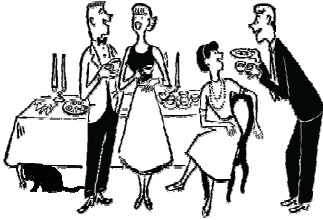


# Benediction Weekly

June 3, 2018

*The people of St. Benedict's are called to share God's love as we minister with and to all persons in Los Osos and beyond, providing worship, education, nurture, fellowship and service.*



## Newcomers' Gathering Today

2:30pm at the home of Alan Kiste and Brian Spolarich  
(formal attire not required)

### Coming up at St. Benedict's

(at the church unless otherwise specified)

**TODAY Potluck Lunch follows the service**  
**Visitors are Welcome!**

2:30 pm – Newcomers' Gathering at Kiste/Spolarich

#### **Tuesday, June 5**

5:30 pm – Vespers, followed by potluck supper

7:30 pm – Readers' Theatre Rehearsal

#### **Wednesday, June 6**

10:00 am – Intercessory Prayer Circle

7:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

#### **Thursday, June 7**

7:00 pm – Hollister Inst: "Heart of Christianity"

#### **Saturday, June 9**

9:00 am – Men's Breakfast at Sea Pines Grill

10:00 am – Discovery Day at St Paul's, Salinas

5:30 pm – Saturday Evening Eucharist

#### **Sunday, June 10**

8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service

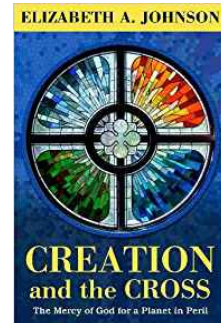
9:20 am – Bible Study

9:30 am – "Messy Church"

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist, with music

2:00 pm – SLO Deanery Mtg. at St Barnabas', A.G.

Hollister Institute:



### Creation and the Cross

*Six Tuesdays starting June 12 at 10am.*

This will be a study of feminist theologian Elizabeth Johnson's latest book, Creation and the Cross. In this fresh creative approach to theology, she asks how we can understand cosmic redemption in a time of advancing ecological devastation. In effect, how can we extend the core Christian belief in salvation to include all created beings? It is a fairly easy read, written as a conversation and is an articulate statement of how this distinguished theologian sees the new expression of Christianity dwelling not on "Are you Saved?" but how the entire Creation is redeemed. The book is divided into six sections and we will discuss one section each week. Discussion to be led by Caro Hall+ and Barry Turner+. Please let Caro know if you will attend.



**Men's Breakfast**  
**this Saturday**  
**at 9am**

On the second Saturday of each month the men of the parish have a no-host social gathering at the Sea Pines Grill at the golf course for breakfast and conversation.

**Evening Eucharist**  
**this Saturday**  
**at 5:30**



On the second Saturday of each month, we have an evening Eucharist service with music and using varying liturgies. It is followed by a simple supper.

### **Serving God and the People of St. Benedict's this Week:**

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall; Eucharistic Minister: Diana Hammerlund; Chalice Bearer: Janelle LaFond;  
Lectors: Bryson McKelvey & Ann Lucas; Ushers: Alan Kiste & Brian Spolarich; Greeter: Ann Lucas;  
Flowers: Lisa Gonzalez; Altar Guild: Sarah Chesebro; Prayer Team Member: Liza Gonzalez;  
Potluck Hosts: Connie Weldon, Suzan Vaughn, & Pat Henry; Tellers: Diana Hammerlund & Judy Schloss;  
Cantor: Anne Kanter; Music Director: John Cribb **Thank you for your service!**



**ABUNDANCE SHOP**– Thrift shop at 2025 9th St. Tues- Sat 10am-4pm.

**BIBLE STUDY** – Sundays at 9:20 am

**EARTHCARE** – A discussion/action group to formulate local solutions to environmental concerns. 2nd Weds at 2:30 pm.

**HEALING SERVICE** – a time for prayers for healing at the 10:30 service on 5th Sundays.

**HOLLISTER INSTITUTE** – Opportunities for stimulating discussion and thoughtful exploration for everyone, whether or not they are members of a church. See website.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER CIRCLE** Prayers for the community and the world. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 10am.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** – morning social gathering, 2nd Saturdays 9am at Sea Pines Grill.

**MESSY CHURCH** - Sunday morning worship geared towards young children and busy families. Featuring crafts, stories, songs, and prayer. Twice monthly in the Great Room

**PEOPLE'S KITCHEN** – Providing and serving food at Prado Day Center, 1st Saturday of even-numbered months.

**POTLUCK AND PRADO** on the 1st Sunday of each month donations to Prado Day Center are collected, and potluck lunch follows 10:30 service.

**SATURDAY EUCHARIST** - Evening Eucharist on 2nd Saturdays at 5:30pm, followed by potluck supper.

**VESPERS AND CONVERSATION** 5:30 pm Tuesdays. Vespers using varying liturgies, followed by potluck.

**VESTRY / PARISH COUNCIL**  
3rd Sundays at 12:30pm  
The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall, *Rector*  
Pamela Bleisch Strawn, *Sr. Warden*,  
Michael Lucas, *Jr. Warden*,  
Lisa Gonzalez, *Treasurer*,  
Diana Hammerlund, Alan Kiste,  
Esta Kandarian, Barbara Schippers,  
Lorienne Schwenk

# Discovery Day

Annual diocesan spiritual discernment workshop



The Commission on Ministry has announced this year's Discovery Day, an annual workshop on spiritual discernment, to be held **Saturday, June 9**, from 10am-3pm at St. Paul's, Salinas.

Discernment Ministry is a lifelong process of attending, perceiving, listening, and discovering how best to express Christ's ministry through the Church. Our diocese is entering into a season of spiritual discernment for our next bishop. One of our diocesan values is "Christ-centeredness," asking each of us through prayer, worship, and ministry to deepen our relationship with Jesus so that we may more effectively spread God's love.

Discovery Day offers the opportunity for those already engaged in active ministry to renew their call to a particular ministry, or to explore new ways to respond to God's call. Although this Discovery Day is a required first step to anyone discerning a call to ordained ministry, it is in no way limited to such individuals. We explore and celebrate the ministry of all the baptized, and look at ministry development in each of the four orders – laity, deacons, priests, and bishops.

We will include new information about the opportunity for licensed lay ministries, a way to help people focus on and train for a particular area of ministry in the parish. Previous participants in this process of discernment have used such words as rejuvenating, validating, and transformative to describe their experiences.

Following the Discovery Day workshop, participants may choose to take on a self-guided twelve-week exploration to enhance their appreciation of how the four orders of ministry complement each other in fulfilling the mission of the Church, and discern where they fit into that mission. Members of COM provide support as people work their way through this program. It is required of anyone seeking ordination to the diaconate or priesthood.

To register, email Joanna Shreve at [jrshreve@aol.com](mailto:jrshreve@aol.com) no later than **June 6**. (please state "Discovery Day" in subject line). A \$10 donation at door is requested for lunch and materials.

*For more info, please speak with Janelle LaFond*



**The Rev. Matthew Conrad**, Rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Atascadero, will be retiring on June 30 after more than 30 years of service and there will be two events in his honor: *The SLO Deanery* will hold a Celebration of Ministry service at 3pm on June 17th at St. Benedict's, with Bishop Mary presiding, followed by a reception. *St. Luke's Parish* will hold a Celebration of Ministry Party on June 23rd from 4-7 pm at the Atascadero

United Methodist Church, (11605 El Camino Real, Atascadero) followed by a potluck. All are welcome to either event - no RSVP is required. Come and give Fr. Matt a joyful beginning to his well-deserved retirement. Fr. Matt's last service will be Sunday, June 24 at 9 am at St. Luke's, 5318 Palma.

**Keeping in Touch during the Week.** For counsel & spiritual care, please contact any of the clergy: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall, 704-5826; The Rev. Barry Turner, 784-0670; or The Rev. Faye Hogan, 541-4595.

Call Celeste Pennington with pastoral care & prayer chain requests, 771-8974.

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