



March 2019

Keeping Sabbath

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work — you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Exodus 20:8-11

Keeping the Sabbath – a time set apart, for rest, renewal, and time with God – and keeping it holy – is one of our ten commandments. The other nine, I'm willing to bet, we think about following – worship only have idols; don't use God's name your parents; don't cheat, steal, be envious. Now, I'm not saying perfect, law-abiding citizens – we work to do. But, out of all Ten Commandments, the one I have time with is definitely keeping would love to make an excuse, because I work on Sundays – but isn't tied to a day of the week. True Sabbath is about experiencing rest and healing. It's about taking time away from ego and busy-ness and clutter to be still and be with God. To sit in the silence.



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the hardest Sabbath. I and say that it's true Sabbath

In my own pursuit of finding this stillness, and becoming a better observer of Sabbath time, I've been reading some books. Some of them I liked, some not so much – but the one I've been reading, which we will be using for our Adult Forum, is one I absolutely love. It's called, *Sabbath: Finding rest, renewal, and delight in our busy lives*, by Wayne Muller. He breaks the book down into some interesting sections, and chapters within those sections. He offers a mix of personal reflection, narrative experience from others, scripture, and ideas for possible Sabbath practices.

One of the ways to think about Sabbath, he says, is as a time away – entering into a different kind of space. He writes, "When the mass begins in a cathedral, the space is transformed the instant the first prayer is offered. The space is not different, but the time has been transformed" (Muller, 9). Space can be transformed wherever we are – at church, at home, on a walk – there is no space where God is not.

As we begin Lent, I invite you to reflect on your relationship with God. Where are you being called? What are you yearning for? My yearning is after stillness and spiritual renewal in the midst of life. I am committed, over

this Lent, to deepening my practice of Sabbath. I invite you to join me, or to think about your own practices. Where is God trying to meet you this Lent?
Rev. Jazzy



Lent is a traditional time of quiet and mindfulness. It is the second longest season

of the church year lasting 6 weeks. Some may have a difficult time embracing the discipline required to maintain our concentration to effectively reach a quiet mindful place.

Keeping our hands occupied with beads as we mark our way on our prayer journey serves as a tool to achieve this intimate time with God. Many cultures and religions have, and do, use beads to deepen individual daily prayer. We are invited to create our own prayer beads, commonly called "chaplets", this Lenten season.

After each service on March 10 and March 17 (9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., respectively), meet in the Parish Hall to learn about and create a personal chaplet. Two



Sunday sessions will allow us to complete the chaplet, although some

may complete their work in only one session. Chaplet workshops will also be offered on Thursday, March 14th and Thursday, March 21st at 7:15 p.m. following Jazz Vespers. All materials will be provided.

Also on Sunday mornings after each service (at 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., respectively) Rev. Jazzy will offer the Sabbath book study group. *Sabbath: Finding rest, renewal, and delight in our busy lives*, by Wayne Muller in the small education room off the Parish Hall.

ECW Lenten Quiet Day

The Episcopal Church Women in the Diocese will hold their annual "Quiet Day" Retreat on Saturday, March 23, 2019, at the St. Anthony Retreat Center in Kalihi. The theme of the day that begins with coffee and light refreshments at 9:00 a.m. is Faithful in Prayer. The day also includes worship, guided meditation, lunch, and sharing. The session is planned to wrap up at 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$22.

For more information, contact Louise Aloy at louisealoy63@gmail.com or (808) 264-9830

Lenten Jazz Vespers at St. Peter's

March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11
6:00pm

From March 7 through April 11, **Lenten Jazz Vespers** will offer a seasonal variation on the regular Jazz Vespers. The regular musicians are jazz artists Reggie Padilla (Tenor Sax), Dan Del Negro (Piano), Jon Hawes (Bass), and Starr Kalahiki (Vocals).

Experience a unique mix of prayer, scripture, reflection and music in the beauty of St. Peter's worship space.

Jazz Vespers is about 45 minutes long followed by a light meal and fellowship in the Parish Hall. All are invited. Chaplet making workshops follow the light supper on March 14th and 21st.

Youth Retreat at Camp Mokuleia

St. Peter's youth group is going on retreat! We are heading to Camp Mokuleia for a two night stay, March 17-19, with some of our youth and families. If you are interested in participating, it's not too late! Speak to Rev Jazzy ASAP.

Please hold us in prayer as we retreat from the world to spend time with God, in joy and in fun!

Lenten Mite Boxes

It's "that" time again. Many vintage Episcopalians remember Lent as a time to "give up" something (usually a favorite treat or movies) and contribute what would have been spent for those activities to the poor.

We each had our own purple cardboard box and tried to fill it to the brim, and return it to church on Easter. The tradition of these "Mite Boxes" (refer to Mark 12 to

review the story of the widow's mite) has waxed and waned over the years.

St. Peter's has been revisiting the mite box tradition with a bit of a twist. We have used take-out boxes and soup bowls to contain our contributions; this year you will be offered milk cartons to inspire your Lenten discipline of giving to the less fortunate.

The PAPER* straw in your Milk Carton Mite box can be unrolled. The recipients of the proceeds of the mite box offerings are identified on the straw-note as well, as instructions to receive a receipt for your records.

The 2019 Milk Mite Boxes will be available for you to take home beginning with the Ash Wednesday services. Questions? Call Stephanie 808-436-4151 stephwright@hotmail.com



In February for the Hie Hie Ministry Day, we had as volunteers Joanne, Ruth, Rodney, Dorothy, Myrna, Haroldwyn and me. We made 60 lunch bags at the

St. Peter's Church kitchen and Velma, Jennie, and Glenn joined us at Harris UMC.

Unfortunately, this month we had only 15 people, which was the lowest number of participants we have served so far. No one seems to know what was the reason. We sent remaining lunch bags to the Sand Island VA homeless project.

For March, we will reduce making cold cut meat sandwiches to 40 and will make 10 peanut butter sandwiches as it needed.

There still is a need for volunteers to prepare lunch bags at St. Peter's and to distribute at Harris UMC. Please contact me if you are interested in knowing more about this outreach project.

Thank you, Pokhui McKinney

Senior Warden's Corner

Velma Lee, Senior Warden

By unanimous approval, Nancy Rowe will continue as Treasurer and Karin Kimura will continue as clerk of the Vestry. Gail Kuroda and Bill McKinney have joined the vestry as new members.

Updates on the Kitchen Renovations: The new icemaker has been installed. The refacing of the cabinets will begin mid March. Discussions continue on the gas stove and frost-free freezer.

Homelessness Summit will occur on Sat., May 4, 2019 from 9 am - 4 pm. More information forthcoming.



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Friday, March 22, 2019
EDUCATION DAY: RECONCILIATION
 Plenary with Kahu Kalani Souza, Breakout Sessions with Special Guest Speakers, Book Signing and Photo op with the Presiding Bishop, Hawaiian Dinner Buffet

Saturday, March 23, 2019
REVIVE & RENEW!
 The Presiding Bishop delivers the Keynote Address, Plenary with the Rev. Jay Sidebotham, Afternoon Panel Discussion with Q&A

Sunday, March 24, 2019
Sunday Holy Eucharist, Talk Story Interview & Book Signing
 Presiding Bishop Michael Curry will deliver the sermon during Sunday's service, Afternoon Talk Story Interview, Evening Book Signing open to the public (Service and Talk Story will be live-streamed)

REGISTER TODAY! SEATING IS LIMITED!
 After February 15, prices go up dramatically and will be open to the public.
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Noteworthy News for March

Dr. Joseph Eppink

St. Peter's now has a set of chimes and the music ministry is excited to use them during liturgies. They are very easy to play, so please let Joseph know if you are interested in chiming.

- Choir** March 6 Sing for the Ash Wednesday evening service
 Thursday, March 14, 21, 28. 7:15 p.m.
 Sundays 9:00 a.m. to prepare for worship and music for the following weeks
- Ukulele** Sundays after the 10:00 a.m. service for 20 minutes. Beginners welcome.
- Chimes** Rehearsal as needed; chimes will be played for the Psalm on March 17th. Come and hear!

We welcome you to join us in our ministry of music. You don't need to read music or make all of the rehearsals.

Contact Joseph with any questions.

Do you Plan to Make a Gift to St. Peter's?

Gift planning is sometimes called the "How" of giving. It naturally follows the "Why"- the motivation or reason you want to give in the first place.

As Episcopalians and members of St. Peter's, we all have our own personal reasons for wanting to make a Planned Gift to support the organizations and ministries that are meaningful to us. For more info on the "How", The Na Kupuna Fellowship and Finance Committee of the First Chinese Church of Christ at 1054 South King Street will sponsor the first of a three part series entitled **The Living Trust, Is it important?** Presenter Estate Attorney Michelle Scully-Hobus will be at the FCC Sanctuary on Saturday, March 16 10 - 11:30am.

Topics include: Estate Planning, Living Probate, and the advantages of a Living Trust. To pre-register (recommended) Call the FCC Office at 593-9046 or Edson Lee at 445-1830.

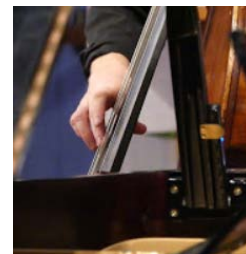
Steve Mitchell

Hie Hie February - Mahalo!



"WE ARE THE Episcopal BRANCH OF THE Jesus movement"
 -Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

Jazz Vespers



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