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Lenten Series  
as we discuss:

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What Christ's Death on the Cross Means For Us

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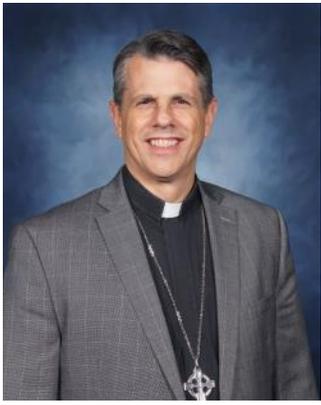
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# RECTOR'S PAGE

## The Cross of Christ

*“For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”* I Corinthians 1:18

Throughout the history of the Christian faith, there have been numerous critics about the death of Jesus Christ on the cross. Culturally speaking, this is not something that would have been readily chosen by human beings in the first century. Being crucified on a cross was probably the most scandalous sort of death that one could face. To begin with, the Romans typically reserved this sort of death for the worst of criminals. Those who were crucified would typically last for two or three days and it was a humiliating form of execution. The Roman Empire was essentially making an example out of you—saying by their actions: “This is what happens when you cross us.” Add to this the fact that in Judaism, there was embedded in the Old Testament this idea: “Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree” (Deut 21:23; Gal 3:13-14).

In response to critics in the first century (in light of the scandal of the cross for both Jews and Gentiles), St. Paul wrote: “For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.” (I Corinthians 1:21-25) In spite of the strangeness of this all, the cross was at the center of God’s plan to save the world.

This is the topic that we intend to explore in more depth in our Wednesday night Lenten Series this year. On the first night, we will explore the idea that Christ died on the cross to bear our guilt. The second week, we will explore the truth that Christ died to take away our punishment. The third week, we will see how Christ’s death on the cross purchased our freedom. On the fourth Wednesday, we will see how Christ’s death accomplishes our right standing before God. And on the final week, we will see how the cross of Christ serves to reconcile us with our heavenly Father.

These are important truths for us to meditate upon during the Lenten Season. I pray that you will make every effort to join us on those five Wednesday evenings from March 13 through April 10. We will begin with The Stations of the Cross at 5:30 followed by a soup supper at 6:00. Then the presentation will last from 6:30-7:00. I suspect that by the end of the series, we will all have a greater appreciation for our Lord Jesus and the price that He paid for our salvation. It is my desire that as we approach Good Friday and Easter, we will be able to say with St. Paul: “For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.” (Rom 1:16)



# Holy Communion Christian Academy

*Thank you for your Support!*

Mrs. Kimbrell's class  
making cornbread muffins.

100th day of school  
Making shirts!



Dance Class!



Morning Fun



The shirts are complete!





## A Statement from Archbishop Foley Beach on New York's Recent Legislation

### Protecting the Most Vulnerable

Last week, politicians in the State of New York passed legislation enabling the killing of unborn babies throughout all nine months of pregnancy, right up until the moment before birth. A full-term baby can now be killed. This legislation is a disastrous development for all of us. One of the foundational responsibilities of the State is to provide physical security to the vulnerable, and none are more vulnerable than babies. I am profoundly saddened by the blatant disregard for the *value of life* exhibited by the politicians who have done this and by the evident celebration exhibited in the New York City skyline. They have not only abdicated their responsibility to protect the vulnerable but have facilitated their destruction and murder. Pray for them, that God by His goodness will lead them to repentance (Romans 2:4).

Beyond the damage this “Reproductive Health Act” will have on women, men, and families, the killing of unborn babies undermines the State itself. Abortion not only ends the life of a human being, it denies the world all that she or he would have contributed to society. Future leaders, artists, teachers, doctors, and engineers are being denied the opportunity to fulfill their God-created purpose.

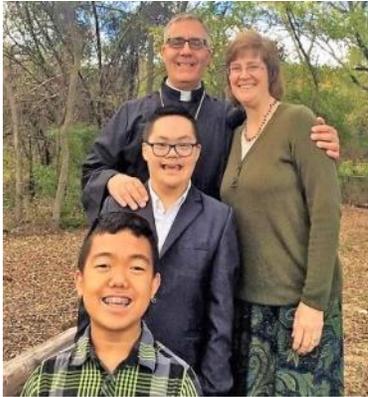
Abortion is the greatest moral issue of our time. The legislation and attitudes that threaten life are not going away anytime soon. Neither are we. Our Christian commitment to protect life, from conception to natural death, is literally written into the Anglican Church in North America's Constitution and identity as a Church. This is something that all practicing Christians should be passionate about, and it was encouraging to see the next generation of youth participating in the Life Summit and March for Life a couple of weeks ago in Washington, D.C.

We are proud to partner with Anglicans for Life and support them in their mission to help equip every Anglican Church with the resources to ensure women have real options and the on-going support they need to choose life for themselves and their children. The effects of this awful law can be minimized as we raise the conscience of the culture and as churches work together with local pregnancy resource centers to inform, educate, and make available resources to women. These centers offer far more life-affirming help and support than what the abortion clinics and those who profit from the killing of the innocent ever could.

I encourage you to live out the Gospel and facilitate a culture of life in your community. There are so many ways any and every person can help: from having casual conversations with friends to supporting pregnancy resource centers; from providing free childcare for a couple who has adopted a child to political action. Most importantly, be willing to share what Jesus Christ has done in your own life. Please join me in prayer that our communities and our countries will be transformed by the love of Jesus Christ, will repent of these evils, and will protect the next generation.

You can learn more about how Anglicans for Life can help you and your church at [www.AnglicansForLife.org](http://www.AnglicansForLife.org)

# Our Newest REC Missionaries



Dear Friends,

As some of you know, Bishop Fanuel Magangani of Northern Malawi invited us to serve as missionaries at the Leonard Kamunga Theological College in Zomba, Malawi. To recap: Fr. Bob is taking a leave of absence from his Ph.D. program and we have accepted the bishop's offer. Churches and individuals have pledged full funding for the 4 months. Thank You! We are preparing to leave in mid-March. Bishop Malasa of the Diocese of Upper Shire has offered us his guesthouse and Canon Mekwaya, Dean of the Theological College, has been taking care of the many details.



*"Life is what happens on your way to something else."*

**Immediate Life-** We are asking God for balance. Ph.D. requirements, preaching, and firefighting demand Bob's full attention. Traci and the boys continue homeschooling, music lessons, therapy, and Special Olympics. Planning for a family trip overseas for 4 months sounds straightforward. We have been reading about culture, weather, medical, and safety concerns. We have been thinking about what Bob will need to teach, for the kids to continue homeschool, for the household to function, and have tried to anticipate the outreach possibilities to special needs families. However, daily life here continues. Before we leave, we must tend to doctor appointments, tax preparation, and needed home repairs (like a new French drain). Furthermore, Traci traveled to Pennsylvania for SAMS orientation and Bob to Washington DC. (Bob is continuing his role as Military Chaplain Endorser for the REC.)



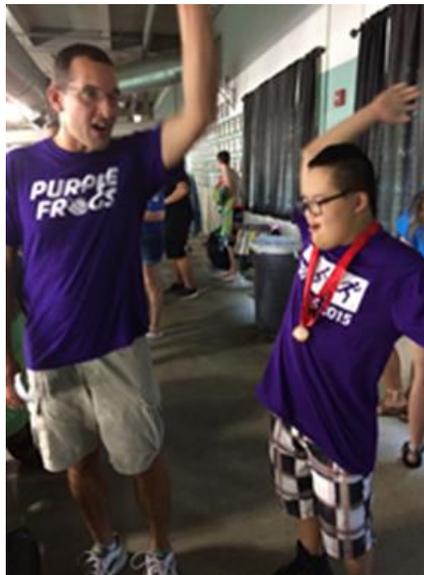
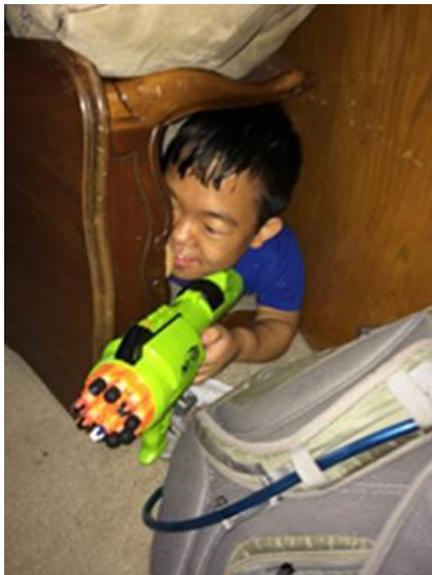
*[Fr. Bob serves as a part-time firefighter in Parker county/ Andrew loves serving as an acolyte]*



Our daughter Sarah and her new husband Clint are moving to Texas. God's timing puts that move immediately before we leave. Sarah and Clint will watch our house; they will have a place from which to launch and we will have family to care for our home.

*[Traci spends time with one of our grandchildren/ Sarah and Clinton Chittick]*

# Our Newest REC Missionaries



*[Peter plays nerf war with friends/ Andrew plays sports with Special Olympics/ Peter plays the accordion]*

**Medical-**This month Traci has Sinus surgery, and Peter will have surgery to relieve currently stable spinal cord compression preventing future problems. Bob has a heel injury that is improving after a third steroid injection.

**Travel-** We are about to purchase our tickets. We are asking God's direction as we pack. Malawi is almost exactly on the opposite side of the globe and served by only a few airlines. We are trusting God for the right price and lay-overs. Total travel time can range from 25 to 52 hours, not including local travel once we arrive.

**Cultural Learning-** This is crucial to anything we do in Malawi. We ask God's guidance to avoid major faux pas and be humble learners



So, whether you eat or drink, or  
whatever you do, do all to the  
glory of God.  
1 Corinthians 10:31

In all of this, we think of you and hope you will keep in touch so that we may pray for you.

Blessings, The Gresser Family  
(Bob, Traci, Andrew, and Peter)



**Reformed Episcopal Mission Board**

Congratulations, to **Church of the Holy Communion, Pro-Cathedral, Anglican**, on a successful Canned Food Drive event! Your food drive raised a total of **415** pounds which will provide access to **346** meals for chronically hungry children, families, and seniors in need in North Texas!

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generosity. Your participation and hard work in the struggle against hunger is commendable and greatly appreciated by more people than you may ever know. If you, or anyone you know, should want to find other ways to continue in the fight against hunger, please feel free to click on the following [Volunteer Opportunities](#) link.

You may also find some fun and exciting ways to help in the fight against hunger by clicking on the following [Calendar of Events and Campaigns](#) link.

It is always a humble pleasure to work with such dedicated individuals in pursuit of solving the far too urgent problem of food insecurity.

I look forward to staying in touch and working with you in the future to continue the fight against hunger in our community.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.

Thank You,  
[doylec@ntfb.org](mailto:doylec@ntfb.org)



## Carol Mulvey Retires as Choir Director

Carol Mulvey was recognized at the Annual Parish Meeting for her time and talent in our Music Ministry. An appreciation presentation was orchestrated by our Sr. Warden, Dr. Russell Smith. Carol was presented a framed proclamation declaring her Choir Master Emeritus written by Rudy Schenken and a beautiful statue of St. Francis for her garden. There were wonderful memories displayed by pictures and the choir ended with singing for Carol- *The Lord Bless You and Keep You.*

*Thank you Carol!*

# AROUND OUR PARISH

# North Texas March for Life

The Anglicans for Life joined others at the North Texas March for Life in Dallas after a special Eucharist at CHC and having brunch together.



# AROUND OUR PARISH

The Annual Parish Meeting was special this year with the announcement of CHC becoming the Cathedral and the appreciation presentation for Carol Mulvey. Our new elected vestry members are John Mulvey, Linda Prickette, and Cathy Shep.



The February Youth Choir Retreat was energetic and the kids had a great time learning with the guest Soprano, Melissa Sills. The kids enjoyed their time singing and having lunch together.



# AROUND OUR PARISH



Valentine Delivery to Collinwood Nursing Home Residents on Feb. 2



Acolyte Recognition Sunday

**Thank You  
CHC  
Acolytes!**



- Amelia Brown,
- Cam Camlin,
- Tabby Deupree,
- Jane Keith,
- Harrison Nowell,
- Loren Smith,
- Annah Verbeck,
- Gabby Villard,
- Jonas Villard,
- Ben Furniss,
- Malachi Olson,
- Zoe Olson,
- Natalia Shattuck,
- William Bawcombe-Schast,
- Haley Mons,
- Aaron Nowell

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 8		Library	Cranmer Theological House Course Mar. 8-10
Mar. 9	9:00am	Miller Hall	Daughters of the Holy Cross
Mar. 10	6:30pm	Lunt Hall	Veritas (Mar. 17, 24, 31, Apr. 7)
Mar. 13	5:30pm		Stations of the Cross, Soup Supper, Lenten Speaker
Mar. 15	6:30pm	Miller Hall	Friday Fun Night
Mar. 18	6:15pm	Lunt Hall	Women, Wine, and Wisdom (Special Speaker)
Mar. 20	5:30pm		Stations of the Cross, Soup Supper, Lenten Speaker
Mar. 22	6:30pm	Lunt Hall	Erev Shabbat
Mar. 23	9:30am	Lunt Hall	Holy Communion Women Annual Spring Retreat
Mar. 25	12:00pm		Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Eucharist
Mar. 27	5:30pm		Stations of the Cross, Soup Supper, Lenten Speaker
Apr. 1	6:00pm	Miller Hall	Ladies Bunco
Apr. 1	6:30pm	Lunt Hall	Theology on Tap
Apr. 3	5:30pm		Stations of the Cross, Soup Supper, Lenten Speaker
Apr. 5		Library	Cranmer Theological House Course Apr. 5-7
Apr. 7	12:30pm		Sunday Lunch Bunch
Apr. 9	11:00am	Lunt Hall	Palm Crosses Assembly
Apr. 10	5:30pm		Stations of the Cross, Soup Supper, Lenten Speaker
Apr. 13	9:00am	CHC	Beautification Day
Apr. 14	9:00am		Palm Sunday 9:00 & 11:15am
Apr. 15	12:00pm		Holy Communion
Apr. 16	12:00pm		Holy Communion
Apr. 17	12:00pm		Holy Communion
Apr. 18	7:00pm		Maundy Thursday Service
Apr. 18	8:00pm		Prayer Vigil 8pm-8am
Apr. 19	8:00am		Holy Communion
Apr. 19	12:00pm		Good Friday Meditations 12:00pm-3:00pm
Apr. 20	2:00pm		Holy Saturday Confessions 2:00pm-4:00pm
Apr. 20	6:00pm		Easter Even Eucharist
Apr. 21	8:00am	Lunt Hall	Easter Breakfast served 8:00am-11:00am
Apr. 21	7:00am		Easter Eucharist
Apr. 21	9:00am		Easter Eucharist
Apr. 21	10:15am	Miller Hall	Easter Egg Hunt (outside)
Apr. 21	11:15am		Easter Eucharist
Apr. 26	6:30pm	Lunt Hall	Erev Shabbat
Apr. 28	4:00pm	Lunt Hall	Holocaust Day of Remembrance– HaShoah

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- **Week 1-March 13-** Christ Died to Bear our Guilt (Substitution) Are we Guilty? How Christ takes our Guilt.  
Speaker: Dean Charles Camlin
- **Week 2-March 20-** Christ Died to take away our Punishment (Propitiation) Why do we deserve punishment? How Christ takes our punishment.  
Speaker: Fr. Kasey Gage
- **Week 3-March 27-** Christ Died to Purchase our Freedom (Redemption) How are we slaves? How Christ purchases our Freedom.  
Speaker: Dr. Charles Erlandson
- **Week 4-April 3-** Christ Died to Give Us a Right Standing before God (Justification) Can sinners be made right before God? How Christ's death justifies us.  
Speaker: Bishop Ray R. Sutton
- **Week 5-April 10-** Christ Died to Reconcile Us to God (Reconciliation) Why do we need to be reconciled? How to sinners become "friends of God"? How Christ accomplished our reconciliation.  
Speaker: Bishop Walter Banek

## SAVE THE DATE Vacation Church Camp at CHC June 3-7

### The Miracles of Jesus

#### Registration Fees

Church Members \$50

Non Members \$75

Registration includes: T-shirt, crafts, beverages, and snacks. Please register by May 21 to ensure your child receives a t-shirt. Additional t-shirts are \$10.00

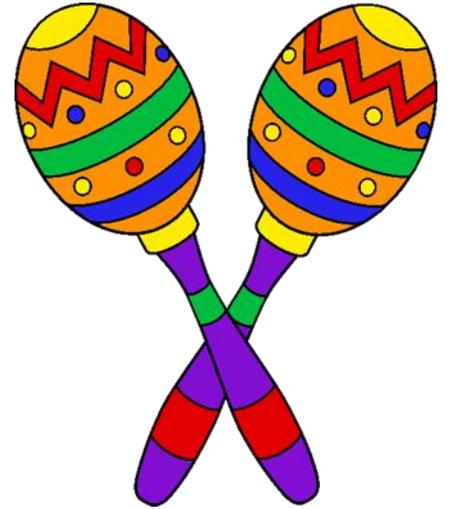
Elementary: 9:00-2:30pm

Toddlers and Preschool: 9:00-12:00pm

Online Registration will be available in April 2019!



# Cinco de Mayo at CHC



*SAVE THE DATE*  
*Saturday, 5/4/19 5pm*

*Bring your whole family to a  
Fiesta Fundraiser for CHC Youth!*

*Mexican Food by Rio Mambo (pizza for kids!)*

*Margaritas/Cerveza*

*Silent/Live Auction*

*Cigar Pull*

*Games*



*Fun for all!*



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# Happy Anniversary

Joyce & Bob Pickering	Mar 05
Cathy & Bill Shep	Mar 16
Vicki & Jim Kuch	Mar 18
Kelly & Cliff Southard	Mar 19
Esther & D.J. Wilkerson	Mar 21
Kathy & Ron Stauss	Mar 26
Julia & Richard Stafford	Mar 29
Susan & Doug Boone	Mar 30



## Easter—Sunday, April 21, 2019

*First Fire Eucharist*

*7:00am*

*Easter Breakfast Served*

*8:00am-11:00am*

*Easter Eucharist*

*9:00am*

*Easter Egg Hunt*

*10:15am*

*Easter Eucharist*

*11:15am*