

**This Month at  
Our Saviour**

February 7<sup>th</sup> ~ Bunco

February 12<sup>th</sup> ~  
Marriage Vows  
Renewal

February 19<sup>th</sup> ~  
Evolution Sunday

February 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ Ash  
Wednesday Eucharist  
at noon and at 6pm

February 22<sup>nd</sup> ~  
Lenten Book Study  
Begins

February 24<sup>th</sup> Dinner  
and a Movie



**Upcoming Events:**

March 10<sup>th</sup> ~ Lenten  
Reflection and Prayer  
Vigil

March 31<sup>st</sup> ~ Stations  
of the Cross

For he knows how we were made; he remembers that we are dust. Psalm 103:14 (NRSV)

Dear friends,

This year Lent begins in February, with Ash Wednesday on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. At the Ash Wednesday services at noon and 6 PM, ashes will be administered on our foreheads, reminding us of our mortality. This reminder of our limited time on this earth sets the stage for Lent, culminating with Jesus' execution.

This is truly a contrast. We begin Lent with a foreshadowing of our death. Lent then transitions into Easter and the promise of immortality beyond this earth. But even with this promise, our bodies will at some time quit. The spirit that makes us who we are continues, already linked with the Holy Spirit from our baptisms.

A Christian need not fear death. Yet we have a natural instinct for self-preservation. This is a good instinct that helped our species survive. Part of our brain understands that we can look forward to something glorious, but there is a more primitive part of our brain that struggles fiercely to preserve our life.

Even though we need not fear death, even though we have the promise of eternal life, we have work to do on this earth. We are baptized ministers of the church. The church is the body of Christ. Jesus calls us to bring about his kingdom on this earth now. No one person can do this. It takes all the millions of Christians throughout the world to do this.

And what does Jesus' kingdom look like? It is one of peace and harmony. It is one where there are no divisions. It is one where love rules. As St. John says, "God is love." (1 John 4:8 and 4:16) Jesus commands us to love God and love our neighbor. To do anything but a loving act to another is to break Jesus' commandment. In essence, Jesus' kingdom is calling us to recreate Eden with all of us in the garden.

God intended from the very beginning for us to live in Eden. When Jesus came, he renamed Eden into something that his contemporaries would more easily understand and what non-Jews would also more easily understand – the kingdom of God.

So we come full circle. Even though we have eternal life, our purpose in this life is to work for the kingdom. We are to obey God and trust God. We are not to listen to those voices in our head that tells us what God says doesn't matter if we want something bad enough. That kind of thinking leads to death and mortality. And so on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will remember that we are but dust and to dust we shall return.

## BUNCO

Come play BUNCO at Church of Our Saviour!  
BUNCO is a fun and incredibly simple dice game.  
You do not even need to know how to play to join in.  
Bring a friend. All are welcome (ladies only, sorry  
guys!). Wine and snacks will be provided.  
February Bunco will be hosted by Wendi Roberts and  
whoever else volunteers (hint, hint)

When: Tuesday, February 7th  
Dinner is at 6ish  
Game is at 7ish

Where: In the Parish Hall

What to Bring: \$5 and a dish to share

A non-perishable food item for the ever popular  
booby-prize

If this sounds like your kind of evening sign up in the  
Parish Hall or contact Wendi Roberts  
[iansmom@calwisp.net](mailto:iansmom@calwisp.net) or (530) 344-1883 for more  
info.



## WINTER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Sunday School traditionally makes Valentines for  
some of the members of our Parish. This year we will  
make them on Sunday February 5 and 12<sup>th</sup>. If you  
would like to donate valentine themed stickers please  
bring them to the Sunday School room by February 5.

Sunday School for children three and older meets each  
Sunday at 10:20 in our classroom in Peirce Hall to  
choose our instruments. We then join the procession  
into church and after a prayer return to our classroom  
for prayers, a story based on one of the readings and a  
simple activity. Younger children may remain in the  
nursery with Lindsey while older children return to  
church during announcement time. Our four teachers  
who rotate Sundays are Kathy Fritschi, Jeanette Bari,  
Brandy Dorrans and LeAnn Bettencourt.

Call LeAnn at 644-4789 or the church office for more  
information.

## BULLETIN CHANGE

All announcements and changes to the bulletin will  
need to be into the office by Tuesday morning. Fr.  
Craig will only be here on Wednesdays so that will be  
his day to review the bulletin.

## DINNER AND A MOVIE

Food, Fellowship and Film

Mark your calendar for the first Dinner and a Movie  
night of 2012 at Church of Our Saviour  
Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

Dinner at 6:00ish

Movie at 7:00ish

Dessert and door prizes after the movie

Join us for a little wine, some yummy food, terrific  
fellowship and a great film. Movie choices and ballots  
will be available in the Parish Hall after both services  
on Sunday, February 12th.

Any questions or comments please contact Wendi  
Roberts [iansmom@calwisp.net](mailto:iansmom@calwisp.net) or (530) 344-1883.

## LENTEN BOOK STUDY

The Lenten Book study for this year will begin on  
Wednesday, February 22. We will read Opening the  
Prayer Book by Jeffrey Lee. This is the next book in  
The New Church's Teaching Series which we have  
been following for the past few years. Class will start  
following the Parish Dinner which will follow the  
Celtic Ash Wednesday Service. Books are available at  
Amazon.Com which can be reached through the Parish  
Store on our website. If you wish to save shipping  
costs, you may order with Sandy Bert who will place an  
order on February 10. The cost without shipping is  
about \$9 if we get enough orders. There are used books  
available, but you'll have to order your own. Look for  
the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. This class meets  
the requirements for Eucharistic Ministers to renew  
their licenses.

## NEW BULLETIN BOARD

Watch for the new bulletin board in the Parish Hall.  
With diminishing income we all need to help out when  
we can. The list of needs will be placed on the new  
bulletin board with a place to sign your name. This way  
we can see what is needed and avoid duplication. There  
will be no monetary reimbursements unless you have a  
written form signed by the appropriate Vestry member  
issued in advance. However, you can apply for an In-  
Kind-Donation to appear on your Contribution  
Statement. Be sure to keep your receipts and turn them  
in to the Parish Secretary.

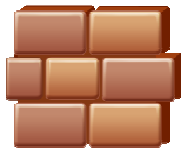


## A VALENTINE'S GIFT

What a wonderful Valentine's gift a couple can give to each other: renew your marriage vows in the presence of God! On Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 6:00 pm, we will have an opportunity for all couples to join in the service of reaffirmation of wedding vows. A celebration reception in the Parish Hall will immediately follow the ceremony. This has become an annual tradition at Our Saviour begun by Father Craig in connection with his work with the El Dorado Healthy Marriages Coalition. The Coalition encourages churches in El Dorado County to offer couples a special service for the renewal of marriage vows annually on or near Valentine's Day. We will again be inviting the community to join us for this special ceremony.

## HAITI PROJECT

When the earthquake hit Haiti in January 2010, it effectively leveled the most populous diocese of The Episcopal Church. Diocesan-run schools, clinics and hospitals were wiped out. Various relief agencies have provided sanitation facilities and clinics but none of these agencies can rebuild the Cathedral. The Cathedral was not only a place of worship but a beacon in the community representing hope of a better life through education and training. Bishop Beisner has asked the diocese to help in the rebuilding of the cathedral brick by brick. Our bricks will not be made of clay or stone but will be ten dollar bills. Beginning in February we will have the opportunity to purchase "bricks" \$10 at a time. Each brick we buy brings hope to a devastated community: buy lots of them.



## PARISH SOCIAL NEWS

Many thanks to Barney and Jackie Scholl for hosting a great social in January for us. A great time was had by all those of us who attended. This is always a fine time to meet your fellow parishioners, so plan to join us at our next event. It should take place in April (who would like to host us?) As usual, I am always grateful for our genial hosts, so please call me (Janice McDonald @ 677-9736) if you would like to be a host for our group.  
Again, THANK YOU, BARNEY AND JACKIE!!!

## ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, which is on **February 22<sup>nd</sup>** this year. There will be two services on this day at noon and 6 PM. Both services will have the imposition of ashes. Another feature of this service is the call to a holy Lent. This is an invitation for self-examination and an intention for personal betterment, study, and confession/repentance. Holy Communion is shared at both services. The 6 PM will be a Celtic Eucharist. Please join us for this solemn beginning to the season of Lent.

"The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith." (BCP pp. 264-265)



## VESTRY MEETING SUMMARY January 8, 2012

Present were Elsie Cannon, Debbie Lightfoot, Joanne McCormack, Jackie Scholl, , Kathy Fritschi, Sandy Bert, and Trish Wilson. The meeting was chaired by Jackie Scholl, Jr. Warden.

We will invite a representative from Safe Families to make a presentation similar to the ones made by the Gideons.

Nominating Committee: So far there are four people running for Vestry.

The Vestry retreat will be at Our Saviour on February 4.

The Bishop is heading a drive to raise funds to rebuild the Episcopal Cathedral in Haiti. This will be done through the sale of bricks. The bricks will be envelopes for contributions of \$10. The project will begin February 4 and continue until Easter.

# February 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 11 pm Women's Bible Study 12:30-1:30pm OA Meeting Parish Hall 6:00pm Celtic Eucharist 6:40pm Parish Dinner 7pm EFM	2 10am DOK 10am Morning Prayer 1pm – 6:30pm Cleaning	3 6:30pm -9pm Welcome Home Group	4 9am Vestry Retreat
5 8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:40am Anglican Café 10:30am Family Service 12:10 Choir 12:15pm Executive Meeting	6 4:45-6:15 OA Meeting	7 6:00pm Bunco	8 11 pm Women's Bible Study 12:30-1:30pm OA Meeting Parish Hall 6:00pm Celtic Eucharist 6:40pm Parish Dinner 7pm EFM	9 7:00am 4 <sup>th</sup> day 1pm -6:30pm Cleaning	10 6:30pm -9pm Welcome Home Group	11
12 8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:40am Anglican Café 10:20am Sunday School 10:30am Family Service 12:10 Choir 12:15pm Vestry Meeting 6pm Renewal of Marriage Vows	13 4:45-6:15 OA Meeting	14	15 11 pm Women's Bible Study 12:30-1:30pm OA Meeting Parish Hall 6:00pm Celtic Eucharist 6:40pm Parish Dinner 7pm EFM	16 10am Altar Guild 1pm-6:30pm Cleaning	17 6:30pm -9pm Welcome Home Group	18 9:00am Prayer Blanket Group
19 <b>Evolution Sunday</b> 8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:40am Anglican Café 10:20am Sunday School 10:30am Family Service 12:10 Choir	20 4:45-6:15 OA Meeting	21 <b>Office Closed</b>	22 11 pm Women's Bible Study 12:00pm Ash Wednesday Eucharist 12:30-1:30pm OA Meeting Parish Hall 6:00pm Celtic Eucharist 6:40pm Parish Dinner 7pm EFM	23 <b>Upper Room Vestry Reports Due</b> 1pm-6:30pm Cleaning	24 6pm Dinner and a Movie	25 10:00am Pastoral Partners
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\*\*\*\*Please note that this calendar is subject to change and you should contact the office before scheduling.

***FEBRUARY 2012***  
**PROPERS**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> READING</b>	<b>PSALM</b>	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> READING</b>	<b>GOSPEL</b>
5 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany	Isaiah 40:21-31	147:1-12,21c	1 Corinthians 9:16-23	Mark 1:29-39
12 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany	2 Kings 5:1-14	30	1 Corinthians 9:24-27	Mark 1:40-45
19 The Last Sunday after the Epiphany	2 Kings 2:1-12	50:1-6	2 Corinthians 4:3-6	Mark 9:2-9
26 First Sunday in Lent	Genesis 9:8-17	25:1-9	1 Peter 3:18-22	Mark 1:9-15

**8 AM Ministers**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>READERS</b>	<b>USHERS</b>
5	D. Zelinsky	J. McDonald	L. Hill / C. Griffin
12	S. Bert	J. Porter	T. Weikert / E. Hawkins
19	L. Hill	T. Wilson	J. Porter / P. Wooldridge
26	T. Weikert	L. Perpall	J. George / L. George

\*If you're unable to do the date assigned then you need to find your own substitute. Please contact Lee Weikert for scheduling issues. Once you have found your substitute please inform the office.

**10:30 AM Ministers**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>READERS</b>	<b>ACOLYTES</b>	<b>USHERS</b>
5	R. Wyly / A. Wyly	B. Roberts		M. Muetz / D. Mooney
12	J. Baker / M. Baker	J. Baker		M. Muetz / P. McLain
19	S. Bert / T. Myers	M. Berkery		J. Baker / D. Lightfoot
26	A. Wyly / R. Wyly	P. Drake		W. Roberts / J. McCormack

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**FEBUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

4	Jim Porter	21	Jean West
7	Wendi Roberts	26	Kris Fagnani
12	Jim Clark		
14	Suzanne Kenny		



## IT'S A WRAP

Our first "Christmas Stockings for the Homeless" project was highly successful thanks to your generosity in knitting hats, in giving items and money, and, last but not least, in spending a madcap morning stuffing the stockings. 30 filled to the brim stockings were delivered to Green Valley Community Church on Friday, December 23, 2011 for distribution at their Christmas party for the homeless. Green Valley provides a special bus from the Upper Room area to the church. Early reports are that all the items were well received.



## HOLLY FAIRE WINNERS

The following lucky people had their tickets drawn for the beautiful donated items at Holly Faire:

Coralee Persse--Gourmet Food Basket from Boa Vista

Diane Eden--Chas Mitchell Wine Lovers Basket

Andrea Connolly--Kathy Fritschi's beautiful handmade pottery

June Ebbe--TooGood Wine Basket

Karin Aguilar--Mona Baker's awesome Nori Silk and Wool Hand-Knit Shawl

Lydia Preist--Nutcracker Basket

Teresa Adams--Vintage Picnic Basket from Brenda Hill/Father Jim

Relfe ?--Christmas Tea Set Basket

Joanne McCormack--Comfort Basket

Else Cannon--Gourmet Spices and Utensils Basket

Tom Fritschi--Lap Quilt made by the Church of Our Saviour Prayer Blanket Ladies

Boyd Roberts--Birdhouse and Birdseed Basket

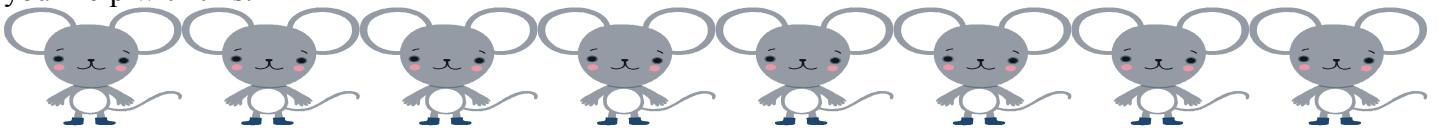
Thank you to all who purchased tickets and all who so generously donated these lovely items.

## OFFICE POLICY CHANGE

If you want to see Fr. Craig or Teresa it will be by appointment only. You will need to call and make an appointment ahead of time. Teresa will schedule appointments for Fr. Craig for Wednesday mornings. Since Fr. Craig will not be in the office regularly, for Teresa's safety she will keep her door closed when she is alone. She will not respond to someone knocking at the door.

## RODENT PROBLEM

We have a rodent problem in the kitchen. It is extremely important that you clean up after you're done in the kitchen to help prevent the rodents from coming in. That means wiping the counters, stove top, sweeping the floor and cleaning off the tables in the parish hall. Also we have groups renting our Parish Hall Monday, Wednesday and now Fridays and it is very important that we have a clean area for them to meet in. Thanks for your help with this.



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Joanne McCormack Church in the World	295-9499	
Elsie Cannon Christian Education	644-3636	
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Brandy Dorrans Buildings and Grounds	647-2104	b2d21339@msn.com

Ministry Leaders

Altar Guild	Brenda Hill	
Buildings & Grounds	Ed Hawkins	530-333-1133
Pastoral Partners	Tom & Lee Weikert	eklktcwe@earthlink.net

**Office Hours**

For the month of February Tuesday thru Thursday 9:00am – 1pm with an appointment  
Fr. Craig is available by appointment only on Wednesday please call the church to make an appointment.

# GOOD NEWS

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR  
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