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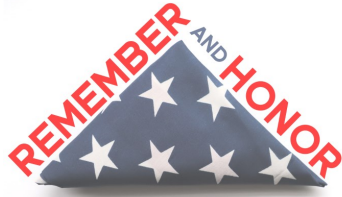
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MEMORIAL DAY



- Mark B—United States Army Band
- Ken C—United States Navy
- Addison C—United States Army
- Stu C—United States Air Force
- Dave C—United States Marine Corps
- Mike F—United States Navy
- Charlotte K—United States Army MP
- * Gene M—United States Navy Hospital Corps
- Dick O—United States Air Force
- Tom S—United States Navy
- Rich S—United States Army
- Craig W—United States Navy

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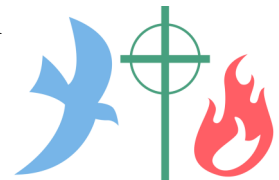
*Mr. M is our oldest living Veteran, having served in WWII

** a veteran who wish not to be named



With the month of April seeming to fly by it may not be too soon to mention that Pentecost will be observed on May 28 this year. Pentecost is the day that the Holy Spirit descends from heaven directly to Christ’s disciples. In the Christian faith this is a day of great celebration.

We hope to be sharing our own faith this summer with our Glendale neighbors, as we gather for Sunday worship outside on the front lawn. The dates that will be chosen for outside service will occur most likely once in June and once in August. The dates we select will be very subject to a clear sky and moderate temperatures. We will notify all our friends and members as soon as these dates are identified, giving you the chance to bring a folding chair, a hat for shade and a ready smile for all those who happen to be strolling or riding their bikes by. Let’s not miss an opportunity to invite a neighbor or someone who could become a new friend to join us!



WORSHIP COMMITTEE

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From the Minister's Desk

You will find churches today decorated with iconography inspired by Biblical stories and motifs. The fish, a cluster of grapes, a rainbow, a dove, a lamb, the chi-rho, and the cross all find their way, for instance, from the Bible's stories onto paraments, and into illuminated manuscripts and stained glass windows. Another Biblical symbol found in churches today is a boat.

God protected Noah's family during the great flood (1 Peter 3:20-21). Jesus was in a boat with his disciples when he stilled the storm (Mark 4:35-41). The early church understood Noah's Ark as a prefiguring of the church so adopting the use of a symbol that evoked and combined elements of several Biblical stories made sense.

Two millennia ago, before diesel-powered cruise ships or nuclear-powered aircraft carriers, there were two options for locomotion on bodies of water. One option was muscle. A boat or ship was propelled by human beings rowing with oars. The other option was to harness wind power using a sail. A sailboat powered by the wind serves as a symbolic stand-in for the church because the Holy Spirit powers the church just as the wind fills the sail of a ship and moves it along.

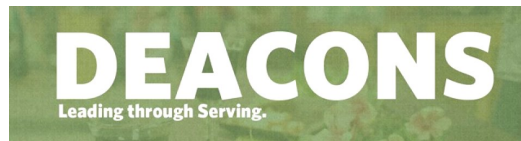
The word for spirit in the New Testament is *pneuma*. In the Hebrew of the Old Testament the word is *ruach*. The meaning of both words includes breath or wind. It was on Pentecost in 30 AD, fifty days after the resurrection of Jesus, and ten days after his ascension, that the Holy Spirit empowered the waiting disciples for their vocation as witnesses to the gospel (Acts 2:1-4).

On the first Pentecost, the church that Jesus called into being and founded on faith in himself as messiah or Christ (Matthew 16:18) was empowered by the Holy Spirit to move beyond the confines of the upper room where a group of unsure disciples and friends of Jesus were gathered. The Holy Spirit breathed the breath of life into the body of Christ (Genesis 2:7, cf. 1 Corinthians 12:12). Enlivened and empowered by the Holy Spirit, that newly emboldened group of men and women set out into the world to turn it upside down. Nothing would be the same after Pentecost.

Acts 2 describes the Pentecost event as being accompanied by a sound like a tremendous rushing wind filling the room in which the disciples gathered. We are to imagine in that account of the first Pentecost the Holy Spirit like a gale filling the sails of the ship that is the church and launching it out to carry the gospel to the world.

The Book of Acts that begins with Pentecost relates the unfolding story of how the Holy Spirit enabled and empowered Christ's church to share the saving love of God. As Acts describes it, in the earliest days of its mission, the gospel was boldly shared with hostile audiences and accompanied by signs and wonders that served to authenticate the message of Jesus.

The Holy Spirit provided courage and empowered Christ's first disciples two thousand years ago. We are called to trust ourselves to the same Holy Spirit today for all we need and require to be effective disciples in the 21st Century. The Holy Spirit equips and gifts the members of Christ's church to accomplish their mission (1 Corinthians 12). The Spirit still fills the sails of the church and launches us out to fulfill God's plan and purpose. May we rediscover the truth of the Holy Spirit's empowerment of Christ's disciples this Pentecost.



The Deacons offer prayer, companionship, rides, or meals, but don't always know where care is needed. If you know of a need (your own or another's), call the church office or any of our Deacons: Susan A, Marianna B, Jane J, and Susy S (moderator).

Diane and Mike B
William B
Levi C
Susan G
Bob J
the people of Alabama
and Mississippi
the Covenant School



A 96-year-old lady was a faithful attendant at my women's Bibles studies. She came with her lessons prepared and knew all the answers. One day a tackles member asked her, "Why do you work so hard on these lessons when you're so old and it doesn't matter?" Little Bess Elkins looked up and said confidently, "I'm cramming for my finals."



Meet the Staff

the Rev. Jeffrey Lang

Lauren

Vocalist

Amy

Director of Music and Organist

Kate

Choir Director and Vocalist

Logan

Vocalist

Paisley

Videographer

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the Rev. Dr. Dawn

Parish Associate

Items for the **June** edition of this newsletter are accepted in the church office through **9:00AM, Monday, May 22.**



Early submissions are always joyfully accepted!

Submitted information will be edited for clarity, accuracy, and length.

Motion...



“Hands Only” CPR and AED training

7:00PM Wednesday, May 3, and 10:00AM Saturday, May 6



These free, 45 minute sessions will be held at the Fire Department Training Room (80 E. Sharon Rd). They are open to Glendale and non-Glendale residents.

There is a 10-person maximum per session, so please email Sabrina Leach at Leachsd@gmail.com to sign up. Include your name and contact information (email and phone).

If you are interested in a certified CPR Course (Adult/child/infant CPR, rescue breathing, AED training and management of choking), please email Sabrina ASAP. The cost is \$45.00. The certificate is good for two years. There is an online portion that must be completed *before* you do the skills

portion in person. This class will also be offered on Wednesday, May 3 from 7:00PM-9:00PM.

Our goal is to get 10-20% of our residents trained in CPR ... “Stayin’ Alive”!

For those so inclined, donations for the Glendale Firefighters Association will be accepted.



GLAD House Happenings

February was an exciting time at GLAD House! We celebrated Black History Month and Valentine’s Day with a variety of activities and interactive lessons.

Black History month is an amazing time to highlight and celebrate the contributions made by African Americans through-out history. During this time, the children learned about fairness, prejudice, and overcoming obstacles. They participated in a Peace Project, in which they finger painted peace signs with all different skin colors to symbolize peace and inclusion. Each group also participated in a door decorating contest! The groups each had a different theme (athletes, actors, famous firsts) and were given the challenge of decorating their door



with influential African American figures from their theme.

The kids also celebrated self-care Valentine’s Day! We chose to use this time to promote self-love and self-care. The children were encouraged to write positive affirmations and complements to their peers and to themselves. Then they made a glitter bottle to use as a coping skills items. To finish off, the children decorated some heart cookies and enjoyed eating their creations.



Mission in

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the April Food Offering. Dave C delivered 52 pounds of nonperishable food, personal care items, and cleaning products to Valley Inter-faith Community Resource Center (VICRC).



The Pancake Breakfast profit is \$773.35. Thank you to everyone who helped make this even a success—planners, servers, pancake and sausage flippers, biscuit bakers, fruit preparers, coffee makers, servers, set-up and tear-down crews, Mark B and his magic keyboard, and especially those who came out to enjoy fellowship and good food.

Year to date, you have donated, 320 pounds of goods!

VICRC distributes these items to their clients in need of a helping hand.

Your Mission committee recently sent a check to Matthew 25 Ministries to aide Mississippi tornado victims.



Our 13th Annual Fill the Glendale Village Square with Food has a new date and time!

Saturday, June 17, from 9:00AM-1:00PM is the new date and time.

Your donations will be shared with VICRC, to help their clients in need, and The Princeton Closet, assisting students and families in the Princeton School District.



26th Annual Golf Outing

in memory of Sylvia and Tom Allen
Saturday, September 16

Watch your weekly bulletin monthly newsletter for more details as they become available.





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Wednesday, May 10; 10:00AM

At this meeting, rather than discussing a particular book, we are going to ponder several and choose a book for each of the next six months. This will afford each of us more preparation time and allow for the lengthy wait periods many of the newer books at the public library require.



Each person should offer two book choices and include title, author, and a short, written description of the book so that others may learn about it.



Music Live at Christ Church

Sunday, May 7, 5:00PM
in the Historic Church

The Parish Choirs of Christ Church Glendale and St. Thomas' Episcopal, Terrace Park join forces to present a concert of some of the best hymns and choral anthems from the Anglican repertoire. This 50-voice combined choir will be joined by a brass quintet and percussion. Come early to get a good seat and sing some of your favorite hymns!

Men's Lunch



All men are invited to gather for lunch at Gold Star on Springfield Pike in Springdale, Wednesday, May 10.

Fellowship begins when you arrive; lunch begins at 12:30PM.

Fellowship Dinner at Meritage

Wednesday, May 24; 6:00PM-8:00PM

Reservations are needed. Please use the sign-up sheet on the Church House bulletin board or contact the church office so that we're sure to save a place at the table for *you*.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 2:00PM- Squirrely Stitchers	2	3 7:00PM- CPR/AED training (Fire Dept.)	4 6:30PM - Choir Rehearsal	5	6 10:00AM- CPR/AED training (Fire Dept.)
7  10:30AM- Worship	8 9:00AM- Session reports due	9	10 10:00AM- Women's Book Club 12:30PM- Men's Lunch at Gold Star 6:00PM- Session meeting	11 6:30PM - Choir Rehearsal	12	13
14 10:30AM- Worship <i>Archibald Fund</i>  <i>Mothers Day</i>	15 2:00PM- Squirrely Stitchers	16	17	18 6:30PM - Choir Rehearsal	19	20 9:00AM- Elemental Churches meeting
21 10:30AM- Worship <i>Food Offering Archibald Fund</i>	22 9:00AM- Newsletter items due	23	24 6:0PM - Fellowship Dinner at Meritage	25 <i>Office Closed</i> 6:30PM - Choir Rehearsal	26	27
28  10:30AM- Worship	29 <i>Office Closed</i> MEMORIAL DAY 	30	31	This calendar is a living document subject to frequent changes. Check the website (firstpresbyterianglendale.org) for the most accurate calendar. Please call the church office with calendar updates.		



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Sunday, September 11, 2022 through
Sunday, June 4, 2023.

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Sunday, June 11, 2023 through
Sunday, September 3, 2023.

Church Office Hours

Monday, 9AM-3PM, Tuesday, 9AM-1PM
Wednesday, 9AM-1PM, Thursday, 9AM-3PM
The office is *closed* every Friday.

Shared with you in Christian love



May 14



May 29

*Thank you to the Veterans we
can see, and to those who live
only in our hearts.*

Welcome home soldier.