



MAY 2022

TIDINGS

The Church of the Good Shepherd
Cashiers, North Carolina

THE POETRY OF RESURRECTION OR HOW TO PRACTICE IN THE GREAT 50 DAYS OF EASTER

I do love a good poem. Even a silly poem like those poems written by Ogden Nash:

*I saw Esau sitting on a seesaw,
I saw Esau kissing Kate,
The fact is we all three saw,
For I saw him,
And he saw me,
And she saw I saw Esau.*

His rhyme and wit and use of words always brings a smile and tremendous joy to the reader, especially me.

Maybe you prefer a longer poem. I urge you to read or reread Manifesto by Wendel Berry.

This excerpt strikes me now as we walk in the light of the Risen One during these 50 days of Easter...

*...So, friends, every day do something
that won't compute. Love the Lord.
Love the world. Work for nothing.
Take all that you have and be poor.
Love someone who does not deserve it...*

And then at the very end of the poem is possibly the most famously known and loved line...

Practice resurrection!

This is what God intends for God's people, beloved, every day. Every day! We are pulled in so many ways and distractions will always be about. So read a poem today, these ones or any other; the old ones from our childhood and the ones we write.

In every poem there is the chance to practice resurrection, to look at life from the eyes and heart of a poet.

Amen and Alleluia!

Alison +

TRANSITIONS & STATS

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 ERIN TURNER
- 1 SANDI BESETTE
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- 2 JOE TRAVIS
- 5 BYRON FINLEY
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- 5 CAROL HUNTER
- 6 TOM DOWDEN
- 6 KATHY CARTER
- 7 JIM THEUS
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- 8 GAYLE EBY
- 9 SCOTTIE JOHNSON
- 9 SUE HOLMES
- 9 CAREY JOYNER
- 9 CHARLOTTE MONSOUR
- 11 JOHN THORPE
- 13 DAVE KIRCHNER
- 13 TOM SNYDER
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- 17 LUCI HART
- 17 SAMUEL DYER
- 18 JUDY HENSON
- 18 KEITH HART
- 19 MALINDA ALLEN
- 19 KAY MOORE
- 22 JAMES WHITESIDE
- 22 BARBARA TICKLE
- 22 FRED HIRONS
- 25 SCOTT TIMBERT
- 26 MILLIE LATHAN
- 26 PATCH FOSTER
- 29 WILLIAM HUDSON
- 31 NORA JONES

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- 9 DAVID & PAMELA TUTTLE
- 15 GEORGE ELLIOT & KAREN DEAKIN
- 19 HOWARD & JEAN ANN L'ENFANT
- 20 PARKER & CAROLINE ANDERSON
- 22 GORDON & JUDY GRAY
- 24 BUD & EMILY MURPHY
- 25 KEN & DRINA MEYER

NEW FACES



DEANERY DINNER

You're invited! All members of the Western Deanery are invited to join Bishop José for a Deanery-wide celebration of fellowship, faith, and diocesan history!

The gathering will take place from 6PM-8PM on June 14, 2022 at The Lodge at Cat Creek. This is a ticketed event and limited to 80 people. Tickets are \$40 for person and includes dinner and two tokens for beer or wine. To reserve your spot, please purchase your tickets online at: <https://secure.accessacs.com/access/eventlogin.aspx?>

WESTERN DEANERY
TUESDAY, JUNE 14TH, 2022 6PM-8PM
THE LODGE AT CAT CREEK, FRANKLIN

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY IS MISSING PLEASE CONTACT ELLEN AT 828-743-2359 OR GOODSHEPADMIN@FRONTIER.COM



PALM SUNDAY & EASTER SUNDAY



REFLECTIONS ON HYMN 537 "CHRIST FOR THE WORLD WE SING"

The words for "Christ for the world we sing," our departing hymn on May 22nd, were written by Samuel Wolcott (1813-1886). Wolcott was born at South Windsor, Connecticut, July 2, 1813, and educated at Yale College, 1833, and Andover Theological Seminary, 1837. From 1840 to 1842 he was a missionary in Syria. On his return to America he was successively pastor of several Congregational congregations, including Belchertown, Massachusetts; Providence, Rhode Island; and Chicago. He was also for some time Secretary of the Ohio Home Missionary Society. He died at Longmeadow, Massachusetts, Feb. 24, 1886. His hymn writing began late in life, but has extended to more than 200 hymns, many of which are still in manuscript.

"Christ for the world we sing" was written Feb. 7, 1869. Its origin is thus recorded by the author: "The Young Men's Christian Associations of Ohio met in one of our Churches, with their motto, in evergreen letters over the pulpit, 'Christ for the World, and the World for Christ.' This suggested the hymn 'Christ for the world we sing.'" It was when on his way home from that service that he composed the hymn. It is in several American hymnals, set to a melody by composer Felice de Giardini (1716-1796).

Adapted from John Julian, *Dictionary of Hymnology* (1907)

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Plug into Good Shepherd

ALTAR GUILD | VACATION BIBLE SURPRISE! | CIRCLES OF HOPE

- Altar Guild (contact Lynn Jones if interested)
 - The Altar Guild sets the altar linens, cares for vestments, polishes brass, assists during the Sunday services, prepares the Eucharist vessels, and so much more!
- Vacation Bible Surprise! (contact Alison if interested)
 - Alison is looking for a few folks to serve as an advisory board for summer vacation bible surprise! Tentatively planned for late July.
- Circles of Hope is a national organization with a chapter in Cashiers to help folks who live below the Federal Poverty Level to achieve their goals to improve their lives. The underlying premise is that they must take responsibility for improving their own lives; we provide training and encouragement. We are staffed by volunteers and provide weekly meals and childcare and connect them with people and organizations to assist them. Could you spare 4-8 hours per month listening to and encouraging a young adult who is working to achieve his/her goals toward a better life situation? In Circles, we call these friends "Allies". If you are interested and want to know more, please contact Laura Lankford (lauralankford21@gmail.com), Janie Crews (jcrews1123@gmail.com), TK Heatley (tk@tkheatley.com), or Irv Welling (iwelling@me.com).

To get involved in one of these ministries
Contact Julia Boeve and Rose Mary Achey at VolunteerGoodShep@gmail.com to find out how!