



Canterbury Tales

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There is a lad here, who has five barley loaves and a couple of dried fish?

*“You,
give
them
some-
thing
to eat!”*

Matthew 14:16

A Word From Our Rector

“Jesus said, “They need not go away’ you gave them something to eat.” And he said, “Bring them to me.” Matthew 14:16-18

The feeding of the multitudes is the only new Testament miracle story found in all four accounts of the Gospel. In fact, Mark and Matthew include not only the feeding of five thousand people, among the Jews, but also a feeding of the Gentiles, in number about four thousand.

The power and commandment found in these stories is bound up in the basic fact that we all have to eat. From the time of birth, we are compelled to have our desire of “daily bread,” met not only to satisfy our needs, but also to allow us to enjoy the absolute delight in feasting. From the most simple of meals to an elaborate holiday meal, our humanity needs to be fed so that we might live.

It is in this backdrop that we are presented with the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand in Matthew’s account of the Gospel. Jesus and His disciples have recently reunited after the disciples’ first missionary trip. They are excited and filled with stories of miracles, healings, and the general optimism that the teaching of Jesus was already bearing fruit by those who were going out into the world. This new ministry had now begun and Jesus was eager to listen to their stories. However, He was also nursing a private hurt in that Jesus had just received news of the beheading of John the Baptist at the hands of Herod’s soldiers.

The joy of the new ministry was tempered by the news of the death of His cousin, and so Jesus headed across the Sea of Galilee, by boat, to a quiet place—a place where He could think, pray, and prepare for the next phase of His work. However, word spread throughout the towns and villages along the coast of the lake and Jesus was besieged by those desiring to be healed. The evangelists all agree that Jesus had compassion for the crowds, with Mark actually saying that “they seemed to be like sheep without a shepherd” as they sought to hear the redeeming word of God. It is in this



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context that the disciples, those closest to Jesus, manifest a bit of possessiveness toward the Master and try to force Him to send the people away because they want their “quality time.”

The Matthean Jesus says, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” In that short command Jesus directs the disciples, and us as the Church by extension, to not only look within ourselves alone, but to the community at large. The disciples had just returned from their first mission. They were excited and enthused. They didn’t want anyone else to prevent them from telling their story; they were “now off the clock.” What the disciples didn’t understand was that they had a ministry to those to whom Jesus served and that, as the Good Shepherd cares for His flock, so we are compelled to do the same.

The rest of the story is quite familiar: the five barley loaves and two fish are brought to Jesus. As the Giver of the feast, Jesus blesses, breaks, and gives the broken pieces of food to the disciples and then commands them to give to those who are in need. They give, and continue to give, until all are filled. They gather up the fragments of the fish and the loaves that remain, filling twelve baskets, one for each of them. In this

Eucharistic sharing, Jesus challenges the disciples to feed the crowd, to respond to the real needs of the people as He had been doing all day. The disciples displayed their inability to do so, spiritually or physically. Driving His point home, Jesus makes certain that the disciples are the agents who distribute the food for the hungry.

The point is that the Eucharist cannot leave us uninvolved. By sharing in Jesus’ gift of Himself in the Eucharist, we assume the responsibility to share with Him everywhere. Like the disciples, we become agents of further distribution. We become extensions of the Eucharist. It is through us that others need to see Jesus and to know the impact of a loving God who willingly shares Himself, not to condemn, but to save.

The Lord’s love does not discriminate. Our diversity proves that! We are.. .a mother who raised her children alone, a worker now unemployed, a father concerned about his children’s companions, a young person full of life and growth, a lonely child, a family just moved into the parish, a parish volunteer who gives of

her time and service to others. The Lord Jesus has been with us, loving us, inviting us to deeper friendship. He forms us into a people who are His own.

We, as Christ’s body, share in the Eucharist, because it nourishes us. We share it because it fashions the body we are. We share it so the Lord can be a part of our lives. We can never forget that the blessing was Jesus’; the distribution was the disciples’—it involved their giving up of their own immediate needs to offer instead a sense of gracious participation in the miracle. The same is true here: the Lord is the blessing but through our tenderness and concern we graciously minister. Pray that as we are joined to Jesus, through baptism, we may celebrate the power of His ministry daily in the lives of His people.

M.W.G.

Rector on Vacation

Father Michael and Sharon will be away on June 30 and returning July 7. They are off celebrating their grandson Zachary second birthday.

“Give us this Day our Daily Bread!”

As the Lord’s Prayer continues, we ask: “Give us this day our daily bread.” We can understand this petition in a spiritual and in a literal sense. For in the divine plan both senses may help toward our salvation. For Christ is the bread of life; this bread does not belong to everyone, but is ours alone. When we say, our Father, we understand that he is the father of those who know him and believe in him. In the same way we speak of our daily bread, because Christ is the bread of those who touch his body.

Now, we who live in Christ and receive his eucharist, the food of the salvation, ask for this bread to be given us every day. Otherwise we may be forced to abstain from this communion because of some serious sin. In this way we shall be separated from the body of Christ, as he taught us in the words: “I am the bread of life which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats my bread will live for ever and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.” Christ is saying, then, that anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Clearly they possess life who approach his body and share in the eucharistic communion. For this reason we should be apprehensive and pray that no one has to abstain from this communion, lest they be separated from the body of Christ and be far from salvation. Christ has warned of this: “If you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood you will have no life in you.” We pray for our daily bread, Christ, to be given to us. With his help, we who live and abide in him will never be separated from his body and his grace.



After this we ask pardon for our sins, in the words: “forgive us our trespasses.” The gift of bread is followed by a prayer for forgiveness. To be reminded that we are sinners and forced to ask forgiveness for our faults is prudent and sound. Even while we are asking God’s forgiveness, our hearts are aware of our state! This command to pray daily for our sins reminds us that we commit sin every day. None should complacently think themselves innocent, lest in their pride lead to further sin. Such is the warning that John gives us in his letter: “If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, the Lord is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins.” His letter includes both points, that we should beg for forgiveness for our sins, and that we receive pardon when we do. He calls the Lord faithful, because he remains loyal to his promise, by forgiving us our sins. He both taught us to pray for our sins and our faults, and also promised to show us a father’s mercy and forgiveness.

*—A reading from the treatise On the Lord’s Prayer,
by Cyprian, bishop, 258 A.D.*

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
 Third Sunday after Pentecost 3 8:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Nursery Care / Story Hour 10:00 Choral Eucharist	Independence Day 4 Office Closed 7:30 A.A. Meeting	 8:00 T.O.P.S. Meeting 5 7:00 Recovery Group
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 10 8:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Nursery Care / Story Hour 10:00 Choral Eucharist	11 7:30 A.A. Meeting	12 8:00 T.O.P.S. Meeting 7:00 Recovery Group
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 17 8:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Nursery Care / Story Hour 10:00 Choral Eucharist	18 7:00 The Vestry 7:30 A.A. Meeting	19 8:00 T.O.P.S. Meeting 7:00 Recovery Group
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost 24 8:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Nursery Care / Story Hour 10:00 Choral Eucharist	25 10:00 Holy Eucharist St. James the Apostle	26 8:00 T.O.P.S. Meeting
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost 31 8:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00 Nursery Care / Story Hour 10:00 Choral Eucharist	7:30 A.A. Meeting	7:00 Recovery Group



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Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
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							5:30 Holy Eucharist
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10:00 Holy Eucharist Healing		Fr. Mike returns from vacation.					5:30 Holy Eucharist
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10:00 Holy Eucharist / Healing 10:45 Summer Bible Study							5:30 Holy Eucharist
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“Back to School”

School just got out, but it's not too soon to start collecting supplies for the next school year. St. Augustine's Outreach Committee has decided to help out Dasie Bridgewater Hope Center in Wabasso. It is an after school program helping children from first through high school ages. If you would like to help, please bring a **backpack or paper folders** to church and place them in the large blue tub by the door in the Parish Hall. (Checks are also accepted) The deadline is **Sunday, August 14th**. Thank you again for your generosity. Carol Davis

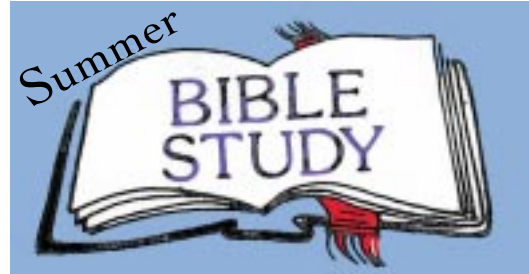
Building Expansion News:

Our Building Expansion work is moving ahead as we opened the bids for our proposed new construction on May 26, at a special meeting of the Vestry, Building Committee and Campaign Committee in the parish hall.

Following the architect's reconciliation of the bids, the Vestry voted to go with the Mulligan Construction Company of Orlando, Florida, who came in with a bid of \$732, 200, at a meeting on June 7, 2011. During the meeting it was brought up to the group from the Campaign and Building Committees, as well as the Vestry, that there will be expenses beyond the contractor's scope of work (such as required fees, and expensive fire alarm system, landscaping, irrigation, new furnishings, kitchen and playground equipment) that could cost an additional \$144,000. This would bring our total cost to \$876,200.

As this issue of the “Canterbury Tales” goes to print, we have received 142 pledges totaling \$627,177, of which \$313, 357, has already been paid to the Building Fund. With the summer upon us, we are still hopeful that others from the congregation will feel so called as to contribute to this faith-filled project.

We are having the contracts reviewed by our church attorney and, once that is completed, the signed contracts returned, and following our final approvals from the county, we will look ahead to a mid-summer ground-breaking for our new work.



The Wednesday's of July will see us delving into the Thessalonian Epistles as our summer Bible study, beginning July 13th and continuing through August 17th. The Bible Study will meet from 10:45 am until 12 noon in the parish library.

St. Paul's epistles to the Thessalonian Church are friendly and exhorting letters in which the Apostle sought to encourage the newly founded community to stay steadfast in their faith. His affection for the community in Thessalonika, makes these two letters probably more of the caring and uplifting of any in the New Testament.

We invite all to be part of this time of study, discussion, and fellowship on Wednesday mornings, following our mid-week healing eucharist. Bring your favorite copy of the Bible and come join us—we'll be looking for you!

The Outreach Committee arranged for a group of our Church members to cook and serve dinner at The Source on Commerce Street in Vero Beach on May 23, 2011. This is a Christ centered outreach and resource center for people who are homeless or on the brink of becoming homeless.

We chose a menu we felt would provide a nutritious dinner as well as what we considered “comfort food.” The menu was shepherd's pie, salad, rolls, butter and for dessert we served brownies and athena (Florida) melons, with iced tea.

Our cooks, who did a great job, were: Pat Baker, Carol Davis, Midge Erwig, Bunny Frey, Sue Hand, Jean Houck, Naomi Jewett, Roz James, Lala Maresi, Dorothy Lucas, Beth Moniz and Joanne Reinhart.

The food was served at The Source by Bunny Frey, Midge Erwig, Beth Moniz and Roz James.

A big thank you to everyone who helped provide this meal. It was a really successful event and was very much appreciated by everyone.

It is our hope that we can continue to provide this service to our community. We would like to arrange to do it again possibly in September. If we get enough volunteers, we can divide into more than one group.

If you would be interested in volunteering to be part of this worthwhile effort, please contact Roz James at rozjames1@gmail.com or telephone 794-9061.



Even though it is summer, we are still keeping the Church Year, as we note the special commemorations during the month of July. There will be two special celebrations, along with our mid-week Eucharists and the weekend liturgies during what the church refers to as "Ordinary Time."

Friday, July 22nd, will see us celebrate the life and ministry of Mary Magdalene, with a service at 10:00 am.

Mary's role in the resurrection narratives is pivotal as she became the "apostle to the apostles" in spreading the good news of Jesus having been raised from the tomb. On Monday morning, July 25th, we will remember one of the first of the disciples to be called, and that would be St. James, the fisherman, with a celebration at 10:00, in the parish church. James, along with his brother John, was called away from their father's fishing business on the Sea of Galilee to "fish" for people.

Come and join us as we offer the Holy Eucharist on these holy days, as we continue our journey in faith.



Story Hour and Nursery Care

Our Church School may be in recess, but our Christian education program for the summer has just begun. During the 10:00 am celebration of the Holy Eucharist, we will be having a "Story

Hour," along with nursery care in the parish hall. Under the teaching of Regan Fuller and Christine Smith, our young people will be offered the youth program, "A Kid's Travel Guide to the Ten Commandments." Through story-telling, audio-visual aids and crafts, our children and young people will have the opportunity to learn about the Ten Commandments in a new and exciting way. Do you have children or grandchildren visiting with you this summer? Bring them to church and allow the gift of the Holy Spirit to enlighten these young Christians with the love of God's presence in their lives.

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Independence Day
July 4, 2011

July Anniversaries

6	Phil & Barbara Wright
12	Fr. Harry & MaryJane Hart
12	Edgar & Lois Jadwin
14	Richard & Ginny Flinchbaugh
14	Al & Jo-An Smukala
17	Robert & Kathleen Warren
20	Jack & Pat Martin
28	Rick & Diane Vidiri



July Birthdays

1	Zachary Shoch	16	Kim Street
6	Gladys Nokes	17	Blanch Evans
8	Gaetan Arminio	18	Inge Curcio
9	Michael Condron, Jr.	18	Ann Howard
10	Rick Schreiner	21	Benjamin Wiggins
11	Pat Martin	23	Catherine Whitney
11	JoeAnne Severino	24	Margaret Palmer
12	Carrie Elliott	24	Joyce Costello
12	Megan Condron	25	John Edridge
13	Marie Smith	28	Ed Walker
15	Joan Kingston	28	Ed Golden
		31	Josephine Stewart

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Schedule of Masses

Wed	Healing Service	10:00 AM
Sat	Holy Eucharist	5:30 PM
Sun	Holy Eucharist	8:00 AM
Sun	Choral Eucharist	10:00 AM

Deadline for next Canterbury Tales is July 20, 2011