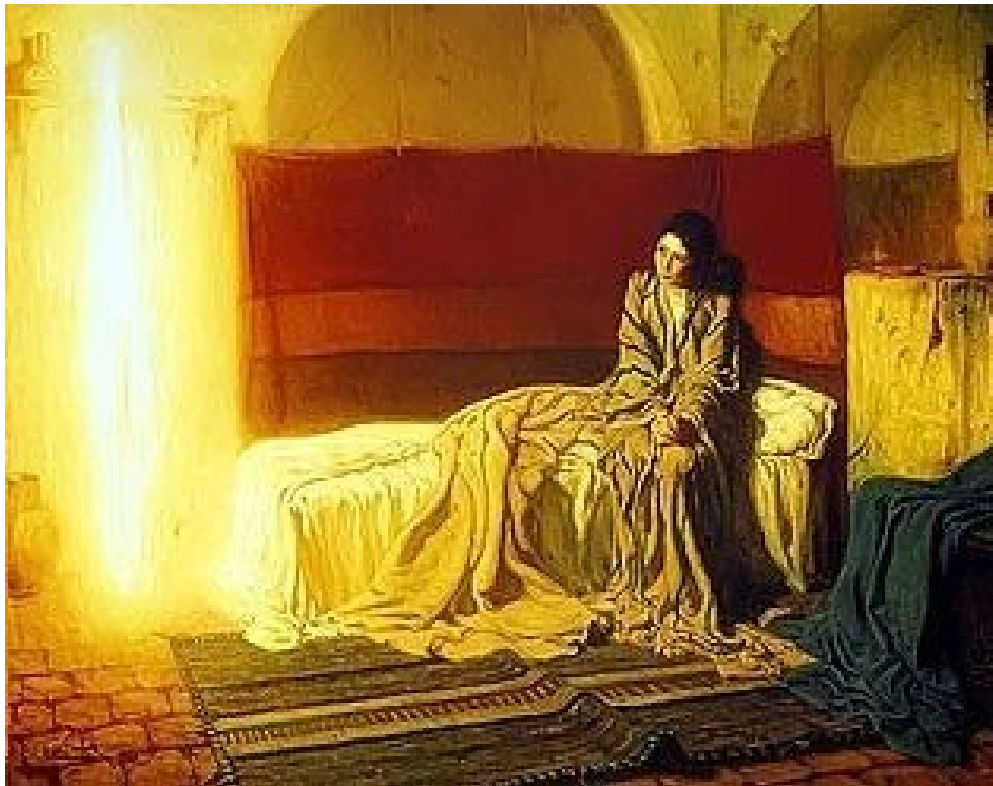


Subject: Leading To Glory
From: "St. Francis Episcopal Church" <vicar@stfrancisva.org>
Sent: 3/25/2015 1:01:43 PM
To: "Larry" <lckiddjr@gmail.com>

Is this email not displaying correctly?
[View it in your browser.](#)

St Francis



March 25, 2015

Leading To Glory

*This salvation belongs to many sons and daughters
whom he's leading to glory.
Hebrews 2:10 (Common English Bible)*

The Big Announcement

Today is the Feast of the Annunciation on our liturgical calendar. It is the day we remember the Angel Gabriel announced to Mary she would be the mother of Jesus. She openly committed to God's will by responding, "Let it be to me according to your word (Luke 1:38)." Jesus came into the family and household of Joseph and Mary. He was raised in the family business and culture of extended families. Later, Jesus used this household and family structure to equip His disciples and build His church.

The Big Result

The verse cited above, Hebrews 2:10 read in Morning Prayer this morning, points to this very same family/household dynamic as a key context for doing the work of ministry and living a Christian life. Jesus calls us sons and daughters. He is calling us into His family to be a part of His household. He is also leading us to glory. One of the aspects of glory is a fruitful life. Bearing fruit from living with Jesus in His family glorifies God (John 15:7). To be in the household of God, the family of Jesus, is to be in the place where you can bear much fruit in your life. It is Jesus' intention to lead us to glory by bringing us into His family. It is the result of what was announced to Mary by the angel Gabriel.

What is Jesus saying to you right now about your place in His family?
What is He asking you to do in His family right now?

Coming Attractions

Wednesday, March 25, 2015 4:00pm Caritas at Christ Church, Glen Allen

Sunday, March 29, 2015 worship at 10:00am. Palm Sunday and a visit from the Aspire Dance Academy.

Thursday, April 2, 2015 Maundy Thursday worship at 6:15pm

Friday, April 3, 2015 Good Friday worship at 6:15am

Sunday, April 5, 2015 Easter Day worship at 10:00am

Please bring non-perishable food items to worship with you to donate to the Goochland Free Clinic and Family Services Food Pantry. You may leave your contributions in the box in the vestibule.

Our Missional Communities

The Parke meets on Sunday, May 29, 2015 at 3:30pm for a prayer walk beginning at the home of Richard and Hedy Walker 1661 Centerville Parke Lane, Manakin Sabot 23103. Contact Richard Walker at richardandhedy@yahoo.com

The Garden meets on Sunday, May 29, 2015 immediately after worship. Please be prepared this Sunday to cut the seed potatoes and plant them

after church. It will be helpful to bring a knife for the cutting and to wear appropriate clothing for planting.

Symphony meets on April 26, 2015 at 8:45am at Symphony Manor of Richmond 12411 Gayton Rd; Richmond 23238. Contact Bobbie Leviness at 400- 7895

Reconciliation Follow-Up: Hand-in-Hand Listening Sessions

At the diocesan Annual Council meeting in January, Bishop Shannon Johnston announced the start of a new racial reconciliation initiative for the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia in 2015. The first step in this initiative is a series of listening sessions to take place across the Diocese, and we want our church to be represented at these important events. You're invited to join in one of three Hand-in-Hand Listening Sessions that will take place this spring in northern and central Virginia. Additional sessions will take place in the eastern and western portions of the Diocese in the fall. These gatherings will be an opportunity for participants to speak their hearts and minds in a safe, non-reactive environment. Registration is not necessary, but you can indicate which session you'll attend on the diocesan website at thediocese.net/events.

- Thursday, April 16: Epiphany, Richmond, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Saturday, April 18: Trinity, Fredericksburg, 10-11:30 a.m.
- Thursday, April 23: The Falls Church, Falls Church, 7:30-9 p.m.

Centerville Circle of Prayer

For Veterinary Referral and Critical Care on Hockett Rd. in Manakin Sabot that the health of animals and quality of life of our households will continue to rise in our community.

Diocese of Virginia

Congregation and clergy of Christ Church, Spotsylvania.

Metropolitan Richmond

For healthcare in Metropolitan Richmond: For the full restoration of health, wellness, and well-being to all people in our metropolitan community.

Grace and Peace,

John Maher

[follow on Twitter](#) | [friend on Facebook](#) | [forward to a friend](#)

St. Francis Episcopal Church
PO Box 303
Manakin Sabot, VA 23103

804-784-6116

vicar@stfrancisva.org
www.strancisva.org



[unsubscribe from this list](#) | [update subscription preferences](#)

This email was sent to lkiddjr@gmail.com

[why did I get this?](#) [unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)

St Francis Episcopal Church · 1484 Hockett Rd · Manakin-Sabot, VA 23010 · USA

