

We choose love over division, unity over separation and Christ above all things.

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A Message From Fr. Mike

Dear Friends in Christ.

A good clergy friend of mine, also a retired Naval Officer, now deceased, loved the prayer below. As both a seaman and a Parish priest, he believed the words, part of a prayer attributed to Sir Francis Drake in 1577, spoke volumes for all who sail in God's service.

Disturb us, Lord, when
We are too well pleased with ourselves,
When our dreams have come true
Because we have dreamed too little,
When we arrived safely
Because we sailed too close to the shore.

Disturb us, Lord, when
With the abundance of things we possess
We have lost our thirst
For the waters of life;
Having fallen in love with life,
We have ceased to dream of eternity
And in our efforts to build a new earth,
We have allowed our vision
Of the new Heaven to dim.

Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly, To venture on wider seas Where storms will show your mastery; Where losing sight of land, We shall find the stars.

We ask You to push back The horizons of our hopes; And to push into the future In strength, courage, hope, and love.

This prayer describes both where people who are troubled with the hopes and dreams of the founders of this community (and those who have followed them), and the brave bishops, priests and laypeople who have sailed out anyway, trusting in God's love, have been, and are still bravely getting underway.

We harbor great hopes that we will be allowed to sail freely someday, guided by many stars, including the one that shown over a bleak manger centuries ago. However, in the meantime, we are called to be cautious about venturing into water that is too shallow for our ship and end up on the rocks. Peter, James and John knew this as fishermen. Paul learned it when he was a prisoner in a ship that foundered on some rocks (Acts 27:27-44). But Paul was allowed to continue serving God in myriad ways, as hope and believe that we shall be. Many others have learned the truth of these words over the centuries.

A smart navigator, following the stars that God puts in the sky for good reason, will sail as close to rocks and shoals as safety allows, but not so close as to go aground and never sail again. Christians are called to sail very boldly, while always remembering that reaching their destination intact, even if a bit weather-beaten and battle-scarred, is what God's desires, rather than being lost at sea, with all hands lost.

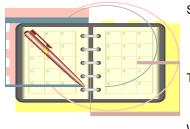
In Christ's love,

Mike

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Mark Your Calendars



Sunday 10 AM **Episcopal Worship** 10:45 AM Roman Catholic Mass 11:45 AM Fellowship/Adult Christian Formation Choir Rehearsal Tuesday 10 AM Bible Study (Sept – May) 1 PM Zumba Gold 6-9 PM CASA Wednesday 1-3 PM Utility Assistance Saturday 10-12 Girl Scout Troop 49

Happenings at Holy Apostles

May 1		Youth Sunday/Manna Sunday
May 4	7 PM	Executive Council
May 5	6 PM	Cinco de May Pot Luck dinner
	7 PM	Ascension Day Evening Prayer
May 6	6 PM	Friendship Day Pot Luck dinner and program
May 8		Happy Mother's Day!
	6 PM	Healing service
May 9-13	1 PM	Manna on Call
May 9	9-11 AM	Mobile Food Bank
	6 PM	Finance Council
	7 PM	Vestry Council
May 15		Pentecost Sunday
	9 AM	Social Ministry Committee meeting
	1 PM	Christian Unity Council meeting
May 18	6 PM	Adult Christian Formation Team
May 22		Trinity Sunday
	12 Noon	From Your Roots Fellowship Luncheon
May 23	6 PM	Christian Unity meeting (CUMLEGO)
May 24	12 Noon	Bible Study Luncheon
May 30		Happy Memorial Day! Office closed
	7 PM	Interfaith Prayer Service
June 5		Youth Sunday, Manna Sunday
June 8	6 PM	Adult Christian Formation Team
	7 PM	Executive Council
June 12 4 PM		Open Forum Dream Talk
	6 PM	Healing service
June 13-17	1 PM	Manna on Call
June 13	9-11 AM	Mobile Food Bank
	6 PM	Finance Council
	7 PM	Vestry Council
June 19	1 PM	Christian Unity Council meeting
		Happy Father's Day!
June 21		ARChive deadline
June 26	7 PM	Spring Christian Unity Conference
June 29-July 6		VBFEST Family Shelter



May & June Birthdays

Julian Kremer	May 2	Robert Smith	May 25
Anna Crosby	May 3	Tim Mitchell	May 26
Anthony Asalone	May 5	Thomas Brock	May 28
Carter Dao	May 8	Diego Londono	May 28
Carolyn Ferguson	May 10	Michael Meehan	May 29
Mary Thomas	May 10	Barbara VanHeest	May 29
Teresa Meadows	May 11	Gerard Brunick	May 31
Teresa Stanley	May 11	Erwin Thomas	June 3
Michelle McCready	May 14	Henry Foiles, Jr.	June 10
Steve Stanley	May 14	Noah Kimpan	June 10
Michael Stover	May 15	Mary Noyes	June 10
Anne Marzitello	May 16	Fran Dixon	June 14
Fr. Jim Parke	May 17	Joseph Mills	June 14
Mary Ward	May 17	Melanie Franklin	June 15
Peter Koch	May 18	Lynne Larson	June 17
Nicholas McCready	May 18	Charles Mills	June 21
Connor Stanley	May 18	Whitney McDaniel	June 22
Linda Brunick	May 23	Brian Hormuth	June 28
Kevin Meek	May 23		
Sophia Marzitello	May 24		

May & June Anniversaries

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Noyes Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stanley

May 9, 1981 June 10, 1978

May 25

Brittney Hormuth

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Frey Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Thomas

May 14, 1983 June 13, 1970

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Russo Mr. and Mrs. Lee Startt

May 16, 1987 June 21, 1975

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hormuth

June 26, 1993





In Our Hearts, In Our Prayers

We ask for your continued prayers for our men and women in the Armed Forces, especially for members of our Holy Apostles family and friends of Holy Apostles who are serving in the Middle East and around the world.

Christian Fun Page

Quiz on the book of Acts

1. Jacob sent people to Egypt when he heard there was what there?
Water
Corn
Miracles
Pharaoh
Joseph
2. In Lydda, Peter healed a man named Aeneas. What was that man's illness?
Palsy
Leprosy
Blindness
Mute
3. Where did Paul meet Aquila and Priscilla?
Corinth
Ephesus
Jerusalem
Philippi
4. What woman came back to life after Peter prayed for her?
Saphira
Dorcas
Mary Magdalene
Sarah
5. Who was being stoned when he saw the heavens open and Jesus standing at the right hand of God?
Ciaphas
Stephen
Saul
Alexander
All answers are in the book of Acts

YOUR CHURCH HOME

We are Holy Apostles

Let people know who we are. Please wear your name tag during worship, Fellowship hour, and at outside meetings. And promote Holy Apostles by putting a decal on your car. Magnetic name tags are available to purchase for \$8.00 each. We need a minimum order of 15. There is a signup/order form on the wall near the name tag holder. Decals for your car are available for \$2 each, please see any member of the Vestry council to purchase your decal today.

Calling ALL Potential Acolytes

Acolytes ages 6 and up are needed. The Hormuths provide training and are available to answer your questions. Or talk to one of our current acolytes; Mary Hatcher, Maggie McDonald, Jack Dickerson, Nicholas McCready.

Parish Retreat on Saturday, October 1, 2016

Church of the Holy Apostles Parish Retreat with Fr. Tom Ryan, CSP

Fr. Tom is the Director of the Office of Interfaith & Ecumenical Relations in Washington, D.C. and the author of more than 15 books on spirituality. He was a speaker at the 2014 LARCUM conference in Norfolk and is excited to come to Holy Apostles. His e-mail to us: "Wonderful! I look forward to meeting and sharing faith with you all! Wishing you a grace-filled Lenten season. Wonderful to hear that your congregation is engaging with the Year of Mercy!"

Cinco De Mayo Pot Luck Supper May 5

Join us for a Mexican themed potluck supper prior to the Ascension Day service. Bring you favorite tacos, chili or Nachos. Potluck at 6 PM and Ascension Day service at 7 PM.

From Your Roots Fellowship Event on May 22

We are blessed with a diverse congregation, with a wide range of family backgrounds. To celebrate this attribute, the theme of the Spring Potluck that will commence after the services on May 22nd will be our favorite family recipes. Please bring a dish that reflects your ethnic or regional heritage (anything you are in the mood to make, from French, to Caribbean, to Italian, to American Southeast) to share with the congregation. A signup sheet will be posted as the event draws closer.

Join us at 12 noon on Sunday, May 22 for a "from your roots" pot luck luncheon. Please bring a dish representing your ethnic and/or nationality background. It will be fun to see how many countries will be represented on our buffet table.

Highlights from Vestry Council

Vestry Council Highlights - April 11, 2016

- The Rev. Canon Michael Spear-Jones, the Canon for Transition Ministries, and Rev. Charles Robinson (both from the Diocese of Southern Virginia) visited Vestry Council to support Fr. Mike's retirement announcement. Plans were made to have a special Christian Formation session on April 24 to present next steps and answer questions from the congregation.
- It's time to paint our Fellowship Hall! Painting will begin on April 29 and end on May 4. Thanks for your patience during this time.
- Vestry Council is looking for people interested in joining a new Aesthetics sub-committee (under Administration) to manage proposed building updates and interior design. Please talk with Gene Zamer or a Vestry Council member for details.
- Have you seen our new outdoor banner? Set worship times are posted as one way to attract newcomers.

CHRISTIAN UNITY NEWS

May 6 Church Women United's Friendship Day

Holy Apostles is hosting Church Women United's May Friendship Day on Friday, May 6. The theme for the event if "finding grace at the table." there will also be a recognition of "outstanding young church women," Barbara Kimpan is being nominated from holy apostles for all the hard work and imagination she gives to both our community and the larger Virginia Beach community. Please plan to attend as we recognize Barbara. Registration is at 6 pm, pot luck supper at 6:30 pm with the program commencing at 7 pm. There is a poster on the hall bulletin board for more information. We will also need some volunteers to greet the guests, set up the fellowship hall, prepare the drinks, and clean up afterward. Please see Ann Delaney for details.

Service of Healing on May 8th & June 12th

A **Service of Healing** will be held every 2nd Sunday at 6 PM. Please join us and invite your friends for this 45 minutes service. The services will be on May 8th and June 12th.

Interfaith Memorial Day Prayer Service May 30th

On Memorial Day May 30 at 7:00 pm we will host an Interfaith Prayer Service. Several area churches have been invited to participate. Please join us and invite a friend or neighbor.

Local Christian Unity meeting on May 23

On Monday, May 23 at 6 PM we will host the local Christian Unity group meeting (formerly CUMLEGO). Please join us.

SOCIAL MINISTRY NEWS

Manna Sunday on May 1st & June 5th

The first Sunday of each month is the day we help restock the Manna pantry. At the current time the Manna Pantry is particularly in need of canned meats, canned fruits, Chef Boyardee, pasta sauce, taco kits, hamburger/tuna helper, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, oatmeal, granola bars, salad dressings and mayo. Many families really need our help.

Mobile Food Pantry on May 9th & June 13th

The Mobile Food Pantry will be here on the 2nd Monday of each month. Our dates in May and June are May 9th and June 13th. As normal, volunteers should be at Holy Apostles at 9am and will distribute food supplies from 9:30 till 11:00am. Pray for sunshine with a nice cool breeze.

College Exam Boxes

Thanks to Mary Thomas and all those that helped and contributed to helping our college students of our community. We sent out 18 boxes to 20 students.

Social Ministry Quarterly Meeting

Social Ministry Quarterly Meeting will be held May 15th at 9 AM before Church Service.

Summer Homeless Families Program

Beach Fellowship's new program to provide summer shelter for homeless families is on track. We will be hosting from June 29th through July 6th. Training will be held on May 23rd at the Spring Branch Community Church on Great Neck Road at 6 PM. Please contact Teresa Stanley and Nick Nichter for more information on how you can get involved..

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Adult Christian Formation (ACF) - Each Sunday at 11:45 a.m.

May 1 Social Ministry and the numerous ministries at Holy Apostles

May 15 Current Events

Bible Study wraps up on May 24

Tuesday Bible Study will wrap up the year on May 24.

May 3,10, 17 9:45 a.m. "Holiness is Wholeness" - lead by Fr. Jim Parke
May 24 12 noon Luncheon at La Bella Italia, Red Mill Commons

July Fire and Ice Features Divine Healing

On the four Wednesday in July, at 6:30 p.m., Ice-Cream will be served and at 7:00 p.m. the subject Divine Healing will be discussed. The programs are as follows:

July 6: The sacrament of Healing and Laying on of Hands

July 13: Father Mumford will be presenting insights into the Healing Ministry

July 20: The Order of St. Luke

July 27: Healings in Special Places. e.g. Lourdes

Vestry Council 2016

David Dickerson - Warden

Maria Mills-President

Administration/Maintenance/Stewardship - Jim Drews, Lee Startt Christian Formation - Joe Arnold, Beth Gillis Social Ministry - Jo-Anne Blessing, Whitney McDaniel Fellowship - Maria Mills, Joann Zamer Liturgy - Mike Cherwa, David Dickerson Bookkeeper - Bob Martin Secretary - Holly Frey

Committee Co-Chairpersons 2015 - 2016

Stewardship: Joe Claunch, Annette Cherwa
Administration and Maintenance: Anna Crosby, Brent McDaniel, Gene Zamer
Adult Christian Formation: Lynne Larson
Children's Christian Formation: Barbara and Nicholas Kimpan
Fellowship: John Delaney, George Hodermarsky
Liturgy: Norma Ragland, Jackie Lucas
Social Ministry: Nick and Kim Nichter
Christian Unity Council: Nicholas Kimpan, Charlie Mills
Finance Council: Mike Meehan

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"Choosing love over division, unity over separation. Choosing Christ above all other things."

We are a vibrant community with a strong future!

Gracious Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Savior. *Amen.*