

It makes me wonder.

I've been thinking on this whole "vision" thing. I know, somehow, road, journey, pilgrimage, should be there. It's just not "there" yet. "What road are you on?" "We're going somewhere." And a few others come to mind, but no. Anyway, a few days ago I was strolling down memory lane on YouTube, watching old music videos. I watched a recorded live performance of Led Zeppelin's "Stairway to Heaven." If you are of a generation, you cannot be unaware of this song.

"If there's a bustle in your hedgerow, don't be alarmed now,

It's just a spring clean for the May queen.

Yes, there are two paths you can go by, but in the long run

There's still time to change the road you're on.

And it makes me wonder."

Well, it does make me wonder. Back in, gulp, 1982 I listened to this song EVERY DAY FOR MONTHS. It was a dark time in my life, and I was very much on the wrong road. The thing is, I was willfully and wantonly on the wrong road. Today, I am so grateful for the people who bothered to pull me over, who made things difficult for me, because the road I was on, well, many drive off it into the abyss. (Man, I was mad about people messing with my life back then!)

"Yes, there are two paths you can go by, but in the long run there's still time to change the road you're on." Funny thing about roads—the farther one goes down a road, the harder it is to change roads. Yes, there's grace, that miracle of Divine Love that shows us we're headed the wrong way, that even puts gas in the tank to get going the right way. But, there's a decision to be made, a choice about roads. And kicking the can down the road, putting off making up one's mind on which path to follow, Zeppelin style, well, it makes me wonder.

May God lead us in paths of righteousness, for His name's sake (Psalm 23:3).

Fr. Theron Walker

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Revelation 21:1-6; Psalm 148; John 13:31-35

(BTW, I've been asked, "Why aren't we reading the Old Testament lately?" The rubrics give us some freedom with the Sunday readings, and one of those is to shorten or

lengthen the lessons. I've observed that *one* lesson is really about all that I can absorb. Moreover, (personal opinion warning) if a preacher is really and truly paying attention to the Word of God, one text is usually more than enough to preach on! So, I've chosen to have one reading, Old Testament or Epistle, plus the psalm, and of course, a reading from one of the Four Gospels is always required.)

10:00 a.m.: Worship

11:15-11:30: Fellowship

11:30-12:30: Formation (see below) and Acolyte Training

Serving Sunday

Lector: Virginia Holst

Acolytes: Jacob Wolfe or Cullen Walker

Chalice: Erin Cook

Prayer Team: Charles Johnsen, Donna Sullivan

Ushers: Joe and Janice Clements

Announcements

Special Service for Ascension Thursday May 13 at 7:30 p.m.

Thursdays: Formation/Worship Night

6:00-6:30 Light Supper

6:30-7:30 Formation to include Bible study with Fr. Theron (for topic, see Adult Formation)

7:30-8:00: Vespers Eucharist.

Weekday Communion Plus Bible Study

We celebrate Holy Communion from 1928 Prayer Book on Wednesdays **at 9:00 a.m.** **Bible Study is from 9:45-10:45.** We will spend Eastertide studying the Emmaus story in depth.

Church Directory

The Emmaus Anglican Church Directory has been emailed to all of our parishioners, and a few hard copies are available on the Welcome Table as well.

Meeting Minutes and Financial Reports are posted in the kitchen and on the web site.

Results of A Time for Vision: Sunday April 11

I am thinking and praying over the results of the exhaustive notes and summary produced by Nancy. I will talk this over with the Interim Executive Council, but my belief is, its now up to me, having heard you, to articulate the vision.

Adult Formation for Eastertide

Their Eyes were Opened: A study on the Resurrection Gospel of Luke 24: two disciples meet Jesus on the Road to Emmaus.

Format: We will meet the topic of the week on Sundays during Formation (11:30-12:30), and then will go deeper on each topic a two identical, smaller group settings during the week on Wednesdays from 9:45-10:45 or Thursdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Sunday May 2: "He Interpreted the Scriptures"

Is Christianity a Sect of Judaism or the New Covenant?

Sunday May 9: "The Disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the Breaking of the Bread"

Why is Communion essential to seeing and knowing Jesus?

Sunday May 16: "Then they told had what happened on the road."

Why is this a story that must be told?

BEST LAID PLANS

Did you notice a missing sign on I-25? Well, the wind really liked our sign. So, a little re-design work is going on (including some anchors in cement). *The wind blows where it wills...*

Anglican Church of North America News

Joe Procopio has been sending out some amazing news from around the world about the Anglican Communion, and about the ACNA. If you can take a little time, you can read, listen to, or watch the addresses from the very important South to South meeting held in Singapore. Not only was I impressed with the passion for the gospel, I was also deeply struck by the depth of thought and quality of scholarship by the various bishops. If you take the time (warning: Africans do not do anything in a hurry, including preach), you will learn much, be inspired in your faith, and will be have one more confirmation that God is using the ACNA for his holy purposes. Check it out at: <http://www.standfirminfaith.com/> or at <http://www.kendallharmon.net/t19/index.php>

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