



February 2022

Holy Apostles "Grapevine"

The Monthly Newsletter of Holy Apostles Episcopal Church

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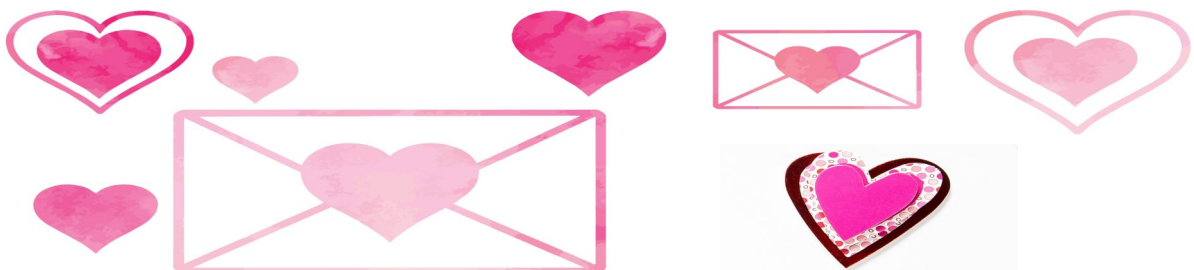
"We want our cake and we want it now!" That might be a good motto for today's world. With instant everything from text messaging to iced tea, everything is now on demand. Nothing new here, as preachers of the gospel, we have often raised a critique to our impatient society. I'm including myself here. Just the other day, I was in a 'big box store' fuming because there were three people ahead of me in the check out line, and I couldn't understand why they didn't open another register. I accept the fact that I am caught up in this push for the 'now'.

We may think this is a modern malady, but the reality is humankind has always been impatient. The children of Israel couldn't wait a day in the wilderness for God to do something and it didn't get any better. In Isaiah 9:1-4, the writer speaks of God's salvation coming. At this point in history, Judah is the only thing left of the nation of Israel. The writer envisions the people of Israel in a time of oppression calling out for God's redemption. Yet the writer doesn't speak of God coming to them, but to the northern areas of Naphtali and Zebulon. That is, the writer is likening God's saving work to the rising sun. First it appears in the east and then spreads across the land. God's salvation won't come immediately to Judah, it will progress and it will take time. God's people wanted God to act now, God was telling them, "Be patient."

Be patient and know that God is at work. Patience is a supply chain issue for most of us, we wonder what the holdup is, where the bottleneck is and why we can't get things moving, is the growing complaint. It doesn't make sense there should be a shortage of baby formula for instance (yes, I listened to a report on that while I was exercising. Supposedly infamel and another brand are in short supply and the news channel thought it a good human interest story). The response of these companies to the reporter? Be patient, it should all work out in 4-6 weeks.

February is a good month to remind ourselves to be patient. Winter is still strong and spring seems too far away, we hope the ground hog doesn't see its shadow anyway and the myth of winter ending tugs strongly. February, a short month we say, soon it shall pass and give way to the ever changing winds of March. Yes, February will pass and spring will come. May this be a reminder that God is at work—is on the horizon bringing God's work of salvation to fruition. In the mean time—yup! practice patience.

Pastor Chris





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**Mitchell Ministerial
 Association
 Food Pantry**

Contact Number: 308/641-7326

Food Pantry Request :
Pancake & Muffin Mix

BackPack Program:
Individual Cereal Boxes



**NO Shrove Tuesday
 Pancake Supper**

Once again we have made the decision to forgo the annual pancake feed. The Vestry felt with continued illness and related factors, it is in the best interests of everyone to pass again this year.

Beecher Hall Remodel Nearing Completion!

The bathrooms have been updated. We now have a truly handicapped accessible bathroom. We have some painting to do and a general clean up. Stop by and take a look!

The new white PVC tables and chairs have come in. If you are interested in the old tables and chairs they are available. We suggest a small donation but mostly we want them gone. We will be reserving 50 of the old chairs, for now we will place the reserved old chairs on the stage. Those on the chair racks will be fair game.

Looking ahead to Lent.

Lent begins Wednesday March 2nd. This year we will be holding our Ash Wednesday Service at NOON instead of in the evening. This will be a full service with imposition of ashes and communion.

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Servers

Feb 6th Jenny Hughson Feb 13 Leann Sato
Feb 20rd Jenny Hughson Feb 27 Maryruth Reed

Altar Guild

Nikki Rose Cindy Yamamoto

Coffee Hour

February Birthdays

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| February 3 Gail Newman | February 14 Kyle Lewis |
| February 4 Angela Jones | February 17 Hannah Plasencio |
| February 7 Alex Nation | February 25 Katy Sakurada |
| February 10 Don Rose | February 28 Deb Yamamoto |

February Anniversaries

February 3rd Pastors Chris and Sheryl Kester Beyer

Flower Chart

February 20th - Nick and Katy Sakurada in honor of loved ones
Mae Sakurada and family in honor of Yukio Sakurada and Paul Ybarra

If you would like to provide flowers in memory/honor of someone ,
place your name on the corresponding date. Thanks!



*All Worship Services will be both In-Person and
on Online via Facebook Live*

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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| 6 5 Epiphany Worship @ 10:30 a m | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 6 Epiphany Worship @ 10:30 a.m. | 14 | 15 Pastors at Episcopal Clergy Retreat | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 7 Epiphany Worship@ 10:30 a.m. | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 Transfigura- tion Sunday Worship @ 10:30 AM | 28 | | | | | |
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**On February 20th, (the 3rd Sunday of the Month)
any cash received will go to the Priest's Discretionary Fund.**