



# THE EAGLE & THE LAMB

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August 2011

## Rector's Rambling

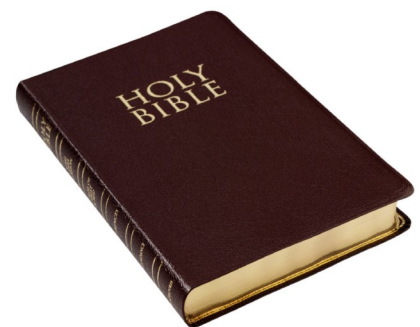
This year marks the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication of the Authorized Version of the Bible, often called The King James Version. Some have argued that it was a rather cynical attempt by a bad king to unify religious folks behind his dynasty. Others have said that there are a few places where other translations are better. Some have said that it is hard to understand. But almost everyone agrees that it is beautiful, and when it is read aloud well, it is inspiring. I read it every day. In fact, apart from the Coverdale Psalter of the old Prayer Book, and the passages from the Revised Standard Version that we read on Sundays, it is about the only translation I do read, and I love it. I love it for many of the same reasons I love the Anglican Communion and the Episcopal Church, and St. John's. It is beautiful, and the majestic rhythms of its prose help me to sense the holy rhythms of my own life, and call me back to them when I make myself too busy or too preoccupied to hear the voice of God. The classical nature of the language, like that of the 1662 and 1928 Prayer books (and even Rite I of our current Prayer Book to some degree), remind me that I am a part of something much bigger and more ancient than myself. In it I find a sense of belonging within history, and within the people of God. Whichever version of the Bible you read, I would encourage you to read some familiar passage from the Authorized Version during this 400th year celebration. I would suggest the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm or perhaps the Christmas story in Matthew chapter two. Might you find your time thus spent to be a blessing, and a comfort, and an assurance that God lives.

As the heat and humidity of summer drags on, many of our neighbors are still unemployed or underemployed. This is neither the time nor the place for me as your priest to make any comments on political or economic systems. But I believe it is a good time for me to encourage everyone at St. John's

to look around your neighborhood and circle of friends and see if anyone you know has some specific and identifiable need. Pray that God will open your eyes to the needs of someone you know, and that He would help you to find a way to help just one person. Giving a young person a job for a few hours a week could make a big difference in some families. Providing an elderly person with a ride to the store or to the doctor could free up some cash that is desperately needed elsewhere. Sharing the bounty from your tomato or pepper plants with someone on a limited income could make a very real difference in a food budget. Perhaps more importantly, concrete acts which demonstrate genuine love for a neighbor help to bind us all into a community of decent people who really do care about each other. Such simple acts make Lancaster into the kind of place where we would all like to live. Do the work of God this summer by caring enough about a neighbor to know their need, and to do something to help them deal with it. God will bless us all.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who prayed for Tristan while he was in the Marines. The support our Church family gave to him during the last four years helped us all in the good times and in the bad. We are blessed to be with you on this posting and on this watch. I give thanks to God for you all, and look forward to the future together,

Sincerely,  
Bill+



**Birthdays**

- 8 Peggy Merton
- 9 Mark Perrine
- 10 Kaylee Husband
- 11 Patrick Angle, Cheryl Berner, Joanna Carr
- 12 Anna Burton, Lowell Stallsmith,
- 15 Robin Leonard, Mary Oehler
- 17 Ashley Campbell, Mid Hall
- 20 Marty Turpin
- 21 Kathleen Gay
- 24 Ashley Canter, Jack Nelson
- 26 Beck Babcock, Lydia Thompson, Kay Waddell
- 27 Steve Martens
- 29 Jim Hall
- 30 Jason Smith

**Wedding Anniversaries**

- 1 Ivan and Jessie Smith (59)
- 12 Jim and Susan Chilenski (95)
- 13 Mark and Mary Alice Perrine (77)
- 17 Jim and Peggy Merton (68)  
Gary and Charlene Rowley (57)
- 19 Bruce and Bobbie Beebe (10)  
Sam and Jane Hurley (67)
- 21 Dick and Beck Babcock (50)
- 22 Jim and Sarah Miller (53)
- 25 John and Judy Furlow (62)

**Baptismal Anniversaries**

- 1 Doug Carr (78), Elizabeth Leonard (59)
- 4 Julia Taylor (96)
- 10 Margaret Canter (08)
- 11 Julie Meenach (02)
- 16 Brandi Perrine (92)
- 19 Alison Douds 9900, Sally Stallsmith (34)
- 25 Brianne Davidson (91)
- 31 Mary Oehler (58)

**William K. Berry**  
July 14, 1044—July 15, 2011

“Give to the departed eternal rest. May Light perpetual shine upon him.”

**Richard T. Gray**  
April 12, 1930—July 16, 2011

“Death is not extinguishing the Light. It is putting out the Lamp because the Dawn has come.”

**Our Sympathy to**

**Vic and Mary Ruth Painsi** on the death of Vic’s mother, Rosemary on July 16th.  
**Chris and Jeff Hurdley** on the death of Chris’s grandfather Forest Osborne.

**Fellowship Breakfast**

The next Fellowship Breakfast will be August 7th after the 8am service. Please join your parish family for food and fellowship.

**Home Bible Study**

Would you like to grow spiritually by studying God’s Word and learning what the Bible says about our lives and how we should live them?

We will be meeting at my home on Monday at 7 pm. The first meeting will be October 10th.

Contact me if you are interested or have any questions—Rita Zimmerman, 654-2561.

**Food Basket Reminder**

Please remember to bring a donation to the food basket at the back of the church. Food pantries are finding it difficult to meet the needs of the hungry in our community.

# *Back to the Table*

## **Cooking Classes**

**Taught by Susie Cork  
at St. Johns' Episcopal Church**

**Celebrate community & fellowship as we learn to cook together.**

**Meet new people or get to know your spouse and family all over again.**

Classes are held the first Thursday of the month at 6:15pm to about 8:30pm in the kitchen of St. John's. All classes are hands-on style and require participation in the cooking and clean up. We pair wine with the menu and it's available for a reasonable fee with the meal. Every participant receives a set of typed recipes and will have dinner during the class. Class size is limited to 14 participants.

A percentage of the proceeds benefits St. John's Church.

### **The Classes - Autumn 2011**

#### **September 1: Family Night\*\* - Easy Weeknight Meal**

Fettuccine with Seared Beef, Tomatoes & Smoked Almonds,  
Mixed Greens with local red apples, goat cheese & maple balsamic vinaigrette, Lemon Raspberry Angel Trifle  
\$35/person

#### **October 6: Kids Class\* - When in Rome**

Homemade Pepperoni Pizza, Fettuccine with Lemon Alfredo & Broccoli,  
Homemade Butterscotch Budino (pudding).

\$35/person. Children under 10 years of age receive a \$10 discount.

#### **November 10: Adult Class \*\*\*- Company's Coming**

Beef Wellington, Cabernet Sauce, Pumpkin baby cakes with Hazelnut Caramel Sauce  
\$40/person

#### **December 1: Family Night\*\*- Santa's Bakeshop**

Imprinted Soft Gingerbread Tiles, Sea Salt Caramels,  
Chocolate Winter Wonderland cupcakes with 7-minute Frosting & Santa Pizza for dinner. \$35/person

#### **Details**

\*The Kids Classes are for kids 8-17 years of age.

\*\*Family Classes are for any age group or combination of family members,  
provided the children under 17 are accompanied by an adult.

\*\*\*Adult classes are for 18 years and older

#### **The Instructor**

Classes are designed and taught by Susie Cork, who is also the General Manager of Shaw's Restaurant & Inn. A Lancaster native and member of St. Johns', Susie is a graduate of The Culinary School at Kendall College in Chicago and honed her skills at Chicago's top restaurants for 17 years. She has taught cooking classes at A La Carte Gourmet Kitchen in Chicago, The Chopping Block Cooking School in Chicago  
and currently at Sur La Table at Easton in Columbus & at Shaw's every Saturday.

#### **Payment & Cancellation Policy**

All classes require a prepaid reservation by cash or check made payable to St. Johns'. Reservations can be made at St. Johns' Church Services or by calling St. John's Monday-Thursday 9am-1pm. 740-653-3052.

Paid reservations are non-refundable. You are welcome to send someone to take your place in the class.

**Reservation Deadline:** Payment must be received the Sunday before the day of the class.



### August 2011 Serving Schedule

August 7 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	Readings
Lay Readers	Jean Hammer	Doug Carr & Ivan Smith	Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
Acolytes		Andrew Eyman & Asher Carr	Psalms: 105: 1-6
Lectors		Charlie Voss & Sara Perlow	Romans 10:5-15
Ushers	Rita Zimmerman & Anna Adkins	Nick England & Jenn Spires	Matthew 14:22-23
Altar Guild	Bobbie Beebe	Jessie Smith/Barb Parker	Set-up: Deanna Roshong
August 14 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	Readings
Lay Readers	Alma Priddy	Tom Hammer & Jenn Spires	Genesis 45:1-15
Acolytes		Ty & Morgan Spires	Psalms: 34
Lectors		Diana Turpin & Joy Malinski	Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Ushers	Mike Whiley & Peggy Merton	Chris Hurdley & Hannah Hurdley	Matthew 15:21-28
Altar Guild	Peggy Merton	Chris Hurdley/Kathy Canter	Set-up: Jean Hammer
August 21 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	Readings
Lay Readers	Nick England	Robin Rhodes & Jim Hall	Exodus 61:10-11
Acolytes		Milt Taylor & Alanna Hurdley	Psalms: 124
Lectors		Ivan Smith & Marty Turpin	Romans 12:1-8
Ushers	Rita Zimmerman & Anna Adkins	Nickie Leckrone & Diane Downard	Matthew 16:13-20
Altar Guild	Frankie Mathias	Reda Kittle/Sally Stallsmith	Set-up: Heather Perkins
August 28 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	Readings
Lay Readers	Jim Merton	Chuck Canter & Nick England	Exodus 3:1-15
Acolytes		Alex Shook & Hannah Hurdley	Psalms: 26: 1-8
Lectors		Paul Heim & Nick England	Romans 12:9-21
Ushers	Mike Whiley & Peggy Merton	Jenn & Morgan Spires	Matthew 16:21-28
Altar Guild	Cathy Forbes	Ann Canby/Judie Miller	Set-up: Rebecca Pursley

### Mountain Top Experiences

At the top of the trail was a waterfall. We stopped and rested and took in the beauty and were renewed. We were just at the treeline, snow all around. We had the privilege of spending a week with family at a reunion in the mountains of Colorado. It was more than the figurative mountaintop experience - we were on a true mountain top.

In our pre-field training we were warned that time completely away is necessary on occasion. It is hard to “get away” without “going away.” Although we live moderately, many less fortunate find us in our home and ask for money, handouts or favors; acquaintances may stop by to sit a spell to get a cold drink if they are walking by in the heat. Sometimes a day at home is anything but a day of rest. Still, “getting away” can be costly and takes time from the job here.

Christ went off alone, leaving people still clamoring to be healed, in order to renew himself and consider the direction of his next steps (Mark 1:35-39) (and even then someone found him in verse 40 and asked to be healed).

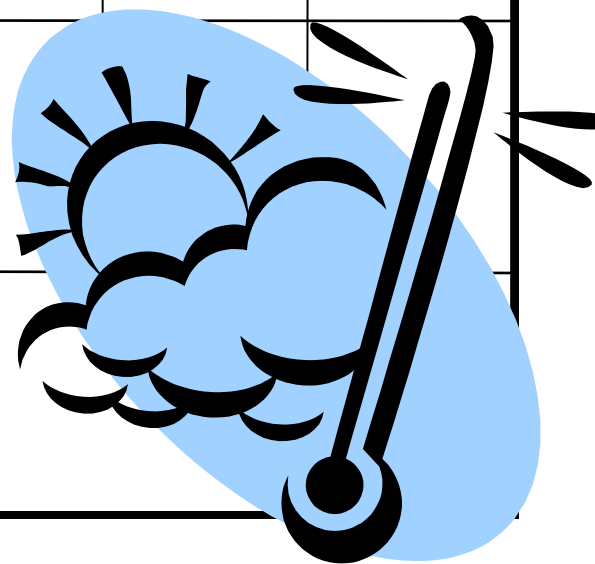
Often our task is to find a mountain top for ourselves here. “Here,” after all, is a mountaintop experience for most of the visitors that come to work with us or on short-term teams. The danger is always that the marvels that the Lord is performing around us become inured in our day-to-day life. Usually, quiet time and reflection are our best path to “getting away.”

We pray that all of you - our mission partners - can find rest, renewal and energy to continue following God’s call in your lives.

Keep praying, Anita Dohn

# AUGUST 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 7:00P Evening Prayer Group	<b>2</b> 8:00P AA Meeting	<b>3</b> 10:30 Bible Study 12:00 HC	<b>4</b> 3:30P Pickering House	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 8:00 HC 9:00 Fellowship Breakfast 10:30 HC	<b>8</b> 7:00P Evening Prayer Group	<b>9</b> 8:00P AA Meeting	<b>10</b> 10:30 Bible Study 12:00 HC	<b>11</b> 3:30P Pickering House	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 9:00 Evangelism & Renewal Mtg.
<b>14</b> 8:00 HC 10:30 HC 2:00P Lanfair Service	<b>15</b> 7:00P Evening Prayer Group	<b>16</b> 8:00P AA Meeting	<b>17</b> 10:30 Bible Study 12:00 HC	<b>18</b> 3:30P Pickering House	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 8:00 HC 10:30 HC	<b>22</b> 7:00P Evening Prayer Group	<b>23</b> 8:00P AA Meeting	<b>24</b> 10:30 Bible Study 12:00 HC	<b>25</b> 1:00P E & L Deadline 3:30P Pickering House	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 8:00 HC 10:30 HC 2:00P Carriage Court Service	<b>29</b> 7:00P Evening Prayer Group	<b>30</b> 8:00P AA Meeting	<b>31</b> 10:30 Bible Study 12:00 HC			



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