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Reflections From the Rector's Desk

By The Reverend Canon Stephen C. Casey

Dear fellow members of St. Edward's:

preter for the Episcopal Conference of the Deaf. St. Edward's can be truly proud that we are the only congregation in our diocese where three members will be attending the General ConDeputies, somewhat akin to the congress; and the House of Bishops, somewhat akin to the senate. For legislation to be passed, the approval of both houses is needed. The day to day business of the

General Convention can essentially be divided into two parts. On the one hand there are the legislative sessions themselves, usually two each day, which debates and votes on the various resolutions placed before both Houses. Behind the legislative sessions are the various interim legislative committees, which hold meetings at least once per day when the houses are not in Session, to prepare the various resolutions that come before them. Each day, the business of the convention closes with a Eucharist, often reflecting the rich and varied traditions which make up the Episcopal Church.

By the time you read The 79th General this edition of the Rayelenn, Scepter, Convention of Amy Swiernik and I will be in Austin, Tex-The Episcopal as attending the General Convention of the Church Episcopal Church. The CENERAL CONVEY General Convention is the highest governing body of the Episcopal Church and meets once every three years. The year prior to the General Convention, each Diocese

and clergy, to represent the diocese at the General Convention. You will find the names of those elected on the diocesan web site. This will be my third General Convention representing our diocese; Amy has attended previous conventions as President of the ECW, and for Rayelenn this will be her seventh General Convention serving as in inter-

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vention in some official capacity.

AUSTIN

July 5th - 13th, 2018

Austin, Texas

The polity of the Episcopal Church is not dissimilar to the polity of the United States. There are two "houses" - the House of Attending the General Convention is not a vacation as some might be tempted to think. As an interpreter for the Episcopal Conference for the Deaf, Rayelenn can be called upon at anytime and in (Continued on page 2)

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- Staff and Vestry Members are listed on the back cover of the Scepter

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any place where she is needed at the convention. Either as a member of an interim-committee, or as an observer, all deputies are expected to attend committee meetings aside from taking our place in the convention hall during the legislative sessions. That said, it is not all work; there are times set aside to enjoy the hospitality of the Diocese of Texas as well as other church gatherings.

You can keep up with General Convention in a number of ways. There will be daily pod-casts of all the legislative sessions as well as the Eucharist's. Deputies from our diocese will be writing daily summaries as well as being interviewed by the diocesan press officer. You can read and follow all these things by following the Episcopal Church web site or the Diocesan web site.

During the Sunday's I will be absent, Fr. John Emmert will be your guest celebrant and preacher, and each Wednesday, Bishop Gepert will be the celebrant and homilist at the noon-day service. And watch the St. Edward's Face Book page for posts that I shall make from time to time.

Blessings

Fr. Stephen+



Mac:

By Rayelenn Casey



It was so good to see Kate Peterson able to be back at church.

St. Edward's Youth

By Rayelenn Casey

We enjoy the youth participation in our 10:15 service, whether it be through Father Casey's Children's sermons or our monthly blessing of the food to go to the local food bank. We are thankful for St. Edward's Youth!



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If you're the last person to leave the building following Sunday services or an event, please take the time to make sure all the lights are turned off (including the rest rooms) and the doors are locked.

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Vestry



Third Saturday of Each Month 5:30 PM Rite II

The Saturday service will not take place in July and August.

Include your news and announcements in the next Scepter.

Due date for September will be:

August 20th.

Send articles and announcements to:



By Brian Newsome



By the time this edition of the Scepter comes to print, our congregation will have participated in the first "Sweaty Sunday," an afternoon devoted to weeding flower beds, spreading mulch, and cleaning up the grounds of the church. The vestry scheduled this workday on Sunday for two reasons. The first is to encourage participation. Dozens of individuals—and entire families—have volunteered to work on the grounds, to prepare food and beverages for those who are laboring, and to donate funds to pay for food, beverages, and mulch. The response level has been remarkable, indicating just how ready the St. Edward's family is to come together as a community. The second reason for choosing Sunday is to bring the "unseen" to light. So many parishioners—members of the altar guild, the finance committee, the property committee, the social outreach committee, and numerous otherscome to the church during the week and spend hours laboring on tasks that

benefit the parish as a whole. Yet the rest of the congregation—and that includes me—does not witness these contributions directly. This statement does double, of course, for much of what our rector and staff members do. "Sweaty Sunday" gives us all a convenient opportunity to contribute our time, talents, and resources, and it affords an opportunity to reflect on contributions that often go unseen. On behalf of the vestry, I would like to thank each of you for all that you do to make our community so vibrant. And the next time you converse with the servant-leaders who work behind the scenes, please be sure to express the gratitude they so richly deserve.

Note: Pictures from Sweaty Sunday are on pages 14 and 15.



Military News

Please keep in your prayers those close to us who are serving in the military.

- **★**Dustin Burleson
- **★**Justin Carnahan
- **★**Brandon Fox
- **★**Gordon Frankenfield
- **★**Matt Fuhrman
- ★Adam and Christina Grim
- **★**Jack Hawk
- **★**Benjamin Jenkins
- **★**Drew Johnson
- **★** Anthony Koser
- ★Alex Kube
- **★**John Lewis

- ★Richard Mutari
- ★David Peck
- ★Capt. Andrew Pfeiffer
- ★Rev. David J. Sparks
- **★**Mike Spurr
- **★**David Sternberg
- **★**Clayton Tennies
- **★**Allison Tomich
- **★**Evan Westgate
- ★Seamas Whitesel
- ★1st Lt. Thomas Whitesel



School Supplies Drive

By Ellen Milligan



The dates of this year's collection are:

Kickoff: July 14, 2018 until Last Day to donate: Aug. 4, 2018

These items will be distributed to Hempfield students through the Landisville Food Pantry.

Shopping List

Backpacks (for all ages)	Blunt Tip Scissors	3 Ring Binders
#2 pencils	Highlighters	Dividers
Elmer's Glue Sticks	Post-it Notes (3x3)	3x5 Index Cards
Crayola Crayons -24 pack	Colored Pencils	Ear Buds/Headphones
Large Block Erasers	Pens	Rulers

Expo Dry Erase Markers Hand Sanitizer Plastic Pencil Box

Fine-tip Sharpies







3 Hole Paper Punch

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[&]quot;Monetary Donations are gladly accepted. For checks, please write 'School Supplies' in the memo line."

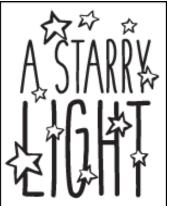
Harrison Graduates





Grandparents Gail and Dick Irons and parents Josh and Dana celebrate Harrison's graduation from Pre School on May 31st. Below Harrison being baptized in April of 2015. Harrison's twin brothers Torin and Liam will be baptized in September.





Summer is the perfect time to gaze at the wonders in the sky. Make this craft as a reminder of God's handiwork — including you!

What you need:

- Glass jar
- · Permanent marker
- Glue (and water)
 Paper place
- Paper plate
 Paintbrush
- Star sequins
- Battery-operated tea light

What you do:

- Around the jar's opening, write in permanent marker: Shine ... like stars in the sky. Philippians 2:15
- Pour some glue on the plate. Thin with some water.
- "Paint" the outside of the jar with glue and then sprinkle on some sequins. Let dry.
- Add the tea light and give your bedroom a starry glow at nighttime.



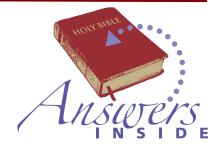
newer: How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to your mouth! Psalm 119-1163, NIV



Bible Quiz

Who had a staff sprout, bud, blossom and produce almonds, indicating that God had chosen him for a special reason?

- A. Moses
- B. Zechariah
- C. Aaron
- D. Nathan



Answer: C (See Numbers 17:1-11, specifically v. 8.)

Amy Alton

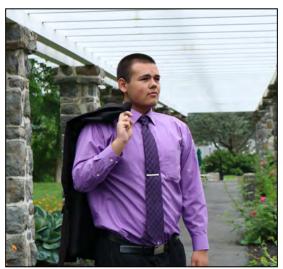


Amy Alton graduated May 31 from Lancaster Catholic High School, where her mom is a religion teacher. Amy will be attending Cabrini University (near King of Prussia) in the fall. She plans to major in special education.



Seth Hake

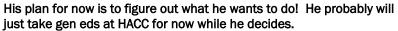












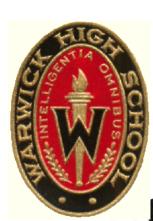


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Carter Ishler



Carter Ishler graduated from Warwick High School, Lititz, on June 11, 2018. Carter will attend Bloomsburg University in the fall majoring in Business Administration and Management with a minor in Entrepreneurship











Warwick commencement. Graduates send mortar boards flying. From Lititz Record

From the social outreach committee.

It has been a tradition of our parish to donate food to the pantry year round. Each month the pantry suggests certain types of food. Those suggestions are posted in the bulletin every Sunday. However, any donation is greatly appreciated.

Every Fourth Sunday the food is blessed during the Children's Sermon, with the food delivered on the following Monday. Fresh produce is accepted by the pantry. If you wish to donate fresh produce it must be at the church on 4th Sunday only.



"I understand the inventor of the bagpipes was inspired when he saw a man carrying an indignant, asthmatic pig under his arm. Unfortunately, the man-made object never equaled the purity of sound achieved by the pig."

-- Alfred Hitchcock

Men's GROUP

The St. Edward's Men's Group has taken their annual vacation and will return in September. Enjoy your summer ©



Soles 4 Souls

By Beth Lynch

St. Edward's is collaborating with St. John's Parish in the collecting of old and used shoes. This ministry allows individuals to start and sustain small businesses to lift themselves out of poverty. Donated shoes are a viable resource to help entrepreneurs provide crucial necessities for their families.

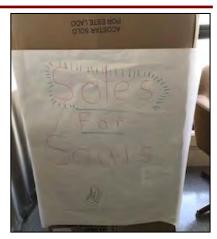
There is a collection box in the narthex of the church for donations.

In collection of shoes, know that they can be any size, style, etc. and those that might be a little on the "used" side are accepted and used to teach people in various countries how to repair shoes so that they can get work. Nothing is wasted.

If the shoes have laces, they are tied together and if they do not, then they are rubber banded. The shoes are shipped on Good Friday morning via Phoenix Trucking firm who kindly take them for free. Otherwise, shipping is \$1 per pair. They transport to New Jersey and go all over the world from there. If you go on the net to St. John's Episcopal and read the June Messenger, you will find

the note from Soles for Souls about the collections this last year.







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Bradley Mattson

By Rayelenn Casey



Learning to prepare the elements for the Eucharist.

Bradley Mattson will be with us one Sunday a month as part of his journey of discernment concerning what God is calling him to do.



Getting ready for service in the sacristy.



Participating with Camille Horine in the baptism of Christian Breneman.

Summer Movie Reviews

By Glen Bentley



Eighth Grade Starring: Josh Hamilton, Daniel Zolghadri, Elsie Fisher

Directed by Bo Burnham

If you love to cringe, Bo Burham's debit is a moving and hilarious portrait of one of life's most uncomfortably awkward transitory periods. The film owes its success entirely to lead actress Elsie Fisher,, whose portrayal of Kayla is full of subtlety, nuance, and an understanding of humanity that belies her age, and I wouldn't be surprised if she's recognized by the Academy next year. I usually find coming of age films to be formulaic and unimaginative, but Eighth Grade had me hook, line, and sinker the whole time.



Searching

Starring: Debra Messing, John Cho

Directed by Aneese Chaganty

After David Kim (John Cho)'s 16-year-old daughter goes missing, a local investigasecrets are kept today: his daughter's lapter's digital footprints before she disap- they never expected. pears forever. This movie is a roller coaster ride.



Dog Days

Starring: Nina Dobrev, Vanessa Hudgens

Directed by: Ken Marino

From acclaimed production company LD Entertainment (The Zookeeper's Wife, tion is opened and a detective is assigned Jackie, and Megan Leavey) and Director to the case. But 37 hours later and without Ken Marino comes Dog Days. Dog Days a single lead, David decides to search the is a hilarious and heartfelt ensemble comeone place no one has looked yet, where all dy that follows the lives of multiple dog owners and their beloved fluffy pals top. In a hyper-modern thriller told via the around sunny Los Angeles. When these technology devices we use every day to human and canine's paths start to intercommunicate, David must trace his daugh- twine, their lives begin changing in ways





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A Wedding in Wine Country





Rayelenn and I arrived at Watkins Glen, New York to perform a wedding at a winery. We stopped off at St. James Episcopal Church to collect the service book and register from Beth Palmer, the delightful and helpful parish secretary. Then a trip round Seneca Lake courtesy of the groom - Patrick Ward. God truly is gracious!

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A Wedding in Wine Country

Pictures from Facebook by Fr. Casey and Rayelenn







Pictures by Mary Snyder



Thank you to the following parishioners who faithfully served as hosts, and baked some wonderful breakfast treats, for the month of June:

Willow Valley Three – June Klemm, Janet Rumer, Geraldine Cosgrave

R.B. Mullineaux

Bev and Larry Hess

Hank and Linda Spire

Barb and Mark Jakiel

Bev and Larry Hess

Richard and Gail Irons

Stephen and Catherine Donohue

Ginny and Roger Kloepping

Women of St. Edward's for Father's Day

The Milligan Family

Ted Cardwell



Buddy Yeager approves the July 1st Coffee Hour goodies.

This is a great ministry to be involved in as it is easy and rewarding, as you get to be a "fellowship host" to St. Edwardians and visitors! We hope you will consider signing up for a future coffee hour!

St. Edward's Christian Ed Wing Meeting Lounge

Pictures by Michelle Bentley





Over the past few months, several diligent and determined "worker bees" have forged on to create a new "lounge" area for St. Edward's, located in the back corner of the Christian Education wing.

This is a very peaceful place to relax, reflect, and meet in small groups. Many groups have already "christened" this space: Knit Wits afternoon and evening groups, the Discernment Committee, as well as one-on-one meetings.

It is here, for all to use! We hope that it will be a great place to reignite a Book Club or a place for a future Spirituality Group to meet. Our intention, in addition to a meeting space and for Christian Ed groups to meet, was to also offer a quiet and private gathering place for families during special events, such as memorial or funeral services.

Please be mindful of this neat and quiet space and please clean up after you use it. We would request only light drinks be brought into this space (eating can be in the Library area or Parish Hall). Thank you!

Take a moment to stop by and take a look! We are very grateful to Camille Horine for her time and talent in her creative direction and organizing skills to get our Christian Education wing reorganized, redecorated and repurposed with this new lounge area. And thank you to all of the other behind-the scenes- faithful ministry servants of St. Edward's who supported this project in ways that we are so grateful for.

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Christian Jase Breneman Baptism



On Sunday, June 10th, Father's Day, Father Casey baptized Christian Jase Breneman, son of Aaron and Angela Breneman.









Sweaty Sunday

Pictures by Dina Ishler





"Many hands make light work" and the fellowship and community spirit that day was fantastic!



We were grateful that Father Casey was on hand to assist, encourage to soldier on and provide the levity that made the day all the more enjoyable.



Thanks to all of our "Sweaty" St. Edwardians who gave of their time and talent on Sunday, June 24^{th} .



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Pictures by Dina Ishler

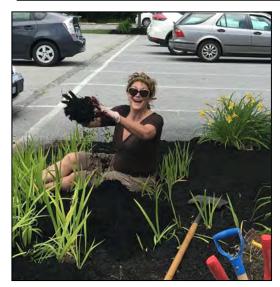




Dina Ishler, Rose Dixon, Mark Jakiel, Thomas Ishler, and Father Casey kept the mulch moving so that the flower beds were finished nicely.







Camille Horine did not mind getting her hands dirty.



!"Voila"!The finished grounds of St. Edward's look spectacular!

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- Michael Freshwater (2021)
- **†** Dina Ishler (2020)
- Mark Jakiel (2021)
- Herb Johnston(2021)
- Susan Landin (2020) Secretary
- Brian Newsome (2019) Sr. Warden
- Bill Swiernik (2020)
- Meredith Westgate(2020) Jr. Warden

Worship Services

Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I (said)

10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Contemporary Service (2nd Sunday, Sept – May).

Wednesday

12:00 Noon - Holy Eucharist with healing

Saturday

5:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II (Third Saturday)

No Saturday service during July and August