

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 2021

REMINDER: We have regathered for in person worship each Sunday at 10 am, and no reservations are needed. For those not ready to return, the livestream continues on our YouTube Channel

LEMONADE OUT OF LEMONS

It's been a lemon of a year - time to make lemonade!

Join us for lemonade and cookies in Lackey Hall after the 10 AM service.

All who are comfortable returning are welcome.

Please allow safe distancing and we recommend that you stay for a short time.

Masks are optional for the fully vaccinated.

Volunteers needed to serve - contact Lee Boisseau.

STEWARDSHIP WORKDAY

Our Stewardship Workday was a great success! Thank you to everyone who helped last Saturday.

Cleaning, gardening and routine chores were accomplished. When you see them please be sure to thank:

*Kemper Brinkley, Lee Boisseau, Samantha Ellis, Jill Donnelly, Jim Donnelly
Andy Gates, Missy Gates, Dave Hettinger, Theresa Hettinger, Valerie Jones
Elayne Pagano, Mark Pagano, Cat Richardson, Tim Richardson, Kay Wray*

JOIN US FOR TRI-CITY CHILI PEPPERS BASEBALL!

What: Faith and Family Night

When: Sunday, June 27th 5:45pm

Where: Shepherd Stadium, Colonial Heights

Info: We will have our own section of seating at the stadium, in the general admissions section. There is a general admission ticket \$10, and then there is one that includes all you can eat food \$16. Can parishioners share this link with other family and friends- Yes! Contact the church office for more info.

PRAYER LIST

We beg you to feed the hungry, protect the refugee, embrace the distressed, house the homeless, nurse the sick, and comfort the dying. Especially we pray for Melissa Aigner, Thomas Clark, Melba Felty, Kathy Hackett, Robin Jane, Pret Kaichen, Mark Sheffield, and Mary Villeponteaux..

JOIN RAY ELLIS IN WORKING AT CAMP CHANCO THIS SUMMER!

Chanco Summer Camp Registrations are nearing record highs! However, Chanco is still looking for a few more counselors and kitchen team members to ensure a terrific summer. Summer employment benefits include housing, meals, training, and compensation from June 20 – mid August (or one- or two-week session shifts available). Candidates should be 17+. Email Chanco at programs@chanco.org for more information and an application.

Blessings and peace in Christ,
Bishop Susan

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, [11-13], 14-17

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

[Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

THE COLLECT

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.