

CROSSWAYS

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Saturday, August 29, 2020

The Feast of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist

Dear Friends in Christ,

Truth be told, there are other saints whose feast day is the date of their death by beheading—Saints Thomas More, Alban



and Denis come to mind. But those feast days are merely their feast days without the "beheading" annotation. So, what makes John the Baptist so important that his birth (June 24) and his beheading (August 29) are both commemorated? One might think it was because of his familial relationship, cousinship, to Jesus. True, his mother, Mary does also have more than one feast day (Annunciation March 25 and name day August 15). But his brother James of Jerusalem does not: just October 23. Other siblings and cousins? Not a single feast day among them! But John the Baptist is more than a cousin. When he is still in Elizabeth's womb he leaps with joy when Mary, just pregnant with Jesus, is greeted by Elizabeth. Then in all the Gospels John is the voice crying in the wilderness, "Prepare the way of the Lord." (Matthew 3:3; Mark 1:3; Luke 1:3; John 1:3) In John's Gospel, it is John the Baptist points out Jesus as "The Lamb of God" to his disciples and encourages them to follow Jesus! (John 1:29ff) Between his prenatal recognition of Jesus and his role as the forerunner of Jesus, John the Baptist rates two feast days!

Thankfully in 2020 professions of Jesus as the Christ in North America no longer lead to beheadings. In our Baptismal Covenant which we renew several times a year, we all promise, with God's help, to proclaim the Good News of God in Christ by word and example. (*BCP*, 1979 pg. 305) So let's get on with it! Obviously, the Good News of God in Christ is proclaimed every week in All Saints' Zoom, Facebook Live and small in-person gatherings for worship, study, and fellowship. But these are not the only ways to proclaim. Mostly we shy Episcopalians do it by our deeds and actions. We feed our community and proclaim the Gospel by All Saints' CHOW Pantry and Soup & Sandwiches Saturdays. Ida Taft (CHOW) and Debbie Thorpe can always use more hands, feet, and hearts to serve our neighbors. Please call Ida Taft (607-743-7708) if you could help out in the Pantry Monday-Thursday mornings. Please call Debbie Thorpe (607-341-2978) if you could help out on Saturdays for Soup & Sandwiches.

But mostly we proclaim the Good News by our actions at home, work, school, neighborhood, and community. As we and the COVID-19 pandemic enter Fall with new and now old precautions, restrictions, concerns and fears, let us connect with each other in small in-person gatherings, by Zoom and Facebook Live, with 6 feet of physical distance, hand washed, masks covering noses and mouths by also by writing, telephone, e-mail and FaceTime or Skype.

Faithfully yours,

The Very Rev. Christine J. Day, Rector

WORSHIP AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Here are the in-person and virtual offerings at All Saints'

Compline Thursdays at 8:00PM

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89685218858?pwd=QzBraExXc01UeVRxajFwRE5xNGdMQT09

Meeting ID: 896 8521 8858

Password: 079826

Saturdays at 5:00 PM—But not August 29th and September 5th when the Rector will be on vacation. Please see below for other area church offerings.

Brief Service of Holy Communion in-person for 12 people contacting Mother Chris at the Rectory (607-797-9203) in advance as well as Zoom and Facebook Live:

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87415507526?pwd=SE90TEYxMkFJbHI3VzNkYUZBUXk4dz09

Meeting ID: 874 1550 7526

Password: 799083

For Facebook Live:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/allsaintsjcny

"Dwelling in the Word" Sundays at 9:00AM

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/410030305 Meeting ID: 410 030 305

Sundays at 10:30 AM --But not August 30th and September 6th when the Rector will be on vacation. Please see below for other area church offerings.

Brief Service of Holy Communion in-person for 12 people contacting Mother Chris at the Rectory (607-797-9203) in advance as well as ZOOM and Facebook Live:

Join Zoom Meeting:

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89589324216?pwd=WkFqbXd5SUVUTWc5L1AzMHlvdldOQT09}$

Meeting ID: 895 8932 4216

Password: 719877

For Facebook Live:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/allsaintsjcny

Evening Prayer on Sunday at 5:00PM by Zoom and Facebook Live only-- But not August 29th and September 5th when the Rector will be on vacation. <u>Please see below for other area church offerings.</u>

Join Zoom Meeting:

https://zoom.us/j/558434363 Meeting ID: 558 434 363

For Facebook Live:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/allsaintsjcny

OTHER WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Sunday at 11:15 am Washington National Cathedral service: https://cathedral.org

ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICES FROM THE BINGHAMTON DISTRICT:

10:00 AM Sunday worship with Christ Episcopal Church in Binghamton, pre-recorded each week on <u>YouTube</u> and by Zoom: connection information at <u>facebook.com/ChristChurch1810</u>

10:00 AM Sunday worship with Trinity Memorial Episcopal Church in Binghamton on <u>YouTube</u>

St. Mark's, Chenango Bridge posts videos on their website: www.stmarks-cb.org

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist with St. Paul's, Endicott by Zoom and Facebook. For Zoom information call St. Paul's office 607-748-8118

Here is a reminder on how to use Zoom or Facebook Live. **You do not need a Zoom userid if you follow the link sent each week or use the links above.** You can Zoom by means of a smart phone or a computer that has a camera and microphone. If you are connecting by computer, put your curser over the https:etc under the "Join Zoom Meeting"; if that doesn't work go to the <u>Zoom.us</u> website and join the meeting by using the "Meeting ID" and the "password" if necessary. Remember to click "use computer audio" and to use the "camera icon" at the bottom to start the video. You can use the "microphone" icon to mute and unmute yourself. **The quality of the video options has been significantly improved as the church is now on fiber optics internet since June** If you call in, dial 1-646-558-8656 then follow the prompts for the meeting ID, password, etc. If you have issues, call Gary Zurn (727-8445)

Even if you do not have a Facebook account, you are able to view the services of Holy Communion and Evening Prayer by following this link: https://www.facebook.com/pg/allsaintsjcny/videos. When all else fails digitally, there is still the telephone. If you let Deacon Dorothy (607-624-15230 or the Rector (607-237-9276) know ahead of time, we can connect about 6 people by phone for a service. If you have issues, call Gary Zurn (727-8445)

DISINFECTING WIPES NEEDED

All Saints' stockpile of disinfecting wipes has dwindled and very often the stores shelves have been emptied as well. In the meantime, All Saints' has found a spray-on hospital grade disinfecting solution and washable clothes to use to clean. But some disinfecting wipes are needed for in-between cleaning times in the bathrooms, etc. The Rector has occasionally found some wipes available on her shopping trips and has brought them in. Therefore, if you are shopping and you find a container of disinfecting wipes available please pick one up for the church and bring it next time you come. You will be helping All Saints' stay safe for everyone!

Communication

Communication is always a thorn in the side. Every organization has problems, and yes even Churches. I know I am guilty. I tell people the problems we are having and whoever is in the office. I get back to work, then go home and life happens, and I have forgotten to tell the right person, the person that needs to know. Hopefully, I will get better.

Linda Barkman



Vestry Synopsis for August

The following is a synopsis from the meeting held through ZOOM.

- > Zoom meeting started at 6 6:30pm socializing
- ➤ Rick Hrebin provided the opening prayer
- Vestry conducted Dwelling in the Word.
- ➤ Treasurer's Report: received utility grant, and a grant from Music for mission, and PPP loan for 3 months salaries. Line items were discussed. Barb is still having trouble with the Tioga Downs grant. Line items need to be added. With changes made, we would have a \$2631 surplus for the month instead of \$5368.71 loss.
- ➤ All Saints' Gathering Anew Step 2
- ➤ Delegates were selected for Digital Diocesan Convention 11/13 11/14 by Zoom.
- ➤ Scouts are still not meeting while school is closed We have a new Eagle Scout Matthew Pope.
- Lemonade on Zoom was held 7/26/20 with two people attending.
- ➤ PB&B groups have not been meeting. The lunch bunch will meet 8/21/20 at 3:30pm by Zoom.
- Fundraising: Held Chicken BBQ 7/18 \$1349.00 profit. Having another one 9/19/20 Cabaret tentatively Nov. by Zoom; Pasta Dinner ???
- ➤ Building and Grounds maybe calling Weathermaster about gutters and the slates to help with water in basement.
- Elevator is still out of commission since 7/4. It is an on-going saga.
- ➤ Outreach: Debbie reported about utilities grant and music for the mission grants and redirecting donations from parishioners.
- > CHOW: Ida gave report that numbers are still low.
- Lives of Commitment rescheduled for 2021 and Sacred Sites will be digitally August 9th.
- Closing Prayer provided by Tom Johnson
- Next meeting is September 9, 2020 at 6:00/6:30PM by Zoom

VESTRY TO MEET BY ZOOM ON WEDNESDAY, September 9th AT 6:00 PM

The September meeting of the Vestry will be held on Wednesday, September 9th at 6:00 pm via Zoom. God willing Agenda, Minutes, and Financial will be sent to you by e-mail. The **actual start time is 6:30 PM** but those who wish to connect earlier, and chat are welcome to do so from 6:00 - 6:30 PM.

To connect to the meeting go to the Zoom site (https://zoom.us); then "join a meeting" using the following Meeting ID: 810 0922 6188 and Password: 322527. Or you can use this link: Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81009226188?pwd=QTZMRHNNNzJFMjl3VTNqQ3E1MWxaZz09

Remember to click "use computer audio" and to use the "camera icon" at the bottom to start the video. You can use the "microphone" icon to mute and unmute yourself. If you call in, dial 1-646-558-8656 then follow the prompts for the meeting ID, password, etc.





Editor's note: It is important in times like this that we remember the expenses for the church continue even though there are no services within the building. Please mail your pledges to the office. Thank you.

Don Thorpe Stewardship Chair

Dear Fellow All Saints' Parishioners,

For the past few months, I have been emphasizing Time and Talent as an important part of Stewardship. We, as a Parish, are good at giving of both in the service of God to our community. This month I would like to ask you to consider your monetary commitment to All Saints'. I would like to begin the Annual Campaign for financial support to the church on or around October 1. We are all aware of the difficult time that the past few months have been for all of us. I want to thank all of you for your continued support in terms of TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE. Please prayerfully consider what you can give to All Saints' for 2021. Thank you and God Bless each of you and your families.

Don Thorpe

Firstness

There is something I learned early-on in the stewardship training I had. It was the idea of "firstness." Yes, "firstness." I'm not sure that is really a word, but it works. The idea of "firstness" is making your gift to the church first. If you write checks monthly for your bills, make the one to the church the first one you write, when you budget, make your gift the first thing you set aside. So often our gifts to God and the church are an afterthought, given only if something is left over. The practice of "firstness" guards against this. It reminds us that this is how God gives to us, first,

out of abundance, fully. If we truly believe that everything, we have God gave to us, then the 10 percent we give back—first—is our practice of acknowledging that reality. That gift back is the first thing, not the last thing, not the "if I have something left." No matter how much you give, maybe even more important than the amount, is when you give it, and the priority in which you give. Start with this practice: whatever you can give, give it first.

Written by The Rt. Rev. Gregory H Rickel, Bishop of the Diocese of Olympia



GREETINGS FROM THE SOUP AND SANDWICH SATURDAY

It is amazing to me how generous people are. At Soup and Sandwich, we use all three gifts- time, talent, and treasure. Thanks to the financial support of those in the congregation we are able to continue to serve about 80 people a week. Using all recyclables has increased costs as has the fact that Broome Bounty now receives fewer products from stores as they adjust to COVID-19. Although recruiting volunteers remains a challenge, we do have some very loyal people from the parish and community who give of their time to help. Not having an elevator for the last 7 weeks has not made the job any easier. What we serve is consistent. Our soups always receive high praise-we have always had talented cooks in our parish.

On a positive note, Soup and Sandwich has received two recent grants. The first is a HIPNAP grant through the Food Bank of the Southern Tier. It is strictly for utility costs. The second grant will be awarded at the end of the year for costs incurred during the year that supports the program. And we still benefit from the Tioga Community Foundation grant that pays for our maintenance worker.

God is good and, as always, helps All Saints in its mission to feed his people.

Debbie Thorpe

For Children

The title of the Book "I Am God's Storyteller" by Lisa Hendey, Eric Carlson (illus)

This book invites children to use their gifts to shine God's light and share the Gospel. Offering children examples of noted storytellers in Bible history Sarah, Moses, Deborah, Ester, David, Isaiah, Mary, John the Baptist, etc.

This colorful and engaging picture book also looks at how Jesus used storytelling to teach and share his message of faith, hope, and love. It concludes by asking children to be "God's storytellers," and helps them to understand that our world needs them now more than ever to shine God's light. It also includes information for adults, with suggestions and guidelines for building a love for storytelling in the hearts of children. With encouragement and empowerment, young storytellers are sent on a mission to engage the world around them with joy and creativity.

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Saturday September 19th Serving 11 AM until sold out



Full Dinner: \$10.00

[½ chicken, baked beans, coleslaw and roll]

Half Chicken: \$6.00

A BIG thank you to everyone who donated to the July Take-Out Only BBQ! We sold-out shortly after noon! Another BIG thank you to the helpers who came to fill dinner boxes with beans, coleslaw, and a roll in the library; those who sold the tickets; and especially to the runners who ran! And another BIG thank you to our small, but mighty pit crew that makes sure the chicken is done and tasty. Our net profit was \$1,349!

We will be holding our second BBQ this year on Saturday, September 19th—again as Take-Out

(Drive-Thru) Only. Therefore, we need the usual suspects: kitchen crew, pit crew, ticket-sellers. Plus, we need some runners to box-up or bag the food.

We will use a similar scheme for the Drive-Thru as Soup & Sandwiches drive plan. The lower parking lot will be blocked off. Tickets will be sold at the entrance to the upper parking lot. The cars will drive down to the back ramp where the packers will fill the orders. Then the cars will exit onto Third Street.

Any questions on how you can help, please call contact Linda Barkman (607-797-3354) who is acting as point-person for the Vestry who are chairing the September Chicken BBQ. Can't work the BBQ? Consider donating to subsidize the purchase of the chicken halves and side dishes! The BBQs are always a good time for fellowship and the more help we have the easier it is for everyone.

THE APOSTLES

PHILLIP

Tradition says that disciple Philip preached in Phrygia and died a martyr at Hierapolis. Philip came from Bethsaida, the town from which Peter and Andrew came (John 1:44). The likelihood is that he, too, was a fisherman. Although the first three Gospels record his name (Matthew 10:3; Mark 3:18; Luke 6:14; Acts 1:13), it is in the Gospel of John that Philip becomes a living personality.

Scholars disagree on Philip. In Acts 6:5, we have Philip as one of the seven ordained deacons. Some say this is a different Philip. Some believe this is the Apostle. If this is the same Philip, then his personality came more to life because he had a successful campaign in Samaria. He led the Ethiopian eunuch to Christ (Acts 8:26). He also stayed with Paul in Caesarea (Acts 21:8) and was one of the major figures in the missionary enterprise of the early church.

The Gospel of John shows Philip as one of the first to whom Jesus addressed the words, "Follow Me." When Philip met Christ, he immediately found Nathanael and told him that "we have found him, of whom Moses ... and the prophets, did write." Nathanael was skeptical. But Philip did not argue with him; he simply answered, "Come and see." This story tells us two important things about Philip. First, it shows his right approach to the skeptic and his simple faith in Christ. Second, it shows that he had a missionary instinct.

Philip was a man with a warm heart and a pessimistic head. He was one who would very much like to do something for others, but who did not see how it could be done. Yet, this simple Galilean gave all he had. In return God used him. It is said that he died by hanging. While he was dying, he requested that his body be wrapped not in linen but in papyrus for he was not worthy that even his dead body should be treated as the body of Jesus had been treated. The symbol of Philip is a basket, because of his part in the feeding of the five thousand. It is he that stressed the cross as a sign of Christianity and victory.

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From your Editor: I will be doing one apostle each month. Let me know if there is a specific apostle whom you would like next.





DWELLING IN THE WORD CONTINUES SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM VIA ZOOM

"Dwelling in the Word," Bible Study, will continue Sundays at 9:00AM via "Zoom." During the Trinity season we are studying Matthew 13. To connect go to the Zoom site (https://zoom.us); then "join a meeting" using the following Meeting ID: 410 030 305. If you call in, dial 1-646-558-8656 then follow the prompts for the meeting ID, etc.



BOOK CLUB TO MEET
ON WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 30, 2020
AT 5:30 PM BY ZOOM:
READING JUST MERCY OR...

Since this is being written before the August Book Club meeting, saying what the Book Club will be reading in September is a challenge. As the Book Club's pace is set by members and that we will have entered Fall, the Book Club may be finishing Bryan Stevenson's *Just Mercy* and moving onto a yet to be named book in September. At any rate, the Book Club will meet next on Wednesday, September 30, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. by Zoom. Here are either the book (*Just Mercy*) we will be finishing or the books (*The Best of Enemies* and *Caste: The Origins of our Discontents*) we will be starting!

Here are the publishers' blurbs:

Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption by Bryan Stevenson(e-format \$12.99, paperback \$17.99 -7.88) "A powerful true story about the potential for mercy to redeem us, and a clarion call to fix our broken system of justice—from one of the most brilliant and influential lawyers of our time. Bryan Stevenson was a young lawyer when he founded the Equal Justice Initiative, a legal practice dedicated to defending those most desperate and in need: the poor, the wrongly condemned, and women and children trapped in the farthest reaches of our criminal justice system. One of his first cases was that of Walter McMillian, a young man who was sentenced to die for a notorious murder he insisted he didn't commit. The case drew Bryan into a tangle of conspiracy, political machination, and legal brinksmanship—and transformed his understanding of mercy and justice forever.

"Just Mercy is at once an unforgettable account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming of age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of true justice.

"Winner of the Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction • Winner of the NAACP Image Award for Nonfiction • Winner of a Books for a Better Life Award • Finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize • Finalist for the Kirkus Reviews Prize • An American Library Association Notable Book"

The Best of Enemies by Osha Gray Davidson (e-format \$9.99 and paperback \$12.99) "C. P. Ellis grew up in the poor white section of Durham, North Carolina, and as a young man joined the Ku Klux Klan. Ann Atwater, a single mother from the poor black part of town, quit her job as a household domestic to join the civil rights fight. During the 1960s, as the country struggled with the explosive issue of race, Ellis and Atwater met on opposite sides of the public-school integration issue. Their encounters were charged with hatred and suspicion. In an amazing set of transformations, however, each of them came to see how the other had been exploited by the South's rigid power structure, and they forged a friendship that flourished against a backdrop of unrelenting bigotry.

"Now a major motion picture, *The Best of Enemies* offers a vivid portrait of a relationship that defied all odds."

Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents by Isabel Wilkerson (e-format \$12.99 and hard cover \$19.27) "In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings.

"Beyond race, class, or other factors, there is a powerful caste system that influences people's lives and behavior and the nation's fate. Linking the caste systems of America, India, and Nazi Germany, Wilkerson explores eight pillars that underlie caste systems across civilizations, including divine will, bloodlines, stigma, and more. Using riveting stories about people—including Martin Luther King, Jr., baseball's Satchel Paige, a single father and his toddler son, Wilkerson herself, and many others—she shows the ways that the insidious undertow of caste is experienced every day. She documents how the Nazis studied the racial systems in America to plan their out-cast of the Jews; she discusses why the cruel logic of caste requires that there be a bottom rung for those in the middle to measure themselves against; she writes about the surprising health costs of caste, in depression and life expectancy, and the effects of this hierarchy on our culture and politics. Finally, she points forward to ways America can move beyond the artificial and destructive separations of human divisions, toward hope in our common humanity.

"Beautifully written, original, and revealing, *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents* is an eye-opening story of people and history, and a reexamination of what lies under the surface of ordinary lives and of American life today."

Want to read and discuss? Pick-up a copy and then tune into the Zoom Book Club meeting on Thursday, September at 5:30 pm. To connect to Book Club go to the Zoom site (https://zoom.us); then "join a meeting" using the following Meeting ID: 810 8769 3464 and Password: 843148 or use this url to Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81087693464?pwd=Y0RKbEw5cFVrUmVlaHcrU1VPQ0VVUT09 You can also just participate by any phone by dialing +1 646 558 8656 and then keying the Meeting ID: 810 8769 3464 and Password: 843148.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS ST. FRANCIS' DAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020 AT APPROXIMATELY 11:30AM ON ALL SAINTS' FRONT LAWN

Come celebrate St. Francis Day with us and bring your pets for the Blessing of Animals in front of the Memorial Garden <u>after</u> the 10:30 am small celebration of Holy Communion on Sunday, October 4th at approximately 11:30 am-12:30 pm. We'll also try to have a portion of it on Facebook Live, St. Francis of Assisi (October 4th) is the patron saint of all animals. At the Blessing of the Animals please remember to wear a mask covering both nose and mouth and practice 6 feet of physical distancing. Please have all dogs on leads and exercised before the blessing. Cats and other small creatures tend to be happier in carriers or crates, or you can just bring a photograph of your pet. Or perhaps your house is pet-less (Don't tell +Alphege or +Thomas Cranmer!) consider bringing a stuffed animal. As the song says, "All God's creatures have a place in the choir!"



CABARET NEWS

"The show must go on" ... but will it?

Our annual Cabaret is normally held in November, but the obvious issues connected with COVID-19 make the reality of a live Cabaret with performers (mainly singing), audience and food impossible this year. We are thinking about safe alternatives - perhaps a virtual Cabaret (with which I will need tons of "techy" help,) or perhaps just our Cabaret silent auction which could happen in church during services or on-line. We are open to suggestions and would love to hear from our members on this. Do keep in mind this is a major fundraiser, normally netting more than \$2,500 for All Saints Church. Please contact Nancy Kiley (butaurus@yahoo.com) or Johanna Hickey (jhickey76@yahoo.com) with your ideas/suggestions.

"The show must go on . . . and with your ingenuity and inspiration, it can!"



EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF CENTRAL NY NEWS

The following is the link to the <u>Diocesan News</u>. Look here to see a copy of the Diocese's *Plan for Gathering Anew for Central New York Episcopalians* and other COVID-19 Pandemic information and resources.

You can subscribe to the *Messenger* at cnyepiscopal.org/messenger for more information.

On the Diocesan Calendar for September (all by Zoom):

- Tuesday, September 1st: 7-8 pm "Back-to-School Prayer Service"
- Thursday, September 3rd: 12 noon-1 pm "Roundtable: Music During A Pandemic"
- Thursday, September 10th: 12 noon-1 pm "Roundtable: Speaking, Preaching and Teaching Anti-Racism"
- Wednesday, September 16th: 6:30-8 pm "Being Safe And Prepared"
- Thursday, September 17th: 6:30 -8 pm "Come, Show Up, Be Seen, Live Brave: Leaning into the Work of Brene Brown"
- Saturday, September 26th: "Leaning Communities Workshop #3: Reflection:

All these are free and you can register on the Diocesan website: https://cnyepiscopal.org/events/category/featured-events/list/

RESOURCES FOR LAUNCHING A NEW PROGRAM YEAR AMIDST A NEW NORMAL, VIA VIRGINIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Planning Calendar for 2020-2021 and New Curriculum Charts + A New Normal by Sharon Ely Pearson are helpful for planning in this continued season of uncertainty.

<u>Two Alternatives to Fall Planning</u> reminds us that our community may not be ready for our Plan A, B, or whatever yet.

<u>Faithful Planning: Tips for Churches in Liminal Times</u> is a Building Faith webinar from last month with Christine V. Hides and Ron Culmer.

<u>Vibrant Faith @Home</u> is a source for hundreds of activities organized by target audience for families of all sorts to engage in faith at home.

Blessing of the Devices offers a way to bless the tools of our vocation in this particular season.

View the full Virginia Theological Seminary Christian Formation & Discipleship Newsletter or check out resources at the website: https://www.vts.edu/lifelong-learning/christian-formation-and-discipleship



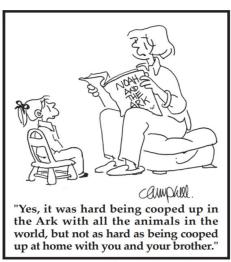
JULY 2020

Truly, with "God all things are possible" (Matthew. 19:26). The following budget section has been updated after approval of a reduction in All Saint's Diocesan Assessment from the Diocese.

	Actual July 31, 2020	Annual Amended Budget 2020
Offering & Pledges	\$57,144	\$105,798
Fundraising	\$3,411	\$12,750
Other Income	\$25,488	\$25,994
Total Income	\$86,043	\$144,542
Total Expenses	\$83,412	\$144,542
Profit(Loss)	\$2,631	\$0
Income Needed from	\$0	\$0
Equity Surplus		



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from JoyfulNoiseletter.com ©Martha Campbell Reprinted with permission From Rev. Paul Lintern, Lutheran pastor in Mansfield, OH:

- "Homeschool, Day 1: Wondering how I can get this kid transferred out of my class."
- "Many parents are about to discover the teacher was not the problem."
- "I wonder if God got so mad about all of our fighting down here that He sent us to our rooms?"



PRAYER LIST BEGINNING SEPTEMBER





Policy reminder: Submitted names are placed on the short-term list for four weeks and then moved to long term by request of the person submitting the name, or by need known by the Rector. Also, we are trying to be sure that our prayer lists are as updated as possible and certainly do not want to remove someone that should be on it. If you know of someone that should be removed please let the office know. Thank you.

Short Term: Marion Kohickel, Sonya Kachan, Barb Freed, Sam McMullen, Patricia Wheller, Patrick Cooney, Richard, Jim Schofield, Hannah Burrell, MaryJo Alger, Teresa Perkins, Darlene Byarley, Genevieve McIntosh, Sandy Johnson, Kilie, Bryce Johnson, Herb Lake, Martin Kasmarcik, Tom Stout, Bill Kasmarcik, Jeanette Cook, David & Judy Horton, Margaret Isaminger, and Sarah Harrison-Pautard



Long Term: Larry Kiley, Doug Carlson, Karen Zimmer, Dorothy Pierce, Noelle Benson, Eli Bedell, Tony Szwalla, Ralph Holloway, Bob Gillmer, Stacy Matto, Kenneth Barkman, Jenna Knapp, and Nanette McIntosh

Military: Ben Holbus and Michael Lake





Shut Ins: Thelma Barkman, Clark Byarley, Jane Chomyszak, Sally Cole, Arlene Foley, Ruth Furman, Lee Grabowski, Patricia Holloway, and Ardis Rogers





CELEBRATIONS IN SEPTEMBER



- 01 Roberta Szwalla
- 03 Kevin Baker
- 04 Lois Kimble
- 06 Nancy Grabowski
- 09 Cindy Cole
- 10 John L. Watkins
- 14 Barbara Barton
- 14 Lauren Lynn Pry
- 15 Bonnie Hrebin
- 16 Judith Horton
- 17 Jane Chomyszak

- 22 Frances Ganter
- 22 Megan Colvin
- 24 David Ganter
- 25 Zachery Johnson



- 05 Ricky & Jessica Hrebin
- 12 David & Frances Ganter
- 20 Scott & Kathy Cramer
- 22 Clark & Darlene Byarley
- 26 Martin and Joyanne Kasmarcik

SEPTEMBER ALTAR FLOWERS AND SANCTUARY CANDLE





Altar Flowers

The Flowers on September 6th are given by Jeanette Cook in memory of her son, George Cook and given by Debbie and Don Thorpe in thanksgiving for the birthday of their son-in-law, Ben Holbus.

The Flowers on September 13th are given in thanksgiving of Yvonne Smith's birthday by Lonna

Pierce and given in memory of Jim McIntosh by Genevieve McIntosh

The Flowers on September 20th are given in thanksgiving of Zack Johnson's birthday by Linda and Dave Barkman

The Flowers on September 27th are given in thanksgiving for the birthday of Aria Jimenez, daughter of Lonna Pierce

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Sanctuary Candle

The Candle on September 6th – Open

The Candle on September 13th is given in memory of Sarah and Richard Rath by Arlene Foley

The Candle on September 20th - Open

The Candle on September 27th is given in memory of Richard G. Rath by Arlene Foley

The following prayer is from the Evening Prayer service in the Book of Common Prayer:

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ, give rest to the weary, bless the dying, sooth the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous: and all for your love's sake. Amen.



Character: Deuteronomy 7:6 – "For you are a holy people, who belong to the Lord your God. Of all the people on earth, the Lord your God has chosen you to be his own special treasure"

God's people are set apart—holy, dedicated, chosen. Above all other people on earth, we have special privileges and responsibilities. Now that we are his, he expects us to act in a way that is distinctive, that causes unbelievers to notice our commitment to what is good, true, and right. Godly character is godlikeness. As we imitate the character traits of God, we certainly will be distinctive in this world. In what ways are you effectively imitating God? In what areas could you improve. NLT-GEZ

The calendar on the following page is based on church activities as usual. Any meeting at church will not be held unless the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted by our Bishop. Many meetings are via ZOOM or Facebook Live see above for information.





SEPTEMBER 2020 (+ - Rector out of Office)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 + 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Dwelling in the Word via ZOOM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM Holy Communion also via Zoom and Facebook Call Rectory (607-797-9203) to reserve spot. Limited Attendance due to COVID-19 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Evening Prayer via ZOOM	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry	1 + 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry	Pantry	3 + 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry 8:00 PM Compline via Zoom	4 + Office Closed Rector Off Day	5 + 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Soup & Sandwich Lunch 5:00 PM - No Service
6 + 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Dwelling in the Word via ZOOM 10:30 AM No Service 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM No Service	7 + Labor Day Office Closed 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry Closed	8 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry	9 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Rector Official Office Hours 6:30 PM Vestry Meeting	10 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry 8:00 PM Compline via Zoom	11 Office Closed Rector Off Day	12 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Soup & Sandwich Lunch 5:00 PM -Holy Communion also via ZOOM and Facebook, Call Rectory (607- 797-9203) to reserve a spot. Limited Attendance due to COVID-19
13 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Dwelling in the Word via ZOOM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM Holy Communion also via Zoom and Facebook Call Rectory (607-797-9203) to reserve spot. Limited Attendance due to COVID-19 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Evening Prayer via ZOOM	14 Office Closed 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry	15 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry	16 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Rector Official Office Hours	17 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry 8:00 PM Compline via Zoom	18 Office Closed Rector Off Day	19 11:00 AM Chicken BBQ - Take Out Only 5:00 PM -Holy Communion also via ZOOM and Facebook, Call Rectory (607- 797-9203) to reserve a spot. Limited Attendance due to COVID-19
20 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Dwelling in the Word via ZOOM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM Holy Communion also via Zoom and Facebook Call Rectory (607-797-9203) to reserve spot. Limited Attendance due to COVID-19 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Evening Prayer via ZOOM	21 Office Closed 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry	22 Crossways Articles Due to Gary Zurn First Day of Autumn 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry	23 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Rector Official Office Hours	24 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry 8:00 PM Compline via Zoom	25 Office Closed Rector Off Day	26 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Soup & Sandwich Lunch 5:00 PM -Holy Communion also via ZOOM and Facebook, Call Rectory (607- 797-9203) to reserve a spot. Limited Attendance due to COVID-19
27 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Dwelling in the Word via ZOOM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM Holy Communion also via Zoom and Facebook Call Rectory (607-797-9203) to reserve spot. Limited Attendance due to COVID-19 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Evening Prayer via ZOOM	28 Office Closed 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry	29 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry	30 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Rector Official Office Hours 5:30 PM Book Club via Zoom	1 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CHOW Pantry 8:00 PM <u>Compline via Zoom</u>	2 Office Closed Rector Off Day	3 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Soup & Sandwich Lunch 5:00 PM -Holy Communion also via ZOOM and Facebook, Call Rectory (607- 797-9203) to reserve a spot. Limited Attendance due to COVID-19