CONNECTING MEOTA October 25th, 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 29th, 10:30 am ONE SERVICE at Christ Church Millarville followed by a <u>yummy potluck!</u>

We hope all people of Meota Parish will gather for worship, food and fellowship!

We haven't been all together since... I don't know when. Come and let's worship together.

This might be a good time to invite your friends and neighbours.

PS: Christ Church- entrée. St. George's - salad / dessert



THE GOD
OF THE
UNIVERSE
knows YOU,
accepts YOU
AND loves
YOU.

LYSA TERKEURST



Prayer and Praise

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

COME SING, PRAISE, PRAY AND BE COMFORTED!



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



Christ Church will be packing shoeboxes for

SAMARTIAN'S PURSE - OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD!

Over the next few Sundays, we are asking the people of Christ Church to support the packing of shoeboxes that go to children in third world countries.

If you wish and if you are able, please bring things for children that would fit into a regular shoebox. Operations Christmas Child is asking for school supplies, hygiene items and small toys. They also ask that we do not pack war related toys, toothpaste or food items (including candy, no candy!) They also respectfully request a \$10 donation per box to cover shipping.

In the next few weeks, we will collect what people donate and together we will have a

SHOEBOX PACKING EVENT!!!!

SUNDAY NOV 19^{TH} AFTER THE SERVICE, DURING COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP TIME.







"Children are not a distraction from more important work, They are the most important work. " ~ C.S. Lewis



In these troubled times, we pray for peace throughout the world.



Should Christians celebrate Halloween?

I found an article by Focus on the Family. The article's answer is... **IT ALL DEPENDS.**

It's worth a read and too long to copy here.
I have included this link.

You can click on it and your internet should take you to the article.

https://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/should-christians-celebrate-

halloween/#:~:text=Our%20obedience%20to%20God%20requires ,31%20is%20not%20a%20sin.





In the Church of England, mother church of the Anglican Communion, it is a Principal Feast and may be celebrated either on 1st November or on the Sunday between 30 October and 5 November. It is also celebrated by other Protestants, such as the United Church of Canada and various Methodist connexions.

All Saints' Day and the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed on All Souls' Day both celebrate this mutual belonging. All Saints' Day celebrates men and women in whose lives the Church as a whole has seen the grace of God powerfully at work.

Do Anglicans celebrate All Saints Day?

As a principal feast day, many Anglican churches will celebrate a full eucharistic liturgy on All Saints' day. It is also common to have Baptisms on All Saints' Day (or the Sunday after Nov. 1). Often, a Liturgy of the Saints will be included to call to mind and give thanks for specific saints, historical and modern.

Why do Anglicans celebrate All Souls Day?

All Souls Day ... is a time when we particularly remember those who have died. The prayers appointed for that day remind us that we are joined with the Communion of Saints, that great group of Christians who have finished their earthly life and with who we share the hope of resurrection from the dead.

Sunday, October 29th, 2023 Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Readings

DEUTERONOMY 34:1-12; PSALM 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 THESSALONIANS 2:1-8; MATTHEW 22:34-46

First Reading

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Bethpeor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel, DEUTERONOMY 34:1-12



Gospel

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

MATTHEW 22:34-46



CENTRAL KIDS

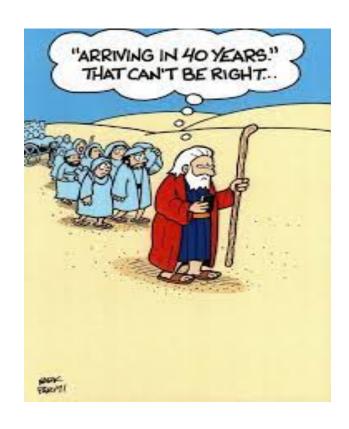
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Love the Lord your God will all your heart, mind, soul and strength!

FUNNY BONES



After 39½ years of wandering in the desert, Mrs. Moses secretly asks for directions.



GO IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD!!



ALLELUIA!