Sabbath Time

By The Rev. Steven Strane, Interim Rector

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy. Number four on the list of ten.

Sabbath, from the root to desist, and eventually coming to be associated with a time of rest and refreshment following the example of God at the end of six days of creation. Sabbath, then, is not only a time of respite from labor and the conduct of business, but also a time of worship. Even Jews who are not particularly devout know the importance of keeping Shabbat from sunset on Friday evening until sunset on Saturday. In the Christian tradition, Sunday became the day of worship and rest for the community of faith in recognition of Jesus’ resurrection from the dead on the third day. Some of us still remember a time when this day of worship and rest was “encouraged” by Blue Laws that required all retail businesses to remain closed on Sundays.

Sadly, today Sunday seems to be acknowledged by most of American society as the day that is to be considered “discretionary time.” Many busy, exhausted Americans see Sunday as a day to sleep in and start slowly. After a demanding work and school-week, and following a Saturday filled with chores, shopping, sporting events and social activities, for many people Sunday is seen as a time to chill out and begin to prepare for the week to come. For others, it’s just another chunk of time, up for grabs. It is no longer unusual for family gatherings, children’s birthday parties and youth sports activities to be scheduled on a Sunday morning.

What do we say when the erosion of our priorities causes Sunday to look and feel like “just another day?” If the fourth commandment tells us to remember the Sabbath Day and to keep it holy, and if keeping something holy means dedicating that thing to God, doesn’t that mean consciously and conscientiously making sure that the day is different in that it is set aside not only for rest, but also for worship?

On the other hand, what would it say to family members, houseguests, coaches, employers and others if we clearly and consistently communicated that our presence at scheduled gatherings and activities would take place after our participation in corporate worship at church? What a powerful testimony to our primary identity as followers of Jesus, and to our commitment to living into our baptismal covenant.

It seems as if there is never enough time – not enough time to finish the work, do the shopping, return the calls and e-mails, clean the house, maintain the cars, attend all the games, fulfill all the social obligations, pay the bills, take care of the pets, sort through the mountains of paper, and on and on and on. If

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that’s how it seems, doesn’t it become all the more important to sanctify a bit of time to say thank you to God for the gift of life and to make sure we remain grounded in our identity as disciples of Christ?

St. James exists for that very purpose. We are committed to providing opportunities for Sabbath rest and worship every Sunday of the year, including lazy, summer Sundays. And one of the many blessings of being a part of the family of faith is that there are literally thousands of other worshipping communities all over the world that are committed to the same thing. So here’s to number four on the list of ten. See you in church!

Thank You, Thank You!

Recently, a cracker-jack crew of volunteers spent part of an afternoon dusting and cleaning all of the exterior doors, window sills and iron grill-work around the church campus. Thank you Diane Carney, Anne Dick, Jane Gentile, Gretchen Glazener, John Norris and Betty Vale. Everything looks wonderful!

Watch for news of upcoming parish workdays and opportunities to pitch in. We have limited staff resources and a large plant to maintain, so it will help if we all volunteer to provide for the good stewardship of our buildings and grounds. In addition to keeping things around the parish looking ship-shape, working side-by-side with fellow parishioners is a great way to get to know one another. The next time a workday is announced, join the fun. St. James needs YOU!
We mourn the senseless killing of nine worshippers at Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina, on Wednesday, and join in solidarity to condemn this hate crime that claimed the lives of our sisters and brothers at prayer. This is not only an assault on the martyrs of Mother Emanuel, but an attack on houses of worship everywhere. To our friends in Charleston we say: We stand with you, we mourn with you, and we will walk alongside you in the difficult days ahead.

We and all people of good will are compelled to name this tragedy for what it is: the product of the conjoined sins of racism and violence. For too long, our African-American sisters and brothers have endured a reign of terror that has targeted churches, homes and businesses in the name of the ugly ideology of white supremacy. Such a visceral hatred for people of color has no place in our country, our homes or our hearts. It certainly has no place in our churches.

(From the website of the Washington National Cathedral)
Thank you, Health Ministries Outreach Committee, for my specially made glasses!

Storage Space Sought!

The Women of St. James are seeking garage space or any other accommodations where they can store White Elephant donations until February. If you can help, contact Lisa Corbin at 858-352-6007 or corbinmorris@yahoo.com.

Summer Guest Musicians

During our Summer Sundays in addition to our wonderful vocal soloists who you already know from the St. James Choir, we will be joined each week by some of the finest instrumentalists in our community who may be new to you! While the schedule is always subject to change, enjoy our musical guests this summer.

JULY

July 5: Beth Ross-Buckley, Flute
July 12: Steve O’Connor, Trumpet, and Dr. Timothy J. Tesh, Trumpet
July 26: Andrea Overturf, English Horn

AUGUST

August 2: Logan Chopyk, Trombone
August 9: Vladimir Goltsman, Clarinet and Saxophone
August 16: Abraham Liebhaber, Cello
August 23: Scott Sutherland, Tuba
August 30: Fred Benedetti, Guitar
ANNUAL FIESTA NIGHT
JULY 10, 5:30 P.M.
LA JOLLA COUNTRY CLUB

Please join us for a festive evening and fellowship on July 10, 2015, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., at the La Jolla Country Club. There will be a delicious buffet with offerings of a jewel salad, chili and all the fixings, along with chicken tacos and toppings. A dessert bar will be provided with sumptuous temptations from our own volunteers.

The evening begins at 5:30 p.m. with a no-host bar, and the buffet opens at 6:00 with open seating.

Please contact the church at 858-459-3421 to make your reservations, or sign up after one of the services. Reservations with payment have been extended to Sunday, July 6. Tickets are $28.

Please contact Maryl Weightman, maryl@marylweightman.com, 858-456-2913, with any questions or if you would like to volunteer.
April Vestry Minutes Recap  
by Pam Bandyk, Clerk

The Rev. Steven Strane opened the April 28, 2015 Vestry meeting at 5:30 p.m. with prayer. Rector’s Warden Laura Lee Skillman presided. The minutes of the March meeting were approved.

Reports from the chairs of seven committees were given. The Search Committee is starting to receive applications. The Personnel Task Force is working on a human resources policy and job descriptions. A “Pizza and Conversation” event on May 17th will encourage participation and gather suggestions for Youth Ministry. The March financials were reported by Tommy Kuhn. Gary Poon distributed two documents to the Vestry detailing the proposed changes and amendments to the bylaws and restructuring plans for committees. Heather Lattimer discussed the “Parish Needs and Interest Survey” to identify people who share interests and start groups to meet their interests.

People’s Warden Maryl Weightman announced plans for celebrating Pentecost on May 24th. John Norris reported that St. James will be recognized by the Save Our Heritage Organization. Vestry retreat dates have been set for February 26-28, 2016.

Rector’s Warden Laura Lee Skillman asked Vestry members to begin thinking about new members for next year’s Vestry. The Interim Rector advised consideration of a new venue for the White Elephant Sale.

The Vestry resumed completion of the assignments identified at the Vestry Retreat. Refurbishment of the children’s area, children’s music opportunities, lighting in the nave, and sound system corrections were assigned. The Men of St. James and other interest groups were discussed. Monthly volunteer recognition at the 10 a.m. service has begun.

Will Griffith explained potential collaboration with other Area 3 churches. Will and Lee Wagner are working on a comprehensive communication plan. The Rector’s Warden invited the Vestry to attend a Leadership Academy on May 2nd. Steven Strane announced Steve Townsend’s summer sabbatical.

The meeting was closed with prayer at 7:55 p.m.

Episcopalians for PRIDE - All Are Welcome

According to a recent study, over half of all Americans (58%) believe that religious groups are "alienating young adults by being too judgmental on gay and lesbian issues."

Want to help change that opinion?

This year the Episcopal contingent will be at the front of the PRIDE parade along with the mayor of San Diego. St. Paul’s Cathedral is offering hospitality and we’d love for you to join us. With more than 300,000 onlookers, many of whom are millennials and young families from around the county, we have a great opportunity to reverse this misconception.

Date: Saturday, July 18
Time: 10am (parade starts at 11am)
We lead the parade, so don’t be late!
Additional information is available at: 
http://www.stpaulcathedral.org/pride

St. Paul’s typically has more than 100 marchers and last year we were joined by St. Margaret’s, St. David’s, St. Mark’s, Grace San Marcos, Good Samaritan, St. Andrew’s Pacific Beach and St. Bartholomew’s. The parade ends at Balboa Park where St. Paul’s throws a BBQ for everyone in the contingent. Kids, strollers, friends are all invited.

So grab your banner, some sunscreen, and join us this year! March for PRIDE and for a generation of young people who have never enjoyed the generous experience of the Gospel to be found in the Episcopal Church.

Do they care? The #1 comment we hear shouted from the sidelines is, “Thank you!”
The Ministry of the Usher

The Ministry of the Usher is one of St. James “welcoming ministries”. We take the time to notice and welcome the stranger and friend alike. We tend to the physical comforts of being the church together. We tend to the emotional need we all have to feel welcome. We tend to the spiritual awareness that we meet in a holy place at a holy moment. We tend to the choreography of elegant and respectful movement. We tend to the practical matters of caring for what has been entrusted to us.

The St. James Ushers are a diverse group of parishioners who give of their time and talent about once a month to usher at the service time of their choice. There are others who make themselves available at times during the weekday or on a Saturday for special services, like memorials. It’s not complicated. We have a quarterly schedule. If folks can’t make it for some reason, others swap with them. Every now and then we even get together and have some fun -- many of our ushers and their families gathered to welcome in the new church year in early December. Most of all, we try to live into our baptismal covenant to “seek and serve Christ in all persons”.

These folks are always smiling. Ask them why! Thank them! And if you’d like to join them, let them know that!

At the 7:30 service: Pat Boyl, Glenn Castan, Julie Castan, Tom Grunow, Cori Grunow, Tommy Kuhn, Susie Swaner, Dave Wilson, Nancy Wilson

At the 10am service Paul Benton, Gene Cook, James Esler, Michael Fluharty, Scott Forrest, John Gaffney, Katie Giffin, Peter Giffin, Nicholas Grey, Clark Guest, Martin Imhof, Harleigh Johnston, Jason Holden, Rashid Kassir, Craig Lee, John Norris, Gary Poon, Bill Purves, Bruce Ray, Phil Roeder, Chris Scott, Lee Wagner, Max Webb,

At special occasions: George Damoose, Zeke Knight, Alison Lee, Del Weightman, Mike Wood

Ushers Emeritus: Bob Jackson, Lyle Hampton, David Robertson, Skip Shank, Tony Waller, Robert Wininger

This past year we said good bye to Carolyn Batchelor, who has moved away. And we also welcomed newcomer Susie Swaner.

Won’t you join us? We’d love to have you serve at either our Sunday services or on special occasions. Please give your contact information to any usher or the usher coordinator Bill Purves at wpurves@compuserve.com or 858 459-2001.

An Usher’s Prayer

“Gracious God, your son the Christ describes standing at the door, knocking for entry.

Grant that I may open the door of my heart to him with gladness and so with his spirit open the doors of this sanctuary to all who come, seeing in every face the possibility of an encounter with Christ, offering in every gesture the benevolence of blessing, and performing in every duty the faithfulness of the good and trusted steward of the Lord’s house. Amen.”
Upcoming Meetings

**JULY**

6th: Search Committee; 7pm (Library)
7th: Landscape Committee; 4:00pm (Library)
8th: Health Ministries Outreach Committee; 5:30p (Library)
10th: Visual Arts Committee; 9am (Library)
13th: Search Committee; 7pm (Library)
14th: Buildings & Grounds Committee; 4:30pm (Van Schaick Rm)
20th: Finance Committee; 8:30a (Van Schaick Rm)
      Search Committee; 7pm (Library)
22nd: House Committee; 9a (Library)
27th: Search Committee; 7p (Library)
28th: Vestry; 5:30p (Van Schaick Rm)

**AUGUST**

3rd: Search Committee; 7pm (Library)
4th: Landscape Committee; 4:30pm (Library)
      Special Vestry Meeting; 5:30 (VS Room)
10th: Search Committee; 7pm (Library)
11th: Building & Grounds Committee; 4:30pm (Van Schaick Room)
12th: Health Ministries Outreach Committee; 5:30pm (Library)
17th: Finance Committee; 8:30am (Van Schaick Room)
      Search Committee; 7pm (Library)
24th: Search Committee; 7pm (Library)
25th: Vestry; 5:30pm (Van Schaick Room)
26th: House Committee; 9am (Library)
31st: Search Committee; 7pm (Library)

The Daughters of the King appreciate the article written about their order in the June issue of *The Chimes*. However, two Daughters of the King were inadvertently left off the list of chapter members. Virginia Stearns and LaVon Skinker are with us in spirit but not able to attend our chapter meetings. They are both beloved long time members of our chapter and I sincerely regret my oversight.

FHS, Mary Lou Orphey, President.

**STAND DOWN**

Is a military term for a break in the usual schedule to get rest and renewal. The STAND DOWN event is organized by the Veterans Village of San Diego with support from active Navy and Marines, the Department of Veterans Affairs, in addition to churches such as ours—the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego.

The summer our diocese will have a tent to assist veterans and their families. There is a wide range of volunteer opportunities. If you want to be part of the support system, want to be on-site to lend a hand and see incredible service in action, please look at the website: [www.VVSD.net](http://www.VVSD.net).

I will serve as a chaplain/spiritual support one of the days, and if you feel called to participate in this outreach effort, please contact me by email at e.ellsworth@sjbts.org and I shall give you names to the organizers from the Diocese.

A reminder for the summer: we continue to collect used electronics to give to the military families. We are also working with MOMS, (Military Outreach Ministry) through the work of Stan Bishop, who sits on the Church and the World Committee. Please look for more information from Stan about this wonderful initiative.

Find space in *your* days this summer for rest and renewal as well as remembering those who continue to need our help.

Blessings, Eleanor+

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Lunch Bunch is on summer hiatus—look for it to return in September!
Dear Ones,

I wonder, I wonder, I wonder…

I wonder which part you like best? I wonder which part is the most important? I wonder which part is especially for you? I wonder if there is a part we can leave out and still have all we need?

Have you ever been asked what you think about parts of the service? Have you ever been asked to respond to Sunday’s stories with art materials? Wouldn’t that make you feel good to know that your ideas and opinions were asked for and honored every Sunday? Now imagine yourself in childhood. How would you have felt to be honored in this way?

This August we are offering the retreat style training in Godly Play. It is free to St. James members and can be an uplifting and sometimes healing event. I hope that some of you will join us and get a better understanding of how we honor our children at St. James by-the-Sea.

Peace be with you.

Miss Gabby
The last year has seen some pretty profound and wondrous changes to our church buildings at St. James-by-the-Sea. The planning required by our Committees for the exterior building restoration, the grounds, the interior refurbishment were monumental by any measure, and whose success is a tribute to their dedication to the spirit of St. James and its congregation. The industrious labor by contractors should be no less applauded for the quality of their workmanship, clearly visible as we tend to our comings and goings, to and from worship.

The buildings and grounds are only one part of the Community of St. James, though; the Congregation is another. The strength of any church is not measured in its floor-space or acreage, but by that of the breadth and depth of its Congregation. St. James-by-the-Sea has been a landmark of La Jolla for so many years because it has had so much to offer in our service to the Lord, and the community. Our ministry of outreach, liturgy and worship, fellowship, our world class choir and music series, Children’s ministry and youth work, to name a few wonderful qualities. Still, there is so much more to offer.

Your Vestry has discussed ideas and strategies, among others, to attract younger generations of families and grow the outreach to ‘tweens and teens’. We are trying to gauge interest and enthusiasm of our Congregates of the establishment of a Children’s and Youth Choir/Music series. These youth and young adults have so much to offer and express with their singing skills and instrumental talents, and at the same time, a desire to deepen their spirituality and faith. In conversations with Gabby Strickler, the young children are no less inspired and just as eager to demonstrate their musical inspiration as well.

Whether performing before the Congregation during Service, or just amongst their peers in a jam session during a week night, St. James is the perfect venue to enable this inner discovery. We welcome everyone’s thoughts and interest to this proposal.

A note from the The House Committee

The House Committee is a committee without a budget. From time to time we may have some small projects that we will put on a wish list and include in the Chimes.

We are so grateful to the Women of St. James for their support in the renovation of the Van Schaick Room. Everyone thanks them and our Contractors who made it such a comfortable place.

Our wish list at this time consists of the following:

- Restoration of the lovely Madonna and Child painting in the ambulatory outside the chapel. It has been determined to be a 19th century painting of unknown origin with a value that warrants repair and cleaning. The Fine Arts Committee has approved this request with us.
  
  Amount to repair and clean $ 1,100

If anyone feels so moved to contribute to this effort, we would be grateful.
MISS CHURCH ON SUNDAY?
DON’T WAIT TILL THE NEXT SUNDAY TO ENGAGE YOUR BRAIN!

You can catch up on sermons that you missed by simply going to our website sermon page: http://www.sjbts.org/sermons.html.

There you will find both an archive to which you can listen, as well as a pdf that you can read online or print out.

Those are generally posted on the Monday following, if available.

Also, you will find a topical lead in and link to the sermons as a regular feature to our weekly EBlast.

PARISH FAMILY BARBEQUE NIGHT & MOVIE

Everyone is invited to attend the second of the summer All Parish Family Barbeque Night & Movie on Friday, July 24, 6:00 p.m. in the Courtyard.

We will have the grill fired up with burgers and dogs (Nature Burgers, too) at the ready, along with some snacks, and we ask that you bring a side dish to share with everyone. You are also welcome to bring your beverage of choice, and any other grillable you may prefer. Water and lemonade will be provided.

After dinner, a family-friendly movie will start for your viewing enjoyment.

One more has been scheduled and we hope you will mark your calendars for: August 21st.

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer to help set up and clean up, please contact Maryl Weightman, 858-456-2913, maryl@marylweightman.com or Heather Lattimer, hlattimer@sandiego.edu. We look forward to sharing the evening!

RESEARCH COMMITTEE LIGHT

The work of the search committee continues apace. We have received a number of promising applications. This particular part of the process, as a personnel and employment issue, appropriately needs to remain confidential, but we can say that during May and June, we have taken the opportunity to examine applications in detail, listen to sermons by applicants, and seek additional supporting information. While each of us as a committee member is trying to use our best judgment, we are mindful that our primary guidance is the communal hope of the whole congregation, to the best of our ability to discern it. In this respect, the surveys, meetings, and other responses we have had from the parish in the early months of this year have laid a solid framework for us.

The committee is now meeting weekly in closed session. During the period of this edition of the Chimes, July and August, we hope to interview the leading candidates. We know all of St. James looks forward to the day when we call a new Rector. Your prayers mean a lot to us! In addition, although we are far along, we are still open to hearing from parishioners about other excellent clergy around the country and around the world, even those who may not yet be aware that they are called to St. James. An array of antennae can hear a lot!

REMINDE:
The church offices will be closed on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day.
Episcopal Night at the Padres is back!

Save the date: **Friday, July 17th, 7:10 p.m. Petco Park.**
The Padres will take on the Colorado Rockies. **A mystery Episcopalian will throw the first pitch!** A portion of all proceeds will support diocesan ministries, and everyone is encouraged to bring a pair of clean, white athletic socks for distribution to our homeless brothers and sisters. Three levels of ticket prices: Upper Reserved $12 ($17.25 value); Toyota Terrace $25 ($39.75 value); Skyline Patio with food and beverage included $63. For more information, please call the office.

**Episcopal Night at the Padres is back!**

**Kay Scavulli collects the food you bring to church each week to place in the baskets the ushers bring to the altar with our offerings each Sunday for the Mary Kay Chandler Pantry food distribution program.** There is presently a desperate need for these basics (in this order):

- Beans (cans or bags)
- Cereal/Oatmeal
- Soup/Chili
- Peanut Butter
- Rice (brown preferred)
- Canned Tuna/Chicken
- Canned Vegetables (low salt)
- Canned Fruit (in juice, not syrup)
- Pasta/Sauce
- Dried Nuts & Fruit

Please help us make a real difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters who need a little help during these challenging times. Let’s fill those baskets on the altar each Sunday so that they overflow. **No child should ever go to bed hungry!**

**Back to School Bash – St. Mark’s in City Heights**

Once again this year St. James is partnering with St. Mark’s City Heights to collect school supplies, with the hopes of serving over 600 kids between St. Mark’s and St. John’s Fallbrook. Monetary donations received by July 15th allows time to purchase and receive the supplies. Backpacks and other donations need to be to St. Mark’s by August 3rd. The backpacks will be distributed on Aug. 22 from 9AM-1PM. We hope volunteers will participate at our packing party (date to be announced) and at the actual event. Do you want to help? Contact our liaison to St. Mark’s, Kay Scavulli: kay.scavulli@sbcglobal.net

**Summer Adult Forums**

**King Arthur: History and Legend**

**The Early Seeds of Anglicanism**

**Sundays at 8:45 am in the Van Schaick Room**

This summer we will be investigating the rich legacy of the Arthurian tradition, with a focus on how it weaves itself into the origins of Anglicanism. Our search will be enhanced by an installment of the Great Courses series, taught by Professor Dorsey Armstrong of Purdue University.
$3K Grant from WES for 100 Military Families

The Church and the World Committee plays a vital role in community outreach on behalf of all parishioners at St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church.

In the year ahead, we are focusing our considerable energies primarily on a project for the military; specifically young military families here in town. We have searched for a practical way to lift some of the burdens on these families and a meaningful way to say “thank you”. After much research over a two year period by our military liaison, Stan Bishop, our committee has unanimously voted to partner with MOM (Military Outreach Ministries).

MOM is “a Christian Service to all junior enlisted military families in gratitude for their service”. It is the top charitable organization in San Diego County and serves/interacts with all bases in the county. This amazing non-profit provides free services of daily distribution of food, small household goods and various children’s supplies. Just as importantly, they host holiday events, baby showers and family events.

They desperately need baby cribs, diaper bags and diapers for needy military families of E-5 and below. The $3,000 grant the Church and the World Committee received from the Women of St. James (proceeds from the White Elephant Sale) now allows us to help make a significant impact in the lives of over a hundred needy military families, whose head of households are most often deployed around the world by the US Navy and US Marine Corp.

Heartfelt thanks to ALL the Women of St. James (and a few men) whose tireless efforts year-round to raise these funds and generous gift makes this donation to MOM possible.

ECS Life Celebration – September 18th

Operating under its mission of serving God by serving those in need through programs that foster hope, dignity and independence, ECS empowers vulnerable and struggling individuals and families by providing vital, high-quality social services that encourage healthy interdependence.

Each month, a different parish in the diocese provides a pot luck lunch at the Friend to Friend (F2F) Clubhouse on El Cajon Blvd to help ECS clients celebrate significant milestones; birthdays, new jobs, reconciliation with loved ones, securing permanent housing after being homeless, sobriety anniversaries, as well as other important accomplishments in their journey to recovery. Once again this year, the Church and the World Committee will provide a healthy meal to approximately 40 people on behalf of our entire congregation. These luncheons nourish bodies and empower spirits. Last year, a guest tearfully exclaimed that he could feel the love that Charleen Boyl put into her homemade brownies. The last time he had a homemade brownie, it was made by his grandmother when he was a little boy…and memories of a happier time in his life came flooding back with each bite.

To donate or help deliver food, or to make a financial contribution to provide food, please contact Rewa: rewacolettesoltan@gmail.com or 858.457.5759.
Dear Ones,

Across our nation, we again try to come to terms with an act of senseless violence. What we know is that a twenty-one year old white man took a gun into a Bible study at an African-American church in Charleston and, after attending an hour of the study, opened fire, killing nine people at point blank range. This act comes after a series of police shootings that raise serious questions about race and law enforcement. It comes after campus rampages at Virginia Tech, Sandy Hook, and Santa Monica.

Our last issue of the Diocesan Messenger focused on racism. Both the editor and I received a significant amount of vitriolic and angry email. We may wish to fool ourselves into thinking that the church is enlightened. We are not. Our nation is not. We have not purged the demons of racism and prejudice. And our love affair with violence and guns makes for a maddening and wicked mix.

African-Americans in this country are in poverty because of racism. African-Americans are disproportionately in prison (our modern slavery) because of racism. African-Americans are being killed because of racism. Look at the statistics. Look at the history.

Surely, we need to pray for the victims—again. Some will say, we should do something modest and measured about gun control. Some might even suggest we try to address why African-Americans are disproportionately poor and in prison. My sense is that nothing is going to change until we get rid of the guns and we actually pay the price, as a nation, for what we have done to generations of African-Americans from the days of slavery until today. The wasteland we have created calls for a new Marshall Plan to transform the lives of our brothers and sisters. It is time. There are no excuses. The next time we recite our baptismal covenant and say the words, "to respect the dignity of every human being,” race relations and reconciliation are what we should be thinking about.

At 7:15 a.m. Sunday, June 28, during the upcoming General Convention in Salt Lake City, I will march alongside scores of bishops in the Bishops United march to rally people of faith to seek common ground to curtail gun violence. I will march and pray for the victims, their families, and for our nation’s leaders to bring an end to this senseless violence. I bid your prayers, advocacy and action as well. It is long overdue.

May the grace and peace of Christ be with us all.

Faithfully,

The Rt. Rev. James R. Mathes
Bishop
La Jolla Recreation Center Turns 100!!

Come help celebrate the centennial ceremony and rededication of our cultural neighbor on Saturday, July 25th from 12pm—4pm at 615 Prospect Street, La Jolla.

The ceremony will be full of wonderful pomp and circumstance, and this will be followed by festivities of food, music and activities for all who come.

Happy Birthday Rec Center!

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Would You Like to Contribute to the Altar Flowers for the Sanctuary or the Chapel?

If you would like to contribute funds for the Sunday flowers as a memorial to someone special, or in celebration of a special person or event, please use this form for your request. Fill in the form and mail or bring it to the office with your check.

Bouquets typically cost $50 for the chapel altar and between $100-$400 for flowers on the high altar in the Sanctuary. Gifts of any amount toward the flowers are gratefully received.

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Come Celebrate St. James Day July 19th

♦ Bishop Mathes with join us for our day’s services and festivities
♦ “Mass on the Grass” and Baptisms at the 10am service (7:30 service inside) - welcome to bring a blanket. Ample chairs on patio will be available.
♦ Restoration Project acknowledgement ceremony after 10am service
♦ Display of St. James past and present in the Library, highlighting major campaigns of the renovation project
♦ Tasty feast provided after 10am service for one and all
♦ And for the kids, why not add a BOUNCE HOUSE!

SEE YOU ON 19th!