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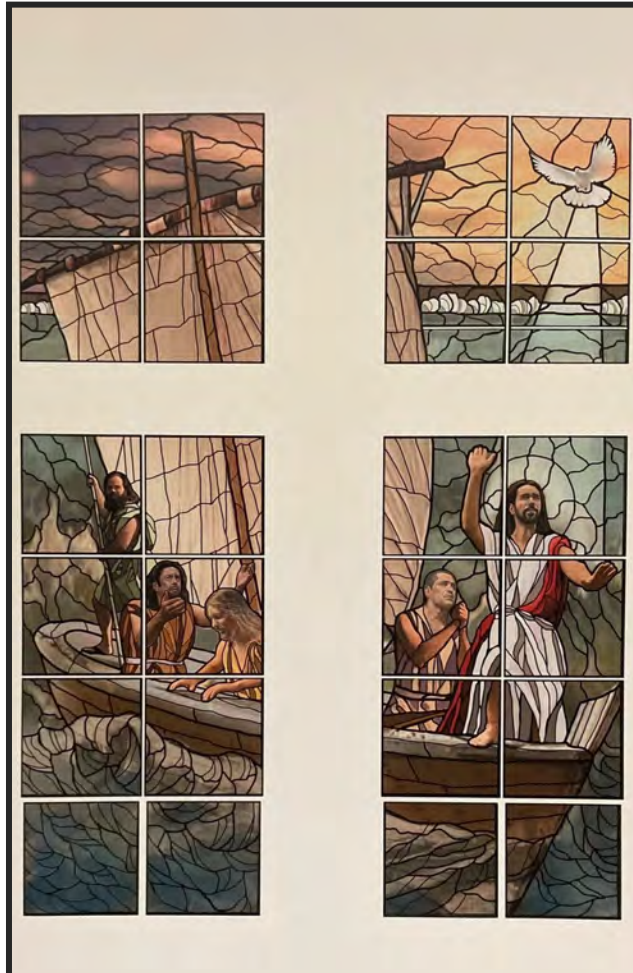
Reflection From the Rector's Desk

By The Rev. Dr. Richard C. Bauer

This month, I hope that each of us will take some time to pay attention to our worship spaces and to take stock of how we've experienced God's presence here in our spiritual home. Do you have a special spot here in our church? Is there a place where you like to sit, where you're able to sense that God is moving and at work? Is there a feature in our sanctuary or elsewhere on our campus that captures your attention and your spiritual imagination? I think that these are appropriate and timely questions for us to ponder, because we're about to experience something new and exciting together in our worship here at St. Edward's.

At some point this month, while this edition of the Scepter is still scattered about our church building, we will be witnessing a major transformation in our worship space, one that I suspect will alter how we absorb our liturgy and how we experience God in Christ. The stained glass that we're welcoming this month is of a size and scale that will re-define the aesthetic appreciations we possess, that will augment the imagery we associate in our heads and hearts with St. Edward's. It will influence our understandings of the

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

Reflection

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metaphors that we employ to imagine the holy, it will color and alter the way that light penetrates our sanctuary, and it will challenge our held assumptions about Jesus and his first disciples.

The coming scene of Jesus and his disciples upon the stormy waters of the Galilee's harp-shaped lake will invite us to think about the ways in which Christ has calmed the storms in our own lives and inspire our hope and trust that all shall be well in the future. It will, contrastingly, also invite us to name with honesty the occasions when we've felt like God has been asleep in our lives, seemingly distant and aloof as we've felt threatened and afraid. But the stained glass will also present us with an expanded vision of God's Kingdom in its radical inclusivity, making something of a statement in art form that "all are welcomed". And so, I think that it's important for us to each take stock this month of how we've encountered God in our worship spaces, so that we can *both* allow ourselves to name what has already spoken to us *and* to consciously open ourselves to adding to these experiences with something transformative, new, and different.

As I anticipate the successful completion of this major project, I've been thinking a lot about how much the environments that we're in impact our encounters with one another and with God. Back in seminary, I remember reading a book called *Introduction to Christian Worship* by James White about the "language of space". The author aimed to remind those of us who plan liturgies to recognize that "the space always wins" and that the fixed points of worship (like the orientation and size of the pulpit, font, and altar) convey the unspoken priori-

ties and beliefs of a community. But what I appreciated most about this book, and the stellar liturgical training that I received on my journey toward ordination to the Episcopal Priesthood, was the firm grounding in an incarnational sense of theology and an approach to leadership that acknowledges the incarnational sensibility as a primary cornerstone of our Anglican/Episcopal ethos. That is to say: our tradition lends significant focus to the idea of God dwelling among us in a human body, in a tactile form. We embrace the Celtic appreciation for nature as an expression of God's life, we beautify our worship with music and art, and we engage ritual with well-crafted language and movement, to remind us that we (like our God) are embedded and embodied in environments that we experience through our senses. Because while we honor the mystery of a divine ground that is beyond our comprehension and we humbly bow before a numinous presence as a people of faith, we also encounter a God made flesh and blood in Christ when we come together for worship. We reach into the ineffable as Christians and we learn, through our liturgy, how to touch...to 'taste and see' God in human form, alive and at work in our world. Indeed, as Episcopalians, we lend attention and care to our tactile expressions as a means to cultivate our relationships with God in Christ.

And so, I wonder, what our stained glass will say about who we are becoming and what we believe to be important as we grow together in Christ's love. I wonder how I'll be impacted by the art, how it will influence my connection to the celebration of the Eucharist, to the act of preaching. From the perceived patterns and images that many of us have found in the stone façade behind our altar, to the invitation to lift our eyes and our spirits heaven-ward

through the architecture of our upside-down, ark-like wooden ceiling, our physical spaces have had a great deal to say about how we've engaged our liturgy and how we've experienced the holy here at St. Edward's. And since my arrival here, I've tried to be mindful of how tending to our embodied and embedded structures can help us to directly experience God in Christ through our physical senses. Our Memorial Garden has become an important place for me, a space where I'm able to sit and breathe in the dignity and the beauty of a spot that we've worked together to transform, to "resurrect", out of respect for those who have gone before us and in confidence that we, like the saint from whom we've taken our name, are church builders, committed to the future of our parish. But nothing speaks more to me of this commitment to building up our church than the outpouring of gifts for the design, creation, and installation of our stained glass. The long-term vision and the special investment of our donors conveys a confidence in our parish through radical generosity that anticipates not only the survival, but the thriving of our parish for generations to come. I pray that we will all enthusiastically embrace the arrival of our stained glass and allow ourselves to listen for the "language of space" communicating to us through the Living Word and the Holy Spirit in the months, years, and decades to come. I look forward to hearing from our community as we experience worship under the colorful glow of our Lord calming the storm. Christ is alive!!

Rick+



Parish Office Hours

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Tuesday- Friday:
11:00 – 4:00PM

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Michelle Bentley

Scepter

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H. J. "Mac" Miller

Joyce Kamm



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 Mary Snyder



Greetings!

Hope your summer is off to a good start! Welcome to the long green season. During our Vestry meeting I, Mary Snyder, was elected to be Junior Warden along side our Senior Warden, Randy Westgate. As Jr. Warden I will be responsible to communicate any parishioner concerns to the vestry. Please reach out to me with any items you wish to be discussed at Vestry meetings. A big "thank you" to Catherine Donohue who stepped in to take notes for our Vestry meeting this month as Beth Lynch was unable to attend.

Father Rick presented his monthly report. He has been very busy, releasing his 8th album, which is still available,

with lyric sheets, in the narthex or parish office.

He has also completed his first semester for his MBA. This will give him a handle on the business end of running the church. He was also called to spend a week in his hometown, Hollywood, Florida this past month, where he facilitated a vestry retreat and provided consultation for the parish as they prepare to call their prospective new rector.

Several volunteers gathered Saturday May 14 for our sweaty Saturday and it was SWEATY! The landscaping around the building was freshened up, and there were numerous people working inside the church doing some much needed spring cleaning. There are still tasks to be done before our big day for the stained glass dedication, please check the weekly emails or contact Mike Freshwater or Michelle-to volunteer. Many hands make light work.

There are a lot of events happening this June starting with Wednesday, June 8th we are planning to have a congregational dinner. Malalay and the Rahim family would like to share with the congregation an Afghan meal, as a gift of gratitude and thanks for all the support from St. Edward's.

Lancaster Pridefest will be held on Saturday June 18th from noon to 6:00 p.m.. This will be the first year that St. Edward's will have a booth at Pridefest. We will need volunteers to help set up, take down, and provide coverage during the day at Clipper Stadium. There will

be a small craft for families, and literature for anyone interested in St. Edward's. Please contact Mary Snyder 717-945-8101 if you would like to volunteer for this outreach.

Also in the month of June we celebrate Father's Day and Juneteenth National Independence Day both on Sunday June 19th. We want to thank and remember our fathers and father figures. Juneteenth marks the day when Federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas to ensure that all enslaved people be freed. We recognize and celebrate with our community this historic event.

June 22-23 is the arrival and installation of our stained glass windows in the sanctuary. On Saturday June 25th, we will be having an open house with live music by The Swing Street band. There will also be a silent auction that day, organized by the Woolwrights, who meet the 2nd Friday of each month at St. Edward's. The Woolwrights are certified as Chapter 110 of The Association of Traditional Hooking Artists. Their mission is to provide a venue for rug hooking education and to develop the skills of their members in this traditional craft. We share our building with this group and parishioners are welcome to attend. See me for contact information if interested in joining them.

This will be a great opportunity to welcome and socialize with our community and enjoy all the additions we have made to our church home. This is shaping up to be an amazing day, and will be

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Military News

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

- ★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 Tennes
- ★Allison Tomich
- ★Evan Westgate
- ★Seamas Whitesel
- ★1st Lt. Thomas Whitesel



Pokémon League Wednesday Evenings

By Beth Lynch

Pokémon Club will end on June 8th.. We had fun playing Pokémon, Uno and bingo. We had times we made crafts with perler beads, t-shirts and bags. Look for information on the next Pokémon session.



Gage, Wyatt



Ruby, Maylenn, Briar.



Crosby, Ricky, Rocky.

Graduations



Peggy Hanzelman's grandson, Gavin, graduated from Temple May 5th with a degree in Risk Management and Insurance.



Peggy Hanzelman's grandson, Evan, graduated from Millersville May 7th with a degree in Computer Sciences



Joyce Kamm's granddaughter, Katie Nicole Scheurich, graduated from PA Cyber School. She hopes to be a veterinary technician



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Athena Donohue



Look how far Athena has come!
Praising God!
From one pound, thirteen ounces to
nine pounds, eight ounces at four
months old (one month adjusted).

Dante Keener



2022 L-L League Boys Volleyball All-Stars
SECTION ONE, FIRST TEAM – a team
of eleven athletes: Dante Keener –
senior, opposite hitter, Hempfield



Some popcorn plus a little heat
makes a big change.

What you need:

- 2 Tbsp. popcorn kernels
- 2 tsp. oil
- 1 Tbsp. sugar
- Brown paper lunch bag

What you do:

1. Add popcorn kernels, oil and sugar to the bag.
2. Fold the bag's top down about half an inch. Repeat two more times. Gently shake to mix ingredients.
3. Microwave for 1½ or 2 minutes (or use the Popcorn setting). Allow bag to cool before re-moving and opening it.
4. As you share popcorn with family and friends, discuss the change in the kernels. Read Acts 2 together. What changes did the disciples experience? What was the source of their power?

PUZZLE 
A **powerful** CALLING

Before his ascension, Jesus tells the disciples they will receive a gift and carry out a job.

Directions: Use the code to fill in the blanks and complete Acts 1:8, NIV.

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☞	S	P	W
✎	O	A	I
☺	T	N	E



“But you will receive _____ when the
Holy _____ comes on you; and you
will be my _____ in Jerusalem,
and in all Judea and Samaria,
and to the ends of the _____.”
ACTS 1:8, NIV

Answer: power, Spirit, witnesses, earth



Bible Quiz

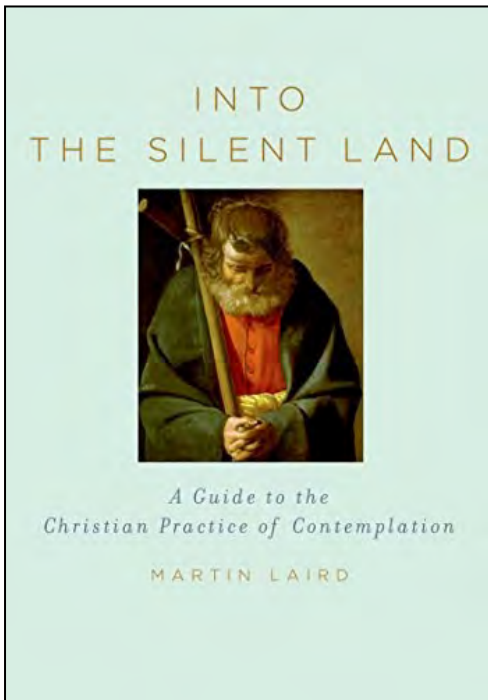
Jesus was known for using a certain type of speech in his teaching. What was it?

- A. soliloquy
- B. parable
- C. lecture
- D. riddle



Answers
INSIDE

Answer: B (See Mark 4:33-34.)



Martin Laird, an Augustinian priest at Villanova University, teaches the ancient Christian practice of contemplation in order to "quiet the mind" and have a deep awareness of union with God.

Into the Silent Land – A Guide to the Christian Practice of Contemplation by Martin Laird, Fridays, beginning May 27th from 12 Noon – 1 PM. Zoom link will be in the weekly emails: Join Father Rick and Bob Mosebach as we journey with this guide to contemplation. We invite you to explore this beautiful 140-page text with us – a unique opportunity for learning and understanding the “Christian contemplative tradition of prayer.” To learn more about this session, please visit our Adult Spiritual Formation page by [clicking HERE](#).



Tending to God’s Creation – the pause that refreshes.



Growing up in New York City in a family with 5 siblings it is not hard to believe that I cherished the warmer weather where I could be outside and enjoy our small garden and God’s miracle of growth every spring, summer and autumn. Here in Lancaster, we are blessed with so much green space and opportunities to spend some of our time and energy in nature restoring balance to our lives. I have found, over the years, that tending to flowers, shrubs, trees, and even weeds (!) has been a source of relaxation and achievement, as well as a chance to think about the gardens or anything else that you need to work out.

Over the years at St. Edward’s, I have had the pleasure of working with so many wonderful gardening angels who also enjoyed the time outside volunteering to keep our campus gardens beautiful. It has given me time to get to know both old friends better and make new ones. Thanks to all the work that Father Rick and Michelle did working with the landscape contractors. With proper stewarding of the funds donated by parishioners, and friends of St. Edward’s, to complete the Memorial Garden and the wonderful gifts in memory of Father Stephen, we have completed the landscaping around the church.

So, if you want some time to garden and think on your own, or want to garden with another individual, we have lots of opportunities and would appreciate your help! Thank you for your consideration in joining this very important ministry for the care of our beautiful grounds. To learn more, contact:

Ginny Kloeping - 717-314-8274 or ginny@kloeping.com

Holding Space

by Joyce Kamm



Holding space for someone in emotional pain is a concept many people are not familiar with but have nonetheless felt on some level, at some point in their lives. It can be especially helpful when someone is in deep grief, struggling with unresolved trauma, or in the depths of depression.

Stephen Ministers are here to listen, not just to hear but to understand....going beyond listening with the ears, to listening with the heart. We sit with people in the hard stuff. ...without judgment.

No matter what a person has done or who they are, a Stephen Minister will hold you with deep respect, compassion, positive regard and strict confidentiality.

Confidentiality is what creates a safe space for you to express and feel your feelings.

Often, when someone is in pain, it is natural to want to fix it for them. While that might make US, as Stephen Ministers feel better, it may leave you feeling even more isolated in your pain. So above all, Stephen Ministers are there for and with you. We do not try to fix you or your feelings. Your feelings are valid, they are your own. You do not need fixing. The only way over pain is through it. That’s the hard part. It takes courage. We are here to listen and support you on your journey.

If you would like to be paired with a Stephen Minister, or just want to ask questions, please contact Peggy Hanzelman.

Phone: 717-390-4944

Email: phanzelman@comcast.net



Pick up a brochure in the Narthex or Parish Hall

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, June 2nd. **For more information contact:** Peggy Hanzelman:

717.390.4944

phanzelman@comcast.net or:

Ethel Lawrence:

717.314.8993

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, June 11th.

"The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes come close."

Evening Prayer



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

Sunday Evening Prayer @ 7:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84700614072>

Meeting ID: 847 0061 4072



Vestry Cont'd

receiving coverage from several local news outlets. It will be an all day event we hope you can attend sometime during the day to gather with our community. Keep an eye on the weekly emails for more details.

It was a pleasure to confirm our full support of Dina Ishler's Candidacy for priesthood. We are blessed to have her as a member of our parish and look forward to her growth in the ministry.

Kevin Milligan presented the financial data for the first quarter of 2022. We are slightly behind on our operating expenses. As we all know energy costs are rising as well as other expenses to keep the building operating. Please prayerfully remember our church home when giving your offering each week, as you are able.

We want to thank Beth Lynch for the awesome job she is doing with the Wednesday evening Camp Pokémon. There are an average of 20-25 kids attending every week!

I am so grateful to be part of this community of so many generous and committed people. I am looking forward to serving on the Vestry as Junior Warden. I look forward to the upcoming events and hope to see you there!



Include your news and announcements in the next Scepter.

Due date for July/August will be:

June 20th.

Send articles and announcements to:

HJ_Miller@outlook.com



Coffee Hour



Julie Hoff made delicious orange cookies for Coffee Hour. Here's the requested recipe.



Orange Cookie Recipe

Cookie Ingredients

- 1 ½ cups granulated sugar
- 1 cup softened butter or margarine
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 eggs
- 4 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 2/3 cups orange juice
- 3 tablespoons grated orange peel

Freshly grated orange peel and freshly squeezed orange juice enhance the flavor of these cookies!

Directions

Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Combine sugar and 1 cup softened butter/margarine. Beat until light and fluffy.

Add sour cream and eggs. Mix until well blended.

Combine dry ingredients. Add to wet ingredients.

Add orange juice and orange peel to mixture. Mix well. (Batter will be sticky.)

Drop by rounded tablespoons onto parch-

Frosting Ingredients

- ¼ cup melted butter or marg.
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 tablespoon grated orange peel
- 2-3 tablespoons orange juice

ment paper covered cookie sheets.

Bake at 375 degrees for 8-10 minutes, until edges are light golden brown. Do not over-bake!

Immediately remove from cookie sheet to cooling rack.

Mix all frosting ingredients until smooth, adding orange juice for desired spreading consistency.

Frost warm cookies. Let cool and store in airtight containers.

ENJOY!



Needle Arts Ministry



Christmas planning in June... what????????.....

Yes, we crafter's are looking ahead to adding our work to the holiday cookie sale. Great fun and creativity, and a serious source of revenue for Saint Edward's ministries.

Do you create... with wood, fabric, art, yarn, paper, or plants? We are well in gear with some of our creativity: children's crayon holders, fabric wine totes, darling gift bags for children's items, table runners, holiday placemats and more. How about specialized holiday gift boxes to hold all those cookies people flock to buy?

Creative Arts and the Knit Wits meet every Tuesday at 1 PM., and we'd love to have you join us with your ideas.

Questions and intentional plans? Contact either Gloria Kacinko or Donna Holwager. We'd love to hear from you.

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(717)892-1331
ddholwager@aol.com
- Gloria Kacinko
(717)572-6558
frank.gloria1@comcast.net

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.



Contributed by Barb O'Brien, taken 2012. The KnitWits surround their collection of hats, mittens and scarves donated to Kim Kline for her students to wear at recess.

L to R: Barbara West, RB Mullineaux, Carol Hopwood, Sandy Patrone, Kim Kline, Fr. Casey, Irene Achey, Sue Bianco, Barb O'Brien and Mary Christiansen.



One of the hundreds of prayer pockets knitted for giving to anyone who can use a wee prayer in their pocket.



Contributed by Catherine Donohue: Athena with her beautiful blanket from the Knit Wits. We are so grateful for all the thoughts and prayers!!



She's gaining weight and filling out nicely! Praise God!!!

Pictures of the morning race by Mary Snyder



, L-R: Jack Esbenshade, Donna Esbenshade, Bruce Lynch, Michelle Bentley, Father Rick, Sally Lederer, Beth Lynch, Mark Lederer, Kevin Milligan



The morning race begins.



Racers



It was a beautiful day.



On our self-guided tour there were amazing parks, gardens, and playgrounds with art and historical markers detailing important happenings spanning the centuries.



Going the second mile

In Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, he teaches, "If anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile" (Matthew 5:41, NRSV). Back then, Jews were subject to Roman rule and often compulsory service. Commoners could be forced to fetch water, carry baggage and perform other menial tasks. So Jesus suggests that rather than complying with gritted teeth and muttered curses, people offer to carry the pack a second mile as well.

These days, the second (or extra) mile denotes going beyond what's expected or required, whether in effort or kindness. In *Going the Second Mile*, Mel Blackaby describes the concept as "the difference between living as a good person and enjoying life as a child of God." He explains, "When you 'do your best' for someone, you go the first mile. When God does his best through you, you experience the second mile. This can happen only when you let Christ in you take over and empower you to accomplish what is impossible by your natural abilities. While others see you on the first mile, they see Christ on the second."

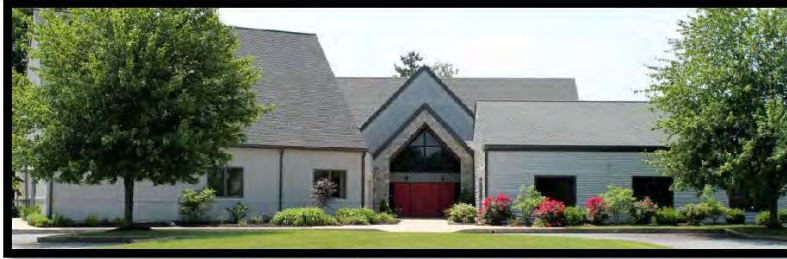
—adapted from *The Wired Word*

Let's do at least one of these today & every day

- ☺ Encourage someone
- ☺ Give a compliment
- ☺ Make a new friend
- ☺ Give from your heart
- ☺ Offer a heartfelt apology
- ☺ Share a home-cooked meal
- ☺ Support a community organization
- ☺ Call someone who may feel lonely
- ☺ Ask how you can help
- ☺ Be kind to a stranger
- ☺ Share a smile

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OPEN HOUSE AT ST. EDWARD'S

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SATURDAY, JUNE 25TH
12 NOON - 6 PM

Join us on this special day as we open our doors to the community and celebrate, with great joy, the unveiling of our stained-glass window! Our events of the day are as follows:

12 Noon: We welcome all to visit our beautiful spiritual home. Light refreshments will be served throughout the day.

12 Noon – 6 PM: Our resident fiber arts guild, the **Woolwrights**, will be holding a silent auction of their craft to benefit their educational fund, which enables training and education in the fiber arts. Bid on your favorite pieces, visit (and experience) their demonstration tables featuring fine rug hooking, wide cut, proddy skill, and rug hooking with alternate fabrics. There will be items to bid on with *final bids announced at 6 PM* and items to purchase to benefit Ukrainian relief efforts. *One of their pieces for auction will be a panel from our stained-glass window!*

4PM – 6 PM: Popular jazz ensemble, **Swing Street**, will perform a live concert featuring their wonderful blend of jazz standards and jazz adaptations. If you missed them in January 2020 or at our 40th anniversary celebration in 2021, now is your chance!!! They are a fantastic way to enjoy a musical afternoon in our sanctuary. **A free-will offering will be collected.**

Invite your friends and family to this wonderful opportunity to experience our St. Edward's home.

If you would like to volunteer to serve as a host, please contact the parish office. We are seeking 6-8 volunteers. It is a great way to support St. Edward's!

**Our beautiful
stained-glass
window will be
revealed!**

**Fiber arts guild –
the Woolwrights
will be holding a
silent auction to
benefit their
educational fund**

**Beautiful fiber
arts to bid on and
Pysanky eggs and
proddy sunflowers
for purchase to
benefit Ukrainian
relief efforts**

**Enjoy wonderful
jazz with the
popular group –
Swing Street as
they perform
renditions of
mainstream jazz
standards and
jazz adaptations**



JUNE 8TH @ 6 PM
DINNER WITH
THE RAHIM
FAMILY AT
ST. EDWARD'S

Join our congregation, and the Rahim family, for a beautiful dinner of traditional Afghan cuisine as we gather to meet and get to know one another and to learn about their country and family.

There will be a video presentation featuring the home they once had in Afghanistan, their children still living there, street markets, the bombing of her mother's Mid-Wife School and more.

**A St. Edward's
Fellowship Dinner
Event!**

**A wonderful
opportunity to be
in fellowship with
the Rahim family**

**Traditional Afghan
cuisine prepared
by Malay**

**A suggested
donation of \$5.00
per person**

RSVP by June 4th

RSVP to the parish office:

stedsoffice@comcast.net

by June 4th!



Faith in Action



This Month's Journey With The Rahim Family

Trip to Longwood Gardens by Meredith Aul

I invited people on the "Tutoring Committee" to spend a "Girls Day Out" with Malalay. Dottie, Catherine, and Beth Hake signed up. It was a beautiful day - but a hot 91 degrees! Najibullah worked a 12-hour-shift so our day was made possible by Joyce Kamm and Beth Lynch. Joyce took Khateeb to his soccer game (his team won 5-1) and then went to Beth's for fun in the sun in Beth's backyard.



Malalay throwing coins in fountain. Four coins, four wishes. .



Items requested for June are:

- Cereal
- Canned diced tomatoes
- Canned carrots
- Canned mixed vegetables
- Canned potatoes
- Canned sweet potatoes
- Dry beans
- 2 lb. packs of rice
- Spaghetti
- Large peanut butter
- Large jelly

We prefer NO glass jars!
Thank you!



Catherine Donohue, Dottie Gschwend, Malalay Rahim, Meredith Aul and Beth Hake



Faith in Action—Making Memories—Building Relationships

No sharing of photos on Social Media Please

A Trip to Amos Herr Park
Anfal, Malalay and Meredith



Khateeb after a winning game of soccer (5 to 1)

A CONVERSATION WORTH SHARING

God does work in mysterious ways. On the way home from a sporting event, I told Khateeb and Sohaib that I am so glad they came to America... because I would never have gotten to know and love them. Khateeb, this little ten-year-old shown in the picture above looked at me, pointed upward and said "It's God!!!!" 💖 A precious moment in time. There are no barriers between race, religion and language when you speak with the language of the heart.

-Joyce Kamm



Sohaib—Playing at Miss Beth's

Fun in The Sun at Miss Beth's



Anfal—So incredibly photogenic



Conversation Overheard—"Miss Beth this was a fun day. May we come back again?"



Miss Beth and the Rahims getting ready for a water battle. Dumping buckets of cold water over their heads in 90 degree heat was also refreshing

Introducing The Rahim Boys To Bowling



Father Rick, Finn, Khateeb, Christian, Sohaib, Tayab and Ricky



Khateeb, Tayab, Christian, Sohaib

Parishioner Helping Parishioner

—by Rayelenn Casey

We Episcopalians tend to favor the New Revised Standard Version translation of the Bible for many good reasons related to scholarship and faithfulness of the translation to the original language — but don't you sometimes find that another version speaks to you in unexpectedly rich and beautiful ways? Takes James 2:14 for example. The NRSV gives us:

“What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works?” That is excellent, and I'm told it gives meaning faithful to the intent of the original language. But in our daily speech, we don't usually use the word “works” in that way, except maybe in the phrase “good works.” Does the word feel old-fashioned to you? Or maybe artistic? It does to me. So as I look around the many translations, I find this one from the New Living Translation (NLT) — a version originally inspired by attempts to revise The Living Bible — to be more direct, more “like we talk.” “What good is it, dear brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but don't show it by your actions?”

If we are aware of the love of God surrounding us and filling us, then we naturally feel compelled to show that love to the world through our actions.

I feel sure that when our Saint Edward's community developed the Faith in Action ministry group, this is exactly what they had in mind when they decided on their name. Because the loving generous giving of self to others that marks the work of this group is truly an expression of our faith — shown in our actions. And may I say right here — this is not a group with a cap on its membership! Every one of us at St Edward's who senses the love of God in our lives can be part of showing that faith by our actions. Just talk to Beth Lynch who guides this group; she'd be glad to help you show your faith — in action — to our community members in need.

As many of you know, recently I had an overwhelming task in front of me. For spiritual, as well as logistical and financial reasons, I needed to give up the “Casey Homestead” and re-home myself in a smaller and less physically demanding environment. I wanted to offload a lot of the “stuff” that weighs us down and learn to live joyfully with only what is essential and truly life-giving.

it's easier to fly
when you're not
carrying a lot of stuff.

So the overwhelming task was the empty-

ing of a ramshackle 12-room home, filled to the brim with the “stuff” of a forty-year marriage on two continents, and keeping only what would fit in a 1,000 square foot apartment. The task seemed monumentally beyond my ability; the fact that, ironically, both my adult daughters were making full house moves at exactly the same time meant that they were largely caught up in their own overwhelming downsizing and packing activities, while still being committed to full-time employment. So although they did their best to help me when they could, they were not able to offer me the days and days of physical help my task required.

I'll admit I became anxious and overwhelmed. It was emotional. It was spiritual. The fact that I was experiencing such high anxiety made me question the quality of my own belief in a God who constantly says, “Be not afraid” and “Be anxious for nothing.” (and that translation is from the New King James Version!)

That's when members of the Faith in Action group began to care for my soul by caring with me for my physical needs. May I right here offer my deepest gratitude for a church like St. Edward's, for a commitment like the one represented in the Faith in Action ministry group, and for the spirit-filled, hard-working, good-natured, and fun-loving efforts of people like Linda Bruce, Mark Jakiel, Joyce Kamm, Beth Lynch (and my work colleague Marsha Barr, who became a wel-

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come Honorary Member of Faith in Action!) The work was unbelievably daunting (apparently the Casey family never threw anything away?) but day after day people helped me sort through and decide on the future of each object in the home. Will it be kept? sold? donated? tossed out? These good people boxed and lifted and carried and laughed and spirited away so much “stuff!”

High points from the many many days of work: the clarion call of “MONEY!” whenever a bunch of coins or bills (or English “notes”) was found in a cupboard or drawer (who knew that Stephen had the habit of tucking money away and forgetting it?! I certainly didn’t!).

The boxing of 80 boxes of books that were donated to the Stone Independent School in the city of Lancaster.

The many people who caught a freebie on one of the Free to A Good Home sites my colleague Marsha set up and managed — especially the family who snapped up my late dad’s old La-Z-Boy power recliner for their granny who had just come home from the rehab after a stroke.

The day Linda Bruce made a little catwalk in my dining room and modelled hats, scarves, jackets, and capes, while



Joyce Kamm took art shots with her phone and sent to me for my “keep-donate” decisions.

The discovery of two 1915 books for women about sex belonging to my grandmother and inscribed with the instruc-

tions that these were to be given to Rachel (my mother) when she was old enough to read them.

The day Malalay and her children came over and boxed and bagged things they needed or wanted; little Anfel got some dollies and the boys: “May we have this skateboard? Yaasssssss!”

But the most wonderful day was when Dr Rahim came and took away THE ENTIRE CONTENTS of my dining room and a few days later sent photos of all of it, freshly polished and laden with pretty and useful things, in their apartment.

And how I wish I had a photo of the day Fr. Rick rightfully proclaimed himself young and strong and full of energy, and almost single-handedly filled a U-Haul U-Box with boxes and bits of small furni-



ture!

The work was hard. The work was long. The dust was everywhere. But the love was shared. The generosity of spirit was strong. The laughter healed the anxiety and tears. I felt blessed by their giving. They told me repeatedly that they felt blessed to be giving.

And that’s how it works. “What good is it, dear brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but don’t show it by your actions?” If we are aware of the love of God surrounding us and filling us, then don’t we naturally feel compelled to show that love to the world through our actions? This is Faith in Action at St Edward’s.

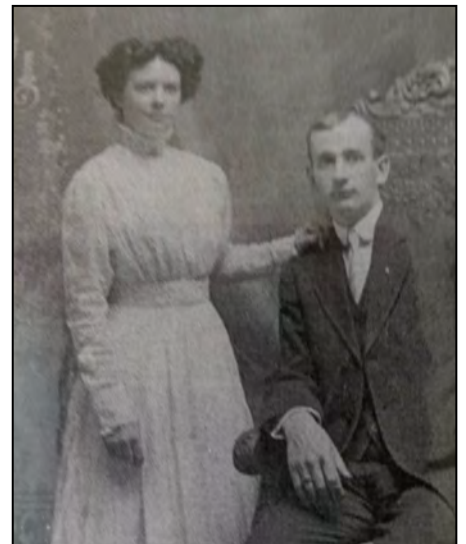
When I’m settled, I’m going to offer to help the next person in need in whatever way I can. I hope you will too.

-Rayelenn Sparks Casey

Lost and Found



Rayelenn found her wedding dress presumed lost for 20 years!!



Rayelenn found a vast untold number of family photographs. These are her New England maternal grandparents, May Fanny and J Elmer Stockwell .

History of the Food Ministry at St. Edward's

By Beth Lynch

The amount of people who go hungry in the USA is staggering. About 41 million people struggle with hunger. 16.7% of all children do not know where their next meal is coming from. 22 million children rely on schools for their meals. 12% of senior citizens are food insecure.

How does St. Edward's minister help alleviate this issue? There are several programs past and present we have been involved in: Meals at Crispus Attucks, Hempfield Food Pantry, and Feed My Starving Children.

The Crispus Attucks program ran for several years especially with the leadership of Deacon Hank Morrow. Parishioners would cook, prepare and bake food and deliver it the Crispus Attucks Center to serve. "Both as a youth minister and praise band member, I have participated in many meals at Crispus Attucks," according to Michael Freshwater. "I have seen how appreciative both the daily volunteers and recipients were to our being there. I was saddened to see the large number of people who are in desperate need in Lancaster. It was just a small act on our part to support such an effort."

In the past, when this organization was active in weekly food service to the homeless, St. Edward's responded to their needs by preparing and serving balanced and healthy meals one Sunday per month.

Our ministry with Crispus Attucks started with our rector at the time Father Stephen Casey who had been involved in the Crispus Attucks homeless shelter since his arrival at St. Edward's. Getting to know the manager of the shelter, he would respond to any financial requests through his discretionary fund. Doug Hopwood, a member of St. Edward's who was working with the Lancaster County Council of Churches was informed that Crispus Attucks was seeking churches to provide weekend meals on a regular basis. This seemed like a wonderful opportunity for St. Edward's to reach out in a very meaningful way, so the parish signed up to provide a meal one Sunday a month throughout the year. Michelle Bentley reminded us "Between Hank Morrow and the parish office grants were obtained through Operation Understanding for several years to fund this robust parish-wide participation in this ministry."

Under Fr. Stephen's and Doug Hopwood's leadership, all ministry groups within the parish agreed to take their turn to prepare and serve the meals; Vestry, Men's Group, Youth Group, The Knit Wits and individual

parishioners who partnered with each other to sponsor a Sunday dinner. At the start, they fed 60 to 70 people at a time; with the deteriorating economy in 2009 and further job losses, that figure had doubled to between 125 to 140 people served on any given Sunday.

Fr. Casey explained, "Located as we are in the affluent suburbs of Lancaster, it is easy for the parish to be unaware of the needs of those who live at the margins of society. Through the Crispus Attucks meal program, the people of St. Edward's are able to reach out to those in need and put the gospel into action."

Sadly, the program ended when state regulations made it mandatory that the food be prepared on site.

Next Issue: History of the Hempfield Food Pantry.

We welcome any comments or remembrances of your personal experiences.



Sunday School 2011



Vestry 2012



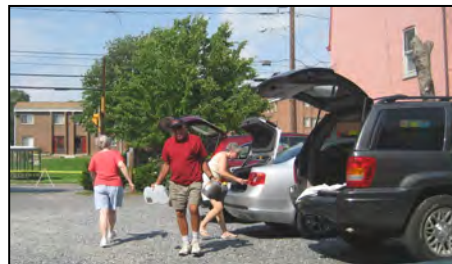
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Mike Patrone 2006



Knit Wits Unloading 2008



Greeters 2010



Social Outreach

Why I . . . Host Coffee Hour

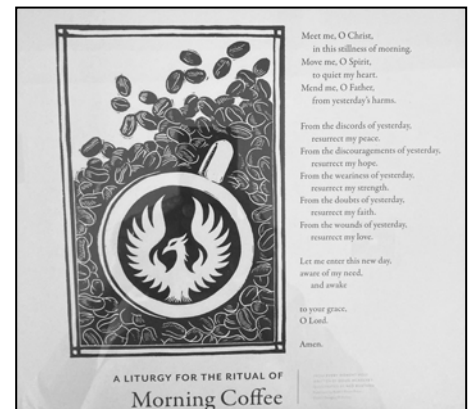
By Michelle Bentley

Often, the parish office puts out brief articles announcing events and ministry opportunities that are happening at St. Edward's. But, for June, and hopefully going forward, I would like to encourage folks to submit brief articles to Mac with a photo or two of their ministry experiences, in their own words. It is a beautiful way for us to know each other, better, within our community of faith and it is an authentic way for us to invite parishioners to discern a ministry that may speak to them. For me, I kick this series off with, "Why I Host Coffee Hour."

To me, coffee hour, from 9 AM – 10 AM on Sundays, is an important fellowship event in the life of St. Edward's. For some folks, it may be their main social

interaction for the week. It is also an opportunity to speak with others about their lives and our life at St. Edward's. We are a close-knit community, and it is in these moments that we discover the meaning of St. Edward's in our lives. This is how we grow and become more connected in our shared ministry, mission, vision, and ultimately the legacy of St. Edward's. I LOVE hosting coffee hour for that very reason. . . seeing people get together and speak with one another. And, it gives me the opportunity to meet everyone and to answer questions people may have about our parish life. Outside of welcoming folks at our front door, it is an essential element of hospitality in our shared life. There is nothing better than being in the kitchen with the coffee brewing and the table set offering up the hospitality that

we, at St. Edward's, have been known for. And, our goal in hosting one shared coffee hour is to encourage us to create bonds within the different worshipping segments. . .so important for the success of our shared mission. *So, I invite you to join us for coffee hour. Introduce yourself to someone you do not know. I invite you to host a coffee hour – it is true ministry.* I invite you to take a moment to read the *Liturgy for the Ritual of Morning Coffee* or to take a moment to bask in the awesomeness of God's creation on our flat screen that reminds us of our Episcopal mission of Creation Care, or to come to coffee hour on those 3rd Sundays of the month (after the summer hiatus) when our Coffee House band is performing. We are one community of faith!



The Church Hive



Bees live in a cooperative way described as "eusociality," or good relations. Each bee contributes a specific skill to the colony, synchronizing its efforts for the benefit of all. Likewise, a church's health depends on all members fulfilling their responsibility to the organism as a whole. Descriptions of hive life mirror Paul's words about the body of Christ, with members

having different gifts "but the same Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:4).

According to R.S. Beal Jr., who was both a pastor and a zoology professor, a beehive is the perfect "living illustration of how to walk in unity." He wrote, "Those of us who have believed in Jesus belong to one another just as much as we belong to Christ. We cannot live independently of one another anymore than we can live independently of Christ. Like the bees, we must learn to practice the sacrifice, labor, sharing, and submission of love that together we 'may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ'" (Ephesians 4:15, KJV). How are you using your own spiritual gifts to build up your church "hive"?



Pride Fest



On Saturday, June 18th, from 12 Noon to 6 PM, St. Edward's will be participating in the Lancaster Pride

Festival at Clipper Stadium. We welcome all to contact Mary Snyder to help us by volunteering to host our booth for one-hour shifts, in support of this community event!

The Mission of Lancaster Pride

Lancaster Pride is a celebration of the progress that the local LGBTQ+ community has made toward achieving visibility, acceptance and equality within Lancaster County. As an organization, Lancaster Pride is committed to producing a vibrant festival that honors these achievements. We want to educate, collaborate, and build partnerships with our allies, associations, and other organizations that directly support the LGBTQ+ population.

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!



Wed. Bible Study



L. William Countryman

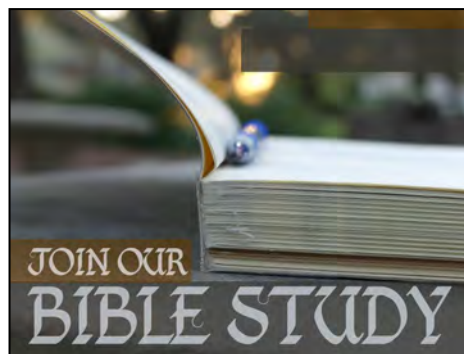
Wednesday Evening Bible Study
Wednesday, March

6:30 PM to 8:00 PM:

The focus for this session, led by Bob Mosebach and Leslie Arnold, is to remain in the Hebrew Scriptures with a study on the Psalms. Staying with the 'Conversations with Scripture' series, the book we are using, 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."*

For questions, please contact Bob Mosebach at rcmosebach@comcast.net or Leslie Arnold at larnold897@aol.com.

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



Tree Peony



This beautiful tree peony was planted near the walk to the front entrance by Ginny Kloepping. It bloomed in early May. Ginny says that "It was a baby from our garden as the three in the back. Our old house was prolific with those. There are at least four families currently at the church that can attest to that. In about a month there should be plenty of black pea sized seeds on the plants at church."

Asked of the seeds would grow if planted, Ginny replied "They should. Normally they drop off and some sprout up under the plants. Last year Mother Jennifer was helping us plant in the garden outside the memorial garden and I found some babies for her. I Have not looked under the white one lately"

If you would like one of these beauties in your own garden, take a few seeds and try it.



Picture by Gloria Kacinko

Can you find the egg that no one found at the Easter Egg hunt?

Bradley Mattson Ordination May 21st



Bishop Scanlan, and others participated in the ordination of Bradley Mattson, on May 21st at St. Thomas Episcopal church Lancaster. Bradley's wife Jennifer is the rector at St. Thomas. Bradley is rector of Hope Episcopal Church, Manheim. Bradley and Jennifer spent time at St. Edward's on their journey to the priesthood.

Bishop Curry to Visit Diocese



On **Saturday, June 11, 2022**, the diocese will host a Worship Celebration at 10:30 am at the Zembo Shrine Auditorium, Harrisburg. The Zembo is located at 2801 N 3rd St #2, Harrisburg, PA 17110. Following the celebration, a boxed lunch will be provided. This event is free to the public, but pre-registration is required. The doors will open and activities will begin at 9:00 am.

[Click here](#) to register. For more details, [click here](#).



"If it's not about love, it's not about God."

Bishop Michael Curry



"These are plenty complicated enough for now — why don't we save the Trinity stuff for later?"

Trinity Sunday, June 12, 2022

Sweaty Saturday

Pictures by Mary Snyder and Meredith Westgate



Fr. Rick



Mike Freshwater



Randy and Fr. Rick



Susan Clough and Mike



Deborah Fast



Michelle Bentley



Randy Westgate



Lots of mulch



Mary Snyder



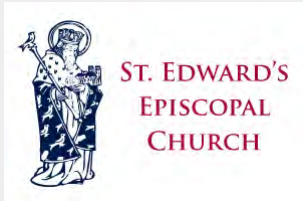
Randy and Mike Freshwater.....



.....And Fr. Rick wrestle a cement chunk to the stream.



Jodi Good



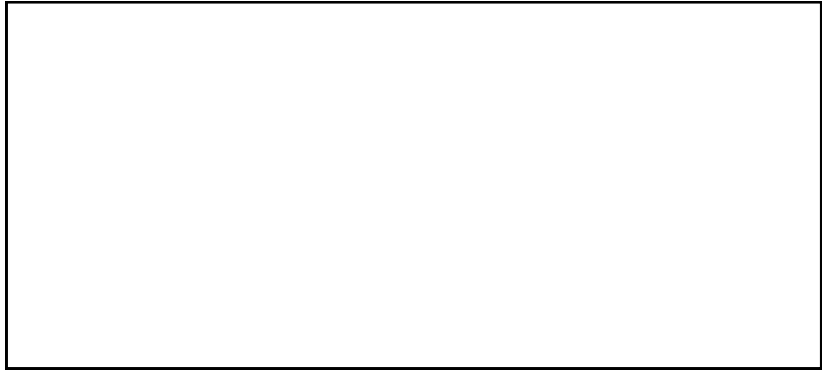
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Tuesday-Friday:
11AM – 4:00PM

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)
Junior Warden
- ✦ Randy Westgate (2024)
Sr. Warden

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

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