### Church of Reconciliation Celebrates Season of Creation



The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 8, 2024 10:30 am

#### Why is it important to mark the Season of Creation?

- Because of our Gospel call to grow in faith as we affirm that God in Christ loves, redeems, and sustains the whole of Creation, not only human beings.
- Because of the urgency of climate and ecological crisis and the need for a bold, prophetic response.

#### How will Reconciliation Celebrate this Season of Creation?

• We will read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest a different form of the divine elements of creation each week (from the dictionary of Charles Daniels)

#### Cosmos—Sunday, September 1

Wonder: if space has an end beyond the reach of light To go so far will we return where we began Realize: we are so tiny in this sphere Here we are by God's grace: Who sees us in this infinity.

#### Fire—Sunday, September 8

Four elements of life: Wind, Water, Earth and Fire: This one a mystery both to fear and hold dear In the wilderness our friend; a burning to Keep us warm, cook our food While in our heart the flame is our desire To live a life well shared in God's care.

#### Earth—Sunday, September 15

A world in space; the universe
One of many planets, stars, and asteroids.
Have you ever seen it from afar; so far
It seems to float in an empty sky
Here a miracle does occur - by God
Who gives it life and us a home.

#### Water—Sunday, September 22

One day it rained; did you see it bring life?

Quench the thirst of plants, fill lakes, streams, rivers

As to the earth in clouds above as a wife

Watches over earth, a promise of God to deliver

Water gives earth a baptism.

These duties of water we also share

As we learn how to care for our earth

Both for its life and soul; We imitate and dare

bring a gift of water to celebrate a new birth

#### Wind—Sunday, September 29

Can you see the wind? Only as others show; The trees that bend and sway The birds who put their songs into the air Or fluffy clouds passing in the sky We feel the breath of God The mystery of God's presence.

#### All Creatures Great and Small—October 6

Pray for the animals, all you that pray, you that beg for mercy, for success and for peace. The immanent Spirit of God in Christ has also been poured into them, they are also souls, more complete than you, and clear, brave, beautiful.

Adapted from the writings of Eeva-Liisa Manne

To our labyrinth of lives; where our community

Has a place on holy grounds and buildings;

where we form and show the presence here of Christ;

the blessing of God upon our lives.

#### We welcome Reagan into a season of creation

Look forward to her vision and her family
Joining us to celebrate Our Unity in Christ.

As she guides us to worship, both on Sundays

And in our lives, making manifest the word of Christ.

May we join with all creation, here on this planet

And up in heaven; with all creatures upon the earth

In the beauty of all plants that grow and bloom

To sing a song to repeat what the heavens are telling

Of the wonder and the glory of God's handiwork.

And when the season slowly yearns

To escape summer's heat to Fall's brisk coolness

So, now comes our community to welcome

A new season of God's leadership that returns

We see personified in our new Priest

Rec's Resident Poet Laureate, Charles Daniels

Whose path has led her to new beginnings.

Welcome to Church of Reconciliation! We are happy you are here to worship with us. If you want to know more about the Church of Reconciliation, please email <a href="mailto:info@cor-satx.org">info@cor-satx.org</a> to receive our weekly e-mail.

Assisted listening devices and large-print bulletins are available in the church narthexes.

#### Call to Worship

#### **Opening Hymn**

#### The Works of the Lord are Created in Wisdom

The children are invited to go to the Children's Building for Godly Play.

They will return before the end of the service.

#### The Liturgy of the Word

#### Opening Acclamation and Collect for Season of Creation

Celebrant: In the name of God our Creator, the very fountain of life.

In the name of Christ our Redeemer, the very pulse of life. And in the name of Spirit our Sustainer, the very breath of life.

*People:* Holy! Holy! Earth is filled with God's presence!

Creator God, lover of life in every form, inspire us to love Mother Earth as you do, with

thanksgiving for her abundance and respect for her resources, which sustain our earthly lives. Earth is your beloved creation. May we dedicate our prayer and daily lives to her welfare by acting in solidarity with every living thing. O God, compel us to steadfast stewardship. In the name of Christ manifest in Creation where Your Spirit abides forever.

Amen.

The Gloria 1982 Hymnal S-280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Our Creator be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one

God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### The First Lesson

Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179) Read by Juniper Gwin

We shall awaken from our dullness and rise vigorously toward justice. If we fall in love with creation deeper and deeper, we will respond to its endangerment with passion.

Glance at the sun. See the moon and the stars. Gaze at the beauty of earth's greenings. Now, think. What delight God gives to humankind with all these things. All nature is at the disposal of humankind. We are to work with it. For without it we cannot survive.

All living creatures are sparks from the radiation of God's brilliance, emerging from God like the rays of the sun.

Lector: Here ends the lesson.

#### Psalm 146

#### Refrain: Lord, come and save us, Lord, come and save us. Lord, come and save us.

For all my life I will sing to you, O ever-faithful God. You fill the heavens with wondrous lights, the earth sings out your glory. Refrain

Put not your trust in those who rule, the mighty of this earth. Their breath shall fail, their power die, their plans shall fade and vanish. Refrain

You give your sight to all the blind, you raise up those bent low. Your heart is near to the broken ones, you welcome in the stranger. Refrain

Happy those who keep faith with you, securing justice for the oppressed, who give your food to each hungry heart, you freedom to each captive. *Refrain* 

The weak and poor you sustain in love, the wicked ones you bring to destruction; for evermore shall your reign endure, to every generation. *Refrain* 

#### The Second Lesson

Galatians 6:14-18 Read by Vanessa Gill

Lector. A reading from the book of Galatians.

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### The Gospel Acclamation

Cantor: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Send forth your Spirit, O Lord and open our heats to your Word and you will renew the earth! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Gospel Mark 7:24-37

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter.

He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue.

Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Reagan Gonzalez, Rector

#### An Affirmation of Faith

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith together.

Minister and People

We believe that God creates all things, renews all things and celebrates all things.

We believe Earth is a sanctuary, a sacred planet filled with God's presence, a home for us to share with all creatures, and that every creature is a manifestation of God's love.

We believe that God became incarnate in Jesus of Nazareth, who lived as one of us, healed, reconciled, and called us friends.

He suffered and died on a cross, the ultimate act of love.

We believe that the Risen Christ fills the whole of Creation.

We believe the Spirit breathes life into all that is.

We believe that with the Risen Christ we are rooted and grounded in Eternal Love.

#### Prayers of the People for Season of Creation

Read by Bob Russo

Intercessor:

Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

In the beginning, God was.

Here and now, God is.

In the future, God will be.

Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may be bold to heal and defend the earth, and pour your blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet. God, Giver of life,

#### Intercessor and people together:

Hear our prayer.

Silence

Intercessor:

Breath of life, receive our thanks for the beauty of our local habitat and all who dwell in it, and grant us the wisdom and will to conserve it.

God, Giver of life,

#### Intercessor and people together:

Hear our prayer.

Silence

Intercessor:

Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed.

God, Giver of life,

#### Intercessor and people together:

Hear our prayer.

Silence

Intercessor:

Lover of all you have made, we thank you for the wondrous diversity of your creatures, and we pray for their well-being.

God, Giver of life,

#### Intercessor and people together:

Hear our prayer.

Silence

Intercessor:

Author of the book of nature, receive our gratitude for places of restoration and healing, and continue to bless those places that feed our lives and spirits.

God, Giver of life,

#### Intercessor and people together:

Hear our prayer.

Silence

*Intercessor:* Wise Creator, whose works are full of mystery, give us wonder and appreciation for your creatures with whom we find ourselves in conflict. God, Giver of life,

#### Intercessor and people together:

Hear our prayer

Silence

Intercessor.

Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings.

God, Giver of life,

#### Intercessor and people together:

Hear our prayer

Silence

Intercessor:

Divine Physician, heal our communities, especially those where neglect, greed, or violence inflict suffering upon people and other creatures.

God, Giver of life,

#### Intercessor and people together:

Hear our prayer

Silence

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Comforter of all the earth, sustain the people of this congregation who desire or need your presence and help, especially Kimberly, Garnet, Kes, John, Carolyn, Kevin, Marilyn, Audie, Emmet, David, Mary, Laureen, Rick, Kathy, Dylan, George, Charles, Dot, Richard, Larry, Thad, Joe, Brenda, and Michael; and those we now name either silently or aloud\_\_\_\_\_.

God, Giver of life,

## Intercessor and people together: Hear our prayer

Silence

Intercessor:

Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died, especially Thad Robertson, and those we now name either silently or aloud\_\_\_\_\_. God, Giver of life,

Intercessor and people together: Hear our prayer

Response to Prayers of the People

Healer of our Every Ill With One Voice 739

#### The Confession of Sin

Minister Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Minister and People

#### All: Holy and merciful God,

we confess that we have failed to honor you by rightly claiming our kinship with all your creatures. We have walked heavily on your earth, overused and wasted its resources, taken for granted its beauty and abundance, and treated its inhabitants unjustly, holding future generations hostage to our greed. Have mercy on us and forgive us our sin. Renew in us the resolve to keep and conserve your earth as you desire and intend, with grateful and compassionate hearts. Amen

#### The Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

(The people exchange greetings)

#### The Gathering Hymn

#### Prayer of Desmond Tutu by James Whitbourn

Goodness is stronger than evil, Love is stronger that hate, Light is stronger than darkness life is stronger than death. Victory is ours through him how loved us.

#### **Announcements and Blessings**

Birthdays						
Bruce Thomson	9/5					
Jennifer Murphy	9/9					
Bruce Groenke	9/9					
Carter Edwards	9/13					

If you would like your birthday, anniversary, or other milestone mentioned here, please email erica@cor-satx.org.

#### The Liturgy of the Table

#### The Offertory Anthem

You are the Song by Craig Courtney

#### The Doxology

Earth and All Stars 1982 Hymnal 412

Earth and all stars, loud rushing planets, sing to the Lord a new song!
O victory, loud shouting army, sing to the Lord a new song!
He has done marvelous things.
I too, will praise him with a new song!

#### Presentation of our Gifts

Celebrant: Gracious God, through your love you have given us these gifts to share. Accept these offerings as an expression of our gratitude.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: May God be with you and with all creation.

**People:** And also with you. Celebrant: Open your hearts.

People: We open our hearts to God.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God, Maker of heaven and earth.

People: It is right to thank our God.

It is right to give you thanks, loving God. Your Word is the impulse for all things to be, for space, stars, and stardust to appear, for order to emerge from chaos, for all life to be born of Earth and the Spirit. You made us stewards of this fragile Earth, our island home.

In Jesus you chose to be born, to suffer, to die, to rise from death to redeem humankind, to restore Creation, and to reconcile all born of Earth and the Spirit.

Your Presence is the living power in all things, the Christ deep among us, filling Earth—land, sea, and air; filling every element and place, filling the grain and the grape we share with you this day.

Therefore with angels and archangels, saints and sinners, ancient voices in the forest, high voices from the sky, deep voices from the sea, and the whole company of Creation, we proclaim your Presence in and among us.

#### Celebrant and People (sung)

1982 Hymnal S-125

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory to you, Giver of life abundant. Accept our praises for Jesus the Christ, the one perfect offering for the world, who on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me."

After supper he took the cup and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, to forgive sin. Do this as often as you drink it to remember me."

Therefore, God of All, in the suffering and death of Jesus our Redeemer, we meet you in your glory. We lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name. Here and now, with this bread and wine, we celebrate your great acts of liberation, ever present and living in Jesus the Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come.

#### All: Amen! Come Lord Jesus.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In Christ we offer ourselves to do your will. Infuse us with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ with all who share your gifts of love.

All: Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you on earth and all Creation, we worship you, our Loving God. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

#### A Meditation on The Lord's Prayer, New Zealand Prayer Book

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

#### The Breaking of Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem (sung together)

**WOV 757 Creating God** 

Creating God, your fingers trace the bold designs of farthest space; let sun and moon and stars and light and what lies hidden praise your might.

#### The Invitation

Celebrant:

This is the table of the Lord, it is made ready for those who love and those who want to love more. So, come, you who have much faith, and you who have little; you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow, and you who have fallen short. Come, because it is the Risen Christ who invites you; it is the Risen Christ who wants to meet you here.

All are welcome at the table of the Lord for Holy Communion.

Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.

If you would prefer to receive Communion at your seat instead of at the rail, please let an usher know.

Communion Hymn

Song at the Center (choir)

#### The Greeting at the Rail

At the rail, pass the following greeting to your neighbor.

#### Greeting:

The Love of God is yours today.

#### Response:

And yours also.

#### Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

If Eucharistic Visitors are to be sent forth, they are commissioned with the following form:

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

#### The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

#### Celebrant and People:

We thank you, Christ, for this holy banquet, shared in communion with you and each other. May the power of Christ's body and blood transform our hearts, our minds, and our bodies so that we may be one with all of Creation and answer our call to love and protect the earth. In Jesus' name, Amen.

The Blessing

The Closing Hymn

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness With One Voice #684

#### The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace, serving Christ and loving Creation!

People: We go in peace, as stewards in Christ, tending the Earth!

Today's altar flowers are given by Pat Arth in loving memory of her father-in-law, Jack Heath.

#### Serving and Ministering This Sunday September 8, 2024

8:00 am

Verger: Erica Valle

**Lector:** Carol Westerkom

Prayers of the People: Carol Westerkom

Acolyte: Eliza Merrifield Chalice: Rusty Wilson

Intincter:

Altar Guild: Team II (Sally Reischling Team)

**Usher:** Robert and Annis Marshall

10:30 am

Verger: Erica Valle

Livestream: Nathan Roller

**Lectors:** Juniper Gwin, Vanessa Gill **Prayers of the People:** Bob Russo

Intincter: April Toman Chalice: Judith Anthony

Acolytes: Michael Seitz, Stewart Swann Godly Play: Judith Anthony, Kitty Flores Altar Guild: Team II (Sally Reischling Team) Ushers: Mike Moneer (lead), Pat Patterson, Mark

Thomas

**Greeters:** Bryna Nation (lead), Katheryn Cox

Breakfast: Matthew 25 Team

Coffee Hour: Brandi Simpson, Katheryn Cox

#### <u>Inquirer's Class, September 8- October 6</u> Sundays, 9:15am - 10:15am, Alban Classroom

This 5-week series is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the history, polity, worship, and theology of the Episcopal Church. Newcomers are highly encouraged to attend, as well as all those who want a refresher on our tradition.

This class also serves as a prerequisite for those who would like to be Confirmed or Received, or to Re-Affirm their faith during Bishop Read's visit to Reconciliation on October 13. Youth around 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade (or older) who are interested in being confirmed are welcome. Please contact Rev. Reagan to register or if you have any questions, rector@cor-satx.org

#### Hot Breakfast Is Back Today! 8:30am-9:30am

Today begins the season of hot breakfast at Rec. Breakfast begins at 8:30 and ends about 9:40. Each Sunday a different breakfast team will prepare breakfast items for you. The first Sunday of the month will be a

continental breakfast. Continental breakfast will consist of breakfast items that are not served hot, but are equally delicious. The suggested donation for breakfast is five dollars, but all are welcome to food and fellowship. It you would like to reserve a room or it you have questions, please email Mary at mary@corsatx.org.

We have 20 rooms available. The cost for a room (two double beds or 1 king-sized bed) is \$552. If you would like to reserve a room, please email Mary at <a href="mary@cor-satx.org">mary@cor-satx.org</a>. **Pre-payment of your room is due by Nov. 15th** to Mary (she is in the office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays). You may pay by check or use our PayPal (put "Big Bend Trip" in the instructions to seller box).

#### **Elder Ministries Discussion**

Please join us at our next meeting on October 3 at 1 pm in the Rec Library. RSVP online or email <a href="mailto:jude@cor-satx.org">jude@cor-satx.org</a>.

#### Whole Parish Fun Outing!

Join us for FREE on September 21 at 9:30 at the DoSeum (https://www.thedoseum.org/) for a morning of play, exploration, and fellowship!! Through a very generous donation, we have 60 tickets open to our parishioners to explore the fun of the DoSeum together. Please RSVP online or email jude@corsatx.org. Can't wait to see you there!!

#### **Journey In Faith Discussion Group**

Join us in the Library at 9:15am-10:15am. On **September 15**, the Journey in Faith group will begin a new book "A Journey Through Genesis" by Marek Zabriskie. The church has plenty of copies available for purchase; cost is \$15.00.

#### Season of Creation Intergenerational Outreach Event

Join us on Saturday, September 14 at 9:30 am at the Cibolo Center for Conservation located at the Herff Farm, 33 Herff Rd, Boerne, TX 78006. We will learn about organic gardening while helping maintain the demonstration gardens at the Teaching Garden at the Herff Farm. Help weed, water, use garden tools, and all the wonderful things that are needed to help maintain a beautiful organic garden! RSVP online or email jude@cor-satx.org.

#### **Check-In Buddies**

Worried about some of our parishioners who live alone? Would like to connect more with our members but don't always have the time to attend events? Become a Check-In Buddy!! This is for all parishioners no matter your age! What is a check-in buddy? Be available at least once a day to receive a call or text from someone who lives alone so they can "check in" with you. Just a quick phone call every day to let you know they are ok.

## FOOD INSECURITY DISCUSSION. WE NEED YOUR INPUT!

Reconcilers, we are looking to expand our outreach in the area of addressing food insecurity and would love to have your thoughts, ideas, and feedback on how we can approach this. Please join us on **September 26 at 1 pm in the Rec Library.** Please RSVP online, If you are interested but can't attend, email Jude at <a href="mailto:jude@cor-satx.org">jude@cor-satx.org</a> and we will keep you in the loop.

#### **Upcoming Baptism Dates**

Baptism is the full initiation by water and the Holy Spirit into Christ's Body the Church, and the bond God establishes in Baptism is indissoluble. All who have been baptized by water in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, regardless of denomination, are able to fully participate in the life of the parish. If you or your children have not been baptized, come and talk with Rev. Reagan!

We would love to talk about the next steps in your walk with God, and in the life of the parish.

Baptism is available for all ages.

2024 Baptism dates: September 22<sup>nd</sup>, October 13<sup>th</sup> (Bishop Read's Visitation), November 3<sup>rd</sup> (All Saints' Sunday), December 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Elder Ministry Meets Young Adults!!**

LET'S BRING THE GENERATIONS TOGETHER IN FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP! Join the Young Adults group and Elder Statespeople of our community at Blanco BBQ on September 21 at 6 pm. RSVP online or email jude@cor-satx.org.

#### **ROMEO & JULIET 3.0**

On Thursday, September 19, from 11:30am – 1:00pm, R&J returns to the Library for a BROWN BAG luncheon. Our featured guest will be REV. REAGAN. So, save a date on your calendar; plan a brown bag lunch; come prepared to enjoy each other's company; and, discover aspects of Rev Reagan's Journey to Rec.

Romeo stands for Real Old Men Eating Out ... & ... Just Unique Ladies into Eating Too. Initiated in the Fall of 2015, R&J featured and will gain feature the life stories of our parish members.

With the pandemic, R&J moved to a weekly Zoom meeting. Now it is time to come back together in person to share and discover the rich fabric that makes who we are as Reconcilers. ALL ARE WELCOME.

#### **Dinner Dames**

Friday, September 27th, 6pm-8pm IT'S OUR ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY!! Dinner Dames is one year old in September. Please join us on September 27 from 6-8 at Tomatillo's on 1827 N Loop 1604 E, San Antonio, TX 78232. RSVP here.

#### **Today at Reconciliation**

#### **Formation**

- 4yrs-4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Godly Play during the 10:30am service
- 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade: Youth Group 11:45am-12:45pm
- Adults: Journey In Faith Group, 9:15-10:15am in the Library
- Older Teens and Adults: Women in the Bible
   9:15-10:15am in Alban Classroom

#### **Coffee Hour**

• Join us in Brown Hall after the 10:30am service for fellowship!

Use this QR code to make a donation to Rec via PayPal.



# The Episcopal Church of Reconciliation

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> Church Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

Have questions? Email us at: info@cor-satx.org

#### Children, Youth, and Families

- Every Sunday: Middle School/High School meets at 11:45 to 12:45 in the Youth Rec Room. See you then!
- **Elementary:** Godly Play is held during the 10:30 Service.

**Reconciliation Vestry and Officers** 

**Through 2024**Priscilla Coppock, *Clerk*Katheryn Cox

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#### Meet with Rev. Reagan+!

Rev. Reagan is available to meet for casual get togethers, pastoral concerns, idea sharing, or whatever is on your heart.

You can call the office, email her, or put yourself on her calendar through Calendly.

Use this link or the QR code to make an appointment.



Reagan's email: rector@cor-satx.org

#### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

8:00am - Holy Eucharist (no music)
10:30am - Holy Eucharist (livestreamed, with music)