



MAY 2022

The Vine

Jesus said, "I am the vine; you are the branches..." John 15:5

"Older Men" and "Older Women"

Since the word "retirement" and its concept is not found in Holy Scripture, what should older men and women do when they find their strength and focus diminishing? From a practical perspective, they might reduce their employment workload, quit their employment, and/or hire more help at home.



What then does Holy Scripture have to say about "older men" and "older women"? In his short Epistle to Titus, the Apostle Paul gives us some Holy Spirit inspired advice:

"Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. . . . urge the younger men to be self-controlled. Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about us." – Titus 2:2, 6-8

"Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled." – Titus 2:3-5

Did you notice that older men are to "urge the younger men . . ." and the older women are to "train the young women . . ." Clearly, older men and women are not to coast, step back, or do nothing among God's people! Their pace may be slower, but their wisdom is deeper and needed by the next generations! Ponder these verses:

"Is not wisdom found among the aged? Does not long life bring understanding? (Job 12:12).

"So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come" (Psalm 71:18).

If you are young, you need the spiritual and practical wisdom of older men or women. If you are old, you need to share your wisdom with the young. How, you might ask?

1. Build a personal relationship. Spend time with each other. Do things together. Seek/share wisdom.
2. Volunteer in a team ministry at the church. Share your wisdom with young adults and children. Let older adults mentor you in ministry.
3. Model mature Christian behavior for the young. Model yourself after the mature Christian behavior of the old.

An old worship song said, "It only takes a spark to get a fire going." With the help of God, be that spark for the next generation! Receive that spark from the previous generation!

Our Path of Christian Maturity

Worship Grow Serve

The Faith Flash

Are you receiving our email newsletter, *The Faith Flash*? *The Faith Flash* comes out weekly with timely information and reminders. Sign up today by going to our website (www.faithanglicanchurch.org), or calling the church office (755-4848).

Children's and Youth Ministry News

May 1st - AWANA Meeting

May 8th - AWANA ~ Mother's Day Celebration.

Kids Will sing songs and serve dinner.

May 15th - AWANA Meeting ~ Wear Tie -Dye.

Bring a friend!

May 22nd - AWANA Awards Night/Last Meeting

Youth Crew ~ HS Senior Sunday is May 28th.



VBS is July 17th - 20th from 5:45 to 8:00 p.m. Our Theme this year is Zoomerang. Volunteer meeting May 22nd in the Children's Ministry Center following church. Here

is the link to register kids and to volunteer. <https://www.myvbs.org/FaithAnglican/>

National Day of Prayer

We prepare for the National Day of Prayer on the Sunday before the actual designated date each year by distributing prayer handouts to be used to prompt us and help us in focused prayer. You will receive these on May 1st in preparation for May 5th. This year the title is, *Exalt the Lord*. When things look dark and confusing in our personal lives, and in the world, our first defense should be to exalt the Lord above all that we see around us and remember it is all under His feet. Turning our eyes upon the Lord, praising Him, thanking Him and worshipping Him may be the most powerful spiritual weapon we have. Let's join our brother's and sister's throughout the nation to do this very thing, and watch God move on this nation and world!

Rita Barnett

Fellowship Events

Mother's Day Celebration: May 8th We will be honoring our mothers' and something special in a connection with those who are watching us from home. Be looking for a Saturday delivery that weekend! Cake and dessert after the service.

Confirmation: May 15th Always a great time in our church! We are all looking forward to visiting with our Bishop! A sit-down luncheon is planned and catered! Special Bishop's favorite dessert is also on the menu.

8th Street Mission: May 19th We take a great dinner. Supplies and fellowship with our friends in West Memphis.

Creation Care

We hear a lot about saving the earth, some as an act of stewardship to God, some as an end in itself, bordering on earth worship. From the beginning, way before the modern environmental movement, God put Adam in the Garden of Eden to "work it and take care of it" (Genesis 2:15). Biblical creation care is not worshipping God's creation (as some extreme environmentalists do); it is being a good steward of it. Creation care is taking care of God's creation for the sake of this generation and generations to come. Ultimately, as Anglican author John Stott said, "God intends . . . our care of creation to reflect our love for our Creator" (*The Radical Disciple*). How might you care for God's creation? Some ideas: reduce consumption and waste, recycle, properly dispose of chemicals, continually give thanks to God for "this fragile earth, our island home" (Book of Common Prayer).

The BEAR is coming!



Birthdays for MAY

Betty Ellard	05	Kevin Crocker	11
Jennifer Asimwe	06	Henry Booth	25
Ike Ifedili	06	Mary Hand	31
Don Landgrebe	07	Andrew Ifedili	31

Anniversaries

William & Lauren Hearne	16
Michael & Candi Brown	29
Ron & Patty Kirby	30
Bill & Lynda Zachry	30



Prayer Corner

Nancy Ebbing	John White	Davis Holder
Mansell Lancaster	Bill Walsh	Wyndam
Larry Wilkes	Jonathan Hays	
Eli Ritchie	Janie Beth Covington	

Principal Christian Feast Three in a Row!

In the Christian year we have seven principal feast days: Christmas, Epiphany, Easter Sunday, Ascension, Pentecost Sunday, Trinity Sunday, and All Saints'. All seven are crucial to our understanding of God and shape our worship. These are Sundays you should not miss! This year **Ascension Sunday** is on **May 29th**, **Pentecost Sunday** is on **June 5th**, and **Trinity Sunday** is on **June 12th**. Jesus' ascension into heaven and the Trinitarian Godhead with his human body and soul affects how we understand God. Jesus sending the Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts and empower us to be faithful witnesses is crucial to our living out the Christian faith. God is one Being and three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Unless we understand the Holy

Trinity, we can't really understand God. Come! Come to these important Christian Feast Days!

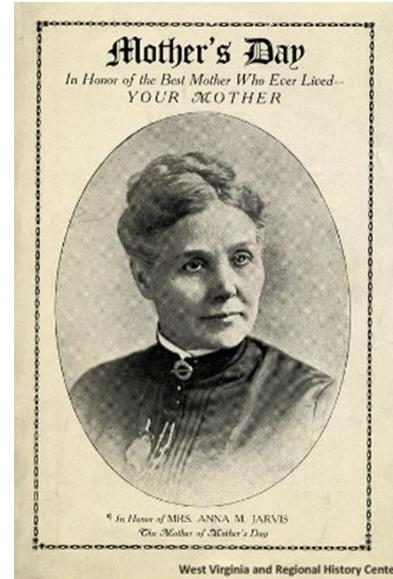


New to Faith? Come to the *Discovering Faith* Workshop

Discovering Faith is a two part workshop designed to help you grow in your relationship with Christ and learn about membership in this community of faith. You will also get to know our pastor and others who are new to Faith. This workshop is offered two or three times a year. If you are new to Faith, we would love for you to attend our next *Discovering Faith* workshop. The first part is on Sunday, **May 15th**, from 4:00 to 7:30 p.m. The second part is on Sunday, **May 22nd** from 4:00 to 7:30 p.m. Attending the workshop does not require a commitment to join, but will give you the opportunity to learn more about Faith and meet some wonderful people. At the first meeting we will explore Faith Anglican's history, our Anglican heritage, our church's path to Christian maturity, and God's gift of salvation. At the second meeting we will explore the importance of Holy Scripture, the basics of Anglican worship, and the ministries of Faith Anglican Church. Both meetings are held in the church Narthex. Dinner is included and childcare is available upon advanced request. To sign-up e-mail Herb at herbhand@faithanglicanchurch.org.

Mother's Day! ~ May 8th

Mother's Day in America was not invented by Hallmark. The modern Mother's Day we celebrate had its origin in the Church, dating back to 1908. Anna Jarvis was its primary proponent. Her intention was not for Mother's Day to become a commercial holiday, but a day to honor your mother (Exodus 20:12) in church. Honor your mother at Faith this Mother's Day! Bring your mom to church! Moms, invite your children to church!



A Glaring Issue!

As you can see, for those worshiping from home through Facebook Live, we have a glare/overexposure issue. Your Parish Council is exploring several options on how to eliminate the glare, while keeping our view of God's creation and our Sanctuary beautiful.

Window Area



<p>All articles for The Vine are due in the office the <i>second Monday</i> of the month, send to: laqueta@faithanglicanchurch.org</p>
<p>Sunday: Sunday Worship 10:00am Holy Communion every Sunday</p>
<p>9555 Walnut Grove Road Cordova, TN 38018 901-755-4848 www.faithanglicanchurch.org</p>



Bishop Frank Lyons to Visit Faith – May 15th

Bishop Frank Lyons, our diocesan Assisting Bishop, will be with us on May 15th to preach God’s Word and for Confirmation.

Bishop Frank is a graduate of Wheaton College and holds degrees from Wheaton Graduate School, Nashotah Theological Seminary, Fuller Theological Seminary, and Carey Theological College. He and his wife served as overseas missionaries for 25 years with the Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders (SAMS), and was consecrated a bishop in Bolivia. He began serving in the Anglican Diocese of the South in January 2015. Please come support those being Confirmed, Received, and Reaffirming their faith in Christ and visit with Bishop Frank!!!

Faith Anglican Church A Voting Precinct

Faith Anglican Church is a voting precinct. So on May 3rd the Primary will take place in our Children’s Ministry Center. The Election Commission began using Faith last year. We are happy to be able to serve our community and it gives those who vote here a chance to see us and to realize that we are here.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 3rd Sunday of Easter 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Children's Worship 4:00 AWANA & Youth	2 7:00 Women's Bible Study	3 8:00 Men's Bible Study 10:00 Women's Bible Study Election Primary in the Children's Center	4	5 National Day of Prayer 6:30 Worship Team Rehearsal	6	7
8 4th Sunday of Easter 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Children's Worship 11:30 Mother's Day Brunch 4:00 AWANA & Youth	9 7:00 Women's Bible Study	10 7:30 Executive Com Mtg 8:00 Men's Bible Study 10:00 Women's Bible Study 6:30 Prayer Fellowship 7:00 Prayer Meeting	11	12 6:30 Worship Team Rehearsal	13	14 10:30 Daughters of the Holy Cross
15 5th Sunday of Easter 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Confirmation 10:00 Children's Worship 4:00 Discovering Faith 1 4:00 AWANA & Youth	16 7:00 Women's Bible Study	17 8:00 Men's Bible Study 10:00 Women's Bible Study 6:45 Parish Council Mtg	18	19 8th Street Mission 6:30 Worship Team Rehearsal	20	21
22 6th Sunday of Easter 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Children's Worship 4:00 Discovering Faith 2 4:00 AWANA & Youth	23 7:00 Women's Bible Study	24 8:00 Men's Bible Study 10:00 Women's Bible Study	25	26 6:30 Worship Team Rehearsal	27	28
29 Ascension Sunday 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Children's Worship <i>High School Senior Day</i>	30 <i>Office Closed</i> 	31 8:00 Men's Bible Study 10:00 Women's Bible Study 6:30 Grow Group Leader Meeting			&	