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LIFE IN CHRIST - REFLECTIONS FROM OUR INTERIM RECTOR - The Rev. David Beresford

Serving God and Neighbor

Outside the church a group of women were sitting in a circle, equally spaced six feet apart, enjoying the sunshine and sharing stories of domestic life with families in close confinement. We stopped to say hello and, as we were leaving, we overheard one of them say, “this is the new world.”

“Oh no,” I said, “this isn’t the new world, this is the same world as before.” If the “new world” means abandoning all close personal contact, then, as Samuel Goldwyn once said, “include me out.” Yes, I know it’s for my own safety that I don’t come near anyone, and for their safety too, but I can’t bear the thought of this being the way henceforth we will live our lives. ... [Read More](#)



THIS SUNDAY



**Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2020**

Sunday Worship at St Barnabas

Alleluia! Christ is risen! This Sunday, May 17, 2020 you can view a complete service of the Holy Eucharist for the Sixth Sunday of Easter online on our YouTube channel by clicking on the Online Worship button below:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgYeLP1pWrJvz-JV9gEjoqA>

The service will include three hymns: an opening hymn: 398 - I Sing of the Almighty Power of God; an offertory hymn: 488 - Be Thou My Vision; and a closing hymn: 400 - All Creatures of Our God and King (vv. 1, 5, 7), played by Dr Michael Larkin, accompanied by Lisa Bowe, with lessons and prayers from George McDowell and a sermon from Fr David.

Scripture Readings for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31

Psalm 66:7-18

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21



This Sunday, May 17 - 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Join Father David for Coffee and Conversation following the Sunday service. Entry by Zoom app. A link will be sent to members on Sunday morning.

EVENTS



Online Bible Study Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

On Tuesday, May 19 we conclude the story of Jacob. Genesis 35 & 36; 48 & 49. Bible study is conducted online via Zoom. Regular attendees will be sent a link on the day. If you are interested in joining, please contact the office by phone: 302-994-6607 or email: stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net.

For further info, please contact Father David Beresford at davidberesford@gmail.com



MID-WEEK DISCUSSION

**Art and Faith: The Golden Crucifixion
Wednesday, May 20, at 7:00 p.m.**

All are welcome to join an online discussion of the painting, **Golden Crucifixion** by Norman Adams. The discussion will conclude with Compline. Painting and text for Compline provided. This course is conducted online via Zoom. Regular Wednesday evening participants will be sent a link by email. If you are interested in joining, please contact the office by phone: 302-994-6607 or by email: stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net.

**Stations of the Resurrection at
St Barnabas' Episcopal Church, Wilmington**

Sunday, May 24 at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom

Through Lent and Passiontide there has been a long



tradition in the Church of meditating on the events of the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, through the Stations of the Cross. In the latter part of the twentieth century a complementary devotion emerged, possibly from the Iberian peninsula, called the Stations of the Resurrection or the Stations of Joy.

Join us on Sunday, May 24 at 4 pm for a service celebrating our Lord's Resurrection. As with the Stations of the Cross, we move from station to station, reading an appropriate Bible passage and meditating on it. By using the resurrection appearances as a focus for reflection and meditation we have an opportunity to appreciate and celebrate the Easter mysteries of the resurrection of our Lord. Note that some of the readings will be different to the last Stations of the Resurrection service.

This is an online service. You will need to have Zoom installed on your computer or Smart Phone to follow the service. A link to the service will be provided on the day by email. Regular members of the Bible Study and Wednesday Group will be sent a link automatically. To register your name to take part, please call 302 994 6607 or email stbarnabas0ffice@comcast.net.

BEING WITH GRIEF GROUP

Schedule Change: The Being with Grief Group **will not meet during the month of May**. However, if you are interested in joining the group when we resume or are in need of support for grief at this challenging time, please contact Mary Van House at 302-542-8878.

NOTICES

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR



My dear friends in Christ,

Those who know me are aware that I have quite a few "favorite" Bible verses. Two of them are these wonderful verses from Ephesians, chapter 5 that I share for your joy and reflection.

¹⁸ Be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord.
(Ephesians 5:18-19)

There is no doubt that these are unprecedented, challenging, and certainly troubling times, but we always take comfort in the fact that our God who watches over us neither slumbers nor sleeps! Although we cannot sing psalms, hymns, and songs together in person, and it might be quite a while before that is possible, I do hope that in your homes, hearts, minds and voices you are able to give thanks and "sing and make music from your hearts to the Lord." ...

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Congratulations to our 2020 graduate, Louisa Gonsecki, daughter of Libby Green. Louisa has graduated from Stetson University in Deland, Florida. We wish her the very best in all her future endeavors!

If we have any other 2020 graduates who would like to be recognized, please contact the church office (994-6607 or stbarnabas0ffice@comcast.net). Thank you.



Click on Response #12 Link below for Bishop Brown's COVID-19 Update: Public Worship Suspension Extended

[Response #12](#)

OUTREACH

Community Church Outreach - Mill Creek Ministerium Project at the Community Church of Christ on Milltown Road involves St John the Beloved parish, Red Clay Creek Presbyterian, St Barnabas' Episcopal, Resurrection parish and the Community Church of Christ. This outreach program is housed at the Community Church of Christ on Milltown Road and in part at St John the Beloved Catholic Church on Milltown Road. This outreach program provides families and individuals that are food- insecure with a small bag of groceries once a week. In the past year, the Outreach has gone from providing 60 families to between 80 and 100 families (about 350 people) per week. The current situation has caused us to see an increase given that our population has been disproportionately affected by job loss. Our intent moving forward is to not only provide donated food and clothing but to provide a bag of fresh produce to our families. This bag will provide seasonal fruits and vegetables. The Outreach gave, and will again give, healthy cooking classes provided by the University of Delaware. It is our hope that this, paired with fresh produce, will help to improve the diets of our clients.

The Community Church Outreach is affiliated with Friendship House. The terminal goal of the Outreach is to one day become an empowerment center just like the empowerment center on Main Street in Newark. Please contact Amy Quillen to volunteer or donate.

Thanks to Leslie and David Walker who sponsored a successful trunk food drive last Saturday for the Sunday Breakfast Mission and our ministry with the Community Church food bank feeding our neighbors in Mill Creek area. Thanks to all of you who were able to participate.

Monthly Food Ministry - We continue our monthly food ministry to Emmanuel Dining Room (Stephen Kingsberry, contact) and Andrew's Place on the 3rd

Friday of every month (Maria Perez, contact). We welcome volunteers or donations to purchase food items.

I also want to thank our resident bread baker par excellence, Richard Leaning, who has faithfully provided bread to the men at Andrew's Place.

Many thanks to all who have served in these ministries.

Maria Perez

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Below are listed Birthdays and Anniversaries for May. Please contact the church office at stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net to let us know if you're not listed.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

1 - Arlene Carpenter
1 - Beth Engler
4 - Cora Jean King
6 - Kate Weir
6 - Celeste Witting
10 - Albert Grunfeld
11 - Craig Brosi
13 - Judith Gregory
17 - Hal Bruner
20 - Jay Strong
21 - Marian Weir
22 - Delaney Bowersox
24 - Lori Kramer
25 - Reese Conte
26 - John Warrington
29 - Mary Angerer

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

5 - Pat & Paul Venti
8 - Abigail & David Walker
12 - Carter & Jeffrey Bowersox
29 - Marian & Jack Weir

The Welcoming Prayer from Father Thomas Keating

Welcome, welcome, welcome.

*I welcome everything that comes to me today
because I know it's for my healing.*

*I welcome all thoughts, feelings, emotions, persons,
situations, and conditions.*

I let go of my desire for power and control.

*I let go of my desire for affection, esteem,
approval and pleasure.*

I let go of my desire for survival and security.

*I let go of my desire to change any situation,
condition, person or myself.*

*I open to the love and presence of God and
God's action within. Amen.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO NEED HEALING AND COMFORT:

Arlene & Dave Carpenter, John Materis, Gail Calhoun, Kellan, Al Carey, Leon Slocomb, Dick Leaning Family, Nancy Clapp, Sheri, Maria Macfarlan, Mary Ann Givens, Pat Okoniewski, Anne Priebe, Patricia, Bruce Clinton, Tyler, Keith Redmund, Rose, Michelle Maloy, Janet Paar, Lilly Walker, Thomas Boyle, The John Sandy Family, David Jefferson, Maria LaValle, Carmen, Peggy Bachman, Lori Kramer, Ken W., and Rita Barker.

Those serving in the Armed Forces. Those who are homebound.

Those who have died, especially Andy, Peter Barker, and Phyllis.



PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL FIRST RESPONDERS

Please remember in your prayers all the **First Responders**, including our EMS, Paramedics, Doctors, Nurses, Hospital Aides, Respiratory Therapists, Policemen, Firemen, and Ambulance Drivers, especially Leslie, Lydia, Kathi, Stephen, Mike, and any other First Responders you would like to remember in your prayers.

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MORNING PSALM AND PRAYERS

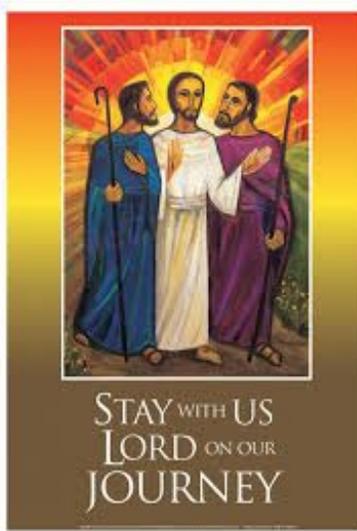
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VESTRY MEMBERS

Sr. Warden: George McDowell

Jr. Warden: Stephen Kingsberry

Jeff Bowersox (2023)

Joanne Figliola (2022)

Bob Haushalter (2023)

Alan Irwin (2021)

Valerie Jackson (2022)

Bob Jefferson (2022)

Pat McDonald (2023)

Ed Rowles (2021)

Sarah Smith (2023)

John Warrington (2022)

Marian Weir (2021)

Lydia York (2021), Vestry Clerk

Recording Secretary: Debbie McGonigal
