

RESURRECTION LIVING MAY 2013

†Sun 5	HE Easter 6	Bishop's Question — Coffee Hour	
Wed 8	MP (<i>Mo C at Clergy Conference 7,8,9</i>)		Adult Study 7:00
Thu 9		Thrift Shop	
Sat 11		Thrift Shop <i>Private Party</i>	
†Sun 12	HE Sunday after Ascension	Mother's Day	
Tue 14	<i>Office closed</i>		
Wed 15	HHE ILM Robert Huneke	Altar Guild	Adult Study 7:00
Thu 16		Thrift Shop	
Fri 17	<i>Office open</i>		
Sat 18		Thrift Shop	
†Sun 19	HE Day of Pentecost	Vestry Meeting <i>Scouts OA 7:30pm</i>	
Wed 22	HHE ILM Ellen Kalmbacher		Adult Study 7:00
Thu 23		Thrift Shop	
Sat 25		Thrift Shop	
†Sun 26	HE Trinity Sunday	2nd Plate for Garden Fund	
Mon 27	<i>OFFICE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY</i>		
Wed 29	HHE ILM Ellen Kalmbacher		Adult Study 7:00
Thu 30		Thrift Shop	
Fri 31		PENNY SOCIAL doors open 7	
Sat Jun 1		Thrift Shop	



Resurrection God gives Resurrection people all we need for Resurrection living.



EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

The Rev. Christina van Liew
Rector



Rector's Reflections

Dear Resurrection People

What does it mean to be resurrection people, really? Sometimes I think it is like standing on the high dive poised to jump or dive into the pool. Sometimes it is scary standing on that board, looking down, looking at the people watching to see how we do. It was that way for me as a child. I imagine that Olympic divers overcome that impulse through years of training and focus on the goal. They use the spring of the diving board to launch them into their destiny. Living the resurrection launches us into ours, which is new life in God's love.

Jesus' followers were like athletes in training with the "master coach." They did not connect all his training for ministry with their own destiny. After all, they came to believe that Jesus was Divine, and knew all too well that they were not. Yet Jesus had made as clear as possible that he did not come to be the one and only minister of God's will. He came to train and coach a core group of people to train and coach more people until God's reality becomes our only reality. By his death, empty tomb and after-death appearances (Resurrection) he "launched" us into God's amazing love. By his leaving in glory (Ascension) he made room for *us* to be resurrection people. By his gift of the Holy Spirit to all believers (Pentecost) he

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Mission Vitality at Resurrection Part II

TODAY Sunday, May 5th - During Coffee Hour

The Question the Bishop asked, and we addressed on Sunday April 14th was, "How does Resurrection serve God's mission to God's people in this community?"

We agreed that God's mission is to love the world—including all people and creation—into wholeness.

We said that here at Resurrection we do this through our . . . , and mentioned 7 activities. Be part of the conversation today when we discern HOW we doing these activities in our neighborhood.

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Penny Social

Friday, May 31st doors open at 7pm

Our major fund raiser for mission and ministry here at Resurrection. Please spread the word. Take a few Big Prize Raffles to family, friends and neighbors.

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Day of Pentecost

Sunday, May 19th - 10am Worship with CSI

Followed by regular Coffee Hour

Vestry Meeting with CSI 11:45am

Wear red!

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Vestry Vibes

- Mtr. Christina invited to be part of faculty for Credo (clergy wellness program); will know if accepted in mid June.
- Mtr. Christina completed the Disaster Training Program & is now a certified chaplain.

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A Word from our Warden



Dear Friends,

I am writing this on the last day of April. The sun is shining brightly and spring is in the air. Signs of new life are all around us. Tulips and daffodils abound, as do flowering trees. Grass is a deep shade of green. We, at Resurrection, are thinking of the warmer days to come and our spring fundraiser on May 31st.

The 2013 Penny Social promises to be an interesting event. In addition to the cup prizes, we will have a number of baskets, envelope prizes and other goodies to raffle. This year we also have a separate raffle of three electronic prizes. Chances for these items can be found on the back table in church. The Kindle Fire, 32 inch Samsung TV and Apple ipod nano make wonderful gifts!

On May 19th, the Day of Pentecost, our friends from CSI Jubilee Memorial Church will join us in worship and at the coffee hour following. Their Board will be meeting with our Vestry at 11:45am. We plan a simple coffee hour (bagels, fruit, cake, etc.) If you wish to contribute to the refreshments please let me know.

This morning we will meet at coffee hour to discuss our answer to the question posed by Bishop Provenzano. May God bless our discussions and help us clearly see how we are serving God's mission to God's people in this community. May our answer lead to a stronger parish mission.

Blessings,

Joan



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Being in The Story

Do you think of the Bible as "One Continuing Story of God and His People"? Ten of us decided to revisit the Bible from this perspective by reading a book called The Story (forward by Lucado and Frazee). It is the NIV Bible with sections condensed by summary and explanations, so it reads like a novel.

These are some of the comments participants shared in the last session:

- "God wanting a relationship with His people is the common thread that runs through the Old and New Testaments. We are reminded of God's deep love and sacrifice for humanity and of how very much he wants us to walk with him each day. How wonderful and remarkable that in the end of time God will once again be with his people."
• "It was a refresher on what's in the Bible and brought me closer to God in my faith journey."
• "When we had a gap of two months between sessions I found they were too far apart to remember and carry the momentum."
• "That's like a metaphor for our lives, and the lives of the people of God: living in the gap and trying to remember who we are."
• "Grace finds us in these gaps!"
• "Sometimes the gap was when we met but not all of us were there. We missed the absent ones."
• "The people who are away may be more present than the ones here."
• "Sharing the readings, reflections and prayers gave us much."
• "I felt welcome and safe being part of this group."
• "Sharing our stories and hearing other people's stories affirmed how God works in our lives, is always listening, and helps us through life's difficulties. Prayer, at times, becomes a personal conversation with God and listening for his guidance in meditative silence brings comfort and peace to our sometimes chaotic world." ~



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made sure all believers can live resurrection reality until resurrection reality is the only reality for all creation.

In Living the Resurrection, Bishop Brookhart says, "Resurrection is the antidote to anxiety and fear... resurrection God provides what resurrection people need to lead resurrection lives". Maybe being resurrection people simply means climbing up the ladder of the high dive, even if we are anxious and afraid, knowing that God is with us, about to launch us into new life.

Loving God, Living Hope,

Mother Christina

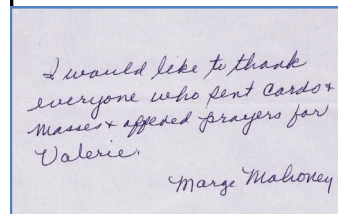
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 2 James Robinson
3 Madeline Grace Fiorillo
4 Trish Radenberg
5 John G. Lasek
7 Joan Servinskas
11 John Gutkes
22 Jonathon Zaccarini
23 Linda Bernhardt

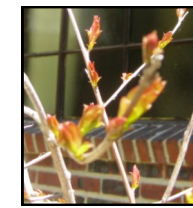
ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

- May 1 Joan & Paul Servinskas
May 2 Deborah & Michael DeStefano
May 7 Karen & John Lasek

THANK YOU



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\$9300. GOAL! \$8228. as of 4/28/13

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- Concert for Youth Enrichment Benefit at Cathedral on Wed, May 8, 7:30pm, tickets available on Library table.
• If no one signs up for Coffee Hour, there will be only coffee & tea available.
• Two additional estimates will be received for Garden patio. Doreen is inviting the Girl Scouts for a planting/tending day in the Garden for Sat, May 25.
• John L, Kathy G, Jane, & Danielle have attended the Diocesan Mission Vitality workshops. Ongoing conversations will help us discern how our Resurrection living can be transformed into becoming more Missional.
• Penny Social plans developing nicely. We have table prizes; Big Prize, Basket, Gift, & 50/50 Raffles. Need help with refreshments: Contact Diane P or Irene G to help out.



MY NEW CHURCH FAMILY

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Resurrection community for the warm, loving welcome you have given me as a new member of your Church family. The unconditional acceptance you have offered me has truly changed my life.

As a Roman Catholic, I have spent my life in many churches and parishes, feeling like a single person in a much larger group of believers, but never truly a member of a community of believers. What I mean by that is, I've always wanted to be in a church where I know the parishioners by name, to truly feel like an active participant in the worship and mission of the church, to contribute anything I'm capable of offering to the life of the church, and, most importantly, to find a community of faith which calls me to learn, to grow, to challenge myself, to deepen my spirituality, and to worship my God in a community of believers.

I truly believe that I have found all of that at Resurrection! From the Wednesday morning healing service to the Lenten and Resurrection book study groups to Sunday morning worship, I feel that God has blessed me abundantly and I thank Him, Mother Christina, and the entire Resurrection family for that gift.

I look forward to my continued and growing participation in the life of this wonderful Church and community. Thank you all.

Gina Huneke