

CONNECTING MEOTA May 1st , 2024

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

Our next church service will be

Sunday May 5th

10:30 am

at St George's Diamond Valley, Christ Church Millarville

The people of St. James are welcome to worship with us at Christ Church or St. George's.
We would love to see you and worship with you among us!!



Join us for Worship
In Person Services at 10:30am
Christ Church, Millarville
&
St George's, Diamond Valley

Upcoming Events *It's not too late to join us.*

ANGLICAN PLUS

Let us challenge ourselves to become mature in our understanding of the faith! Hebrews 6:1

In Lent we had movies, zoom chats, a wide variety of church services to help us draw nearer to God.

In Apr/May there will be classes to delve into our Christian Faith and how it is expressed in our Anglican tradition.

ALL CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT CHRIST CHURCH AFTER COFFEE TIME. There should be enough time for St George people to tootle over and join the conversation! Every week is its own topic. You can drop in anytime!



Come to ANGLICAN PLUS for a time of learning, sharing and great conversation!

WE HAD AN EXCITING BAPTISM AT CHRIST CHURCH LAST SUNDAY

Ethan came to St James Priddis seeking a place to worship. It was closed but he read the sign on the door and drove all the way to Christ Church for Sunday service. After weeks of attending, he declared that he wanted to be baptized; not sprinkled, not splashed but full immersion. In true western style, the Ven. Alan found a horse trough to use as a baptismal font. Ethan was baptized last Sunday!!
GOD BLESS YOU ETHAN!!!




The hymn we sang at his baptism:

Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide
If I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and
never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found,
To reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and
sound
In you, and you in me?

Affirmed by God!!! Look at that smile!





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

LYSA TERKEURST

Sunday May 5, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Readings

ACTS 10:44-48; PSALM 98; 1 JOHN 5:1-6; JOHN 15:9-17

First Reading A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

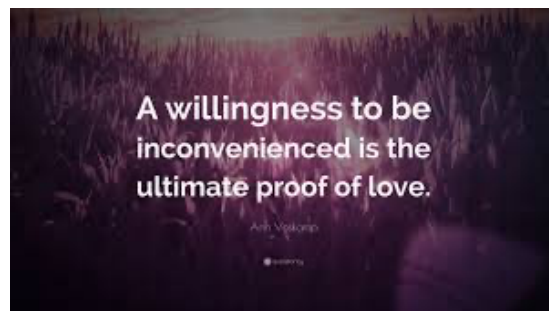
While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, **"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?"** So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days. ACTS 10:44-48

Second Reading A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, **when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world.** And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. 1 JOHN 5:1-6



Gospel THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN
Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. **This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.** You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another." JOHN 15:9-17



<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/christmas-chat-willingness-inconvenienced-ultimate-proof-low>

This article got me thinking:

Am I willing to be inconvenienced to show love to my neighbour?

To give up my way of doing things so that my neighbour feels accepted?

To give up a parking spot close to the door for someone else?

To share my time even though I think I'm too busy to help someone?

Am I willing to be inconvenienced?

Am I willing to love my neighbour that much, that way?

Funny Bones



**The First ever
cordless phone
was created by
God. He named it
Prayer. It never
loses its signal
and you never
have to recharge
it. Use it
anywhere. Amen!**

Found this in stuff my mom saved for me :)

Planting Your Spring Garden

For The Garden of Your Daily Living

Plant Three Rows of peas

1. Peace of Mind
2. Peace of Heart
3. Peace of Soul

Plant Four Rows of Squash

1. Squash Gossip
2. Squash Indifference
3. Squash Grumbling
4. Squash Selfishness

Plant Four Rows of Lettuce

1. Lettuce Be Faithful
2. Lettuce Be Kind
3. Lettuce Be Patient
4. Lettuce Really Love One Another

No Garden is Complete Without Turnips

1. Turnip For Meetings
2. Turnip For Service
3. Turnip To Help One Another

To Conclude Our Garden We Must Have Thyme

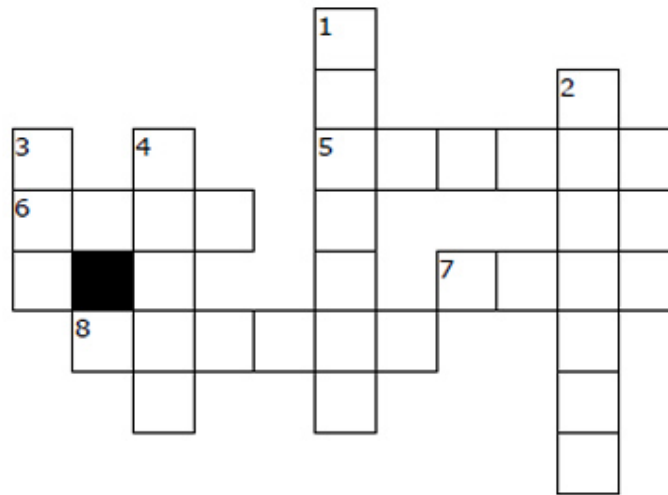
1. Thyme For Each Other
2. Thyme For Family
3. Thyme For Friends

Water Freely With Patience And Cultivate With Love.
There Is Much Fruit In Your Garden Because You Reap
What You Sow. Pass It On!!!

A Heart Full of Joy

“These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full.” John 15:11 (NKJV)

Puzzle is based on John 15:9-17



ACROSS

5. One who has authority over another person
6. To do what you are told; follow the rules
7. To hold dear, to like or desire greatly
8. A person that you like very much

DOWN

1. An order which a person is expected to obey
2. Someone that performs duties for a master
3. A state of happiness or delight
4. To gain knowledge, skill, or understanding

JOY	OBEY	LOVE	SERVANT
MASTER	FRIEND	LEARN	COMMAND

GO IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD!

*I sing because I'm happy
I sing because I'm free,
For His eye is on the sparrow
And I know He watches me.*



Alleluia!!!