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ST. EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Reflection From the Rector's Desk

By The Rev. Dr. Richard C. Bauer

Here in this Eastertide season, we have so very much to be thankful for at St. Edward's. Commemorating the Resurrection of our Lord comes for us at time that has marked our return to in-person worship, a Celebration of New Ministry, thoughtful initiatives in our Christian Formation programs, and inspired efforts for social engagement through our growing Faith in Action committee. Our shared life has me thinking a lot about the intersection of discipleship and evangelism as I sit with Scripture

these days, the ways that our 'being' influences our 'doing' and our 'doing' influences our 'being' as Christians. I'm drawn to the final two verses of Matthew's Gospel, wherein the risen Jesus appears to his eleven disciples and tells them to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the

name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you." (Mt 28:19-20) This final call to his disciples placed on the lips of Jesus in Matthew's account, reminds us of the crucial importance of sharing the good news of what

Some contend that our faith isn't really a matter of discussion, and that it is far better demonstrated in action, through how we live in the world, exemplified by our active support for important social causes. This position is certainly echoed in the theological understanding that we find in the

Epistle of James that tells us: "a person is justified by works and not by faith alone." (Jas 2:24) According to James: "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by



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has happened to humanity through the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord. And like the first disciples, we too are invited to share our own Christian messages of hope in this complicated and often cynical world in need of a bit of good news. We are called to be evangelists.

the world." (Jas 1:27) Indeed, there are certainly grounds to argue that our public witness as followers of Jesus through social action is an essential component of discipleship. However, we are well served by also considering that while we commit ourselves to "strive for justice and peace

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Reflection

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among all people" in our very Baptismal Covenant; we also commit ourselves to "proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ." (The Book of Common Prayer, 305) As such, perhaps it is helpful to embrace both/and thinking when we contemplate the inter-relationship that exists between our senses of discipleship and evangelism. We do demonstrate our discipleship through our contributions to society in Christ's name, but we also articulate our faith through our verbal witness.

On the surface, it may seem as if evangelism isn't something that we really do as Episcopalians. We most certainly are not known for knocking on doors or for pamphletting windshields. But we are a people steeped in an identity that is rich in the balance of Scripture, Reason, and Tradition. Ours is a kind of Christianity that welcomes dialogue and that holds space for contrasting points of view. Indeed, this speaks to why we aren't known for knocking on doors and handing out pamphlets! We are not bound by any succinct understanding of faith that we could even put on a pamphlet as Episcopalians. We are, instead, rooted in our tradition of common prayer through liturgy that speaks to our embrace of faith as a collective experience made manifest in worship together. In this manner, our collective sense of theology is very much embodied and Incarnational in nature. In our liturgy, we witness to the ways in which God has acted in human history through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. We do theology through our liturgy. As famed liturgist Aidan Kavanagh suggests, our communal worship is a kind of 'social transaction with reality' that changes us over time, that slowly re-shapes us as an

assembly and as individuals into people who more fully embody the Christian life. (On Liturgical Theology) Considering this, we may find it useful to reflect on how our senses of faith have evolved over time through our worship together, how our 'doing' liturgy has shaped our way of 'being' in the world.

The Incarnational nature of our faith and the importance of our liturgy truly speaks to just how active we are in terms of our theology. In the same way that Anglican worship is thoroughly embodied, Anglican thought is mindfully engaged with the stuff of public life. Throughout our history, many voices have come together to address social and doctrinal tensions in shared life with the goal of better applying the principles of justice and mercy in our world as communicated through our Scriptural witness. As such, part of our evangelism may very well be actualized in how we speak and work as ambassadors of Christ (to people and in places) where senses of justice and mercy are lacking. In his important work Liberation Theology, Gustavo Gutierrez suggests to us that part of how we witness to the Gospel is through our willingness to advocate for the complete redemption of others from the injustices of this world. Lifting up the value of our embodied lives here on this earth, Gutierrez writes: "the salvation of the whole man is centered upon Christ the Liberator." (Liberation Theology, 83) This places the work of Christ in the context of a 'total social process' that holds hearers of the Word accountable for reasserting solidarity with the poor, the marginalized, and the exploited. In line with this way of thinking, we may find ourselves drawn into our memory of the Sermon on the Mount or the story of the Exodus where Moses led God's people out of slavery in Egypt, considering the

arc of the biblical narrative as a movement toward social justice. If we find this point of view compelling, then we may find that as we 'do the truth', we inevitably evangelize. After all, what better demonstrates the power of God in Christ than working to improve the lives of others in His name?

When considering both the transformational witness of how our praying shapes our believing and the ways that we can be Christ to others through our good works, we may be able to better appreciate the dance at play between our senses of discipleship and evangelism. Some may knock on doors while some share transformative experiences, and some may stock food pantries while others advocate for social justice in the public forum; but we all share our faith in one way or another. We share our faith just by being who we are, for better or for worse. As such, we each bear a tremendous responsibility for how the world around us understands the person and the message of Jesus Christ. When we confess Jesus as Lord, what we represent and care about conveys the image of Christ, for as beautiful or as warped as we ourselves make it out to be, in how we act or fail to act in the world. And so, this Eastertide, may we evangelize through the quality of our discipleship, by showing those around us that God is good. May we give an account for the hope that is in us through our words and our deeds. And may those around us know that we are Christians by our love. Peace be with you friends,

Father Rick+



Change of Parish Office Hours

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday- Friday:
11:00 – 4:00PM

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As a follow-up to our messaging, last week, in our Thursday email message, please note our parish office hours change in days and time.

The parish office will be closed on Mondays to take care of administrative tasks.

The parish office will be open **Tuesday - Friday 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM.**

These hours indicated are the times we would request that our parishioners,

friends, and guests stop by the St. Edward's parish office to pick up items, and to visit the parish office with any business matters, or just to say "hello!" We are always open for pastoral emergencies.

By Julie Hoff
Senior Warden



What a wonderful month April has been at St. Edward's! With the easing of Covid restrictions, we were able to observe Holy Week and celebrate Easter in our beloved parish home! We held three services on Easter Day including a sunrise service in our parking lot with our sister parishes St. John's and St. Thomas. The Memorial Garden monument arrived and the side carvings have been installed. Wednesday noon day services resumed. Michelle Bentley was acknowledged with gratitude on Administrative Assistants' Day. Parishioners participated in a Saturday outdoor clean-up day.

AND on April 21, Father Rick was officially installed as our rector one year and one week after arriving in our parish! In a lovely service officiated by Bishop Audrey Scanlan and livestreamed from

the church, parish representatives presented Father Rick with symbolic gifts of ministry. The Bishop presented water symbolic of the role Father Rick will play in assisting her with baptisms. Mother Jennifer Mattson of St. Thomas, on behalf of the clergy of the Diocese, gifted Father Rick with the Constitution and the Canons of the Church. Father Rick committed himself to this trust and responsibility and prayed for God's presence with him as he carries out his ministry. We welcomed Father Rick and his family with joy and thanksgiving!

On Sunday, April 25, we held a Zoom coffee hour to celebrate Father Rick's Installation. It was wonderful to welcome colleagues and friends of Father Rick's from other places. The look of joyful surprise on Father Rick's face as each speaker was announced was priceless! Our parishioners shone as they enumerated Father Rick's many admirable attributes in spelling out F-A-T-H-E-R R-I-C-K! Father Rick was presented with a hefty bundle of congratulatory cards and the Parish gifted him with a beautiful home communion set to welcome his ministry among us. Music, prayers, congregational remarks, and Father Rick's comments rounded out a truly special afternoon!

Thank you to everyone for your support and participation in these special happenings in the life of St. Edward's! To all who have given of their time and

talent in the organization behind the scenes, we offer special gratitude. It has been a memorable celebration!

Amid all these activities, parish business continued as usual. The April vestry meeting was held via Zoom on the third Tuesday of the month. Following are highlights of the action and discussion.

1. Catherine Donohue was elected Junior Warden.
2. The idea of establishing a Legacy Fund to provide for future generations was introduced.
3. September 2021 is St. Edward's 40th anniversary.
4. Our bylaws need to be revised. This will be a fall project.
5. A line item for the Stephen Ministry will be added to the Statement of Operations (#6027)
6. Michelle Bentley is researching costs for various memorial projects to be presented to the parish committee.
7. The need for a parish archivist was discussed.
8. Faith in Action has new committee members and projects: Blood Drive, Race against Racism,

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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
- ★1st Lt. Thomas Whitesel

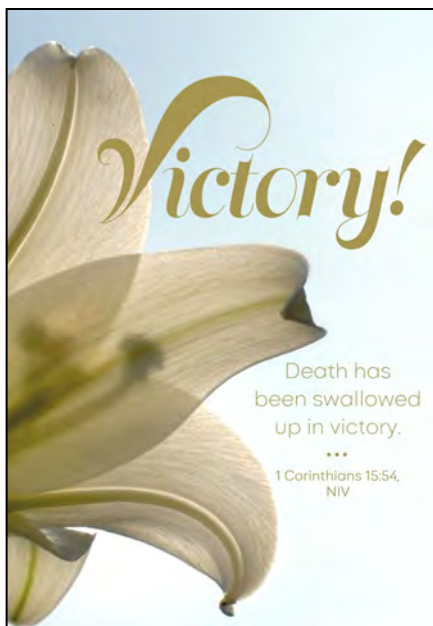


Recycle Bulletins



Liz Yeager using the new recycle bin for used bulletins. Ellen Milligan made arrangements to place this in the Narthex.

Christian Symbol



LILY—The lily that blooms around Easter is a symbol of Christ's resurrection because it rises from a seemingly lifeless bulb decaying in the ground. It is also used as a symbol of Christ himself. The lily, a symbol of purity, is often used to represent the Virgin Mary.

Nomadland. A Movie Review

By Glen Bentley



Frances McDormand is Fern, a widow left adrift after her gypsum mining village in Nevada becomes a ghost town. She wanders the western states in her beloved van, which she calls "Vanguard," following seasonal work, and connects with the subculture of van and RV nomads with a hub in Quartzsite, Arizona. She works cleaning state parks or in the kitchen at Wall Drug in South Dakota, at a beet harvest in Nebraska, at an Amazon facility in Nevada. She makes friends; a fellow nomad named Dave (David Strathairn) might even be a love interest, although Fern is cautious in such matters.

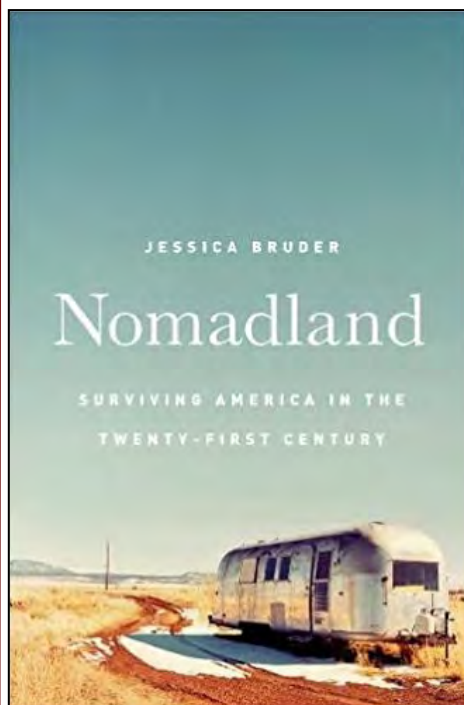


Scripted and directed by Chloe Zhao, this adaptation of Jessica Bruder's nonfiction book feels like a true original, heartwarming without sentimentality, maybe a hair slow but beautifully acted and shot. McDormand and Strathairn are the only two professional actors that I recognized; most of the rest of the cast, including "vandwelling" YouTube guru Bob Wells, use their own names and play themselves, with great warmth and poignancy. This gives the movie the quality of a documentary, but with a movie star presence at its center.

And it need hardly be said that McDormand is wonderful; Fern is another of her classic sensible yet frayed at the edges creations. She gets across Fern's aching sadness at finding herself at such a cosmically loose end, but she also shows us the exhilaration she feels at her independence.

Whenever Fern is tempted with an offer of permanence, her instinct is to move on. Maybe when Kris Kristofferson observed that freedom is just another word for nothing left to lose, Fern's lifestyle is

This article was written before the Academy Awards were announced. *Nomadland* won Oscars for best Film, Best Actress and Best Director. It can be seen on Hulu.





Father Rick gives communion to his family Easter Sunday at the 8 AM



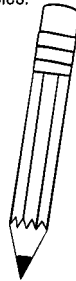
Paul McLaughlin and his very special hat.



Jesus commands us to be his witnesses. This craft is a reminder to reach out to all our "circles."

What you need:

- 5 bowls or cups (assorted sizes)
- Construction paper
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Brad fastener
- Crayons or markers



What you do:

1. Place the bowls and cups upside down, each on a different color of paper. Trace around the circles and cut them out.
2. With a pencil, pierce a small hole atop each circle. Layer circles on each other from largest to smallest, aligning the holes. Insert the brad through all layers.
3. Starting in the center, label the circles *my house, my city, my state, my country, the world*. Draw a picture on each one.
4. Pray, asking Jesus how you can spread his message.




A lasting promise



Before ascending into heaven, Jesus speaks a final promise to the disciples.



Directions: Use the picture clues to find the letters. Then write that word below to complete Acts 1:8, NIV.

Find a letter that's in  but not in  _____

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Find a letter that's in  but not in  _____

Find a letter that's in  but not in  _____

"But you will receive _____ when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

ACTS 1:8, NIV

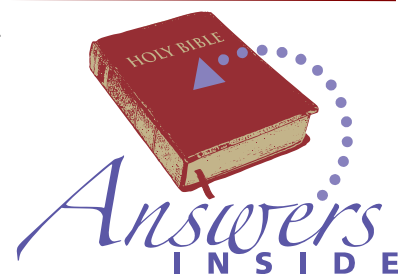
Answer: power



Bible Quiz

Acts 1:1 (NIV) reads: "In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach." What "former book" did the author write to Theophilus?

- A. Matthew
- B. Mark
- C. Luke
- D. John



Answer: C (See Luke 1:1-4.)



As many of you know, St. Edward's has had a wonderful knitting ministry for decades - the Knit Wits. Due to COVID19, the Knit Wits have not been able to gather, as a group, in-person. BUT, that is not to say that there have not been fruitful labors from these dedicated women in knitting so many items with love: from prayer shawls to prayer pocket squares, hats, and many items in between!

And, the "Knit Wits" is truly more than knitting – it is welcoming to ALL who engage in needle arts: from crochet to cross-stitch, knitting to needlepoint, even if you are a seamstress who is hemming or repairing a clothing item. . . *Welcome, and please join us!* In speaking with Gail Irons, she conveyed the meaning of this ministry group perfectly by sharing that it is a time to be together in fellowship and to learn from one another.

We are so very appreciative of this loving ministry that continues to provide our parish with these symbols of faith, hope, and love. This ministry is touching to so many who have loved ones - friends, family, friends of friends - in need of a wrap of comfort in their time of need, illness, or recovery. We have so many touching stories that speak to the solace one receives when presented with a prayer shawl knitted by the Knit Wits, tagged with a loving prayer and blessed by our rector. And, it is wonderful to be able to present to the parents, when they bring their child to be baptized at St. Edward's, a baby blanket knitted by our ministry group.

So, may I encourage, during this time of ministry from our homes, that anyone interested in knitting please contact Gail Irons, or the parish office, and we can lead you to a supply of yarn that we have and can also pass along your interest and information to others in the Knit Wits group so you can join them.

If you are in need of a prayer shawl, or other knitted item(s), please contact the parish office. We are happy to share with you our blessed items for you to choose to gift to those you love and care for. Thank you to the Knit Wits ministry, for all you have done and continue to do. Your ministry is beautiful and vital to our mission.



HISTORY LOVES COMPANY!

In the life of a parish, preserving our history is an important ministry. Not only is it a necessary requirement for us to maintain a parish archive for our record keeping purposes of events in the life of our parish, but it allows us to tell our story and to celebrate who we are as Episcopalians. In our unique spiritual home, we call St. Edward's Episcopal Church in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, it is exciting to know that by being The Episcopal Church, we are part of a larger history, as a member church of the worldwide Anglican Communion. And, we can look forward to expanding our legacy under the leadership of our rector, Father Rick.

In what will be our 40th anniversary, this September, we have an amazing history that has been lovingly chronicled and preserved for us by Elaine Radcliffe. Elaine devoted many years to preserving our significant moments in the life of this church, since our formation in 1981. Elaine created five volumes of archives, as well as two framed pieces that are hung in the parish hall. ***Please visit these archives in our parish library. They are wonderful stories!***

And we owe so much to Mac Miller, whose ministry as the creative director and producer of our monthly *Scepter* has provided St. Edward's (and beyond!) with our living history each month. There are not enough words of gratitude, to Elaine and Mac, for their faithfulness and care in telling our stories and preserving our history.

We need an individual, or a small team of individuals, who have a love for St. Edward's, and in the preserving of our history, to help us continue to maintain our parish archives. One does not have to be an expert, by any means! If you are interested, or you know of a small group you would like to share the ministry with, please contact the parish office. Resources and support, including a 5-part webinar series, organized by our diocesan *Shaped by Faith*, which started last Wednesday, pertaining to *Celebrating Our Stories* and creating parish archives, are available. We have a completed archive of our history through 2014, so the "catch-up" task is not overwhelming. This is an exciting ministry, archiving our past and what will inform future generations of our legacy. ***We hope you will prayerfully consider this unique ministry opportunity in the life of St. Edward's.***

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Books for Prisoners Project Begins

By Libby Sternberg



Starting this month, the Faith in Action committee will collect books for a small library that an Episcopalian prison chaplain, Deacon Stacey Catigano, keeps for prisoners in Lancaster. Parishioners can either donate books by dropping them off in the narthex or money to purchase them – checks should be made out to St. Edward's with "books for prisoners" in the memo line. The collection will end when the School Supplies collection begins later this summer.

Giving used books is fine, but donors should be sure to remove any personal information from them (colored over with a Sharpie, for example). Here are the book needs:

Paperbacks are preferred, but hardcovers can be donated, too.

Bibles, devotionals, and inspirational nonfiction are needed (see suggestions below).

No fiction is needed – prisoners can read fiction on Tablets.

POSSIBLE BOOKS TO DONATE

Duplicates are okay, so parishioners need not worry about getting books on this list that others might also buy. Any of these in Spanish would be welcome, too!

Bibles: large print, children's, comic book Bibles

Inspirational Christian stories and meditations, such as the following nonfiction:

Healing Neen: One Woman's Path to Salvation from Trauma and Addiction by Tonier Cain

Carried by Faith: From Substance Abuse to a Life Filled with Miracles by Sue L. Hamilton

Heart of a Champion: True Stories of Character and Faith from Today's Most Inspiring Athletes by Steve Riach

Burden: A Preacher, a Klansman, and the True Story of Redemption in the Modern South by Courtney Hargrave

Doing Time with God: Stories of Healing and Hope in Our Prisons by Bill Dyer

Chicken Soup for the Prisoner's Soul: 101 Stories of Hope, Healing, and Forgiveness by Jack Canfield

Prison Saved My Life by Louis Dooley; Heidi Gruber O'Very

The Man I Was Destined to Be: Addiction, Incarceration, and the Road Back to God by Michael Tandoi

Knockin' Doorz Down: A Story of Breaking through the Darkness and Finding Redemption by Carlos Viera

Doing HIS Time: Meditations and Prayers for Men and Women in Prison by James Vogelzang

Rising Above: How 11 Athletes Overcame Challenges in Their Youth to Become Stars by Gregory Zuckerman

Recipes for a Sacred Life: True Stories and a Few Miracles by Rivvy Neshmana

The collection will continue during June, so parishioners participating in the June 5 blood drive could bring books at that time, as well.

The committee is grateful for the guidance of school librarian Laura Heverling, daughter of Curt and Mary Ann Franck, in helping construct the list of book pos-

sibilities. The committee hopes that this activity results in many books bringing hope and faith to those in dark places in their lives.



Hempfield Food Pantry

St. Edward's donated 98 pounds of food items to the pantry in March. We served 578 people which included 162 children, 307 adults, and 109 seniors. We registered three new families. The pantry continues to serve clients with a "drive through" distribution. No clients enter the building.... pre-packed boxes of food are delivered to their cars. Forty volunteers served 657 hours in March!

Requested items for April are:

Canned green beans, canned corn, canned peas, canned applesauce, cereal, pancake mix, pancake syrup, large grape jelly, bagged noodles

Thank you to the members of St. Edward's for their continued support of the pantry serving families in our community!



Save The Date



By Leslie Arnold

St. Edward's church will host our first-ever blood drive scheduled for Saturday, June 5. The event is open to the public, and we are offering special invitations to other Episcopal churches in the Lancaster area.

Those who plan to donate will be asked to register on a digital sign-up site sponsored by the [Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank \(cpbb.org\)](http://cpbb.org), who will oversee and conduct the blood donations. All donors must register through this system. The schedule will show the exact number of slots allowable to maintain proper social distancing. All filled slots will be grayed out.

The link to the sign-up page will be shared with our congregation and the public in the near future.

The need for donated blood is an ever-present demand according to the CPBB, since patients at area hospitals, each day, utilize between 275 to 300 units of blood and products derived from blood.

Know, too, that nationally, every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood. Providing a single pint of blood can save three lives!

To done blood safely, check to be sure that you meet the following requirements:

You are 17 years-old or above (Sixteen-year-olds may donate with a signed parent consent form.)

You can show an updated registered personal form of identification.

In the fourteen days prior to you time for donation, you

Have not been diagnosed with COVID-19

Have not been exposed to an individual diagnosed with COVID-19.

Do not have a cough, shortness of breath, fever, or other respiratory symptoms.

We invite you to Evening Prayer Friday evening at 7:00 PM. This is a wonderful way to peacefully end our week and is led by Patrick Ishler. Join on Zoom or Facebook live.



Psalms 51

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your lovingkindness; * in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness * and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, * and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned * and done what is evil in your sight. I
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak * and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, * a sinner from my mother's womb.

LIVE on Facebook



Vestry cont'd

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Books for Prisoners. \$500 to the YWCA for the Race against Racism was approved.

9. Vestry liaisons to ministries were assigned.

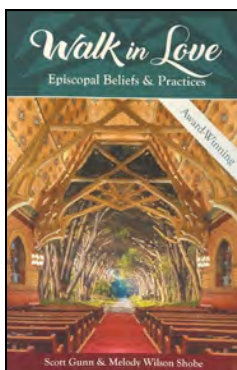
10. Security was discussed.

The full minutes of the meeting will be

available in the office or from Joe McLaughlin, Vestry Secretary, following the May vestry meeting. In the meantime, if you have any questions or input, feel free to contact any member of vestry, the parish office, or Father Rick.

How blessed we all are to have such an active and vibrant parish and priest!

Lunch and Learn



The class uses this book and the Book of Common Prayer.

Friday Lunch & Learn: April 2nd 12 Noon – 1 PM via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84479709447?pwd=OWlobm83TDgwNlVok3hFbjBIWnZSdz09>

Meeting ID: 844 7970 9447

Passcode: 228332

<https://sainteds.org/>



Tributes to Mom

To celebrate the special woman in your life, use a quote a day the week before Mother's Day, or honor her with tributes the whole week after. Write one of these (or one of your own) on a card, make a message into a placemat, tape one to the bathroom mirror — get creative! Every day of the week is a good day to celebrate her love and show her yours.

"There is no way to be a perfect mother, and a million ways to be a good one." — Jill Churchill

"The art of mothering is to teach the art of living to children." —Elaine Heffner

"An ounce of mother is worth a ton of priest." —Spanish proverb

"When your mother asks, 'Do you want a piece of advice?' it's a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway." —Erma Bombeck

"The mother's heart is the child's school-room." —Henry Ward Beecher

"Mother love is the fuel that enables a normal human being to do the impossible." —Marion C. Garretty

"Being a mother is learning about strengths you didn't know you had." — Linda Wooten

"If at first you don't succeed, try doing it the way mom told you to in the beginning."

—Unknown

Include your news and announcements in the next Scepter.
Due date for June will be:

May 20th.

Send articles and announcements to:
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Loving an EGR

During a conversation over coffee, a friend mentioned an "EGR." I had to interrupt and ask for a definition: Extra Grace Required — in other words, people who can seem tough to love. Often, they're the most in *need* of love because they're hurting. Perhaps Jesus was referring to EGRs when he said, "If you love only those who love you, what reward is there for that? Even corrupt tax collectors do that much" (Matthew 5:46, NLT).

Truly loving others — even EGRs — might not be as tough as we think. Simple gestures such as smiling, truly listening, sending a note or extending an invitation go a long way toward expressing care and softening hearts.

At times, we all require extra grace. Thankfully, God has an unlimited amount to extend *to* us and then *through* us. Out of joy, we can find ways — even simple ones — to share God's grace and love with people who need it.

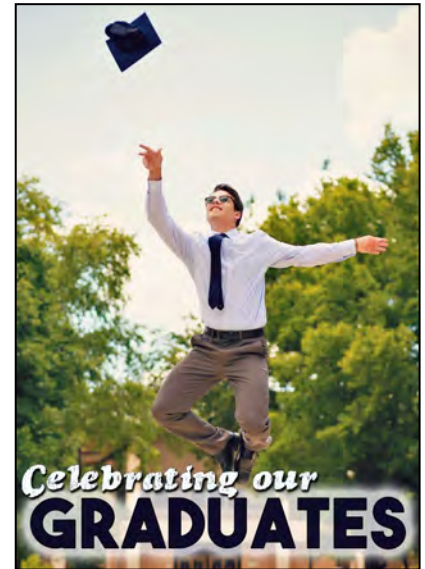
Chronos vs Kairos



The ancient Greeks had two words for time: Chronos (χρόνος) and Kairos. The former refers to chronological or sequential time, while the latter signifies a proper or opportune time for action. While Chronos is quantitative, Kairos has a qualitative, permanent nature



Anyone You Know?



Is anyone you know graduating this year? We would like to recognize any family members graduating this year from any program from pre-school to PHD.

Please send pictures and information to hj_miller@outlook.com.

Keep Moving

As they proudly processed across the stage to receive their diplomas, each graduate heard two messages from the principal: "Congratulations!" (in a loud voice) and "Keep moving" (in a whisper). Although the administrator was merely trying to facilitate the flow, she was actually offering sound advice to the young adults: Don't stop or stagnate! Proceed from here and continue learning. This is the beginning, not the end, of a journey. Keep moving!



Cartoon Contributed by Mary Snyder

St. Edward's Families Celebrate Spring

Pictures by Dina Ishler and from Facebook



Faith Ishler and Liz Yeager
'nursery buddies' reunited!



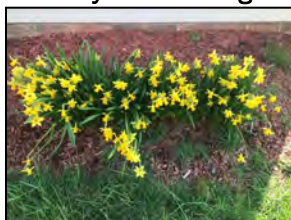
Kim, Ethan and Harrison Kline in
Pittsburgh



Peg Reiley with her children, Daniel &
Rachael Smith



Buddy and Liz Yeager



Peg Reiley's
daffodils.



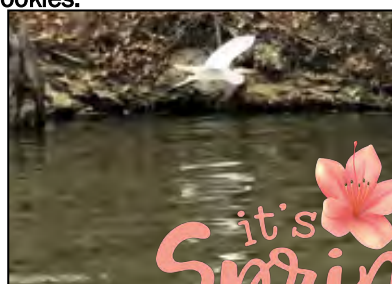
Rosie helps niece with Easter
cookies.



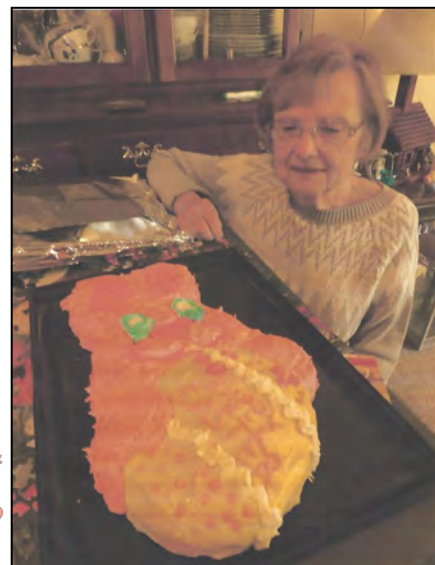
Westgates with son Evan and family in
Tennessee



Dina Ishler's
first kayaking
of the year.



it's
**Spring
Time**



From Liz and Buddy Yeager

We spent Easter Sunday with Carol and Carl Cotnoir. The Cotnoirs came over for dinner.

This is a photo of a Bunny Cake that Carol made for the occasion!

A Reflection Arising From Contemporary Bible Study

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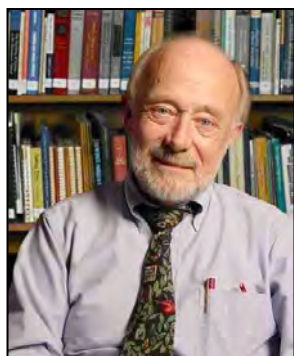
I see Jesus' death through the eyes of love instead of dying in our place, taking on the punishment for our sins as I learned in my church.

It is still a sacrificial death. Jesus still chose it when he submitted to his Father's will in the Garden but he gave his life to show us how deeply we are loved versus taking our punishment. Jesus didn't resist anything. He took it all in humble submission. Every blow of those whips that tore into his flesh was received as love. Blood poured out as love. So we are reconciled to God through love...not a transaction to be

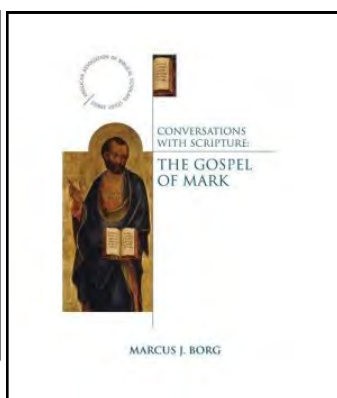
made right with God or appease God through violence.

When we commit to Jesus, we commit to spreading the Good News. That commitment will cause us to go to our own Garden of Gethsemane's and wrestle with self till we can submit to the Father's will and die to whatever holds us back from being available to others. Dying to self, may mean giving up my "time, my "agenda", my "money" to be available to the needs of the world. Dying to self may mean being willing to enter into someone's pain and walk alongside in Christ's love. If someone my life touches sees Jesus, receives his love, care and compassion and

commits to him, the cycle repeats itself. That's how disciples are made and the Good News is spread.



Marcus Borg



St. Edward's Episcopal Church Bible Study

Time: Wednesday Evening 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

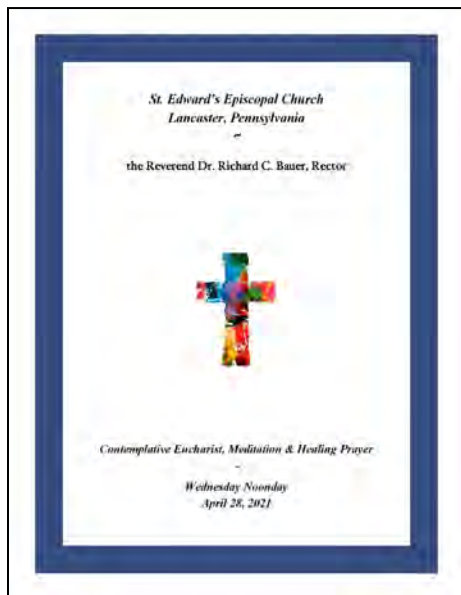
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Wednesday Noonday Service at St. Edward's

By Michelle Bentley



Each Wednesday, at 12 noon, we gather in the chapel area in the parish hall for a service of Contemplative Eucharist, Meditation, and Healing Prayer. While we follow

the Rite II liturgy, this is not a repeat of a Sunday Rite II service. We offer this service as a unique opportunity to reset and renew in the midweek. The chapel space is very conducive to a service that is focused on prayer in words, and extended silence, and from experience, there is a wonderful sense of community and fellowship within this service! We invite all to join us on Wednesdays, at 12 noon, as we worship together with Father Rick. We follow our health and safety protocols and request that you enter through the parish hall doors.



23 Years Running!
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April 24, 2021

JOIN OUR ST. EDWARD'S TEAM

WE WILL “RACE OUR WAY” ON
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DOWNTOWN AT MUSSER PARK

Please take a brochure to learn more about the YWCA Lancaster Race Against Racism Event.

And... We invite you to join St. Edward's, as a team! **Registration is EASY!!!**
We have our team registration details in place. All you need to do to register is go to this site: ywcalanaster.org/RaceAgainstRacism

Register your individual details. Our **TEAM PASSWORD** to use, when prompted is: **steds2453**

Place in this code for registration cart: **STEDWARDS2021**

We'll take care of the rest, including getting your “swag” which you can pick up at church at the end of April (date to be announced once we have items in-house).

We'll meet Father Rick+, and our St. Edward's team, at Musser Park at 12 Noon on May 15th and complete the 5K walk, together, in Lancaster City!



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Bible Study: Wednesday Evenings: 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM: The focus for this session will be on the Gospel of Mark from an Anglican/Episcopal perspective. Our Study Guide will be: Borg, Marcus (2019), *Conversations with Scripture – The Gospel of Mark* (Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars Study). Please look in your weekly emails for Zoom invitation. For questions, please contact Bob Mosebach at rcmosebach@comcast.net or Leslie Arnold at larnold897@aol.com

Lunch & Learn: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices: Fridays from 12 Noon – 1 PM: Join Father Rick and Bob Mosebach as we continue exploring our Episcopal Beliefs and Practices with the text, *Walk in Love* by Scott Gunn and Melody Wilson Shobe, as well as the Book of Common Prayer and additional study guides. Contact the parish office for further information.

Friday Evening Prayer 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 at 5:00 PM: Members of St. Edward's are 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. Prepare by lighting some candles. Connect to the service: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84847298680>

Contact St. Luke's to let them know you will attend: stlukesmountjoy@gmail.com for entry into secure waiting room.

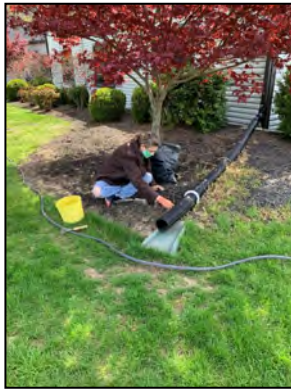
Sunday Evening Prayer at 7:00 PM: send Br. David Rutledge an email to be put on an email distribution list: drutledge1225@gmail.com **Join Zoom Meeting** <https://zoom.us/j/95355083080> **Meeting ID:** 953 5508 3080

Clean Up Saturday

Pictures by Mark Jakiel and Mary Snyder and Meredith Westgate



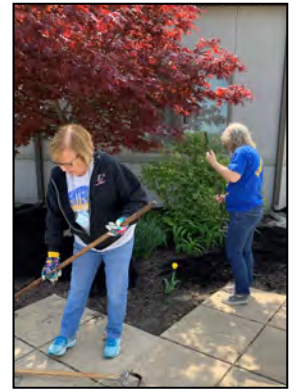
Bob Mutari



Catherine Donohue



Mike Freshwater



Julie Hoff & Meredith Westgate



Mike Freshwater & Father Rick



Ginny Kloepping



"Who was that masked Man?"



Randy Westgate



Julie Hoff & Michelle Bentley



Dick & Gail Irons



Ginny Kloepping



Bob Mutari



Father Rick



Kevin & Maeve Milligan

Celebration of a New Ministry



Beginning on page 559 in the BCP the wardens present Fr. Rick to the Rt. Reverend Dr. Audrey Cady Scanlan XI Bishop, Diocese of Central Pennsylvania



Lector: Michelle Bentley



Bishop Scanlan, Rev. Dr. Richard Bauer
and Rev. Jennifer E. Mattson



Lector: Meredith Westgate



Lector: Julie Hoff



Bishop Scanlan gave the sermon



Karen Waddill Piano and Organ

Celebration of a New Ministry



Dottie Gschwend presents Bible



Bishop Scanlan gives baptismal water



Herb Johnson gives stole



Karen Grant gives Prayer Book



Seth Hake presents oil



Julie Hoff presents keys



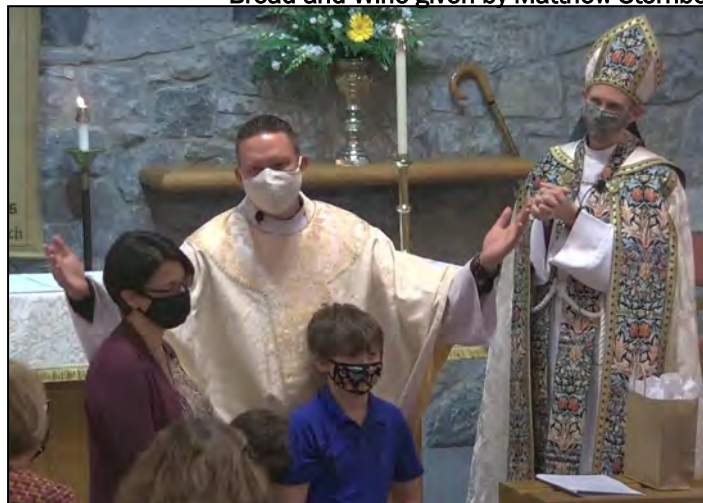
Patrick Ishler-Cantor



Bread and Wine given by Matthew Sternberg



Bishop Scanlan presents an additional gift to commemorate Fr. Rick's First year as priest of St. Edward's.

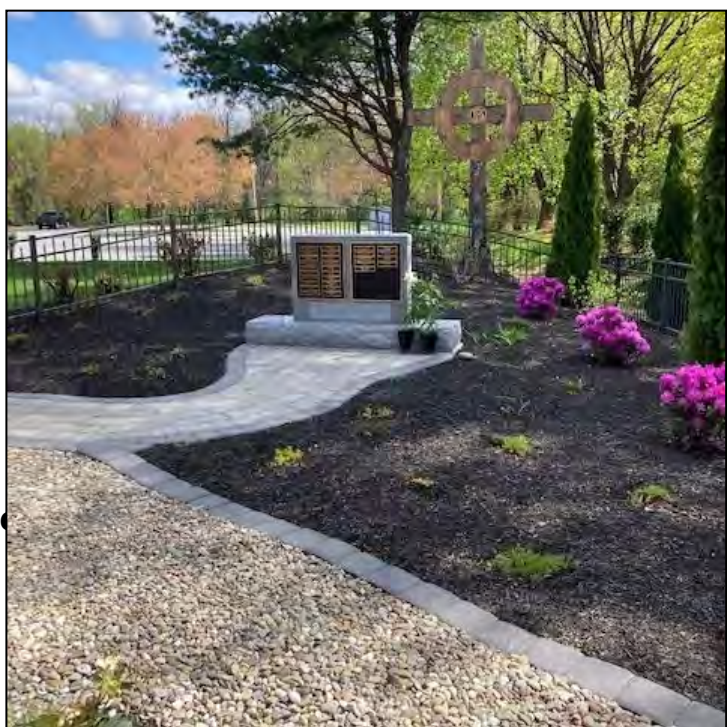


Fr. Rick's family was asked to join him in celebration of his ministry.

Memorial Garden Easter 2021 and Finished Monument

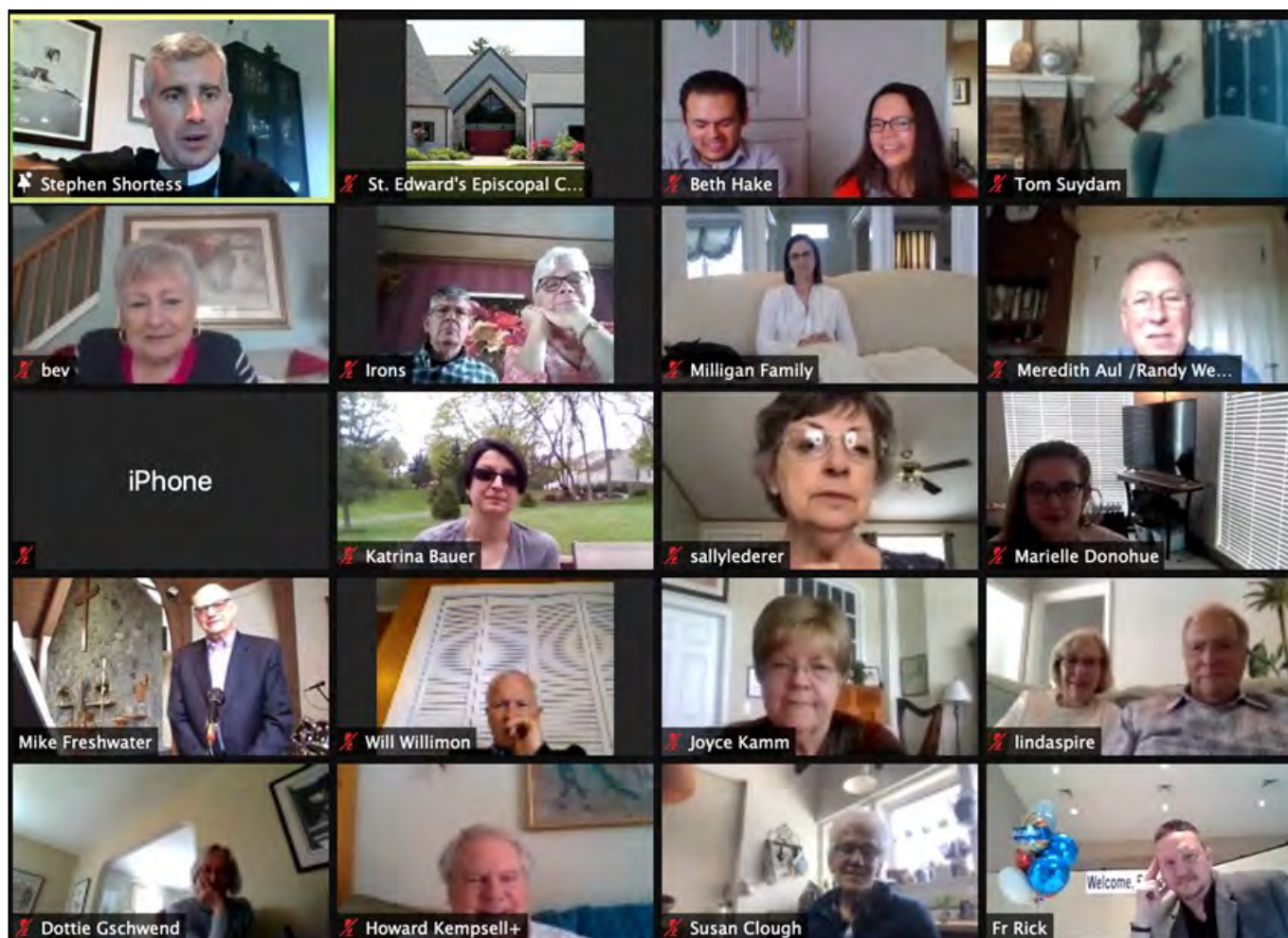
Pictures by Mark Jakiel and Mary Snyder

It is with joy that we present our completed Memorial Garden project. Our monument was delivered in 2 installments in mid-April. We also take care in oiling the carved Celtic cross regularly to preserve the wood.



Zoom Reception for Fr. Bauer

Zoom Screenshots by Christina McLaughlin



What a wonderful outpouring of love from friends, family, colleagues, and the good people of St. Edward's, who attend his installation reception on Sunday, April 25th.



Bob Mosebach



Rev. Bob Trache



Rev. William Henry Willimon

Maundy Thursday

Pictures by Mary Snyder and from You Tube



Donna Burkholder at the organ.



Dina Ishler gave the homily



Patrick Ishler and Donna Burkholder provided the music.



Father Rick washed the feet of Altar Guild members Julie Hoff, Bev Hess and Michelle Bentley.



Julie Hoff, Michelle Bentley and Bev Hess strip the altar.

Good Friday

Pictures by Mary Snyder and from You Tube



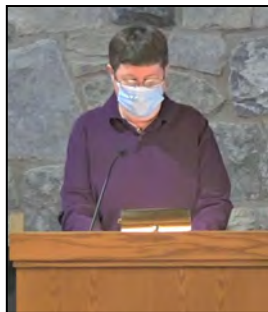
Buddy Yeager carries the cross.



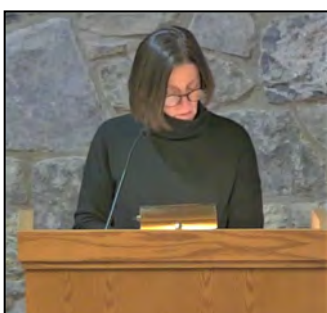
Dina accompanies Patrick Ishler with chimes.



Father Rick delivers the Good Friday sermon



Carol Cotnoir, Mary Snyder , Bob Mosebach, Dina Ishler and Michelle Bentley read the Passion.



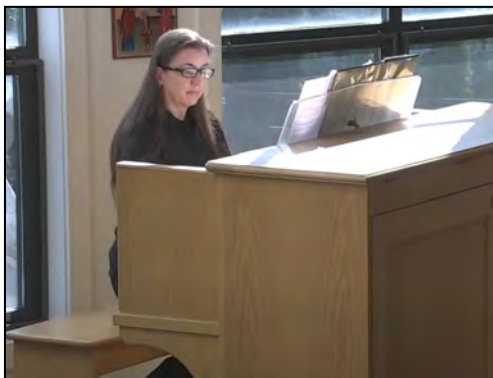


Easter Sunrise Service combined the parishes of St. John's, St. Thomas', and St. Edward's.



Fr. Rick introduced his family to the congregation.

Easter Sunday



Karen Waddill



Jamie Alton



Father Rick delivers his Easter sermon



Kiki Davis-Brugmann



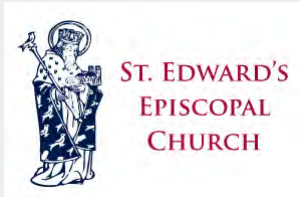
Piper Davis-Brugmann



Patrick Ishler, who so beautifully provides the vocal music for the services and the Ishler Family in the memorial garden.



Father Rick reads the Gospel



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Karen E. Waddill,
Organist & Pianist

Elizabeth Yeager, Nursery

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday-Friday:
11AM – 4:00PM

Vestry (year term ends)

- ✦ Catherine Donohue (2023)
- ✦ Karen Grant (2024)
- ✦ Peg Hanzelman (2024)
- ✦ Julie Hoff (2022) Sr. Warden
- ✦ Ginny Kloepping (2023)
- ✦ Beth Lynch (2023)
- ✦ Joe McLaughlin (2024)
- ✦ Ellen Milligan (2022)
- ✦ Randy Westgate (2024)

Worship Services

Sunday Services

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

10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Wednesday

12 Noon: Contemplative Eucharist,
Meditation, and Healing Prayer

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