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Join us for a

## Tree Walk

Led by Karen Shelly  
on the University of  
Montana campus

September 17  
following the  
10:15 service

### Savor God's creation on a Tree Walk September 17

Join Karen Shelly, Urban Forestry Inventory Coordinator for the DNRC, as she leads us in a tree walk on the University of Montana campus. Designated as a state arboretum by the Montana legislature in 1991, the campus has trees representing a variety of geographic regions within the United States. Celebrate the transition to autumn and savor the grandeur of God's creation as you enjoy this tree walk.

Gather during coffee hour on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, to organize transportation to campus. Bring a sack lunch or snacks. The walk will take at least an hour and a half. Contact Karen Shelly with questions at [kmselly@msn.com](mailto:kmselly@msn.com).

## Serving with gladness

These are unsettled times with threats of war looming and political and social polarization. It can be all too easy to give way to feelings of fear, disillusionment and even apathy. As people of faith, how are we to get our bearings? Our liturgy can help. When life is overwhelming we break things down into discreet pieces that are easier to handle. The liturgy does that for us. Every week in Holy Eucharist Rite I parishioners are reminded of the two most important commandments: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart . . . Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." In the post communion prayer of Holy Eucharist Rite II we pray each week: "Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart."

We are to love God and neighbor and give ourselves to God's service. These tenets can be touchstones for us, guiding and grounding us in our uncertainty. And so it is we stand together at the beginning of another Church School year and focus our thoughts and energy around Serving with Gladness. We will explore what it means to serve, tapping into those first images that come to mind when we use the word serving. We will explore the variety of ways people of faith serve others. We will investigate the reasons behind Christian service. And of course, there will be opportunities for all of us to roll up our sleeves and practice serving God with gladness.

— GRETCHEN STROHMAIER  
DIRECTOR OF SPIRITUAL  
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## Serving with Gladness



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## NEWSLETTER

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Enjoy fellowship, good food, and fun!

## A “Young Adults” Supper Club group is forming

Come and join us for fun, fellowship, and good food! Supper Club is a great way to get to know others in the Holy Spirit community, and to build friendships and connection with our fellow parishioners. New this year is a “Young Adults” Supper Club group. This group will meet monthly, with hosting duties rotating through the

group, and we are looking for 3 to 4 individuals or couples to begin this flagship group. Please email Elizabeth Ettenger at [elizabeth.ettenger@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth.ettenger@gmail.com) for more information or to join. Supper Club will begin meeting in late September.



Blessing of the Animals takes place October 1:

## Let's celebrate and bless the animals that are dear to us!

Come one, come all: two-footed, four-footed, feathery, large or small! We will honor creation and the relationships we share with other creatures of the world on Sunday, October 1, at 3 p.m. when we remember St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology, and offer the Blessing of the Animals. We will gather in the church courtyard, weather permitting, or inside if needed. Please be sure to care for the needs of your pets by bringing them in a carrier or on leash. You are welcome to bring a photo of a pet that has died or cannot make the trip. Children may wish to bring a stuffed animal to represent wild animals they would like to have remembered as well. All are welcome!

— REV. TERRI

## Registration begins at 9:45 a.m. in the parish hall Church School kicks off on Sunday, September 10

Join other kids and families on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, as we resume Church School and QUEST Sunday morning classes. Even an adult class begins that day; see a separate article about Jocelyn Siler's 9 a.m. book study. Children from infancy through 9<sup>th</sup> grade have a special place, just for them, here at Holy Spirit on Sunday mornings. We provide a nursery specially designed for babies and toddlers. Our younger Church School class is for Kindergartners through 1<sup>st</sup> graders. Our older Church School class is for 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders, and our QUEST class is for 6<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup> graders. Register in the parish hall, starting at 9:45, for these programs on Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> so that we get your updated contact information.

The kids will

- get their photo taken
- have an opportunity to contribute to our giant peace sign mural
- tour the Church School areas
- win prizes and meet new friends.

During the 10:15 service kids will have some of their own class time and worship time and will join adults to share Eucharist with their church family. After worship, everyone is invited to stay for a light lunch while continuing to work on our giant peace sign mural in the courtyard (weather permitting) and to learn more about the ministries offered here at HSP.



### CUTE Kids! Create a mural on Kick-off Sunday

Over the last year and a half our Church School kids have been learning about Cleaning Up The Earth (CUTE kids). They have learned about caring for God's creation particularly through litter pick-up and recycling. The children learned that plastic caps, which are typically not recyclable, pose a real hazard to wildlife around the globe as they often end up in our oceans and are mistaken for food by birds and marine life.

The kids set out to reduce the number of caps in our garbage dump. They have been collecting all size and manner of plastic lids and you—our church family—have been happily saving and donating those lids to us. Thank you. Keep them coming!

On Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, Barbara Morrison is going to help us begin using those lids for a giant mural. After hearing the post-resurrection story of Jesus who surprised the disciples and shared peace with them, the Church School kids decided the giant plastic cap mural should be designed as a peace sign. Join us on kick-off Sunday as we dive into this mega art project and put your recycled plastic lids to a beautiful use.

***Keep those plastic lids coming!***

## CHURCH SCHOOL 2017

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Join us for classes for preschool through grade 9 beginning Sunday, September 10



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## Baptism date announced

The next date for baptism at Holy Spirit will be Sunday, November 5, at the 10:15 a.m. service. If you are interested in baptism at that time, either for yourself or for your child, please contact Rev. Terri at 542-2167.



## Explorations: Opportunities to cultivate, challenge and live our faith

A new book study begins – *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*

### Join us for a conversation about the effects of mass incarceration

Join Deacon Doug Anderson for what promises to be an illuminating 6-week book study starting on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, and running through Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. The group will meet in the Guild Room from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. to discuss this provocative book which has been delineated as a “must read” for all congregations by the national Episcopal Church. Copies are available for purchase in the church office for \$12. Admittedly a dense book, you may want to consider purchasing and beginning to read now.

[The back cover reads:] “Once in a great while a book comes along that changes the way we see the world and helps to fuel a nationwide social movement. *The New Jim Crow* is such a book. Praised by Harvard law professor Lani Guinier as ‘brave and bold’ this book directly challenges the notion that the election of Barack Obama signals a new era of colorblindness. With

dazzling candor, legal scholar Michelle Alexander argues that ‘we have not ended racial caste in America; we have merely redesigned it.’ By targeting black men through the War on Drugs and decimating communities of color, the U.S. criminal justice system functions as a contemporary system of racial control—relegating millions to a permanent second-class status—even as it formally adheres to the principle of colorblindness.”

The Rev. Doug Anderson has served as a mentor for 35 years to inmates both within the prison system and as they transition outside of it. His work has been based at Montana State Prison in Deer Lodge, Montana State Prison in Shelby, and Washington State Penitentiary in Walla Walla. Join him for thoughtful, lively, and well-informed conversation about the effects of mass incarceration in our society.

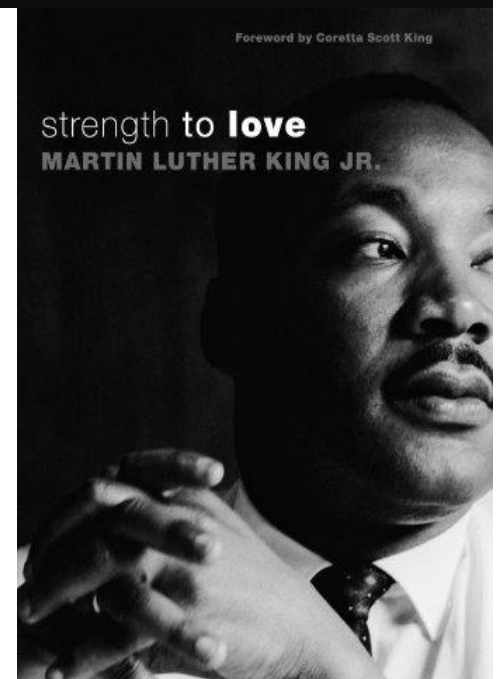
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### Sunday Morning Book Study

## Join in a discussion of Martin Luther King Jr.’s book, *Strength to Love*

Join Jocelyn Siler on Sunday mornings for a discussion of Martin Luther King Jr.’s book, *Strength to Love*. In these short meditative and sermonic pieces, some of them composed in jails and all of them crafted during the tumultuous years of the Civil Rights struggle, Dr. King articulated in a deeply compelling way his commitment to justice and to the intellectual, moral, and spiritual conversion that makes his work as much a blueprint today for Christian discipleship as it was then.

This group will meet on Sunday mornings: September 10 - September 24 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the Guild Room. Order your own copy of the book and read the first 4 chapters before the initial class. The chapters are short. Contact Jocelyn with questions at [jfsiler@montana.com](mailto:jfsiler@montana.com).



## A Fall retreat planned for October 13 and 14 Women who knew Jesus

Renovations are being made at Camp Marshall, so this year's women's retreat will be held here at Holy Spirit. Gather with other women on Friday evening for introductions and a retreat warm-up. Sleep at home and return in the morning for a day-long focus on the *Women Who Knew Jesus* led by author and retreat leader Reverend Dr. Bonnie Ring.

The women who encountered Jesus were forever changed by their experience. We invite you to spend a weekend with some of those women and let them inspire and nourish you. By allowing these Biblical women to speak with their own voices, participants will discover their similarity to those women, uncover the richness of their own stories and deepen their relationship with Jesus. We'll delve into the stories of the

hemorrhaging woman, the Samaritan woman, Mary and Martha, Mary Magdalene, and others.

Saturday's schedule includes the retelling of the Gospel accounts of these women's encounters with Jesus, followed by guided meditations, dyad and small group discussion, alone time and journaling and worship.

### Retreat days and times:

**Friday, October 13, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

**Saturday, October 14, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

Register in the parish hall after services on Sundays, via phone at the church office, 542-2167, or through the website, [www.holyspiritmissoula.org](http://www.holyspiritmissoula.org). Registration fee is \$15.00.

Contact Gretchen with questions at [gretchen@holyspiritmissoula.org](mailto:gretchen@holyspiritmissoula.org).

## From Jericho to Jerusalem: Highlights from a Holy Land Tour

Join Jim and Jeanne Clark as they share a 'somewhat' chronological tour of biblically related sites and events in Israel and Jordan, based on their recent 4-week visit there. Through a PowerPoint presentation they will share highlights of their trip. They welcome questions and discussion. Learn about places like Jericho, the oldest city (about 10,000 years old) and the lowest city (1,300 feet below sea level), as well as places like Jerusalem during Holy Week. **Join us Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Guild Room.** No reservations are required. Light refreshments will be provided.



### Compline services will resume on October 1

This contemplative service is conducted in candlelight and led by a reader and choir. The congregation participates in silence.

Fall marks the time of harvest, of filling the storehouses to sustain us through the darkness of winter. At the same time, it is the onset of a quickening of the church year and of work in life.

Compline also marks a place between: the transition into darkness and the dormancy of sleep, a time when we put away the remains of the day as preparation to reconnect to our deepest call to life.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m.; service begins at 8 p.m. and lasts no more than half an hour. Doors will be locked at 9 p.m.

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## Restorative Justice Panel Discussion follows book study

This 6-week book study, *The New Jim Crow*, will be followed by a panel discussion on Wednesday, November 1, open to members of our parish, as well as the wider Missoula community, regardless of participation in the book group. Local panelists will explore the questions: What is restorative justice? What's happening locally? What are the next steps in restorative justice for our community? Please plan to join us.

A new book study!

## THE NEW JIM CROW

Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness

**SEPTEMBER 20 THROUGH  
OCTOBER 25  
7 pm - 8:30 pm in the  
Guild Room**

Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness

## We're looking for new leadership for the Holiday Market

Holiday Market 2017 will be our last year as co-chairs of this annual event. It has been a wonderful three-year experience, but it is time to hand over this important ministry to new leadership. We promise you a lot of fun, and you will serve with some incredible people. A whole "team" is already in place to continue working with the new leadership. It would be helpful to the new co-chairs (we do suggest two people, but it has been done by one in the past) to "shadow" us during this year's Holiday Market to learn the ropes. If you are even remotely interested in helping chair the Holiday Market for 2018, please contact one of us (no pressure, no obligation).

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# HOLIDAY MARKET

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Crafts • Antiques • Ornaments • Quilts • Collectibles • Jewelry • Raffle • Silent Auction  
Lunch served on Friday, 11:30 am to 1 pm

Friday, November 10, from 9 am – 4 pm  
Saturday, November 11, from 9 am – 1 pm

## Holiday Market 2017: Time to mark our 2017 Holiday Market on your calendar!

This year's Holiday Market will be Friday and Saturday, November 10 and 11. Fall's arrival is the perfect time to sort through your items for the sale and to start your craft projects – the first steps in bringing hundreds of Missoulians to this annual event. Our market needs handcrafted items of all kinds, antiques, jewelry, collectibles, holiday decorations, vintage treasures, Christmas-themed books, and new or nearly new "regiftables." (Please save

all rummage items for that sale in May.) Clear your calendar, too, for the days prior to the sale (Monday – Thursday, November 6-9) and plan to help set up our parish hall for the market. If you've never volunteered for this event, you've missed one of HSP's most delightful weeks. Lots more information to come, but get a head start now with noting these November dates on your calendar.

## Join the Holiday Market Craft Group Time to get crafting for the Holiday Market!

It's crafting time again! Join the Holy Spirit Crafters on Fridays at 10 a.m. until noonish upstairs in the church office starting September 8. We will meet every Friday until the Holiday Market on November 10 and 11, making ornaments, holiday decorations, and jewelry to sell. This is a great way

to meet other parishioners. No experience is necessary, and you can come any Friday and stay as long as your schedule allows. For more information about the Craft Group, contact Sue Lowery at 546-8401 or [smorasco@centric.net](mailto:smorasco@centric.net).

## Semi-annual blood drive planned for September 28 at Holy Spirit

You can give a life-saving gift to someone using only about an hour of your time. The blood drawing itself takes only 15 minutes, after which there will be juice and snacks available to give you a boost toward replacing that blood. More than one-third of adults nationwide are capable of being donors, yet only about 8% actually take the time to do so.

We will be signing up donors after the 8:00 and 10:15 services on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> for the drawing on September 28<sup>th</sup>. Look for the sign-up sheets in the parish hall. There are 23 donor spots available between 2:00 and 6:15 p.m. on the day of the drawing.

Here is what you need to know to be a donor.

- People who are generally in good health and weigh more than 110 pounds can usually be donors.
- Those under age 18 must have a parental consent form. Additional height and weight restrictions apply to those 18 years or younger. Please check with the Red Cross for eligibility.

- The most frequent exclusions are for those who have traveled in certain foreign countries.
- Low iron (hematocrit count) is another exclusion factor.

If you are a regular Red Cross donor, you must allow 56 days between donations, so if you have donated blood after August 2<sup>nd</sup>, you will not be able to donate on September 28<sup>th</sup>. For answers to further questions relating to donating blood, call the Red Cross at 1-855-210-1278.

Volunteers are needed to help register donors and serve refreshments to donors afterwards. We also need some cheese and crackers plates. If you would like to volunteer some time or donate cheese and crackers, please call Anita Rognas at 208-305-4022 (my cell phone, where you can leave a text message or voice mail if I don't answer) or 406-493-6188 (my land line, where you can leave a message). Thank you.

— ANITA ROGNAS  
BLOOD DRIVE COORDINATOR  
SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

### Our Wider Church...The Episcopacy

As we journey through the process that will lead to the election of a diocesan bishop for the Diocese of Montana, it is timely to briefly review basic facts about the episcopacy.

A bishop is the chief sacramental officer in the Episcopal Church – (“Episcopal” comes from words meaning bishop, watcher or overseer – the Greek *episcopoi* and the medieval and late Latin, *episcopus*). We have four kinds of bishops: the Presiding Bishop who is the chief administrative officer of the entire Episcopal Church; diocesan bishops, the chief pastors as well as liturgical and administrative officers of each diocese; bishops coadjutor elected for the purpose of replacing diocesan bishops upon retirement; and suffragan bishops elected to be assisting bishops in dioceses.

Diocesan bishops, including coadjutors and suffragans, are placed in office by election at a special diocesan convention, following a careful, somewhat lengthy process that includes reflection and self-examination on the part of the clergy and laity of the diocese as they attempt to analyze their hopes and expectations for the future. Then, a search committee of representatives of clergy and laity seek appropriate candidates and a detailed screening is undertaken to determine a final slate. After an election, it is necessary that a majority of bishops and standing committees of all the other dioceses give their consent to the outcome before the consecration and ordination of the bishop can occur.

— PRU RANDALL

**Holy Spirit Blood Drive**

Location - Parish Hall  
130 South 6th Street East

**Thursday, September 28**  
**2 pm - 6:15 pm**

Sign up after church beginning  
September 10!



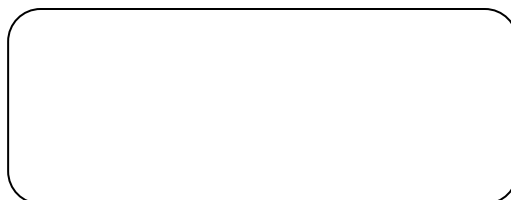
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