

This Sunday

Adult Ed: A New Heaven and a New Earth

Easter is a time of Resurrection! We hear in the scriptures at several points about the building of a new heaven and a new earth. As we enter and engage with our Easter season, we remember that Jesus' resurrection extends to the whole earth as well. Our adult education this season will help equip us with knowledge and tools so that we can help in efforts to care for the earth and join with Jesus in creating a new earth, here and now.

This week Rev. Shelly will talk about Eco-Theology—what is it, sources for it, and what it means to us and the church. Join us on Sunday at about 9:05am.

Godly Play Story Schedule

May 12th	The Story of Ruth
May 19th	The Story of Sarah

Spiritual Quest II

Spiritual Quest II will meet on May 12th, 11:30-12:30 in the Christ Church Library to discuss the last section of Helen Greaves' *Testimony of Light*, pages 135-end. Our next book is Dante's *Inferno*.

Walking for Street Chaplaincy

Street Chaplaincy is a response to the call to provide for the "least of these." Every Sunday, we walk the Ave and distribute survival supplies - food, water, and other necessities - to folks on the street. Our wish list is at <https://bit.ly/CECSClist>. We leave around noon every Sunday, and would love to have you join us. If you have any questions, contact Wes Ono or Rev. Shelly.

Catechumenate

Friends! We have entered the last phase of Water & Fire, our catechumenate process for this program year.

The focus of this session is Integration as we study together how best to live out our Baptismal Vows in joy, freedom, sacrifice and love. We meet on Sundays at 5 for light supper and discussion in the Undercroft. Our gatherings conclude on May 26.

Please join us on Saturday May 18 at Cathedral Day to celebrate the confirmation, reception and reaffirmation of our dedicated fellow travelers with Christ. Information available at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-cathedral-day-at-saint-marks-tickets-57750499298>. (There will be no Sunday meeting on the 19th)



This Week

Sunday, May 12th 2019

8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist
9:00 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
9:00 AM Nursery Care Available
9:10 AM Adult Ed
10:00 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist
10:00 AM Epic (Youth Group)
10:00 AM Godly Play
11:30 AM Coffee Hour
11:30 AM Spiritual Quest II
12:00 PM Street Chaplaincy
5:00 PM Catechumenate

Wednesday, May 15th 2019

10:30 AM Rector's Aid
8:30 PM Compline

Thursday, May 16th 2019

7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 18th 2019

11:00 AM Cathedral Day

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Do you want to add an event to the church calendar? Contact the church office: Office@Christchurchseattle.org

Cathedral Day 2019 | May 18th, 11 AM

Everyone's invited - mark your calendar for this day of fun and festivities at Saint Mark's Cathedral in Seattle. The day starts with a grand procession of clergy, choristers and confirmation candidates. It's a day of blessings! Stay for complimentary lunch from food trucks. Walk on the new outdoor labyrinth, jump in the bounce house, play games on the newly restored front lawn, make a smoothie with your own pedal power, and much more. Please register online (it's free!) at <https://cathedral-day-2019.eventbrite.com>

Prayer List Refresh

The list of names in the prayers for the people will be refreshed next week. If you have any names on the list that you'd like to keep on the list or any loved ones who you would like to add—please email Julien at office@christchurchseattle.org before May 16th.

Good News Brief Name Change

The Good News Brief is going to be renamed at the end of the month and we are currently taking suggestions for new names for the publication. If you have an idea please email Julien at office@christchurchseattle.org before May 27th.

Altar Flowers

Thank you to all who contributed to the Altar flowers and decorations for Holy Week! Now we are looking to fill the Sundays up until Advent. All Sundays except 6/30 and 9/22 are currently available. Please contact Betsy Voelker to reserve your special date. The cost is \$50 but you need not pay until your Sunday. It is also appropriate for people to share a Sunday. Betsy will be handling the flower coordination while Bea Jackson is away. Questions concerning payments should be directed to Kathy Chamberlain.

Elizabeth Gregory Home Current Needs

Grocery bags, washed to-go food containers with secure lids, and water bottles are ongoing needs for EGH. We always need backpacks, purses, and luggage with pull handles. We are currently in need of fleece blankets (new or used). EGH appreciates CEC members for their ongoing support! (The only items we cannot use are colognes, clothes hangers, bar soap, and medicines of any kind.)

2019 Summer Camps at Camp Huston, Gold Bar

Camp Huston, the Diocese of Olympia's summer camp, will offer multiple sessions this summer. Situated on 70 beautiful acres in the foothills of the Cascade mountains, campers spend the session in age-based "discovery groups", learning more about nature, more about God, and more about themselves. Activities include hiking, swimming, team-building, worship, camping in tents, and lots of games and songs!

Printed copies of camp brochures are available near the Chapel entrance. Or visit <http://huston.org/summer-camp/> for information, including a link to the full print brochure, and to register online.

Campers: Grow into leaders, discover your place in nature, build self esteem, and have fun!

At Camp Huston, campers can expect: games, songs, hikes, team-building, camp outs, archery, swimming, crafts, campfires, variety shows, dances, friends, nature and fun! Specialty sessions such as horse camp, theater camp, international discovery, mini camp, and counselor training are also offered. Every evening closes with a chapel/worship service, planned by a different discovery group each day. An Episcopal priest from the Diocese of Olympia is onsite during every session to provide counsel, help with program activities and plan chapel services. See the brochure for a full list of summer programs.

Join Camp Huston for summer camp **Open House on May 19, 2019** from 12 to 3pm. There will be tours of the property and a community BBQ. It's a great opportunity to see the cabins, walk the trails, and meet some of the staff before summer. Bring your friends and family to celebrate the beginning of summer.

Any family affiliated with an Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Olympia is eligible for **financial assistance**, regardless of their circumstance. For "campership" scholarship information contact Julien at office@christchurchseattle.org. NOTE: We cannot arrange camperships until after you register. Check the box indicating you will request a campership from the parish and then provide us with the following information:

- Child's full name; name of family member paying 1/3 of the fee.
- Session/date the child is registered for.

We will then ask for 1/3 the fee from the Bishop's fund and draw 1/3 of the fee from the parish fund. Allow sufficient time to make these arrangements.

If you have a question, want to know more about scholarships, or would like to have a conversation about summer camp, call 360-793-0441 or email info@huston.org. Camp Huston is accredited by the American Camping Association, and a registered nurse is onsite during all program hours.

Rector's Corner

Dear friends,

This week I was happy to begin on Saturday by helping at and officiating at the funeral for Kathy Bowie and Karen Phelps's father, Bob Bowey. It was a great celebration at the Old Rainier Brewery.

Sunday we had sweet worship in the morning, with a great adult ed class taught by Betsy Voelker. I returned in the evening for catechumenate, where we talked about life and vocation, and attended Campus Ministry worship (the last one in which Elizabeth will preside before her medical leave).

Monday began bright and early with some planning and phone calls, then an afternoon in the office catching up, meeting with Julien, and having a late dinner with some parishioners.

Tuesday I headed down to Tacoma to be courtroom support for the people in the river encampment in Aberdeen. A diocesan-wide call had gone out for support and we packed the courthouse, standing room only. The city council was about to evict the 100 people living on the river, with no plan for where to place them (in a city where they have been making laws to make it illegal to camp on sidewalks and empty lots). And truly: it was a day when the Holy Spirit came. The judge came in and basically told us his mind was made up: it wasn't the judiciary's job to fix this. But he permitted the lawyers to talk. And after 45 minutes of careful listening, true debate, and a LOT of prayer coming from our pews, he made the decision to issue a 30-day stay. Aberdeen may not evict the residents of the camps until the city places them elsewhere in the city. The air in the room shifted. We felt our hearts lift. The faces of the people who lived there shone. It was magnificent. The rest of the day was spent with Elizabeth Rawlings and Chris McPeak as we manage Elizabeth's sudden leave and we figured out what must be done by the end of the year and what must happen by fall. I feel reassured to have a plan.

Wednesday I was honored to be invited with clergy colleagues to attend the Planned Parenthood luncheon gala, where we heard from the new national president of PP, and a poet whose work we have been studying in Campus Ministry. Then the last afternoon and evening with the students before Elizabeth leaves on Friday. Aaron came to teach about the moral and practical realities of homelessness. Thursday I'm home writing this Sunday's sermon, this Sunday's adult ed and hanging out with Moses while Aaron works the swing shift at DESC.

Carla Robinson's surgery was postponed because of a surgical equipment recall. This means her health schedule is again thrown into chaos. On the plus side, we get to see her this Sunday to preside. I will keep you posted as we move forward.

See you Sunday, beloveds!

Shelly