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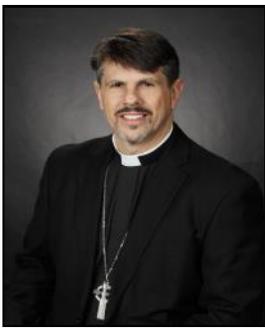
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RECTOR'S PAGE

Every October 31st, I feel a bit conflicted. Not about Halloween but about “Reformation Day.” You see, many churches celebrate the Protestant Reformation on the last Sunday of October—closest to the 31st (which was the day on which Martin Luther nailed his 95

Theses on the door of the Castle Church un Wittenberg). My angst comes over whether we should “celebrate” the Reformation. After all, the Church in the West split into Protestants and Roman Catholics subsequent to that event and Protestants have since splintered into a multitude of denominations.

I think that Jaroslav Pelikan, the great Church historian of the twentieth century got it right when he called the Protestant Reformation “a tragic necessity.” He went on to write: “The tragedy of the Reformation consists in the loss by both sides of some of the very things each claimed to be defending against the other; its final outcome was not what either Rome or the reformers had wanted. Yet the necessity of the Reformation consists in the loyalty of the reformers to the best and highest in Roman Catholic Christianity and their obligation to summon Rome back to it. Partisans on both sides have difficulty acknowledging that the Reformation was indeed a tragic necessity. Roman Catholics agree that it was tragic, because it separated many millions from the true church; but they cannot see that it was really necessary. Protestants agree that it was necessary, because the Roman church was so corrupt; but they cannot see that it was such a great tragedy after all.” (*The Riddle of Roman Catholicism*, p. 46)

That evaluation of the Reformation is as precise and concise as you will read anywhere. But any of us who take our Lord’s prayer on the night before He went to the cross seriously, “that the Church may be one” (St. John 17:21-22), cannot gleefully overlook the tragedy. So, what are we to think of the Reformation and should we “celebrate” it? I would assert that there were two great recoveries for the Western Church which came from the Reformation—that are worth celebrating. First, there is the recovery of the Scriptures in the vernacular languages so that everyone can hear and understand the Word of God. William Tyndale and Miles Coverdale worked tirelessly in the 16th century to translate the Bible into English—and Tyndale gave his life for it. Luther translated the Bible into German and many others did accordingly in their own native languages. We do not realize how blessed we are to have Bibles in our homes and churches that we can read and comprehend. By the time the Reformation rolled around, most people no longer understood the Latin translation that had lasted for about a thousand years. It should be noted that the Roman Church came around on this issue (finally!) and they are now encouraging their laity to read and study the Scriptures in their own languages.

A second recovery that came about as a result of the Reformation is the doctrine of justification by faith alone. St. Paul wrote in his *magnum opus*, “Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.” (Rom 3:28) That was the message that gripped Luther, Thomas Cranmer, and so many others during the sixteenth century. That message had been largely drowned out by a whole host of other issues by the time of the Reformation. How comforting it is to know that we have a right standing before God *not* on account of our works but on account of faith in Jesus Christ, who “died for our sins and was raised for our justification.” (Rom 4:25) It should be noted that Pope Benedict XVI just a few years ago wrote: “For this reason Luther’s phrase: ‘faith alone’ is true, if it is not opposed to faith in charity, in love. Faith is looking at Christ, entrusting oneself to Christ, being united to Christ, conformed to Christ, to his life.” (*Saint Paul*, 82) How remarkable that a Pope would agree with Martin Luther!

These issues have ultimately benefitted the Western Church. But the path that we have taken to get here has been a rocky one. So, when October 31 arrives this year, let us *commemorate* the Reformation. Let us offer thanks to God for the positive recoveries that have been made as a result. But let us also work and pray for reconciliation among all Christians. For as the Psalmist said, “Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” (Psa 133:1)

Regarding the Reformation, I would also like to make you aware of a series of lectures that will be taking place near us on this topic throughout this month. Our own Fr. Michael Templin and his father-in-law, Fr. Michael Vinson (a priest at The Chapel of the Cross), are working together to try to plant an REC mission out near Rockwall. In their efforts, they are putting on this series of lectures entitled *Reformation 500* (commemorating the 500th anniversary of the start of the Reformation). On October 29th, Bishop Sutton will be the keynote speaker and our organist, Chris Hoyt, and our choir will participate in the Choral Evensong leading up to the address. More dates and details may be found in the Parish Update and on the flyers posted in Lunt Hall. I encourage you to attend these lectures (list of events are on the next page) and learn more about the Reformation and its lasting effects.

In Christ’s Service,

Charlie+

The 500th Anniversary of the Reformation Events

Oct 10-29



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www.thcastleatrockwall.com

The Castle
2071 Clem Rd. Ext
Rockwall, TX 75087

Legacy Antiquities Library
402 South Fannin St.
Rockwall, TX 75087

October 10

Meeting of the Hearts

7pm @ Rockwall Wedding Chapel

October 14

Martyrs of the Reformation

10am @ Legacy Antiquities Library

October 14

Patristic Seeds of the Reformation

2pm @ Legacy Antiquities Library

October 21

The Reformation: an Historical Exploration

10am @ Legacy Antiquities Library

October 21

Reformation & The Sacraments

2pm @ Legacy Antiquities Library

October 22

A Performance of Bach's Motet "Jesu, meine Freude" (Jesus, all my gladness)

6:30pm @ The Castle at Rockwall

Mr. Christopher Hoyt will lecture on how the Reformation reawakened and transformed singing in the Christian Church. We will begin the evening with a lecture and discussion, singing some of the great hymns of the Reformation and learning how they revolutionized the liturgy. At 7:30pm, Mr. Andrew Dittman will conduct a special live concert performance of **Johann Sebastian Bach's** Motet "*Jesu, meine Freude*" (*Jesus, all my gladness*) *BWV 227* featuring the talents of Lumedia Musicworks, a vibrant baroque choral group comprised of first-class artists from North and Central Texas (including our own Mr. Chris Phillipott).

October 26

The English Reformation

7pm @ Legacy Antiquities Library

October 28

Martin Luther

9am @ Legacy Antiquities Library

October 28

John Calvin

1pm @ Legacy Antiquities Library

October 29

Christian Unity in the Shadow of Reformation & Traditional English Choral Evensong

6:30pm @ The Castle at Rockwall

Beginning with a traditional choral evening prayer service (Church of The Holy Communion & The Chapel of the Cross choir members to participate) followed by a **keynote lecture** from **The Most Rev. Ray R. Sutton** where he will share his reflections on *Christian unity 500 years after the Protestant Reformation*.

. HOMECOMING 2017.

Our parish learned about all of the ministries at CHC and had great fellowship time together. Our new hymnals were dedicated and blessed in celebration of Gay Schleicher. Our teachers and administrators also received an education blessing at the service. It was a very special Sunday!



Taste of Fall



Holy Communion Women (HCW) presented their first Taste of Fall Event in September. The event was a Fall craft and food extravaganza. Guests chose two of four crafts to make at an instructor led station which made the craft relaxing and fun to make. Fall Wreaths led by Lauren Furniss, Truffles led by Amy Brady, Herb gardens led by Connie O'Hara, and Painted Wooden signs led by Brittany Dalton. Laughing, fellowship, and exciting take home ideas were achieved!



HCCA TRIKE PATH



Thank you for the New Trike Path for Holy Communion Christian Academy! The Oktoberfest Fundraiser in 2016 allowed for a brand new path. The students enjoy the new path and the new trikes are awesome. The Exercise and Smiles generated = Blessed. ♡

AROUND OUR PARISH



Jonathan visited our Sunday School class on Sept. 3 to tell us about his journey from Judaism to Christianity. Linda Frost-Clark and Allen Clark met Jonathan during their travel to Israel.



Chris Hoyt led the Youth Choir Retreat. They rehearsed for their first anthem to perform, got fitted for choir robes, and enjoyed fellowship & lunch. The Youth Choir has grown to 20 this year!



Altar Guild Training



Chad Carpenter performed at The Acoustic Coffee House. The event brought in many visitors to CHC!

AROUND OUR PARISH



Usher Training

Life Chain 2017



The Sukkot “Feast of Booths” was built on Sunday, Oct. 1 by Kerrie Smith, Dr. Russell Smith, Laure Aten and Fr. Michael Templin.



Annual Mark Mathieu Golf Tournament 2017



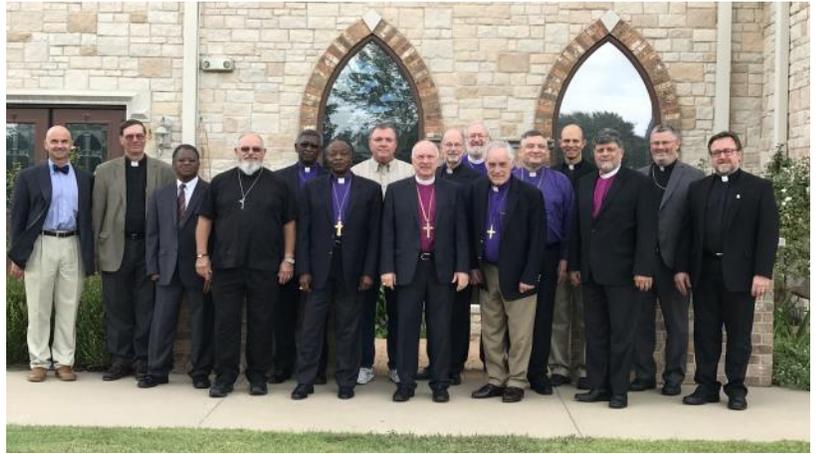
AROUND OUR PARISH



Golf Tournament



REC 100 Retreat / REC Council of Bishops



The REC Council of Bishops & the REC 100 Committee met at CHC October 2-4.

Pictured Below: Bishop Alphonza Gadsden-Ordinary, Diocese of the Southeast, Bishop Peter Manto-Coadjutor, Diocese of the Central States, Bishop Ray Sutton-Presiding Bishop and Ordinary, Diocese of Mid America, Bishop William White- Coadjutor, Diocese of the Southeast, Bishop David Hicks- Ordinary, Diocese of the Northeast and Mid Atlantic, Bishop Daniel Morse- Ordinary, Diocese of the Central States, Bishop Walter Banek- Suffrogan, Diocese of Mid America.



UPCOMING EVENTS

FLU SHOTS

The Influenza vaccination will be offered Sunday, October 8 in Lunt Hall. Dr. Russell Smith donates the vaccine and this year the funds raised will go to the Diocese of Mid America Emergency Relief Fund to help the clergy affected by the hurricane. The suggested donation for the vaccine is \$25.00 each.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Bring your “furry friends’ for a special blessing on Oct. 8 to honor the feast day of St. Francis Assisi at 2:00pm in front of the church. For the safety of all, please make sure your pet is on a leash or in a carrier.

SUKKOT SUPPER

Traditions Fellowship is hosting the “Feast of Booths or “Feast of Tabernacles” on October 8 at 6:00pm. Sukkot is a harvest festival and time of Thanksgiving. To make a reservation, contact Fr. Michael Templin at templin.blackberries@gmail.com or Kerrie Smith at hereiam@suddenlinkmail.com



CRANMER THEOLOGICAL HOUSE COURSE

www.cranmerhouse.org

In Session October 13 - October 15, 2017 at CHC

The Rev. Nevada DeLapp will lecture on the Study of and Introduction to the First Five Books of the Bible.

Contact Dean Charlie Camlin if you are interested in CTH courses.

TABLES WITH KIDS VISIT THE PUMPKIN PATCH



Saturday, Oct. 14 at 11:00am

Meet at the Hay Ride at 11:00am at the Flower Mound Pumpkin Patch located at 5100 Cross Timbers, Flower Mound, TX 75028. Parking is \$10.00 per car and includes entrance fee. Contact Deby Osmond with questions.

WOMEN, WINE, AND WISDOM

Friends are welcome!

Come listen to Lynne Shattuck speak on Martha and Mary. This event is Monday, Oct. 16 at 6:30pm in Lunt Hall. Bring an item to share, bring your own dinner, or bring nothing!

FRIDAY FUN NIGHT

All children potty-trained and above are invited to Miller Hall on Fri, Oct 20 at 6:30pm. The church provides dinner and lots of fun. Drop off your kids and have a nice night out. Pick up time is 9:30pm. Friends are welcome!

OKTOBERFEST October 21 at 6:00pm



Brats, Beer, **German Band**, Apple Strudel, Kraut, hot dogs for the kids, and lots of fun! HCCA teams up with St. James Brotherhood for a fundraiser to help defer the cost of 2 computers and printers as well as a HCCA

Scholarship Fund. There will be face painting, bean bag toss, and a color table. The kids of HCCA will sing around 6:45pm! The tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids. The event will be fun for all ages and you don't want to miss it!

SILVER CHALICE OPEN

The Silver Chalice Gift Shop and Book Store will be open for extended shopping on Sunday, October 29 until 3:00pm.

Women's Retreat at Camp Crucis Nov. 3-5

Church of Holy Communion Anniversaries

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Ikechukwa & Ifeyinwa Ofomata	Oct. 2
Tad & Gina Deupree	Oct. 5
John & Diana Tipton	Oct. 6
Joe & Mary Selan	Oct. 9
Danny & Lisa Sanchez	Oct. 17
Ben & Jeanne Gaines	Oct. 19
Trace & Lauren Furniss	Oct. 25
Bud & Cynthia Longueville	Oct. 27
Bill & Joretta Williams	Oct. 28



Marriages

Congratulations to April and Brad Kozak who were married on September 29.

Congratulations to Tera and Grantham Akerly who were married on October 7.

