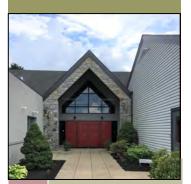
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Reflection From the Rector's Desk

By The Reverend Richard C. Bauer

There's something about the summer that floods my memory with images of years gone by, folding time just

to enough me tease with an imaginary pathway toward a home that used to be. When the shorts and the t-shirts come out, the hot days draw my mind toward South Florida, where I was blessed to grow up along sunny that shores constantly reminded me of the beauty God's of

creation. For forty years, the warm waters of the Atlantic were for me, a place to float in contemplative prayer and to listen for the whispers of the Spirit in the rolling waves. Without even being consciously aware of it,

I believe that I first heard my "call" to ministry as a young man quietly taking in the warm ocean breeze, up to my waist in frothy saltwater. And so, as



"Is there a warm beach, a child born, or a new beginning that takes you back to a place worth remembering? When did you feel most surrounded by loving goodness, by an experience of the Holy Pause. Reflect. Smile. Breathe."

the summer takes its hold, my mind wanders back onto the beaches of my youth; where I step into the ocean and feel the washing of the water come over me like our baptismal rite. Somehow, I can still feel the push and the pull of that distant tide in my body.

As we celebrated Father's Day with our first in-person services to-

> gether, the warmth and the excitement of that occasion filled mv heart with deep gladness, and it felt perfectly appropriate that lections invited us to lift up the relationship dynamics that we're called to explore as disciples of Christ.

Indeed, as the apostle Paul reminds us: "We have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too

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share through our Lord.

new beginnings, our celebration felt might invite you to think back on rather like the fresh ocean air that moments in your own lives where I've remembered so fondly from my the tides of God's grace washed youth, and it drew me back to when over you. Is there a warm beach, a my son Ricky was born. With "A child born, or a new beginning that Day in the Life" by the Beatles play- takes you back to a place worth reing from my iPod in the delivery membering? When did you feel room, he was placed on the heated most surrounded by loving goodscale before me and I stood over ness, by an experience of the Holy? him as he clasped my pointer finger Pause. Reflect. Smile. Breathe. in his tiny right hand and opened his May we each find reminders this eyes for the first time. As our eyes summer of just how much beauty met, in that instant, I remember what and love there is to be felt and seen felt like a gentle electrical shock in this world. And may our Father pulsing through my body. Fully in heaven engulf each of us, like the formed realizations dawned on me warm South Florida waters, in the there; and with needlepoint preci- comforting connections that we sion, two concurrent pledges were share in Christ as His Body alive written upon my heart. I said, out and at work in the world. Every loud to the baby before me: Blessing, "Anything you need is yours" and to our Maker: "I will commit the rest of my years on this earth in the service of your Kingdom in response to this gift."

Looking back on that special day, I could have never imagined that I would be blessed to meet Ricky's little brother Christian in similar

fashion two years later. couldn't have possibly envisioned might walk in newness of life." We that the pledge of service I made to have been rescued from the state of our Lord would bring my family and separation in Holy Baptism, and the I all the way here to Lancaster to return of our in-person worship so share in the life and ministry of St. perfectly represented something of Edward's. The grace of it all just that newness of life in which we baffles my mind and humbles my

There together, marking momentous I wonder if these reflections of mine

Father Rick+



In Memory



Dear friends,

It is with sadness that we inform you that long -time parishioner, Marge Sieghardt, passed away, peacefully, on Sunday, June 14th, at home, surrounded by her closest family. Over the years, Marge was an active parishioner at St. Edward's, serving on vestry, as well as on the finance committee

Marge was buried at a private graveside service on Tuesday, June 16th.

Please keep Marge, her two daughters, Kate and Liz, as well as her grandson, Wyatt, in your prayers.

May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in реасе.

Father Rick +

Marjorie had a very interesting life before she came to Lancaster. If you haven't read her obituary you can read it at:

https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/northjersey/ obituary.aspx?page=lifestory&pid=196363693

Information

Parish Office Hours

Monday- Friday: 10AM - 4:30PM

Parish Administrative Assistant: Michelle Bentley

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Production Staff:

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.

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By Meredith Aul Westgate Senior Warden



May slid into June and June is about to slide on into July. In spite of no Wednesday fellowship dinners, cultural events, work days, and a multitude of other activities that normally take place at church, time keeps flying by. Now well into my second year serving as senior warden, my job has, so far, gotten easier. When I call or email Father Rick to make a suggestion or ask how something is coming along, he has already thought of it or is already "on it."

Building renovations – both those scheduled and the sudden emergencies (of which there were quite a few) are complete, thus easing the pressure on vestry. New challenges have arisen, not the least of these is moving from Sunday services as we knew them for the last 30 odd years to recorded services for a month or so and now to You Tube Livestream on Sunday mornings. Father Rick brought

a wealth of knowledge about technology to the table. With Michelle's assistance, he got the camera rolling. He has installed a new sound system and figured out all the logistics of getting the right angles and recording the various parts of the service and putting them in smooth sequence. If you're wondering who is operating the camera during the service - it's Father Rick!

Aside from the live broadcast of the 10:15 service, Father Rick and Michelle wrote and presented a very thorough reopening plan that was approved by Bishop Scanlan. Michelle and Rick organized all of the necessary logistics: social distancing seating, temperature takhand-sanitizing stations, inclusive service bulletins, and everything else that went into opening our doors on June 21. You may not know that on the afternoon of Friday, June 19 (after working all day to make sure the service would go 'without a hitch,") the modem was not transmitting signals properly and much of the work was lost. Rick began again, working to get the system up and running again until 7:30 that evening. Then, on Sunday morning the app on Rick's phone did not work properly. He had to use remote control to manage the camera all while he was celebrating the service.

In addition to managing all the changes brought about by Covid including starting his ministry at a new church without the presence of parishioners, Father Rick has worked hard to find ways to connect. He has had a phone or zoom conversation with just about everyone in the parish as well as the committee chairpersons. He has tried to incorporate parishioner suggestions in the services. Not shy of manual labor, he single-handedly filled in the hole in the memorial garden, which took four hours on a hot afternoon.

Wednesday services will resume on July 8. Father Rick and Michelle have reconfigured the space in the Parish Hall to make it a more contemplative setting.

At Vestry, Mark Jakiel reported that we are down about \$18,200 YTD, but pledges are coming in regularly, which is both essential and appreciated. The Paycheck Protection Program will assist us with paying three months of payroll expenses as our employees have stayed on and continued to work through quarantine.

As per Rick's request, Vestry voted to use funds donated in memory of Larry Hess and Martin Cosgrave to purchase vestments, hangings and frontals for "ordinary time" in the church seasons.

Vestry also approved a \$500 expense to repair the woodpecker holes in the parish hall and prevent further damage. We asked Michelle to get an estimate on siding as woodpeckers apparently are persistent and simply move on to drilling holes in other parts of the building. Mark Jakiel volunteered to inspect our

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Military News

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

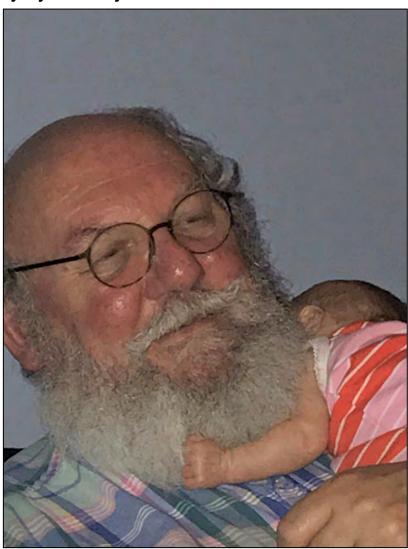
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- **★**Benjamin Jenkins
- **★**Drew Johnson
- **★** Anthony Koser
- **★**Alex Kube
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Babies, Baptisms and the Beard

By Rayelenn Casey



Emma has a good grip on the beard.



Finn Hughes January 2008

Anyone who attended baptisms at St. Edward's between 1998 and 2018 will recall that Every Baby Went for the Beard. And now Fr. Stephen's own granddaughter Emma has joined the ranks!



Christian Breneman June 2018

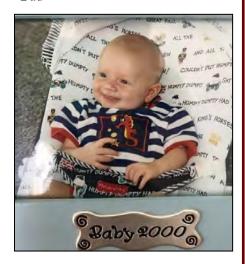


Beckett Odin Roberts February 2017 "So today, in church, a guy in a dress tried to drown me. And, I kid you not, my family just stood there taking pictures!"

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From Facebook

Happiest of birthdays and years to you Carter Ishler... twenty years today at 4:18pm. We are so proud of you always and are grateful for the ways we shape each other's lives. Enjoy your day and the new Yeti... enjoy the outdoors, live big and seek God in all places and people. Love, Mom and Dad







GREAT SUMMER GAMES

Though this year's Summer Olympics were postponed, you can host friendly neighborhood competitions.

What you need:

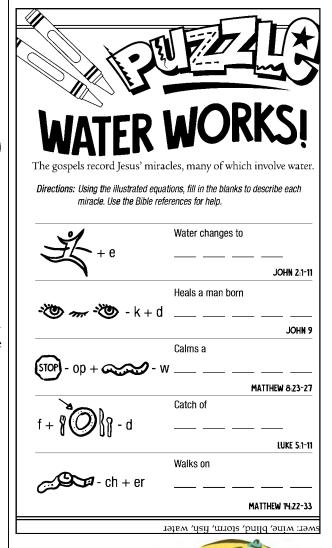
- Masking tape
- Large craft sticks
- Paper plates
- Balloons
- Ribbon
- Scissors
- Green construction paper
- Craft glue

What you do:

Balloon Badminton: Make rackets by taping a stick "handle" to each plate. Blow up and tie a balloon. Use the rackets to pass the balloon back and forth, without letting it touch the floor.

Rhythmic Routines: Using tape, firmly attach one end of a 4-foot ribbon to a craft stick. Display style and skill by waving it around. Try choreographing a routine to a praise song.

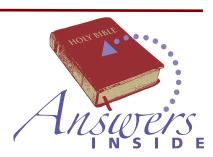
Champion Crown: Cut a large hole out of the center of a paper plate. Cut 2-inch ovals from green paper. Glue those "leaves" to the ring as garland. Crown a winner of each game!



Bible Quiz

What seemingly small act did Jesus specifically say would be rewarded?

- A. Giving a child a toy
- B. Giving a lost traveler directions
- C. Giving someone a cup of cold water
- D. Giving a sad person a hug



Answer: C (See Matthew 10:42.)

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gutters so that, if necessary, we can get them cleaned.

Last month I stated that we had resolved our issues with Mr. Kreider, the farmer who uses our land on the other side of the friends. Please stay in touch with one anstream, however, I have since learned we are not quite there yet. Mr. Kreider returned the unsigned contract with a letter As I draw this letter to a close, I'd like to voicing some concerns, particularly about our stipulation that he must carry liability insurance. Bill Swiernik, Father Rick, and I had a conference call with the attorneys and we are working on a final resolution.

ed that, as a parish, we donated 121 pairs thankful for the usher/safety volunteers of shoes to the Soles for Souls project at from the usher ministry who have stepped St. John's. Ellen Milligan, vestry liaison up and helped enable us to reopen. Our to Christian Ed, reported that Leslie Ar- church grounds and the memorial garden nold has sent out some activities for Sun- have been faithfully tended by a group of day School students (available on the volunteers under the direction of Ginny Christian Education page on our website) Kloepping. I hope I haven't forgotten anyand is planning some fun fall activities. one! With heartfelt gratitude, I especially Julie Hoff is working on re-establishing a want to acknowledge the enormous Memorial Fund Committee to record dona- amount of work and attention to detail that tions and recommend items to purchase. Rick and Michelle put into opening our The Sanctuary Art Committee, so far condoors! It is remarkable to think that a few sisting of Father Rick, Michelle, Julie months ago, we would not remotely have Hoff, Catherine Donohue, and I will meet had the capability to record services or air via Zoom in the next few weeks to begin them live. to research appropriate and affordable art. If you are interested in helping out with this, please contact me or Michelle in the parish office.

With building renovations complete and our new rector on board, vestry has begun to turn our attention to the future. Recognizing that we have little cash reserves, we are looking into organizing a capital campaign/building fund so that we will be ready to meet foreseen and unforeseen expenses. In the near future, we know that we need to have the air vents cleaned at an estimated cost of \$11,000. They have not been cleaned since the church was built. The parking lot needs to be repayed to the tune of \$50,000. Vestry was tasked with creating and prioritizing a list of needs for discussion at our July meeting. So far, suggestions include replacing the carpet in the sanctuary, installing a monument in the memorial garden, landscaping the garden, replacement of exterior doors in the parish hall, establishing a new playground area, and art for the sanctuary.

Of course it will not be "business as usual," come September. Our activities may look different, but will happen! We are brainstorming ideas for events such as a social distancing version of the annual

basket auction. Michelle has a community cookbook in the works.

We have moved to "green," but please keep in mind that some members of our community remain isolated. Pick up the phone - call your "buddy" and your

recognize some "doers." Thanks to Mike Freshwater for attending to painting and repairs, and to Randy Westgate for removing all of the prayer books, hymn books, and bibles from the sanctuary pews. Patrick Ishler and Karen Waddill have faith-Beth Lynch, Social Outreach chair, report-fully provided music for services. I am

> Our next vestry meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 21. If you have questions or concerns you would like us to address, please call or email Father Rick or any vestry member.

> I wish you all a safe and most enjoyable summer.



Aid Bin Update

By Michelle Bentley



We continue to earn passive fundraising proceeds from our Community Aid bin. Typically, St. Edward's earns approximately \$400 per year from this one bin as we are compensated for the weight of soft goods that are deposited in the

While we encourage people to support Community Aid with all of their donated goods, the program of Community Aid partners pennies for pounds relates to soft goods only.

Why is being a partner with Community Aid so important? It helps serve our wider community, with its merchandise offerings and as a local employer.

St. Edward's also has a program with them where those who are in need can contact the parish office to request a merchandise card in a \$25 increment to purchase clothing at their store. This is so very helpful when St. Edward's has those requests come through our door.

Community Aid also has a grant program for their partners. St. Edward's can apply for a grant during one of their 2 grant periods each year for funding projects with purpose that help our wider community or improve our spaces in ways that can serve the wider community. An example is we applied for a grant to help the Hempfield Area Food Pantry serve their weekly meal. Unfortunately, due to COVID19, the grant program was temporarily suspended, but we hope to reapply next year which will allow us to "pay it forward" by providing ministry to the HAFP in expanded ways.

One reminder: Please do not place your donations outside of the bin. Bin pick-up is typically on TUESDAYS. Did you know that any donations left outside the bin are considered trash and Community Aid must spend their funds to haul and dispose of these "wasted" donations. So, please be kind and if you see the bin is full, either hold off on your donations for a week, or take them to the donation drop -off on Good Drive and Columbia Avenue.

We thank you for your support!

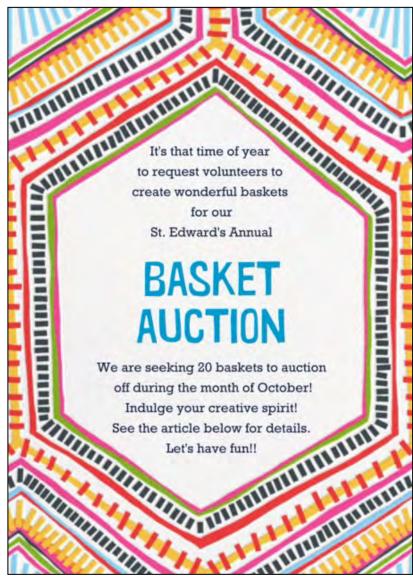
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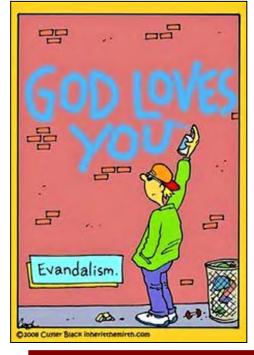
Basket Auction

By Michelle Bentley

We are starting to create our baskets for our fall Basket Auction. . .but we can't do it without you! We are seeking people to create 20 baskets for our fall fundraiser, the details of how we will produce the event will come in September. What we need now is to have your creative spirit to make one of our wonderful baskets for 2020. In the past 2 years, we have focused on food baskets, as it seems they are popular for bidding on and for this year, they are an easy way to create a basket without going to different stores. So many choices to create: wine, craft beer, snacks, baking, salads, picnics, desserts, chocolate, teas, coffees, ice cream, cookouts, and, of course, we will have baskets for the young (and young at heart) with a variety of gift cards. I know I have my two baskets picked out and ready to fill! Please contact the parish office via email and let us know if we can count on you! We have all summer to be creative, and, as in the past we are requesting baskets be delivered the week of September 21st. We will wrap, ribbon, and tag them for you.











By Irene Achey

Cyd Lucci, who attends the Wednesday Healing service, made this happy sunflower mask for Irene Achey. Cyd attached a lovely prayer.

We also wanted to share this prayer we found for times of pandemic.

Jesus Christ you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness". At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus. Heal those who are sick with the virus; may they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another. Be present with those in authority who are making hard decisions. Support the medical professionals, emergency responders and our caregivers. In you name Jesus we pray. Amen.

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

Send articles and announcements to: HJ Miller@outlook.com



"Every saint has a past. Every sinner has a future." -Stanley Hauerwas



Bible Study Zoom meeting

By Bill and Yvonne Gasperetti

to a time when we can come together clude you in our meeting invitations. Our again in person at the Church; but, for next meeting is Wednesnow, we will via ZOOM.

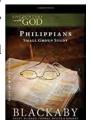
We are well into our lessons in the study guide for Saint Paul's letter to the Philippians. However, do not let not having a copy of the guide dissuade you from joining us – many of our discussions are (717) 459-3222.

sparked and stimulated by extemporaneous comments within the group. If you Bible Study is continuing throughout the would like to join, please send a request Summer months. We are looking forward o bgasperetti@att.net and Bill will in-

> continue to meet day, July 1st at 6:30 PM, then July 15th and 29th.

> > Feel free to call or email with any questions.

Bill and Yvonne:



Newsome Family

Picture by Christina McLaughlin



Brian, Braden, Barrett and Susan Newsome on their final Sunday Service. See more pictures from that service on pages 16-19.

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No Man's Land



Looking for a volunteer (s) to pick up bread on Mondays at Columbia Weis to bring back to the pantry! One person could do every Monday OR could "split" with one, two, three or four other volunteers...each take one week of the month! Pick up time is 8-8:30 AM. Please contact Beth Lynch if you are interested in volunteering and she can pass your name along to the Food Pantry to see where the need is (along with other volunteers from other churches)

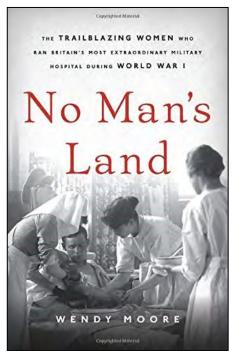
Also, as you may be hearing in the news, food pantries are stretched thin of supplies to meet the growing need in our communities to provide for our food poor. Many of us are so fortunate to sit down at any time during the day to a bountiful table, while so many in our community struggle to provide even just one healthy meal a day for their family. We continue to accept monetary donations to help the HAFP, made payable to St. Edward's, with a memo notation of "food pantry." Thank you!



by Libby Sternberg

When I was growing up, all the doctors in my life were men. I first encountered a female physician after having children. Our pediatrician at the time was a wonderful woman who combined medical science with an artful understanding of being a mother herself. She was a blessing.

The way for her and other women doctors was paved by physicians like Louisa Garrett Anderson and Flora Murray, the two physicians at the center of *No Man's Land*, an informative look at how difficult it was for women to be accepted in the male world of medicine.



The two women came of age during the UK suffragette movement of the early 1900s, with Anderson even serving jail time for some of her protesting activities. This was how these doctors met, in fact, during suffragette meetings and protests. They soon became friends and professional colleagues, eventually living their lives together as a couple.

Shut out of hospitals where staff appointments were controlled by men, they started their own together, a small facility catering to women and children, an area to which most women doctors at the time were relegated, regardless of their expertise.

Then...World War I began. While the suffragette movement was put on hold, Murray and Anderson hoped that they could finally be accepted by male colleagues and

join the fight to save lives.

It still wasn't easy. They had to battle stiff resistance among hidebound medical officers and prove themselves by setting up their own hospitals in France, financed by donations, many of them from sister suffragettes.

Impressed with their work, Alfred Keogh, the most senior physician in the British Army at the time, asked them to set up a facility in London, the Endell Street Military Hospital. From spring 1915 to the end of the war and beyond, Murray and Anderson ran the hospital with a staff of all women, even female orderlies. Murray's organizational skills had the facility humming in record time, and Anderson's surgical skills meant they operated on a record number of patients per day during high casualty initiatives at the front.

All physicians, including Murray and Anderson, had to grapple with new wounds caused by new killing machines. No clear-through bullet holes but grisly shrapnel injuries resulting in fractured bones, mustard gas burns that scorched lungs, shell shock, and the ever-present infections that might take a life in an era before antibiotics.

While women gained a (limited) right to vote during this period, the struggle for female physicians persisted. Men returning from the war pushed out women who'd been handling their jobs. And male doctors' attitudes about women rebounded to their original peevishness, shutting out female physicians once again from staff positions.

This lasted a long, long time, as my child-hood attests, when almost all doctors were men and women were nurses. Societal change is a hard slog, and *No Man's Land* demonstrates how difficult it is to change minds and hearts even when evidence of change's benefits stares one in the face.



Saturday Social Coffee Hour



Hi all- Faith and I were out and about yesterday and took this mask pic. We're all aware there's some anxiety about wearing them and how it will feel to be together again, yet masked, so we took it to share our willingness to wear them so we can safely gather in protective and loving ways. Patrick and I had originally thought it would be fun for a bunch of folks to take mask pics and share them as an encouragement to gathering in person while wearing them, on Facebook, in the Scepter, etc.

It also clearly shows my quarantine hair and it's good to remember we're all in that situation together (well, maybe except Patrick (4) (4))

Just a bit of levity amidst it all.







Digital coffee hours are being hosted by Christina and Joe McLaughlin. You will need a zoom app on your phone, tablet, laptop or desktop computer. You will need a join code and password. These are published in each Thursday's e-mail

If you have any questions, Christina has offered to please give her a call and she can help! Her number is 717-415-7043.

What to Bring: Your coffee and something interesting to share with others!





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Donations



Tabor accepts many in-kind gifts (donations of items). Our office is open 8-5, Monday through Friday, and Tabor has parking for those dropping off donations, baskets, and kits. Please call first to make sure there is nothing going on that would prevent you from using the parking area. If you have any questions, contact Phyllis at (717) 358-9383 or pstacks@tabornet.org.

Needs lists for a variety of services can be found at:

https://www.tabornet.org/in-kind-gifts

Baskets: 4 terrific ways you can help our community and bless the lives of families experiencing homelessness. Tabor provides baskets and kits to meet specific needs for its clients. Preparing the baskets or kits can be a great project for your office, youth group, school class, church group or other organization. Simply complete each basket or kit with the list of items for that project and drop by Tabor's offices at 308 East King Street in Lancaster.

1. A Bright Hope Basket contains a laundry basket containing: dish & laundry detergent, window cleaner, mop & broom, sponges, paper towels, furniture polish, floor cleaner, bleach, toilet bowl brush & cleaner.

Given to families transitioning from homelessness to their new home. Families usually have to clean before moving in & are often not equipped with the supplies, while purchasing would stretch a limited budget. Help families overcome this obstacle.

2. A Diapers for Tots Basket includes a baby bath, bibs, bottles, clothes, 2-3 packs of diapers, pacifiers, teething rings, 2 packs of baby wipes, assorted jars of baby food, formula, toys.

Given to families transitioning from homelessness to housing with infants. Diapers for Tots baskets are a tangible way for you to help families with infants rebuild their lives. Some groups choose to fill a play pen with diapers & other baby items.

3. A First-Time Homebuyer Kit includes a toolbox with hammers, nails, screwdrivers, wrenches, a measuring tape, a flash light (and batteries).

Soles 4 Souls



By Beth Lynch

Thanks to everyone who donated shoes for Soles 4 Souls. We were able to send 121 pairs of shoes with St. John's Episcopal Church's donation

Given to low-income families who work with Tabor to find & purchase their first home. It is the little items that are often overlooked when preparing to move into a new home. These kits are an opportunity for you to help families begin their new lives.

4. *A Budget Learning Kit* includes an accordion file folder, a highlighter, calendar, calculator, pens, pencils, pack of envelopes.

Given to families after they have completed a Budget Learning class that helps them to live within their limited resources. bills on time & clean up debt. *We ask that each of the items be small enough to fit in the file folder so they can be easily transported.

School Supplies



By Ellen Milligan

The secretary at Landisville Primary said that they could use the following items this fall:

crayons pencils

glue sticks

black dry erase markers, fine point red dry erase markers, fine point notebook paper, erasers

colored paper

folders without clasps tissues

hand sanitizer.

It was stressed that the 'bare essentials' will be needed.

Cash donations may also be made by making a check payable to St. Edward's and writing 'school supplies' on the memo line.

Fr. Rick stated that we will stage an area inside of the building to take up our collections in July and arrange for a bin drop-off for those uncomfortable with entering the shared space.

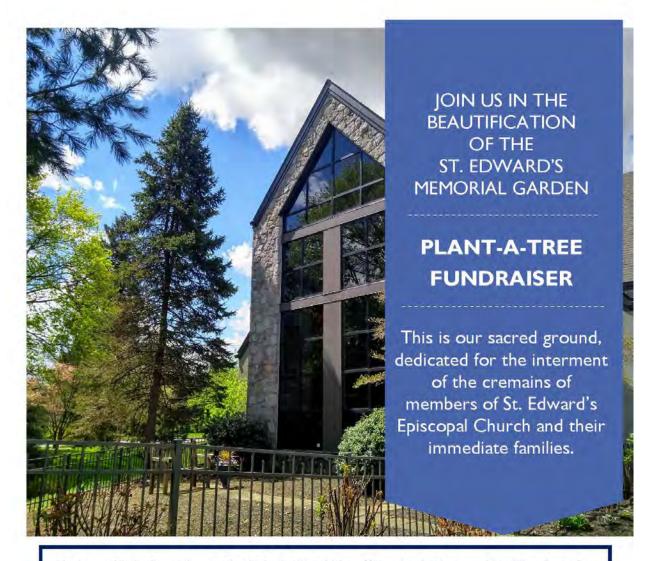
The collection will begin on July 19 and wrap up on August 9.



Thank you for your continued support to the Hempfield Area Food Pantry evidenced by your recent generous contribution of \$400. It is contributors like you who confirm the mission of the pantry. . . to serve those in our community who are struggling to feed their families.

The food pantry is in need of volunteers to pick up bread once a week and deliver it to the Food Pantry in Landisville. For further information see the article on Page 9.





The Memorial Garden ministry, under the leadership of Ginny Kloepping, has been working diligently on their phased plan to make improvements and to beautify the St. Edward's Memorial Garden so that the garden is a welcoming space for reverent visitation, remembrance, and prayer.

Father Rick is very much involved in shepherding the faithful members of this important ministry, in their careful and prayerful planning in creating a space that honors our loved ones, while also envisioning the future of the garden.

In the first phase, the committee is focusing on: Planting a green wall of arborvitae between the neighbor and the perimeter fence to protect the privacy of our peaceful environment. Secondly, to find the proper surfaces/elements to move the plaques from their temporary space inside the sanctuary so that they are rightfully displayed in the garden itself. Thirdly, to clean up the 2 pine trees surrounding the memorial garden and in consultation with a wood sculpture, explore ways the trees can be recycled, with proper artistic direction, to create a cross sculpture outside of the garden that would embrace the entire space.

What are we asking of you? For you to prayerfully consider a Memorial Gift during the months of July-August (and beyond), so we can meet our goal to raise funds for our Plant-A-Tree project, to create the green wall, by September. Each tree is \$150 and we are raising funds for 20 trees. Can we count on you? Buy an entire tree to plant or part of a tree! Please send your check, payable to St. Edward's, with the memo line "Plant-A-Tree." We are grateful for your ministry and thank you for your support.

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May 30th Wedding of Marielle Donohue and James Todd



Keeping St. Edward's Lovely



Photos by Mike Freshwater and Michelle Bentley

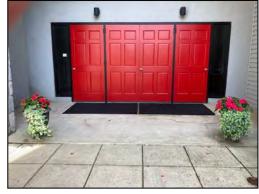
Many parishioners, came to tend to our garden spaces with weeding and pruning. Thank you to Ginny Kloepping for organizing this ministry and to Mike Freshwater, Barb Jakiel, Kiki Davis-Brugmann, Barbara Schultz, and Dottie Gschwend (my apologies if I missed anyone, but know that your work is so very much appreciated.

Mike Freshwater decided to "attack" the basketball hoop area of the church property in June. His tree limb trimming, repainting of the hoop and installation of brand new net makes it primed and ready for when we can get back together and have the kids play during fellowship. And, not to be outdone by all of Mike's hard work on our outdoor property areas, Father Rick got into the act and helped spruce up the Memorial Garden area with some of the larger labor-intensive chores we had on our list.

Thanks, Father Rick!! And, thanks, Mike Freshwater. And thanks to all who continue to come in and weed and prune our landscaped areas. They look great! If anyone has a special knack with tending to the Knockout Rose bushes, they could use some tender loving care. You may not know, but that was a wonderful ministry of Rose Dixon's and unfortunately it is not a ministry that she can continue. So, if you are interested in caring for them, please let the parish office or Ginny Kloepping



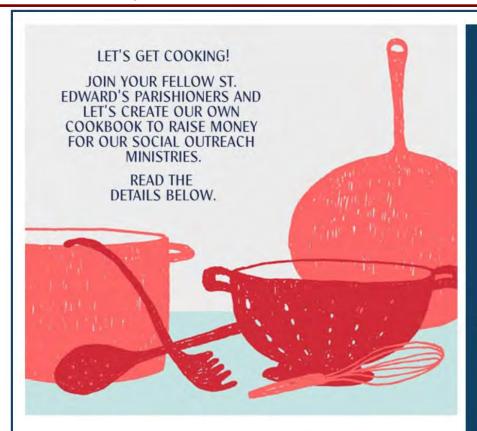








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WHAT DID WE DO THIS SUMMER?

We are launching our own St. Edward's cookbook! In this summer of Covidtide, where we cannot meet for in-person ministry, we thought a wonderful way to stay connected to each other, while answering our call of ministry, in a way that can raise money for our social outreach, would be to engage our parish in creating a cookbook. St. Edward's has always been known for the "laying on of the food" and now is our chance to share that love!

Over the next 2 months, we are seeking your favorite recipe submissions: Appetizers/snacks, drinks, smoothies, main dishes, salads, side dishes, soups, sandwiches, desserts – the sky's the limit. But...it is not just a cookbook. It is a book created with the love, talent, and interests of all of us! We have so many great artists, musicians, writers, photographers, so with your recipes, if you wish, submit a piece of your creativity, or a favorite prayer, meditation, or even a YouTube video of a hymn or piece of music you like. Because the book will be designed in a digital format (with printable options), we can insert public domain YouTube videos. Once the cookbook is compiled, we will work for ways to share and request a suggested donation to support social outreach.

St. Edward's Episcopal Church

Cookbook

2020

DIGITAL & PRINTABLE

Submit your favorite recipes by September 1st

Artistic submissions too!

Poetry, meditation, prayer, photography, drawings and painting

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Christmas in July

By Donna Holwager



What will Christmas season look like at our beloved St. Edward's church???

Will tradition find its way?? Will there be a cookie/craft fundraiser this year??? There are no answers available right now, but there's one thing we know for certain...Christmas will mean gifting in our individual lives with family and friends. What better gift than something handmade and crafted with love??? So now is a great time to think about making something that would add to our craft fundraiser IF we have one: think ornaments, handmade gift cards, placemats, napkins, table runners, jewelry, cozy knitted items such as hats and mittens sets ...let your imagination run

wild. What if there will be no cookie/craft sale this year? Well, then, we will have created some wonderful gifts for our own family, friends, teachers, neighbors and pastors! So, let get those creative juices flowing! July is a SUPER time to begin! Questions??

Suggestions? Call Donna Holwager or Carol Cotnoir.



Welcome Ministry



By Mike Patrone

As we look back thru the last couple of months to March, our lives have changed in ways we never thought possible. Church cancelled, the way we shopped changed, no haircuts or beauty salon trips. The list goes on and on.

One thing did not change though. Our belief in God got stronger and stronger because through Him we have come to where we are today. We now have come to that stage in our parish life where the pews are starting to be filled, even though there is social distancing and masks are worn. We see our fellow parishioners in person or thru the computer or tv for those not ready to make that leap yet and for many it will come. Our Bishop gives us guidance and so does our rector. Keep the faith+

Dressing for Pentecost



Mary Snyder and Jodi Good









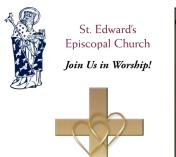
The Stauffer Twins. The Casey's grand-daughters.



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Wednesday Noonday Service

Starting July 8th, we will be "re-opening" our Wednesday Noonday service of healing. We have created a chapel area in the parish hall and we will also be printing the service bulletin, for your convenience, so that we follow diocesan protocols of not using our prayer books, for now. We have also put in place proper distancing with our chair arrangement so people can be seated in every other chair and we will have all of the health and safety elements to make your worship time at St. Edward's welcoming and peaceful. Please remember to wear your mask and enter and exit via the parish hall door. We look forward to worshipping with you!









Friday Evening Prayer Service

Please join us for our virtual service of clude an office hymn or anthem, the Gen- The Zoom link and join code are below: tor, Patrick Ishler.

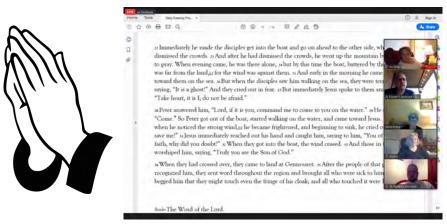
Evening Prayer, on Zoom, on Friday eve- eral Thanksgiving, a Prayer of St. Chrysnings at 7:00 PM, led by our choir directostom, and a concluding sentence of scripture.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86327105082

Ever wonder, what is Evening Prayer in We will be showing the text on screen, Join Code: 863 2710 5082 history from episcopalchurch.org library:

One of the principal Daily Offices. Evening Prayer has been the title for the Evening Office in Anglican worship since the 1552 revision of the Prayer Book. Evening Prayer may begin with an opening sentence of scripture and with the confession of sin. The Invitatory may include the canticle Phos Hilaron, an ancient hymn praising Christ at the lighting of lamps at sunset. The office continues with a selection from the Psalter, readings from scripture followed by canticles (typically the Magnificat and Nunc dimittis), the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, a set of suffrages, one or more collects, and the dismissal. Evening Prayer may also in-

the Episcopal Church? Here is a little each week, to make it easy to follow along. And, if you have a Book of Common Prayer, you may start on page 115.



Screenshot of a recent Friday Evening Prayer Service

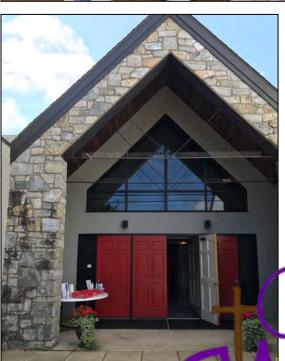
Pictures by Mary Snyder and from the Live Feed



Michelle shows some of the many, many preparations that were made so that we could open safely.



The camera and a new speaker that made the Livestream possible.





Everything was ready inside and out.





We had a full, socially distanced, congregation.

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Opening Day



Karen Waddill playing the organ made everyone know we were back.



Patrick Ishler's solos added so much to the service.



Father Rick was so happy to welcome the congregation to his first live service at St. Edward's.



The first eucharist since the covid 19 lock-down was lifted. It involved, just the Host, masks and social distancing.

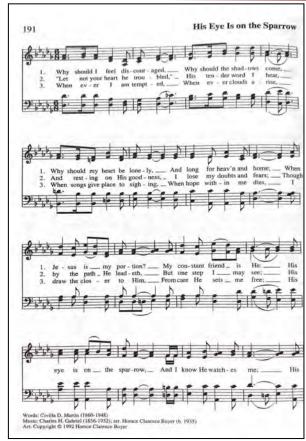


Fr. Rick handled the remote for the Livestream camera.



Patrick's Solo a Lovely Match to The Gospel





You can hear the solo as part of the opening day service: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MsS8VHnup6 I&feature=youtu.be

The Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said to the twelve disciples,

"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

"For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

"Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it,



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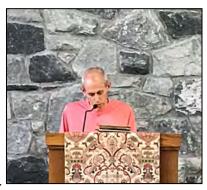
St. Edward's Says Goodbye to the Newsomes

Pictures by Mary Snyder





Susan lead the responsive reading of Psalm 69: 8-11, [12-



Brian led The Prayers of the People

Braden read the First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7



Barrett, who's shirt matched the Ordinary Season color green, read the Second Reading: Romans 6:1b-11



On our first day of covid 19 services, we bid the Newsome family a fond farewell as Braden, Barrett, Brian and Susan look toward their exciting new horizons in Georgia.

By Christina McLaughlin

We had ice cream at Scoops in Mountville with the Milligan's, the Newsome's and Dottie for the Newsome's departing.



Paul McLaughlin, Braden Newsome, Griffin and Maeve Milligan, Barrett Newsome



Dottie Gschwend



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Monday-Friday: 10 AM – 4:30PM

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<u>Vestry</u> (year term ends)

- **†** Catherine Donohue (2023)
- Michael Freshwater (2021)Secretary
- Julie Hoff (2022) Jr.Warden
- Mark Jakiel (2021)
- Herb Johnston(2021)
- Ginny Kloepping (2023)
- **†** Beth Lynch (2023)
- Ellen Milligan (2022)
- Meredith Westgate(2021) 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