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May 27, 2015

He Will Never Forget

*For the Lord our God is a merciful God. He will not leave you or destroy you or forget the covenant with your fathers that he swore to them.
Deuteronomy 4:31*

The Covenant God Makes

This morning's reading from Deuteronomy in Morning Prayer has this very powerful promise from God, "He will not . . . forget the covenant with your fathers(4:31)." One of the foundations of the covenant God extends to us is that everything we need to relate to God, follow God, and carry out what God wants us to do in life is all provided by Him. What it takes to follow Jesus is provided for us by Jesus. That is what the one who makes a covenant does. Just as in the covenant with Noah (Genesis 9:1-17), symbolized by the rainbow, God will not forget any covenant He has made with us.

Our Response

Our work is to respond to Jesus and use what He gives us. He will provide the gifts, the power, the calling, the direction, and the team. Our job is to know Him deeply enough to catch what He is saying and follow in His path. In prayer, for example, we pray what Jesus is already praying. The Lord's Prayer, which He taught us, is a good place to start. In worship, what is He asking you to give as a sacrifice of praise? Your time with a community at the celebration of the eucharist is also a good place to start. All of this is possible, and lays the foundation for a life of discipleship, because He provides all we need to follow Him. What is God asking you to do at this point in your life? How has He already provided what you need to step out and try it? Draw near to Jesus to catch the call on your life. He is already drawing near to you.

Coming Attractions

Sunday, May 31, 2015 worship at 10:00am

Saturday, June 6, 2015 work day at the church 9am-3pm. Come and go as you are able.

Sunday, June 7, 2015 worship at 10:00am marking the fourth anniversary of the dedication of our building.

Wednesday, June 10, 2015 vestry meeting at 4:00pm

Please bring non-perishable food items to worship with you to be donated to the Goochland Free Clinic Clothes Closet. You may leave these donations in the box provided in the vestibule.

Our Missional Communities

The Parke will meet for a leaders' huddle on May 31st and June 7th at 3:00pm at the church

The Garden has set up a schedule for tending the potatoes. Contact MJ Weatherford for details mcats2@aol.com

Symphony will bring communion to the Symphony Assisted Living Community on Sunday, June 28, 2015. Please contact Bobbie Leviness to participate. bobbiedrew@yahoo.com

Centerville Circle of Prayer

For Food Lion in Centerville, that business would increase and many households in our area would be well served by this grocery store.

Diocese of Virginia

Congregations and clergy of Buck Mountain, Earlysville; Abingdon, White Marsh; Grace & Holy Trinity, Richmond; Grace Church, Stanardsville.

Metropolitan Richmond

For a spirit of unity, mutuality, cooperation, reconciliation, reform, and common ministry among the Christian community.

Grace and Peace,

John Maher

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