



THE EPISTLE

ADVENT 2010

Wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith, there is a place for you here.

Advent

*Subverting the secular world;
beginning a new year*

We have to tackle a number of years. There's the school year, the secular year, the shopping year, and the poor neglected church year. In a sense we live in all of them, and keeping our feet planted in each reality is no easy thing. All too often we only remember that the church has a year when we look at the bulletin on Sunday and try to figure which Sunday after what we are in. Of all these years, the Christian year presents the greatest challenge. It reminds us that we are citizens of another place and owe our allegiance to another ruler. The early Christians were persecuted and killed because they claimed that "Jesus is Lord." Perhaps today we are regarded as rather eccentric when we whisper the same words. They remind us that our faith is no private, personal thing, but that we are citizens of the kingdom of God.

We are subversive. We seek to bring the love of Christ into the secular world because we believe that ultimately the world will be restored to God. In the meantime, we work and pray to transform what is into what shall be. Advent Sunday begins yet another year. It sets our sights on the miracle of Christ's birth, that God invaded this planet in the form of a helpless child. This vulnerable God walks with us, takes our flesh, re-creates the human race, suffers, dies and so is in all our sufferings and in our deaths. He rises again giving us the hope of resurrected life in a new heaven and a new earth.

We perhaps moan about a secularized Christmas that begins before Thanksgiving and ends abruptly on the day after Christmas. Rather than moaning, we can meet the challenge it presents. We can be subversive by keeping Advent in holy preparation. We can keep Christmas by observing the twelve days in joy, gratitude and compassion for God's poor and needy, rather than throwing out the tree on December 26! Above all we can humble ourselves before the baby who is King, and offer him our lives in obedience and hope.



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Annual Report Reminder
Attention Lay Ministry Leaders:

It's time to update your group's activities for the past year and submit a brief report to the church office by **Monday, Dec. 20**. Reports will be featured in the January Epistle/Annual Report available Sunday, Jan. 23. Contact JoAnn in the church office if you have any questions at 745-0307 or admin@stpaulsbenicia.org.

DEC. 26, 2010—FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

7:30 AM	Lector	Nancy Jenks
Rite I	LEM/Inter.	Deacon Shep Jenks
	Ushers	Bob McIntosh
10 AM	Lectors	David Bundesen, Mary Frances Poh, Tom Mader, Ski Smiglewski, Alvin Emmanuel, Steve Rodekohr
Lessons & Carols		
	Crucifer	Alan Kwok
	Torch.	Mikayla & Aislynn Stotler
	Ushers	Steve Rodekohr
	Altar Guild	Cyndi Hardy
	Flower Guild	Julia Ritter
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Advent Time – Reach Out

It begins sometime around Thanksgiving. My mind and my heart begs to share a certain thought. No matter where one is originally from, no matter what religion we may profess, or perhaps no religion, this season is impossible to escape.

The fact of the matter is that modern Christmas is not so much nonreligious as it has become a great universal quasi-religious experience. As with all religious systems there exists at the heart of our contemporary Christmas a great myth. In that myth everyone is happy. If they are not then they are outside the myth.

In the myth everyone is going to the airport or the BART station or the ferry to meet people they love. In the myth everyone is giving and receiving gifts. Everyone is gathering around a family table. Everyone receives and sends cards. But you and I, if we take the time to think about it, realize that everyone is not part of this wonderful myth. In fact, if we really think about it, every one of us can bring to mind at least one person known to us for whom this season is anything but happy. A house in foreclosure, a job lost, a dream shattered, a loved one lost, a love affair gone sour. The list is longer, but you know what I mean. In the euphoria of this season it is very easy to forget this. Indeed, even if we remember, it is too easy to distance ourselves from that sadness in someone else's life until the season passes. However, if we don't distance ourselves, if we reach out to that person, ah there's the paradox: We don't lose Christmas. We embrace the reality of it.

Jeanne +



Words from the Wise...

I contacted Nancy Bauschinger to contribute to this month's "Wise Words from the Wise" column and she gave me three to choose from. I'm submitting two of them because I think they're both very powerful.

"If you believe the source of your suffering comes from outside yourself, you're powerless to change your situation. At least I've never been successful at changing the behavior of a tyrannical boss, an abusive spouse, or a misguided child. You are the only person whose behavior you can change."

"About 30 years ago, a friend suggested that we should live in such a way that future generations will look to our actions for the principles by which they guide their own. Three decades later, I'm still working on it."

Well worth pondering don't you agree?

Blessings, Debi Hall



November 2010

BIRTHDAYS

	Milena Hoeven	13	Joe Brien	27
	Susie Bonstin	14	Judy Kent	30
Bob Varson	3	Don Smith	14	
Tim Markley	10	Avalon Keene	19	
Mary Klemm	11	Timothy Connor	22	

ANNIVERSARIES

Emmett & Suzanne McDowell	5	Lee & Sandy Voorhees	25
Laura Peabody-Park & Mark Park	14		

December 2010

BIRTHDAYS

	August Urban	7	Jeff Kistner	17	
	Maureen Troyer	7	Judy White	20	
Ian McGillis	2	Nancy Bauschinger	13	Tom Aldinger	25
Dennis Gaines	4	Haley Rodekohr	14	Ski Smiglewski	26
Aislynn Stotler	6	Kim Rodekohr	17	Shelby Rodekohr	29

ANNIVERSARIES

Gary & Jackie French	18	Bob & Kay Barnard	31
David & Ann Lindsay	29		

Come, Lord Jesus

With inward pain my heartstrings sound,
My soul dissolves away;
Dear Sovereign, whirl the season round,
Dear Sovereign, whirl the seasons round,
And bring, and bring the promised day,
And bring the promised day.

Early American Hymn



Dealing with Holiday Blues

An estimated 10 million Americans suffer from Seasonal Affective Disorder at this time of year, and there are other causes of depression that can lead any of us to feel less than festive at the time others think everyone should be happy.

Some of the causes of this depression are:

- Unrealistic expectations
- Debt
- World events
- Aging and deceased family members
- Magnification of existing problems



To lessen the effect of Holiday Blues we can:

- Bask in the light (through windows, walking outside, and special lamps)
- Pray and read the Bible (keeps us focused on the source of our strength, hope, & comfort)
- Do aerobic exercise
- Keep things simple (eliminate some of your “must do’s” and change traditions)
- Focus on making pleasant memories (maybe a Christmas Eve songfest and story sharing)
- Perform acts of service for others (maybe driving someone to a doctor’s appointment or simply listening and offering words of comfort and encouragement)
- Accept or give invitations to spend time with others (but not to excess)

If you are suffering from grief over losing a loved one, no matter how long ago, incorporate them into your holidays by:

- Sharing favorite stories of them with others
- Making a toast in their memory
- Lighting a candle (select one in their favorite color and/or scent and put it in a special place to be lit in their memory)
- Giving yourself permission to express and talk about your feelings (tears are very healing)
- Donating money you would have spent for gifts for your absent loved one to a charity in their memory
- Playing music that is comforting and meaningful to you
- Writing a letter to your loved one expressing your current feelings (to be kept in a special place, or burned or thrown out)
- Decorating their memorial site with a holiday theme

Join in the Advent
Conspiracy!

(www.adventconspiracy.org)

[AC] Advent Conspiracy

Christmas can [still] change the world. This year, Give Presence.



[Worship Fully]
[Spend Less]
[Give More]
[Love All]



CANTARE CON VIVO
IN THE KEY OF LIFE

David Morales, Artistic Director

Star of Wonder

Saturday, December 4, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.,

[Walnut Creek Presbyterian Church](#)

Sunday, December 5, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.,

[First Presbyterian Church of Oakland](#)

The Chorale and Chamber Ensemble join forces, accompanied by full orchestra and organ, in presenting our ever-popular holiday concert, with songs by Mendelssohn, Berlioz, Biebl, Carnahan, Glick, Robert Shaw's *Many Moods of Christmas Suite 4*, and the one most often requested by our listeners — *A Musicological Journey Through the Twelve Days of Christmas*. And you also get to join in singing carols and holiday favorites.

For Tickets to this incredible, amazing, excellent Concert and benefit music education in Oakland public schools, Please see Jeanne.



Christmas Donations



If you would like to make a donation for special flowers, music and altar supplies for the Christmas Services, please leave your donation in the alms basin or mail your monetary contribution with this form to: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 120 East J St., Benicia, CA 94510. Please make checks payable to: St. Paul's Episcopal Church (Memo: Flowers, Music or Altar).

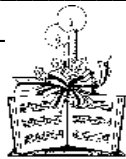
For your donation to appear in the Christmas Eve Service Sheets, the form below must be received in the church office by Monday, Dec. 13.

Name _____ Phone _____

Amount for Flowers _____ Amount for Music _____ Amount for Altar _____

In Memory of _____

In Thanksgiving/Celebration of _____



THANKSGIVING INTERFAITH SERVICE

St. Paul's Episcopal
Church

120 East J Street • Benicia

November 24, 2010 7 pm

Congregation B'nai Israel,
Vallejo

Congregation B'nai
Israel

1256 Nebraska Street • Vallejo



SERVICES FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

- November 28** *Advent 1*
Thanksgiving weekend worship: 8:45 (Rite II) 11 am (Contemporary family worship)
No Sunday School
- December 5** *Advent 2*
Regular worship times (8:45 and 11 am)
Christmas Eve family Pageant rehearsal in the Undercroft at 10 am
- December 12** *Advent 3*
Regular worship times (8:45 and 11 am)
Christmas Eve Family Pageant rehearsal in the Undercroft at 10 am
- December 19** *Advent 4*
Regular worship times (8:45 and 11 am)
Christmas Eve Family Pageant rehearsal in the Church at 10 am
- December 21** *Longest night – Blue Christmas (7 pm)*
An interdenominational reflective and quiet Candlelight service for
those in need of solace – featuring Taizé music and Christmas carols.
Fellowship follows
- December 24** *Christmas Eve Family Service at 4 pm*
Family Christmas Pageant
Holy Communion
Good for all families and friends.
- Christmas Eve Festal Eucharist at 11 pm*
Come early, choral and orchestral music begins at 10:30 pm
- December 25** *Christmas*
Holy Communion at 10 am
- December 26** *Christmas 1*
Service times: 7:30 (Rite 1) 10 am Christmas Lessons and Carols
- January 2** *Epiphany Sunday*
Regular Worship times (8:45, Rite I, and 11 am, Contemporary)
Sunday School resumes

November 2010 Lay Ministries Schedule

NOV. 7, 2010—24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:45 AM	Lector	Kitty Griffin
	LEM	Mary Frances Kelly Poh
	LEM/Inter.	Edie Westphal
	Crucifer	Timothy Connor
	Torch.	Emily Sackett, Jake Sackett
	Ushers	Art & Sandy Schipper
11 AM	Lector	Maggie Smith
	LEM	Mark Sackett
	LEM/Inter.	Mike Baldwin
	Ushers	Don & Maggie Smith
	Altar Guild	Susie Bonstin, Katie Scott
	Flower Guild	Maggie Smith, Edie Lockman
	Lay. Euch. Visit.	Beth Gaines
	Office Angel	Ginny Altice
	PIE Greeter	Betty & Bob McIntosh
	Verger	Tom Mader

NOV. 14, 2010—25th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:45 AM	Lector	Debi Hall
	LEM	Jackie French
	Crucifer	Matt Markley
	Torch.	Mikayla Stotler, Aislynn Stotler
	Ushers	Bob & Debbie Varson
11 AM	Lector	Alvin Emmanuel
	LEM	Jennifer Jarvis
	LEM/Inter.	Jeff Jarvis
	Ushers	Kim & Steve Rodekohr
	Altar Guild	Nancy Bauschinger, Linda Tremain, Jean Wigand
	Flower Guild	Sandy Schipper
	Lay. Euch. Visit.	Judy Furlong
	Office Angel	Kay Barnard
	PIE Greeter	Jennifer Jarvis
	Verger	Tom Aldinger

NOV. 21, 2010—CHRIST THE KING

8:45 AM	Lector	Tom Mader
	LEM	Mittie Railsback
	LEM/Inter.	Fred Railsback
	Crucifer	Michelle Gaines
	Torch.	Aislynn & Mikayla Stotler
	Ushers	Susie Bonstin, Katie Scott
11 AM	Lector	Sara Bierman
	LEM	Virginia Vater
	LEM/Inter.	Barbara Jewell
	Ushers	Sara & Mike Bierman, Steve Rodekohr
	Altar Guild	Sandy Voorhees, Edie Lockman, Nancy Jenks, Martha McAfee
	Flower Guild	Lee Voorhees
	Lay. Euch.	JoAnne Craig
	Office Angel	Betty McIntosh
	PIE Greeter	Mike Baldwin
	Verger	Robert Avant

NOV. 28, 2010—FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:45 AM	Lector	Katie Scott
	LEM	Dale Kilbourne
	LEM/Inter.	Charlie Kilbourne
	Crucifer	Timothy Connor
	Torch.	Alan Kwok, Patric Knoblic
	Ushers	Tom & Edna Aldinger
11 AM	Lector	Caleigh Furlong
	LEM	Judy Furlong
	LEM/Inter.	Sue Yurosko
	Ushers	Robin Silver, Carole Johnson
	Altar Guild	Cyndi Hardy
	Flower Guild	Julia Ritter
	Lay. Euch. Visit.	Beth Gaines
	Office Angel	Kay Barnard
	PIE Greeter	Jane Samuelson
	Verger	Fred Railsback

December 2010 Lay Ministries Schedule

DEC. 5, 2010—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:45 AM	Lector	Ann Lindsay
	LEM	Deacon Shep Jenks
	LEM/Inter.	Edie Westphal
	Crucifer	Amy Markley
	Torch.	Emily & Jake Sackett
	Healing	Nancy Jenks
	Ushers	Dale & Charlie Kilbourne
11 AM	Lector	Maggie Smith
	LEM	Jennifer Jarvis
	LEM/Inter.	Jeff Jarvis
	Healing	Sue Yurosko
	Ushers	Don & Maggie Smith
	Altar Guild	Susie Bonstin, Katie Scott
	Flower Guild	Maggie Smith, Edie Lockman
	Lay. Euch. Visit.	TBA
	Office Angel	Ginny Altice
	PIE Greeter	Betty & Bob McIntosh
	Verger	Bill Markley

DEC. 12, 2010—THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:45 AM	Lector	Frank Shoemaker
	LEM	Dale Kilbourne
	LEM/Inter.	Charlie Kilbourne
	Crucifer	Matt Markley
	Torch.	Mara Guerin, Vivian Avant
Ushers	Ann Lindsay, Andrew Urban	
11 AM	Lector	Anne Seed
	LEM	Mark Sackett
	LEM/Inter.	Mike Baldwin
	Ushers	Robert & Melody Avant
	Altar Guild	Nancy Bauschinger, Linda Tremain, Jean Wigand
	Flower Guild	Sandy Schipper
	Lay. Euch. Visit.	TBA
	Office Angel	Jeanne Brown
	PIE Greeter	Mike Baldwin
	Verger	Bob Hall

DEC. 19, 2010—FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:45 AM	Lector	Caleigh Furlong
	LEM	Tom Mader
	LEM/Inter.	Jackie French
	Crucifer	Joseph Ellett
	Torch.	Patric Knoblic, Jake Sackett
Ushers	Bob & Ellen Whitehead	
11 AM	Lector	Robin Silver
	LEM	David Sells
	LEM/Inter	Barbara Jewell
	Ushers	Jeff & Jennifer Jarvis
	Altar Guild	Sandy Voorhees, Edie Lockman, Nancy Jenks, Martha McAfee
	Flower Guild	Lee Voorhees
	Lay. Euch. Visit.	TBA
	Office Angel	Betty McIntosh
	PIE Greeter	Jennifer Jarvis
	Verger	Joe Brien

DEC 24, 2010—CHRISTMAS EVE

4 PM	LEM	Sue Yurosko
	LEM/Inter.	Steve Yurosko
	Ushers	Patricia & Porter Swayne, Sara & Mike Bierman
10:30 PM	Lectors	Debi Hall, Tom Mader
	LEM	Bob Hall
	LEM/Inter.	Judy Furlong
	Ushers	Chris & Tom Mader, Steve Rodekohr

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November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i> 9 am MP†	<i>2</i> 9 am MP†	<i>3</i> 9 am MP† 10 am HE† 10:45 am Bible Study 4:30-6 pm Meal	<i>4</i> 9 am MP† 7 pm Vestry	<i>5</i> 9 am MP† 2-4 pm Friday Activities for Kids	<i>6</i> 11:30 am Wedding 7 pm Party of Parties BINGO
<i>7 Pentecost 24</i> 8:45 Rite II HE† 10 am Sunday School 11 am Contemporary HE† 12:30 pm CnC	<i>8</i> 9 am MP† 7 pm Worship Committee	<i>9</i> 9 am MP† 7 pm Kerygma	<i>10</i> 9 am MP† 10 am HE† 10:45 am Bible Study 4:30-6 pm Meal	<i>11</i> 9 am MP† Diocesan Convention in Redding	<i>12</i> 9 am MP† Diocesan Convention in Redding	<i>13</i> 7:30 am Brotherhood Meeting Diocesan Convention in Redding
<i>14 Pentecost 25</i> 8:45 Rite II HE† 10 am Sunday School 11 am Contemporary HE† 4 pm Private Piano Recital	<i>15</i> 9 am MP†	<i>16</i> 9 am MP†	<i>17</i> 9 am MP† 10 am HE† 10:45 am Bible Study 4:30-6 pm Meal	<i>18</i> 9 am MP†	<i>19</i> 9 am MP† 2-4 pm Friday Activities for Kids 7:30 pm Simon and Garfunkel Tribute Concert	<i>20</i>
<i>21 Christ the King</i> 8:45 Rite II HE† 10 am Sunday School 11 am Contemporary HE†	<i>22</i> 9 am MP†	<i>23</i> 9 am MP†	<i>24</i> 9 am MP† 10 am HE† 10:45 am Bible Study 4:30-6 pm Meal 7 pm Interfaith Service in Vallejo	<i>25 Thanksgiving</i> Office Closed 9 am MP†	<i>26 Office Closed</i> 9 am MP† 5:30 pm TGIFF Cancelled until January	<i>27</i>
<i>28 1st Advent</i> 8:45 Rite II HE† 10 am No Sunday School 10:05 am Book Forum 11 am Contemporary HE† 12:30 pm CnC World	<i>29</i> 9 am MP†	<i>30</i> 9 am MP† 7 pm Kerygma Ordination of Alice Rutland at St. Mary's, Napa	GROUP MEETINGS AA: 7 am Mon- Sat; 6 am & 8 pm Sundays LifeRing: 7 pm Tuesdays Girl Scouts: 4:30 pm 1st/3rd Wednesdays Meditation: 6 pm Sundays NA: 8 pm Fridays			



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<p><i>5</i> Advent 2 8:45 Rite I HE† 10 am Pageant Prep 11 am Contemporary HE†</p>	<p><i>6</i> 9 am MP†</p>	<p><i>7</i> 9 am MP†</p>	<p><i>8</i> 9 am MP† 10 am HE† 10:45 am Bible Study 4:30-6 pm Meal</p>	<p><i>9</i> 9 am MP† 7 pm Vestry 7 pm Christmas Choir Practice</p>	<p><i>10</i> 9 am MP†</p>	<p><i>11</i> 7:30 am Brotherhood Meeting & Eucharist</p>
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<p><i>19</i> Advent 4 8:45 Rite I HE† 10 am Pageant Prep 11 am Contemporary HE† EPISTLE available</p>	<p><i>20</i> 9 am MP† Greening of the Church Ordination of Christopher Arnold</p>	<p><i>21</i> 9 am MP† 7 pm Blue Christmas Service</p>	<p><i>22</i> 9 am MP† 10 am HE† 10:45 am Bible Study 4:30-6 pm Meal</p>	<p><i>23</i> 9 am MP†</p>	<p><i>24</i> Christmas Eve 9 am MP† 4 pm Family Christmas Pageant & Communion 10:30 pm Festal Choral Eucharist</p>	<p><i>25</i> Christmas 10 am HE†</p>
<p><i>26</i> Christmas 1 7:30 Rite I HE† 10 am Lessons and Carols No Sunday School</p>	<p><i>27</i> Office Closed 9 am MP†</p>	<p><i>28</i> 9 am MP†</p>	<p><i>29</i> 9 am MP† 10 am HE† 10:45 am Bible Study 4:30-6 pm Meal</p>	<p><i>30</i> 9 am MP†</p>	<p><i>31</i> Office Closed 9 am MP†</p>	

Chili Dinner Friday, Dec. 3 at St. Paul's Parish Hall

Start your First Friday on First with a good, hot meal and enjoy the Christmas tree lighting at the end of First Street (and merchant open house)

Open seating 5-7 pm (dinner includes salad and cornbread—
cup of chili to go available)



Adults: \$7 Children: \$5

Proceeds support Community Outreach programs

Sponsored by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Third Annual Advent Tea Dec. 4

Our 3rd Annual Advent Tea is fast approaching! The Tea will be held on December 4th at 10 am in the Parish Hall.

If you'd like to sponsor a table, please contact Johanna Wright 643-2901 or Debi Hall 747-9352. Sponsoring a table allows you to decorate your table as you wish, providing dishes and linens. It's a fun and beautiful way to decorate the room!

This is a women's only event, so feel free to invite your mother, sister, neighbor or friend. It's a lovely way to start the holiday season. Please call Johanna or Debi to RSVP.



Pies and Gift Cards Needed

We're coming in to our busy season for the Community Meal. We will serve our traditional Thanksgiving Meal on Nov. 24, and our Christmas Meal on Dec. 22. If you would like to donate a pie for the Thanksgiving Meal, please bring it to the kitchen by Wednesday morning, the Nov. 24.

We would also like to give out gift cards again this year at our Christmas meal; \$5 cards from Raley's, Safeway or Rite Aid are always appreciated. Please remember those less fortunate when shopping for Christmas items. Questions? Call Debi Hall.

Christmas Concert

Saturday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 pm

Begin the Advent season with a concert of music that will inspire you to welcome Christmas with fresh insight and quiet joy.

The Well Tempered Voices, a nine-member vocal ensemble directed by Helen Intintoli, will present "*Welcome Christmas*," a concert of Christmas songs from North and South America and Europe. The concert features choral music accompanied by guitar (Mark Middleton), marimba (Brian Simpson), and piano (Ryan Lee). Several *a cappella* songs will also be performed.

The program includes gentle lullabies such as "*Still Still Still*," and "*Child of Peace*," unique versions of the Nativity story like "*Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy*," "*Three Venezuelan Carols*," and "*Twas in the Moon of Wintertime*" (Huron carol), "*When Love Came Down*" and a soulful arrangement of "*Sweet Little Jesus Boy*"

The concert at St. Paul's Episcopal Church is given as a benefit for St. Paul's Community Meal Fund. A \$10 donation is requested. Advance tickets at St. Paul's or at the door. Call the church office for reserve tickets at 745-0307, or email admin@stpaulsbenicia.org.

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