



# Resurrection Episcopal Church, Rockdale

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**May 2018**

"We Gather Together"



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## **May: Lots of Special Events Bring Our Program Year to a Close**

One of the strengths of the worship and spiritual life of our Anglican tradition is the way in which we have different emphases, different rhythms to various parts of the year, so that we get a view of the Christian faith from differing viewpoints. It's as though we were looking at a precious gem, examining differing facets in turn, and thus gaining a deeper understanding of the whole. Easter Season has been a swift course in how to regard ourselves and live our lives as the Redeemed Royal Priesthood of God. It reminds us of both our high standing and our high duties before God. To paraphrase a non-Biblical character, "With great status comes great responsibility." [Apologies to all Spiderman fans.]

As this month comes towards its close, we finish our Easter celebration with the Feast of Pentecost, remembering the Gift of the Holy Spirit to the disciples ["followers"], transforming them into apostles ["those sent on a mission"]. We reflect on the gifts the Holy Spirit has given us, and how we are to be what the creed affirms that we are, the "one, holy, catholic and *apostolic* church."

We will take time that day to celebrate some of those who have shown forth their use of their spiritual gifts in the life of the parish, and commission some for their forthcoming responsibilities. And we'll cap it off by the final waffle-inclusive coffee hour after each service.

All of this crowns a May that is already sprinkled with special events. Some of these are:

- + May 6, Rogation Sunday and Holy Baptism. We will welcome into Christ's Church Charlie Willow Reeser, and at the same time renew our own baptismal vows. It's a good reminder of our own baptism and of the importance of being a baptized member of the People of God.

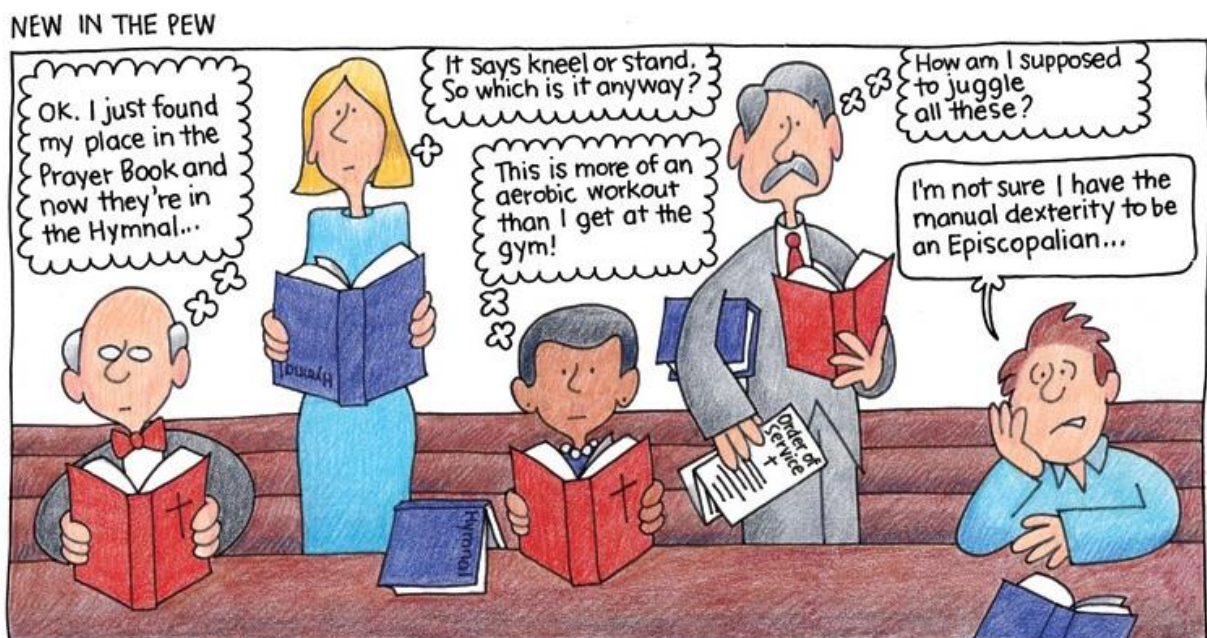
This Sunday is also the traditional “Rogation” Sunday when we offer prayers for the growing season. We will give thanks for all those who grow the food we eat and for all of nature’s nourishment of us.

- + May 13, Mother’s Day. On this Sunday we will remember all mothers and especially the Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will also remember the ways in which God mothers and cares for us.
- + May 20, Pentecost. Easter Season comes to its close and our Church School classes finish. Our choir also begins its summer term of sitting with the rest of us in the pews [but still offering great leadership for our singing!]. We’ll all be renewing our baptismal vows as we celebrate the presence of the Holy Spirit within and among us all. And to top it all off, we’ll enjoy fellowship at the coffee hours with WAFFLES!
- + May 27 and 28, Trinity Sunday, Memorial Day Weekend and the Beginning of our Summer Schedule. This Sunday is Trinity Sunday, when we remember how God has revealed to us how the ways we know God both show us God’s unending Love for us and some of what God’s made of.

As we commemorate Memorial Day on that weekend, we begin our summer worship schedule, holding one Eucharist at 9:00 a.m. We pause to remember those who have died in wars. On Monday, May 28, we observe Memorial Day together with our Aston community as we join in the parade [feel free to join the Resurrection Church part of the parade!], the laying of a wreath, prayer, and a luncheon primarily hosted by one of the community groups who meet at our parish, the American Legion Auxiliary.

A lot coming up. A lot of events as we finish up our program year. Then comes the transition to a different rhythm for summer. But we’ll talk about that next month.

--Fr. Wand



**WHY WE HAVE BULLETINS WITH EVERYTHING IN THEM**

SUNDAY	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THURSDAY	FRI.	SATURDAY
<b>April 29</b> <b>The Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> <i>8am Rite I Eucharist—Healing Service</i> <i>10am Rite II Eucharist w/Sunday School—Healing Service</i>	30	<b>MAY 1</b>	2	3 <i>Finance Meeting @ 1pm</i>	4	5 <i>ECW Meeting &amp; Brunch @ 10am</i> <i>Lenni Lifeline/AA Meeting @ 7pm</i>
<b>May 6</b> <b>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</b> <i>8am Rite I Eucharist</i> <i>10am Rite II Eucharist—Children’s Service</i> <b>LONGWOOD GARDENS TRIP!</b>	7	8	9	10 <i>Vestry Meeting @ 7pm</i>	11	12 <i>Lenni Lifeline/AA Meeting @ 7pm</i>  <i>ECW Craft Fair 9am-2pm</i>
<b>May 13</b> <b>The Seventh Sunday of Easter</b> <i>8am Rite I Eucharist</i> <i>10am Rite II Eucharist w/Sunday School</i>	14	15	16	17 <i>Stewardship Committee Meeting @ 4pm</i> <i>American Legion Ladies Auxiliary @ 6pm</i>	18	19 <i>Lenni Lifeline/AA Meeting @ 7pm</i>
<b>May 20</b> <b>The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday</b> <i>8am Rite I Eucharist</i> <i>10am Rite II Eucharist w/Sunday School</i> <b>FREE WAFFLES AFTER SERVICES!</b>	21	22	23	24 <i>Property Committee Meeting @ 6pm</i>	25	26 <i>Lenni Lifeline/AA Meeting @ 7pm</i>
<b>May 27</b> <b>BEGIN SUMMER SERVICES!</b> <b>The First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday</b> <i>9am Rite II Eucharist—Healing Service</i>	28 MEMORIAL DAY— OFFICE CLOSED Parade & Luncheon	29	30	31	<b>JUNE 1</b> LAST DAY OF PRESCHOOL	2 <i>ECW Meeting @ 10am</i> <i>Lenni Lifeline/AA Meeting @ 7pm</i>
<b>June 3</b> <b>The Second Sunday after Pentecost</b> <i>9am Rite II Eucharist</i>	4	5	6	7 <i>Finance Meeting @ 2pm</i>	8	9 <i>Lenni Lifeline/AA Meeting @ 7pm</i>

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<p><b>June 3</b> <b>The Second Sunday after Pentecost</b> <b>Counters:</b> Helen Dunlap Phyllis Russell</p>	<p>9am <i>Rite II Eucharist</i></p>		<p><b><u>Chalicer</u></b> Linda Leiby <b><u>Reader</u></b> <sup>1<sup>st</sup></sup> – Marissa Cervantez <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> – Nikolien Bezuidenhout <b><u>Intercessor</u></b> Kylie Benditt</p>	



**OUTREACH:** The Outreach Committee is up and operating for the new year. For further information about any service opportunities, contact **Leigh Oppelt (610)497-4576**. Leigh has offered leadership, and the congregation has strongly supported, several outreach programs during the holiday season. Outreach (like the rest of stewardship) is a year-round, 24/7/365 thing.



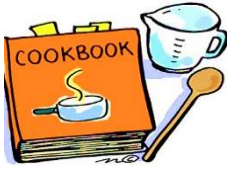
**Faith Community Food Pantry:** Collection bins in front of the choir seating to be collected each Sunday and delivered to the Pantry. ***Please be sure to check dates, we cannot accept expired food.*** **UPDATED NEEDS:** **Cereal** (kid friendly brands, adult brands and oatmeal) — **Canned Foods** (Veggies, chicken, tuna, soups, chili, sloppy joes, Chef Boyardee, Spaghetti sauces, Alfredo sauces, Fruit) — **Boxed Foods** (Instant potatoes, pasta sides, rice sides, spaghetti/pasta, crackers) — **Drinks** (Kid friendly juices and adult) — **Others** (Cookies, rice crispy treats, any snack foods, pudding snack packs, peanut butter, crackers, apple sauce, PBJ filled cracker, cheese filled crackers — **Paper Products** (Paper towels, toilet paper) — **Pet Foods** (cat, dog).



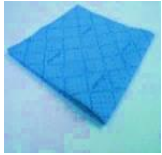
**ADOPT-A-LIGHT:** What a bright idea! More information to come on the LED lightbulb campaign.



**HELP NEEDED!!! FREE FOOD IN UNDERCROFT:** We receive baked goods from Giant (bread, bagels, sweets) on Monday's. If you or someone you know is in need, please stop by the undercroft! We are looking for volunteers to help continue this outreach through the summer. If you are willing to pickup the food at Giant on a Monday between 7:30-8:00am, please contact Dawn in the office.



**COOKBOOKS:** Cookbooks are a great gift idea for any occasion. Each cookbook costs only \$10. To purchase or pickup your order, please contact Helen Dunlap.



**PERFECT CLOTHS FOR SALE!!:** Please help support our ECW fundraiser of selling perfect cloths. These cloths can be used for all types of cleaning. The cost is \$3/per cloth. If interested, please contact Karen Warren.



**WAWA HOAGIE SALE:** Our Wawa Hoagie coupon fundraiser continues! We are selling coupons at \$3.50 each for a Wawa “shorti” hoagie, of which we keep a small profit from every sale. The coupons can be used at all Wawa’s and have no expiration date. If you are interested, please see Carolyn Watson.



**ALTAR FLOWERS:** If you are interested in decorating the altar. A sign-up sheet is the Narthex. The cost of flowers is \$35.



**GIVE A GUY A BREAK (IN PARTICULAR, CHARLIE SIMPSON)—**

Charlie Simpson has moved to Sunrise Assisted Living on PA 352 just south of the intersection with PA 452. Please join the crew of folks who take turns bringing Charlie to join us for worship. Additional folk to take part in this are needed during summer. Talk to Diane Mundell about how to get involved. Thanks.



**OFFICE STAFFING NEEDED:** The Church Office needs to be staffed while Fr. Wand has appointments Monday and Thursday afternoons and early evenings. If you can assist with this occasional ministry, please contact Fr. Wand or one of the Wardens.



**ALTAR GUILD:** Help is needed to clear the altar after the service. It takes less than 15 minutes after the service to help. If you are willing to help out—please contact Bridget Thomas.



**VESTRY:** Vestry meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7pm in the Undercroft. Vestry meetings are always open to everyone. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm.



**ECW (Episcopal Church Women):** ECW meets the first Saturday of each month at 10am. All women are invited to attend. The next meeting will be a meeting and brunch scheduled for Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am. Additionally we will be holding a Craft Fair on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Karen Warren.



**CHOIR:** If you can sing (no music reading required), please consider joining us now on Sunday mornings for Choir practice. For further info, contact Debbie Ney, Organist.



**FAVORITE HYMN REQUESTS:** Do you have a favorite hymn we haven't sung in a long time? If so, please let Fr. Wand know! He picks hymns that express the same themes as in the Bible lessons each Sunday, and also tries to pick hymns people have some familiarity with. There's no reason your favorite should be left out of the mix! Please write, text, or email Fr. Wand and tell him which hymn you'd like to hear (limit yourself to the authorized hymnals of the Episcopal Church, please). He'll try to work it in when it fits the season and Scripture we'll be hearing that day.



**MAY 12, 2018**

**9am-2pm**

**\*RAIN OR SHINE**



**ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR**

Across from Kings Mill on Rt. 452

**ANNUAL SPRING CRAFT FAIR**

Come out and have great time with the family! There will be plenty of food, Vendors, and games!

Meet Local Crafters and get inspired by some handcrafted, one of a kind gifts for Mother's Day!

Spring cleaning? Support our local food and clothing drives!! Will take any old clothing off your hands!

Grab your raffle tickets at the door!

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*LONGWOOD GARDENS*

*Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup>*

*After 10 am Mass*

*Admission:*

*Adults \$19.00*

*Seniors (62+) \$17.00*

*Youth (5-18) \$7.00*

*We will be having lunch in the Café'*

*(not included in the ticket price)*

*Please sign up by April 29<sup>th</sup>*

*(Tickets have to be pre-purchased)*

*Make payments to Resurrection Episcopal*





9 AM to 12 noon/5 day classes for 4 year-olds/3 day classes, M-W-F, for 3 year olds  
Reasonable rates – Financial Aid available/Children must be toilet-trained.  
Please call the office 610-459-2013 for more information and pricing.  
Dawn Viscusi is the Pre-School Administrator.

**Remember it is your word-of-mouth recommendation that supports our Pre-School.**

### The Mission and Goals of Resurrection Church

The mission of Resurrection Episcopal Church is to nourish the spiritual lives of our diverse parish family and to follow the example of Jesus through service to our community.

The Internal goal for Resurrection Episcopal Church is to grow stronger in faith, care for those who cannot be present, and unify as a family sharing in faith based activities.

The Resurrection Episcopal Church outreach goal is to become more visible and listen to the needs of the community by doing God's work through service to others.



### **Vestry of Resurrection Episcopal Church, Rockdale**

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