



Making disciples who make disciples

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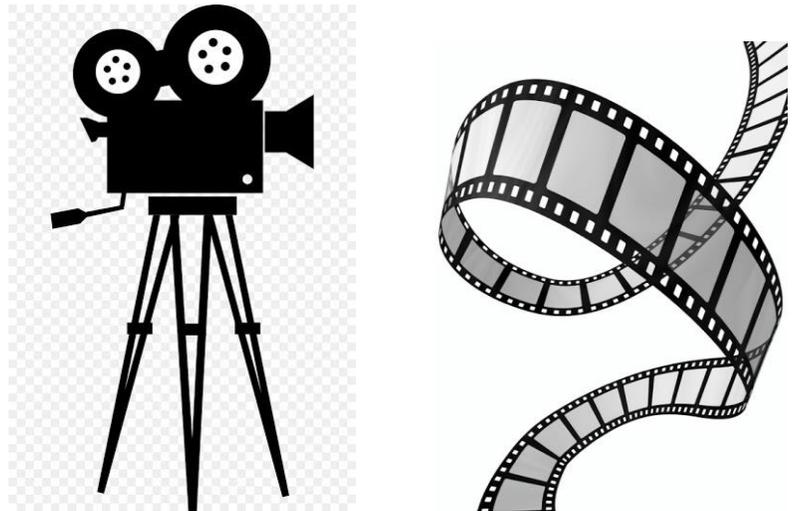
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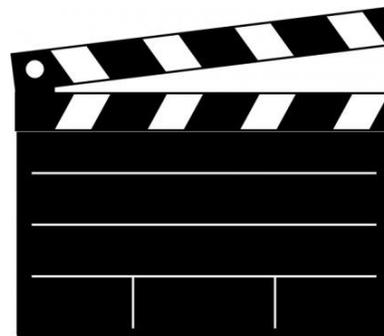
Next Parish Council Meeting

June 30, 2021 6:30 p.m.



New TV Spot for CTR!

We will be renewing our ad campaign with the local TV stations now that the COVID restrictions have relaxed and we are in our new church home. The production is scheduled for **Friday, June 18, at 11 a.m.** in our sanctuary. We need as many people as possible to come be part of this so the video will show a “Sunday morning” sized congregation. Shooting a Sunday service increases the cost substantially, as the production crew would be paid overtime/weekend rates, which would be added to the production cost for us. It will be a shortened Eucharist service, and lunch will be provided afterward. Please feel free to bring your children and friends.



In Word – Reconciliation

Paul discusses two main points in this week's passage from his Second Letter to the Corinthians. The first is the believer's hope of an everlasting Heavenly dwelling (contrasted with earthly homes). The second is reconciliation through Christ.

Let's look at the first part.

⁶ Therefore, although we are always confident and know that while we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord—⁷ for we live by faith, not by sight—⁸ so we are confident and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord. ⁹ Therefore indeed we have as our ambition, whether at home in the body or absent from the body, to be acceptable to him. ¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, in order that each one may receive back the things through the body according to what he has done, whether good or bad. — 2 Corinthians 5:6–10 (LEB)

The idea Paul describes in verse 6 of being at home in the body and absent from the Lord, has the obvious aspect of being “away from”; but the Greek word he uses that we translate as “absent” also can mean “exile.” So, Paul may also be alluding to Yahweh's promise in Isaiah (chapters 40-55) to restore his exiled people—as sinners are also restored to relationship with God through Jesus.

In living by faith and not by sight, believers are understood not to have seen Jesus' resurrection

and ascension with their own eyes, but rather are encouraged to live their lives confident in God's fulfillment of his promises through Christ.

Paul's comment in verse 8 about being absent from the body and at home with the Lord seems to allude to the time between a believer's death and the ultimate resurrection and judgment of everyone. Believers, it would seem, are in the presence of Christ when they've died, but not yet in resurrected bodies.

The phrase “we must all appear” emphasizes the understanding that believers are included in the judgment, and that it is not simply a pass/fail (Heaven or Hell) grading system. Jesus describes levels of eternal reward based on deeds done here on earth during a believer's lifetime (Rom 2:6-10; 1 Cor 4:5; and 2 Cor 11:15).

Paul then leads into God's intent for reconciliation and salvation for humanity.

¹¹ Therefore, because we know the fear of the Lord, we are attempting to persuade people, but we are revealed to God, and I hope to be revealed in your consciences. ¹² We are not commending ourselves to you again but are giving you an opportunity to boast about us, in order that you may have an answer for those who boast in appearance and not in heart. ¹³ For if we are out of our senses, it is for God; if we are of sound mind, it is for you. ¹⁴ For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one died for all; as a result all died. ¹⁵ And he died for all, in order that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for the one who

died for them and was raised. ¹⁶ *So then, from now on we know no one from a human point of view, if indeed we have known Christ from a human point of view, but now we know him this way no longer.* ¹⁷ *Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. — 2 Corinthians 5:11–17*

“Knowing the fear of the Lord” in verse 11 means having reverence for Christ; it does not mean being afraid of him. Showing appropriate respect for God because he is God is what the concept entails. There is a scene in C.S. Lewis’ *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, in which the children first hear about Aslan the lion from Mr. and Mrs. Beaver. The children ask if he’s safe, to which the beavers reply, “Of course he’s not safe! He’s a lion! But he’s a good lion.” Therein lies the notion behind fear of God. He is all powerful, but he is also good.

In verse 15, we see that Jesus “died for all.” But that does not mean that all are saved. It means salvation is available to all through Jesus. We must accept salvation on Christ’s terms, not our own. By doing this we develop a spiritual worldview that lets us see others through God’s eyes, as part of his creation that he loves. The God who was willing to sacrifice himself in an agonizing death as the means of salvation for everyone willing to accept it expects us to love one another with that same intensity.

Looking at others “from a human point of view” (verse 16) means assessing others through the superficial qualities we use to determine other people’s value. When we realize the depth of Christ’s love for us, we cannot hold others in

disdain. And if previously we judged Jesus according to that mindset, we lose that

perspective and view him through a spiritual lens by which we recognize him as our Lord and Savior—because being in Christ changes us (verse 17). We have become new creations.

If you have a car that has developed problems, (such as the steering feeling a little loose, some internal parts rattling, a damaged frame from an accident...), you can get it repaired and some of those problems will be gone forever, some may recur, and some (like the damaged frame) really can’t be fully repaired. If instead of repairing it, however, you trade it in for a new car, none of those issues are there anymore. They all went away with the old car, and the new one has none of the defects or damage the other had. It’s the same with us. Jesus doesn’t patch us up with spiritual Bondo; he makes us new.

Reconciliation is re-creation—rebirth. Being born again means new life in Christ. It is the start of a new journey as a disciple.

Bon voyage!

Grace and Peace,

Fr. Austin



The **GriefShare** program continues **Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.** in our multipurpose room (library/classroom). The 13-week program is for people who have lost a family member or friend.

Sunday's Lessons

Ezekiel 17: 22-24; Psalm 92:1-11-14;
2 Corinthians 5:6-10,[11-13],14-17; Mark 4:26-34



Prayer Praise and Healing Service

Wednesday, June 16, 2021 5:30-6:30 P.M.

Join us in a cool place to sing and praise the Lord!

Speaker : Richard Reel

Followed by Holy Communion and
healing prayers for those who wish.



Lord, we ask you to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in sickness, or any other adversity. Open the hearts to know your love and feel your presence.

We pray for Diane Manning, Dale, Idella, Corney, Scotty Haskell, Julie Corral, Bill and Judy Fletcher, Zachary Kircher, M., Ben Berkshire, Kenneth Holbert, Katy Mize, Lina, Bruno Hildebrandt, Kara, Eric, Ella & Timothy, Gerry Pyper, Sandra Pyper, Steven Fischer, Ann Traverso, Neil, Lauren, Fr. Austin, Pat Galloway, Dorothy Green, Denise, Connie, Sue, Bishop Keith, Abbie Bundy, Betty (Bo Peep) Penny, Donna, Dcn. Linda, Lorraine Chavez, Steve Chacon, Merle Shyne, Laura, Darlene O., Maddy, Lauren, Steven, Elena, Officer Shay K. Mikalonis, Niki, Roni, Bob, Carol, Kathy Watson, and Pray for the World.

If you would like to submit prayer requests for this newsletter or if you have any updates, please contact the church office at 928-343-9551, or ctryuma@gmail.com.

Prayers for the Deanery of Arizona

Anglican Campus ASU
Fr. Ernest and Lalitha Victor



CtR Prayer Project

John 14:16-17-I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.

Raise your hand if you've ever had your mouth washed out with soap! That's what parents threatened to do if and when a child lied or swore. And it wasn't a little liquid soap. It was a bar of soap--usually not sweet-smelling as we have today. Today, this form of discipline would be considered child abuse. But it accomplished what parents set out to do, and that was to keep their children from lying and swearing. Today, the consequences don't seem to be as effective. Teachers tell of not only having children lie and swear at them, but also having them throw things at them. And instead of parents supporting the teachers, they seem to be supporting the misbehavior of their children. People today just don't seem to place as much importance on the truth as they once did. But God is the same yesterday, today, and forever. His Word tells us that "a harsh word stirs up anger", the "mouth of fools spouts folly", and He lists seven things that are an abomination to Him, including a lying tongue and a false witness who utters lies. That's why He tells us that liars will have no place in His kingdom. Today, we don't know who or what to believe. We used to be able to trust journalists with the truth, but now their reporting has political overtones. Politicians lie in order to be re-elected or to please their election donors. Children lie to avoid punishment or to get a grade they don't deserve. And even the "fact-checkers" on the Internet can't be trusted. Fortunately, God Himself is the Spirit of truth, and every word that proceeds from His mouth is the truth. He not only speaks the truth, He is omniscient, knowing when each and every person He created speaks a lie. In

the Garden of Eden, He had a marvelous relationship with Adam and Eve. They walked in the Garden together, and talked about all sorts of things. But one day, Adam and Eve didn't show up for their daily walk and talk. God knew why, but Adam and Eve lied and told God they were afraid because they were naked, so they hid. And when asked how they knew they were naked, Adam blamed Eve and Eve blamed the serpent. When God asked Cain about killing his brother, Abel, instead of telling God the truth, Cain asked, "Am I my brother's keeper?" Ever since the Fall of Man, men and women have been born with the tendency to sin. We refer to it as "original sin". The truth is essential to us as human beings. We live together as societies, and depend on truthful sharing. Without it, we have no way of knowing whom we can trust. And when there is no trust, there is no genuine relationship. Is it time for God to get out the soap?

Praying in One Accord-Liars can be forgiven, but in order to be saved for all eternity, they must pray for God to keep them in one accord with the Spirit of truth.

Accord Prayer-Lord Christ, You spoke the truth and it led You to the Cross. In order for us to take up our crosses and follow You, we must be willing to do the same. In Your Name we pray. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving-Spirit of Truth, thank You for nudging us when we are tempted to lie; thank You for leading us into the truth and helping us discern the truth when others speak. Amen.

Mark Your CALENDAR

Sunday, June 13

11:30 a.m. Worship Service

Tuesday, June 15

6:30 a.m. Bible Study

9 – 10:30 a.m. Prayer time in the Chapel

9:30 a.m. Prayers and Squares – CtR Library

6:30 p.m. Grief Share – CtR Library

Wednesday, June 16

2 p.m. Bible Study

5:30 p.m. Prayer Praise and Healing Service

Thursday, June 17

11:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Prayer Group

12 – 1:30 p.m. Prayer time in the Chapel

Friday June 18

11:00 a.m. Filming TV ad in sanctuary
{see article on front page}

Sunday, June 20

11:30 a.m. Worship Service



Jesus tells many parables

Mark 4:26-34

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FIRST	FULL	GETS
GRAIN	GRASS	GROUND
GROWS	HEAD	KINGDOM
KNOW	LIKE	NIGHT
PARABLE	PERMITS	PRODUCES
RIGHT	SAID	SCATTERS
SEED	SENDS	SICKLE
SLEEPS	SOIL	SOWN
SPEAK	SPROUTS	THEN