

September 2024

Saint Paul's Episcopal Church

A place of Rest, Peace and Love

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Mother Suzanne's Corner,

It is now official, summer vacation has ended, students are back in class. It is time for all of us to return to "ordinary time" and our regular fall church activities. There will be a lot happening this fall with many opportunities to grow spiritually and gather in fellowship. So that you might plan ahead and mark your calendar here is a list of "happenings".

The Rev. Stephen Carlsen, Canon of Congregational Vitality will be here in September to visit with us about Congregational Vitality and the various resources available to us from the Diocese.

Beginning on Wednesday, September 11, there will be a weekly Evening Prayer Service in the Chapel at 5:30 and ending no later than 6:30. This mid-week offering is an opportunity to take a few minutes to refresh oneself during the week with corporate prayer, scripture, and learning more about the Saints of the Church.

On October 4-5 the Annual Diocesan Convention will take place at St. Crispin's. Your prayers for the convention and conducting of business are both requested and appreciated.

We will have the Blessing of the Animals in October on a date not yet decided.

In November we will have a Sunday with an Instructed Eucharist.

I am looking forward to a great fall season and thank you for your faithfulness.

Blessings always,
Suzanne

Food for Thought

Anglicans don't go to church to be entertained. They go to use the service, or, if you prefer, to enact it. Every service is a structure of acts and words through which we receive a sacrament, or repent, or supplicate, or adore. And it enables us to do these things best –if you like, it "works" best when, through long familiarity, we don't have to think about it. As long as you notice, and have to count the steps, you are not yet dancing, but only learning to dance. ... The perfect church service

would be one we were almost unaware of; our attention would have been on God...But every novelty prevents this. It fixes our attention on the service itself, and thinking about worship is a different thing from worshipping.

C.S. LEWIS

In the gospels, Jesus is asked 187 questions.

He answers (maybe) eight of them.

He himself asks 307.

Maybe faith isn't about certainty, but learning to ask---

And sit in the complexity of ---good questions.

Jerusalem Times OBITUARIES 33 AD

Jesus Christ, 33, of Nazareth, died Friday on Mount Calvary, also known as Golgotha, the place of the skull. Betrayed by the apostle Judas, Jesus, was crucified by the Romans, by order of the Ruler, Pontius Pilate. The causes of death were crucifixion, extreme exhaustion, and loss of blood.

Jesus Christ a descendant of Abraham, was a member of the house of David. He was the Son of the late carpenter of Nazareth, and Mary, his devoted mother. Jesus was born in a stable in the city of Bethlehem, Judea. He is survived by his mother Mary, his faithful Apostles, numerous disciples, and many other followers.

Jesus was self-educated and spent most of his adult life working as a teacher. Jesus also occasionally worked as a Medical Doctor and is reported that he healed many patients. Up until the time of death, Jesus was teaching and sharing the good news, healing the sick, touching the lonely, feeding the hungry and helping the poor.

Jesus was mostly noted for telling parables about His Father's Kingdom and performing miracles, such as feeding over 5000 people with only five loaves of bread and two fish, and healing a man who was born blind. On the day before his death, He held a Last Supper, celebrating the Passover Feast, at which he foretold His death.

The body was quickly buried in a stone grave, which was donated by Joseph of Arimathea, a loyal friend of the family. By order of Pontius Pilate, a boulder was rolled in front of the tomb. Roman Soldiers were put on guard.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that everyone try to live as Jesus did and believe in Him. Donations may be sent to anyone in need.

September Anniversaries

Sept. 7 Helenarine and the late Stephen Dowlen -- Sept. 7 John and Paula Womack

Sept. 12 Rick and Doris Stebbens – Sept. 15 Eddie and Sarah Perryman

Sept. 23 Joe and Romanita Alcorta

September Birthdays

Sept. 4 Emilie Dugan -- Sept. 9 John Womack

Sept. 11 Andy Bowers -- Sept. 16 Marty Howeth -- Sept. 26 Perry Robison

& The Rev. Thomas Keith -- Sept. 30 Jeremy Hunn & The Rev. Dr. Kathleen F. Murray

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DATE	READING	MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS Crucifer	ALTAR	FLOWERS	HOSPITALITY LOCK-UP
September 1st 15th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Song of Solomon 2:8- 13 Psalm 45:1-2, 7-10 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23	Celebrant Rev. Mollison LEM Bowers, A Sermon Rev Mollison	First Reading Bowers A Epistle Craighead J	Robison and Craighead D Womack	Womack	OPEN	OPEN LOCK-UP: Kidwell J
September 8th 16th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 Psalm 125 James 2:1-10, [11-13], 14-17 Mark 7:24-37	Celebrant Rev. Mollison LEM Braddock Sermon Rev Mollison	First Reading Braddock Epistle Bowers V	Sharp and Howard Davidson	Bowers A	OPEN	OPEN LOCK-UP: Davidson
September 15th 17th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Proverbs 1:20-33 Wisdom 7:26-8:1 James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38	Celebrant Rev. Mollison LEM Womack Sermon Rev. Mollison	First Reading Womack Epistle Craighead J	Kidwell J and Craighead D Bowers A	Kidwell J	OPEN	OPEN LOCK-UP: Bowers A
September 22nd 18th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Proverbs 31:10-31 Psalm 1 James 3:13- 4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37	Celebrant Rev. Mollison LEM Braddock Sermon Rev. Mollison	First Reading Braddock Epistle Kidwell J	Womack And Sharp Howard	Howard	OPEN	OPEN LOCK-UP: Womack
September 29th 19th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 Psalm 124 James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50	Celebrant Rev. Mollison LEM Kidwell B Sermon Rev. Mollison	First Reading Kidwell B Epistle McAskill	Bowers A And Kidwell J Braddock	Kidwell J	OPEN	OPEN LOCK-UP: Perryman

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O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week,
you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all
our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to
do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great

Day: through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.