

September 2020



ST. EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# Scepter



## Reflection From the Rector's Desk

**By The Reverend  
Richard C. Bauer**

As we look toward to a Fall unlike any other before in the life of our parish, we'll be exploring new ways to engage and to grow in our faith with sensitivity toward the ongoing call to socially distance for the health and safety of our community. We simply cannot, in good conscience, share community dinners and enjoy our wonderful choir on Sunday mornings until a vaccine abates the risk of spreading Covid-19 in our church. But no matter how much we are forced to change this Fall, cultivating our faith as individuals and as a parish (in order to appropriately respond as Christ's Body alive and at work in our community), will remain at the center of our identity and of our mission.

Given how much we've been forced to limit our face to face interactions

Conventional wisdom bids us to mindfully consider the company that we

keep. It's been said that we're essentially the average of the five people we spend the most time with, and many of us have told our own children: "Show me your friends and I'll show you your future." Indeed, we recognize that our relationships (like clay in the potter's hands) form and shape us

### Don't wish them bad-



### Wish them consciousness.

*"Perhaps wolves can take the form of sheep and serpents can fly like doves when the love of God penetrates the darker corners of our natures."*

here in 2020, it's interesting to ponder how our Christian witness must also adapt here in Coronatide. As our social circles constrict by necessity, I wonder if we might ponder together, the social distancing of our own making...when there is no pandemic for us to worry about.

as we journey through the seasons of our lives. With thanksgiving for the people who nurture us, we cultivate (ourselves) the ability to go into the world and pay something of God's love forward in the lives of those we meet along our paths. But we all, undoubtedly, also come to experience inter-

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

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actions with other people that aren't so positive. People can be divisive, destructive, and even dangerous. Hurt people often hurt people. Sometimes it's all too easy to sense the troubling truth of our Lord's words to us in Matthew 10:16: "See, I am sending you out like sheep in the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves."

I often wonder about the relationship at work between the extremes: the way in which humanity reflects the image and likeness of God's goodness made known to us in Christ, juxtaposed against the manner in which we're all capable of incredible cruelty, selfishness and evil in the world. It's as if there is a wolf in every sheep...a serpent in every dove. And I'd like to think that something of this speaks to the company that Jesus kept when he walked among us. Our Lord was often criticized for "eating with sinners and tax collectors" and for daring to touch the "unclean" while often criticizing the religious authorities of his time. Perhaps one of the most important things that our Lord teaches us about the company we keep, is just how nuanced the mix of good and bad truly is in the human person. We're often disappointed by our religious leaders and those in authority, and we're often surprised by the moral compass of those from whom we expect little. Sometimes the Emperor has no clothes and "the least of these" is none other than God in the flesh. Maybe that's why Jesus invites so many on the fringes to sit with him at table. Perhaps wolves can take the form of sheep and serpents can fly like doves when the love of God penetrates the darker corners of our natures. And maybe this trust that something of God's goodness rests in the

core of all fallenness, waiting to be called forth by God's healing love, explains why Jesus seemed to disregard conventional wisdom with the company he kept.

The vision for radical inclusion that we find in our Gospel challenges us. It calls us to authentically rejoice in the wideness of God's mercy. It's no easy task for any of us to genuinely want for the salvation of our enemies, but this is precisely what we are being called into as Christians. Tending to the poor, lifting up the lowly, and anticipating salvation for the separated, we are sent out into the world as ambassadors of the Way of Love. The end to which our Lord directs us, is nothing short of the vision of our sharing in the heavenly celebration that takes place for the redemption of even (and indeed, especially) the hurt people who have hurt people. Such a radically forgiving and inviting heart takes time to cultivate...but maybe Covid-19 is the perfect time for engaging such a discipline. This Fall, it is my hope that we'll all make a commitment to share in robust Christian Formation together. We'll be rolling out opportunities to learn more about our shared identity as Episcopalians in the month to come, invited into book study and conversation around systemic racism, and we'll be exploring the implications of my research at Duke on the neuroscientific warrants for Christian meditation. As we dig in for colder weather, continuing to walk in love together at a distance, may we use this season to grow in this faith that still promises to change the world. Peace be with you friends,

Father Rick+



Please join us for our virtual service of Evening Prayer, on Zoom and Facebook Live (Dina's page) on Friday evenings at 7:00 PM, led by Dina and Patrick Ishler.

It is a lovely, peaceful way to end a week. The text will be on screen, to make it easy to follow along. And, if you have a Book of Common Prayer, you may start on page 115.

The Zoom link and join code are below:

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

Join Code: 863 2710 5082



## Information

### Parish Office Hours

Monday- Friday:  
10AM – 4:30PM

Parish Administrative Assistant:  
Michelle Bentley

### Scepter

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.**

By Meredith Aul Westgate  
Senior Warden



Vestry did not meet in August, taking its first month off in two years. It was, I'm sure, a much appreciated break for all. We have, however, been in touch via email to vote on pressing issues and make plans for September. Julie Hoff and I have also met with Father Rick to stay on top of any important matters.

One such matter was what to do about our 5th Sunday single service which would have taken place on August 30. While Father Rick was open to holding a single service outdoors, several concerns were raised which led us to decide NOT to have a single service at this time. A key reason was that we felt our inability to mingle with one another defeated the purpose of the single service, which was to build community be-

tween the attendees at 8:00 and those at 10:15. Father Rick has assured us that we will resume this still fairly new tradition when Covid 19 is over.

Speaking of 5th Sunday, I have been in touch with Father Bateman. We had originally invited him to come back for a proper "farewell" at our 5th Sunday in June, then August. Recognizing that many of you who especially want to see him are not able to come to church in person right now, we have postponed yet again until the next 5th Sunday (November 29). He appreciates our desire to have him back when we can do so safely, and has tentatively put that date on his calendar. He and Diane recently returned from a four-week 8,000-mile road trip in a rented RV, passing through 19 states, some of which they had never visited, and "it was a truly wonderful trip." He closed by saying that "I wish the best for everyone at St. Edward's and keep you all in my prayers."

The Memorial Garden has been a top priority this summer and is progressing nicely. It has been amazing to see the community rally to support this cause with such generous financial support.

Cultural Events has held a couple of meetings also, trying to find creative ways to safely bring some "culture"

to our community this fall. I hope that our on-line concerts, just about one per month, will bring you some respite from not being able to attend such events in person – and I hope you will consider making a generous donation to help us pay these exceptional musicians. Besides sponsoring these events, the Cultural Events Committee is excited to offer a St. Edward's On-line Variety Show in partnership with the annual basket auction on October 24. Have you got a hidden talent or quirky hobby you could share? Please contact Michelle Bentley in the church office, or Cultural Events Chair, Patrick Ishler.

Building issues finally calmed down and were taken care of – or so we thought, until a new leak appeared in the ceiling of Father Rick's office which was especially concerning considering we installed a new ceiling, new carpet, new furniture, and had all the wall and ceiling spaces repaired and repainted. Fortunately, Joyland Roofing, the company we contracted, agreed to correct the problem and make necessary repairs at no charge to us.

I had hoped to be able to provide an update on our negotiations with the farmer who uses the property behind

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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

- ★Andy Lopez
- ★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







On Sunday, July 26th Father Rick baptized Lucy Louise Tilley, daughter of Ryan and Megan Tilley, in our chapel between our 2 Sunday services. It was a lovely family service for the Tilleys and brought joy to us at St. Edward's.



Megan and Ryan Tilley with Lucy



Ryan, Megan, Benjamin Hudson, Jessica Tilley and Lucy

## Social Coffee Hour



Every Saturday, since we have commenced in-person worship in June,

Christina McLaughlin has faithfully stewarded our Virtual Saturday Social from 9 AM - 9:40 AM on Zoom. It is a wonderful time for parishioners to connect and check in with fellow parishioners. We are considering alternative times for our coffee/social hour, in the weeks after Labor Day Weekend. But, we want to hear from you! If a coffee/social hour is something you would participate in during the fall, please email the parish office by September 11th and let us know which preference you have for a potential future social hour via Zoom. Please give us your top one or two choices only:

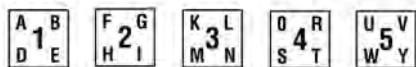
- (1) Do you like the current Saturday 9 AM time and will you participate in the fall?
- (2) Do you like the Saturday option, but 10 AM would enable you to participate more fully?
- (3) Would you participate if the coffee/social time was moved to Sundays at 12:15?
- (4) Would you consider a 4 PM time slot on a Saturday?
- (5) Would you consider a 4 PM time slot on a Sunday?

Thank you for letting us know how we can share fellowship with all of you, during this Covidtide.

# Puzzle!

Using the code, fill in the blanks to discover what we should do each day.

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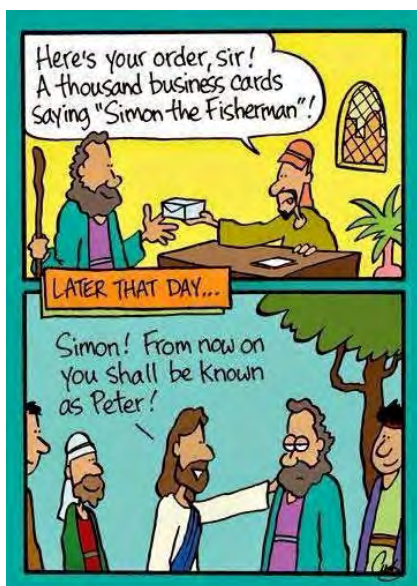
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Answer: Talk to God and listen for God. "Be still, and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10)



This cartoon was mentioned in Fr. Rick's recent sermon.

## Kid's Corner

### A BUSHEL OF BOOKS



Design a handy bag to tote your books this fall.

#### What you need:

- Plain canvas bag
- Cardboard scrap
- Acrylic paints (2 colors)
- 2 small paper plates
- Apple
- Knife (and adult help)
- Foam brush
- Scrap paper

#### What you do:

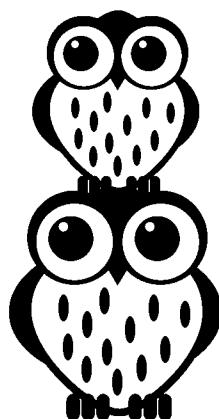
1. Lay the bag flat on a table, and place cardboard inside for protection.
2. Pour a paint dollop on each plate.
3. Slice the apple in half, keeping the core intact.
4. Brush a thin layer of paint on the cut side of an apple half. Practice making stamps on scrap paper. Use the other color on the other apple half.
5. Paint and stamp the bag with your final design. When dry, remove the cardboard.
6. Use the bag for school and Sunday school. Happy reading!



### WISDOM FROM THE WORD

God makes a special promise to people who study Scripture.

Directions: Arrange the word list in alphabetical order. Then write the circled letters in order below to complete Joshua 1:8, NIV.



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pencils \_ \_ \_ \_  
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student \_ \_ \_ \_  
kids \_ \_ \_ \_  
apple \_ \_ \_ \_

"... meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be \_ \_ \_ \_ and successful."

JOSHUA 1:8, NIV

Answer: apple, art, grow, learn, paper, pencils, pray, play, read, school, student, wisdom, prosperous



## Bible Quiz

Which of these was *not* one of the 10 plagues God brought against Egypt to persuade Pharaoh to let the Hebrew people go?

- A. an abundance of frogs
- B. the Nile River turned to blood
- C. the collapse of the pyramids
- D. thick darkness



Answers  
INSIDE

Answer: C (See Exodus 7:14-12:32.)



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the church to raise cows as a hobby, however an agreement has not been reached. Our lawyer and our legal advisor from the diocese are working to come to a resolution in the very near future – hopefully in time for the September edition of The Scepter.

Vestry normally holds a retreat in late May or early June. It was postponed due to Covid, but is rescheduled for September 19. While we have met in the parish hall at Hope Church for the last several years, we've decided to stay "home" this year. We hope to meet outside. In the event of inclement weather, our parish hall offers much more space for social distancing than the Hope Church facility. If necessary, we can return home and Zoom from our living rooms. We will be gathering from 10-3:00 p.m. to get to know each other better, hold our monthly business meeting, and share a time of spiritual growth and meditation. If you have any items that vestry needs to address, please contact me or Father Rick prior to the retreat.

This has been a most unusual summer with more staying in than going out, less social interaction, less travel, and more on-line and Zoom everything. I hope you found new and interesting things to do and the time to get around to things that have been awaiting your attention. I hope it has been a time of personal growth and recognition of people and things that really matter. I miss seeing all of you on Sunday mornings or at the Community Fellowship Dinners or at ministry meetings, adult forum, other social events, or in-person bible study. Have faith - they will be back!!

Include your news and announcements in the next Scepter.  
Due date for October will be:  
**September 20th.**  
Send articles and announcements to:  
HJ\_Miller@outlook.com



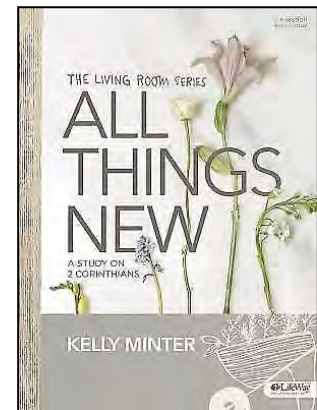
A light moment during a recent Bible Study

## By Bill and Yvonne Gasperetti

Session 3 of our Contemporary Bible Study ZOOM Meetings will begin on Wednesday, September 9th from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM and continue every Wednesday thereafter. Participants in previous sessions have found the meeting discussions to be interesting, relevant to today's world/local events, and a great forum in which to connect with St. Edward's Church members. The Study Guide for Session 3 will be:

All Things New, A Study On 2 Corinthians by **Kelly Minter**.

As long as COVID-19 protocols and restrictions remain in effect, meetings will continue to be held on-line until



virus restrictions are lifted.

For information and an invitation to the ZOOM meetings, please contact Bill (bgasperetti@att.net) or Yvonne (ygasperetti@gmail.com).



"Every tomorrow has two handles. We can take hold of it with the handle of anxiety or the handle of faith."—Henry Ward Beecher

## Basket Auction



We have a wonderful selection of 23 baskets for auction this season! From wine to books; games & puzzles to tea; craft beer to gift cards and so much more!

We think it may be our best selection ever!

Stay tuned, towards the end of September, for our auction catalog and instructions on how to bid on baskets for this year. Let's FUNdraise!

## Welcome Ministry



**By Mary Snyder**

please contact Julie Hoff at 717-898-6037.

As we keep moving forward in this "new normal" we want to welcome all who have returned to the sanctuary for worship and to all who are joining via live stream. We are settling into a new routine of masking up and social distancing in the pews. We are thankful for the time we can be together to worship.

Although we are still unable to meet at the church there are numerous chances to meet on Zoom. See the Daily email for details. If you are not receiving the daily email please contact Michelle in the office at 717-898-6276.

We would like to extend an invitation to anyone who may be interested to participate in the service by reading. Please contact Carol Cotnoir at 717-569-4918. Also if you are interested in participating in alter guild,

Thank you to all who are giving of their time and energy to keep things going. if you have any ideas or suggestions please contact Mike Patrone or Mary Snyder



## Parishioners Helping Parishioners



**By Beth Lynch**

St. Edward's is a community that has always shown their generosity by helping those in need in Lancaster and the

World. On October 3rd we will have an opportunity to help each other in our own parish. The Social Outreach Committee will be hosting a day of giving. The pur-

pose of this day is to assist parishioners that need help with yard work, small house repairs and/or cleaning projects.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the work. We are also asking that anyone in need of these services reach out to the committee chair, Beth Lynch or fill out the form in the bulletin and leave it in the box in the narthex.

Here are a few ideas that we are able to

help with:

**Yard Work:** leaf raking, pulling weeds, mulching, planting,...

**House Repairs:** Sticking doors, dripping faucet, clog drain, filter changes, .....

**Cleaning Projects:** dusting high shelves, decorating for Fall, rearranging kitchen cabinets, ...

### Parishioners Helping Parishioners

Name:

Phone :

☐ I would like to volunteer on Saturday October 3rd.

☐ I could use some help. (Please explain below what help you may need.)



## Social Outreach

### School Supplies



**By Ellen Milligan**

The secretary at Landisville Primary said the school supplies were delivered today so the 2020 school supply drive is officially complete! 😊 Attached are a few photos from this year's efforts. Hopefully covid will be behind us next summer and we can once again do some group shopping. I learned this morning that Landisville Primary is K-3 as well as special needs Kindergarten. Hence the heavy emphasis on crayons and pencils. The staff was very thankful for the supplies. I'm sure many parents will be as well.

Peace, Ellen



### Feed My Starving Children Rescheduled



Feed My Starving Children is rescheduled for the weekend of 10/23-10/25.



Last year's crew from St. Edward's.

### Clothing Repairs



The Social Outreach Committee is offering to assist parishioners with a clothing repair service. If you need buttons replaced or a hem fixed or a patch ironed on let us help, etc. Place your clothing items in a bag and a note with your name and repair requests and place in the narthex in the marked basket. You will be notified when the repairs are complete.





# Food Pantry



## By Beth Lynch

We are so thankful for all of the monetary (and food) donations to our local Hempfield Area Food Pantry. Current food requests are:

- One or 2 pound packages of rice,
- Canned fruit (no fruit cocktail but no Mandarin oranges)
- Canned tomatoes
- Canned peas,
- Canned kidney beans,
- Canned soup (no chicken noodle)
- Cereal.

If you would like to donate food, please bring on Sundays and drop in baskets in the narthex. If you would like to donate food and do not come to services but would like a curbside drop-off, please call the parish office to make arrangements. We want to make certain we are here to accept your donation.



*A Ministry of the Hempfield Communities*  
Located at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church  
85 East Brandt Boulevard, Landisville, PA 17538  
Monday and Wednesday 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM  
Phone – 717-898-2954

TO: St. Edward's Social Outreach  
FROM: Hempfield Area Food Pantry  
DATE: August 14, 2020

Thank you for your continued vital support to the Hempfield Area Food Pantry evidenced by your recent very generous contributions of \$600.00 and \$675.00! 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. Monetary contributions help to purchase food items at the Central Penn Food Bank in Harrisburg at below super market costs (many items at 24 cents a pound). Financial contributions also allow our managers to purchase food items on sale at local grocery stores and markets....such as eggs, fresh produce, meats, dairy products as well as other pantry supplies. From July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.... HAFP distributed about 157,000 pounds of food.

During the month of July....we served 148 families which included 166 children, 326 adults, 104 seniors for a total 596 people served... 5 new families were registered. Clients may visit the pantry once a week, either Monday or Wednesday. The majority of families visit the pantry every week. Currently during this coronavirus time, clients receive a pre-packed box of food items which is placed in their car trunk. Clients do not enter the building to select their food as is the "normal" way.

The success of this outreach to the Hempfield area is a total community volunteer effort with many local civic/service/social organizations, neighborhood groups, local businesses, Hempfield school students and staff, retired Hempfield teachers, private individuals, boy/girl scouts, nineteen area churches, postal employees, HARC employees, retirement communities, and many individual volunteers. Thirty-seven volunteers served 647 hours in July. The pantry operates with a full non-paid staff.

*Diane*  
Diane L. Gerlach, Vice President/Pantry Coordinator

*Thank you!  
Thank you!  
very generous!*

## Community Aid Bin



## By Michelle Bentley

One of the ways St. Edward's earns passive fundraising income is by participating in the Community Aid Bin Partner Program. For soft goods only, we earn 4 cents/pound that is collected in the bin. This generates approximately \$200-\$400 per year for our ministries. In addition to our bin earnings, because we are a partner, we are eligible to apply for grants each year for various outreach initiatives. This past spring, we had applied for a grant to enable St. Edward's to serve a meal at the Hempfield Area Food Pantry 6 times per year. Unfortunately, with the onset of COVID19, the business model of Community Aid has suffered greatly. They have been unable to issue grants through their program. Additionally, because of the incredible amount of donations that have been, literally, dumped at their bin locations, they have had to incur costs upwards of \$250,000 to dispose of what has turned intended treasure into trash. For Community Aid, they are reassessing each bin location and will let partners know if their bin needs to be removed (for now) due to this circumstance they have found themselves in. It appears our bin is quite active for this area (not just amongst St. Edward's parishioners) and while it would be great to have it stay, we may be told it must go. We will keep you informed with any updates.

# Shaped By Faith

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By Julie Hoff



The Diocesan initiative Shaped by Faith is asking all Episcopalians in Central Pennsylvania to participate in a brief online Anglican Identity Assessment. This can be accessed at the following website:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9G39Y5H>

We are asking each member of St. Edward's to support this effort and complete the assessment by September 15.

If more than one person needs to complete the assessment on the same computer, you will need to close the browser all the way back to the beginning before starting the second one. Otherwise, the computer may tell you the assessment has already been completed.

The assessments are automatically submitted to the Diocese where the results are tabulated and returned to individual parishes minus any identifying information.

Our Shaped by Faith team will be using this data as we proceed through the first phase of this initiative. Shaped by Faith invites us to explore, discover, and reshape our Diocese to serve God's mission with vitality and strength. We are presently meeting with the Lancaster Episcopal churches every two months to examine our future together. Projects will explore congregational vitality and values, financial sustainability, God's call in the neighborhood, and new models for being church. This will take place over a two year period.

In conjunction with this, The Stevenson School of Ministry is offering a number of online five-week learning opportunities on various topics. These are available for individuals, vestries, or parish teams through a no-cost voucher system. More information about these and the Shaped by Initiative is available on the Diocesan website: [dio-cesepca.org](http://dio-cesepca.org) Click on the menu button and select Shaped by Faith.

In the final phase of this initiative, we will celebrate our common story. Rooted in God, we will celebrate our heritage, learn from our history, and draw strength for our future!

We invite you to hold the Shaped by Faith initiative in your prayers and offer the following collect for Shaped by Faith:

**GOD OF WISDOM AND LOVE**, in whom we find our joy: Help us to listen for your word and to discern the way forward for our Church. Give us the insight to hold on to what is true, the courage to explore new ideas, and the boldness to create with you. Let us be Shaped by Faith for your mission; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. **AMEN**

Thank you for your support and participation in the Anglican Identity Assessment! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any member of our team.

St. Edward's Shaped by Faith Team

Father Rick Bauer, Julie Hoff, Herb Johnston

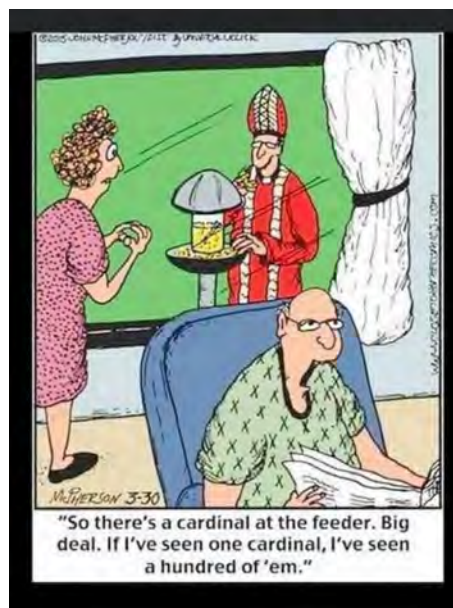
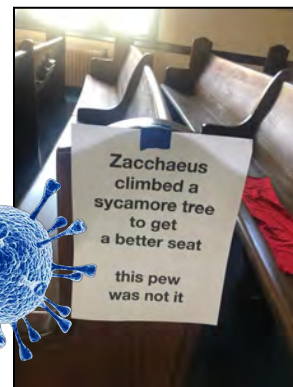
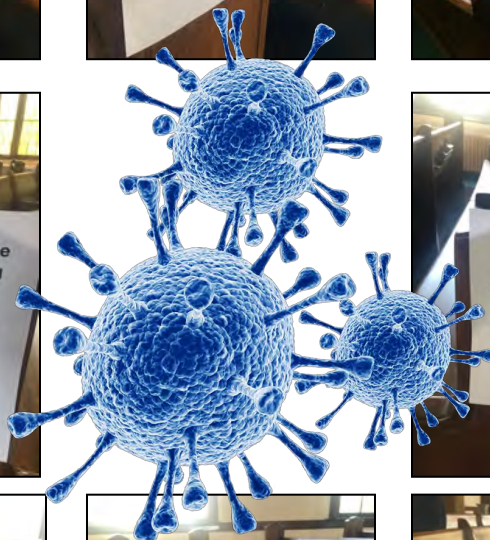


# Church Signs and Covid Pew Labels

From a spiritual standpoint, church signs are offering snippets of biblical wisdom, inspiration, encouragement and even a much-needed dose of humor during stressful times.

Creative messages include:

- ✦ Doors closed for now, but hearts remain open.
- ✦ 6 feet apart today is better than 6 feet under tomorrow.
- ✦ Shout Hosanna! But first step back 6 feet.
- ✦ Live, laugh, love, Lysol
- ✦ Jesus cleans the heart; we disinfect the pew.
- ✦ Join us: We have Jesus AND toilet paper!
- ✦ Standing together, 6 feet apart
- ✦ Social distancing will never stop love.
- ✦ 2020 was installed with a virus; come reboot!
- ✦ Free trip to heaven. Details inside!
- ✦ Searching for a new look? Have your faith lifted here
- ✦ If you're headed in the wrong direction, God allows U-turns.
- ✦ This is a ch\_\_ch. What is missing?
- ✦ Jesus answers all knee-mail.
- ✦ In the dark? Follow the Son.
- ✦ Exercise daily. Run from Satan; walk with God.
- ✦ Jesus died for us; let's live for him!
- ✦ Tomorrow's forecast: God reigns, and the Son shines.
- ✦ Looking for a church? You're welcome here.
- ✦ The Bible has the answers: "cleanse your hands." —James 4:8







you've got



The St. Edward's Fundraising Ministry in collaboration with the St. Edward's Cultural Events Ministry are excited to announce that our annual fundraising event will be a Variety Show/Take-out Dinner/Basket Auction Extravaganza! Set for Saturday, October 24th at 4:30 PM, via our YouTube channel, this virtual event is about FUN, community fellowship, and raising funds for the ministry of St. Edward's.

**We are looking for talent! All kinds of talent!** Are you a singer? Play an instrument? A comedian? A magician? Have a funny dog trick? A great science experiment or card trick? A poetry jam? If you can think it, we would love to hear about it! We need your talent and enthusiasm so we can bring laughter and fun to many in this time of Covidtide while we raise money! Join us in celebrating and sharing our many talents with others.

**Contact Patrick Ishler by September 15th at [patrick.ishler@sainteds.org](mailto:patrick.ishler@sainteds.org) so he can learn more about your talent and share with you how we will schedule and record your talent. Let's have FUN!**



**EAT  
DRINK  
BE MERRY**

JOIN US IN CREATING THE ST. EDWARD'S 2020 COOKBOOK!  
A WONDERFUL COMPILATION OF RECIPE FAVORITES  
COMBINED WITH ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS ALL TO BENEFIT  
ST. EDWARD'S SOCIAL OUTREACH MINISTRIES  
TO FURTHER SUPPORT OUR WIDER COMMUNITY OUTREACH.  
  
WE ARE ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS THROUGH OCTOBER 15TH!

We are continuing to craft our own St. Edward's cookbook!

In this season of Covidtide, while we cannot meet for in-person ministry, we thought this would be 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 ministry.

We are seeking your favorite recipe(s), or just your artistry, your creativity, or a favorite prayer, meditation, or even a video you created on YouTube.

The book will be designed in a digital format (with printable options). Once the cookbook is compiled, we will work for ways to share and request a suggested donation to support our social outreach initiatives.

**St. Edward's  
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**Cookbook 2020**

**Digital &  
Printable**

**Submit your  
favorite recipes  
by October 15th**

**Artistic  
Submissions,  
too!**



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# Memorial Garden



## From St. Edward's Web Site

We introduce you to our vision for the St. Edward's Memorial Garden with the Phase One beautification project starting in August of 2020, with a projected completion date in November 2020. Click on the gallery images above to view full page.

This is our sacred ground, dedicated for the interment of the remains of members of St. Edward's Episcopal Church and their immediate families.

The Memorial Garden ministry, shepherded by Father Rick, alongside the faithful lay leadership of Ginny Kloepping, and members Tony Bianco, Dottie Gschwend, and Nancy Oliver, 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, meditation, and prayer.

With careful and prayerful planning in creating a space that honors our loved ones, while also envisioning future phases of the garden, we have engaged professionals in the areas of monument creation; landscape design; hardscaping and walkway design; and expert artisans to preserve and transform our natural creations for future generations to feel at peace when choosing this sacred space as the final resting place for their loved ones.

Through the generous donations of St. Edward's parishioners, and loving friends of St. Edward's, we have raised \$21,000 to supplement funds in our Memorial Garden designated fund. We continue to extend our fundraising campaign to anyone who prayerfully finds it in their heart to donate to the most worthwhile stewardship of this space. All donations will be permanently memorialized in our records that are kept on display in lovely books in our sanctuary space.

## We share with you the wonderful components in this Phase One:

Trees to be planted, in memory of loved ones.

A wheelchair accessible walkway established directly from the parking lot to inside

the garden and the granite monument.

The monument, custom-made of Barre Gray granite, professionally seated on a permanent foundation, designed to have both a North and South side with lovely bronze perpetual plaques, flanked by beautiful artistic carvings of St. Edward and a Celtic cross (on both sides), as well as the Bible verse of Mat 11:28: *"Come to me all you who are weary, and I will give you rest."*

Custom-forged perpetual plaques, created by the same foundry as our name plaques, mounted to the granite monument that will match our individual name plaques, giving

us the ability to reposition plaques so family members can be listed together.

A 10' Celtic cross, designed and brought to life through the vision of a wood sculpting artisan, re-purposing our white pine at the garden's peak, gracing our entire space looking towards our sanctuary

A wonderful meditation rock garden space with benches and water feature.

Lush, professionally designed, landscaping that includes evergreens, flowering shrubs, and perennials.

The addition of a natural privacy wall of Skip (Schipka) Laurels along our property line between our neighbor and the garden.

The beautification and ground enhancement of the area between the Celtic cross and pine tree, providing additional space for visitation, contemplation, and interment.

As our work progresses in the next 3 months, we will be posting images of transformation!

If you would like to learn more about the St. Edward's Memorial Garden, please contact Father Rick, at [rector@sainteds.org](mailto:rector@sainteds.org), or the parish office.





# Music During Covid

**By Patrick Ishler, Choir Director**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Thursday, August 13, marked the beginning of the sixth month since we began this unusual era of COVID-19. When I think about the many losses we've all experienced and endured (many of these losses are ongoing), I cannot help but wonder how we will find the light within this darkness. Ways in which we will be

shaped or transformed by what we have experienced during this pandemic are important for us to reflect upon and consider as people who believe God is always about new life and wholeness.

One loss to which I can deeply relate is the necessary absence of congregational singing. I know many in our St. Edward's community and beyond who are lamenting this place of sadness. Those of us who enjoy and love singing can honestly say that we are affected by its absence; however,

it is not the loss of singing itself that we mourn, but the loss of singing together in holy community. Studies conducted since COVID-19 began show that singing is simply not safe whether in a church service, schools, community choirs, or any communal space. Singing together as a gathered community in a worship service binds us as one in a profound way at the level of our very souls. This singing and music-making creates a connection among us that nourishes and strengthens us, and we continue to long for it in this era; it is a fast we did not choose.

I want to share with you that I feel it is a holy privilege to be the cantor for our services at St. Edward's and I do not take this ministry lightly. As cantor, I invite each of you to join with me as I extend the Word through song to the community (in-person or virtually) by singing these songs of praise from your hearts and souls. During this time, we cannot create a joyful noise aloud together, but we can rely on the oneness we experience as a worshipping and sacramental community- one that extends across all boundaries of time and space to gather us in as one people in Christ's love- to unite and sustain us. In joy and sorrow, in praise and lament, music has been our communal voice since ancient times, and we eagerly await the time it will again be a part of our shared worship. Until then we hold this loss, as we do all losses, in our prayers and love, relying on God's steadfastness to ever be our guide.

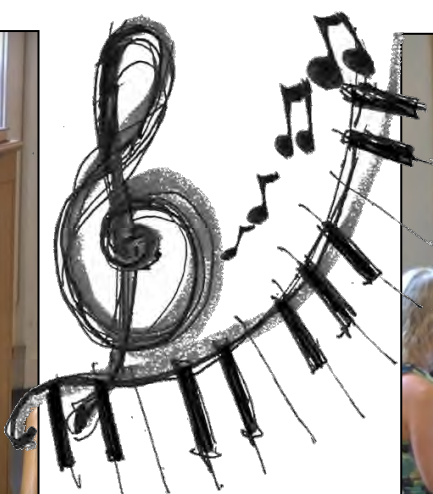


Patrick as Cantor accompanied by Karen Waddill

## Substituting Musicians



Donna Burkholder filled in while Karen Waddill was on vacation.



Randy Westgate provided special music when Patrick Ishler was away.





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Faith

St. Edward's has wonderful offerings, each week, of prayer & adult spiritual formation for the Fall of 2020, via ZOOM.

**Contemporary Bible Study: Wednesday Evenings, commencing September 9th 6:30 – 8:00 PM.** Led by Bill and Yvonne Gasperetti. A great forum in which to connect with St. Edward's Church members. The Study Guide for Session 3 will be: *All Things New, A Study On 2 Corinthians* by Kelly Minter. For information and an invitation to the ZOOM meetings, please contact Bill (bgasperetti@att.net) or Yvonne ([vgasperetti@gmail.com](mailto:vgasperetti@gmail.com)).

**Adult Spiritual Formation Lunch & Learn: Each Friday Noon – 1 PM, commencing September 11<sup>th</sup>.** Join Father Rick for an Introduction to Adult Spiritual Formation, with a continuation and exploration of Episcopal Beliefs and Practices based on the text: *Walk in Love* by Scott Gunn & Melody Wilson Shobe. We will have study guide material, or you can purchase the book at [forwardmovement.com](http://forwardmovement.com).

**Friday Evening Prayer, Each Friday at 7:00 PM:** This is a wonderful way to peacefully end our week and is led by Patrick Ishler. Join us on Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86327105082> Join Code: 863 2710 5082

**Taize Service, First Saturday of each month, commencing September 5<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM: *Members of St. Edwards are cordially invited to join St. Luke's for our Zoom Taize service.*** A service of deep prayer and worship, sacred darkness, and the singing of chants in candlelight. We cannot meet in person at present, so the services will be held on Zoom, to create a greater sense of community. Prepare by lighting some candles. Connect to the service <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84847298680>. Please contact St Luke's to let us know you will attend - at [stlukesmountjoy@gmail.com](mailto:stlukesmountjoy@gmail.com) Secure services - waiting room enabled.





# MARIA THOMPSON CORLEY

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Jamaican-born pianist Maria Thompson Corley was raised in Canada. She has appeared on radio, television, and/or concert stages in Canada, the United States, Central America, the Caribbean, Bermuda and Europe, both as a solo and collaborative artist, including performances in Budapest at the Liszt Academy, and in Carnegie Recital Hall, Aaron Davis Hall and Alice Tully Hall, all in New York City.



# What We Did This Summer

## Pictures from Facebook



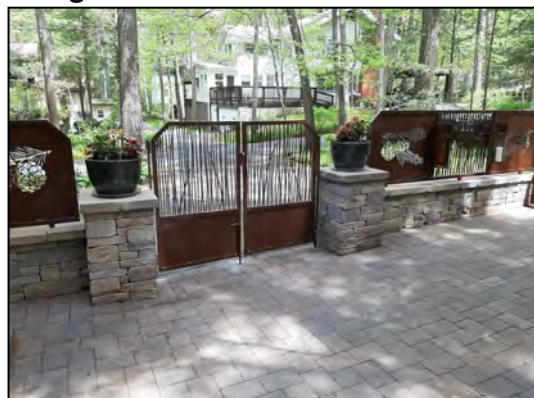
The Donohues went hiking.. The Ishlers and Westgates went kayaking. and boating.



Rosie left for her first year at Duquesne and Ethan started at Pitt.



Jakiels and Shanks worked on their properties. Mark finished the deck and Shanks added a gate.



Peg, Rachael and Daniel visited a Pocono winery.



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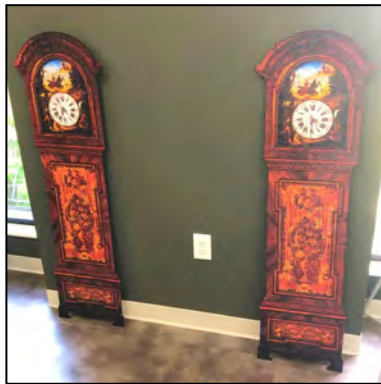
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The Cardwells went to Watkin's Glen and Ted did some fishing. Randy and family were also fishing..



Caseys babysat.



The Bauer's adopted Peter, Paul and Murray. Meredith reported that Rea and Maryann Outman have been my "buddies" throughout Covid. They've been passing the time (no pun intended) making clock puzzles - three of them. Two will be surprise Christmas gifts for their son and daughter. Rae says they keep excellent time.



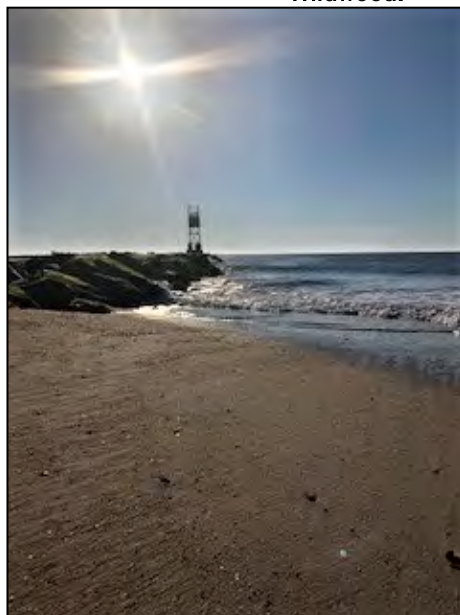
Mary and Jody went biking. On the C and O canal In W.VA and in Wildwood.



Paul went to the movies at Clipper Stadium



Joel started driving.



Dina was inspired by the cross that showed up in her beach picture.



Sternbergs enjoyed their beautiful garden.

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## Staff

**The Reverend Rick Bauer,**  
Rector

**Michelle Bentley,** Parish  
Administrative Assistant

**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)

- ✦ **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

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