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**Morning Prayer**

Sundays at 8 AM

**Holy Eucharist**

Sundays at 10 AM

10 AM Services Streamed at  
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### ***From Vestry Clerk Kathy Adams***

#### **WANT TO KNOW A SECRET?**

I don't think everybody knows this, but (whispering) Tim Adams and Janice Webster do not agree on everything!!! Shocker, right? I know this because I have walked very slowly through a room and heard snippets of their conversations while they have been on the phone.

As the Sr. and Jr. Wardens this past year, they have had to deal with a lot of different issues. Some have been resolved quickly without requiring much discussion. Some have required more in-depth conversations and maybe some research. Sometimes (make that often) I have heard laughter, but I have never heard a raised or angry voice from either one of them toward the other. I don't know what Janice thinks of some of Tim's ideas. I do know that Tim doesn't always agree with Janice's recommendations, but he

always gives thoughtful consideration to them. Sometimes he comes around to her reasoning, sometimes he sticks to his initial thoughts, sometimes he calls Stan Jamieson!

This scenario came to my mind when I saw a recent FaceBook posting by Rev. Carole Horton-Howe. It was a quote by Bishop Michael Curry in his book

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Love is the Way. “To love, my brothers and sisters, does not mean we have to agree. But maybe agreeing to love is the greatest agreement. And the only one that ultimately matters, because it makes a future possible.” Thank you, Carole, for this timely reminder for me.

I take words very seriously. I reserve the word “love” for reference to my family and very close friends. But I think the above quote applies to everyone, be they loved ones, acquaintances, or even people I have just met. I interpret the quote to mean we don’t have to agree on everything. Everyone is entitled to their own thoughts and opinions, and we should all be accepting and respectful of that. It is an opportunity for an exchange of thoughts in a calm and respectful manner. It could elevate to lively banter, but no shouting or name calling.

Think of how boring conversations would be if you and your loved ones agreed on everything. Who would you roll your eyes at if everyone in the family was either a USC or UCLA fan? Or how many turkeys would you need to cook for Thanksgiving if everyone wanted white meat? Or how much less violence would there be in the world if the nuts I am always hearing about in the news would walk away from disagreements instead of elevating confrontations to physical attacks?

On the other side of the coin, I can be very stubborn at times. No amount of discussion will change my mind. Tim has learned that over the years. But I am open to hearing whatever comments you may have. You probably won’t change my mind, but I am interested in what you have to say. At the very least I might pick up some points that I feel would support my position even more, at the most I might (underscore might) change my mind to your way of thinking.

The quote is a reminder to me that one way I can do the loving thing is by being courteous and respectful when people express an opinion that is different from mine. What does it say to you?

Kathy Adams

## ***From Stan Jamieson***

It has been a while since we discussed our Vanco on line giving program. If you are interested in finding out more about this unique and important program please keep reading and I will explain. I will cover some key reasons for donating to St. Matthias thru Vanco.

- (1) The Vanco on line giving program facilitates automatic giving. I know that many people prefer furnishing a physical check either by mail or placing in the donation plate at church. This method is time consuming and causes extra work for our accounting staff at St. Matthias. Our on line giving portal makes giving simple and eliminates a lot of paper work.
- (2) I have set up the St. Matthias giving portal on our web site ([www.stmatthiaswhittier.org](http://www.stmatthiaswhittier.org)). Please take a few minutes to look at the web site and click on the giving **button**. And then and then go to the **Giving On Line**. You will then see all the tiles I have set up and see all the ways you can give. These tiles are as follow:

- A - General Operating
- B - Buildings and Grounds
- C - Daughters of the King
- D - Feast of Lights
- E - Altar Guild
- F - ECW
- G - Pastoral
- H - St. Elizabeth's Guild
- I - Stephen Ministry
- J - Children and Youth
- K - The Loving Thing

Each Tile has a donate button. If you are a new user (giver) please go to the top of this page and click on "Sign Up" and follow the easy direction. If you are already giving just go to the top of the page and click on "Log In".

I will be furnishing more information in upcoming messenger(s).

If you have any questions or problems please contact me at [stan@stmatthiaswhittier.org](mailto:stan@stmatthiaswhittier.org) or call me at 626-485-5885.

# ?? ? Bible Quiz ? ?

In John 10, what metaphor does Jesus use to describe himself?

- A. "I am the gate..."
- B. "I am the good shepherd..."
- C. Both A and B
- D. Neither A nor B



Answer: C (See John 10:9, 11.)



# Puzzle!

Complete the Scripture verses (NIV, unless marked) using letters found in the words



See! The winter is \_ \_ \_ \_ ; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come. (Song of Solomon 2:11-12)

"Therefore, if your whole body is full of light, and no part of it \_ \_ \_ \_ , it will be just as full of light as when a lamp shines its light on you." (Luke 11:36)

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ , which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them ... ? (Psalm 8:3-4)

We all, like sheep, have gone \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ , each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (Isaiah 53:6)

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ and members of the household of God. (Ephesians 2:19, ESV)



# 2023 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

## PALM SUNDAY

**April 2**

**8:00 a.m.** *(in-person only)*

**10:00 a.m.** *(in-person and on Facebook)*

## MAUNDY THURSDAY

**April 6 + 7:00 p.m.**

We will follow in the footsteps of Jesus and his friends as they celebrated Passover the night before his crucifixion. The Maundy Thursday liturgy of the Blessing of the Hands, will conclude with Eucharist and the Stripping of the Altar.

## GOOD FRIDAY

**April 7**

**12:00 Noon**

**The Stations of the Cross** *(in-person only)*

**7:00 p.m.**

**Choral evening observance** *(in-person and on Facebook).*

## VIGIL PRAYERS

**April 8 + 8:00 p.m.** *(in-person only)*

Mother Vienna McCarthy will lead us in an Easter Vigil Prayer service on Saturday, April 8, at 8PM in the Chapel. Please join us for a solemn and intimate moment of prayer, anticipation and reflection as we await the Risen Christ.

## EASTER SUNDAY

**April 9**

**8:00 a.m.** *(in-person only)*

**10:00 a.m.** *(in-person and on Facebook)*

Festive celebrations of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Choir music will be an important part of both services.

## APRIL SERVICES, EVENTS, AND SMALL GROUPS

**SUNDAYS AT 8:00 A.M.** (in-person only)

**SUNDAYS AT 10:00 A.M.** (in-person and streaming live at [facebook.com/stmatthiaswhittier](https://facebook.com/stmatthiaswhittier))

**BIBLE STUDY/MORNING PRAYER:** Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. Chapel.

**MEN EATING BADLY:** Saturday, April 1, 8:00 a.m. Greenleaf Café. Contact Tim Adams.

**OUR TIME:** Thursday, April 11, 2:00 p.m. Chapel. Contact Mary Jean Christian.

**VESTRY MEETING:** Tuesday, April 11, 7:00 p.m. Chapel.

**STITCHERY GROUP:** Saturday, April 15, 9:00 a.m. Chapel. Contact Ellen Mykkanen.

**DAUGHTERS OF THE KING:** Sunday, April 16, 1:00 p.m. Chapel.

**ST. ELIZABETH'S GUILD:** Thursday, April 20, Noon. Chapel. Contact Diana Jimenez.

**MEN'S BOOK GROUP:** Thursday, April 20, 6:30 p.m.. Contact Charles Carrillo..

**EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN:** Saturday, April 22, 10:00 a.m. Chase Room. Contact Kathy Adams.

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## Food for Thought

Did You Ever Wonder?

Did you ever wonder  
what the greatest gift is  
that God has ever done?

It is this: Mercy.

If you wonder what this means,  
practice mercy and your questions will fade.

Live into mercy, and you will become what you  
love,

for love unites us in our loving not in our being.

So give yourself to love,  
and love yourself in giving.

The rest will follow on its own.

Meister Eckhart

"Meister Eckhart's Book of Secrets" p15.

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HE IS RISEN

Hallelujah



## Sunday Worship at St. Matthias: APRIL 2023

- April 2**      **Palm Sunday**  
*The Liturgy of the Palms*  
Matthew 21:1-11; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29  
*The Liturgy of the Word*  
Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 27:11-54
- April 9**      **Easter Day**  
Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-18
- April 16**     **Second Sunday of Easter**  
Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31
- April 23**     **Third Sunday of Easter**  
Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35
- April 30**     **Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10

We look forward to offering our worship services on more than one platform for streaming in the near future. We are awaiting new equipment that will allow us to do so. So please be patient and stay with us till that happens.

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