

July/August 2019



ST. EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# Scepter

## Reflection



**The  
Rev. David  
Bateman**

In some ways American churches follow the same rhythm as the school year. Things slow down, some activities are suspended, people spend more time traveling and recreating outdoors, and there is a calmer, less urgent atmosphere. For us at St. Edward's, this means no choir or praise band, no education programs, and fewer Vestry meetings.

This makes sense when you consider

that we have just relaxed mood in-  
finished spending side.

six months in a relatively intense journey following the most dramatic moments of Jesus' life and ministry. Now that our Easter celebrations are concluded, we appreciate a time of less busyness, haste and drama.

So the church year during the summer is not in any kind of a season like Lent or Easter. Instead we go week by week, taking the time to hear and consider stories and passages that we had to skip earlier in the year. We are not in a rush. We have time to reflect.

Our relaxed mood outside mirrors our

But a time of less heightened spiritual intensity doesn't mean a time of emptiness. We remember who we are. We continue through the summer what we always do: our prayers, our praises and our ministries. We gather to worship whenever we are home and in town. We continue to live as people called to a spiritual life. We praise God as we do all the rest of the year. And we do so appreciating the warmth and gentler pace that this time of year provides.

David +

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



# Liturgical Colors



Green is the color of living things and God's creation. Green is the color of the Season after Pentecost and it is also the color symbolizing Epiphany.

## Red



Red is the color that symbolizes fire and blood. As such, red is used as the liturgical color for Palm Sunday and Pentecost.

## White



White is the color that symbolizes joy, purity, and truth. It is, therefore, the liturgical color for the seasons of Christmas and Easter.

## Blue



Following the tradition of the Sarum Rite (an old English rite), Blue is the color for Advent. During the Middle Ages, when blue was an expensive color to reproduce, purple was often used instead. This is why you still see some churches using purple in Advent. Blue is a quiet, contemplative time as we await the majesty of God

## Purple



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## Information

### Parish Office Hours

Monday- Friday:  
10AM – 4:30PM

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H. J. “Mac” Miller



**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) the thermostat is reset and the doors are locked.**



By Meredith Aul Westgate  
Senior Warden



The month of June has found us preoccupied with property issues, some of which should have been addressed long ago, and all of which cannot be put off any longer. These issues include mold in the Narthex ceiling and sacristy; rotted window sills in the narthex, rector's office, sanctuary, and Christian Education wing; replacement of both water heaters; updating and addressing safety concerns in the nursery; ceiling repair due to water damage and painting in the rector's office; poor air circulation (which causes the mold problems); and cleaning and polishing floors. The need for repairs raises financial concerns since we are already operating at a deficit. Michelle has been busy getting estimates and working with the insurance company. The rector's office is nearly finished, the sacristy is in progress, and we are getting ready to paint the nursery.

On the plus side, the Welcoming/Membership Committee is off to a great start. A committee of twelve met on Sunday, June 16 to discuss ways we are already welcoming people and to brainstorm and implement some new ideas that will make people feel welcome and included. Some good ideas emerged. Mike Freshwater is working on new and improved signage and we are working on intentional welcoming of new visitors. We are seeking a volunteer to keep track of the guest book and make contact with local visitors who have recently attended a service. If interested, contact me or Michelle. The next welcoming meeting will be on Sunday, June 30, 9:10-10:00 a.m. All are welcome to join us.

On June 7, vestry's annual retreat was held at Hope Church in Manheim. It was a "serious business" day, but we also made time for team building. The day began with coffee, fruit, and pastries, followed by a get-to-know-you-better activity in which we each took a penny from a jar and shared some information about ourselves in the year found on the penny. We learned quite a lot about each other!

Leslie Arnold kindly came out to Hope Church to take vestry photos to help parishioners get to know vestry better. The photos will be posted in the Narthex so everyone can connect names to faces.

Father Bateman presented a very informative morning workshop, "The Five Developmental Tasks of Transition." In the fall, he will present a series of adult forums on this topic, together with training in "Rotational Leadership." Also, based on our discussion, he will offer a series of forums to help us reconnect with our denomination and explore how we are different from other denominations.

By the time we finished our discussion, we were already half an hour into our lunch hour. We re-energized with sandwiches, vegetable soup, chips, pickles, cold beverages, homemade cookies and blueberry topped cheese cake.

As vestry member, we take our job seriously, but we also know how to have fun! We broke into two teams, "The Pious Ones" and "The Holy Rollers," and used clues to find designated locations where we were to photograph ourselves. Each team was given a bag of props that had to be used in the pictures. Several of the resulting photographs can be found on pages 12 and 13..

The afternoon session was led by Chad Linder, Canon of Finance and Operations, Diocese of Central PA. Chad explained ways of establishing endow-

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## 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
- ★1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Thomas Whitesel





## Vestry Cont'd.

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ment/legacy funds and discussed stewardship and planned giving. Chad stressed the importance of balancing our budget and getting ourselves on stable financial ground while at the same time, funding our essential building projects. To this end, with Chad's assistance, we are developing a three year plan that will incorporate new clergy costs, parish operations, and major capital expenses. This plan will help us to become financial stable, and will help us to attract the best clergy candidates. We have applied for a Diocesan loan and grant to help us secure the funds we need in the short-term. You will be hearing more about this plan in the near future!

Also, with an aim to ease the financial burden, Vestry has begun meeting with parishioners who are experienced fundraisers to brainstorm ideas. So far Jamie Alton and Hank Spire have shared their expertise. Herb Johnston is heading up this endeavor.

At a parish survey analysis meeting, Hank Spire proposed having four combined services during the year with the goal of encouraging unity among those who attend different services and noted in the Parish survey. The idea was enthusiastically received by vestry and supported by father Bateman. We added the suggestion of holding "quarterly meetings" following each of the services. These will be similar to annual meeting, but less formal, and might include a brief presentation by the vestry, a short committee presentation, a fun historical fact about St. Edward's, and time for questions/discussion. These services will take place on the four fifth Sundays of the year: September 29, 2019; December 29, 2019; March 29, 2020; May 31, 2020 (Pentecost)

Finally, we are working to better coordinate and improve pastoral care. According to the Search Committee survey, 70% of our parishioners are over the age of 60. How can we better address the needs of our aging population? What should we be offering that we're not and how can we improve the services we provide? Michelle has created a chart so that we can document visits made by Father Bateman and Lay Eucharistic Visitors orga-

nized by Peggy Hanzelman; and get-well cards (Gail Irons). We are looking for volunteers to write thank-you notes and "thinking of you" notes to shut-ins, volunteers to help with preparing and serving meals for funerals, and expanding our dedicated group of people who set up and take down tables and chairs for events. Can you help? Please call me or Michelle.

Normally, Vestry takes a summer hiatus, but, there is much to be done. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, July 17 in the Parish Hall. The Search Committee will update vestry on the search process and we will discuss property, finance, and other issues. Do share your questions and concerns with any vestry member. Please pray that vestry and search committee will have a clear vision of our path forward and that we may be guided in making wise and financially astute decisions.

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Include your news and announcements in the next Scepter.  
Due date for September will be:  
**August 20th.**  
Send articles and announcements to:



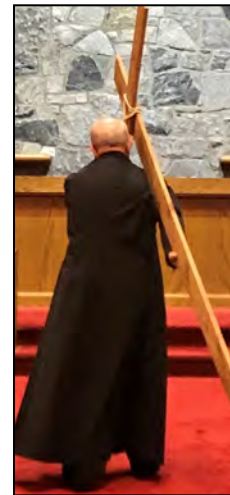
[www.sainteds.org](http://www.sainteds.org)

## Liturgical Colors

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Purple is commonly seen in the season of Lent as the color represents penitence. It is also the color of royalty. The extreme differences between the two (humility and royalty) express one of the great lessons of Lent: Christ as the servant-king. In penitential theology, purple is the color of inward reflection, which is one of the things we are called to do each Lent in preparation for Easter.

### Black



Black is used on Good Friday for cassocks and stoles, but not on the altar. The altar is stripped of all coverings. On Good Friday our Lord was crucified. We gather for one of the most powerful liturgies of the year. Here, we share the pain of the death of Jesus Christ.

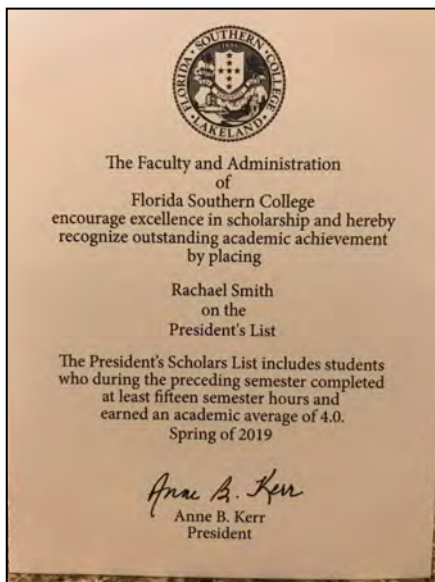




Pictures by Mary Snyder



Children's sermon on Pentecost Sunday



Rachel Smith earned placement on the college president's list.

## PATRIOTIC PINWHEEL

Create this colorful July 4<sup>th</sup> craft.

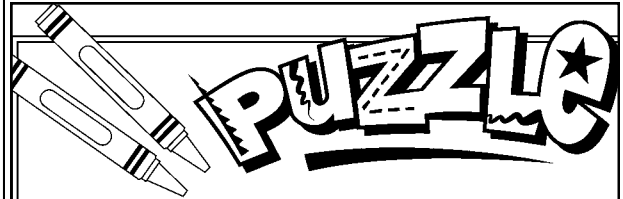
### What you need:

- Decorated card stock square (5" x 5")
- Scissors
- Hole punch
- 2 one-inch circles of card stock
- Glue
- Pipe cleaner (3 inches)
- Drinking straw



### What you do:

1. Fold the square corner to corner to form an X. Unfold.
2. To make spokes, cut the four creases until an inch from the center.
3. Punch a hole in the middle of the square, near the tips of each spoke, and in the middle of each circle.
4. Fold each spoke toward the center, lining up the holes. Glue in place.
5. Wrap one end of the pipe cleaner around the top of the straw. Thread a circle, the pinwheel, and the remaining circle onto the pipe cleaner.
6. Roll the pipe cleaner end into a ball. Then spin!

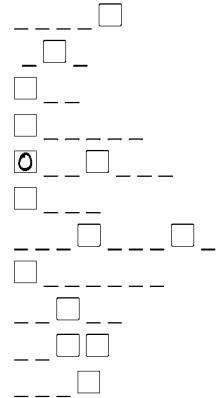


## GOD'S MORNING ROUTINE

Every new day, we wake up to blessings from God.

Directions: Use the clues to fill in the words. Then write the boxed letters in order below to complete Lamentations 3:22-23, NIV.

Brush these daily  
Do this to your shoes  
This rises in the east  
Cold breakfast food  
Hot breakfast food  
Talk to God  
Morning meal  
Extend your limbs  
Fruit drink  
Waffle machine  
Eat these scrambled or fried



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Because of the LORD's great love...  
never fail. They are  
new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

LAMENTATIONS 3:22-23, NIV

Answer: teeth, tie, sun, cereal, oatmeal, pray, breakfast, stretch, juice, eggs, his compassions

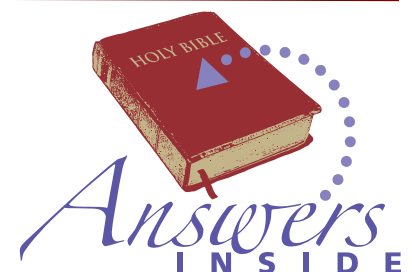


Summer

## Bible Quiz

During the dramatic experience when God called Isaiah to be a prophet, who or what filled the temple?

- 144,000 worshipers
- The bottom of God's robe
- Smoke
- Priests offering sacrifices



Answer: B and C (See Isaiah 6:1-8.)



# Daniel Smith Commencement

By Peg Reiley



Daniel and awards



Daniel and Peg Reiley



Peg, Daniel and Rachel.

So incredibly proud of you [Daniel Smith](#)! Graduated summa cum laude with a triple major - Accounting, Business and German. Received the Ridington Writing award for the best senior capstone paper (58 pages written in German) and the Award for Excellence in a Foreign Language. Is a college scholar, global fellow and a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Also received multiple other awards over the past 4 years.



## Faith Ishler

From Facebook



Lebanon Valley College

Faith Ishler Named to Dean's List at Lebanon Valley College

May 28, 2019

Faith Ishler of Lititz, Pa., is one of more than 650 Lebanon Valley College students named to the Dean's List for the spring semester. Dean's list students must maintain a GPA of at least 3.4 out of 4.0.

Ishler is pursuing a bachelor of arts in English at The Valley. Ishler is a graduate of Warwick High School.

Off goes my college senior to her communications internship at her own school, LVC. (It's a very internship-y week around here.)



Faith on her first day of internship at LVC.





We thank this parish family once again for your continued support of our efforts to identify just who we are and who we would like to become in the future so that we may be successful in our search for a new priest for St. Edward's. You have responded to the survey, participated in our conversations, and encouraged us in that way as well as with your kind words. Thank you!

We sense an increasing enthusiasm and energy for the task at hand as we continue to talk with you. We urge you to continue to be an active part of this process! We not only have identified some of the things that will strengthen our church, but we are already addressing some of those issues with plans to put into place now. Father Bateman has helped us to think about attracting and welcoming new people into our midst, and a number of efforts are already underway. It is important to note that our vestry and the discernment committee are in close contact and are very much in agreement on the matters that need attention.

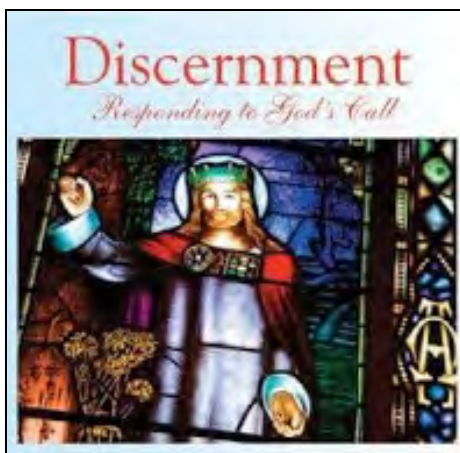
As a committee, we are in the process of writing the narrative that defines our parish to produce the Parish Profile that will be used to attract potential candidates. We hope to have that completed by the end of the summer. Once it is approved here and in the Diocese, the latter will send it out nationwide to see who thinks they would like to be part of our journey into the future.

Our contact in the Diocese, Father Dan Morrow, told us months ago to "trust the process", even if at times it seems challenging and time consuming. We believe that he, indeed, gave us good advice. The process is working in ways we did not even anticipate!

As always, please feel free to contact any one of us if you have a question, a suggestion or a concern.

Dottie Gschwend, Matthew Sternberg, Peter Weber, Bill Swiernik, Beth Lynch, Seth Hake, Susan Landin

## St. Edward's Search Committee Prayer



Dear God, Heavenly Father,

**You have blessed the St. Edward's faith community ever since you formed it in 1981. We give thanks to those who started this faith community, including some who are faithful even now. During this transition, lead us by the Holy Spirit as we follow the true path to a new rector. Bless all those who serve as leaders during this interim period. Provide our congregation with avenues to participate in the search process, since we are one body in Christ. May the peace of the Lord nourish us in our faith journey as we deepen our appreciation of each other and our calling to be in community. Amen.**



"Sometimes when you're in a dark place you think you've been buried, but you've actually been planted. Bloom!"

—Christine Caine



Coffee Hour

Thank you to the following parishioners who give their time, talent, and treasure to host our fellowship hours in June.

An idea that has been mentioned in our welcoming forums is during the summertime to have "Coffee Hour" hosts offer a light summertime fare of lemonade and cookies (no hot beverages). If this is a summer "Lemonade Days" type of fellowship you would like to host for your coffee hour, please feel free!

Thank you.

Gloria Kacinko

Stephen and Catherine Donohue

Ginny and Roger Kloepping

Mark and Barb Jakiel

Buddy and Liz Yeager

Mary Snyder

Carl and Carol Cotnoir

The Newsome Family

Dottie Gschwend

The Milligan Family

R.B. Mullineaux



# Community Fellowship Dinner

By Meredith Westgate



Amy Swiernik and Mike Freshwater



Catherine Donohue and Carol Cotnoir



Stephen Donohue

June 12 was a sunny, breezy day - perfect weather for good food and fellowship at the monthly community dinner. Twenty-something attended the evening and several people on their way out commented how much they enjoyed it. Please plan to come next month on July 10 at 6 p.m. for a Summer Picnic themed evening. Pack up your basket with paper plates and your favorite picnic dish to share. Challenging regular attendees to extend a personal invitation to someone you know or would like to know better to join you and our church family for dinner. All are welcome!



Amy Swiernik



Carol Cotnoir



Rosie Westgate



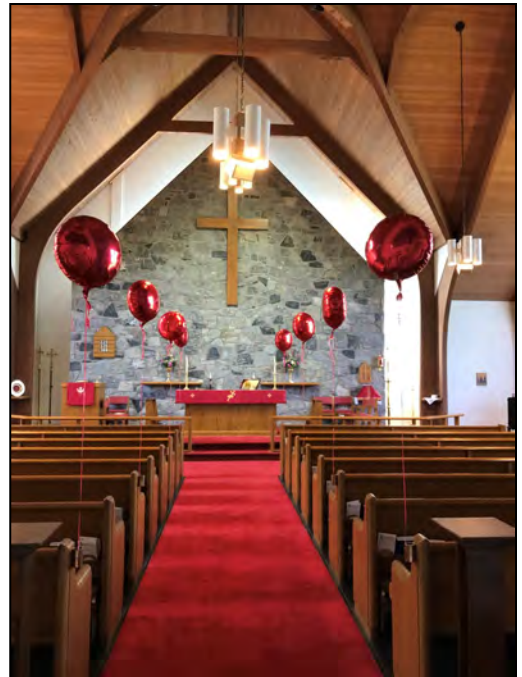


# Pentecost

Pictures by Mary Snyder



Pentecost Sunday June 9th found St. Edward's in the red, From the sanctuary, to the parishioners and including the choir and the praise band.



St. Edward's carries on their tradition of placing red balloons at the ends of the pews throughout the nave.



Dina Ishler and Amy Swiernik served as Reader and LEM for the 10:15 service.



The Praise Band always abides with great music!



Father Bateman processes into the church.





## In Loving Memory



It is with sadness that we report that Kathie Rodgers, a long-time member of St. Edward's passed away, on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.

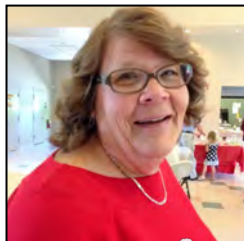
A funeral service was held at St. Edward's on Saturday, June 1st at 11 AM with a light luncheon following the service in the parish hall.

*Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord;*

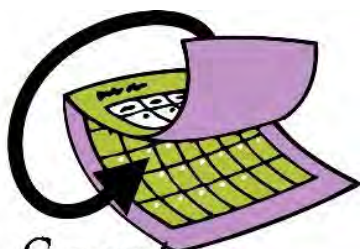
*And let light perpetual shine upon him.*

*May his soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

*Amen.*



## Summer Visits



*No Scepter  
in August*



We would like to invite people to bring back church bulletins from services they attended while on their summer vacations. Bulletins can be placed in Michelle's box "Office Secretary." Thank you. We hope you all have a wonderful summer break.



# Save the Dates!

By Michelle Bentley

There are many exciting things happening at St. Edward's starting in July through the end of the year. Father David and the vestry are excited to announce a full calendar of events, forums, and community fellowship meant to enrich, enliven and bring together our parish community and (hopefully) have each of us extend invitations to those who we know in our surrounding community to join us for worship and fellowship. We hope you will post this in your home. You can also check on the events through our web site and through Facebook for additions of outside speakers and new events.

## JULY

**07/10:** Community Fellowship Picnic Supper at 6:00 PM – Invite a friend or parishioner who has not attended! And bring “picnic food” – we will hold inside or out as weather permits.

**07/21 – 08/04:** Backpack and School Supply collection

**07/21:** Embrace Open House – Join us at 8:00 AM or 10:15 AM service for welcoming worship supporting our LGBTQ people of faith.

**07/28:** LEM Training 9-10 AM. All LEMs encouraged to attend to fulfill licensing requirements for your ministry.

## AUGUST

**08/04:** The Episcopal Home Mission Sunday – Bring in donations of personal care items for The Episcopal Home residents

**08/11:** LEV Training 11:30 AM. All LEVs

encouraged to attend to fulfill licensing requirements for your ministry.

**08/14:** Community Fellowship Dinner at 6:00 PM

## SEPTEMBER

**09/11:** Community Fellowship Dinner at 6:00 PM



**09/14:** Parish Picnic at Silver Spring Park (off of Marietta Avenue just past Silver Spring)

**09/15:** Christian Formation classes begin

**09/15 & 09/22:** Adult Forum series led by Father David: *The Stages of Transition* at 9:15 AM

**09/15 – 09/29:** Basket Auction begins and Trivia Night Fundraising Event Tickets go on sale in narthex

**09/29:** Combined Service Sunday at 9:15 AM with vestry *“Getting to Know You”* event following in PH

## OCTOBER

**10/05:** Trivia Night Fundraising Event, Dinner and Basket/Silent Auction drawings at

4:30 PM

**10/06:** Adult Forum led by Father David: *Transition: What Happens to Parish Leadership* at 9:15 AM

**10/09:** Community Fellowship Dinner at 6:00 PM

**10/20:** Cultural Event Series: The Rizetta Tones at 3:00 PM – Celtic Music

**10/20:** Special Forum – Outside Speaker TBD at 9:15 AM

**10/27:** Sweaty Sunday – prepare our parish for fall/winter – Tentative Date – Stay tuned for details

**10/27 & 11/03:** Adult Forum led by Father David: *What Every Episcopalian Should Know* at 9:15 AM

## NOVEMBER

**11/10:** Cultural Event Series: Wonderful music performed by Amy Yovanovich and Donna Burkholder Recital at 3:00 PM

**11/13:** Community Fellowship Dinner at 6:00 PM

**11/17:** Special Forum – Outside Speaker TBD at 9:15 AM

**11/24:** Advent Wreath making and Devotional between the services and can continue after 10:15 service.

## DECEMBER

**12/01:** *Prayer Book Meditations for Advent* Forum led by Father David at 9:15 AM

**12/01:** Cultural Event Series: The Lancaster

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## Embrace Open House at St. Edward's – July 21st



LGBTQ community with open and affirming worship and fellowship, especially at St. Edward's.

*man being; women and men serve as bishops, priests, and deacons in our church. Laypeople and clergy cooperate as leaders at all levels of our church. Leadership is a gift from God, and can be expressed by all people in our church, regardless of sexual identity or orientation.*

*We believe that God loves you – no exceptions.*

As we follow in the steps of “What We Believe” as Episcopalians, St. Edward's is taking the opportunity to invite people who may have abandoned their faith because of prejudice they may have faced in other congregations, and to offer a local “safe space” for people of any identity and/or orientation by opening our doors to welcome and affirm the LGBTQ community members.

On Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup> we will be part of the Pride Week Open Houses in partnership with Embrace, a local organization supporting Lancaster's LGBTQ people of faith. We will be joining many other churches in the Lancaster County faith community in the hopes that we can connect members of the

### As is highlighted on our The Episcopal Church website:

*We Episcopalians believe in a loving, liberating, and life-giving God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As constituent members of the Anglican Communion in the United States, we are descendants of and partners with the Church of England and the Scottish Episcopal Church, and are part of the third largest group of Christians in the world.*

*We believe in following the teachings of Jesus Christ, whose life, death, and resurrection saved the world.*

*We have a legacy of inclusion, aspiring to tell and exemplify God's love for every hu-*

On June 12, 2019, during Pride Month, our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry offered his statement that honors LGBTQ Episcopalians, which you can read by clicking this link below or visiting the St. Edward's website on the “What We Believe” page.

### [Presiding Bishop's Pride Month statement honors LGBTQ Episcopalians](#)

We hope you will join us on July 21<sup>st</sup> at your worship service of choice – 8 AM or 10:15 AM and coffee/fellowship hours, and show our brothers and sisters of the LGBTQ community what a welcoming and faith-affirming parish St. Edward's is and will always be.





**We donated 140 pounds of food in May.**

**Requested items for June:**

Canned pears  
Cereal  
Oatmeal  
Canned tuna  
Canned spinach  
Canned green beans  
Canned corn  
Canned peas  
Cream of chicken soup  
Cream of celery soup  
Canned chicken broth



Sunday June 23rd Finn Milligan Presents food for Father Bateman to bless.



## July/August

## Back To School Drive



### By Ellen Milligan

The drive will begin on Sunday, July 14 and the last day to donate will be Sunday, August 4.

The supplies will be distributed by the Landisville Food Pantry, ensuring that families at or below the poverty line receive the supplies. Hempfield resumes

school on Aug. 22. We are concluding the drive in early August to ensure that the food pantry can distribute the supplies before the week that school begins.

The list, which I have attached, is the same as last year's list minus scissors.

We have had a great response to this collection and hope that this year's drive will be successful.

Any and all contributions are appreciated. Anything from a pack of pencils to a backpack will help a local student be prepared for school.

If you have any questions contact: Ellen Milligan <[ellenmilligan@rocketmail.com](mailto:ellenmilligan@rocketmail.com)>

### SHOPPING LIST:

Backpacks (for all ages)  
#2 pencils  
Elmer's Glue Sticks  
Crayola Crayons -24 pack  
Large Block Erasers  
Expo Dry Erase Markers  
Plastic Pencil Box  
Highlighters  
Post-it Notes (3x3)  
Colored Pencils  
Pens  
Fine-tip Sharpies  
Hand Sanitizer  
3 Ring Binders  
Dividers  
3x5 Index Cards  
Ear Buds/Headphones  
Rulers  
3 Hole Paper Punch

Monetary Donations are gladly accepted. For checks, please write 'School Supplies' in the memo line.





# Craft Project

By Donna Holwager



Want to join a new “Hearts and Hands” project for the holidays?

Do you quilt, sew, knit, paint, make greeting cards or ornaments? Are you interested in creating (and donating) saleable items that can be added to the already successful annual cookie sale? Or, are you skilled in marketing and can help to spread the word in the community that we will be offering small gift items as well as scrumptious baked goods? If yes, we’d love to hear from you so, everyone interested can begin to create items to contribute. One caution, if we donate something and it does NOT sell, we need not be dis-

couraged, but rather to focus on our purpose: Doing our very best to bring in our neighbors, so we can introduce them to our St. Edward’s community. “Our Utmost for His Highest” (remember that devotional book?)

Look for “Hearts and Hands” registration forms by the mailboxes soon. Let’s see what God has in mind for this project! Questions? Contact Donna Holwager (717) 892-1331 or by email @ ddholwager@aol.com.

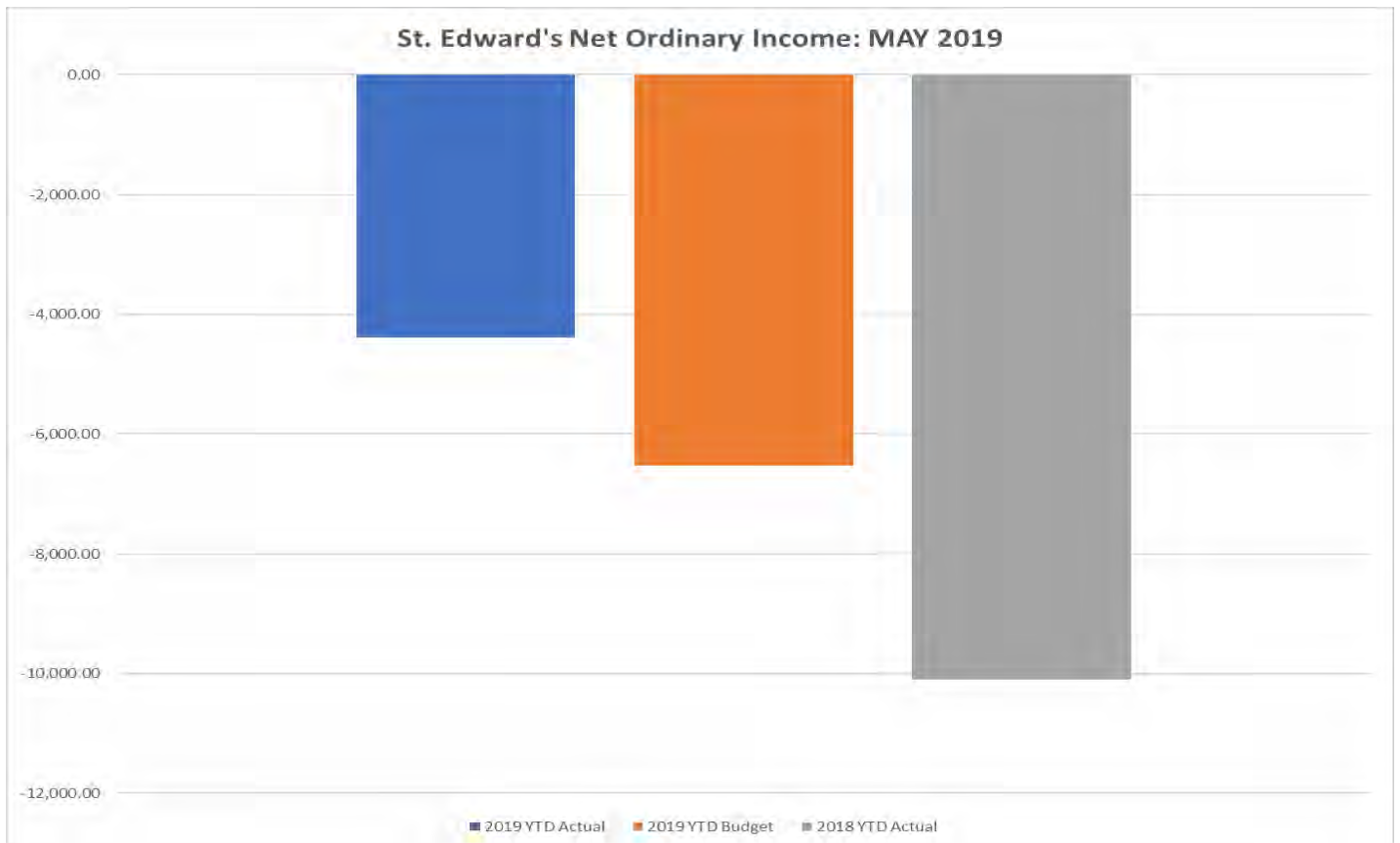
## Financial Report

By Kevin Milligan

### Finance Committee

On behalf of the Vestry, I would like to provide a brief snapshot of the Parish’s financial situation. We are doing better than we expected and better than we were at this point last year. In this year of transition, that is positive and welcome news. Nonetheless, we are in a deficit position and encourage parishioners to prayerfully consider helping to close that gap. As you can see in the accompanying chart, while

we are currently running a deficit of approximately four thousand dollars, our budget projection was that the deficit through May would be approximately six thousand dollars. In comparison, last year through May we were running a deficit of approximately ten thousand dollars. The generosity and faithfulness of the Parish are evident as we emerge from Stephen’s retirement and work to call a new priest to Saint Edward’s. We thank you for your continued support.









Contributed by Mary Ann Franck

This notice can now be found in many French churches:

En entrant dans cette église, il est possible que vous entendiez l'appel de Dieu. Par contre, il n'est pas susceptible de vous contacter par téléphone. Merci d'avoir éteint votre téléphone. S'il vous plaît, si vous souhaitez parler à Dieu, entrez, choisissez un endroit tranquille et parlez-lui. Si vous souhaitez le voir, envoyez-lui un SMS en conduisant.



Translation:

It is possible that on entering this church, you may hear the Call of God. On the other hand, it is not likely that he will contact you by phone. Thank you for turning off your phone. If you would like to talk to God, come in, choose a quiet place, and talk to him. If you would like to see him, send him a text while driving.

by Glen Bentley



Incredibly, nine years have passed since Woody (voiced by Hanks), Buzz Lightyear (Allen) and the plaything gang last did their irrepressible bit, but the intrepid buddies have lost none of their rubbery bounce. And so it is that after an 007-worthy opener, off they trot on a road trip with their new-kid custodian, Bonnie (Madeleine McGraw), and her folks. Alas, the ride goes horribly awry when toy newcomer Forky (Hale), who has drastic self-esteem issues despite being Bonnie's current pet, ungraciously does a runner. Woody, being Woody, sets off in valiant pursuit, only to be hijacked by another child. Meanwhile, Buzz is circus fodder after a failed rescue and retrieval of his right hand. Toys! Is there no stunt they're not up for?



Not in this alternaverse! First-time director Josh Cooley is all over colour and movement as Woody's on-the-road reunion with a sassy Bo Peep (Potts) clears the stage for a cluster of damaged souls: pretty-creepy dolly Gabby Gabby

(Christina Hendricks) is hungry for a love for which the leering ventriloquist dummies who do her bidding are a poor substitute; scratch his diminutive surface and Canadian motorcycle stunt rider Duke Caboom (Keanu Reeves, upping his cool quotient even further) is a blustering mess.



It's a foregone conclusion that the good guys will come through at whirlwind speed, jazzed by a heaping of snappy repartee. And if the ankle-biters in the audience aren't up for the nuances of that, there's always the next-level animation and the bigger picture, with its emphasis on loyalty and love...

Any film with a 4 in its title won't be messing with a failsafe formula. Woody and the team are a big ol' bunch of softies, and fans of their daredevil antics are bound to feel instantly at home. Who cares if they've seen the likes of it all before? The safety zone of old friends is a haven for the ages.

## Save the Date cont'd.

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Chamber Singers present an Evensong with The Reverend David Bateman as Cantor and Officiant at 4:00 PM

**12/07:** St. Edward's Annual Christmas Cookie Sale and **(NEW)** Crafts – 8:00 AM

**12/11:** Community Fellowship Dinner at 6:00 PM

**12/15:** Special Forum – Outside Speaker TBD at 9:15 AM

**12/15:** Lancaster Chamber Singers concert

at St. Edward's - A wonderful holiday musical event (not a part of our Cultural Event Series with separate ticket sales on their website & at the door) at 3:00 PM.

**12/29:** Combined Service Sunday at 9:15 AM with vestry **"Getting to Know You"** event following in PH

# SAVE THE DATES!



# Vestry Retreat

Pictures by Leslie Arnold



Mt. Hope Church hosted the Vestry Retreat. A report of the work done, and some fun activities is found on Page 3 in the letter from Meredith Westgate , Senior Warden.



Father Bateman, Dina Ishler, Mark Jakiel, and Ellen Milligan.



Dina Ishler during the Scavenger Hunt team building activity.



An angelic posture under the rose window.



Dina Ishler and Ellen Milligan



Herb Johnston creating a "spooky cemetery" picture, in the Garden of Hope



Scavenger Hunt



# Vestry Retreat



Julie Hoff and Herb Johnston following the Scavenger Hunt clues!



Our vestry members have a great sense of adventure and fun! Meredith Westgate, Mark Jakiel and Herb Johnston, along with Julie Hoff and Bill Swiernik really got into the thrill of the clue seeking. A great way to get to know each other on retreat.



Bill Swiernik, Chad Linder, from the Diocese, Mark Jakiel, Herb Johnston, and Ellen Milligan engaging in some of the very hard work the vestry puts in on retreat to bring back to our parish. We thank them for their ministry!



Father David taking a break during our "quiet time" reflections.



Ellen Milligan, Dina Ishler, Julie Hoff attending the vestry business meeting during retreat.



Bill Swiernik and Father Bateman listening to Chad Linder discuss stewardship, planned giving, and endowments - all important aspects in securing St. Edward's legacy.



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**The Reverend David  
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**Patrick Ishler, Choir Direc-  
tor**

**Karen E. Waddill, Organist**

**Elizabeth Yeager, Nursery**

### Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday:  
10 AM – 4:30PM

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### Vestry (year term ends)

- ✦ **Michael Freshwater  
(2021)**
- ✦ **Julie Hoff (2022)**
- ✦ **Dina Ishler (2020)**
- ✦ **Mark Jakiel (2021)**
- ✦ **Herb Johnston(2021)**
- ✦ **Susan Landin (2020)  
Secretary**
- ✦ **Ellen Milligan (2022)**
- ✦ **Bill Swiernik (2020)**
- ✦ **Meredith Westgate  
(2020) Sr. 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

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