

# St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church

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*"Tell me and I'll forget. Show me and I may not remember.  
Involve me and I'll understand."*

A Native American Proverb

I found this saying on the website of R.A.I. N. (Rising American Indian Nations) founded by Forest Cuch and providing information on programs benefiting Native Americans but also for the benefit of all of us who need to know and understand ways that we can provide support and advocacy for each other, Native American or not.

*"Involve me and I'll understand"* struck a chord with me. Is that not what God is all about with Jesus? In the church calendar year we are living in the Great 50 Days of Easter. We are focusing all of our thoughts and understandings being challenged by the Resurrection. The Disciples and many of his followers, especially the women struggle to understand all the recent events in their lives from the death of their friend and teacher to the unsettling and strange encounters at the tomb, in the upper room and on the beach. They are *Involved* with God!

Aren't we also *Involved* with God? Our understanding as Christians is that God is *Involved* in our lives, living as one of us, dying as one of us and sending us the Holy Spirit to empower and sustain us forever. I suspect some of us struggle to understand these events of Jesus' death and resurrection and how that impacts our daily lives. More importantly, does it impact our lives? If so, how does it change the way we act and think?

Are we kinder to each other?

Do we still hold grudges against another?

Does Jesus show us the way to ask forgiveness when we have wronged someone by thought, word or deed?

Are we willing to forgive when someone asks forgiveness of us?

Are we willing to be inconvenienced to help another?

Do we always think of ourselves first?

Do we think about how we can help and support those in need and struggling to change bad patterns in their lives?

This week I started Spiritual Direction at Red Pine Drug and Alcohol Treatment Center after a respite of reorganization for them. I was touched by the attentiveness of the clients. They were listening to what I had to say. It may not stick, but I could tell they were listening and I could tell the Spirit of God was present in that room.

This week our Bishop shared with me that her time with those being confirmed before the service on Sunday made her week. Their willingness to share the changes in their lives-God being *Involved* in their lives through others touched her spirit.

*"Involve me and I'll understand."* Indeed!

Peace and blessings,

Sue +

Apahgteeket WHsee-ev  
"Prayer Feathers"





Easter Sunday, April 12, 2009

(Pictures top L to R)

Kermit DeCory with niece & the Easter Bunny

Baptism at Dawn

Ryu C.J. Bush

with

Grandparents, Bruce & Judy Pargeets

Parents, Ivana Lynn Nephi & Ethan Arhi Bush

The Easter Feast

Friends, Shineya & Rayma

Easter Egg Hunt & Easter Game prizes

## Arts Kids/Teens Meeting

Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1 PM please plan to gather in the Parish Hall for a review of the past session and a visioning for the future of Arts Kids/ Teens. Is there a future for Arts Adults? Pat Sanger, Executive Director will be here to listen to our ideas and all your thoughts. This is important for your voice to be heard as well as your commitment to this program for our young people here at St. Elizabeth's and in the Community.

## Board Game Fun Day

Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>---4:30-7:30 PM. we are sponsoring, along with our St. Luke's partners an afternoon and evening of fun and games in the Parish Hall. This is for all our young people and anyone who would like to learn how to play many different board games. Adults who wish to learn and assist are welcome.

Supper will be served.

## Diocesan Sacred Conversations

The process for electing a new Bishop has many facets. The Standing Committee is sponsoring a series of Conversations for anyone who would like to come and share their story, concerns and thoughts about the past and how that impacts the future election. You may attend a conversation at any one of the scheduled locations.

Fri. May 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-9PM Good Shepherd, Ogden

Sat. May 9<sup>th</sup> noon-2:30 Grace, St. George

Fri. May 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30-9PM ECCU, Salt Lake

Sat. May 16<sup>th</sup> 11-1:30PM Ascension St.

Matthews, Price

Please let Sue know if you would like to ride with her to the conversation in Price.

## Parish Register

Easter Sunday, April 12, 2009

Baptism—Ryu C. J. Bush

Third Sunday of Easter, April 26, 2009

Confirmations

Reuben Jones Cesspooch

Ruth Elaine Roberson

## Holy Land Pilgrimage

Saturday and Sunday, June 6 and 7<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Bob Bell of Globe Travel in Miami, Florida will be our guest to share about the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

His presentation will begin at 4PM on Saturday and supper will follow.

All are welcome even if you do not plan to make the Pilgrimage.

## Paths Crossing

We had a good group representing us at Paths Crossing this April in Ethete, Wyoming at St. Michael's Mission. Judy Hanley, St. Luke's coordinator and Nancy Conrow of Park City joined our group.

Here are the reports sharing the most important thing they experienced of those who attended:  
Amy---Learned about how Mountains & Deserts came to be and its future.

Jim---There is no one answer for who we are. There is no one who is better or worse than we are.

Krisite---Everything that Christ died for was an example of the greatest love that could ever be bought. Nowhere in that example of love was Christ racist. There was no difference in color of skin, we are all one in spirit. There was left two commandments, Love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind and soul, and Love your neighbor as yourself. We all should follow this example and put racism to rest!

Madeleine---The presentation called Racism

Marley---shooting a bow and arrow.

Teresa---I have realized that I need to find out about my tribe and their traditions. I also need to learn more about the Ute Tribe so I can teach my son McCoy where he comes from on his mother's side as well as his father's side. If I don't McCoy will not have any education about where he comes from and a lot will be lost.

Rayma---I like the archery at the youth program.

Shineya---Racism is taken very seriously. People get in fights about it and some don't get jobs because they aren't white. Some people will get sent to jail over things that white people wouldn't.



*Regional Confirmation, Sunday, April 26, 2009*

*St. Paul's, Vernal & St. Elizabeth's, Host*

*Those Confirmed & Received*

*Reuben Jones Cesspooch*

*Mary Ellen Culp*

*Rachael Nicole Gordon*

*Stevie Jo Labrum*

*Lori Linek*

*Ruth Elaine Roberson*

*Marie Smith*

