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St. Edward's Episcopal Church

# Scepter



## Reflection From the Rector's Desk

**By The Rev. Dr. Richard C. Bauer**

On Good Friday, I officially released my eighth solo album of all-original songs under the artist's name: *Mr. the Invisible*. Completing a process that began early in

Advent, I had been faithfully engaging the discipline of songwriting, recording, producing, and editing the eleven songs that would make up the album 'Begin Again' by pondering the inter-relationship of Incarnation, Crucifixion, and Resurrection. As has typically been the case, I approached the process of music-making alone, creatively expressing the dynamics of my own lived experience coming out of the pandemic, navigating personal and ministerial challenges, and taking stock of the philosophies that inform my worldview. While I don't know if the material would

appeal to people who aren't fans of music like: David Bowie, Tears for Fears, and the Beatles, I do think that the process of making and

releasing my latest album resonated with spiritual significance for me, in terms of the threshold symbols that lend meaning to our faith.

I decided to start working on new music at a cross-roads

over ongoing restrictions due to COVID-19. There was a dark moment in November that descended upon me, in the form of a humbling awareness that I could not be all things to all people, that my deep desire to

"people-please" simply couldn't be fulfilled if I was to lean into authenticity as a person and the genuine articulation of how I interpret and understand the Good News of God in Christ. In a sense, I was having an Incarnational experience at the threshold of Advent. I found myself pondering who I had been, what had fed me over the course of my journey, and what mattered to me as I looked toward the future. My 'Begin Again' album started taking shape through these Incarnational expressions of rebirth, as captured in the first



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single "A Brand New Day".

I stepped away from the project between Christmas

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

# Reflection

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and the start of Lent and when I returned to the work, the writing and recording morphed into a tactile expression of my own Lenten discipline. The songs became like onions, whose layers I peeled away to peer with increased depth and sincerity into my inner-most longings, into the things that I knew needed letting go of, in my mind and heart. Songs like "The Myth of Sisyphus" and "Firewood" took shape to help me express a sober awareness of just how much work I still have to do to become the person that I truly hope to be in Christ. I wrestled with feelings of futility, loneliness, anger, and heartbreak as I lived into the Lenten metaphor of 'a journey toward the cross' and allowed myself to express, and process, raw emotions in the exercise of naming and releasing them.

But what I couldn't have expected while writing and recording, is that I would be invited to return to my hometown of Hollywood, Florida to facilitate a vestry retreat and consult for my sending parish as they prepared to issue a call to their prospective new rector. As I finished up the tracks for 'Begin Again', I also found myself preparing to make a trip to the place where I had spent the first forty years of my life, where I was still well-known for my music, where I had friends from childhood. I hadn't been back home in nearly five years, since my father's passing.


The first time that I listened to my completed album on CD occurred in the context of a drive to my childhood home, making my way down streets that I knew like the back of my hand. I knocked on the door of the little villa I was raised in, and the man who I sold the place to invited me in, to check out the renovations that he had made. He had to take a phone call and stepped outside while I strolled around the

700 sq. ft. layout. My old bedroom was now occupied by a little girl, who slept in a small bed inside of a teepee next to a giant stuffed Baby Yoda. I took a knee, placed the small wooden cross that I carry everywhere upon the wood laminate floor, and I blessed the room.

I had cried many times in that room, mourning the deaths of my mother, step-mother, father, grandmother, aunts, uncles, and friends. I had experienced the flutter of first love in that room, written my first songs there, spent my final night between its walls when the time came to hand over the keys to the new owner. And in that room, in that moment, invoking a priestly blessing on a space that used to be mine, for a new child, I sensed that I had completed the cycle of my Lenten "letting go" in middle-age. It was fitting to spend the remainder of my time back home visiting old friends and remembering who I'd been and where I'd come from, and it seemed perfectly appropriate to claim (in a renewed way) that I first left South Florida to train for the Episcopal Priesthood and I returned as "The Reverend Dr.", blessed to live into my vocation through serving in this vibrant and loving community that we share together. This year, the liturgical cycle that brings us from Incarnation to the Lenten wilderness, and from the Cross to the Resurrection, has been particularly meaningful for me. My heart hopes that it has also been meaningful for you, and I'd love to hear your stories. As St. Benedict so perfectly stated: "always, we begin again."

Father Rick

**Note: An article from LNP about the new album is reprinted here on page 4. Followed by a link to Fr. Rick's web site.**



**"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you."**  
Luke 8:39



Fr. Rick's Florida Selfie



## Parish Office Hours

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Tuesday- Friday:  
11:00 – 4:00PM

Parish Administrator  
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**

# Vestry

By Randy Westgate



Greetings, friends from your vestry! We kicked off our new vestry year at our April 3 meeting by welcoming new vestry members, Joyce Kamm, Mary Snyder, and Dick Irons.

Father Rick presented his monthly Rector's report, specifically laying out 3 short term goals for our church as we proceed through the year. First will be a major upgrade to the church website, a project that will be an intensive project for our administrator, Michelle, extending into the summer months. This will allow integration of our YouTube page offerings, archiving important documents and sermons, explore a possible new video blog, and will provide interactive messaging so viewers will be able to more easily donate to the

church. Specific increased website attention will be given to our extensive charitable work lead by our most excellent Faith in Action Committee, including our sponsorship of the Rahim family from Afghanistan, the Soles for Souls shoe donation drive, and our support for the Landisville Food Pantry, to name a few.

Secondly, will be the launching of a program for planned giving and endowment seeding for the parish, scheduled for after our new stained glass windows are installed in June.

Thirdly, will be the relaunch for community events as we exit the pandemic, including community meals and the cultural events series which was so successful in the past.

Rick+ joyfully reported the success of Beth Lynch's Wednesday night Camp Pokémon which is attended by 10-17 young people each week, and although it is not a traditional church youth group program, it is an example of how thinking outside of the box is so valuable in showing our church family to the wider community.

Also at our meeting, Beth Lynch agreed at our meeting to serve as our secretary, and we will select a Junior Warden at our next meeting.

The vestry unanimously endorsed the recommendation of member and occasional preacher Wanda Stoltzfus' discernment committee that she proceed with pursuing the process towards becoming a deacon, and our church will

provide \$750 to support her clinical pastoral education at the Stevenson School for Ministry.

The financial committee report was reviewed, and we are slightly ahead, at present, of the very conservative 2022 budget as of the end of March.

Michelle reported that she is planning with our Property Chair, Mike Freshwater, a spring clean-up day to include both indoor and outdoor projects tentatively scheduled for May 14. Stay tuned for details and volunteer opportunities! She has coordinated some minor plumbing repairs this month among her other duties.

We continue our "buddy system" where members volunteer to call and keep tabs on our homebound parishioners and folks still watching our service online because of the pandemic. Call Michelle if you would like to be part of this vital ministry.

It is an exciting time to be part of St. Edward's, and as always, the vestry appreciates your prayerful support!



## 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
- ★Jack Hawk
- ★Benjamin Jenkins
- ★Drew Johnson
- ★William Justice
- ★Anthony Koser
- ★Alex Kube
- ★John Lewis

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



## Fr. Rick Releases New Solo Album

**From LNP April 16, 2022**

The Rev. Rick Bauer, rector of St. Edward's Episcopal Church in Lancaster, has released a new solo album as Mr. the Invisible.

Bauer has released eight solo albums under the musical moniker and has crafted productions for a variety of other artists. His latest album, "Begin Again," is available today on Bauer's independent record label Roads to Rome Productions.

The album features the single "A Brand New Day" and is available to stream on Spotify, Apple Music, Amazon Music and Sound-Cloud. See the music video for "A Brand New Day" online at lanc.news/BND.

Bauer, a fan of "introspective rock 'n' roll," says he's inspired by his own life

experience, as well as the experiences of those around me, when writing music.

"I try to be honest about things that hurt," Bauer says in a news release. "But even more so, I try to communicate my heartfelt conviction that all things shall be well in the fullness of time. I truly hope that folks will continue to find resonance in my melancholic, but hopeful, brand of retro, adult alternative, philosopher rock!"

[To learn more click here.](#)



## Pride Fest

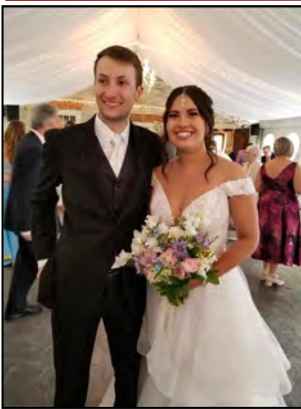
**Save the date: Saturday June 18, 2022**

St. Edward's will have a booth at Lancaster Pride Fest at Clipper Stadium from Noon to 6pm.

We will need volunteers to help host our booth. The entry fee will be paid for volunteers. We hope you will come out and celebrate, and share with others an invitation to visit our church. We are hoping to have people scheduled for time slots throughout the day. Please contact Mary Snyder to sign up to volunteer, or for more information.



## Harrison and Sasha Kline Wedding



Harrison and Sasha

**From Facebook  
April 10th**



Ethan, Joel and Flower Girl



Proud Parents

## Winding Hill Confused with Turkey Hill



Half the flock of 17 turkeys that visits Holwager's yard.

## Krist Kindling Update



Krist Kindling Christmas gift from Dave and Maura Keener, 2018. to the Westgates. Meredith says it is a little mixed up about the season, but still blooming!

Athena Donohue



April 2nd From Catherine's FB.

A beautiful day meeting our beautiful granddaughter Athena!

She is happy, healthy and living the good life at home.

# Egg-cellent bouquet

Transform an egg carton into a Mother's Day keepsake.

**What you need:**

- Clean cardboard egg carton
- Scissors
- Acrylic paint and paintbrush
- Flat cardboard
- Photo, drawing or note
- Small pom-poms
- Hot glue
- Adult help

**What you do:**

1. Bend, stretch and cut the carton cups to make 3-D flower shapes. Also cut leaf shapes from the carton top.
2. Paint the flowers and leaves. Let dry.
3. Cut the flat cardboard to a size and shape you desire. Leave a border at least 2 inches larger than your photo, drawing or note.
4. With hot glue, attach the photo, drawing or note to the cardboard.
5. Arrange and glue flowers and leaves around the border. Attach pom-poms for more color and texture.
6. Present the gift to your mom or a special woman in your life.

# PUZZLE

## A VALUABLE *command*

God instructs children how to relate to their parents.

*Directions: Arrange the words in alphabetical order. Then insert the circled letters in order to complete Exodus 20:12, NIV.*

son	mother	father
daughter	honor	home
respect	family	obey
	love	

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6. ○ \_ \_ \_ \_
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8. ○ \_ \_ \_ \_
9. ○ \_ \_ \_ \_
10. \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

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so t \_ at y \_ u may \_ \_ i \_ e l \_ ng in t \_ e land  
the L \_ RD \_ \_ ou \_ God i \_ givi \_ g you.

EXODUS 20:12, NIV

Answer: 1. daughter, 2. family, 3. father, 4. home, 5. honor, 6. love, 7. mother, 8. obey, 9. respect, 10. son; Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.



## Bible Quiz

When Moses was on the mountain for a long time, who made a golden calf for the people of Israel to worship?

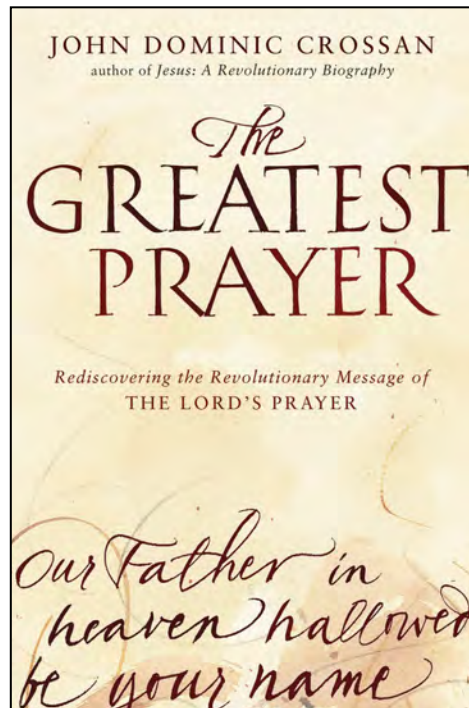
- A. Joshua
- B. Levi
- C. Caleb
- D. Aaron



Answers  
INSIDE

Answer: D (See Exodus 32:1-6.)

The Greatest Prayer – Rediscovering the Revolutionary Message of THE LORD’S PRAYER by John Dominic Crossan, Fridays, beginning March 4th from 12 Noon – 1 PM. Zoom link will be in the weekly emails: Join Father Rick and Bob Mosebach as we journey through March and April, discussing this renowned book. In *The Greatest Prayer*, foremost historical Jesus scholar John Dominic Crossan, bestselling author of *Historical Jesus* and *Jesus: A Revolutionary Biography*, intimately explores the revolutionary meaning of the cornerstone of Christian faith: The Lord’s Prayer.



## “LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY. . .”

“[Crossan’s] case is so deeply rooted in the Bible that even his harshest critic must admit Crossan is on to something. . . . A man of profound and challenging faith, who in his efforts to demystify Jesus has called us all back to the core of the gospel message.”—*U.S. Catholic*

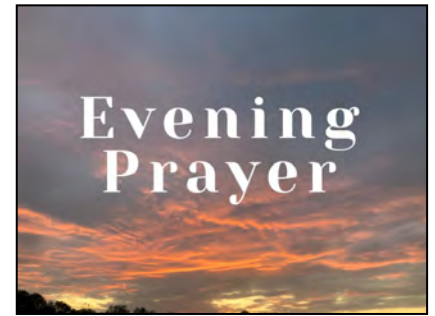
“A fresh and defensible reading of the prayer text, though definitely not the traditional interpretation.”—Clay Schmit, as quoted in the *Los Angeles Times*

“A full and loving exposition . . . of Christianity’s best-known and most-recited prayer.”—*Library Journal* (starred review)

“Even if one disagrees with the author’s conclusions, it will be difficult to dislike his book, as one of Crossan’s gifts is his ability to challenge his readers in a gentle, respectful, and non-confrontational manner.”—*Booklist*

“Provides a satisfying blend of history, scholarship and theology, in researching the moral responsibilities that come with living a Godly life. The fundamental Lord’s Prayer here serves as a foundation for examining the principles of this life.”—*Midwest Book Review*

**JOHN DOMINIC CROSSAN**, professor emeritus at DePaul University, is widely regarded as the foremost historical Jesus scholar of our time. He is the author of several bestselling books, including *The Historical Jesus* and *Jesus: A Revolutionary Biography*. He lives in Minneola, Florida. Visit the author online at [www.johndominiccrossan.com](http://www.johndominiccrossan.com).



## Sunday Evening Prayer, at 7:00 PM:



We use the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer* and the readings for the Sunday Lectionary. It is a quiet service and a good way to end the weekend and prepare for the week to come. Anyone interested can send me an email to be put on an

email distribution list:

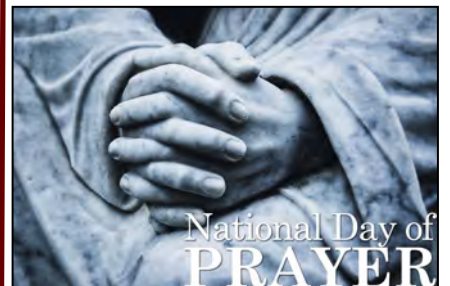
[drutledge1225@gmail.com](mailto:drutledge1225@gmail.com)

Sunday Evening Prayer\@ 7:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/95355083080>

Meeting ID: 953 5508 3080



Include your news and announcements in the next Scepter.

Due date for June will be:

**May 20th.**

Send articles and announcements to:

[HJ\\_Miller@outlook.com](mailto:HJ_Miller@outlook.com)



## Widows Group



Our **Widows Group** meets on the first Thursday of each month at 10:00 AM at St. Edward's. Mark your calendars for the next meeting which is Thursday, May 5th. **For more information contact:** Peggy Hanzelman:

717.390.4944

[phanzelman@comcast.net](mailto:phanzelman@comcast.net) or:

Ethel Lawrence:

717.314.8993

[rose1@dejazzd.com](mailto:rose1@dejazzd.com)

## Men's Group



**Saturday Men's Group:** 2nd Saturday of each month *from 8 AM - 10 AM*. Join us at St. Edward's, in partnership with Saint James Episcopal Church, for two hours of fellowship, including Morning Prayer. Coffee and donuts will be served. Our next meeting is Saturday, May 14th



## Feast of the Annunciation-March 25th

Nine months until Christmas.

Luke 1:34-38:

But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.



### Gabriel's Annunciation

For a moment  
I hesitated  
on the threshold.  
For the space  
of a breath  
I paused,  
unwilling to disturb  
her last ordinary moment,  
knowing that the next step  
would cleave her life:  
that this day  
would slice her story  
in two,  
dividing all the days before  
from all the ones  
to come.

The artists would later  
depict the scene:  
Mary dazzled  
by the archangel,  
her head bowed  
in humble assent,  
awed by the messenger  
who condescended  
to leave paradise  
to bestow such an honor  
upon a woman, and mortal.

Yet I tell you  
it was I who was dazzled,  
I who found myself agape  
when I came upon her—  
reading, at the loom, in the kitchen,  
I cannot now recall;  
only that the woman before me—  
blessed and full of grace  
long before I called her so—  
shimmered with how completely  
she inhabited herself,  
inhabited the space around her,  
inhabited the moment  
that hung between us.

I wanted to save her  
from what I had been sent  
to say.

Yet when the time came,  
when I had stammered  
the invitation  
(history would not record  
the sweat on my brow,  
the pounding of my heart;  
would not note  
that I said  
Do not be afraid  
to myself as much as  
to her)  
it was she  
who saved me—  
her first deliverance—  
her Let it be  
not just declaration  
to the Divine  
but a word of solace,  
of soothing,  
of benediction  
for the angel  
in the doorway  
who would hesitate  
one last time—  
just for the space  
of a breath  
torn from his chest—  
before wrenching himself away  
from her radiant consent,  
her beautiful and  
awful yes.

—Jan Richardson



Jan Richardson is an artist, writer, and ordained minister in the United Methodist Church. She serves as director of The Wellspring Studio, LLC, and makes her home in Florida.

# Faith in Action



The Soles 4 Soul's program has been a part of the Faith In Action ministry since 2018 in in collaboration with Saint John's Episcopal Church of Lancaster. Soles 4 Souls is a nonprofit agency that works to assist people who live in poverty to break the cycle. Shoes donated can be used to create jobs by allowing them to be sold or to learn cobbler skills. The shoes are provided to individuals to wear so they can continue working and providing footwear to walk to the market, work, or school.



Thank you for the 215 pounds of food contributed to the pantry in March.

In March we served 136 families, which included 144 children, 268 adults, 107 seniors for a total 519 people. Many families visit the pantry every week which gives our total people fed in March at 1,570.

Current requested items are: Cereal, Mac/cheese, Soups, Canned mixed vegetables, Canned carrots, Canned corn, Canned fruit cocktail, Canned salmon, Canned potatoes, Pancake mix, Ramen noodles.

NO Glass Jars

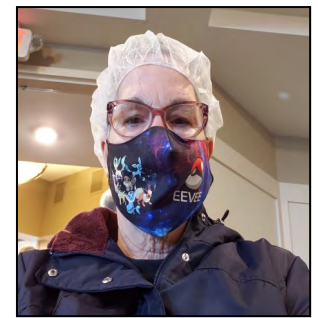


**We are thrilled to relay that we collected 368 pairs of shoes!!!**

**Altogether 1372 shoes were shipped. Bev Achey sized, packed and delivered our shoes to St. John's.**



The crew from St. Edward's attended the Feed My Starving Children in late March. We helped pack 115 food packets out of more than 42,000 packets finished that day. **Bottom Left Photo:** Becky, Elizabeth and Tony Watts, Dottie Gschwend, Lori and Jay Miller, Bev Achey, Finn's friend, Finn Milligan, Kevin Milligan, Jan and Bill Deegan, Beth Lynch





# Faith in Action

## St. Edward's Refugee Welcome Team By Joyce Kamm

**PLEASE NOTE: No sharing of photos on Social Media or elsewhere for the safety of the children still in Afghanistan. Thank you!**

From Church World Service:

The Rahim family has their 240 day marker of Match Grant at 7/29/22. At that time the official commitment of the Welcome Team with CWS will be over. Of course, we heavily encourage, and hope for, continued relationships with the family going forward. That will look different for each person on the team based on their level of connection they were able to make with the family. By that time the family should be able to live their lives in a self-sufficient way, so they don't rely on the Welcome Team any longer to provide goods or services, but are seen more as friends. This will also look different per family because the level of independence may vary.

7/29 is only three months away. It feels very strange to read these words.

"The official role of the Welcome Team with CWS will come to an end."

Because the Rahims have become like family and we are actively involved with a Legal Immigration Lawyer to, with great hope, bring their remaining children to the United States, our commit-

ment as a community will not end. We are keenly aware that COVID has made it impossible for you, the congregation, to meet this family that you have supported and continue to support so lovingly. There are upcoming plans to have a "meet and greet" dinner for the whole congregation so you can finally meet the Rahims. A date has not yet been determined so please stay tuned.

Our Welcome Team kept growing over the last three months as more and more activities were added, specifically tutoring, soccer and track. Khateeb and Soahib are thriving in the world of sports. Tayab is more laid back and takes his time with decisions. He's still waiting to find his niche but I think soccer may be in his future as well.

Recently the Welcome Team was acknowledged during morning worship. Pictured at right are some who were present. Here are the names of all Welcome Team members, ten of whom are tutors: Father Rick, Leslie Arnold, Beth and Bruce Lynch, Meredith and Randy Westgate, Candee Buckbee, Catherine Donohue, Donna Esbenshade, Deborah Fast, Jodi Good, Mary Snyder, Dottie Gschwend, Beth Hake, Dina Ishler, Herb Johnston, Marsha Shirk, Joyce Kamm, Ethel Lawrence, Linda Mamourian, Mac Miller, Ellen Milligan, David Rutledge, Beth Van Aulen.

Thank you to all for your love and excellent work with this beautiful family.



Deborah Fast — Ellen Milligan



Dottie Dschwend—Leslie Arnold



Beth Lynch—Ethel Lawrence

## Still Walking In Love..... With The Rahims



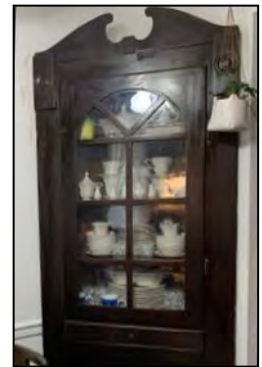
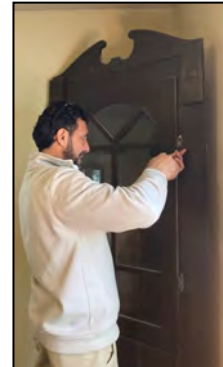
Blessings shared.....from one home to another



Before and After



Kamm Repair Shop

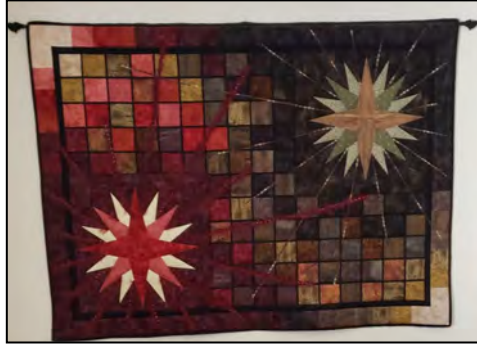


Taking a phone call

# A Visit with Barb O'Brien



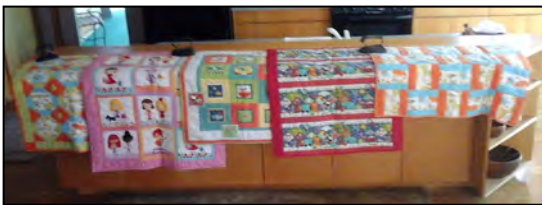
Barb in her sewing room.



The three beautiful quilts above, all made by Barb, hang in her living room.



The Quilt Barb designed for St. Ed's 25th anniversary. Sue Bianco did the applique. The Knit Wits helped to assemble it. It hangs in the Narthex. This embroidered note is attached to the back.



These five quilts were made by Barbara O'Brien for TLC. Barbara reports that there are 5 quilts of various sizes. . . all for babies and young children. Barb says that some were made from patterns, some are panels and some just happen. They become whatever the fabric wants to be. Barbara makes them in her spare time in the hopes that some little kid will be just a little happier. Barb says, "It's my way of giving back."



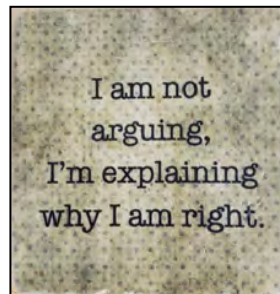
The Parish Hall Banners , designed by the children, that Barb helped to create. Find the full story about the banners by clicking here.



Gardening is another love for Barb. Here is her garden in March and below is how it looked in full bloom last year.



Made to remember Ukraine



Barb's laugh is one of her most endearing traits, This coaster, and the self portrait quilt she made are examples of her infectious sense of humor.



Self portrait- note the jeans, flowers for hair, ice cream and message.

Pictures by Mary Snyder



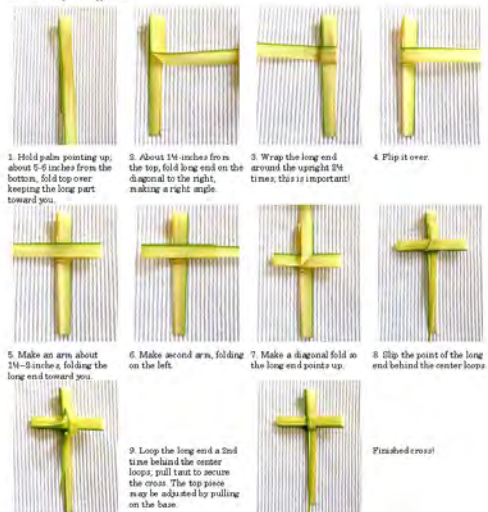
Julie Hoff preparing the palms.



## MAKE PALM CROSSES

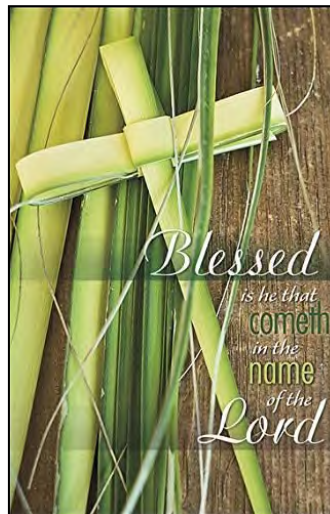
Everyone always wants to know how to make palm crosses. Here is a simple way—a little tricky, perhaps, but once you've mastered it, it will be easy to do. Enjoy!

Most palm fronds are actually double, split the frond into two long separate strips. Remove any stringy bits.



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Mary says that Alice made the cross using the instruction sheet and Jodi made the heart last year.



When Ida Nelson, head tribal clerk of a remote Alaskan village, heard an airplane flying low after dark, she knew something was wrong. Igiugig (Igggy-yaw-gigg), population 70, isn't normally a nighttime destination. Indeed, the medevac flight was coming to pick up a sick child.

Because the local airstrip's lights had been vandalized, the plane was having trouble landing. Nelson began alerting neighbors, and within minutes, villagers lined the runway with their vehicles, headlights blazing. The pilot was able to land and then safely deliver the sick child to an Anchorage hospital. The airlift service praised the residents' determination, but Nelson describes their effort as "normal" and "ordinary."

What everyday actions can you use to provide light amid darkness? How can you shine Jesus' light in a world that needs him?



"You can never know the ripple effect you create with one tiny gesture of kindness." - Elle Sommer



## STEPHEN MINISTERS: THE AFTER PEOPLE

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?" One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the After People.

Stephen Ministers are there:

... **after** the phone call you hoped you'd never get.

... **after** the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.

... **after** the relationship falls apart and the bottom falls out of your life.

... **after** the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."

... **after** the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, "Welcome to your new home."

... **after** the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away—and the house suddenly seems empty.

... **after** the gavel comes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.

... **after** the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.

... **after** you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.

... **after** your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

Stephen Ministers are the After People. They are ready to come alongside you—or your friends, neighbors, coworkers, or relatives—and provide comfort and support for as long after as needed..

To request a Stephen Minister, contact Peggy Hanzelman at 717-390-4944 or phanzelman@comcast.net.



Pick up a brochure in the Narthex or Parish Hall

By Randy Westgate

## Easy Free Money for Our Church!

Our grocery card program continues to successfully provide easy extra income for St. Edward's. If you shop at Giant or Stauffer's, by using the grocery gift cards which Michelle can provide for you, 5 percent of your grocery bill is donated to the church. For those of you who did not take Trigonometry in high school, that means that for every \$100 you spend on food, St. Eds automatically gets \$5 back from your store!



Please contact Michelle to participate. Each month she will put your desired amount of grocery gift cards in your church mailbox, and you write a check for that amount, place it back in the envelope and place it in the "grocery card" mailbox. The cards are super easy to use at check out at the store. What could be easier?!

## Urgent

The Afghan Adjustment Act allows certain Afghan evacuees to apply for permanent status after one year of being paroled into the country.

[More information here.](#)

**TAKE ACTION NOW**

**Tell Congress to pass the**

**AFGHAN ADJUSTMENT ACT**

[bit.ly/passtheAAA](http://bit.ly/passtheAAA)

## Needle Arts Ministry

The Knit Wits meet at 1PM each Tuesday in the lounge area. to work on any and all types of needle work.

In the Annual Report, Gail Irons quoted an appropriate scripture for this group: Genesis 21 God brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.

God has sent JOY; we glorify him with laughter.

All are invited to be a part of this enjoyable and productive group. Yarn, patterns and "expert assistance" are available, so you do not need to have a project started to join in the fun.



Knit Wits

Donations of yarn are always welcome.

Note from Dina:

*Hi all~ just a quick mention of how loved and welcomed the prayer shawls that I picked up last Thursday afternoon have been. I heard Nancy was so appreciative of hers-Michelle picked out the one I gave her- and the note that went with it. Another one went to a beloved soul who had already died, so his family would be able to take something with them that touched his body in that space while we were praying him into everlasting life. Another, to a person who feels as if they have lost everything, as a tangible reminder that they could still receive beautiful and hopeful things to grace their journey onwards. And Irene, I give away so many prayer squares, often to staff and family as well. I wanted to let you all know what an incredible blessing this ministry is in our wider community and what a privilege it is for me to share them.*



## **ST. EDWARD'S SWEATY SATURDAY MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> 9 AM – 4 PM**

Join our parish wide clean-up scheduled for Saturday, May 14th from 9 AM - 4 PM.

We will have tasks for inside work and outside work. Look for a sign-up sheet in the narthex starting Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

One of the tasks we are undertaking is to clean-up the low-brush area that is adjacent to the grassy area at the end of the parking lot (along the creek). We would like to be able to engage a hired crew to assist us by providing equipment, extra manpower, and a truck to haul out the debris to make meaningful progress in beautifying our property. We are seeking donations to cover an anticipated \$800-\$1,000 expense for this crew.

We hope to have robust parish-wide engagement for this day of pride and fellowship as we work together, in community, to maintain our spiritual home. Additionally, should you discern you could help, financially, with this anticipated creek-side work, please make your checks payable to St. Edward's and place "Sweaty Saturday" in the memo line.

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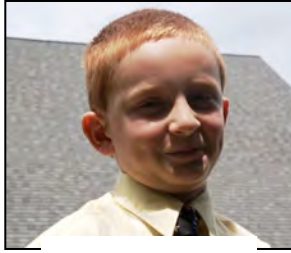
**EPISCOPAL COVENANT TO CARE OF CREATION: PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE** - In Jesus, God so loved the whole world. We follow Jesus, so we love the world God loves. Concerned about the global climate emergency, drawing from a range of approaches for our diverse contexts, we commit to form and restore loving, liberating, life-giving relationships with all of Creation.

**To learn more: [episcopalchurch.org/ministries/creation-care](http://episcopalchurch.org/ministries/creation-care)**

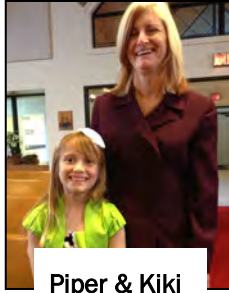
# Easter Memories



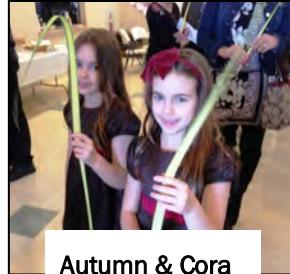
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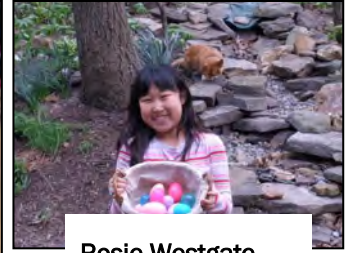
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Piper & Kiki



Autumn & Cora Dante



Rosie Westgate



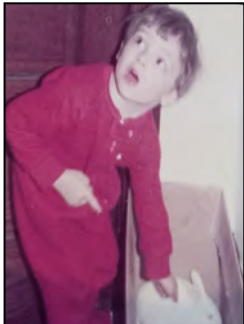
Nancy Oliver, Jill Bell, Sandy Costa, Fr. Casey, Julie Hoff, Bev Hess, Sandy Patrone



Fr. Casey's Bunny Ears



Kathy Spencer is in Rome for Easter.



Heidi Irons with her own Easter bunny



Josh Irons



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Kate Peterson



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Yeagers, Cotnoirs, Mary Snyder and Jodi Good

## Help Wanted



### By the Altar Guild

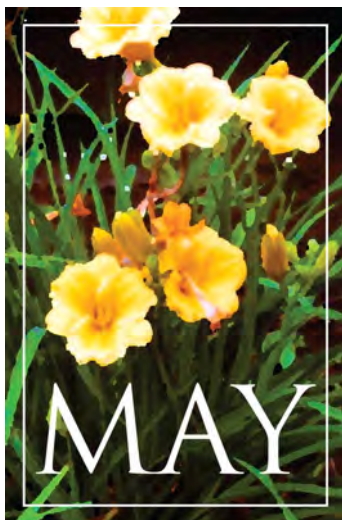
Worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness!

Preparing the altar area for worship each week is a sacred and spiritual experience currently administered by a devoted group of eleven people. At one time, the Altar Guild had as many as sixteen members.

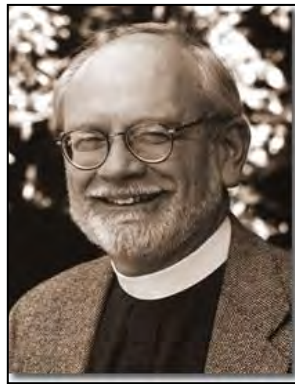
We need more help!

Please consider joining this essential ministry! No experience is necessary. The Altar Guild provides training. We work in teams so there is always an experienced member as part of a team. The set-up times are flexible (Thursday, Friday, or Saturday) and are arranged between the members of a team. Each team is scheduled about once a month. With more members, it could be every five or six weeks.

We are open to men, women, and young people who are willing to make a commitment to this ministry. If you are interested in joining us or if you have questions, please contact Bev Hess, Julie Hoff, or notify the church office. We look forward to hearing from you!



## Wednesday Evening Bible Study



L. William Countryman

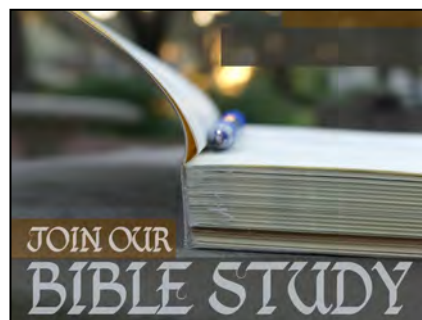
Wednesday Evening Bible Study new session will begin on Wednesday, March 9th (Zoom link will be published on Monday, March 7th) -

6:30 PM to 8:00 PM: The focus for this

session, led by Bob Mosebach and Leslie Arnold, will be to remain in the Hebrew Scriptures with a study on the Psalms. Staying with the 'Conversations with Scripture' series, the book we will use, in addition to the Bible, is **William Countryman's Conversations with Scripture: The Psalms.** *"Written in accessible language and sensitive to those who have little or no experience in reading the Bible, each book in the Conversations with Scripture series focuses on exploring the historical and critical background of the biblical texts, while illustrating how these centuries-old writings still speak to us today. Countryman brings his considerable biblical studies erudition as well as his skills as a popular writer and published poet to bear on the Psalms. Though an accomplished scholar of the New Testament, Countryman illumines the Psalms with insight and creativity. Readers will experience this most beloved part of the scriptural canon in a fresh and exciting way."* **There are several places online where you can purchase the book.** For questions, please contact Bob Mosebach at:

[rcmosebach@comcast.net](mailto:rcmosebach@comcast.net) or Leslie Arnold at [larnold897@aol.com](mailto:larnold897@aol.com) with any questions.

We encourage those who have thought about joining our Bible Study group to take this opportunity, during Lent, to experience this insightful study.



## Quilts for Ukraine

By Sharon Hubbard



The quilts will go to Bethany Slavic Church Ephrata. They will be sending the quilts to Ukraine, vs selling them here and sending money. Several ladies in our guild (Red Rose Quilt Guild) are also making quilts. The quilts were made in two sizes. . Dina Cerase is the one who designed both sized quilts. She is very talented.



The smaller quilt (pictured above) is supposed to look like a butterfly. Dina and I each made an adult sized quilt and the smaller butterfly quilt.



# Palm Sunday 10 AM

Pictures by Mary Snyder



The Altar



Dina Ishler and Fr. Howard prepare for the Liturgy of the Palms



Guest Celebrant and Preacher, The Reverend Dr. Howard Kempzell



Reading of the Passion by Jean Mosebach, Jay Miller, Buddy Yeager, Dina Ishler and Jamie Alton



The Holy Eucharist



Homily



# Palm Sunday



Fr. Rick returned from Florida



In time to make announcements



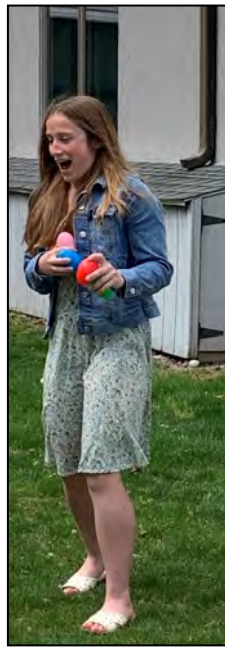


# Easter Egg Hunt

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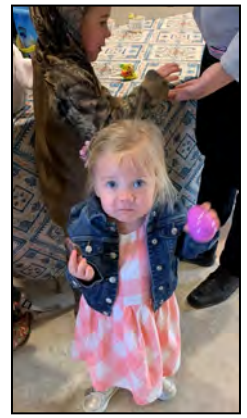
Christian Breneman  
searching for Easter Eggs



Piper Brugmann



Scarlett Breneman



Scarlett  
Breneman



Emma and Sadie



Elizabeth and Kevin  
"helping" the twins

# Coffee Hour

Pictures by Mary Snyder



St. Edward's own band



Always delicious treats offered by our coffee hour hosts!

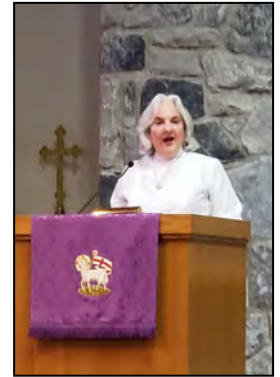


Great Easter fellowship

# Maundy Thursday



The choir provided lovely music



Wanda Stoltzfus preached



Beth Hake



Peter Weber



Jay Miller extinguishes final candle



Fr. Rick reads Gospel



Altar guild begins to strip the altar



Holy Eucharist



Foot washing



# Good Friday

Pictures by Mary Snyder and Jeanne Mosebach



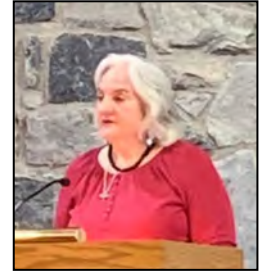
Bob Mosebach and Fr. Rick add the drape to the cross



## Passion Readers



Buddy Yeager



Wanda Stoltzfus



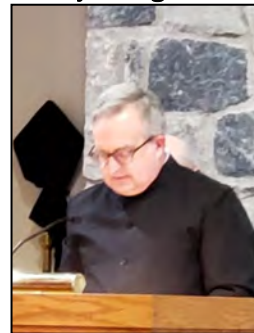
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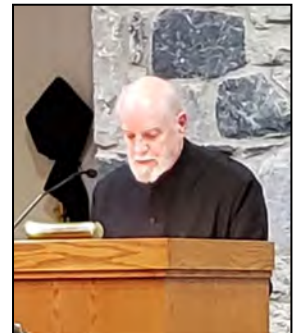
Blair Lord



The choir added so much to the service



Jamie Alton



Robert C. Mosebach



Buddy Yeager carries cross



Michelle Bentley Lector

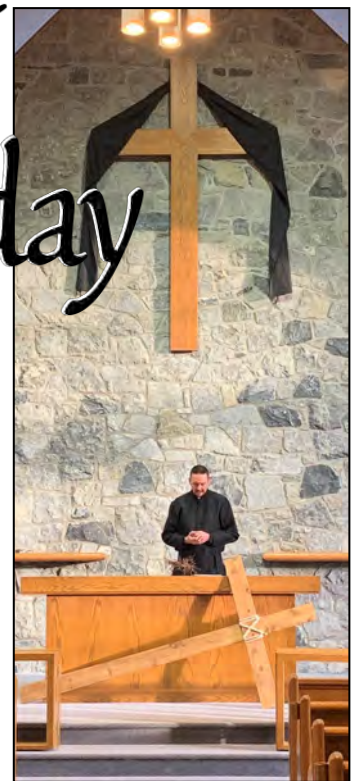


Veneration of the cross



Fr. Rick preaches sermon

*good friday*



# Easter Sunday

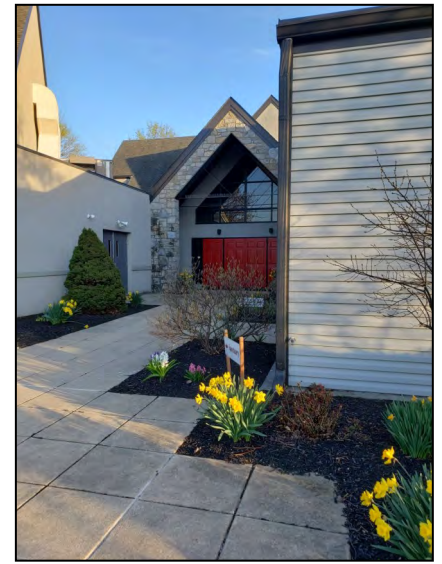
Pictures by Mary Snyder



Our front entry flowers bloomed right on cue!



Nancy Oliver creates the planters.



Our beautiful front entry.



Rayelenn gives granddaughter an organ close up



Karen Waddill and the choir provided the beautiful music



Many parishioners enjoyed the services



# Easter Sunday

Pictures by Mary Snyder



Peggy Hanzleman



Buddy Yeager



Fr. Rick reads the Gospel



The Eucharist



Fr. Rick delivers sermon



Leslie Arnold LEM 8 AM service



Father Rick and Bob Mosebach process to the altar.



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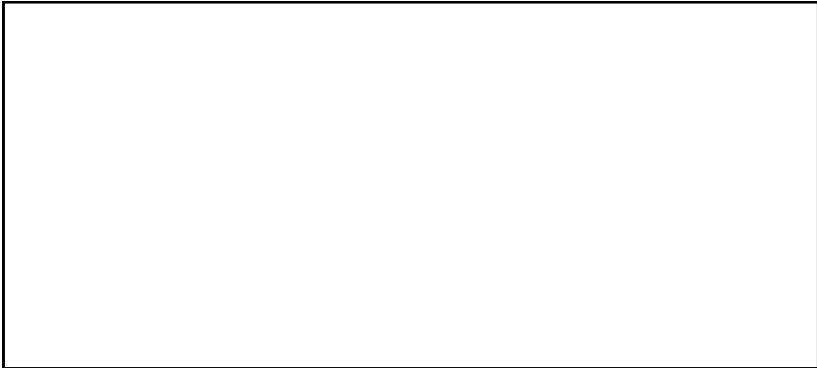
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## Staff

**The Rev. Dr. Rick Bauer,**  
Rector

**Michelle Bentley,** Parish  
Administrative Assistant

**Karen E. Waddill,**  
Director of Worship Music

### Parish Office Hours

Tuesday-Friday:  
11AM – 4:00PM

### Vestry (year term ends)

- ✦ Catherine Donohue (2023)
- ✦ Karen Grant (2024)
- ✦ Peg Hanzelman (2024)
- ✦ Richard Irons (2025)
- ✦ Joyce Kamm (2025)
- ✦ Ginny Kloeping (2023)
- ✦ Beth Lynch (2023)
- ✦ Mary Snyder (2025)
- ✦ Randy Westgate (2024) Sr. Warden

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## Worship Services

### Sunday Services

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

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

### Wednesday

12 Noon: Contemplative Eucharist,  
Meditation, and Healing Prayer

