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A Prayer for this Joyous Season!

Blest are you, Lord Jesus, who came to us a little child, one of us, flesh and blood to share in our humanity. For God so loved the world: That all might have eternal life.

Blest are you, Lord Jesus, who came to us as a carpenter, and yet in whose creative hands a world was fashioned. For God so loved the world: That all might have eternal life.

Blest are you, Lord Jesus, who came to us as a fisherman, and yet pointed to a harvest that was yet to come, For God so loved the world: That all might have eternal life.

Blest are you. Lord Jesus, who came to us as a teacher and opened eyes to truths that only the poor could understand. For God so loved the world: That all might have eternal life.

Blest are you. Lord Jesus, who came to us as a healer and opened hearts to the reality of wholeness. For God so loved the world: That all might have eternal life.

Blest are you Lord Jesus, who came to us as prophet, priest, and king, and yet humbled himself to take our place upon the cross. For God so loved the world: That all might have eternal life.

Blest are you, Lord Jesus, who came to us as a servant and revealed to us the extent of our Father's love for humankind. For God so loved the world: That all might have eternal life.

Blest are you,

Lord Jesus, who rose from the ignominy of a sinner's death to the triumph of a Savior's resurrection. For God so loved the world: That all might have eternal life.

Blest are you, Lord Jesus, our Savior and Redeemer.

From faithandworship.com



Outreach Success Stories

YIIN Fundraiser

On Saturday, March 24, 2012, the Yolo Interfaith Immigration Network (YIIN) held its first benefit dinner in the Parish Hall of St. Martin's. The event was sold out, and YIIN raised almost \$5300, which will be used

to continue YIIN's activities in the Yolo County migrant centers at the Juvenile Detention Facility, and its support of immigrants in Yolo.

YIIN is very grateful that St. Martin's allowed it to use the church facilities and that Mary Philip and her crew of cooks donated the meal. The Folklorico Latino de Woodland and the Zapato Viejo Band provided wonderful entertainment.

Submitted by: Alison Pease, Outreach Commission Co-Chair



Haiti Cathedral Project

The Appeal to Rebuild Holy Trinity Cathedral in Port-au-Prince, Haiti

Thank you to the congregation for their overwhelming support of the Haiti Cathedral project.

The Creole aphorism "Men

anpil chay pa lou" means "Many hands lighten the load." And as the Church of St. Martin recently proved, we share more than this aphorism with our brothers and sisters in Haiti. In six short weeks, you contributed \$10,683.50 toward rebuilding Holy Trinity Cathedral in Port-au-Prince, more than doubling St. Martin's goal of \$5,000.

Your contributions are helping to rebuild the central pillar of a support system that was once very broad and

strong. In a country with a per capita income of \$480. The Episcopal Church in Haiti provided education in over 200 schools, medical care through health clinics, and cultural training through the Cathedral music school. The January, 2010 earthquake wiped out 70% of the Episcopal Church's properties in Haiti. But with our help, they are building back.

For making all this possible, special thanks go to the Outreach Commission for supporting this project, to Janet Lane and Renee Crevelli-Ross for monitoring the gifts and creating the display, to the generous donors who brought us over the \$10,000 mark with their matching gift challenge and to the Rev. Mark Allen for keeping us ever mindful of the needs of others.

A heartfelt thanks to all who purchased bricks. Because of your support a cathedral will rise out of the rubble, giving hope a home from which to meet the spiritual, educational and physical needs of the Haitian community.

St. Martin joined with other parishes across the country in the <a href="http://www.episcopalchurch.org/haitiappeal/Rebuild Our Church in Haiti campaign. We will continue to provide updates to the congregation on the progress of the campaign and the rebuilding effort as news is available.

Submitted by: Kim Andrup, St. Martin Chair, Rebuild Our Church in Haiti campaign

The Belfry Ministry Update — Pastor Jocelynn Hughes

As I write this, I have just returned from the annual Province VIII College Ministry Conference.

UC Davis hosted this conference last year; this year it was held in Honolulu, HI, at the Cathedral of St. Andrew. As Provincial Coordinator, I helped oversee the organization of the conference and mentored the local Hawaiian students as they dreamed, visioned, and planned a weekend that would introduce their fellow students to Hawaiian spirituality and culture. Six Belfry students attended with me, and I can honestly say this was a weekend no one will soon forget.

Forty-six students and 12 chaplains (both Episcopal and Lutheran) from the mainland joined another 10-15 Hawaiian students, and

the Spirit's presence in this community was palpable. Despite overcoming significant obstacles to make this conference happen, it proved to be living testimony to both the importance of college ministry and to having opportunities like this to gather students together for spiritual formation and fellowship.

And yet, a cloud hung over the weekend, knowing that if proposed budget cuts pass, this may be the last "Prov." And yet, being together, worshipping God together, convinced us that we need to continue to help the Church understand how important this ministry is and how detrimental it will be to this generation of Christians to lose these kinds of opportunities.

This is particularly timely



given that Synod Assembly meets this month, and it is again possible that large cuts to the campus ministry funding could be enacted. And then, there is General Convention this July, where these issues will likewise be center stage. Please let your delegates to the Assembly and deputies to Convention (and Bishops!) know that cutting

funding for campus and young adult ministry is a mistake that will only negatively impact the present and future church.

UCD students are blessed to have this ministry on their campus and we are able to be here because of your support. Thousands of students no longer have campus ministry available on their campuses. But in Davis, Lutheran and Episcopal students have their church on their campus and nearby in the community. And "seeker" students have a place to learn about Christianity in our tradition.

Students constantly express their gratitude for this ministry, and I continue to be grateful to be doing it.

Thank you for continuing to support the ministry of The Belfry!

LEVN Wish List

This September, we will welcome eight young adult volunteers to live at The Belfry and spend a year working in the community. We will need to fully furnish the apartments in preparation for their arrival. We are looking for furniture and other items to accomplish this task. Here is a list of items we need:

- A gas stove/microwave combination
- Couches
- Two sets of twin bunk beds
- Three twin beds
- Plates, bowls, etc.
- Cups, mugs
- Utensils, knives
- Pots and pans
- Bakeware
- Dining table and chairs
- Bikes
- Ultimate wish: one or more cars



Prayer Shawl/Blanket Ministry Supports Project Linus

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has had a great start to the year. Enough fleece and knitted prayer shawls and blankets have been made to keep a supply at St. Martin's for distribution to parishioners, their families and friends, and to keep the cupboard at Kaiser South filled with fleece blankets for distribution by Father Art.

The group has also enjoyed making some fleece blankets that are more suitable for children, and in April we connected with Project Linus of Yolo County. This is a great organization that distributes blankets to many wonderful organizations including: Yolo Crisis Nursery, Davis Police Department, Child Protective Services, Woodland Memorial Hospital, Yolo Wayfarer Center, Sexual Assault & Domestic Violence Center, Communicare Health Centers, Families First, Davis Fire Department, American Red Cross, STEAC, and Yolo County Head Start Program. We are looking forward to continuing to this connection and supporting these organizations in our community.

We continue to meet on the third Saturday morning of the month to work on group projects. We meet from 9:00 to 11:30 in rooms 6&7. All ages and all talents are welcome to join the group or just to stop by and visit. No sewing skills are necessary!

We will continue to make fleece blankets so if you have coupons from JoAnn's that you are not using please consider buying a yard of fleece to donate to the ministry. If you would like to 'sponsor' a blanket or shawl the cost for materials is around \$10

If you cannot make the meetings or would like to work on a shawl or blanket on your own time at home we welcome your gifts.

For questions or more information please contact Ann Harris, (916) 455-8385 harris@surewest.net or Dawn Preisler (530) 297-7049 dawnpresiler@sbcglobal.net.

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