

Pip's Squeak

March 22, 2015

**Lord,
when
did
we see
you
hungry?**

Exciting News!

The Vestry has given the go ahead to the Faith Community Shelter Program for St. Philip's. The FCS group will be here every Saturday (except April 4, 7 pm, at Calvary) and St. Philip's will be providing food on every second Saturday. Other churches will provide food on the other Saturdays. We have food lined up for the next two Saturdays but after Easter we will have a sign up sheet for parishioners to bring food on the second Saturday of the month, beginning with April 11. Please think about contributing to this ministry. If you would like to come and eat with the FCS participants you are welcome to do that as well. We will be looking for a team to help coordinate our part in this endeavor and if you would like to be part of the team please speak to one of us. Thank you,

Kaye Olivier, Fran Soulé

What is Faith Community Shelter?

Faith Community Shelter operates seven nights per week at First Congregational on Sunday, Calvary Episcopal on Monday, Calvary Episcopal again on Tuesday, Trinity Presbyterian on Wednesday, The Star of The Sea Catholic or the Shrine of St. Joseph on Thursday, United Methodist Church on Friday, and St. Philip's Episcopal in Scotts Valley on Saturday. These seven churches provide an evening meal as part of an ongoing community meal or as a special meal for the overnight guests and a take-out breakfast in the morning.

The 2013 Homeless Census conducted by Applied Survey Research of Watsonville tells us that over 3,500 people are without shelter on any given night in Santa Cruz County. Perhaps the most vulnerable among the homeless are single women and women with children, but most of those who died on the streets last year were single men. The need is great in all demographic groups. Currently the Faith Community Shelter guests include women with children, families, single women and single men, with an emphasis on those who would be most vulnerable if they remained unsheltered.

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This Week: March 22-29

Wed., 10:30, **Theology Book Group**, Sanctuary
Wed., 6 pm, **Soup Supper**, Sanctuary
Thu., 5 pm, **Food Pantry**, Foyer
Fri., 10:30, **Meditation**, Sanctuary
Sat., 5 pm, **Overnight Guests**, Parish Hall

Lenten Soup Suppers
Fellowship, prayer
and Bible—All ages
Wednesdays, 6-8pm
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TODAY: Stations of the Cross will be added to the sanctuary after the 10 AM service. Come give us a hand.

Pick up empty Easter eggs NOW! Fill with candy, stickers, other treats, and return them by 10 am Easter Sunday.

Youth 8th-12th Grade

Mar. 1-Mar. 22, & Apr. 12
4pm-5:30pm (May dates TBA.)
"Going Deeper in Faith & Christian Service"

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Adult Bible Study

Episcopal 101:
Sundays, Feb. 22- Mar. 22
9 am
"Introduction to Episcopal Christianity & St. Philip's Church"

Episcopal Marriage Encounter

April 17-19, 20

Hilton Garden Inn, Mountain View
Marriage Encounter is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones - and focus only on each other.
Please contact: Curt & Arlene
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www.episcopalme.com

Easter Sunday, April 5th: Pot Luck & All Ages Easter Egg Hunt!

Bring your favorite savory or sweet dish to share with the congregation.

St. Philip's Annual Garden Tour & English Tea **Save the Date: Saturday, May 9th**

The time is now to start planning our much anticipated Garden Tour on Saturday May 9th, 2015. We have many people in our community that look forward to this event. It is a beautiful day filled with flowers and good food. It also takes a lot of preparation to pull it off. If we all chip in a little we can make it work. Please sign up for any of the volunteer jobs that peak your interest. If you have not received the e-mail to sign up for a volunteer spot please contact Victoria Dobson at vsdobson@gmail.com, to see how you can help!