

CONNECTING MEOTA October 18th, 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 October 22nd, 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 !**

Please enjoy our autumn weather and attend one of our lovely churches in the Meota parish. The stained-glass windows at each church are beautiful. The services are upbeat and the fellowship is friendly. Please join us.

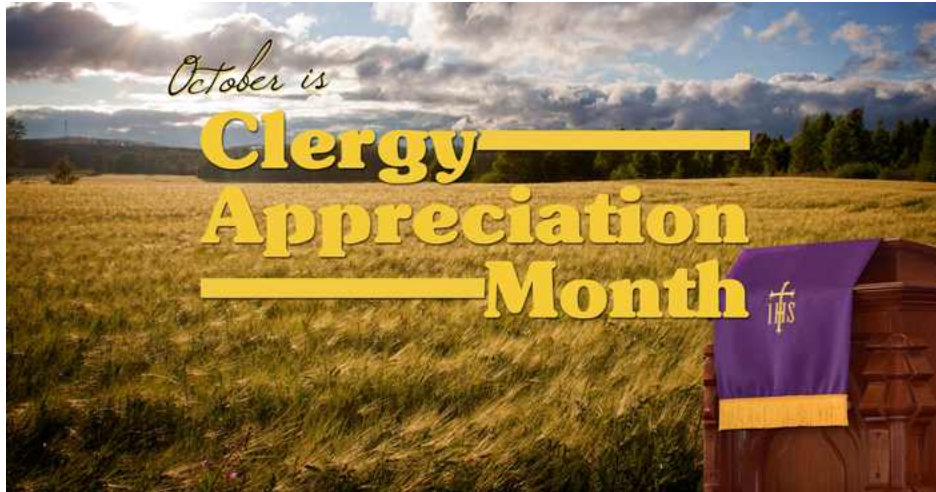
Join Us For Worship
In Person Services Sunday @ 10:30am
Christ Church, Millarville & St. George's, Diamond Valley



I MUST TAKE TIME
TO WORSHIP THE ONE
WHOSE NAME I BEAR.



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The Church needs a solid foundation to remain strong. Today, many churches rely on the ministry to be the rock their Church is built upon. That puts enormous pressure on pastors, priests, reverends, and ministers. This pressure can build up on the individual and their families and take a toll on the entire congregation. Pastor Appreciation Month was created to highlight the ministry's role in the Church and give thanks for their work. Every year, the month of October is observed as the Pastor's Appreciation Month or Clergy Appreciation Month.



Ven Alan baptizing a baby!!!

Reach out to your clergy, in a card, email, or a handshake on Sunday morning and make an expression your appreciation for all they do in the whole life of the church and its ministry.

A close-up photograph of a person's arm and hand holding a large, thick book. The person is wearing a light blue button-down shirt and a black leather watch. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

*Lord, I pray for our
spiritual leader, remind him
daily that You are with him
to grant strength and
courage during stressful or
trying times in his life.
Build a hedge of protection
around him to keep him
from the discouragement of
everyday circumstances.
In Jesus Name, Amen.*

Pray for Everything

GOD BLESS VEN. ALAN, REV. MARTYN, DEACON PAT, and all those who lead and serve our congregations!

Upcoming Events. Invite a friend or neighbour.



FIFTH SUNDAY worship and potluck

Oct 29th 10:30 am

at Christ Church Millarville

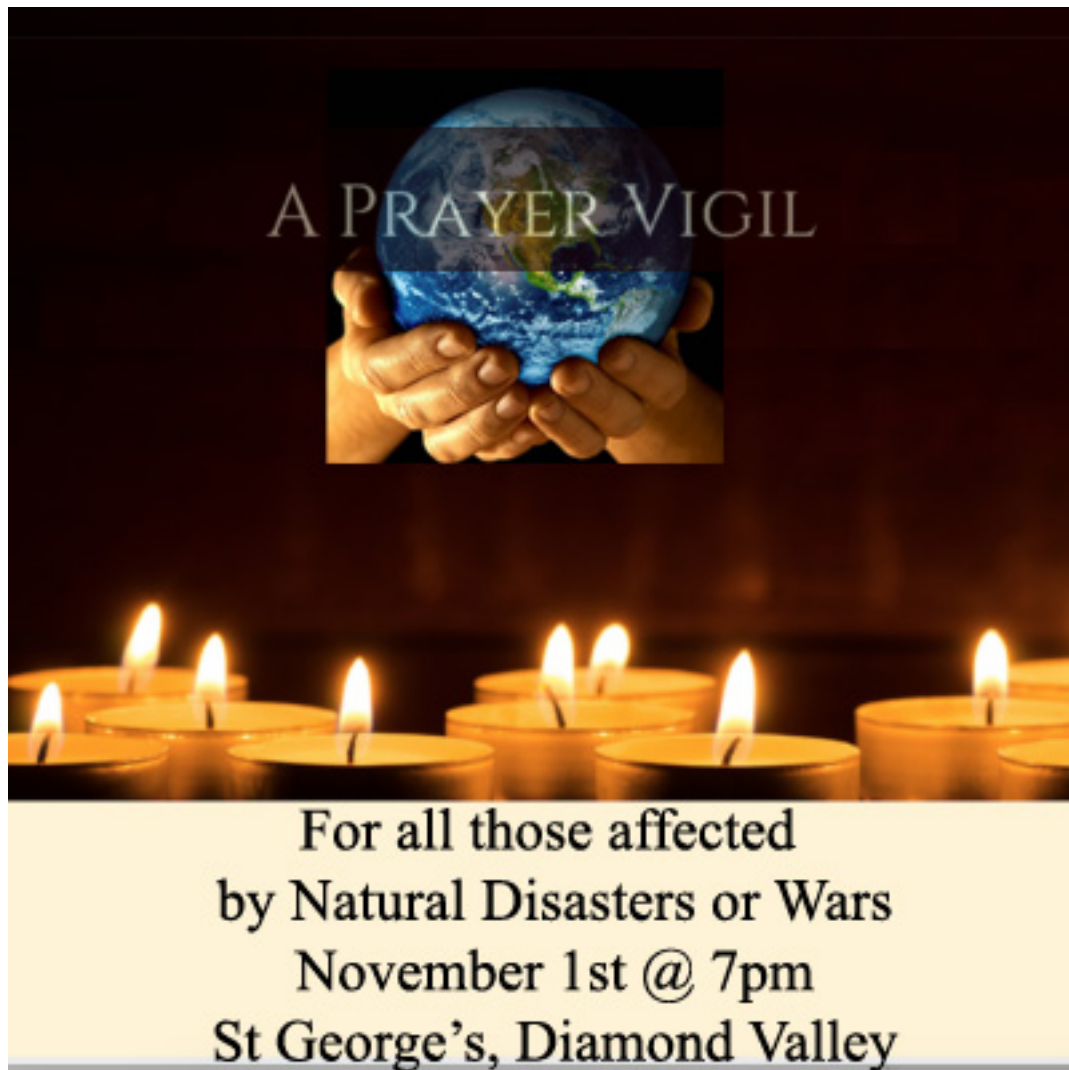
Come for the worship; stay for the food and fellowship!



Prayer and Praise

Oct 26th 7 pm. St George's Diamond Valley.

COME SING, PRAISE, PRAY AND BE GLAD!



**For all those affected
by Natural Disasters or Wars
November 1st @ 7pm
St George's, Diamond Valley**

Gracious God, we pray for all persons suffering from war. May they be held in your loving care and protection and given the strength to endure great suffering and hardship. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. We ask all this in the name of your Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
Amen.

Prayer is not demanding
that God do what I want
but trusting that God
will do what is right.

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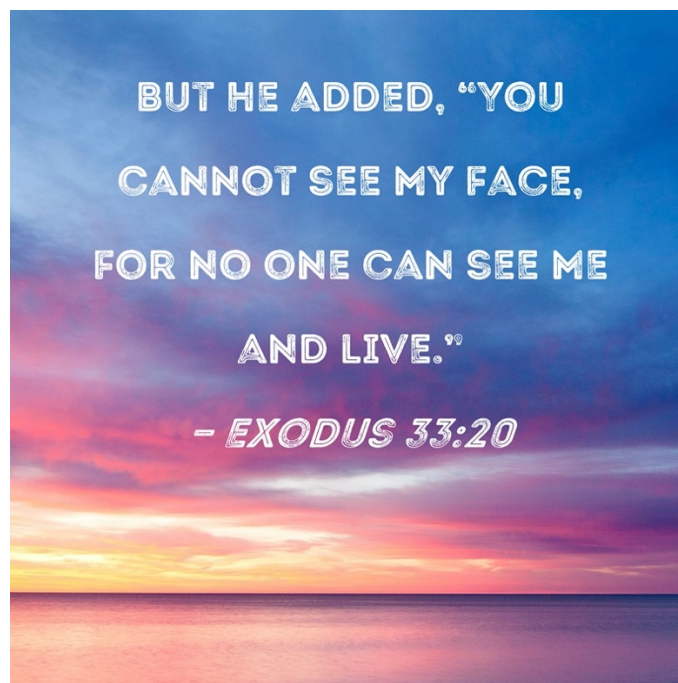
Sunday, October 22nd, 2023. Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Readings

EXODUS 33:12-23; PSALM 99; 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-10; MATTHEW 22:15-22

First Reading

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight.' Now if I have found favour in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen." EXODUS 33:12-23



Gospel

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, **"Whose head is this, and whose title?"** They answered, **"The emperor's."** Then he said to them, **"Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's."** When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away. MATTHEW 22:15-22



From gotquestions.org

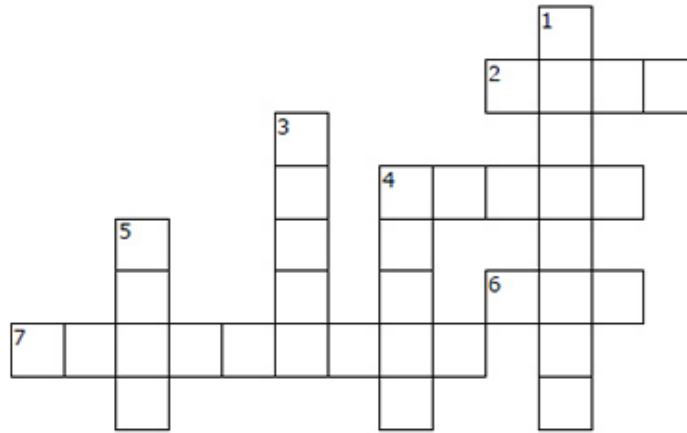
When Jesus said, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's," He was drawing a sharp distinction between two kingdoms. There is a kingdom of this world, and Caesar holds power over it. But there is another kingdom, not of this world, and Jesus is King of that ([John 18:36](#)). Christians are part of both kingdoms, at least temporarily. Under Caesar, we have certain obligations that involve material things. Under Christ, we have other obligations that involve things eternal. If Caesar demands money, give it to him—it's only [mammon](#). But make sure you also give God what He demands.

Caesar minted coins, as he had a right to do, and he demanded some coins in return, as was his right. After all, his image was stamped on what he had made. God has "minted" the human soul, and He has stamped His image on every one ([Genesis 1:27](#)). So give Caesar his due—the temporary stuff of this world—but make sure to give God His due: "Offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness" ([Romans 6:13](#)).

Paying Taxes to Caesar

Then he said to them, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." Matthew 22:21

Based on Matthew 22:15-22 (NIV)



ACROSS

2. A usually flat piece of metal used for money.
4. A statement that agrees with fact or reality.
6. To give someone money in return for something.
7. A religious group who were strict followers of the law.

DOWN

1. A picture of a person -- usually showing the face.
3. The details of how something is going to be accomplished.
4. Money paid to the government.
5. A situation from which it is difficult or impossible to escape.

TAXES	TRAP	PORTRAIT	PLANS
TRUTH	PAY	PHARISEES	COIN

Funny Bones



"I downloaded them from a cloud."



"I'M AFRAID IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO RENDER UNTO CAESAR THAT WHICH IS CAESAR'S."

OUR CHURCHES and HOW TO REACH US

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GO IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD!



The Bible doesn't just
give us instruction for
today – it also plants
wisdom in our hearts
for the future.

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ALLELUIA!!!