lion dance in honor of Chinese New Year. *Photos by Corie Hee.*



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Farmers Market Ministry Teams

Volunteer to help with this ministry by contacting
Pam Fern (943-8987 or 561-1070) or Tim Hurd (372-9563)

Task	March 3	March 10	March 17	March 24	March 31
Point Person for Set Up and Parking 3:00-5:30pm	Keith Kalway	Keith Kalway	Jim Quimby	Maundy Thursday	Tim Hurd
Parking 3:30-5:30 pm	Jim Thomas	Pam Fern	Sue Quimby		Pam Fern
Set Up 4:15-4:45 pm	Jim Betts Nellie McLaughlin	Jim Betts Pam Fern	Liz Ho Dana Anderson		Pam Fern
Point Person 5:30-7:30 pm	Pam Fern - 561-1070			No	
Receipts, Rents 6:30-7pm	Martha Morgan	Susan Palmore	Michele Morikami	Market	Martha Morgan
Take down/ Closing* 7:20-8pm	Beth Fincke Jim Mattingly John Marlowe*	Soane or Nicholas Lino Sandy Souza Arthur Buto*	River Kim Ken Morikami Pam Fern*		Beth Fincke Jim Mattingly Pam Fern*

Vestry Highlights February 2016



The vestry met on February 9, 2016. Highlights include:

- Moani Crowell and Byron Gangnes elected Clerk and Treasurer of the Vestry respectively
- Approval of Canon Kate's housing allowance and check signing resolutions
- Continued support for Mark Haworth's postulancy
- Invitation issued to Bishop Bob Fitzpatrick to address the Vestry about the search process
- Dissolution of the Loo Housing LLC and approval of the sale of the Waikiki condo
- Set a date (Saturday, March 12) for a church work day

*~ Submitted by Moani Crowell
Clerk of the Vestry*

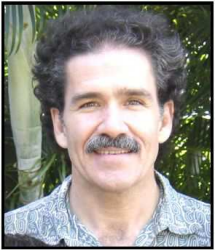
The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, at 6 pm. Parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend the Vestry Meetings. We serve a light supper prior to the meeting and enjoy having visitors.



Above: Some of St. Clement's School (SCS) staff at the school's annual fundraiser, *Imagination*, at the Waialae Country Club. Monies raised support SCS financial aid and many other school activities.



A View from the Pew



“And forgive us our trespasses . . . just as we forgive those who trespass against us.”

~ The Lord’s Prayer ~

It’s Lent and I’ve just had an Epiphany! All puns aside, and while I realize I’m “behind the curve” here, it just occurred to me that the cycle of our liturgical calendar year is symbolic of the natural cycles of life, beginning with Advent, followed by Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost. It is all there: conception and gestation; birth and dawning; development and revelation; maturity and realization, death and new life; growth and transformation. Likewise anticipation, inception, manifestation, discernment, sacrifice, and rebirth. All different words, to be sure, with one set addressing the existential and the other the transcendental, but each in their respective spheres nonetheless expressing the very same thing.

The liturgical cycle is an expression of how we ought to be living our lives as the Images of God. We are called to begin and end each day, and to live and die each lifetime, for our sisters and brothers, sacrificing not only so that they may live, but so that we may live, too. It reminds me of forgiveness. By forgiving instead of destroying our transgressors, we not only liberate them from the spiritual prisons we so zealously build in our hearts, minds, and souls because of their sins against us, but we also free ourselves from living behind the grim walls of these very same prisons we so vehemently guard. Inversely, by choosing to forgive our transgressors, not only will God likewise choose to forgive us in equal measure, but, by our example, our transgressors might likewise choose to forgive those who have sinned against them and, in turn, in the process of this life-giving and life-saving cycle, be forgiven by God, too.

Our liturgical cycle is really about inspiring, guiding, and leading us into a way of life by which we choose to love and live for one another, and in doing so, not only grow closer to our sisters and brothers, but closer to God. It goes to the core meaning of sin and grace. In the ancient understanding of the word, sin did not mean doing something evil. Instead, it meant doing or not doing something that put distance between us and God. To be in a state of sin was to be separated from God.

Conversely, the ancient meaning of grace had nothing to do with blessing people or things. Instead, it was a word describing a relationship in which we are intimate with God. To be in a state of grace is to be close to God. In other words, the distance between us and God, while not evil in itself, is the abyss out of which all evil arises. In narrowing the distance between us and God, we can bridge the gap ~ ideally filling it with love ~ and become one with God and our neighbors.

In a very dramatic way, the liturgical cycle brings to mind the infinitely small but nuclear story of Stephan in the Book of Acts, the very first martyr of Christianity, and the Apostle Paul, formerly Saul, who was a Roman citizen and an officer of the Temple in Jerusalem. Stephan was a deacon in the original Church of Jerusalem, serving the Apostle James, Jesus’ brother and its first Bishop. As a deacon, Stephan’s role was to connect the community with the Church, the risen body of Christ. In the process, he not only incurred the nefarious suspicion of the Roman occupation, but also the wrath of the Jewish religious authorities. As a result, Stephan also caught the attention of Saul, whose duty it was to suppress this heretical Jewish sect called the Nazarenes, otherwise known as Christians. Arrested and brought before the religious authorities for heresy, by his own testimony Stephan was condemned, dragged outside of the city, and stoned to death by a mob organized by Saul himself, but not before Stephan could declare:

“Lord, do not hold this sin against them.”

Ironically, but I’m certain not coincidentally, the very next time Saul appears in the Book of Acts, he is on the road to Damascus to persecute more Christians there. In the true spirit of death and new life, sacrifice and rebirth, Saul is blinded by Heavenly Light, he is confronted with his sins by Jesus, he converts to the very faith he was sworn to persecute, and he becomes Paul . . .

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.”

This is the first and great commandment.

And the second is like unto it:

“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

~ Jesus, Matthew 22:36-4

~~ Submitted by Scott Suzuki-Jones



MARCH 2016 Lay Minister Schedule

Sunday	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 28
Lectionary Year C	<i>The Fourth Sunday in Lent</i>	<i>The Fifth Sunday in Lent</i>	<i>The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday</i>	<i>The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Sunday</i>
Readings	Joshua 5:9-12 Psalm 32 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32	Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8	Liturgy of the Palms: Luke 19:28-40 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14 - 23:56	Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 Luke 24:1-12
Flowers	Beth Fincke	Kiki Fordham	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke Adrienne Lau

7:30 am Service

**Easter 6am Sunrise Service
@ Queen Surf Beach**

Lector	Kathleen Norris	Hew Reynolds	Kingsley Wong	Keith Kalway
Lector/EM	Susan Palmore	Dana Anderson	Pam Fern	Dana Anderson
Euch. Min	Martha Morgan	Liz Ho	Jim Quimby	Susan Palmore
Altar Guild	Sandy Souza	Sandy Souza	Pam Fern	Cecilia Fordham
Ushers	Harrison Ishida Sandy Souza	Sandy Souza	Kingsley, Joni & Tyler Wong	N/A
Coffee Hour	Tahmi Brodhead	Leslie Isaki Martha Laxson	Kingsley, Joni & Tyler Wong	N/A

10:15 am Service

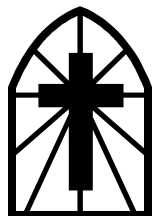
**Easter 9am Festive Eucharist
@ St. Clement's**

Lector	Landen Taga	Mary Carpenter	Annette Jim	Anna Blackwell
Lector/EM	Paris Priore-Kim	Jane Anderson	Sam Hawk	Brad Siefkes
Euch. Min	Sam Hawk	Paris Priore-Kim	Moria Amjadi	Martha Morgan
Altar Guild	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke
Ushers	Arthur Buto	Liz Baldwin	Arthur Buto Liz Baldwin	Arthur Buto
Coffee Hour	Moani Crowell	Tau'eva Lino	Nellie McLaughlin Beth Charlton	Liz Baldwin Miwako Shen

Greeters Team: Jim Quimby

7:30 am Service: Jim Quimby, Carol Taylor, Annabel Murray

10:15 am Service: Beth Charlton, Liz Baldwin



Datebook

Saturday, March 5
9 am-Noon Parish Work Day

Friday, March 18
Ke` Alemananka Deadline

Saturday, March 19
11:30 Food Distribution and Lunch

Sunday, March 20-Saturday, March 27
SCS Spring Break

Sunday, March 20 **Palm Sunday**
7:30 am & 10:15 am Procession with palms & Holy Eucharist

Monday, March 21 **Holy Monday**
7 pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday, March 22 **Holy Tuesday**
7 pm Evening Prayer & Movie *The Pawnbroker*

Wednesday, March 23 **Holy Wednesday**
Stations of the Cross service

Thursday, March 24 **Maundy Thursday**
6 pm Agape Meal in Parish Hall
7 pm Maundy Thursday service in church
8:30 pm-11 am (Friday) Vigil w/Reserved Sacrament-COP

Friday, March 25 **Good Friday**
Noon & 6 pm Good Friday services

Saturday, March 26 **Holy Saturday**
9 am Morning Prayer

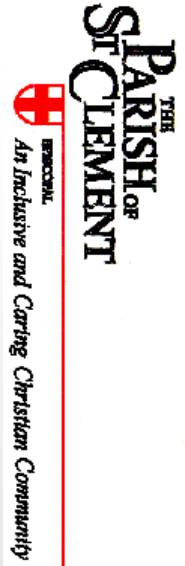
Sunday, March 27 **Easter Day**
6 am Sunrise service at Queen's Surf Beach
9 am Festive Easter service at church
10:30 Festive Brunch w/ live music in PH

Thursday, March 31
8:30 am Ke` Alemananka Assembly

Schedule of Worship Services
Sundays: 7:30 am and 10:15 am
Wednesdays: 10 am

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