

*Peter, do you love me? Feed my sheep.* (John 21)

Here we are in this Easter season, wondering how we are to live out the Good News of the Resurrection. During these forty days we are reminded of Jesus' longing to reconnect with those he loved so that the promise of living a life of resurrection might become established in their hearts. It's hard to tell what might have happened to the passion and resurrection stories had Jesus been raised from the dead and immediately ascended to heaven. He seemed to go out of his way to show his hands and his side, to break bread, to eat fish with those he loved. He longed to remove any doubt that the one who was dead, dead, dead was now alive and that death was indeed "swallowed up in victory."

Jesus' other goal seemed to be to seek out Peter, the one who had denied him only hours before. Peter, who was to be the rock upon whom Jesus was to build his church, had crumbled when his own life was under threat. Peter, who promised to follow Jesus to the end, panicked when questioned by a simple servant girl. Jesus gave us a

model for restoring relationships when we have been betrayed. He began by demonstrating what it would look like for the betrayed to seek out the betrayer. He refused to let Peter remain hidden behind his own weakness. He sought Peter out rather than waiting for Peter's apology. Jesus then created a way for Peter to reconnect with the love within Peter's heart for Jesus that he knew was still there.

Finally, he teaches Peter that to have love for one another, you must feed one another. He invited Peter to discover that his own neediness could be satisfied in meeting the hunger of his neighbor. Apparently, that's how the Gospel takes root. In truth, it's pretty simple.

I invite you this Easter season to see the need of your neighbor. Does someone need a card or phone call? Is there someone in the workplace who could be helped by enjoying a shared meal? Do you have clothes you could take to the Clothing Closet at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church (2300 Edison Ave 95821)? Do you

feel pulled to respond to Episcopal Relief and Development's "Nepal Earthquake Response Fund" (<https://www.episcopalrelief.org/NepalRelief>)?

Looking for the Good News of Easter? Let's follow Jesus' example and start feeding sheep!

Blessings,  
*Lynell*

The Rev. Canon Lynell Walker+  
Priest-in-Charge

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THE RIGHT REVEREND BARRY L. BEISNER  
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**RIK LORIN RASMUSSEN**

TO THE SACRED ORDER OF PRIESTS  
IN CHRIST'S ONE HOLY CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH

SATURDAY, THE TWENTY THIRD DAY OF MAY  
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN  
ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

SAIN'T PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
1430 J STREET  
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

YOUR PRAYER AND PRESENCE ARE REQUESTED  
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW  
CLERGY: RED STOLES

## CELEBRATING ORDAINED MINISTRY

On Saturday, **May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 am** we will gather for the ordination of Rik L. Rasmussen to the Sacred Order of Priests. Rik has had a most remarkable journey. He has functioned in such a "priestly" way among us for so many years and now it's time to make it official! Please help share in the festive day by bringing finger food, prepared on trays, to share with our many guests at the reception following the service. Please bring food that does not require silverware. The reception will be held in the patio immediately west of our building in the space between us and the Convention Center. Take items to the Parish Hall when you arrive. We will set it out for the reception immediately following the service.

On Sunday **May 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00AM** we will celebrate Fr. Eric Symons' 40th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. How blessed we are to have Fr. Eric and Hallie as part of our congregation. Fr. Eric has a most generous heart, and we look forward to honoring his ministry in the Church on that day. Fr. Eric will be preaching and celebrating at both the 8AM and 10AM services that day. May the Spirit which called him into ministry continue to sustain him all the days of his life.



## DAUGHTERS OF THE KING NEWS

Rev. Anne McKeever

Four St. Paul's women attended the Diocesan Daughters of the King Spring Assembly April 25 in Auburn. We learned about the remarkable life of Catherine of Siena and the symbolism of flowers.

St. Paul's Mary Magdalene Chapter of Daughters of the King invites everyone to celebrate mothers and all who nurture at the Mother's Day coffee hour in the Parish Hall on Sunday, May 10.

Next DOK meeting: After the coffee hour on Sunday, May 24, in the Parish Hall. All women are welcome.

Our DOK chapter mourns the death of Daughter Denise Shaible who left this life on April 23. We pray for the repose of Denise's soul and for comfort and courage for her beloved husband Adam. We look forward to celebrating Denise's life at her service Monday, May 18, and contributing to the reception to follow.

Women in the Holy Order of Daughters are dedicated to Prayer, Service and Evangelism. St. Paul's Daughters pray for everyone in our congregation. If you haven't yet received a blue postcard from the Daughter praying for you, please contact Rev. Anne at [amckeever@wavecable.com](mailto:amckeever@wavecable.com) or [539-908-3616](tel:539-908-3616).

## Budget Summary January 2015

by Doug Clay

## Treasurer's Corner

<u>Budgeted Income</u>	<u>YTD actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>
Pledge	19,912	16,500
Giver of record	479	2,500
Loose plate	851	875
Special offerings	407	875
Interest	21	19
Building use	860	800
Altar guild	214	125
Budget enhancement	1,917	1,915
<u>Wedding</u>		
Budgeted income	24,661	23,609
<u>Budgeted Expense</u>		
Office/telephone	1,498	1,362
Insurance & taxes	2,750	2,250
Repairs & maintenance	911	750
Utilities	2,586	2,250
Subtotal	7,745	6,612
Diocese apportionment	1,944	2,500
Altar guild	579	1,154
Rainy Day Fund	539	566
Stewardship		
Other Programs		
Outreach	1,986	812
Subtotal	5,048	5,032
Wedding payroll		
Payroll	11,715	13,880
Budgeted Expense	24,508	25,524
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>(1,915)</b>
<u>Other Income</u>		
Building fund	4,987	
Music fund		
Restricted Income	508	
	5,495	
<u>Other Expense</u>		
Building fund expense	4,500	
Music expense	33	
Other non-budgeted	1,486	
	6,019	

## WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT

She was born in Belize, British Honduras. She joined the British military as a cryptographer during World War II, working underground on secret wartime codes. After the war, she and a friend left England on board ship, bound for America. There she met her future husband, Edward.

Phyllis Onechyk has been a devoted servant at St. Paul's for more than 30 years, serving on the Altar Guild, helping with church bazaar sales, serving on the search committee for a new priest and feeding the hungry -- among many of her contributions. The Altar Guild is responsible for care and preparation of the altars and vessels for communion, linens, vestments, brass, silver, candles and flowers.

Most of us know Phyllis as one who works quietly behind the scenes. She greets strangers and friends with equal warmth. She rejoices with those who are celebrating. She comforts the grieving. She is a friend to the friendless. Young people are attracted to her quiet spirit.

As for fellowship and refreshment after church services, Phyllis's motto is, "If you feed them, they will come." With help from her daughter Chris, son Joe, and good friend Sue Dowdle, she prepares lunch for all who are hungry following the Wednesday and Friday noontime services, faithfully . . . every week of the year.

"She wants to prepare a real meal," says Chris, "to give people nourishing food." And she makes sure everyone is welcome, whether they have attended service or are simply in search of a good meal.

Phyllis recognizes this as an important purpose in her life. "I'm still here because God wants me to feed people," she tells Chris. And feed them she does. At the age of 93, she is still able to be the servant she feels called to be, feeding body, mind and spirit of all who are given the gentle grace of her presence.

Note: "Good and Faithful Servant" is a series of occasional articles honoring those who serve St. Paul's.

## MANY THANKS...

by Lynell Walker

To Keith Askew and Richard Kennedy for helping to replace the skirting along the base of the Parish Hall. Clearly it had seen its better days! We have been entrusted with the gift of tending to this sacred space, and I am deeply grateful for all who keep her clean, painted, watered, trimmed, and looking her best.

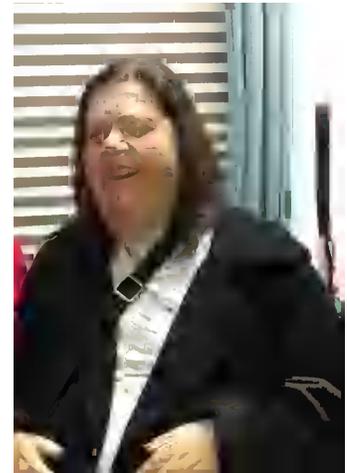


## MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR DENISE SCHAIBLE



St. Paul's was saddened to learn of the death of Denise Schaible. We pray for the peace of her soul and for Adam as he entrusts her to God's never failing grace. A memorial service for Denise has been scheduled for **Monday May 18th at 3:00PM** at St. Paul's.

Please join us as we pray for her for those who mourn.



## IN THE LIFE OF OUR CONGREGATION



Four St. Paul's women attended the Diocesan Daughters of the King Spring Assembly April 25 in Auburn.

Pictured: Laura Laughlin, Dori Darrington, Rev. Anne McKeever, Sally Smith.

## PENTECOST SUNDAY—MAY 24TH

Sunday May 24th

8AM and 10AM

**Pentecost Sunday—WEAR RED!**

It has been a long standing tradition in the Church to wear RED on Pentecost Sunday. Red symbolizes the flames of the Holy Spirit that descended upon the disciples, empowering them to do the ministry Jesus had called them to do. The story is recorded in Acts 2:

*When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.*



The vestments, altar hangings and banners are RED also for this particular Sunday, helping to set this day apart as a day of celebration. TO add to the festivities, it will be the first Sunday that the newly ordained Rik Rasmussen will celebrate his first Eucharist as a priest in Christ's holy catholic church. Come join us for this grand celebration.

## ORGAN AND PIANO CONCERT

**Concert Featuring Derek Sup, Organist and Choirmaster, St. Paul's Episcopal Church**

Derek Sup is giving a piano and organ concert on Saturday May 30th at 8:00PM and Sunday May 31st at 1:00PM at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1430 J Street. The concerts will feature works composed by Derek Sup as well as other composers including J.S. Bach, Olivier Messiaen, and Frederic Chopin.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at the door.



## PARISH WORK DAY

Please join us Saturday May 16th from 9:00AM—Noon as we spruce up our grounds and building in preparation for Rik's ordination and other upcoming events. There is a job for everyone!

Many hands make light work!



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