

Bede's Journal

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The Monthly Newsmagazine of St. Bede's Episcopal Church

June at a Glance

Sunday 4 June — The Day of Pentecost
All Ages worship together at the 10:15 service

Friday-Sunday, 9-11 June
St. Bede's Annual Parish Retreat 2017 at The Bishop's Ranch, Healdsburg

9:00am, four Sundays: 18 June through 9 July
Soulwork: The Faith We Sing

10:10am, Sunday 18 June
Sunday Fundays begin!



Look Ahead and Save These Dates!

Sunday 2 July
Red, White, & Blue Bake Sales at coffee hours,
benefiting our charitable partners
(also no nursery care or Sunday Funday)

Sunday 9 July
Picnic for all after the 10:15 service
welcoming new Children's & Youth Minister, Pam Stevens

Sunday-Sunday, 6-13 August
St. Bede's hosts Home & Hope

Farewell, Friends

Dear People of St. Bede's,

I believe it was in 2011 that I reluctantly decided to leave Christ Church, Portola Valley, where I had been rector for more than 25 years. At that time Kitty Lehman invited me to join the staff of St. Bede's as a volunteer assisting priest and I have been happy to be at St. Bede's ever since.

In June I shall turn 86 and I believe that the time has come for me to move on. With advancing age and slowly declining abilities I find that I am no longer able to be of significant help to Gia, and I have decided to return to Christ Church.

I have a place in the churchyard at Christ Church where my ashes will rest when that time comes. In the meantime it seems appropriate for me to "go home" to the parish where all those years were spent.

I shall miss you—those I have known since I was pastor of St. Bede's for four years in the 1960s, and those I've come to know in recent years. Know that you will be in my prayers. Please pray for me.

Love and God bless,
John Oda-Burns+





The Rev. John Oda-Burns is concluding his time as Assisting Priest at St. Bede's in June. The parish is giving a tangible expression of appreciation for his ministry here; if you would like to contribute, kindly send a check to the church office with memo "Oda-Burns Gift" by the end of July.

Soulwork

For four weeks at the beginning of summer, we'll explore the intersection of hymns with the Christian life through the series *The Faith We Sing*. Bring your favorite hymn to share with the group, and tell us a story about its meaning to you. Music director Kathy McKee will join us for this series, which meets on Sundays, **June 18** through **July 9**, at 9:00am in Lehman Hall.



Bede's Kids & Youth Summer Sundays

Summer Sundays are here! We have named it Sunday Fundays because the children never know what they might be doing, but they know it will be fun and with their church friends. All of the children of the parish (three years old to fourteen years old) will be spending the summer playing together during the 10:15 service. Please have all the children meet in the middle classroom of Wyatt Hall for Sunday Fundays each week. This summer we will have some Sundays designated on the lower playground to play and enjoy God's beauty in nature.

There will be an All-Ages Eucharist on **June 4** for Pentecost. Reverend Gia and the liturgy committee have designed the service for the children of the parish. We will also be having two baptisms. There will be no Sunday school on **June 11**, due to the Parish Retreat at the Bishop's Ranch in Healdsburg. On **June 18**, Jeanne Cooper will kick off Sunday Fundays with a special Father's Day activity with the children.

We are still looking for a few Sunday Funday leaders and assistants for the summer. You will find the sign-up sheet at coffee hour. Please feel free to talk with Katie Machemer or Jeanne Cooper about ideas or questions about leading or assisting with the Sunday Fundays.

— *Katie Machemer*
Children's & Youth volunteer

From the Rector Chapel at Trinity School

Part of my role as Rector of St. Bede's is to be part of the team of chaplains at Trinity School. The school has a chapel service every morning at 8:30, and five chaplains each take one day a week to lead the liturgy. (Wednesday is my day; Jeanne Cooper has been taking Tuesdays, and Ed Brink is the musician on Mondays and Fridays.) Daily chapel is a simplified form of Morning Prayer, including a call to worship, a hymn out of the *Hymnal 1982* or *Wonder, Love, and Praise*, a scripture lesson accompanied by an interactive homily, student-led prayers, the Lord's Prayer, blessings for birthdays, and a dismissal. I also preside at the school's monthly Eucharist, held on the first Thursday of the month. Leading chapel is spiritually enriching for me, plus it's fun. The students' insights into the scriptures often surprise and move me. The worries they share in their prayers—that the Pacific garbage patch won't get any bigger, that all homeless people will find a place to live, that girls everywhere will get an education equal to boys'—show how deeply they think about the world, and their prayers invite us grown-ups to act on their concerns.

This issue of the *Journal* gives all of us a glimpse of the chapel experience, as it includes the homilies preached by Trinity's

fifth graders at the final Eucharist of the school year [*please see page 14*]. The lessons for that service were 1 Corinthians 13:1-7, Psalm 23, and Matthew 11:25-30. I will keep my words brief this month so that the students may speak. If you're intrigued by their reflections, you are most welcome to come to chapel any weekday during the school year to hear more. May God bless these fifth graders and all graduates!

Peace,

Gia+



✻ Bede's People ✻

Congratulations to our graduates!

Eighth-graders *Freddy Churchill* and *Sally Norman* have completed La Entrada Middle School this month.

If you have news of other academic milestones, won't you please share it with our community in the summer edition of *Bede's Journal*? Send email to:

cshedlock@stbedesmenlopark.org





Home & Hope

“Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?”

After prayerful consideration by the staff, vestry, and Community Service committee, St. Bede’s has offered to host the three to four families in Home & Hope’s transitional shelter program, **August 6-13**. It’s an exciting development in our growing ministry to our greater community, and a wonderful opportunity to invite friends or family members to join us in service.

While the families will continue to spend days elsewhere (at their jobs, in childcare, or at Home & Hope’s day center in Burlingame), for seven nights St. Bede’s will provide a healthy dinner, social time with adults, and play time with children.

Families will each have their own tent with cots inside Wyatt Hall, our Sunday school wing, while a pair of St. Bede’s hosts—families and singles welcome!—will sleep nearby. St. Bede’s will also provide breakfast fixings in the morning and the opportunity for families to pack a lunch before Home & Hope picks them up at 7am.

Home & Hope, formerly known as Interfaith Hospitality Network, has been a nonprofit community service partner of St. Bede’s for many years—since well before I joined St.

Bede’s in early 2004. At the time, a small but dedicated group of St. Bede’s volunteers would serve one night about every three months at one of the host churches or synagogues.

Over the years, with the support of our clergy, we’ve been able to expand the number of volunteers, the frequency of service, and the amount and variety of financial support to Home & Hope. By committing to hosting a week in August, we will be saving Home & Hope thousands of dollars in hotel costs—the only option when partner congregations are unavailable—and we will share in the responsibility often undertaken by our partners at Transfiguration and Trinity Episcopal churches and Congregation Beth Jacob, among others.

There are a lot more logistics to work out, and as Rev. Gia freely admits, we will make a few mistakes along the way! Over the next two months, we will share more details of how Home & Hope works, what is needed, and the spiritual significance of such service, but if you are planning to be in town August 6-13, please mark your calendar now and plan to spread the word: *“We will, with God’s help.”*

—*Jeanne Cooper*
Community Service volunteer



Rummage Sale Round-up

Thanks to the donations, hard work, shopping, and shlepping of many, our annual rummage sale—now in its 10th year!—over May 6-7 was a success in raising fellowship, funds, and community awareness of our commitment to service and hospitality. Our ministry of decluttering was quite active, too!

We had a record number of volunteers (24+) this year, including a Trinity School parent and her two daughters, who helped with set-up on Friday, and a customer (who gave his name only as “José”) who helped with clean-up for an hour on Sunday. This turnout of support meant we could also accomplish a quick turnaround of the hall on Sunday, when the Girl Scouts held a large event at 3pm.

Thank you to St. Bede’s volunteers with Home & Hope at Transfiguration Episcopal in San Mateo May 16, where we served six adults and four children, ages 9 months to 10 years. Megan Sell, Ann Latta, and Michael and Charlie Pellegrin served dinner; Megan and the Pellegrins provided childcare and clean-up help; and Jeanne Cooper and Melville Hayes-Martin served as overnight/breakfast hosts.

(I’ve thanked volunteers individually elsewhere, but special thanks are due Dick Zeren, Fred Langhorst, Emilee Wilhelm-Leen and Nancy Stork for their unflagging support from set-up through clean-up.)

We raised \$1,315 for Home & Hope, which will help fund dinners and supplies year-round, and hosting costs at St. Bede’s in August. St. Bede’s has a close connection to this nonprofit, whose much-needed shelter program for families includes job counseling and other support. The sale also generated six carloads of quality clothes and other items for Goodwill and Ecumenical Hunger Program, plus several boxes of books for Menlo Park Library and a new student library in Malawi.

Over the course of the two-day sale, we served more than 100 community members with refreshments, assistance taking purchases to cars, and smiles—we’re as well known for our hospitality as for our low prices. We also donated clothes via a community member to a family who recently lost everything in a house fire.

Thanks again to all who served in one way or another. Your efforts, donations, and purchases are appreciated.

—*Jeanne Cooper*
Community Service volunteer

Announcing the 2017-2018 Arts at St. Bede's Concert Series

All events begin at 4:00pm.



Sunday, September 24 — Candlelight Evensong & organ recital:
The choir of St. Bede's & organist Rani Fischer

The choir will offer Ralph Vaughan Williams's romantic *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis in C* and ethereal *Prayer to the Father of Heaven*. Rani's recital will feature music by Bach, Beethoven, Britten, de Grigny, and Langlais.

Sunday, October 29 — Clerestory: *O Sweet, Spontaneous Earth*

The Bay Area's acclaimed 9-man vocal ensemble presents a musical celebration of the natural world and the wild and beautiful things that inhabit it. In the music of Palestrina, Byrd, Janequin, Howells, Hindemith, Vaughan Williams, and many more, you'll be reminded of what nature meant to poets and composers of the past, as well as hear Clerestory's commitment to putting down roots in the musical soil of its own era.

Sunday, November 19 — Collage Vocal Ensemble: *Light and Shadow*

With its characteristic mix of musical styles, Collage presents pieces that rejoice in the light and examine what may lurk in the shadows. Proceeds from the concert will be donated to LifeMoves.

Sunday, December 10 — Kitka: *Wintersongs*

Few things evoke the magic of the winter holidays as the transcendent splendor of the human voice. Kitka has researched a treasure-trove of seasonal music from a variety of Eastern European ethnic and spiritual traditions. *Wintersongs* showcases works ranging from rousing Slavic folk carols to lush, meditative Eastern Orthodox choral works, from pre-Christian incantations for the longest nights of the year to Medieval Sephardic Chanukah songs to original new pieces inspired by the beauty and mystery of winter.



Sunday, January 28 — Robyn Carmichael, piano

Hailed in the press as a "magnificent and illuminating" performer of "extraordinary poetry," pianist Robyn Carmichael makes her debut at Arts at St. Bede's with a program of poetry and virtuosity, featuring four of the greatest Romantics of the 1830's: Chopin, Schumann, Mendelssohn, and Liszt. Major works include the great B-minor Sonata of Chopin and the Tarantella from "Venezia e Napoli" S.162, No. 3.

Sunday, February 11 — Candlelight Evensong & organ recital

Celebrate the waning of winter with the choir of St. Bede's and guest organist Andrew Chislett, with music to warm the heart and cheer the soul on the last Sunday before Lent begins.

Sunday, March 4 — Vajra Voices: *The Practice of Love in Medieval and Modern Music*

Since 2010, the seven women of Vajra Voices have delighted audiences with their performances of medieval music. For this program, they'll present 14th century master Trouvère Guillaume de Machaut's *Le Lai de la Fonteinne* and a new work by Theresa Wong: *To Burst, To Bloom*. Machaut's work likens the Trinity to a fountain and lauds the Virgin Mary and the chivalric virtuous practice of loving the unattainable. Wong's piece is a setting of six poems by the 12th century Taoist Immortal, Sun Bu'er, intended as meditations on inner alchemy.

Sunday, April 15 — Rachele Perry & Sally Mouzon: *Opera arias, duets & art songs*

Postponed from last season due to illness, this program will feature beautiful famous operatic duets and equally stunning but rarely heard art song duets. From Handel, Schuman, and Brahms to Berlioz and Puccini and some others in between, it will be an afternoon of *Love of Life*, with all its emotions exquisitely portrayed in song. Ms. Mouzon and Ms. Perry-Ward will be accompanied by the wonderful, well-known, and much-sought-after musician, Mr. Bryan Baker!

Sunday, May 6 — Collage Vocal Ensemble: *Love Makes the World Go 'Round*

Where in the world might you like to travel? Collage Vocal Ensemble will take you on a journey rejoicing in this wonderful emotion common to peoples everywhere. Proceeds from the concert will be donated to Music in the Schools Foundation.

— Katherine McKee Music Director

June 2017 at St. Bede's Episcopal Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.</p> <p>Psalm 100:1</p>				<p><i>Justin Martyr</i> 1</p> <p>8:30a School chapel noon Alcoholics Anonymous*</p>	<p><i>Blandina and Her Companions, the Martyrs of Lyons</i> 2</p> <p>8:30a School chapel</p>	<p><i>The Martyrs of Uganda</i> 3</p> <p>7:30a Sunrise AA* 9:00a Alcoholics Anonymous* Altar Guild work</p>
<p>The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday 4</p> <p>8:00a Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:00a Soulwork: BCP 10:00a Nursery 10:15a All-Ages Eucharist</p>	<p><i>Boniface of Mainz</i> 5</p> <p>8:30a School chapel 9:00a Counting Crew</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:30a School chapel 2:00p Staff meeting 8:00p Narcotics Anonymous*</p>	<p>Ember Day 7</p> <p>8:00a Holy Eucharist 8:30a School chapel 9:00a Companions group 7:30p Highland Pipe Band*</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8:30a School chapel noon Alcoholics Anonymous*</p>	<p><i>Columba of Iona</i> 9</p> <p>Ember Day 8:30a School chapel noon Parkinson's Caregivers*</p> <p>Parish Retreat at The Bishop's Ranch, Healdsburg</p>	<p><i>Ephrem of Edessa</i> 10</p> <p>Ember Day 7:30a Sunrise AA* 9:00a Alcoholics Anonymous* Altar Guild work 7:00p Folk Dance*</p> <p>Parish Retreat at The Bishop's Ranch</p>
<p>Trinity Sunday 11</p> <p>8:00a Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:00a Nursery 10:15a Holy Eucharist Rite II</p> <p>Parish Retreat at The Bishop's Ranch</p>	<p>St. Barnabas (tr) 12</p> <p>8:30a School chapel 9:00a Counting Crew</p>	<p>13</p> <p>8:30a School chapel Trinity School Fun Day noon Bldgs & Grounds mtg 2:00p Staff meeting 8:00p Narcotics Anonymous*</p>	<p><i>Basil the Great</i> 14</p> <p>Flag Day 8:00a Holy Eucharist 10:00a Trinity Graduation 7:30p Highland Pipe Band*</p>	<p><i>Evelyn Underhill</i> 15</p> <p>noon Alcoholics Anonymous*</p>	<p>16</p> <p>7:30a Sunrise AA* 9:00a Alcoholics Anonymous* Altar Guild work</p>	
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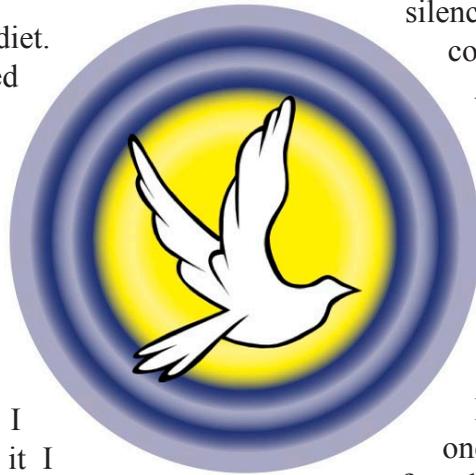
**use of St. Bede's facilities in outreach to the broader community*

Vestry View

It is 4:59am, and I am not a morning person. The eastern sky is unmistakably tinged with the coming day, giving it a terrifying beauty. Venus is glaring at me from the same direction, annoyed that I have intruded upon her morning ablutions. In truth, I consider this still the middle of the night, but I have stared into the miasmatic void for the past hour, while this article demanded to be written—now.

I'm on a diet—a word diet. Last month I rambled too long and had to be cut down to size. I'm determined to fit the page this time. What to sacrifice? Line breaks seem a waste of column-inches. Is this punctuation really necessary? What am I doing here and what is it I want to say to you? Is it at all appropriate? Probably not.

When we came to the agenda item “Junior Warden’s Report” at last Tuesday’s vestry meeting, I had nothing. After listening to other engaged, discursive, and inquisitive members conduct our parish business—which included an important vote to approve a Trinity School bylaw change to allow their Board members’ terms to be



extended in extraordinary circumstances, such as now—I felt inadequate, unprepared, as often I had when called upon in school after a late night of reading *Mad* magazine instead of my homework, which never made it home. In the meeting, back in school, every day of my life, I wondered what others really thought of me, realizing I will never know.

Now an ambitious bird has broken the silence with the first notes of the coming garden polyphony. Aurora’s flawless and sublimely-tinted garb is being pulled higher onto the dome of heaven, steadily driving Venus to the sea while drowning her radiance, a double indignity.

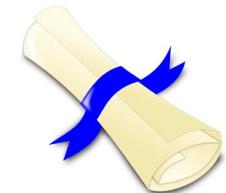
Last month’s offering (the one that ran over) contained five hundred, forty-one words in published form; I am at three hundred, twenty-four as I place the “r” at the end of that last number, according to my indispensable machine emblazoned with partially-eaten fruit. What could I possibly say that would be of interest? Check my notes...

Ah, yes. There may be substance yet. Apparently I was paying some attention.

Congratulations to Trinity School Grade 5 Graduates!



Lucia Aguilar
Kevin Bettencourt
Sascha Chernesky
Gaia DeNault
Chase Dollinger
Ruby Dowling
Caitlyn Flexer
Elliott Ganley
Banks Hayes
Allison Hurley
Derek Jain
Roan Morace
Deanna Perlov
Henry Slinger
Juliet Young



I noted in Harvard outline format five (V) items: Sue Sartor, the Senior Warden, spoke with a diocesan resource regarding our initiative to pursue financial stewardship year-round, rather than just seasonally; Michelle Swenson of the Finance Committee delivered that body’s recommendation that we formally engage USB as investment advisor, which role, as our “custodian” (don’t ask me) it has been performing informally for some time already; Julie Backlund, Doug Blayney, and Hal Louchheim are on task for reimagining the archaic Hill Center; Vestry continues to ask the profound questions regarding our further calling to community outreach and service, further to which St. Bede’s will host for a week on our campus three or four families experiencing homelessness, a sort of trial run to greater involvement with the Home & Hope ministry.

Finally, I would like to explain the purpose of a Junior (“the People’s”) Warden and in general justify my existence as the sun breaks free of the horizon just south of Mount Diablo... but I’m out of words.

– *Curtis Grisham*
Junior Warden

Trinity School

Grade 5 Homilies at Eucharist

The students in Grade 5 compose the homily for the last School Eucharist each year. Here are their reflections on passages from Psalms, Matthew, and 1 Corinthians.

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

*He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.*

*He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.*

*Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil;*

*for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—
they comfort me.*

*You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.*

Psalm 23

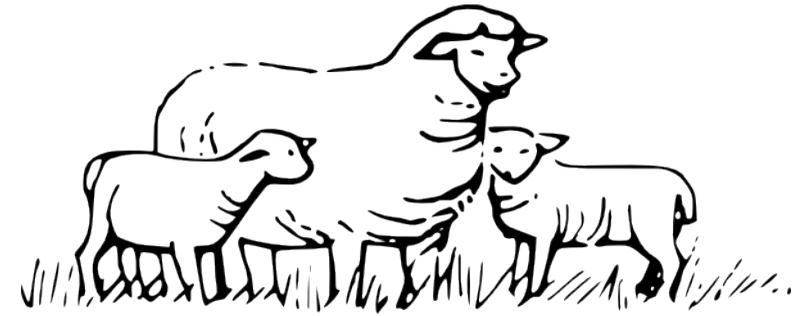
Deanna: I think that The Psalm of David is about how God leads you to everything you need, but you have to be smart enough to believe in him and follow. All you need to do is navigate and you should be good to go. He leads you to the rivers to get a drink, he leads you to the green pastures to lie down.

You need to follow him to the water and to the pasture. “The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want” explains how you don’t need anything because you are like a lamb to the Lord; he is your Shepherd.

Elliott: The Psalm of David relates to me reminding me that God is always with me. Raise your hand if you ever had a struggle and you feel like the Lord is there at that time watching over you and helping you to get through the harsh time. When I need to meditate, I pray to God. I feel like he has always been there by my side, like with David. The words “he restores my soul” stand out to me very much. It makes me feel like he forgets your sins when you need him to. It is like this sometimes for me in chapel when we are talking around Easter or Christmas, I feel like God is with me.

Sascha: You should trust your guts, because God always has your back. Even if you are going through a very hard time, God can and will help you, since he loves everyone equally. Raise your hand if you have gone through a hard time. Now raise your hand if you made it through that time or if you are working through it. At any given moment, God is supervising our lives to make sure we are safe today and always.

Chase: He restores my soul and leads me in the right paths. Have you ever had God restore and rejuvenate your soul? Raise your hand if you have. I have when one time I was feeling troubled during the middle school



process; I let go, and let God in. He led me in the right path to remember the good times and not dwell on the bad ones. God watches over you, cares, restores, and gives you hope. Even when you can’t see past the bad times, God is there to care.

Roan: The Psalm is about knowing that you are safe if you put your faith in God. I think this is important because the world can be a scary place. Raise your hand if you’ve ever felt scared. Sometimes I feel scared when I take tests because I feel like I am going to do horribly. In these times it is important to remember that I can pray to God, because he is always with me and will protect me. The part of this passage that reminds me of this is, “Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me.” I know that no matter what, God is with me and will protect me.

Derek: Raise your hand if you’ve ever felt alone or afraid. I think the Psalm means that you are never alone. God is always with you no matter where you are and what you do. He is there to walk you through anything, even the darkest place. It tells you that you

are never by yourself and God is on your side. Everybody has God by our side to make sure you feel no evil. God helps you not fear anything that you can fear, like spiders or something that is scary to you.

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Matthew 11:25-30

Henry: In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus says, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelli- ➔

gent and revealed them to infants.” I think this means that there are things that young children can understand that older people overthink. For instance, if we are in a tight or tense situation, we can sometimes be more forgiving or compassionate. Always remember that even if you are younger, you can sometimes do more than your elders.

Juliet: I think Matthew’s verse said that if you are weary and tired, God will help you. If you are going through a hard time he will be with you. Also it says if you learn the way of God you will be rested and calm and have peace. I think that this is important to have peace, like if you are doing a hard thing, and you get a break, it’s like a little peaceful time. Sometimes I take a break and squeeze a stress ball which is like squeezing out my stress. When I get back, it’s not so hard because I had a peaceful moment, not more stress.



If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

1 Corinthians 13:1-7

Ruby: Love is my friend Leslie because she is kind and thoughtful and everything she does is caring. Love is like strawberries because it is sweet and full of things we need in our lives. Love is like a flower, which will bloom if only you believe it can. Love influences your life every day, helping us be better people by teaching us to be thoughtful, caring, kind, patient, and much, much more.

Caitlyn: Love doesn’t have a definite meaning. It’s what you make it, or what it means to you. It doesn’t just mean one thing, it’s open ended; it’s not *just* an event or *just* a feeling. Without it, you have no compassion for others, and no courage inside of you. Even if you have all the knowledge and the

uniqueness, but don’t have love, what does it give you? Nothing you can gain from. It’s not love if you are doing things just for yourself. With love and compassion, you can do anything for others, and gain a lot for yourself.

Gaia: “Love is patient, love is kind, love is not envious or boastful or arrogant. Love always forgives.” I think this means that love is very good, and if we are not envious, arrogant, or boastful we can really, truly love each other. Has anybody ever been jealous of someone else? Raise your hands if you’ve been jealous. If you are envious or snooty, you are thinking about yourself and not about others. If everybody loved each other, then the world would be a much better place, and nobody would ever be violent or mean.

Kevin: Every time I see “If I give away all my possessions” it reminds me of all the homeless people I see, and how I always want to help them in some way. I always try to think about what their life must have been before they were homeless. For an example, one night my mom, my sister, and I were on our way home and we saw a homeless man with his dog. My mom gave him her food that she bought for herself. Then my sister and I went home and put stuff in a bag for him, like food, water, a nice note, and some dog food. Try to help people you see who need help.

Allie: I think the Corinthians passage means that you should trust and be thankful for God, and that he gives you more than you need. We have so much food, water, homes, clothes, toys, good technology, and other stuff that we should share with the world. Also, you should not be afraid, even in times of extreme hardship, because God is always with you and will guide you. You should never feel alone, because you know God is always with you.

Lucia: Even if you have riches and power, but no love, you are nothing. This relates to me because I am the oldest sister and I have the command in my house, but I need to love my sisters or else I am not a good sister. Being in command by telling people to do the right thing can be loving and good as long as it’s not about power and commanding them to do everything my way. I also have to say things in a nice way and care about them.

Banks: Raise your hand if you have someone who loves you in your life? Everyone should have their hand up. I think that love can withstand much more things than we can. This means love is stronger than you. Sometimes it’s hard to forgive or apologize, but since we have love we can apologize and forgive. You should not take advantage of this power of love. Love raised the Lord’s son from the dead, so believe in love, as everyone should.



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