

THE FISHERMAN

Three Kinds of Community

- The Rev. Farrell Graves, Ph.D.

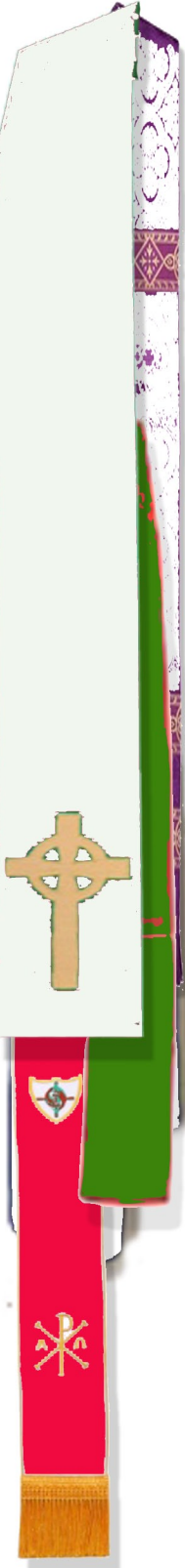
There are various ways of imagining and organizing communities, both large and small. Each method depends, in large part, upon what threats are perceived. One can imagine, for example, that A) everyone is a threat, that is, that the world is a dangerous place and no one can be trusted. This is unsustainable for any length of time. More commonly, people imagine that B) only specific people are potential threats. This second option is further divided into whether those who are potential threats are B1) primarily outside (e.g., all Americans are good; all Communists are bad.) or B2) the threat is primarily from within (e.g., there are witches among us who must be ferreted out). These two are not, of course, mutually exclusive, as we saw during the McCarthy Era. Finally, one can imagine that C) no one is necessarily a threat.

Late twentieth-century Japan used method B1 almost exclusively. Japanese citizens were educated that all Japanese were utterly the same and all non-East Asian foreigners were utterly different. (In case you are wondering, East Asian foreigners were deemed to be people who should be like Japanese, but stubbornly may resist.) When I lived in Japan, as an outsider who was assumed to have no values or goals in common with any Japanese person, most people were uncomfortable with me. Not a few were visibly frightened. I was a monster, a thing with which one has nothing meaningful in common. This ideology was more difficult to bear for Japanese, I suspect, than it was for me. I knew I would go home one day.

For the Japanese, who grew up being told that all of their cohorts were exactly the same in terms of desires and values, it placed tremendous pressure upon them to suppress any personal uniqueness or difference. There was a common expression, the nail that sticks out will be hammered down. The few who dared to be different were deemed misfits and denied advancement and even employment. Difference could be indicated by something as simple as drinking a cola rather than tea at office break time. One might be demoted, refused advancement, or even fired if the offense was repeated often enough. If we deconstruct the internal tension of these assumptions, we see that there is a suppressed awareness that people among the Japanese must be different, or no such vigorous claim of homogeneity would be required to keep them in check. In other words, the more loudly we proclaim something (in this case, sameness), the more we are trying to cover something up (that is, difference). This is why we proclaim the gospel with gentleness and love, with confidence and faith, in the knowledge that God does the saving. There is no need to conceal anything, no reliance on a false ideology (i.e., a false god) to coerce compliance.

In contrast with postwar Japan, the postwar Soviet Union was led by Stalin, who was more of a B2 person. He killed an estimated 20 million of his own people in order to rid the country of threats. Wartime Germany also argued the need to destroy the enemy within (Jews, Romani, LGBTQ people, socialists, Jehovah's witnesses, etc.) Maoists also sought to rid their societies of those whom they saw as obstructing progress. They relied, however, more heavily upon forced re-education to bring people in line.

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This is another type of exclusion that seeks to rid society of thoughts or practices deemed undesirable.

Rather than exterminating the enemy within, some use their continued presence to encourage conformity among an in-group. When I was in seminary, one of my fellow students, Joya, told me about her aunt in the late 1950s. She had a job in Manhattan, but lived with her husband in Queens. One day her car was in the shop. That afternoon, her husband showed up at work to give her a ride home. The next day, she was fired. The problem? Her aunt was “white” and her uncle was “black.” Prior to the Stonewall riots that began June 28, 1969 in the same area, a similar method was used by the New York City Police Department. Members of the NYPD would raid bars with gay clientele and threaten to arrest them for indecency if they did not pay the police a bribe. This was known as *gayola*, after the Mafia’s *payola*. (“This is a nice place ya’ got here. It’d be a shame if something happened to it.”) The clientele who refused would be arrested, which then would be published in the local newspaper. This might result in termination of employment. A similar tactic was used in California. The 50s heartthrob, Tab Hunter, was arrested at an afternoon Hollywood party in a private home for disorderly conduct. At the gathering, it seems, there were men dancing with men and women dancing with women. The studio tried to keep this out of the press for years. Conformity of most was maintained by making examples of chosen minorities.

Selected difference among people is useful in maintaining a certain social order. I say “selected” because we choose to pay attention to certain kinds of difference and ignore other kinds. Specific differences deemed significant in one society may be irrelevant or even unnoticed in another. In Japan, for example, a significant distinction was made between those who had double and single epithelial folds. People would have plastic surgery to create a double epithelial fold (*futa-e*, 二重) in order to enhance their career prospects. Want ads would specify that only those with double epithelial folds need apply.) The strange thing is, I could never tell the difference. It was something about the eyelids, as I understand it. The point is that the Japanese had latched onto this particular difference that is ignored in other cultures. There are countless differences among humans. We need only choose one to make a distinction. In the United States, the established order began to be challenged by the civil rights movement, which has had some success in its stated goals, but now we have shifted to a society in which people are strongly divided by education level. I do not know of a nation state that has succeeded in total inclusion.

Societies that seek to create community through exclusion usually claim to be doing so for the good of the nation or the community as a whole, but actually focus on the individual. Failing to understand the significance of the individual can lead inadvertently to supporting the ideology. According to Tom Hurwitz, the son of documentary filmmaker Leo Hurwitz, who filmed the drama of the Adolph Eichmann trial in Israel, his father was tragically unaware of this. Leo saw the trial as an opportunity to investigate how fascism develops in a society. He attempted in other ways to spark discussion of this topic, but few were interested. Most instead were uninterested in understanding the causes of fascism and instead wanted to use the evil of Eichmann the individual as a way of establishing their own Zionist society. Unfortunately, Tom argues, his father’s filming of the courtroom drama (broadcast in Israel, Europe, and the United States) helped to focus on the individual and unintentionally supported this narrative.

Finally, there is the Christian approach, which falls under C above. Christianity understands that our primary goal is not to create an earthly utopia (and force others to conform to it), but to engage in constantly turning towards God, which then has a positive effect on society as a whole, though it may not alter its fundamental structure. We become, in other words, the leaven, as Jesus said. The above forms of community use an idealized society to which they seek to force individuals to conform. Scapegoats, as we have seen, are a necessary part of this process. I bond with you, in other words, over the fact that we are not like those people. In such instances, we actually may have very little in common, but we share a similar difference from others. We Christians, on the other hand, acknowledge that society will never be perfect, that we humans will never be perfect, but that each person has unique gifts that can contribute to overall flourishing. We wish to include everyone without scapegoating. We recognize that what differences exist among us have a holy purpose. 

- Farrell +

1 Tom Hurwitz, “Adolph Eichmann Was Ready for His Closeup. My Father Gave It to Him.” “Opinion,” New York Times, April 17, 2023. <https://www.nytimes.com/2023/04/17/opinion/adolf-eichmann-tv-trial.html>

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Through Holy Week and Beyond

- Terrie Collins

Mary and
Martha Chapter



FHS (For His Sake)
That's why we do what we do.

From Holy Week, a prayer for you!

"Give me grace and mercy as I try and fail, guidance when I'm not sure which way to go, and wisdom to trust you in all things. For your love brings light and life to all who seek it. May I seek you evermore as I walk with you through this Holy Week and beyond. Amen."

The Daughters would like to extend an open invitation to the women of *St. James* to join our prayerful organization. Feel free to speak with Nancy Dougherty or Ruth Fernandez for more information.

Also, look for the call for food store gift cards, as we are collecting these for **Street Reach**.



For His Sake

*DOK meets the second Saturday of every month at St. James.
10am - noon
All are welcome.*





- Ruth Ann Campbell, St. James rep. SBIC

SBIC - Looking for Good Souls April Roundup

The South Brunswick Interchurch Council (SBIC) monthly Executive Board Meeting on Monday, April 10th, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the *SoundHouse* in Shallotte.

The **SBIC** is looking for volunteers for a *Volunteer Organization After Disaster (VOAD)* Working Group. This group would work in conjunction with the *Southport Interchurch Council* to develop a strategy to use our respective spaces to assist with post-disaster recovery in terms of feeding people. If you have any skills, experience, or interest in emergency management, please contact Mike Claxton, **SBIC** President, as soon as possible at mikeclaxton50@gmail.com. The meetings will be mostly via Zoom.

The Lords Food Pantry has served 935 children, 1,386 adults and 1,109 seniors for a total of 3,430 January thru March 2023.

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) distribution at *The Lords Food Pantry* served 96 families in March, or 300 individuals (69 children, 131 adults and 100 seniors).

The **SBIC** also distributes *Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)* boxes to preregistered Senior clients. We received 70 boxes in March. We distributed 59 boxes on March 11, and 11 on March 18.

The Lords Food Pantry periodically receives *Brunswick Wellness Coalition* food boxes (similar to Senior boxes) and receives produce at the Food Pantry through this program.

The **SBIC** distributed 31 *Healthy Opportunities Pilot Program (HOP)* boxes in March.

The **SBIC** received an \$18,000 grant from the *Cannon Foundation* in March, and a \$4,000 grant from the *Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP)*. New freezers have been purchased with the \$18,000. The **SBIC** is seeking someone to take the lead on grants. If you have any experience in this area, please consider helping the **SBIC**. Contact your **SBIC** representative.

The Lords Food Pantry received 3,653 pounds of food in March from the **PORCH** collection.

A total of 110 Easter Breakfast Bags were packed at *The Lords Food Pantry* on Friday, April 7, and 106 were distributed on Saturday, April 8. The bags contained pancake mix, syrup, juice boxes, ham, eggs, grapes, and oranges. Packing was done by Gary, Barbara, and Jon Freeman, and Ruth Ann Campbell, her son Tim and granddaughters Alyssa and Tori visiting from Atlanta for Spring Break.

The Lords Food Pantry will begin sharing a small part of its space in May with *New Hope Clinic* on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Upcoming events for 2023 include:

- ☒ Mini-Golf Tournament (Apr. 29), Jim and Peggy Antunes, Coordinators. Only playing one round this year. Lots of prizes and fun to be had. So, put your team together. Contact your **SBIC** Representative for a form or further information.
- ☒ Pancake Breakfast (Tentatively May), Janet and Eric Dunkelberger, Coordinators.
- ☒ Sunset @ Sunset (Oct. 7), Coordinator needed.
- ☒ **CROP** Hunger Walk (Nov. 5), Coordinator as soon as possible.
- ☒ Chick-fil-A Fundraiser (Date TBD), Joan Bradshaw & Mary Russell Coordinators.

The next General Board Meeting and Executive Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, May 8th, 2023, both** at 10:00 a.m. at *The Lord's Food Pantry*, 3610 Express Drive, Shallotte. Masks are optional.

Check out our website: www.thelordsfoodpantry.org.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact your St. James Representatives Ruth Ann Campbell at **910-575-1247** or at no1nannie@atmc.net; or Alternate Jan Comfort at **864-353-7034** or at comforj@clermson.edu. Until next month...




Be part of this amazing outreach team!

Just Desserts

- Jan Comfort



The next meeting of the ECW (Episcopal Church Women) is a potluck luncheon, on **Wednesday, May 3rd at 11:30.** (See sign up sheet in the narthex.) The luncheon will be held at the lovely home of Toni DeLuca, **543 Stanwood Dr. SE**, in Bolivia. This would be a good time to carpool, as parking is somewhat limited. Please park on one side of the street to allow large vehicles to pass, as there is a good bit of construction in the neighborhood. You can contact Toni with any questions: delucat@atmc.com or **(201) 723-2784.**

This is the final meeting of the 2022/23 season, and we will be making plans for the fall. *All ladies of the church are welcome to attend.* We will pick back up in September of 2023. Stay tuned! 



Through your generosity, *St. James the Fisherman* was able to donate 75 bras, 14 pair of underwear, 13 pair of socks, 1 pajama set, 624 feminine hygiene products, and some miscellaneous hair accessories to help homeless and financially challenged women and girls in Brunswick and New Hanover counties through a program called *"Support the Girls."*

Thank you so much! Ruth Ann Campbell, Coordinator. 



The Theology of Presence

Fr. Farrell Graves and **Fran Salone-Pelletier** join together to teach this 6-part reflection on the many ways to deepen our prayerfulness through presence to God and to others.

(May 4, 1 PM, and each Thursday thereafter for a total of six weeks) The presentations will take place in the church hall at *St. James the Fisherman Episcopal Church, Main Street, Shallotte, NC*. It helps us to see beyond the expectations of our culture to connect with the Divine. All are welcome. Eucharistic visitors and those who would like to become **Eucharistic visitors** to take communion to people who are homebound should join this course. 🐟

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Lily of the Valley in bloom.

THE FISHERMAN **CLASSIFIEDS**

For Those In Need.. For His Sake..

Daughters of the King is sponsoring a **Food Card Collection** until **May 14th**. Cards from Hills, Walmart and Food Lion, as well as local fast food restaurants will be much appreciated by those facing food insecurity here in Brunswick County. Personal checks are also welcome, made out to *Mary & Martha Chapter DOK* with "Food Card" listed the the memo line. Both donations can be dropped off at the church's office **UNTIL MAY 14th**. **Thank you.**

Volunteer Opportunities On Vestry

Yes - it's VOOV!

Our Vestry of SJTF is looking to place a new member to fill a half term (one and a half years - 18 months) for a departing member. Additionally (pun intended) Vestry is also searching for a small group of service minded parishioners who could help plan the up-coming Stewardship Campaign. Please contact any serving member of Vestry or speak to anyone in the office if you feel called to either or both of these positions.

Mount Up, Cowpokes!

The Magnificent Seven are ready to RIDE!

Every Wednesday at 5:30 in the Chapel for fellowship and singing. Need to know more? Just amble on over on a Wednesday and see what all the ruckus is about!



Delivering Easter Breakfast Bags with the SBIC Bunnies!

- Ruth Ann Campbell, SBIC Representative



On Friday, April 7th, several members of *St. James the Fisherman* packed 110 Easter Breakfast Bags at *The Lords Food Pantry* for the **SBIC** to distribute on Saturday, April 8th.

The bags contained pancake mix, syrup, and fruit juice boxes. Ham, eggs, grapes, and oranges were added on Saturday morning.

Helping to pack the bags were (L-R): Tim Campbell, Tori Campbell, Barbara Freeman, Gary Freeman, Alyssa Campbell, Ruth Ann Campbell, and Jon Freeman.

Tim, Alyssa, and Tori are Ruth Ann's son and granddaughters who were visiting from Atlanta, GA, for Spring Break.

WE ARE...



The Vestry sponsored coffee hour after both services on April 23rd to provide an update to the **Fresh Face Forward Capital Campaign**. So far, there are not many details. Senior Warden Kit Goff and committee members Chris Coltharp and Bill Chase shared entertaining stories about the give and take between the various organizations involved in *Phase One*. These include: adding parking, new stairs, lighting, and landscaping on the Main St. entrance to the church. There will be another update at coffee hour on June 4th. Be sure to make plans to attend!

- photos & article by Jan Comfort

COMING TO A PEW NEAR YOU!



*Paul Bertelsen returns to services at St. James under his own steam.
Seen here with Deacon Jean, Paul's health has steadily improved.
WELCOME BACK NAVY!*

- photo courtesy Jan Comfort

**WE ARE A Christian Community of Loving, Caring Members Who
Reach Out to Welcome Others Through Social Action, Ministry and
Inspirational Sacramental Worship**

THE FISHERMAN *Way Points...*

Online Calendar - It's About Time...

We have the technology.. for long-term planning and space-management by using the *Google Calendar* available now at www.stjamesthefisherman.net/calendar.

By planning well in advance, we hope to ensure that all meetings, group events, and-charitable collections have adequate time, space, and visibility for the church and the greater community. Also, by publicizing the dates of upcoming events months ahead of time, we will give our members more time to clear their personal schedules for purposes of volunteering or otherwise participating. This will also help us plan and promote fellowship by holding communal events like parish dinners or luncheons to a regular cadence. If you have a meeting or event that you would like to add, please contact the administrative assistant (Dave) or a vestry member with the date, time, space needed, with a short description.

BFA Food Collection...

...Just caught a new RIDE! Beginning the 2nd weekend in May, which is May 13th and 14th, the food all parishioners bring for *Brunswick Family Assistance* will be brought into the Sanctuary, **in a beach wagon**, to be blessed at the same time as our offerings. The beach wagon will be placed in a convenient space for your food offerings to be placed inside. It will be pulled forward to the Altar at the proper time for blessing. This will be done the second (2nd) weekend of every month.

Please continue to bring your food donations whenever it is convenient and the beach wagon will be ready for you.



Civil War Endings


“...Take Me Home...”

- Chris Walters

While mothers have been around for quite some time, the origins of a motherhood celebration trace back only to ancient **Greco-Roman** times where mother goddesses, Rhea and Cybele were honored. Flash forward to the **Roman Catholic Church** and find a “Mothering Sunday” recognition service on the fourth Sunday of Lent but the message then was less about motherhood and more about attending your “mother church” - a.k.a., the local Christian one. It wasn’t until the **American Civil War** that the history of **Mother’s Day**, as we know it, actually began. And it was in America!

In what would become **West Virginia**, Ann Reeves Jarvis, later known as “Mother Jarvis”, started various “Mother’s Day Work Clubs” beginning in her parish to help raise awareness of the horrible conditions of the poor in her community. These “clubs” proved an excellent unifying force for a region so divided from the war.

Again in the United States, the late 19th century saw the expansion of these groups and movements to organize a true “Mother’s Day” including one from Julia Ward Howe, an abolitionist and suffragette who wrote the “Mother’s Day Proclamation” calling for all mothers to unite and promote world peace.

The day now recognized as “Mother’s Day” came from these efforts and the direct influence of Ann Jarvis’s daughter, Anna, who made it her life mission to get Mother’s Day onto the nation’s calendar which she did in 1908. First beginning in **Grafton, WV** and teaming up with floral companies and department stores to spread the word, the idea gained incredible momentum and by 1912 was recognized in 45 states plus three other countries. In 1914, the Mother’s Day we now celebrate was made a national holiday by US President Woodrow Wilson to be celebrated every year on the second Sunday of May. Mother’s Day - a truly American celebration! 

Decorating for Memorial Day

- Chris Walters

As with much “history” in the wake of our country’s **Civil War**, specific dates and places are more an amalgam of locally accepted lore than verifiable facts, and the same is true of this American day of observance. Ending in the spring of 1863, our **Civil War** claimed more American lives than any conflict in U.S. history. So high were the numbers that the government established our first national cemeteries. Meanwhile, scattered through various towns and cities were the beginnings of the tributes to these fallen soldiers by decorating their graves with flowers and reciting prayers. Wounds of the conflict still being fresh, many services were segregated to their area’s “side” in the war but some, like the 1865 service by freed people in *Charleston, South Carolina* for the Union troops that died for their release or the more inclusive remembrance sponsored by a Union General, John A Logan, for recognizing and memorializing the losses on both sides then became a reality on the “30th of May, 1868.” Calling the service **Decoration Day**, the date was chosen because it wasn’t the anniversary of any particular battle. The first **Decoration Day** service was held in the newly created *Arlington National Cemetery*; culled from land formerly held by Confederate General Robert E. Lee. Over 5,000 participants were in attendance decorating the graves of over 20,000 **Civil War** soldiers from both sides who were buried there.

In time, more wars and more dead would come to this same memorialization, and **Decoration Day**, originally specified for only **Civil War** veterans, would grow to encompass observances across the nation. It became **Memorial Day** and from a poem dating to **World War 1**, would be observed by the wearing of a red poppy. For decades, General Logan’s original date of May 30 was observed, but in 1968 an act of Congress, **The Uniform Monday Holiday Act**, established Memorial Day as the last Monday in May, creating a more consistent three-day weekend for federal employees. It would not go into effect until 1971 and Memorial Day would then be instated as the federal holiday it is today.





ECW

2022/23

Season final meeting & luncheon

May 3rd, 11:30

THEOLOGY OF PRESENCE

Six part series beginning

May 4th, 1pm

St James the Fisherman

SBIC

Executive Committee Mtg

MAY 8th, 10am

DOK - Saturday, May 14th, 10am

VESTRY

May 17th, 2pm

BISHOP SKIRVING VISIT

One Service Sunday: 9am

May 21st

MAY

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

May 1 Stephen Veenker

May 5 Bristol Coe

May 8 Michael & Lynda Ligon

May 9 Drew & Karen Prescott

May 13 Ron Veenker

May 14 Walter & Nancy Dougherty

May 17 Michael & April Murphy

May 20 Marg Smicklas

May 26 Nancy Hobgood

May 27 David Walters

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed here, please contact David Brownfield to correct our information.



White Hawthorn in bloom

The name "Israel" means "Prevails with God."

King Harod the Great's alabaster bathtubs secured in his fortress at Kypos were made with stone from Israel, not Egypt. "...the stone the builders rejected..." ?

Liturgical Blooms of Spring

RED - Martyrdom, Christ's Blood

WHITE - Robes of Jesus, Purity

GREEN - Common Time

MAY 1st

St Philip & St James

MAY 18th

Ascension Day

MAY 28th

Pentecost: Whitsunday

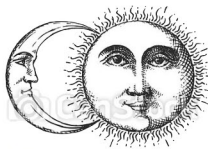
(Festival commemorating descent of Holy Spirit)

MAY 31st

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(Ember Day)

Almanac - May 2023



The full moon of May shines in the afternoon, so like Feb's, is best visible the nights before and after peak.

FULL FLOWER MOON

May 5th, 1:45pm

Birth Flowers of May

Lily of the Valley & Hawthorn

STELLAR THINKING

Morning "Stars"

Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus

"Shooting Stars"

Eta Aquarids

May 4-5

Best viewing: Southwest, 2-4am



Pleiades Star Cluster: "the Seven Sisters" is actually a group of over 800 stars visible from Earth in constellation TAURUS

Star Wars Day

May the 4th

be with you...

Cinco de Mayo

May 5th

Kentucky Derby

May 6th

Mother's Day

May 14th

Memorial Day

May 29th



EMERALD

BIRTHSTONE OF MAY

Symbol of rebirth, foresight, good fortune and youth.

MAYDAY..MAYDAY..MAYDAY

After S.O.S. had been established as the international distress signal on 3 November, 1906, it was decided that "modern" communications, now becoming radio instead of telegraph, needed a change. Many national languages had difficulty understanding the "S" as a distinct sound with the newer technology. Inspired, Frederick Stanley Mockford of Croydon Airport, England utilized the phonetic equivalent of a French term, *m'aidez* or *m'aider* meaning "help me", for the more English "mayday". It was adopted by the United States in 1927.

MAY - While the official name "May" only entered into modern English usage in the 1050's, its heraldry finds roots in a conflation of Greek and Roman goddesses. From the Greek, *Maia*, the mother of *Hermes*, messenger of the gods, she became a star in the *Pleiades* cluster making her a companion of *Artemis*, goddess of the hunt. From the Romans, also *Maia*: she is a goddess of fertility and spring. In both cultures, a spring hunt was definitely on...

STATES OF MAY

South Carolina (8th) May 23rd, 1788

Rhode Island (13th) May 29th, 1790

Wisconsin (30th) May 29th, 1848

Empire State Building opens May 1, 1931

Kent State Student Memorial May 4, 1970

Victory in Europe Day May 8, 1945

1st Transcontinental RR in US May 10, 1869

Mickey Mantle's 500 HR May 13, 1967

Lewis & Clark begin journey May 14, 1804

Airmail Service in US begins May 15, 1918

Mt St Helens erupts May 18, 1980

Lincoln signs Homestead Act May 20, 1862

Amelia Earhart flies Atlantic May 20, 1932

Fountain Pen patented May 20, 1830

Last J Carson *Tonight Show* May 23, 1992

Jamestown VA settled May 24, 1607

B Plague erupts in S Francisco May 27, 1907

Martha Canary (Calamity Jane) May 1, 1852

"Bing" Crosby May 3, 1903

Catherine the Great May 2, 1729

Johannes Brahms May 7, 1833

Florence Nightingale May 12, 1820

Cheryl Sarkisian (Cher) May 20, 1946

"Bob" Hope May 29, 1903



May 15th, 1928

*Steamboat Willie cruises into
The Colony Theatre in New York City.
Mickey Mouse Debut in glorious B&W*

May 3rd, 1978

Though not named "email" at the time, the first mass "junk mail" was sent on this day to several hundred subscribers of ARPANET. It was an ad for an owner/marketer of the system.

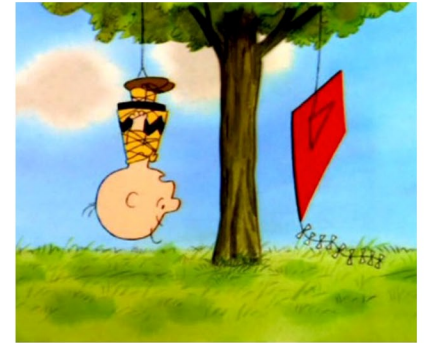
MAY DAY POLLING

The Maypole Dance - Celebrated on May 1st, Pentecost (Whitsun) or at Midsummer (June 20-26) for some, the dance is one of Germanic origins to acknowledge the gifts of spring, the return of warmth and fertility. Using a central pole, originally thought to be a tree, people process around it, tethered or not by vines with blooming flowers, before returning to a celebration feast of breads, meats and wine. While widely enjoyed by many cultures, Puritan faiths on both sides of the Atlantic did their best to stop the music but the dance never missed a beat. It continues in various forms and times to this day.

.....from the editor

Some projects take more than one effort...

As we wind into the season of vacations and fun, this is a call to all interested parishioners who are stricken, as I am, with the incessant need to show off on paper. Or, if you are one of those gifted few who simply cannot help but be creative, here, once again, is your shot at local if not international fame. For all imaginative types receiving *The Fisherman*, this is **Second Call** for submissions to be shared with *St. James the Fisherman* and beyond!



We're looking for **ANY ORIGINAL** work that won't land us - me mostly - in prison for things like copywrite infringement. Sketches, doodles, drawings, photos, articles, poetry or "any whop-ping good yarn" that could be shared in a church is **JUST THE TICKET!** Send any and all artistic gems to my email, listed below, by the **MAY 17th DEADLINE** and be **IN THE RUN-NING** for **June Publication!** You know you want to. And to those who are not-so-self-assured and possibly hiding behind some flimsy excuse like "No, I'm surfing off Hawai'i this summer." well, enjoy vacation **THEN SEND IN A GREAT TALE!** It's email - you can do it from any hospital...

Whatever the choice - everyone have a safe and wonderful summer!

THANK'S AGAIN - to EVERYONE who stepped up and delivered for this issue!

June edition article deadline: May 17th.

Please send all emails to waltfam@atmc.net
marked - "The Fisherman"

Seeding the future?



Check out these previous homilies

From St. James' own website:

stjamesthefisherman.net

From YouTube:

[YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com)

Christian Consciousness Today

Find a quick and easy link
at the bottom of his weekly emails!

 **YouTube**

**Christian
Consciousness
Today**

Fr Farrell would like to invite you to
visit his YouTube channel,
"Christian Consciousness Today."

If you miss a sermon, please go to

YouTube.com

and check for weekly updates!

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God - Ephesians 5:2

Directors of Ministries

WORSHIP - Ginny Coltharp

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Altar Guild - Ruth Fernandez/JoAnn Jenkins

Daughters of the King - Nancy Dougherty
Ruth Fernandez

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Newcomers/Greeters - Clergy

Nursery - Clergy

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Holy Stitchers - Barbara Freeman

Coffee Hour - Weekly Hosts

Parish Dinners - Vestry/ ECW

OUTREACH

Angel Tree - DOK S Sprouse, R Fernandez

Operation Christmas Child - R A Campbell

Food Cards for Homeless - DOK A Murphy

Christmas in July (school supplies) - DOK

Waccama School Partnership -DOK T Colins

Neighbor 2 Neighbor - Rev. Dec. Jean Miller

BFA Food Pantry/Second Helpings- G Weber

Thanksgiving Dinner Boxes - R A Campbell

Meals of Love - DOK - Jeannie Reopel

Support the Girls - Ruth Ann Campbell

Lobster Sale - Bill Chase

Crop Walk - Ruth Ann Campbell

UTO - Mary Klinedinst

The Fisherman - Chris Walters

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Welcome New Vestry

Ginny Coltharp - Worship

Jan Comfort - Communications

Ruth Ann Fernandez - Outreach

Kit Goff - Sr Warden, Graveyard

Kathleen McDonald - Grounds

RoseMary Stalter - Parish Life

Peter Tietjen - Jr Warden

Greg Weber - Finance, Ways & Means

Aaron Zettlemoyer - Building

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Go Therefore and Make Disciples of All People."**

