



# The Briefly

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# Rector's Letter

By The Rev. Steve Keplinger

The events of the last few weeks at Grace St. Paul's have been an overwhelmingly emotional, energizing and inspirational time. Thanks to so many of you for sharing with me your own experiences of Holy Week and Easter. I have heard from dozens that it was the most moving week they have experienced in many years, or even in their entire lives. Such comments are not only gratifying for me, the staff, the liturgy team, and the choir, but they are also a confirmation that what I am feeling is valid. Lives are being uplifted and changed here and I am so proud to be a part of that.

The emotions of Holy Week climaxed in our grand Easter Sunday celebration, where it was very difficult to find an empty seat in our church. Easter is a great opportunity to not just celebrate the apex of our faith, but to reach out to folks who are struggling with, or are ambivalent about, their own connection to God. I

heard from a number of people this year who described themselves just like that. But after the Easter service, many of them told me that our Easter service had actually brought them back to faith. That is what this community is all about and each of you were instrumental in making that happen.

Those events however, were only the beginning of a wonderful Easter season. We also had the opportunity to celebrate the life of Phil Greenman, one of the great examples of the quality and character of GSP parishioners. That same day, we had one of our great celebrations of the year, as we came together to be a part of the ordination of The Rev. Ernie Galaz. Rev. Ernie came up out of the GSP community and having the opportunity to host his ordination was another reminder of how we are impacting the wider church in so many ways.

The day after that, we came back to be a part of Bishop Smith's annual visitation to our parish. Another strikingly beautiful liturgy was highlighted

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Three congregations joined on April 13 to witness and celebrate the ordination of The Rev. Ernie Galaz. It was beautiful in every way: the service, the colors, the music, the reception. Congratulations, Ernie! And thank you to all who made it a remarkably special occasion!

## Submissions to *The Briefly*

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**The deadline for the June issue is Monday, May 20.**

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by the confirmation and reception of 25 new members into our church. I am not embarrassed to tell all of you that as I moved from person to person in that group, I shed more than a few tears as I recalled the journey you made to come to that place. It was the perfect symbol of what this church is all about and it was impossible to not be moved.

What has happened to us during this season is what Easter is all about. All of us have been resurrected and it is impossible to not shout *Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!*

As wonderful as Easter has been for us though, this month offers us more opportunity for spiritual awakening. With Easter comes the dawning realization that though Jesus died, Christ is still with us. But the feast day we celebrate this month is the real beginning. Pentecost is that moment when all those folks who had experienced the risen Christ come together and start talking about what happened to them. Pentecost is when it becomes clear to individuals that Easter didn't just happen to them, but it happened to the community. Pentecost is when the Easter experience

becomes communal and the church is born.

Over the next few weeks, we want to hear from you about your Easter experiences. We are going to publish a couple surveys for you to take, one about our worship services and another about our educational events. What we want to know is where Easter has occurred for you at GSP. Tell us what has moved you and how we can create Pentecost from our Easter experiences. Tell us what you think we are being called to live into as a result of our resurrection experiences.

Easter has been so great and I cannot help but believe that it is leading us to Pentecost. It is leading us to a place of rebirth. Let us take this experience and reflect upon it as we consider where God is taking us as this beloved community. Let us take the unbelievable Easter experiences we have had and put them together to create something brand new. Let us allow Easter to wash over us and become Pentecost, our realization that God is doing something very special in our midst.

Happy Pentecost Birthday to all of you,

*Steve +*



## GSP Holds 1st Annual Seder

By *Martha Whitaker*

Jewish friends from Congregation Or Chadash led us in a traditional Passover Seder in McBride Hall

on Wednesday, March 27. A fair number of kids (and adults) had never been to a Seder before; this was their first! It was a fun, instructional, and very meaningful evening for all.



# Liturgy Discussion of the Month

By The Rev. Steve Keplinger



Last month, before the visitation of our Bishop, there were many preparations happening behind the scenes. Some of those occurred in the homes of Toni Sue Brooks, Chuck House, Chuck Dickson, Terry Trujillo and our Deacons, Nadine Martin and Nancy Meister. The reason they were doing extra due diligence was because they were the lectors for the Sunday of the Bishop's visit. Our lectors always practice their readings, but they had a unique challenge. As those of you who were there know, they had the tricky task of reading the King James translation.

Bishop Smith asked us to use the King James as an entree into his sermon and presentation. As Anglicans, we are inextricably tied to the King James version because it was translated by our predecessors in England.

While the King James translation is as poetic as anything you will ever hear, its seventeenth century language is not easy for us to read. Our lectors were challenged with phrases like, "Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise." But each of them pulled it off with flying colors.

Even though the King James is part of our history, we choose to use it sparingly in the Episcopal church. That is not because we want to make it easier on our lectors. We do so because of the significant advances that have been made in historical, archaeological, and linguistic knowledge over the past decades. We now realize that while the King James was a triumph of its age, there are significant areas where the translation is misleading and downright wrong. For example, much of what is translated in it is derived from a twelfth century manuscript that is one of the most

inaccurate that we now have available to us.

Here are the translations that The Episcopal Church authorizes for reading in Sunday worship:

- King James or Authorized Version (the historic Bible of The Episcopal Church)
- English Revision (1881)
- American Revision (1901)
- Revised Standard Version (1952)
- Jerusalem Bible (1966)
- New English Bible with the Apocrypha (1970)
- Good News Bible / Today's English Version (1976)
- New American Bible (1970)
- Revised Standard Version, an Ecumenical Edition (1973)
- New International Version (1978)
- New Jerusalem Bible (1987)
- Revised English Bible (1989)
- New Revised Standard Version (1990)

At Grace St. Paul's, we most often use the last one listed, the NRSV. We do so because most Biblical scholars agree that it is the most "literal" translation that we have. It is often helpful however, to hear different translations when attempting to reveal a text's meaning. That is why we often use multiple translations in prayers before meetings and other gatherings.

One Bible version that is conspicuously missing from the list is a popular modern one called *The Message*. At his class, Bishop Smith mentioned that *The Message* is not a translation at all, but a paraphrase. At GSP, we sometimes use it in our *Spirit Now* service, as we strive to hear The Word in new ways. It is important to remember however, that a paraphrase is a far cry from a translation.

## Notes from the Choir Stalls

By Christina Jarvis,  
Director of Music



Christ is risen indeed! We've had a glorious Easter season. Holy Week and Easter services went pretty smoothly from the choir's point of view. Barbara Pritchard's solo work in the Rossini "Inflamatus et accensus" was Met-worthy. Lucky, lucky us! We did have one hitch; you may remember we were to have a trumpet on Easter Sunday. Poor Betsy Bright Morgan fell ill at the last minute, so Dr. Decker played the trumpet part on the organ. Luckily, we have a skilled organist who can just pick up and do that on 24-hours notice.

The choir had the following Sunday off, but two of the Zombies participated in the Naco Border Procession that Saturday and sang at the breakfast beforehand. Thank you, Minda Dettman and Sarah Lipp, for being part of that solemn occasion.

We are grateful to Dr. Lori Keyne for accompanying the Zombies. She was there to conduct the Cochise Binational Choir, which sang her arrangement of *Wayfaring Stranger* in Spanish and English, which I'm hoping we can do at GSP for the next Border Sunday.

The following weekend was in turns sad and celebratory. A memorial service for Philip Greenman was Saturday morning, and a few choir members supported the singing of the hymns. That evening the full choir joined with choirs from St. Andrew's Nogales and St. Andrew's Tucson to sing for the ordination of the Rev. Ernest Galaz. Clyde Kunz served as cantor and did a terrific job. It was a wonderful occasion.

As if that wasn't enough wonderfulness, the next morning was the Bishop's official visitation and 26 people were confirmed or received, including two from the adult choir—Greg Swanson and Jill McCollum—and one Zombie—Minda Dettman.

Because the Bishop was preaching about the King James Bible, we did the King James version of the appointed psalm and for the offertory sang the William Harris "Most glorious Lord of life," with text by Edmund Spenser, who died in 1599—not quite Jacobean, but close enough.

The choir season is entering the post-Easter

stretch, a time when we start to lose winter visitors and choir members would be justified in asking whether we might just come to Jesus in whole notes until Pentecost. Fortunately, they are willing to accept a few more challenges, among them a Charles H.H. Parry piece I've wanted to do for a while ("My soul, there is a country"). At the moment, we have the kind of sound that suits a more Romantic literature than I've thought possible in the past, which is why you have been hearing more 19th century anthems recently.

We're keeping up our mix of styles and ensembles, though. For Good Shepherd Sunday, the choir will sing another gem from Hymnal 1982—a setting of Old 100<sup>th</sup> by John Dowland—and Richard Cameron will do a solo for communion called, appropriately, "Agnus Dei," by Michael W. Smith. The Zombies will sing an arrangement of "Joyful, joyful, we adore thee" by Winifred Williams.

The St. Cecilia's Choir will sing "The blessing of a mother's love" for May 12, which happens to be Mother's Day. That Sunday is also Ascension, so the adult choir will sing a setting of Psalm 47 from the *Bay Psalm Book* by Jean Berger.

For Pentecost, we will raise the roof with a kick-body-part, reggae-influenced arrangement of "Revive us again" by Mark Hayes. Ordinarily, Pentecost would be the last Sunday of the choir's season, but it is a bit early this year, so we will take the occasion of Trinity Sunday to close the season with a piece incorporating all the musical groups at Grace St. Paul's. The St. Cecilia's Choir, the St. Zeno's Zombie Choir, the St. Ann's Adult Choir, and the St. Jane's Handbell Choir (Jane Click just got an upgrade) will kick that already bruised body part with a setting of "Sing a New Song!" by Allen Pote. And with that, the choirs and the church school hit the pause button and spend the summer in the pews, where the singers and Sunday school teachers may rest from their labors.

Peace,

*Christina*

## The Gifts of God & the People of God

By The Rev.  
Debbie Royals

*“The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.”*

—2 Corinthians 8:15

At this time of the year it is so easy to see the abundance of God present in creation. All around us the desert has come alive with colors of blue, yellow, purple, orange and all shades of green. Things that once seemed to be dead have come alive in such a way that we are not able to deny the miracle of life. Liturgically we are in the season of Easter and as Easter people who live into the resurrection of life, this is our time. We are alive and life is being renewed and recreated all over again. It is easy to understand why a day at this time of the year has been set apart to celebrate the earth.

I recently spent eight days in Virginia teaching. Upon arrival at the Roslyn Camp and Conference Center one could see that there would be a “late” spring. Just weeks before there had been a late snow and the trees surrounding the camp and running along the James River were just bare sticks and branches. However, by the time we left the trees had budded and blossomed literally springing to life.

The abundance of God’s creation is all around us. We are gifted with example after example of God present in the world in and through creation. Within this context we are invited to live into the resurrection so that others may also know God alive in the world. But how exactly do we do that in our lives?

In 2000 a movie titled “Pay It Forward” was released. Have you seen it? It is a story of a young boy who is given a challenge by his teacher to do something that would make a difference. A significant quote from the movie stays with me. “When someone does you a big favor, don’t pay it back, pay it forward.”

How then do we play forward the abundance of God’s creation displayed so obviously for us at this time of year? I can imagine several ways. We plant things that will bear fruit and share the fruits with our families, friends and those in need. We volunteer our time and talents in places that make a difference and sometimes even give quietly and humbly while still making a difference to someone’s life.

As a part of the worshiping community

of Grace St Paul’s, each of us is sharing our gifts of time, talent and treasure in the form of an annual pledge as well as all the other ways that we support our ministries. This act of faith becomes a sign of hope and love to individuals in this community and to those who are impacted by our community. God in creation is not sharing abundance as the last thought of the day or week or month or year. So we must not either. Instead, we are called to first recognize God’s gifts in our lives, give thanks for them, bless them by “paying them forward” in the faithful act that they will not only be passed on but multiplied in the process. There will always be enough for everyone. Our challenge is to trust that and to act that out in our lives.

You pledge to share your time, talent and treasure through Grace St Paul’s is a great example of the multiplication of abundance. Each day, week, month and year, I hope that you will evaluate and re-evaluate what you have and what you are sharing and then “pay it forward” generously.

Let us pray:

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care that surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks that demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointment and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word, and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation for his dying through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and all places, may give thanks to you in all things. *Amen.*

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# Children & Youth



## Youth Groups' Earth Day Service Weekend at Oasis Parrot Sanctuary

By Rosalind Garcia, Director, Children, Youth & Family Ministry

Youth leader Mariel Watt with Max Swartz and an African Grey (above right). Noah Dettman and friend (right below). Some of the group that attended a service project weekend at Oasis (above left).

## More Volunteer Time for the Youth!

Saturday, April 27, GSP youth and the Parish Fun Night group got up early to cook and serve lunch for homeless people at Primavera shelter downtown. We made lasagna and salad and served lunch to dozens of hungry people.

We hope to team with the Parish Fun Night group again to do more service projects in Tucson and beyond!

Squawking, squealing, whistling and chirping filled our ears at Oasis Parrot Refuge, which is located just west of Benson. So many beautiful birds, rescued from many, many sad situations. We were interested in helping here, because two of our leaders, Mariel Watt and Brian Fairbanks, have both brought their beautiful rescue birds from their homes to GSP on numerous occasions. They have taught us a lot about the plight of pet birds. Also, what's more fun for most teens than helping animals! It was the perfect project for Earth Day weekend!

Once at Oasis, we got a tour of the wonderful facilities. We heard stories of many of the parrots, including Gulliver, a world famous blue and gold macaw. The Oasis and Friends of Gulliver around the world were instrumental in bringing Gulliver back to the US this past summer. Wild caught, Gulliver ended up stranded for seven months after a shipwreck on a South Pacific island, Gulliver has joined his 600 parrot friends living in safety at the Oasis Sanctuary. He has become the "Spokes Parrot" for all birds without representation, without homes, and without voice. There is even a book about Gulliver called *Gulliver Macaw's Incredible Adventure*. This book and a lot of information about Oasis is available on their website: [the-oasis.org](http://the-oasis.org). The book would be a great gift for children or grandchildren.

We put our gear away in the cabin space that Oasis keeps for volunteers and then it was time to get to work! We brought items such as cleaning supplies and toys to donate, but we



also were there to help. We were asked to work on the bird field, filling holes, weeding and doing repairs. It



felt good to help these beautiful birds and the people who devote themselves to caring for them. We also got to help prepare their food!

Later, one of the Oasis volunteers, Pat, gave us a presentation about the habitats of many of the birds we met and how the destruction of their habitats is leading to dangerous declines in the populations of these parrots in the wild. Many of these parrots will not be alive in the wild in another generation.

Our time was not all work at Oasis. Oasis gave us a bonfire in celebration of our time there and we enjoyed a weenie roast with the staff and other volunteers. We had Night Prayer and went to bed exhausted!

Sunday morning, we were up early, with the birds and got to help feed and clean. We had a special Earth Day service and then said goodbye to our new friends at Oasis. We definitely want to go back! It was a wonderful learning experience and a "squawking" good time!



On [Bishop Smith's Annual Visitation](#), Sunday, April 14, a total of 25 people were received & confirmed! Children processed into the church carrying Alleluia banners, and later presented the bishop with a large "Yay Bishop Smith" welcome banner. Fr. Steve+ and several Native parishioners presented Laura and Kirk+ with Native American gifts from our congregation: a Zuni bowl and a necklace/earring set. After the 10 a.m. service, Bishop Smith gave an excellent presentation on the history of the English Bible, and encouraged us to engage in Biblical reading and study.



[Easter at GSP](#) is always a grand celebration. This year, children and youth processed into the church and released helium balloons upon proclaiming, "Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!" After the service there was a delicious potluck banquet, jumping castle, face painting, and fabulous petting zoo.



The GSP group in front of the mural on the Mexican side of the border.

## GSP Journeys to Naco Again

By Eric K. Carr

This year, GSP participated again in the annual God Has No Borders Naco Procession in Naco, Arizona, and Naco, Sonora. Christina Jarvis and two members of the Saint Zeno Zombie Choir opened the morning's prayer breakfast with song while Fr. Steve gave a moving invocation, setting the stage for a powerful day.

Fr. Sean Carroll, a Jesuit priest and executive director of the Kino Border Initiative, gave a moving speech as the day's keynote speaker, and Bishop Kirk Smith hosted the event. After the breakfast, participants met at the border in Naco, where we swiftly encountered

U.S. Border Patrol agents making sure we followed rules.

We began our procession about a mile from the border entry and laid white wooden crosses along the entire way, representing the people who have died on the border over the past year. Rosalind Garcia brought many of the youth and young adults, as well as most of the youth leaders, while GSP was also represented with many congregants and clergy.

Once we crossed the border into Mexico, we had an Agape feast with bread and grape juice supplied by Rev. Nancy Meister, and we helped extend a mural that our group started at last year's procession.

Last year, the mural only covered one panel of the border wall, and now it extends for hundreds of yards, and shows the work of artists from all over the United States and Mexico.

The day ended with a wonderful late afternoon lunch in Bisbee as we all reflected on the people we met, the friendships deepened, and the lessons learned on an important journey.



Participants carried more than 100 wooden crosses with the names of those who have died on the border in the past year. Many of the bodies were never identified, so those crosses said "Desconocido" or "No Identificado."



## Parish Fun Nights

**A**re you new to the Congregation or perhaps not so new, but looking to connect with other people here at GSP in a small setting?

Do you enjoy serving your community through service projects?

Would you like to know who in our congregation owns a small business and how to help support them?

Are you looking for work and would like to connect on a business level with other parishioners here?

Then Parish Fun Night (PFN) is the place for you! We are a small group that gathers about one a month and we enjoy a pot-luck meal together, community service, networking, and lots of fun!

We have listed the dates for the rest of the year, so save these dates on your calendar! **Please note times for each event.** We hope to see you there!

Please contact Currie Kube with any questions: 520-548-1538. RSVP to Carrie at [kubeandcarrie@yahoo.com](mailto:kubeandcarrie@yahoo.com).

• **May 11, 4:30-6:30 p.m.** in McBride Hall: Parish Fun Night—Raffle off your product or service.

• **June 22, beginning at 4:30 p.m.:** Pool Party at the Kubes' house.

• **July 20, beginning at 5:30 p.m.:** Pool Party at Rosalind's house (RSVP to Rosalind at [Rosalind.Garcia@grace-stpauls.org](mailto:Rosalind.Garcia@grace-stpauls.org)).

• **Aug. 17, 4:30-6:30 p.m.** in McBride Hall: Parish Fun Night Networking Event—Bring your business cards to share.

• **Sept. 21, 4:30-6:30 p.m.** in McBride Hall: Parish Fun Night.

• **Oct. 19, 4:30-6:30 p.m.** in McBride Hall: Parish Fun Night Networking Event—Bring your business cards to share.

• **Nov. 30, 4:30-6:30 p.m.:** Holiday Celebration & White Elephant Gift Exchange.



On Maundy Thursday we were reminded that our mandate—the greatest commandment of all—is to love one another.

On **Good Friday**, GSP held three services: a Stations of the Cross on the labyrinth at 12 noon, a Children's Way of the Cross at 5:30 p.m., and a Tenebrae service at 7 p.m. Here Eric Carr demonstrates Pontius Pilate washing his hands of responsibility for Jesus's crucifixion.



## Green activities exploding!

By *Holly Shinn*

In February, GSP participated in the National Preach-in organized by Interfaith Power and Light. We gathered more than 70 signatures on a petition to Pres. Obama asking him to more actively work to combat global climate change.

GSP parishioners also were invited to share their actions in mitigating climate change within their own homes. More than 30 families reported the actions they have taken to reduce carbon footprints and practice stewardship of creation.

Our parish response to creation spirituality mostly involved recycling, energy efficiency, organic gardening, reducing food waste, solar energy, and reducing gasoline usage.

Also during February, we were visited by The Rev. Margaret Bullitt-Jonas, associate priest at Amherst and a climate activist of many years. We hope to act on some of the suggestions from her sermon on creation spirituality and healing the earth.

Our Green Church display boards can be seen in McBride Hall on Sundays. Look for the word cloud of Fr. Steve's Creation Sunday sermon from 2010, in which he launched our

provisional creation season liturgy; it reflects an emphasis on God, creation and humans equally, with humans valuing and healing the earth and creation. We also have information on how climate change is affected by the planet's carbon and energy cycles and where mitigation efforts can be effective. And we've created a word cloud of GSP parishioners' actions on climate change.

The **community garden plot** has been reseeded with cold season crops that are thriving in the recent cool temperatures. The vibrant leafy vegetables and herbs crowding our plot include loose-leaf lettuces, dill, parsley, broccoli, carrots and onions. The lettuces are now being harvested for Joseph's Pantry.

Our **solar energy project** schedule has been impacted by a recent Arizona Corporate Commission ruling, which reduced the incentives for solar power and drastically changes the financial basis of the solar power industry in the state. The company handling our installation, Solar H2O, is seeking financial backers. They expect to be successful but cannot project a start date for now. This adversely affects the church's budget, which was based on lowered utility costs due to the solar lease payments being less expensive than payments to TEP for electricity.

## Where in the World is the Wardell Room?

Sundy, May 12

11:45 a.m.

If you are new to the parish, or if you've been here a long time and still don't know your way around the campus, it's time to learn.

Meet Bruce Anderson on the front steps leading into the sanctuary and take the tour. Then you'll be able to say, "I know where the Wardell Room is!"

## The Nonjurors' Liturgy of 1789

Sunday, May 19

9 a.m., Bloom Room

Prof. Peter Foley, UA Religion Department, leads the discussion about this interesting element in our church's history. Join him and your friends for conversation.

## So This Is The Way The Church Works!

Sunday, May 26

9 a.m., Bloom Room

Some of the things churches do to attract and hold new members are sadly funny and riotously absurd. Not speaking of GSP, of course.

Join Roger Pierce in a seriously humorous look at some of the techniques that are bound to fail... but still provide a few chuckles.

## Church-Wide Cleaning Held March 9

In what the Buildings & Grounds Committee hopes will become a semi-annual event, twenty-five people gathered recently and, after coffee and pastries, spread out in teams to clean various parts of the church buildings.

With several vacuums, boxes of cleaning supplies, a carpet shampooer and willing hands, a lot of tasks were accomplished. Demonstrating a commitment to the care of our facilities, the following deserve many thanks:

Frank Ballestros, Ernie Camacho, Jane Conlin, Kitt and Kayla Cordero, Chuck Dickson, Mark Drew, Joaquin Fischer, Judy Gossard, Chuck Hannan, Nicole Kerns (her children, Sara and Savannah, who did a great job), Yvonne Maynard, Nancy Meister Book, Sue and Roger Pierce, Rev. Debbie Royals, Jean Smart, Kara Gay and Bill Stovall, Terry and Bill Trujillo, Heather Williams, and Jim Zuelow.

Given the size and age of our church, we want to have scheduled cleaning days and we hope you will want to join your fellow parishioners to "tend and care for" our wonderful facilities.

Watch for more information in the Fall.



## GSP Spirit Players

The First Friday play reading for May is Friday, May 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the Bloom Room.

The reading is of an original script by Tucson playwright E. Reid Gilbert, *Smeraldina's Inn*. The reading will be followed by a Q&A discussion with the author.

The unrehearsed reading begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Bloom Education Center. No theater or public speaking experience is necessary; parts will be randomly assigned to anyone who attends and wishes to read.

Non-readers are also welcome to participate as the "audience."

*Facilitated by Nanalee Raphael & Halsy Taylor, professional theatre fanatics and aficionados.*



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## Grace St. Paul's: A Progressive Community—Loving God, Serving Others, Journeying Together

### What's Happening in May 2013

#### WEEKLY SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

##### Sundays

- 8 a.m., [Holy Communion](#)
- 8 a.m., Coffee & Conversation
- 9:45 a.m., Child Care
- 10 a.m., [Holy Communion](#)
- 10 a.m., Sunday school
- 11:15 a.m., Coffee Hour
- 11:30 a.m., Youth Groups

##### Mondays

- 11:30 a.m., Spiritual Direction
- 4 p.m., Spirit Dojo Karate
- 7:30 p.m., Healing Touch Clinic

##### Tuesdays

- 9 a.m., Spiritual Book Discussion Group
- 6 p.m., [Evening Prayer & Communion](#)

7 p.m., Interfaith Meditation

##### Wednesdays

- 7 a.m., [Holy Communion](#)
- 10 a.m., Quilting Ministry

##### Thursdays

- 5:30 p.m., [Spirit Now—An Interactive, Inclusive Communion Celebration](#)

**1st** 12 noon, Prayer Shawl Ministry

**3rd** 6:30 p.m., [Spirit Players: A Play Reading Experience](#)

**5th** 9 & 11:30 a.m., [Parish Wellness Updates](#) (McBride Hall)

- 11:45 a.m., Social Justice & Outreach Ministry
- 4:30 p.m., Family Fun Night

**6th** 7 p.m., Green Church Committee

**11th** 4:30 p.m., Parish Fun Night

**12th** [ASCENSION SUNDAY](#)

- 9 a.m., [Scripture Class](#)

**13th** 7 p.m., Joseph's Pantry Meeting

**14th** 5:30 p.m., Family Caregiver Support Group

7 p.m., Musical Madness

**15th** 12 noon, Prayer Shawl Ministry  
3 p.m., Campus Ministry Board Meeting

**17th** 9:30 a.m., Community of Hope  
6:30 p.m., [Film & Fellowship](#)

**18th** 8:30 a.m., TIHAN Training

1 p.m., TIHAN Training

**19th** [PENTECOST SUNDAY](#)

**26th** [TRINITY SUNDAY](#)

**27th** 9 a.m., Pastoral Care Meeting

3 p.m., GSP Reading Group

**28th** 6:30 p.m., Vestry Meeting

#### Looking Ahead to June

**2nd** 2 p.m., St. Andrew's Bach Society Concert

**3rd** 7 p.m., Green Church Committee

**5th** 12 noon, Prayer Shawl Ministry

**7th** 6:30 p.m., [Spirit Players: A Play Reading Experience](#)

**9th** 3 p.m., Musica Sonora Concert

**10th** 3 p.m., GSP Reading Group

7 p.m., Joseph's Pantry Meeting

**11th** 5:30 p.m., Family Caregiver Support Group

**17th** 8 a.m., Arts for Summer Camp

**18th** 8 a.m., Arts for Summer Camp

**19th** 9 a.m., Arts for Summer Camp

12 noon, Prayer Shawl Ministry

**20th** 9 a.m., Arts for Summer Camp

**21st** 9 a.m., Arts for Summer Camp

6:30 p.m., [Film & Fellowship](#)

**24th** 3 p.m., GSP Reading Group

**25th** 6:30 p.m., Vestry Meeting

