



# Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd

Reaching Individuals and Families of the Concho Valley with the Transforming Love of Jesus Christ!

## AGNUS DEI

July 2016

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Brothers and sisters in Christ,

**REMEMBER YOUR LEADERS:** The Anglican Diocese of Pittsburgh said farewell to Archbishop Bob and Nara Duncan on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Archbishop and Nara have served the Church for four decades, with fifteen+ years as bishop of Pittsburgh, five of those years serving as Archbishop of the Anglican Church in North America. During that time, Archbishop Bob and Nara both experienced significant hospitalization, him while in Africa, and Nara at home.

**WHO SPOKE THE WORD OF GOD TO YOU:** They endured countless days separated from one another as the Archbishop traveled the world preaching the Gospel, encouraging Biblical Anglicans to unite and remain faithful to the Lord and the Scriptures in North America and around the world.

**CONSIDER THE OUTCOME OF THEIR WAY OF LIFE:** From their sacrificial and tireless work the Anglican Church in North America came into being (a seven year process!) and ACNA is recognized by the majority of Anglican Provinces as a Member of the world wide Anglican Communion. Under AB Bob's leadership, Texts for Common Prayer are being developed, an extensive catechism, To Be A Christian, is written, published and being used around the world. The Catechumenate, an extended process of Scriptural Discipleship training for those seeking to be baptized and confirmed in the Church, is being restored. Ecumenical dialogues with biblically faithful Lutherans, Methodists, Presbyterians and the Polish Catholic Church are underway, looking forward to the day when we openly endorse and cooperate in sharing the transforming life of Jesus Christ at home and abroad.

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**IMITATE THEIR FAITH:** In 2017 we will celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation. We will celebrate both the Anniversary of and the Continuing Reformation of the Church in our day. Reformation looks neat and tidy in printed documents, but the reformation of the human heart is always messy. Will we, you and I, personally imitate our "leaders faith?" You and I are called to personally sacrificial and costly discipleship. We must stand with and for the return to Biblical faithfulness.

**JESUS CHRIST:** We must focus on Jesus Christ, His Life, Death, Resurrection, Ascension, Reigning and Promised Return. Only Jesus has the power to transform us by the Holy Spirit. Only Jesus can grace us to stand in the face of a hostile culture. Only Jesus can empower us to repent of our personal sin, and walk in the Spirit living lives that honor Him. As Archbishop Duncan reminded us so often, "Keep the main thing the main thing!" And as our present Archbishop Foley Challenges us: "Forward! Forward! Always Forward!"

**PRAY:** The pastor of a neighboring church placed a portable sign board outside his parish offices facing the highway. It read: "If you want a better pastor, pray for the one you have." I thanked Fr. Vince for his sign. The greatest gift we can give our leaders is to pray daily for them, their spouses, families, health, protection, and endurance.

Thank you Lord Jesus for the godly leaders you provide for us, who by their sacrificial lives work to build up your Body. Thank you for Bob and Nara, Foley and Allison, and Mark and Cindy, for the clergy of ACNA and the Diocese of the Southwest. Bless their wives and husbands, families and health, provide for their needs and protect them from the assaults of the enemy. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

With a grateful heart,

*Stan Burdoch* +  
Father Stan

## *Consecration of All Saints Anglican Church in Midland*

God's will, done God's way, never lacks God's provision. For four years, All Saints Church under the leadership of Fr. Tom and Marianne Finnie and their Vestry, have worshipped in four different buildings. Several weeks ago, a Midland church which was dissolving called Fr. Tom and asked if All Saints was interested in a church building. The offer was to give the buildings, church, parish hall, classrooms, parking lot, all in move in condition to All Saints without cost. The paper work is done, All Saints is meeting in their new 'home.' On Wednesday, July 6, 2016 at 7:00 PM Bishop Mark will consecrate the new All Saints Church to the Lord's work. You are invited to participate. We will leave San Angelo at 3 PM, have dinner in Midland at 5 PM, and proceed to the service by 7 PM. We hope to depart from All Saints by 9 PM returning to San Angelo by 11 PM.

We need to encourage one another across the Church, and this is an opportunity to encourage our brethren at All Saints, and be encouraged as we celebrate the Lord's faithfulness. We hope many will join us. There is a signup sheet in the narthex of the church. We are car pooling. If you want to drive on your own, directions will be available. Thank You, Father for the faithfulness shown to our brothers and sisters, and the reminder to each of us that when we do Your will, Your way, we can count on Your provision. Amen.

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## *Parish Pot Luck Supper*

*with Bishop and Cindy Zimmerman*

*Saturday, July 9, 2016 ~ 5pm-8pm*

*at the home of Billie Smithwick 1533 Sun Valley Lane*

Saturday, July 9, 2016 ~ 5pm-8pm, at the home of Billie Smithwick, 1533 Sun Valley Lane. Bishop Mark and Cindy will be here for the weekend. We are having a pot luck supper. So here is the plan.

First, we will need RSVP's in order to have enough food. We are asking each family who will be attending to bring their favorite pie and a side dish. The main course will be fried and baked chicken so we can add the wonderful side dishes our church ladies always cook and the different varieties of pie to have a wonderful summer time meal.

Second, The poetry part of the party ~ Please bring a funny short poem or limerick to the party and we will take turns reciting them as the evening progresses. We are hoping for lots of participation and laughs to make this a truly memorable occasion for the Zimmerman's. Let's show him how "we" the Good Shepherd Anglicans can throw a party.

Last, we will be parking on the Lane. If you have difficulty walking, we will have valet parking, as well as a shuttle golf cart to take you from your car to the house and back.

For details and information call Anggie at (325) 234-5391 or Billie (325) 656-6412.



"Come to the Mountain and let God refresh your soul!"

Everyone is invited to attend **Synod 2016**

of the Anglican Diocese of the Southwest

with our special guests

**Archbishop and Mrs. Foley Beach**

Synod 2016 will be held at the Sacramento Retreat Center, Sacramento, NM  
September 20-September 23, 2016

### **Worship + Discussions + Fellowship**

Arrival will be Tuesday evening, September 20 (dinner available at 5:30 pm)  
and end on Friday morning, September 23 with breakfast.

The Synod will convene Wednesday morning, September 21 and close with a  
celebration of the Eucharist on Thursday evening, September 22.

Registration letters and information will go out the first of August.

Join us in welcoming Archbishop Foley and his wife, Allison, to the Diocese.

The Sacramento Retreat Center is located 30 miles southeast of  
Cloudcroft, NM in the heart of the Sacramento mountains.

Hosted by the Anglican Church of the Epiphany, Cloudcroft.

For more information: email: Nancy Griffin, griffinsgs@tularosa.net or phone: 575/682-1406



**"GOD'S WORK,  
DONE GOD'S WAY,  
NEVER LACKS GOD'S  
PROVISION."**

**Hudson Taylor.**

Are you depending on God to provide for the work He has given us to do? We are praying for a favorable decision in the law suit, should that be the Lord's will. Pray for the Lord's will to be done, the Lord's way, and for the Lord to provide for all our needs as we strive to seek and honor Him at Good Shepherd. Respond to the Lord as He leads you.



Pregnancy Help Center  
2016 Fundraising Dinner  
Tuesday, October 11, 2016

If you would like to host a table  
or have any questions,  
contact Rosemary Holm  
832-414-9485 or  
mamabear183@outlook.com

### **Two Congregational Funds**

*Maintenance and Construction Fund:* ACGS has funds invested through the San Angelo Area Foundation designated for use as the church's mission and ministry require additional space or maintenance of current space. Contributions may be made to this fund at any time, and for more information, contact Jim Cogan the Church Treasurer.

*Legal Fund:* ACGS has a legal fund deposited in the Texas Bank. Contributions may be made at any time. For more information contact Mark McLaughlin.

## **PASTOR'S POW WOW**

Periodically we invite new comers to Good Shepherd to meet with some members who have been here for a while for coffee, desserts and conversation. Our next Pow Wow will be on Sunday, July 31, 2016 from 6:00-8:00 PM. If you're new to Good Shepherd, haven't been to a Pow Wow and would like to participate, call Jenny at the church office (949-6260) and let her know you'll join us. It's casual and informal. We ask everyone to share on two questions: (1) What brought you to Good Shepherd? (2) What brought you back? You'll also be receiving an invitation by mail. R.S.V.P. no later than July 24<sup>th</sup>.

# *The Woman at the Loom*

One night a woman had a dream. She dreamed she was in heaven walking with the LORD. All about them, angels busied themselves in various ways. The air hung with an expectant calm. Beautiful and incredulous sights abounded all around. A thin mist veiled them as they walked along.

The woman found herself beside the LORD in a room full of spinning wheels and a loom. Threads of every hue spun with rhythmic hums. The trail of each thread led to an old weaver spinning at the loom. A wondrous fabric hung there, delicate to the touch yet strong and warm. The woman gazed at it in awe. The pattern of the intertwining colors was not apparent to her. Confusion, wonder and doubt filled her heart.

"Father, You have shown me incredible things, but this fabric is most amazing to me. What have I done to deserve this gift from You?"

The LORD smiled. "My loving child, this fabric is not My gift to you. This fabric is your life and how you have chosen to live it. See these tiny specks of red? Those are the many times you have reached out a loving hand to someone who needed you and shared your kindness. The threads of white are the times you called out to Me, and I answered your prayers. The purple strands are your beliefs in honor and righteousness. The gold thread that runs through is your love for Me. No, my daughter, this fabric is not My gift to you. It is your gift to Me."

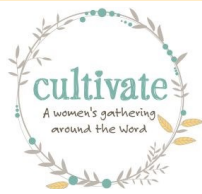
"But Father," the woman said, "It isn't finished yet."

With that, the LORD smiled and embraced her.

The woman awoke, and felt a tear where He had kissed her cheek.

Jean Stinnett





# cultivate

A Women's Gathering Around the Word

Featuring **KELLY MINTER**

with worship by **CULTIVATE ACOUSTIC TRIO**

First Presbyterian Church

Friday, September 9th and Saturday, September 10th

\$20 per person, online registration begins May 1st @ [fpcsanangelo.org](http://fpcsanangelo.org) under special events tab.

Limited ticket availability ~ Tickets also available at [kellyminter.com/cultivate](http://kellyminter.com/cultivate).

Proceeds from ticket sales will go to support international and local missions.



### CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASS: TO BE A CHRISTAIN, *Anglican Catechism*

Deacon June Smith continues this foundational study in the church library every Sunday morning from 9:15-10:10 AM. The class studies the Catechism of the Anglican Church in North America, and what it means to be a follower of Jesus. You may purchase a copy of the Catechism which are available on the publications shelf in the narthex, or borrow one from the church library.

### ACGS Men's Monthly Breakfast

The Peppercorn Restaurant will be the venue for the Monthly Men's Fellowship Breakfast on Saturday, **July 16th** from 8-9:00 AM. Please reserve your place by calling or emailing Jenny at the church office no later than noon, Thursday, July 14th.

### THE VESTRY MEETING

The Vestry will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, **July 18**, beginning at 6:00 PM in the church library. This meeting is open to all members of the congregation, where you have "voice but not vote."

**A.C.G.S.**  
**Rod & Gun**  
**Social Club**

The next meeting of the Rod and Gun Social Club will be Thursday, July 28th @ 6:30 at the church.

**Daughters of the Holy Cross**

Meet Monday,  
**July 11, 2016**  
at 6:00 pm  
in the Library.

## WHAT LOVE IS - Wednesday Evening Bible Study

"Perfect love cast out fear." (1 John 4.18) What Love Is, a study of John's Letters to the Church, will begin on Wednesday, July 13, 7:15-8:15 PM. The course features weekly DVD presentations, discussion and prayer and a daily Bible Study Guide. The areas highlighted in the course:

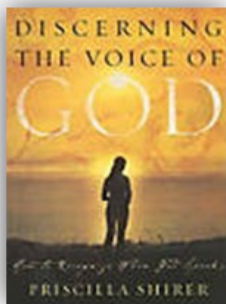
07/13	Introduction		
07/20	Session 1	The Finest Ingredients	Fellowship
07/27	Session 2	Living For What Lasts	Walking In The Light
08/03	Session 3	To Remain	Knowing and Assurance
08/10	Session 4	Easter Everyday	Abide, Dwell, and Remain
08/17	Session 5	Experiencing the Word	Love
08/24	Session 6	This Beautiful Bride	Keep Yourselves From Idols

What Love Is Bible study guides are available for \$14/book.

Fifteen copies are ordered.

Please sign up for the class in the Narthex and reserve a copy.

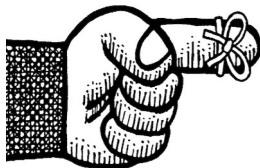
If additional copies are needed, you may order one from [www.LifeWay.com/kellyminter](http://www.LifeWay.com/kellyminter) or call 800-458-2772.



### New Bible Study "DISCERNING THE VOICE OF GOD" by Priscilla Shirer.

Our new Women's Bible Study began June 15th at 10:00 AM in the Library. Please come and join us for a wonderful time of learning, sharing, praying, and seeking a closer walk with our LORD.

Contact Eileen Burdock, 325-944-9831 or Nan Barber, 325-374-4598 if you are planning to attend and would like us to order your book. We are so looking forward to once again, opening God's Word and sharing our hearts with each other. To God be to the Glory!



DON'T FORGET... PROJECT DIGNIDAD NEEDS DONATIONS OF NONPERISHABLE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH STAPLES :)

# July Bible Readings

## New Testament

### ▶ LUKE

1.  7:11-17
2.  7:18-35
3.  7:36-50
4.  8:1-15
5.  8:16-25
6.  8:26-39
7.  8:40-56
8.  9:1-17
9.  9:18-27

### ▶ COL.

1.  1:1-14
2.  1:15-29
3.  2:1-7
4.  2:8-15
5.  2:16-23
6.  3:1-14
7.  3:15-25
8.  4:1-9
9.  4:10-18

### ▶ 1 THESS.

10.  9:28-36
11.  9:37-50
12.  9:51-62

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2.  2:1-9
3.  2:10-20

### ▶ 10:

13.  10:1-16
14.  10:17-24
15.  10:25-37
16.  10:38-42
17.  11:1-13
18.  11:14-28

### ▶ 3:

1.  3:1-6
2.  3:7-13
3.  4:1-10
4.  4:11-18
5.  5:1-11
6.  5:12-28

### ▶ 2 THESS.

19.  11:29-36
20.  11:37-54
21.  12:1-12
22.  12:13-21
23.  12:22-34
24.  12:35-48
25.  12:49-59

1.  1:1-7
2.  1:8-12
3.  2:1-12
4.  2:13-17
5.  3:1-5
6.  3:6-13
7.  3:14-18

## Old Testament

### ▶ PSALMS

1.  123-124
2.  125
3.  126
4.  127
5.  128
6.  129
7.  130-131
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9.  133-134
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25.  150

### ▶ 1 CHRON.

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12.  29

### ▶ 2 CHRON.

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7.  17-19
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10.  25-27
11.  28-29
12.  30-33
13.  34-36



## JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/1 Bob Masterson  
7/10 Sherri Brown  
7/13 Jan Roberts  
7/14 Ruth Ann Wallace



**August Agnus Dei  
Deadline is July 15**



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