



The Hillside Messenger

A Message from the Rector: The Tenth Commandment

The Tenth Commandment is this:

“Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour’s.”

Exodus
20:17,
KJV;
compare

Deuteronomy
5:21

To covet means “to desire eagerly, or earnestly long for, someone or something”. The Tenth Commandment teaches God’s people not even to have a desire for anyone or anything that belongs to one’s neighbor. Why was it necessary for God

ten, what others have seems better, more attractive, than what we have. At times, what belongs to someone else, like his house or his car, is really better than our own house or car, and at other times, it may appear better, but it actually is not. However, the question of whether it is better or not is really irrelevant to this

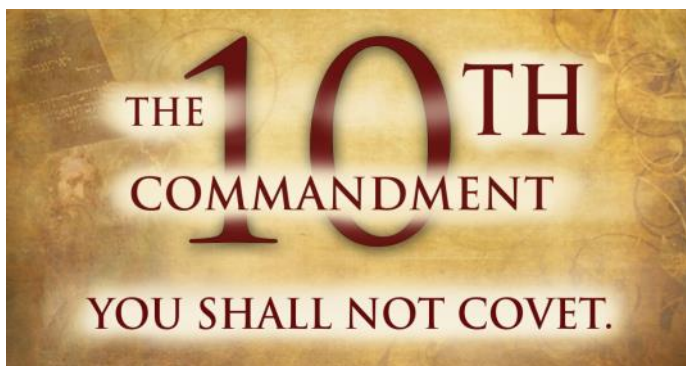
wife may lead to adultery. Desiring someone else’s cattle may lead to stealing his cattle. Disobedience to this commandment lies at the root of disobedience to the other commandments. An example from the Bible that I have mentioned before in this series is King Ahab’s desire to have Naboth’s vineyard.

He longed for it so much that he allowed his wife, Queen Jezebel, to make plans in his own name to charge Naboth with treason, have him killed,

and steal his vineyard (*I Kings 21:1-16*). The crime of coveting his neighbor’s vineyard led Ahab and Jezebel to bear false witness against Naboth and to commit murder and theft.

There are a few great moral principles inherent in the Tenth Command-

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ment. The first is really to love or long for no-one or nothing more than one loves God. Obedience to the first two commandments implies obedience to the Tenth.

The second principle is respect for everyone's family life and property. Do not disrupt a man's marriage or family by coveting his wife, and do not disrupt his household by coveting his servants or property. Coveting so easily leads to stealing, and this is something today's western society has really done on a massive scale.

Have we even realized that we should not covet and steal someone else's time, particularly his time off from work that he needs for rest and recreation? Employers have easily enough set rules for their employees not to take time off to run their own errands during work hours. But what has kept employers from demanding from their employees more and more time to do the work of the company, so that they have less and less time to spend with their families? Coveting more of their employees' time has often led to the exploitation of employees. At the same time, employers desire more and more profits. So they keep paying their employees the same wage or salary, year after year. In effect, wages are being kept back, or

stolen, from workers. St. James warned rich people about this when he wrote:

Indeed the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out; and the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth. You have lived on the earth in pleasure and luxury; you have fattened your hearts as in a day of slaughter. You have condemned, you have murdered the just; he does not resist you.

St. James 5:4-6, NKJV

St. James is not saying that rich people have literally murdered their employees. Instead, he is telling them that by keeping back the wages of their laborers, they are in effect condemning and killing them. Why? The employers want a richer, more luxurious lifestyle. They covet the wages of their employees and so keep paying them meagre wages. The effect of meagre wages on low-income workers is to condemn them to poverty. It is akin to a death sentence. In this case, coveting money is not simply wanting more money, as if the money did not rightfully belong to anyone. It rightfully belongs to the workers

who mow their employers' fields.

Similarly, landlords, though they have the right to charge tenants rent in exchange for permission to live in their properties, should not charge so much rent that tenants can hardly afford to live. Landlords have property taxes and expenses necessary for property maintenance, and these costs increase, but if tenants cannot afford the rent, what will happen? More and more people could easily become homeless on account of the covetousness of landlords.

In today's society, it is good to remember the Tenth Commandment in its abbreviated form – "Thou shalt not covet" (page 69, *The Book of Common Prayer*, 1928). This will help us guard against all kinds of desires for things God does not want us to have. St. Paul even warns us that "the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil: which some reaching after have been led astray from the faith and have pierced themselves through with many sorrows" (*1 St. Timothy 6:10, ASV*). The love of money, or desire for wealth, is a form of covetousness which has overrun society today, and many crimes have been committed because of it. Instead of yielding to covetousness of any

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form, we must follow a
godly life, being content
with the many blessings
that God has so richly
given us, and this will
lead us to a great spiritual
reward (*I St. Timothy*

6:6). We may often be
tempted by the entice-
ments of those with more
or richer possessions than
we have, but we must
order our priorities with
such resolve that we are
not led astray from the

preciousness of our faith
in the Lord Jesus Christ.

– *The Reverend
Christopher Parrish*

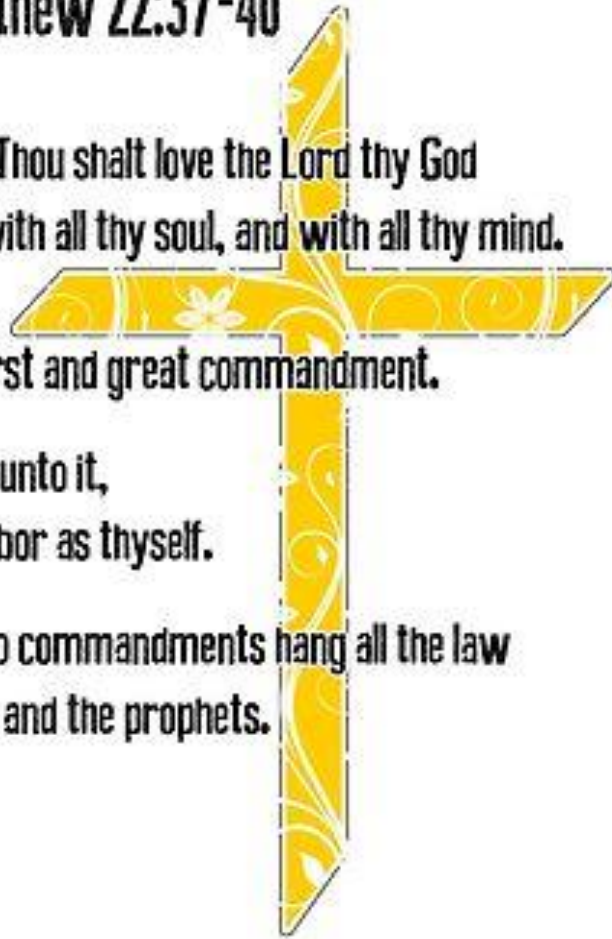
Matthew 22:37-40

**37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God
with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.**

38 This is the first and great commandment.

**39 And the second is like unto it,
Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.**

**40 On these two commandments hang all the law
and the prophets.**



Our Chapel Family Prayer List

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech Thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that Thou wouldest be pleased to make Thy ways known unto them, Thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for Thy holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by Thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to Thy fatherly goodness: Archbishop Foley Beach; Bishop Richard Lipka; Canon Michael Penfield; Father Chris Parrish; Deacon Peter Vogel; and Deacon Linda Bracken; also all those who serve as Thy ministers in governing our nation and state, particularly: President Joe Biden; and

Governor Gavin Newsom; as well as all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; especially those for whom our prayers are desired: the soldiers, sailors, marines, airmen, coasties, guardians, police officers, firefighters, and pilots who protect us every day; our persecuted Christian brothers and sisters throughout the world; all refugees; the leaders and people of Ukraine; all who have lost family, friends, or property in Hawaiian wildfires; Jim and Edna Davis; Joya de Rossett; Debbie; Scott; Brittany; Tanya Theiler; Mark Quinn; Lisa; Ben; Marion; Flo; Max; Dan and Kendra Pack;

the Stanko family; Yoshihiko Ikegami; Mary Frances Reeves; Mrs. Kitt; Jon Carter; Frank Capone; Rose Handwerker; Ann and Frank MacVoy; Bishop Ilgenfritz; Moe Martinez; Victoria Grace; Christina; John and Heidi Donnelly; Father Harley and Donna Crain; Carl; Judith Boreham; Marie and Wade; Heather; Susan; Bishop Lipka; Helen Vanderberg; and Farshad; that it may please Thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

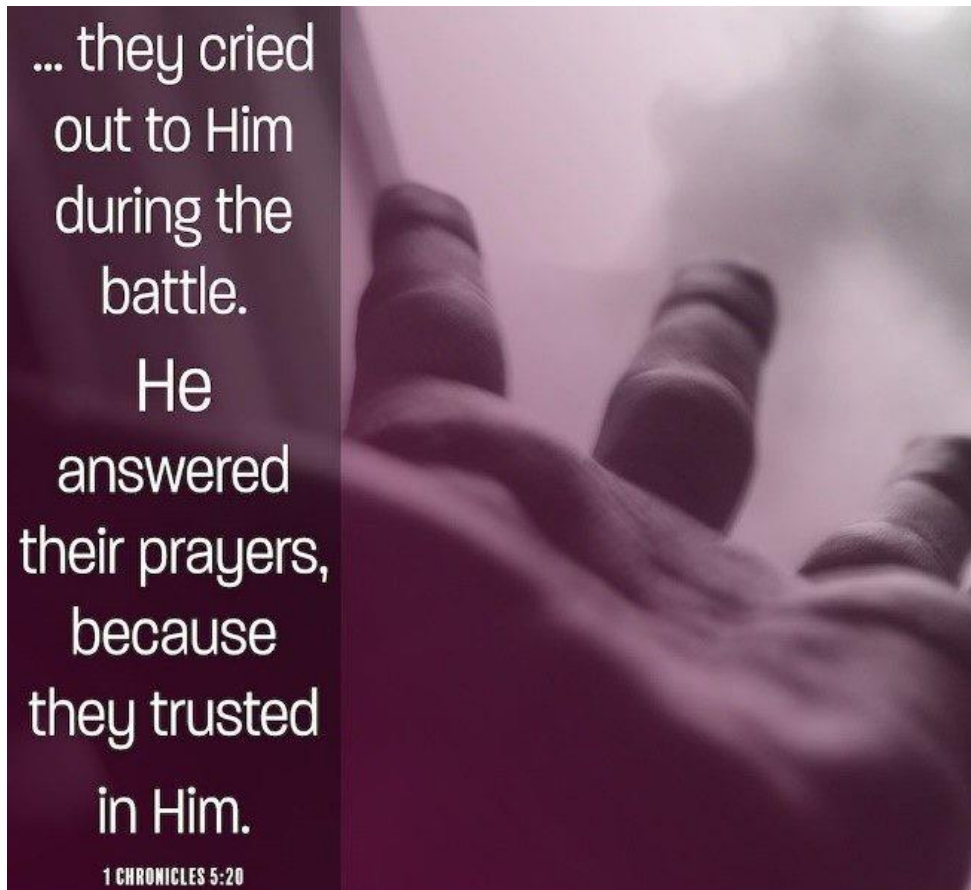
***This prayer list was current as of September 22nd,
and the people of St. Luke's will pray for each need
until we are notified that it has been met.
Please contact Father Parrish to add or remove names.
Thank you!***

A Prayer for Our Congregation

O GOD, Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful, visit, we pray Thee, the Congregation of St. Luke's Chapel in the Hills with Thy love and favour; enlighten our minds more and more with the light of the everlasting Gospel; graft in our hearts a love of the truth; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and of Thy great mercy keep us in the same, O blessed Spirit, whom, with the Father and the Son together, we worship and glorify as one God, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer for the MDAS Search Committee

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously upon Thy Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Bishop Coadjutor for the Missionary Diocese of All Saints that we may receive a faithful pastor who will preach the Gospel, care for Thy people, equip us for ministry, and lead us forth in fulfillment of the Great Commission; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Communication in a Disaster: How Can I Tell My Family I'm OK?

Previously we have covered the most common and easily available methods of communication. There are others, but they come at a price. Many of the devices in this category are equivalent to common cell phones or Internet connections but are intended for remote, off-grid, or emergency communications. As such, they usually cost more and have fewer features or perks compared to

This will transmit your location to services like GEOS or Global Rescue. In addition, these can send and receive text messages similar to SMS on a cell phone. The character limit may be as low as 160 per message, but it will allow you to text back and forth to family and friends. Slightly cheaper than texting, you can send canned messages like "We are all OK" that you have pre-programmed. Usually, your GPS location is included with that message.

with activation fees of \$25 to \$30 and monthly fees of \$25 to \$35 a month.

There are downsides to satellite messengers. For most of us, owning one is like having an additional cell phone that we hope never to use. In addition, you must maintain the device and practice with it enough so that in the stress of an emergency it will work for you. It also has to be with you or be accessible when an emergency

*This is Part Four
of Tim Slattery's
series on communications
following a disaster.*

their citified cousins.

Satellite Messengers

There are three basic types of satellite messengers: SOS, one-way, and two-way. The first two will not be discussed here since the goal is to communicate with our family and only the two-way messengers will fulfill that purpose.

Two-way messengers can send an SOS usually with a single button push.

Since these use the satellite network (Iridium, Globalstar, or Intelsat) they are capable of connecting almost anywhere you have a clear view of the sky. They don't work indoors, inside cars, or under trees. Some have built-in keyboards, while others pair with a cell phone to create and read messages.

The most popular of these devices are the Garmin inReach series, the SPOT X, and Bivy Stick. Devices are \$200 to \$450

strikes. Not having voice capability is also a downside for some people, and to gain that you need to move up to the big brother of the satellite messenger: the satellite phone.

Satellite Phone

Satellite phones are capable of all the features of satellite messenger; including SOS and text messaging but add voice calling. They are the top-tier communication for remote, off-grid emergen-

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cy situations. The primary satellite networks are Iridium, Globalstar and Inmarsat. They provide communications over most of the globe. If you are going outside North America, you would want to confirm coverage for your new location. Also, keep in mind that satellite phones are illegal in some countries (India, for example), while permits are required in others.

minutes cost \$1.29 each. Note that calls to some countries can incur significant surcharges.

Again, with a satellite phone, you are paying for a parallel capability to your normal cell phone, at about the same monthly cost, with far less usable minutes. Like a satellite messenger, you have to use a satellite telephone enough so that it is maintained and that you are familiar enough with

thing that people would choose over cable or fiber for everyday use. First, the cost of the service is higher. HughesNet is \$65 to \$150 per month, Viasat is \$70 to \$300 per month, and Starlink is \$110 to \$500 per month (plus an installation cost of \$600+) depending on the data limits and speeds. Speeds tend to be lower, 25 megabytes per second for the lower cost options, though Starlink claims



A satellite phone is pretty much a primitive cell phone, sometimes with a big antenna. Costs have been dropping significantly over the past few years. The phone itself costs between \$500 and \$1500. An example of a monthly plan from Iridium runs \$53 per month, for 10 minutes of calls. While incoming text messages and phone calls are free, additional

it to know how to use it.

Satellite Internet

Using a satellite uplink, you can get to the Internet just as your cable or fiber does. In an emergency you could send text messages and videos and do any of your other online activities as long as you have power for the computer and peripherals.

Satellite Internet, however, is not some-

speeds up to 500 megabytes per second. HughesNet and Viasat have data limits between 15 and 150 gigabytes per month (again, dependent on the plan chosen). High latency makes this option less desirable for some applications.

Overall considerations

All three of these satellite-based systems

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All this equipment would require charging and/or power to operate, so in addition you would need to have and maintain whatever method you would use to power your equipment when grid power is off. This adds to the cost, which is already high when considering these duplicate the function of services for which we are already paying. Under normal circum-

stances, regular cellular telephones will do more at lower cost and with greater convenience.

Next time we'll conclude with a discussion of a technology that is over 100 years old, is still viable, and a standard for emergency communication.

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If you wish to learn more about disaster preparedness, consider joining your local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). CERT educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may occur where they live. CERT trains volunteers in

basic disaster response skills, such as:

- Fire safety
- Light search and rescue
- Team organization
- Disaster medical operations

The CERT program offers a consistent, nationwide approach to volunteer training and organization that professional responders can rely on during disaster situations, allowing them to focus on more complex tasks. Visit

<https://community.fema.gov/PreparednessCommunity/s/welcome-to-cert>
for more information.

– Tim Slattery



Parish Postings

The Prayer Group will meet on Sunday, October 8th, at noon in the Chapel. Members of the Prayer Group intercede daily as individuals for those on the chapel Family Prayer List and meet on the second Sunday of the month to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit and to pray at His direction. All are invited to join in!



The Vestry will meet on Sunday, October 15th, following worship and fellowship. Any interested parishioner is invited to observe.



Kindly e-mail your All Saints' Day remembrances to Father Parrish by Sunday, October 29th. Thank you!



Our Community Mission Project this quarter is collecting money for relief efforts in Hawaii following the devastating fires on Maui and the Big Island. The organization which we are supporting is Hawaii Community Foundation; you may learn more about its work by visiting:

www.HawaiiCommunityFoundation.org/

If you make a donation to this project, please write *Hawaii* on your offertory envelope or check memo line. Thank you!



HAWAII COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

*If you have a reminder,
announcement,
or news item for this column,
please let Father Parrish know!*

Upcoming Events

Sunday, October 1st

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion with Holy Unction

10:00 AM

Friday, October 6th

Telephone Prayer Meeting

10:00 AM

Sunday, October 8th

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Office of Morning Prayer

10:00 AM

Prayer Group Meeting

12:00 PM

Friday, October 13th

Telephone Prayer Meeting

10:00 AM

Sunday, October 15th

The Patronal Festival of St. Luke the Evangelist

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion

10:00 AM

Vestry Meeting

following the worship service and fellowship

Friday, October 20th

Telephone Prayer Meeting

10:00 AM

Sunday, October 22nd

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Office of Morning Prayer

10:00 AM

Friday, October 27th

Telephone Prayer Meeting

10:00 AM

Sunday, October 29th

The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion

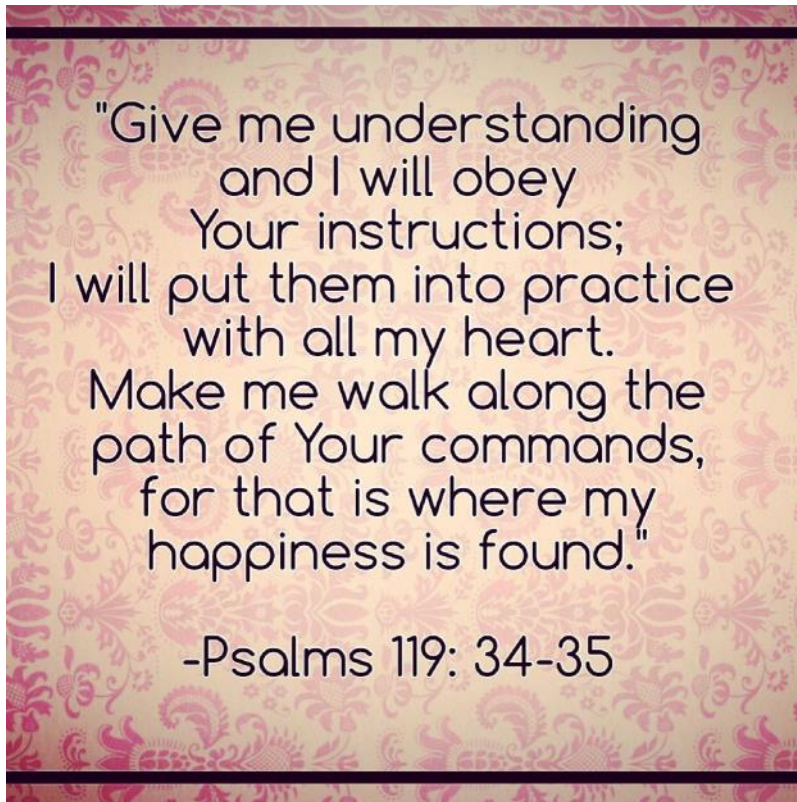
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Upcoming Events

Wednesday, November 1st
All Saints' Day

Friday, November 3rd
Telephone Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM

Sunday, November 5th
All Saints' Day [Celebrated]
The Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity
Holy Communion with Holy Unction
10:00 AM





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Worship Schedule

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Luke's Chapel in the Hills is a traditional Anglican parish which uses the 1928 edition *Book of Common Prayer*. We invite you to join us for worship and fellowship soon!

*“A place
where the Bible is taught.”*



*Biblical in teaching.
Liturgical in worship.
Loving in practice.*

First, third, and fifth Sundays of each month

Holy Communion
(with Healing Service on First Sundays)
10:00 AM

Second and fourth Sundays each month

Office of Daily Morning Prayer
10:00 AM

Please note that Holy Communion will be celebrated on Feast Days occurring on second and fourth Sundays.

If you cannot join us physically in the Chapel,
please contact Father Parrish
to be added to each service's Zoom invitation.