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Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**



**Holy  
Week**



**Palm Sunday:** Our worship service on **Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>** will begin at **10:30 a.m.** with the **Liturgy of the Palms** outside the HCA building (weather permitting). Waving blessed palm branches and singing praises, we will conclude this portion of the service by processing into the sanctuary, **celebrating the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem** the week before his death and resurrection. Our **Gospel reading** will be **The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ** according to St. Matthew, and will be **presented in dramatic style**. It will also serve as our Sermon for the day.



## FOOT WASHING

**Maundy Thursday: Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.,** we will have our **Maundy Thursday service**. ‘**Maundy**’ comes from the Latin for ‘**commandment**’. Our service recalls two important biblical events. **First**, before the Passover meal, **Jesus washed the feet of his disciples**. This act provides three major points of understanding: 1) Walking in sandals on the filthy roads of Israel in the first century made it imperative that feet be washed before a communal meal, especially since people reclined at a low table and feet were very much in evidence. When

Jesus rose from the table and began to wash the feet of the disciples, He was doing the work of the lowliest of servants. The disciples must have been stunned at this act of humility and condescension, that Christ, their Lord and master, should wash the feet of His disciples, when it was their proper work to have washed His. But when Jesus came to earth the first time, He came not as King and Conqueror, but as the suffering Servant. He came “not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” The humility expressed by His act with towel and basin foreshadowed His ultimate act of humility and love on the cross.

2) Jesus’ attitude of servanthood was in direct contrast to that of the disciples, who had recently been arguing among themselves as to which of them was the greatest. Since there was no servant present to wash their feet, it would never have occurred to them to wash one another’s feet. When the Lord Himself stooped to this lowly task, they were stunned into silence. To his credit, though, Peter was profoundly uncomfortable with the Lord washing his feet, and, never being at a loss for words, Peter protested, “You shall never wash my feet!” Then Jesus said something that must have further shocked Peter: “Unless I wash you, you have no part with me”, prompting Peter, whose love for the Savior was genuine, to request a complete washing. Then Jesus explained the true meaning of being washed by Him. Peter had experienced the cleansing of salvation and did not need to be washed again in the spiritual sense. However, the lifelong process of sanctification is one of washing ourselves from the stain of sin we experience as we walk through the world. Peter and the disciples needed only this temporal cleansing.

3) This truth is one that Christians can apply to their own lives. First, when we come to Christ for the washing of our sins, we can be sure that it is permanent and complete. No act can cleanse us further from our sin, as our sin has been exchanged for the perfect righteousness of Christ on the cross. But we do need continual cleansing from the effects of living in the flesh in a sin-cursed world. The continual washing of sanctification is done by the power of the Holy Spirit, who lives within us, through the “washing of water by the Word”, given to us to equip us for every good work. Further, when Jesus washed the disciples’ feet, He told them (and us), “I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you”. As His followers, we are to emulate Him, serving one another in lowliness of heart and mind, seeking to build one another up in humility and love. The Lord promised that true greatness and blessing in His kingdom is attained by those with a servant’s heart.



**Secondly**, during the Passover meal, **Jesus took bread and wine and asked his Father to bless it**. He broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup of wine, shared it with his disciples and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." This **Last Supper** forms the biblical basis for the **Communion** we will share this night, and every Sunday. Following Eucharist, the lights will be dimmed and the service will

close with the **stripping and washing of the Altar**, and a **silent procession** into the world. A blessing will not be given as this service will continue on Good Friday.

**Good Friday: Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** is the day we will observe **Good Friday**, commemorating the **passion, or suffering, and death on the cross of our Lord, Jesus Christ**. We consider this day "good" because Jesus was willing to be betrayed, to be given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross that the world might be saved through him. When we meditate on his suffering and death, we are truly prepared to celebrate his resurrection on Easter Sunday. The **Good Friday Contemplative Service** will be held **from noon until 3:00** at the **Hines Farm at 335 Town East Boulevard in Sunnyvale**. Come and stay the **whole time or for a few minutes** as we sit in God's beauty overlooking the pond in the back yard. We meditate before the cross with short liturgical prayers about our Lord's last words, and each person is free to follow their heart to sit, swing, or walk the property. **Confessions will be available toward the end of this time as desired. At 3:00 p.m.**, we will move into the **Stations of the Cross**. This is a **dramatic reading** provided as we **retrace the steps of Jesus to the hill of Calvary** using pictorial markers. Again, people may sit, stand, or walk the trail with the processional cross and readers. Some outdoor seating is available, but a sport or lawn chair would be helpful. There will be **no services or activities at Heritage Christian Academy on Friday**.



### Easter Lilies

We purchase lilies to **decorate the church for Easter**. We will **be taking donations and forms** for these beautiful flowers **through Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**. You may donate a) in honor of, b) in memory of, or c) in thanksgiving for a particular person or event, and we publish these tributes in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Not only is this a wonderful way of honoring special people and events in your life, but it also helps offset the expense of the flowers to the Church.



**Easter Sunday:** On **April 16<sup>th</sup>**, we will gather joyfully to **celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!!** Our worship will begin at **10:30 a.m.** and you are welcome to bring bells to help express our thankfulness and delight. **Easter lilies** will adorn the altar as **offerings from the congregation.**

*But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you."*

*Matthew 28:5-7*



### **Bishop's Well Water Project**



Our **Lenten opportunity** to participate in **Bishop Atwood's Well Water Project** is coming to an end. For the **40 days of Lent**, we **collect change in water bottles provided** at the table in the back of the sanctuary. **By Easter Sunday, we would like to collect all of your water bottles** so our change can be added to donations from other churches in the International Diocese. **One hundred percent of these funds go to drilling water wells in Africa.**

In some cases, these wells will provide the first clean water source to an entire village and will end day-long hikes to the nearest water source for a small amount of water for an entire family. **Our spare change will be life-changing!**

### **The OSL Corner**

*By Sharon Parker*

*The Order of St. Luke the Physician is an inter-denominational, international ministry for healing of body, mind and spirit.*

***Job 21:15 "Who is the Almighty that we should serve Him? What would we gain by praying to Him?"***

I realize that this chapter in Job is saying these are the words of evil men, but it is something we should all ask ourselves, isn't it? Who is the Almighty? He is the Lord who created all things, including us, and has our lives and our futures in His mighty, loving, merciful hands. He is the One who gives us life, faith, hope; He is abounding in love and forgives all our wickedness and sin. He is our God; a very good God and our Redeemer. He loved us before the beginning and will always love us and be with us. What would we gain by praying to Him? Everything! We gain wisdom when we ask for it. We gain love, forgiveness, (not only for our own sins, but we learn to forgive others). We gain patience, understanding, and direction for our lives. We gain healing, salvation and other miracles. We gain friendship and a deeper knowledge of our Lord and Savior.



So in a quiet, special place, we get on our knees, or on our faces on the floor, or perhaps a comfy chair and we pray and we come away knowing Yahweh has heard us and He is in the process of answering. We grow a little more in our faith every time we spend a few minutes, or hours, with our God. I want to know Jesus better, don't you? The only way to do that is to spend time with Him.

The Order of St. Luke is all about learning to pray, not just for healing, but for all needs. And we are getting to know our Savior better by doing this. What we have found out is that God wants to heal us. He wants to draw us closer and closer to His Side. He wants us to trust Him and to follow His commandments so that we can draw closer. Jesus loves us so much.

The Transformation Anglican Chapter of the Order of St. Luke meets each 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10:00 in the HCS cafeteria to have brunch, fellowship with one another, to learn and to pray for each other and for our family and friends. We invite any Transformation member to join with us so that you can learn what this ministry is all about. We are an open ministry wanting to share with you. We are always available to pray for you - in the prayer room (library at this point), on the phone, by email, and, of course, face to face when we can meet. **Our next brunch meeting is Saturday, April 15 at 10:00 in the HCA cafeteria and we are hoping you will join us.**

### **Austin Street Center Ministry News**

*by Sharon Parker*

**“He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.”**

***Proverbs 14:31***



What does that Scripture say? We honor God by being kind to the needy? I have never thought of the Austin Street Center Ministry as something we do to honor God, just obey God. But when we obey Him, we are honoring Him as our Lord and Master. That is what we do each time we go to the ASC shelter with our sandwiches, boiled eggs, cupcakes and all the other food we take. We honor God by baking cupcakes. Have you ever thought that as you mixed the batter and put it in the muffin pans, or as you boiled eggs? I sometimes ask Jesus to bless the food we prepare and let it be nourishing to those who receive it, but now I have a new reason for doing what I love doing...honoring God. WOW!

We have just completed taking food to the homeless on March 29, and we get to do it again on May 31, the next month with five Wednesdays in it. So that means we will be calling on you in May to help bake those cupcakes these men and women love, and boiling the eggs they appreciate. In addition, we get to gather at the home of Larry and Susan Maupin to fellowship and pray while preparing the 800 plus sandwiches. Believe me when I say that those who receive the meal do appreciate it as it means they do not go hungry that night. We are blessed to be able to do this for, and to honor, our Lord.



### **Haiti Mission Trip**

Susan Meeder and three other mission team members – Ruth, Kristen, and Patti – will depart for Haiti on 27 March, and will be returning on 3 April 2017. The primary focus of this trip is to spend significant time at St. Jean Baptiste School as a vital part of strengthening and deepening the partnership connection. The team members will meet with the headmaster to get

updates on enrollment, exam results, and other reports and to hear about school happenings. They will visit with the staff to learn how they and the students are doing post-hurricane, as well as to hear about the successes and challenges they are experiencing. This is also an opportunity to get updates on the other ministry programs such as goats, chickens and microfinance. Susan and Patti will be able to meet Emily Caldwell, the new Education = Hope executive director when she joins them for the second half of the trip. On Saturday, they will sit in on the joint Headmaster & Lay Leader monthly meeting in Les Cayes, another venue that gives additional insight on what's happening at SJB school and church as well as the other affiliated schools and churches. They hope to worship at St. Jean Baptiste Church on Sunday and meet with the microfinance participants or have a blood pressure screening clinic. Please pray for travel mercies, safety, and productivity for this team in their absence from us.



**April 2, 2017**

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**PROPERS**

OT           Ezekiel 37:1-14  
Psalm       Psalm 130  
NT           Romans 8:6-11  
Gospel      John 11:1-45

**LAY SERVERS**

Capt/PP/CB..... Myra Lenoir  
OT/CB ..... Christy Hopkins  
NT/CB..... Mary Kadane  
PS/CB..... Jimmy Seay

**ACOLYTES**

AA1.....Jim Blevins  
AA2.....Jean Howk

**PRAYER MINISTRY**

Bill Thorogood   Linda Celaya  
Daymon Schulgen   Ginny Ryan  
Sharon Barnett   Mona Dolly

**USHERS**

Will Parker   Arvo Mallay

**GUEST RECEPTION TEAM**

Greeters.....Mickey & Val Atkins  
Guest Hosts.....Larry & Susan Maupin

**TELLER TEAM**

Bill Thorogood   Hilda Blevins

**LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS**

Betty Spillman   Sue Orite

**April 9, 2017**

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**PROPERS**

OT           Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Psalm       31:9-16  
NT           Philippians 2:5-11  
Gospel      Matthew 26:14 – 27:66

**LAY SERVERS**

Capt/PP/CB ..... Bill Thorogood  
PS/CB ..... Glenna McLane  
OT/CB ..... Jim Blevins  
NT/CB ..... Don Lennert

**ACOLYTES**

AA1.....Jim Blevins  
AA2.....Daniel Mathews

**PRAYER MINISTRY**

Sharon Parker\*   Sharon Barnett  
Sue Griffin       JoAnn Craddock  
Tom Ryan       Alice McDonald

**USHERS**

Ed Figueroa   Nathan Figueroa  
John Shaver   Barbara Shaver

**GUEST RECEPTION TEAM**

Greeters.....Pat Linder & Lou Ann McNeely  
Guest Hosts.....TBD

**TELLER TEAM**

Sue Hesseltine   Sharon Figueroa

**LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS**

Rick & Sara Maneval

**April 16, 2017**

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**PROPER S**

OT Jeremiah 31:1-6  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
NT Acts 10:34-43  
Gospel John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10

**LAY SERVERS**

Capt/OT/CB ..... Hal Hines  
PS.....Mike Jones  
NT/CB..... Marianne Gwinn  
PP/CB..... Pat Linder Miles  
CB.....Susan Meeder

**ACOLYTES**

AA1.....June Hines  
AA2.....Trey Gwinn  
Thurifer.....TBD

**PRAYER MINISTRY**

Larry Maupin\* Susan Maupin  
TBD Holly Lawler  
Sue Orite Mary Kadane

**USHERS**

Rick Maneval Hal Meeder  
Sue Orite

**GUEST RECEPTION TEAM**

Greeters .....Ginny & Tom Ryan  
Guest Hosts.....TBD

**TELLER TEAM**

Jean Howk Brad Flanders

**LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS**

Mickey & Val Atkins

**April 23, 2017**

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**LESSONS**

OT Acts 2:14a, 22-32  
Psalm 16  
NT 1 Peter 1:3-9  
Gospel John 20:19-31

**LAY SERVERS**

CAPT/CB..... Sara Maneval  
OT/CB ..... Mark Dillow  
PP..... Sharon Barnett  
PS..... Nathan Figueroa  
CB .....Jim Messler  
NT/CB.....Richard Ritz

**ACOLYTES**

AA1.....Nathan Figueroa  
AA2.....Daniel Mathews

**PRAYER MINISTRY**

John Shaver\* Barbara Shaver  
Donna Miller Jeannie Filson  
Mickey Atkins Val Atkins

**USHERS**

Arvo Mallay Jim Watt

**GUEST RECEPTION TEAM**

Greeter.....Barbara Shaver  
Guest Hosts.....TBD

**TELLER TEAM**

Rick Maneval Linda Celaya

**LAY EUCHARIST MINISTERS**

Larry & Susan Maupin

April 30, 2017

**LESSONS**

OT Acts 2:14a, 36-41  
Psalm 116:1-3, 12-19  
NT 1 Peter 1:17-23  
Gospel Luke 24:13-35

**LAY SERVERS**

Capt/PS/CB ..... Hal Hines  
PP/CB ..... Bill Thorogood  
OT/CB ..... Myra Lenoir  
NT/CB ..... Sara Maneval

**ACOLYTES**

AA1.....June Hines  
AA2.....Jean Howk

**PRAYER MINISTERS**

Daymon Schulgen Sharon Parker  
Larry Maupin John Shaver

Other teams to be determined and communicated through leaders.

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**Maundy Thursday, April 13, 2017**

**LESSONS**

OT Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14  
Psalm 116:1, 12-19  
NT 1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
Gospel John 13:1-17, 31b-35

**LAY SERVERS**

Capt/PP/CB ..... Hal Hines  
PS/CB ..... Bill Thorogood  
OT/CB ..... Sara Maneval  
NT/CB ..... Myra Lenoir

**ACOLYTES**

AA1.....Pete Howk  
AA2.....Jean Howk

## April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship A – Chuck & Sue Orite
<b>2</b> 10:30 a.m. Worship	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  A – Bill & Judy Croll	<b>5</b> 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer	<b>6</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship  B – Jim Messler	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Women's Study Group B – Myra Lenoir
<b>9</b> Palm Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:45 a.m. Seder Meal	<b>10</b>  B – Dennis Pendergrass	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer	<b>13</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship  7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service	<b>14</b> 12 – 3 p.m. Good Friday Service – Meditations & Confessions 3 – 4 p.m. Stations of the Cross	<b>15</b> 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Order of St. Luke B – Larry Maupin and John Tomlinson
<b>16</b> Easter Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship	<b>17</b> B – Peggy Ralston	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer	<b>20</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship  10:00 a.m. Women's Study Group
<b>23</b> 10:30 a.m. Worship  A – Lenny & Elaine Smith B – Jim McNeely and Sue Orite	<b>24</b>  B – John Maneval	<b>25</b>  A – Ken & JoAnn Craddock	<b>26</b> 10:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer  A – Joy & Teena Eapen B – Bill Schulgen	<b>27</b> 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Fellowship B – Richard Ritz, Betty Spillman, Trish Sunday and Virgil Sunday	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>  B – Mark Carr
<b>30</b> 10:30 a.m. Worship	<b>Notes:</b>					

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**Bob Hackendorf, Assisting Priest**

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**John Shaver, Executive Director of Ministries**

**Randy Wills, Music Ministry**

**Jennifer Horan, Nursery Coordinator**

**Anne Horan, Parish Administrator**

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