CONNECTING MEOTA September 20th, 2023

This newsletter is meant to inspire, engage, and encourage everyone in the Meota Parish to seek God and reach out to one another throughout the week.

Our next church service will be Sunday September 24th , 10:30 am at St. George's or Christ Church Millarville and St. James invites you to join us at Christ Church or St George's this Sunday !

Livestream will not be available for the summer months. We will reevaluate in the fall. Please enjoy the summer weather and attend one of our lovely churches in the Meota parish. The flowers at each church are beautiful. The services are upbeat and the fellowship is friendly. Please join us.



PRAYER AND PRAISE THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 7PM ST. GEORGE'S DIAMOND VALLEY

Come sing, pray, and enjoy the presence of God !!

Register now: HEALING AND WHOLENESS PT 3

To be led by our wonderful-Rev. Martyn SEPT 30, 9:30 - 3:00 ST. Benedict's High River Register: <u>martyn.greer@outlook.com</u> Arrive at 9 am for coffee & muffins Bring your own lunch but Refreshments provided all day

You can come even if you didn't attend before. You will learn lots, sing lots and make new friends! Register now as space is limited! "You and I need to make room for the Lord in our lives, then miracles can happen." —Corrie ten Boom



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From High Country News

High River is hosting one of my favorite events in September, the annual River City Classics Car Show and Shine and Burn-Outs. This is the second in memory of Brian Chipchase Sr., who was an integral part of the Car Club. This is a huge car show with the Foothills Fetal Alcohol Society doing a large part of the volunteering, and they along with other local charities will benefit from this event. The Show and Shine runs on September 24 from 10-4 in High River, downtown and George Lane Memorial Park. For

full details go to <u>rivercityclassics.ca</u>., and admission is free.



Another really cool event in High River is the annual Heritage Inn International Balloon Festival. Opening ceremonies are on September 27 at 5:30, and then they will be heading over to the MacLeod Trail launch site for the first flight of these magnificent hot air balloons. The event runs Sept. 27 – Oct. 1 with daily launches at 7:30 am and 5:15pm. The event is free and is quite a site to see all these balloons in the sky. You can even buy a ride on one of them! For full details, go to <u>heritageinninternationalballoonfestival.com</u>.



The truth is still the truth, even if no one believes it. A lie is still a lie, even if everyone believes it. Sunday, September 24th, 2023. Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings

EXODUS 16:2-15; PSALM 105:1-6, 37-45; PHILIPPIANS 1:21-30; MATTHEW 20:1-16

First Reading. God sends manna to feed the Israelites in the desert

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him - what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord." Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God." In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat." EXODUS 16:2-15

3 Lessons from Manna in the Bible

Obedience

How to Cultivate a Rhythm of Work and Rest Faith

Gospel

Jesus said, "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last." MATTHEW 20:1-16

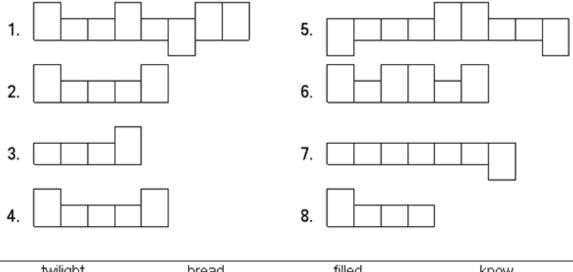


Dinner on the Ground

"I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.' "Exodus 6:12 (NIV)



Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.



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FUNNY BONES





GO IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD! ALLELUIA!!

