

Crossways

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Dear Friends in Christ,

The Revised Common Lectionary for Proper 21 Year B—also known at the 19th Sunday after Pentecost in 2018—gives us the story of one of the remarkable women of the Old Testament: Queen Esther. Her story could almost, be made into a Disney Princess movie. I say almost, because a planned genocide is not a plot that Disney would ever use. But that is the reality that the Jewish Queen Esther was facing in Persia. Her consort's second-in-command, Haman had plotted to blame a calamity on the Jews and then to kill them all. According to Persian Court custom even a queen cannot speak to a king unless the king first speaks to her. So, Queen Esther does the only thing she can do—stand two days in a courtyard until the King speaks to her. When spoken to Queen Esther invites the King to dinner—for two nights. Queen Esther also invites Haman to the dinner the second night where she tells the King of Haman's plot to kill her and all the Jewish people. The King is furious, Haman is condemned, and Queen Esther saves her people. Queen Esther is a role model for people to do what they can and trust in God that it will be enough for justice to triumph.

Too often we think, "What can one person do?" Or "My action (my vote, my letter, my donation, etc.) won't make a difference." It can. Look at what Queen Esther did with the only thing she could do—standing in the courtyard waiting for the King to talk to her! She got the whole thing started by simply standing in one place. So, what's the one thing each of us can do? That of course is a trick question—because we each are unique, and our one thing will be different as we are different. But all of our one things are based somewhere in our Baptismal Covenant:

- o Persevere in resisting evil;
- o Proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ;
- o Seek and serve Christ in all persons;
- o Love your neighbor as yourself
- o Strive for justice and peace among all people;
- o Respect the dignity of every human being.

Think you can't make a difference? What if Queen Esther had thought that way?

Faithfully yours,

Faithfully yours,

The Rev. Christine J. Day, Rector

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Results of Johnson City Field Days

We made a little over \$4000 in gross sales for the Johnson City Field Days fund raiser. I had high hopes for this year's version of the Field Days, but the weather again played a role.

Friday was hot, humid and rainy which kept the crowds and sales down.

Saturday was our best day as the weather was great and we had large "hungry" crowds.

Sunday is traditionally a slow day and obviously the heat probably was a factor in keeping people away. Monday sales were disappointing to say the least – we did about \$950 only.

Monday, which is traditionally a very strong sales day due to fireworks at night. But.....that did not happen due to extremely hot and humid weather and then two mid-afternoon thunderstorms.

We talked with the cream-puff sales location and he also did not do as well as he had hoped for all the same above happenings. Anytime we have an event involving food sales outdoors, the weather always seems to interfere in some way. It's very frustrating. This is the type of event where it wouldn't happen without all the volunteers. As one of the coordinators, I thank you all.

Tom Johnson



VESTRY MEETING IN OCTOBER

The October vestry meeting is Wednesday, October 10th at 6:30pm. Curious what the Vestry does? All are invited to attend!



LIFE GOES ON WILL MEET ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY—OCTOBER 17th at 12:15 pm

We will meet on October 17th at 12:15pm. Ruby Tuesdays has a nice quieter room so we will meet there again. Call Arlene Foley (607-797-2111); e-mail arlenefoley@aol.com).



CAN YOU GIVE A RIDE TO CHURCH?

Please consider giving a ride to church to Sandy Brewster, Sally Cole, Jim & Margaret Isaminger, Lori Szwalla. Call the office (607-797-3354) to get phone numbers and addresses!



BECOMING INVOLVED

The following is information provided by Nancy Elwood for publication in this issue of Crossways. It contains a response to her "taking action". As editor and wanting to be sure not to cross any lines, I have contacted the Diocese and the national church and have written approvals from each source that it is ok to participate in this activity*. Here is the text of the response to Nancy "taking action".

Thank you for taking action on this issue!

Tell 5 of your friends or members of your family to sign up for EPPN alerts to grow our impact. JOIN: http://advocacy.episcopalchurch.org/app/register?1&m=29629

Please keep in touch with us on social media!

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/TheEPPN

Twitter: https://twitter.com/TheEPPN
Instagram: http://instagram.com/theeppn

Your message for "Urge continued support for medical services in the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem" was sent on 09/14/2018 06:47 AM to the following recipients: Sen. Charles Schumer (D-NY), Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY), Rep. Claudia Tenney (R-NY).

*"Taking Action or Take Action" is one of the programs of the Episcopal Public Policy Network, a grassroots network of Episcopalians dedicated to carrying out the Baptismal Covenant call to "Strive for justice and peace" through the active ministry of public policy advocacy. It is a program of the Office of Government Relations, of the Episcopal Church. The Office of Government Relations represents the policy priorities of the Episcopal Church to the U.S. government in Washington, D.C. We aim to shape and influence policy and legislation on critical issues, highlighting the voices and experiences of Episcopalians and Anglicans globally. All of our work is grounded in the resolutions of General Convention and Executive Council, the legislative and governing bodies of the church. Drawing on the priorities of General Convention and Church leadership, we structure our work around the three pillars of the Jesus Movement: Care of Creation, Reconciliation, and Evangelism. We seek to connect Episcopalians to their faith by educating, equipping and engaging them to do the work of advocacy through the Episcopal Public Policy Network (EPPN).

If anyone has questions, please contact Gary Zurn as I have the written approvals.

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CABARET INFORMATION



GET READY FOR THE MAGIC! A CABARET IS COMING YOUR WAY AND IT'S GOING TO BE GREAT!

Get the word out to your friends and get a group together for this year's show: **MAGICAL**, **MYSTICAL**, **MUSICAL**. A group of 6 or more can get a reserved table. The show will feature magic by Jerry Natoli and plenty of

good musical performances from a great mix of entertainers. The price is still a low \$12. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the show starts at 7:00.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

We need volunteers to help set up, decorate and break down after the show We need many hors d'oeuvres (finger foods please) to pass We need simple desserts - again of the "finger food" variety

We need some kitchen and server help

And we need baskets (about 25 - 30)!

The Basket Silent Auction is the biggest fundraiser

We also gratefully accept monetary donations in lieu of a basket

MOST OF ALL WE NEED YOU TO COME AND SUPPORT THIS EVENT. IT IS ONE OF OUR 4 MAJOR YEARLY FUND RAISERS

Look for sign up sheets in the narthex and feel free to contact <u>Nancy Kiley</u> regarding how you can help or if you have suggestions/questions.

HELP US MAKE THE MAGIC FOR ALL SAINTS!



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, Diocese of Olympia

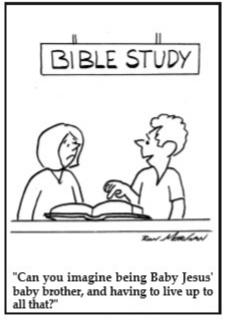


ST. FRANCIS DAY AND BLESSING OF ANIMALS: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6th AT 5:00 PM AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7th AT 10:00 AM

Come celebrate St. Francis Day with us and bring your pets for the Blessing of Animals at the Saturday, October 6th and Sunday, October 7th celebrations of Holy Eucharist. St. Francis (October

4th) is the patron saint of all animals. We hope that you will bring your pet to church to receive a blessing in a brief liturgy following the post communion prayer. (This will enable one to bolt out and retrieve "Rover" from the car or classroom if you are keeping "Rover" elsewhere during the service.) Please have all dogs on leads and exercised before the service. 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 consider bringing a stuffed animal. As the song says, "All God's creatures have a place in the choir!"

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All Saints' will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary on Sunday November 4. We will be celebrating Eucharist with Bishop Dee Dee Duncan-Probe at both the Saturday and Sunday Services. Following the 10:00am service on Sunday, there will be a coffee hour at which time we can speak with the

Bishop. Afterwards, we will head to the Highlands Community Center for a catered buffet dinner by Cline's Catering. The center, which is part of United Methodist Homes, is located on Lee Circle above the new Johnson City Elementary and Middle School. We hope all of you will be able to come, whether you attend the Saturday or Sunday service. This is truly a once in a lifetime chance to celebrate with your fellow Parishioners. Also, please invite anyone who has been a part of our Parish at any time. The cost of the meal is \$15. Please contact Don Thorpe or Joy Kasmarcik if you have questions.



We respond to storms in the United States and U.S. territories through our U.S. Disaster Program. Through our partnerships with Episcopal dioceses, we offer resources and training to help people prepare for Relief & Development disasters and provide emergency support so vulnerable people can make a sustained recovery after the storm. The benefit of our

partnership with Episcopal churches is that these congregations are already deeply integrated within their communities. In other words, the Episcopal Church is there before responders arrive and will remain long after the news cameras have gone. You can help provide critical relief to affected communities by donating to our Hurricane Relief Fund. To donate and read the latest updates, visit https://support.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-relief. There is a donation form before the calendar in this issue of Crossways.



NAMES AND PHOTOS FOR ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

November 3rd and 4th are the Vigil and Feast Day for All Saints' — our parish's "patronal feast." As we celebrate our patronal feast at the Saturday 5:00pm Holy Eucharist and the Sunday 10:00am Holy Eucharist, it is customary to renew our Baptismal Covenant and remember All Saints' those loved ones who have died. If you would like the name of a loved family member or friend to be remembered and read during the service,

please write the name(s) on the form provided at the Memorial Desk in our narthex by October 23rd. If convenient, e-mail the information to <u>Allsaintsjeny@aol.com</u>.

This year in addition to gathering the names of loved ones who have joined the Church Triumphant, All Saints' will have an altar of remembrance during All Saints' weekend upon which small photos of the named loved ones can be displayed. Please bring in your photos, labelled on the back, no later than Wednesday, October 31st.

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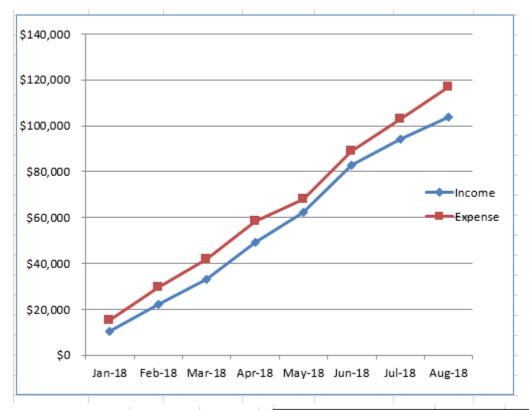
DOLLAR \$& CENTS JULY 2018 AND AUGUST 2018

All Saints' 2018 budget is a deficit budget that will require using \$4,450 from reserves unless the budgeted line item "Faith Income" is achieved. Although this gap is the result of having fewer pledges, 49 pledges for \$118,230 in 2018 and 54 pledges for \$126,963 in 2017, it also assumes "Other Special Offerings" will be achieved as they did in 2018.

In 2018 a monthly income of \$ 14,369 will be necessary to meet operating expense cash flow. Given All Saints' major fundraising events and fundraising income occur during May, June, September and November, it will be important to keep one's pledge up-to-date and to make additional gifts if possible. Otherwise your Vestry will need to approve taking money from investments in order to pay monthly expenses.

Truly, with "God all things are possible" (Mt. 19:26).

	Actual July	Annual		Actual	Annual
	31 2018	Budget		August 31	Budget
		2018		2018	2018
Offering & Pledges	\$74,271	\$133,493	Offering & Pledges	\$81,717	\$133,493
Fundraising 4	\$9,399	\$19,260	Fundraising 4	\$9,899	\$19,260
Other Income	\$10,364	\$15,229	Other Income	\$12,061	\$15,229
Total Income	\$94,034	\$167,982	Total Income	\$103,677	\$167,982
Total Expenses	\$102,880	\$172,432	Total Expenses	\$117,029	\$172,432
Profit(Loss)	(\$8,846)	(\$4,450)	Profit(Loss)	(\$13,352)	(\$4,450)
Income Needed from	(\$8,846)		Income Needed from	(\$13,352)	
Equity Surplus		(\$4,450)	Equity Surplus		(\$4,450)



	As of July 31,	Total July
	2018	2018
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Petty Cash	\$400	
All Saints' Checking	\$6,243	
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$6,643	
Savings Accounts		
Soup & Sandwiches Savings	\$5,848	
Designated Funds	\$16,182	
Rebuilding All Saints'	\$449	
Total Savings	\$22,479	
Total Cash & Savings		\$29,122
UIF Investment Funds	\$21,613	
Total Cash, Savings, Investments		\$50,735

		Total
	As of August	August
	31, 2018	2018
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Petty Cash	\$400	
All Saints' Checking	\$1,703	
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$2,103	
Savings Accounts		
Soup & Sandwiches Savings	\$5,848	
Designated Funds	\$16,772	
Rebuilding All Saints'	\$449	
Total Savings	\$23,069	
Total Cash & Savings		\$25,172
UIF Investment Funds	\$21,613	
Total Cash, Savings, Investments		\$46,785



An Invitation from Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry to Practice the Way of Love

I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know t his love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. – Ephesians 3:17-19

In the first century Jesus of Nazareth inspired a movement. A community of people whose lives were centered on Jesus Christ and committed to living the way of God's unconditional, unselfish, sacrificial, and redemptive love. Before they were called "church" or "Christian," this Jesus Movement was simply called "the way."

Today I believe our vocation is to live as the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement. But how can we together grow more deeply with Jesus Christ at the center of our lives, so we can bear witness to his way of love in and for the world?

The deep roots of our Christian tradition may offer just such a path. For centuries, monastic communities have shaped their lives around rhythms and disciplines for following Jesus together. Such a pattern is known as a "Rule of Life." The framework you now hold – **The Way of Love: Practices for Jesus-Centered Life** – outlines a Rule for the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement.

It is designed to be spare and spacious, so that individuals, ministry groups, congregations, and networks can flesh it out in unique ways and build a church-wide treasure trove of stories and resources. There is no specific order you need to follow. If you already keep a Rule or spiritual disciplines, you might reflect and discover how that path intersects with this one. By entering into reflection, discernment and commitment around the practices of **Turn - Learn - Pray - Worship - Bless - Go - Rest**, I pray we will grow as communities following the loving, liberating, life-giving way of Jesus. His way has the power to change each of our lives and to change this world.

Your brother in the Way of Jesus, +Michael

The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, Primate and Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church

THE WAY OF LOVE: PRACTICES FOR JESUS-CENTERED LIFE

TURN: Pause, listen and choose to follow Jesus

As Jesus was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. – Mark 2:14 "Do you turn to Jesus Christ ...?" – Book of Common Prayer, 302

Like the disciples, we are called by Jesus to follow the Way of Love. With God's help, we can turn from the powers of sin, hatred, fear, injustice, and oppression toward the way of truth, love, hope, justice, and freedom. In turning, we reorient our lives to Jesus Christ, falling in love again, again, and again.

For Reflection and Discernment

- What practices help you to turn again and again to Jesus Christ and the Way of Love?
- How will (or do) you incorporate these practices into your rhythm of life?
- Who will be your companion as you turn toward Jesus Christ?

LEARN: Reflect on Scripture each day, especially on Jesus' life and teachings.

"Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them." – John 14:23 Grant us so to hear [the Holy Scriptures], read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them. – Book of Common Prayer, 236

By reading and reflecting on Scripture, especially the life and teachings of Jesus, we draw near to God and God's word dwells in us. When we open our minds and hearts to Scripture, we learn to see God's story and God's activity in everyday life.

For Reflection and Discernment

- What ways of reflecting on Scripture are most life-giving for you?
- When will (or do) you set aside time to read and reflect on Scripture in your day?
- With whom will you share in the commitment to read and reflect on Scripture?

PRAY: Dwell intentionally with God daily

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." – Luke 11:1

"Lord, hear our prayer." - Book of Common Prayer

Jesus teaches us to come before God with humble hearts, boldly offering our thanksgivings and concerns to God or simply listening for God's voice in our lives and in the world. Whether in thought, word or deed, individually or corporately, when we pray we invite and dwell in God's loving presence.

For Reflection and Discernment

- What intentional prayer practices center you in God's presence, so you can hear, speak, or simply dwell with God?
- How will (or do) you incorporate intentional prayer into your daily life?
- With whom will you share in the commitment to pray?

WORSHIP: Gather in community weekly to thank, praise, and dwell with God

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. – Luke 24:30-31 Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them to the Lord. – Book of Common Prayer, 361

When we worship, we gather with others before God. We hear the Good News of Jesus Christ, give thanks, confess, and offer the brokenness of the world to God. As we break bread, our eyes are opened to the presence of Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we are made one body, the body of Christ sent forth to live the Way of Love.

For Discernment and Reflection

- What communal worship practices move you to encounter God and knit you into the body of Christ?
- How will (or do) you commit to regularly worship?
- With whom will you share the commitment to worship this week?

BLESS: Share faith and unselfishly give and serve

"Freely you have received; freely give." – Matthew 10:8 Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? People: We will, with God's help. – Book of Common Prayer, 305

Jesus called his disciples to give, forgive, teach, and heal in his name. We are empowered by the Spirit to bless everyone we meet, practicing generosity and compassion and proclaiming the Good News of God in Christ with hopeful words and selfless actions. We can share our stories of blessing and invite others to the Way of Love.

For Discernment and Reflection

- What are the ways the Spirit is calling you to bless others?
- How will (or does) blessing others through sharing your resources, faith, and story become part of your daily life?
- Who will join you in committing to the practice of blessing others?

GO: Cross boundaries, listen deeply and live like Jesus

Jesus said to them, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." – John 20:21 Send them into the world in witness to your love. – Book of Common Prayer, 306

As Jesus went to the highways and byways, he sends us beyond our circles and comfort, to witness to the love, justice, and truth of God with our lips and with our lives. We go to listen with humility and to join God in healing a hurting world. We go to become Beloved Community, a people reconciled in love with God and one another.

For Discernment and Reflection

- To what new places or communities is the Spirit sending you to witness to the love, justice, and truth of God?
- How will you build into your life a commitment to cross boundaries, listen carefully, and take part in healing and reconciling what is broken in this world?
- With whom will you share in the commitment to go forth as a reconciler and healer?

REST: Receive the gift of God's grace, peace, and restoration

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives.

Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. – John 14:27

Blessed are you, O Lord ... giving rest to the weary, renewing the strength of those who are spent. – Book of Common Prayer, 113

From the beginning of creation, God has established the sacred pattern of going and returning, labor and rest. Especially today, God invites us to dedicate time for restoration and wholeness - within our bodies, minds, and souls, and within our communities and institutions. By resting we place our trust in God, the primary actor who brings all things to their fullness.

For Discernment and Reflection

- What practices restore your body, mind, and soul?
- How will you observe rest and renewal on a regular basis?
- With whom will you commit to create and maintain a regular practice of rest?

HELPFUL TERMS FOR UNDERSTANDING THE WAY OF LOVE

Beloved Community: The body within which we promote the fruits of the spirit and grow to recognize our kinship as people who love God and love the image of God that we find in our neighbors, in ourselves, and in creation. It provides a positive, theologically and biblically based ideal toward which we can grow in love. The phrase is widely known for its use by Martin Luther King Jr.

Dream of God: God's dream for the world began at creation when God proclaimed the world to be good. When we dream like God we dream of a world of love. The phrase is widely known for its use by Episcopal theologian Verna Dozier.

Jesus Movement: The ongoing community of people centered on Jesus who follow him into loving, liberating and life-giving relationship with God, with each other and with the earth.

Rule of Life: (from the Society of St. John the Evangelist and the Virginia Theological Seminary Center for the Ministry of Teaching)

- The idea of a "Rule of Life' comes from the Latin word regula and suggests a way to regulate or regularize our lives to stay on an intentional path. A "Rule of Life" is not just a set of rules to live by; rather, it is a gentle framework to guide and support us on our way.
- A "Rule of Life" allows us to live with intention and purpose in the present moment. It helps us clarify our most important values, relationships, dreams and work.
- A "Rule of Life" is meant to be simple, realistic, flexible and achievable. It is a purposeful tool to help us grow into a more meaningful life with God.

Sin: Falling short of God's will. Seeking our own will instead of the will of God, thus distorting our relationship with God, with other people, or with creation.

For more on The Way of Love go to: https://www.episcopalchurch.org/explore-way-love



PRAYER LIST BEGINNING OCTOBER 2018

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



Military: Ben Holbus, Curtis Sholtes, Robert Preston, Joe Gentile, Steven Serbun, Justin Gillmer, and Michael Lake



Short Term List:

Those in whose name the Prayer Scarves have been written,

Sally Cole, Trina Cooney Patti Donnelly, Sue Mahon, Richie Stevens, Ida Taft, Nan Grabowski, Mike, Kathy Demaree, Jacob Harrison, Jeanette Cook, Luther Chergosky, Lee Grabowski, Debbie Gouldin, Bill Starkweather, David & Judy Horton, Missy Meade, Marilyn Doersam, Tracy Shepherd, Janis Ross, John Reith, Sue Lundin, Cynthia Blair, Jim & Margaret Isaminger, and Sarah Harrison-Pautard.



Long Term List:

Justin Avery, Dallas & Alexis Elwood, Bonnie Mando, Dorothy Pierce, Noelle Benson, Louise Pierce, Lucy Grabowski, Chieyann Grabowski, Cindy Anderson, Bella LaMaine, Joy Kasmarcik, Phillip Kasmarcik, Jayden Kasmarcik, Louise Rogers, Sam McMullen, Eli Pierce, Jessica McBride, Tiernan, Lori Szwalla, Tony

Szwalla, Ralph Holloway, Betty McCurry, Bob Gillmer, Kenneth Barkman, Jenna Knapp, and Nanette McIntosh

CELEBRATIONS IN OCTOBER



04 Amanda Steber

05 Ken Barkman

10 Ryan Barkman Larry Kiley David Patch

14 Richard J. Hrebin Sr. Christopher LaMaine

16 Jessica Cramer

20 Faith Ann Sherman

24 Robert Gillmer Gayle Whittier

25 Christine Day+

30 Ryan Small



09 Lee & Lucy Grabowski

17 David & Lonna Pierce

26 Richard & Bonnie Hrebin





And

Altar Flowers

October 7th are given in thanksgiving of Kenneth and Ryan Barkman's birthdays by Linda Barkman

October 14th are given by David & Lonna Pierce in thanksgiving for their wedding anniversary and given in thanksgiving of Lynn and Lenny Jago's wedding anniversary by Marilyn Doersam.

October 21st are given by Linda Barkman in thanksgiving for the birthday of her son, Robert Gilmer

October 28th are given in thanksgiving for the birthday of her step-son, Larry Freed, by Barbara Freed and are given in memory of Adeline Thorpe by Debbie and Don Thorpe.

Sanctuary Candle

October 7th is given in thanksgiving of Lucy and Lee wedding anniversary by Nan Grabowski and given in memory of Paul Chamberlain by Linda Barkman

October 14th Open

October 21st Open

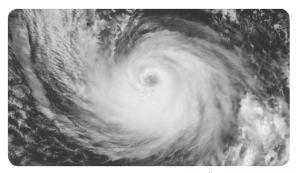
October 28th Open



Advance note! Daylight Savings time ends at 2:00am on All Saints' Sunday, November $4^{\rm th}$

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October	2018				OCTOBET .	ζ.
	1 + Office Closed 6:00pm-8:00pm Cub Scouts meeting	2 + 6:00pm-8:00pm Boy Scouts Meeting	3 6:00pm Junior League Board Meeting	4 7:15pm – Choir Practice	5 Office Closed	6 12:00 Noon Soup & Sandwich Lunch 5:00pm HE Rite 2 & Blessing of Animals
7 Pentecost 19 9:00am Dwelling in the Word St. Francis Day 10:00am HE Rite 2 & Blessing of Animals	8 +Office Closed COLUMBUS DAY 6:00pm-8:00pm Cub Scouts meeting	9 + 3:30pm Rector/Wardens Mtg 6:00pm-8:00pm Boy Scouts Meeting	10 6:00pm Scout Leader Meeting 6:30pm Vestry Meeting	11 7:15pm – Choir Practice	12 Office Closed	13 12:00 Noon Soup & Sandwich Lunch 5:00pm HE
14 Pentecost 20 9:00am Dwelling in the Word 10:00am HE 2:30pm Bridgewater	15 Office Closed 6:00pm-8:00pm Cub Scouts meeting	16 6:00pm-8:00pm Boy Scouts Meeting	17 + 12:30pm Life Goes On @ Ru by Tuesday 6:00pm-9:00pm Jr. League Social Mtg. Library	18 5:00pm -Welsh Society 7:15pm – Choir Practice	19 Office Closed	20 12:00 Noon Soup & Sandwich 5:00pm HE
21 Pentecost 21 9:00am Dwelling in the Word 10:00am HE	22 Office Closed 6:00pm-8:00pm Cub Scouts meeting	23 + 2:30pm HE @Hilltop Nursing 6:00pm-8:00pm Boy Scouts Meeting	24 1:00 Noon Clerius 5:30pm Book Club	25 7:15pm – Choir Practice	26 Office Closed	27 12:00 Soup & Sandwich 5:00pm HE
28 Pentecost 22 9:00am Dwelling in the Word 10:00am HE 2:30pm Susquehanna - HE	29 Office Closed 6:00pm-8:00pm Cub Scouts meeting	30 6:00pm-8:00pm Boy Scouts Meeting	31		Office Hours: TueThurs. 9-3 +By a date indicates that the Rector is away all or part of the day Phone ahead if coming to the office to make sure someone is here. If you have a pastoral emergency, please phone numbers provided on the back cover of this issue	

RESPONDING TO HURRICANE FLORENCE



Credit NOAA/RAMMB

Episcopal Relief & Development is working with partners to provide critical support for the most vulnerable communities affected by Hurricane Florence.

On Friday, September 14, Hurricane Florence made landfall. More than 35 inches of rain fell in parts of North Carolina. Major flooding continues throughout the Carolinas and southern Virginia. In North Carolina, local officials believe tens of thousands of homes have been damaged so far, with weeks of challenges on the horizon.

We are responding in a variety of ways.

For example, our partnership with the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina, the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina and the Episcopal Farmworker Ministry, to provide emergency assistance to migrant and seasonal farmworkers including water, food, cleaning supplies, hygiene kits, clothing and transportation to safe locations in two counties in eastern North Carolina.

"The waters are still rising and assessments are limited due to safety concerns," continued Mears. "We will continue working together with church partners to serve and care for affected communities in the weeks and months ahead."

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