



Church of the Faithful Centurion Anglican Orthodox Church

# Pentecost

commonly known as

# Whitsunday

Sunday Report



This is the third edition of the Sunday Report. You now have had three of these reports, no more will come unless you let me know you want to be on the mailing list. You can be taken off at any time. Email me at hap@faithfulcenturion.org.

Today was Whitsunday, also known as Pentecost. We were slightly warmer than usual for this time of year. Sunrise temperature on Mount Olympus was 42°F, by the time church ended the mercury had climbed to 76°F, all under bright blue and clear skies. We ended up with 4 people present for the service.

### *Gathering Song*

Jack Arnold played *I sing a song of the saints of God* for the gathering song.

### **I sing a song of the saints of God**

I sing a song of the saints of God,  
Patient and brave and true,  
Who toiled and fought and lived and died  
For the Lord they loved and knew.  
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,  
And one was a shepherdess on the green;  
They were all of them saints of God, and I mean,  
God helping, to be one too.

They loved their Lord so dear, so dear,  
And his love made them strong;  
And they followed the right for Jesus' sake  
The whole of their good lives long.  
And one was a soldier, and one was a beast,  
And one was slain by a fierce wild priest;  
And there's not any reason, no, not the least,  
Why I shouldn't be one too.

They lived not only in ages past,  
There are hundreds of thousands still.  
The world is bright with the joyous saints  
Who love to do Jesus' will.  
You can meet them in school, or in planes, or at sea,  
In church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;  
For the saints of God are just folk like me,  
And I mean to be one too.



Last week's gathering song made such an impression that everyone showed on time so as not to miss the song!

### *Pentecost which is commonly called Whitsunday and the time of Whitsuntide*

The octave (8 days) following Whitsunday. In the Book of Common Prayer, the Monday and Tuesday after Whitsunday are Red Letter days, so called because days provided with a proper Collect (prayer), Epistle, and Gospel were marked in the calendar in red ink. "Whitsuntide" (formerly also spelled "Whitsontide") or "Whitsun Week" is derived from Middle English whitsunday, from Old English hwita sunnandæg, "White Sunday", in reference to the white ceremonial robes formally worn on this day.



Whitsunday marks the Feast of the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles on the 50th day after Easter. It ranks, after Easter, as the second festival of the Church. In the West, the Vigil of Pentecost soon became a secondary date for baptisms, with a ceremony resembling the Paschal Vigil Service. (Pentecost is the Greek name for the Jewish Feast of Weeks, which falls on the 50th day after Passover.) As the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles on this day (Acts 2: 1), the name was applied to the Christian feast celebrating this event, popularly called "Whitsunday".

### *Propers*

Each Sunday there are Propers: special prayers and readings from the Bible. There is a Collect for the Day; that is a single thought prayer, most written either before the re-founding of the Church of England in the 1540s or written by Bishop Thomas Cranmer, the first Archbishop of Canterbury after the re-founding.

The Collect for the Day is to be read on Sunday and during Morning and Evening Prayer until the next Sunday. If you have a hard time remembering, "Do I read the Collect from last Sunday or next Sunday during the week?" Remember Sunday is the first day of the week. There are also two Bible readings, the Epistle and the Gospel. While they are "lessons", they are not the First Lesson and the Second Lesson, they are the Epistle and the Gospel. The Epistle is normally a reading from one of the various Epistles, or letters, in the New Testament. The Gospel is a reading from one of the Holy Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. The Collect is said by the priest as a prayer, the Epistle can be read by either a designated reader (as we do in our church) or by one of the priests and the Holy Gospel, which during the service in our church is read by an ordained priest.

The propers are the same each year, except if a Red Letter Feast, that is one with propers in the prayerbook, falls on a Sunday, then those propers are to be read instead, except in a White Season, where it is put off. Red Letter Feast, so called because in the Altar Prayerbooks the titles are in red, are special days. Most of the Red Letter Feasts are dedicated to early saints instrumental in the development of the church, others to special events. Some days are particularly special and the Collect for that day is to be used for an octave (eight days) or an entire season, like Advent or Lent.

The Propers for today are found on Page 180-181, with the Collect first:

**Pentecost, commonly called Whitsunday.**

*The Collect.*

**O** GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ This Collect is to be said daily throughout Whitsun Week.

Dru Arnold read this morning's Epistle, which written in the Second Chapter of the Acts of the Apostles beginning at the First Verse, which consisted primarily of a listing of all the countries and regions surrounding Jerusalem, or at least the hardest to pronounce ones, and a description of the actions of the Apostles when the Holy Spirit came upon them:



**W**HEN the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilæans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judæa, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

Today's Gospel was written in the Fourteenth Chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John beginning at the Fifteenth Verse:

**J**ESUS said unto his disciples, If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall

know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words; and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do.

### *Sermon – The Third God Guy*

We worship the One True God, a triune God, that is Three in One; Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Most people have no trouble understanding the concept of God the Father, Christians seem to get God the Son, but many seem to have a bit of difficulty with the Holy Ghost.

The Holy Ghost has been there since the beginning, He breathed life into the world, yet His actions seemed to be sporadic until Pentecost.

Well, today is Pentecost, the time one normally thinks of the Holy Ghost, the Holy Spirit, the Breath of God, the Comforter. When people do think of Him, they oft think of the actions described in the Epistle. The dancing and speaking in tongues. All that happened so we might understand that with the help of the Holy Ghost we might bring the Word to all mankind. The Word of God is a universal language. When the disciples spoke in tongues, the people around them heard the Word in their own language, not an odd combination of sounds that no one understood. The disciples spoke and were heard by those around them in their own language, not Klingon. It is not for us to speak in tongues without study; that was a one shot deal. It was designed to show us that we could, with hard work and persistence bring the Gospel to the world in the language of the people.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that He would be leaving, but the Father would send a facilitator; one whose presence, if we let Him into our hearts, would let us understand His Word with those self same hearts. The Comforter would bring the Love of God into our hearts to let us feel His Love. He will help us understand that we are striving to be one with God, with Jesus and with the Holy Ghost. Our love can be demonstrated by our actions. For if we love Jesus, we will do as He asked.

If you think about it, you will recall that the second half of the Book of Luke is titled The Acts of the Apostles. It is not the thoughts, the beliefs, the feelings, the meditations, the inner feelings or any other touchy feely, it is the ACTS. If you believe, act on those beliefs.

## *Sermon – The Beginning of the End*

Today's Sunday Report has a guest sermon by Bishop R. Dennis Campbell. Bishop



Dennis is one of the smartest people I know and is very good at expressing biblical concepts in terms we can understand. He is also one of the very few who can explain concepts in Revelation so I can understand them.

### The Beginning of the End

Acts 2:1-11

Pentecost

June 12, 2011

What would a perfect world look like? That question can bring forth many different answers, depending on the views and values of the people answering it. For some the perfect world is a teeming city; for others it's a quiet countryside. For some it is a life of idleness; for others it is the freedom to put their creative talents into meaningful work. Obviously Man's natural inclination toward sin colours our view of the perfect world, and the more we are influenced by it, the less perfect our imagined world becomes. It is because of sinful people putting their sinful plans into action that our world is so utterly imperfect right now. But in our better moments, maybe we can agree on some things that a real perfect world would have.

Justice might be one of those things. Justice means all people would get what they deserve. Those who work hard and choose wisely would be allowed to reap the just rewards of their labours. People would be free to attempt to achieve their dreams, not being held back by race or class or artificial barriers. Courts would truly rule according to the principles of truth and justice. Government would be free of corruption, and apply itself to its true function of securing our rights and freedom.

Peace would be an important part of a perfect world. Nation would not lift up sword against nation, nor would there be violence or oppression inside the nation, the community, or the home. People would be able to walk the streets of the cities again, to sleep in safety at night, to sit on the park bench, or walk a country road without fear of crime or violence. Every person would be free to enjoy life, with none to make him afraid.

A perfect world would be characterised by a healthy dose of good old fashioned human kindness and respect, what the hippies used to call, "love." Instead of looking for ways to gain an advantage over others, which could be exploited for personal and economic advantage, people would look for ways to be helpful and to build up one another.

A perfect world would also be characterised by a strong sense of self-reliance, the good kind that takes responsibility for one's own life and achievements, rather than expecting others to do it for them. This self-reliance is the kind that makes person say, "I am going to achieve something in life. I am going to contribute to the physical, financial, and spiritual well-being of life on this planet."

Of course a perfect world is a world of people at peace with God. It is a world of people who live by His laws and love Him in their hearts. This is foundational. Without this, the rest is impossible.

Even a casual look at the Bible shows that a "perfect world" is promised and expected by its human authors. One of my favorite passages is Isaiah 2:2-4. I think God must like it too for He repeats it almost word for word in Micah 4:2-4. Let me read it as it is found in the book of Micah.

"But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it. And many nations shall come and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the Lord of hosts hath spoken it."

Micah 4:1-4

These words are not about what mankind might accomplish, if we get our act together. These words are about what God will accomplish for us by His power and through His grace. These words are the promise of God. They describe the reason why God created the world, and why He works in grace with fallen people, and why Christ came into this world, and why He gave His life on the cross. God did all of these things to accomplish what He promised in these words. He did all of this to establish a Kingdom for Himself, where His people can live in a perfect world, in perfect peace with Him, forever.

I'm going to say something rather shocking; the Church is that perfect world. The Church is that perfect Kingdom of God, created in Christ Jesus, to love Him above all things and to enjoy His blessings and presence forever. The reason my statement is shocking is that we are all aware of the deplorable state of the visible Church. We could talk about her faults for hours, but let's just say for now that she is still a bit shy of perfection. Christ, talking about this very issue said the visible Church is like a wheat field having both wheat and tares. But the day will come when the tares are weeded out, and the wheat is gathered home to God forever. The day will come when all of the promises of the Bible will be fulfilled. They will be accomplished in their absolute fullest possible sense. We will dwell in the immediate glory and light of God (Rev.21:11, 22:4). We will eat of the Tree of Life every day (Rev. 22:2). We will drink of the water of life freely (Rev. 22:17), and we will live in a world of real perfection for we will dwell in Christ and He will dwell in us.

Obviously that day has not arrived in its fullness yet. But it is dawning. We can see its beginning. We can see the darkness beginning to fade, and the first hint of light in the Eastern Sky. The prophets foresaw it. The Temple and sacrifices foreshadowed it. The ministry of Christ on earth made it possible. And the coming of the Holy Spirit began it. We miss the point of Pentecost when we focus on tongues. They were simply a temporary sign that the long awaited day had arrived. The era of fulfillment is upon us. We live in it here and now. The law is going forth from Zion and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem through Christ and His Church. He is bringing the nations into it, and

in it we have a foretaste of our final fellowship with Him and each other. It is only a foretaste now because we still carry within us the inclination toward sin, because our understanding is sketchy and incomplete, and because tares exist even in the Church. But, though we have only the foretaste, we do have the foretaste. I like the way God expresses this through the Apostle Paul in Ephesians 1:14. He calls the Holy Spirit the "earnest of our inheritance." "Earnest" means the down payment. It is the beginning of something greater that is promised. So the Holy Spirit is just the beginning of what God has in store for His Church. And we have the promise of God that He who has begun this good work will bring it to completion. This is the meaning of the Day of Pentecost.

### *New Nametags*

We had no new nametags today.

### *Birthdays and Anniversaries*

We had no reported anniversaries or birthdays today.

### *After Church Hospitality*

Dru Arnold brought snacks today. Once again, they were low carb, so no Fatted DogNut, but many kinds of nuts were offered up. Oh, and some Peanut Crunch snuck its way in from [www.nutsonline.com](http://www.nutsonline.com)! Thank you very very much.

After church goodies providers as currently signed up:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>
19 June 2011	Dru Arnold
26 June 2011	Dru Arnold
3 July 2011	Dru Arnold
10 July 2011	Dru Arnold
17 July 2011	Dru Arnold
24 July 2011	Dru Arnold
31 July 2011	<b>Opportunity Available</b>

*People in our Prayers* - <http://faithfulcenturionprayerteam.blogspot.com/>

### **Why? Prayer is an extremely important activity.**

It is not that God knows not our needs, for He surely does. Yet, Jesus commanded us to ask God for those same needs. In addition to the obvious of asking God for help, offering thanksgiving and the like, prayer helps us focus our thoughts on how we might do God's work.

The Prayer Team of the Church of the Faithful Centurion was established to help our members and fellow Christians pray for those in need and to give thanks as well for the blessings we have been granted.

### **Who can be on the list? Do I have to be a member of the Church of the Faithful Centurion to be prayed for?**

No! The only qualification to be on the list is that you want our prayer team to pray for you. We are Christians and are happy to pray for you, no matter who you are. If you want help from God, you are our kind of people.

### **What is the commitment from the prayer team?**

Each member of the team will pray for the desired outcome at last once per day.

### **How do I get myself or someone else on the prayer list?**

You can email one of the prayer team leaders: Jack - [jack@faithfulcenturion.org](mailto:jack@faithfulcenturion.org) or Dru -

dru@faithfulcenturion.org, or call the church office at (619) 659-3608 or fill out a prayer card at church.

### **What should I ask for?**

Depends on what you want. Some people merely want God to be asked to heal their ills and be mentioned by their first name, others want a specific outcome and / or have more of their personal information known to the team. Ask for what you want. It is your desire and need for prayer the team is attempting to meet. For typical examples, see the list below.

### **Updating the Team**

If you are on our prayer list, or if you have submitted a person that you have asked us to pray for, please update one of the team members or Hap in person, by telephone or email. It helps to be able to pray specifically for these individuals including their specific needs; plus if they get better, it is nice to give thanks!

Please note that on the yellow (maybe green or orange if you get an old one) cards at church, you can ask that those to be prayed for have their names disseminated to the prayer team. Those names will be said in church and appear here. Or, you can ask that their names and purpose be kept confidential, then only Hap will know to pray for them.

*Prayer List Notice – If you have someone on the prayer list and their needs have changed, please let us know. We'd like to update our prayers to the need and most important to give thanks!*

### **Travel**

*Betsy and Marianne Lane* are on travel this week.

### **In need of a miracle or understanding of God's Plan**

*Todd and Kenny* have both been fighting osteocarcinoma for over five years and have been told their time here on earth is nearing its end, absent a miracle from God. Both are ready to go home and leave the pain, but would like to stay. Please pray for them and their families.

### **Departed**

*Mary Parker* passed away surrounded by her family the afternoon of 25 May 2011 after a brief hospice stay. Please pray for the repose of her soul and peace of mind through trust in our Lord for her family and friends as they adjust to her loss.

### **Peaceful Transition**

*Otis* is in hospice care.

*Beatrice*

### **Healing**

*Al Ryan* (an ACA Deacon in Portland, Maine) and *Jim Cobb* both sustained serious soft tissue injuries when their truck and trailer rolled on the way to an aircraft recovery in Massachusetts. They are both out of the hospital and recovering, but very sore. Please pray for a rapid and complete recovery for both of them.

*Andrew Scally* is hospitalized with pneumonia he is out of ICU and doing much better. Please pray the medical team treating him will be able to keep the infection headed downhill so he can recover. He hopes to be going home the week of 13 June 2011. Please pray for peace of mind for Andrew and his family, in particular his son Keith who has been there to help him. Pray for his trust in our Lord and for both him and his family to let God carry their worries while he recovers.

*Won King* underwent surgery the week after Memorial Day. She has been in surgical ICU, but is doing well. Won is expected to be out of ICU on 6 June 2011, then hopefully home soon thereafter. Please give thanks for the successful surgery and pray for a rapid and complete recovery for her, pray also for both her peace of mind and that of her husband Hank as she works towards recovery.

*Bill Aitken* had a full knee replacement on 18 April 2011. He had an infection which now seems under control and he seems to be healing and gaining strength. Please give thanks for the progress and pray for guidance for the team treating Bill and for his recovery. Pray also for guidance for him and his wife Sara.

*Steve Sundberg* had a heart attack after Easter. Please pray for his complete recovery and for his three children and family who are very worried about him, pray also for his trust in our Lord and for both him and his family to let God carry their worries while he recovers.

*Melanie Zimmers* has what appears to be a badly bulged disc at C5-C-6 which is causing radiating pain down her right arm and numbness in her thumb and forefinger. Please pray for resolution of her problem and a good attitude while a means to solve the problem is found.

*Hal Campbell* underwent apparently successful surgery for a cancerous lesion on the inside of his cheek and the associated lymph node on 7 March 2011, at the VA hospital in Seattle where he will undergo six weeks of follow up Chemo and Radiation treatment to hopefully eradicate and cancerous cells that may remain. Please pray for a successful result and for his acceptance of Christ.

*Kyle Thompson, CPL USMC* was injured was seriously wounded while on foot patrol in Helmand Province of Afghanistan on 25 October 2010. He has been released to Camp Pendleton on casual status until his medical condition is clear. Likely he will be medically discharged.

You can reach out to him by emailing his father, Mike Thompson, at [miket4k@yahoo.com](mailto:miket4k@yahoo.com). We may have a new address soon.

*Todd Love, CPL USMC* was seriously wounded while on foot patrol in Helmand Province of Afghanistan on 25 October 2010. Todd and his squad leader, *Kyle Thompson*, were hit by an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) during a routine patrol. The IED took both of Todd's legs and part of his left arm. Pray for peace of mind, courage and healing for Todd. Pray for the medical teams treating him.

Send Todd a note or log on to <http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/toddlove>.

*Shamim Gray* underwent a lumpectomy on Saturday 6 November 2010 at Bethesda Naval Hospital, with apparent great result. Please pray for a complete remission of the cancer. Pray also Shamim will maintain her great attitude and trust in God.

*Judith Clingwall*, afflicted with Multiple Sclerosis (MS), suffered a major setback in her coping with the disease. She is currently in an extended care facility. Please pray for her strength, peace of mind, trust in God and remission of the disease so she might return home to her family. Pray also for strength for her husband Martin as he deals with all the problems and stress of Judith's situation.

*Becky Madden* is paralyzed from the neck down as the result of a tragic shooting accident. She has made it home and to church in a new donated magic wheelchair. Please pray for further recovery for Becky, as well as strength and

guidance for each of those involved.

*Betty Macauley*, Tim's mom, is currently in a state of failing health. Please pray she will gain interest in life around her and actively pursue life here on earth. Please pray for her family, in particular her son Tim, as they try to help her.

*Lauralee* underwent a lumpectomy on Friday after Thanksgiving. A further anomaly has been discovered and she had additional preventative radiation treatment. Please pray for a complete remission of the cancer. Pray also Lauralee will maintain her great attitude and trust in God.

*Luca*, 5 years old, from our church family in Perth, Western Australia, who has just been diagnosed with leukemia. And for his Mum and Dad and extended family.

*Jere Wolfe*, Melanie Zimmers' dad, has cardiomyopathy, a weakening of the heart muscle. The pacemaker installation helped a lot, but he lost ¼ of his weight, so he has to fight his way back. Keep praying for his continued recovery and for him Jere to maintain his trust in the Lord.

*Greg Chase* asks that you pray for his family:

*Diane*, Greg's wife, to see some positive physical signs for the ongoing treatment of her ulcerative colitis, now she is suffering the effects of shingles

*Phyllis*, Greg's mom, to gain physical strength to overcome her frailties after her recent "small" stroke.

*Wilma* - Healing

*Vince* (age 13), reoccurrence of cancer, recent testing found a nickel sized tumor in his lungs. The doctors are consulting with a specialist in Houston. Please pray for guidance for the medical team and for peace of mind for Vince and his family.

*Obra Gray* continues to take day by day. Please continue to keep Obra in your prayers, and give him the strength of knowing the Lord is with him and will never forsake him. Obra needs security of what lies ahead of him, and only the Lord can grant the solace to answer his prayer.

*Bashir Ahmed*, father of Shamim Gray, has been blessed with the Lord's breath of life to stay on this earth for the time being. But, things are hard for him and his loving wife, who cares for him. They have two young nieces living with them who see no real need to help, pray for God to enter their hearts. Above all, pray for his entire family to open their hearts to accept all God's love will bring them.

*Kay Denton* (Mrs. Kay) is still home and doing pretty well considering the bones in her neck and hands are degenerating as a side effect of her kidney failure. Her thumbs are not particularly useful any more. Mrs. Kay asks everyone who is praying for her know how grateful she is for their prayers. As always, she retains her trust in the Lord and her positive attitude

### **Guidance**

*Steve* asks that you pray for difficulties he is having with his family. Please pray that the Holy Ghost will enter into his heart and provide him with the heaven sent inspiration that he needs to see clearly and deal with problems and the courage to do what needs to be done in the manner it should be done.

*Jacquie* to open her heart to God and accept His Love and Grace.

*Hap* asks you to pray that he might be able to trust God will help him make the right decisions at the right time and not to worry uselessly and that he will open his heart to the Holy Ghost.

### *Armed Forces & Contractors*

Airman Donny Patton (RAF Mildenhall, UK), Josh (USCG), Julian (USMC), Jordan (USMC – AIT), Neal (USN-Afghanistan), Trevor (USAF - KC-10 Boom Operator), Trevor (USN – Pilot Training),

### *Persecuted*

Around the world, Christians are under attack, not only in the Muslim world, but from Hindus and others in India. Also, they are under continual attack in the name of “Separation of Church and State” in the western world, as it becomes actively atheist or pro-devil buddy. Please pray for God’s guidance and protection for all persecuted Christians and those around them.

### *Thanksgiving*

*Bill* who has battled a drinking problem which has adversely impacted his life and the lives of those around him has not had a drink in three weeks. For that he and his family give particular thanks.

*Kay, age 90*, who had a stroke in March 2011 has completely recovered and only now has residual tiredness so she is only out and about for ½ of each day rather than all day. She thanks everyone who kept her in their prayers. She is very special to Sara.

### *Various Special Requests*

We ask that you pray, please ask God that the Holy Ghost might give you insight into how you might make the lives of your friends and family better. Remember helping others is not just those who you don’t know!

Please join us in praying that the *Free Teen Guitar Class* will be continue to be an opportunity for God to work in the lives of the kids and their families. Please ask God to guide the class to new opportunities to make Him known to others. Help us to let the love of our Lord shine through us into their lives, putting Him first, so that He might enter in to their hearts and lives.

### *Question that only you can ask*

What would you like to know about our history, what we believe, what we do or how we operate? Hap is looking for material for the continuing education class and *Thought for the Day* material. Help us help you. Please send your question to Hap so we all can get an answer. Just because you don’t know the answer to your question doesn’t mean you are the only one who doesn’t know. But, if you don’t ask, no one will know.

### *I’d like to get a different point across or announce something*

If you have a different point of view, I would be happy to give you room to get your point across. While this publication is my perspective on events, I recognize not everyone may agree and that some people would like to express their own opinion. If you want to write something, please forward your item to Hap (with a note as to whether or not you would like editing help) to: [hap@faithfulcenturion.org](mailto:hap@faithfulcenturion.org).

### *Epistle Readers*

We post the list of Epistle Readers in the Beadle’s Report each week so you can either plan your attendance or your pre-reading as the spirit so moves you.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Reader</b>
19 June 2011	Jack Arnold
26 June 2011	Dru Arnold
3 July 2011	Jack Arnold

*The near future, as well as Next Sunday*

**Sunday**

19 June 2011 – Trinity Sunday – Holy Communion - Service start time 1000 (10:00 am); welcome or gathering songs before the service at 0945 (9:45 am); **Time 1000 (10:00 am); Location – 10603 Burrell Way, Descanso, CA**

**Sunday**

26 June 2011 – First Sunday after Trinity – Morning Prayer - Service start time 1000 (10:00 am); welcome or gathering songs before the service at 0945 (9:45 am); **Time 1000 (10:00 am); Location – 10603 Burrell Way, Descanso, CA**