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

Pentecost

Despite having no spare shelf space at home, I still buy books to read, both new and secondhand. Occasionally a used book will arrive with a postcard or marker tucked in between the pages of the book. This week I received a book - *Gateway to Hope*, by Maria Boulding - and inside was a card headed NOVENA to the HOLY SPIRIT. The card contained three prayers to the Holy Spirit, including this short one by Pope John XXIII ... [Read More](#)



THIS SUNDAY



The Day of Pentecost

May 31, 2020

Sunday Worship at St Barnabas

Holy Eucharist

Sunday, May 31, 2020
Pentecost

Although we are unable at the present time to gather for worship, St Barnabas' Episcopal Church offers an online service every Sunday.

The service will include three hymns: the Opening Hymn: 225 - Hail Thee Festival Day; Offertory Hymn: 510 - Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove; and Closing Hymn: 511 - Holy Spirit, Ever Living, played by Dr Michael Larkin, aided by Lisa Bowe, with lessons ready by Lisa and George McDowell and prayers of the people led by George. The service will include a sermon by Father David Beresford.

You can view the complete service on our YouTube channel by clicking on the Online Worship button below:

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

Scripture Readings for Pentecost

Acts 2:1-11

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

John 20:19-23

This Sunday, May 31 - 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. If you are interested in joining, please contact the office, phone: (302) 994-6607 or email: stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net.

EVENTS

National Day of Mourning

Monday, June 1

As we mark the death of 100,000 people in the U.S. from COVID-19, an unprecedented group of 100+ national faith leaders--from Christian, Jewish and Muslim traditions representing major denominations, national faith-based organizations, local congregations, and millions of people of faith across the country--call for a National Day of Mourning and Lament. Together, they look to federal, state, and local elected officials to observe Monday, June 1 as National Day of Mourning and Lament, a day marked by moments of silence, lowering of flags, interfaith vigils, ringing of bells, and civic memorials.

"I encourage Episcopalians to join with other people of faith this weekend to grieve and honor those who have died from COVID-19," said Michael B. Curry, presiding bishop of The Episcopal Church. "Let this tragic moment not pass without us honoring the many among us who have lost their lives or lost their loved ones and commending them and ourselves to God's love and peace."

PRAYER TO OUR LORD FOR THE GRACE OF HEALING AND PROTECTION

Lord Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages curing every disease and illness. At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their health and strength.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents *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. Welcome, welcome, welcome.*

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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.*

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God's action within.* neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Good Lord, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

May those who have died from the virus rest in peace and rise in glory.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with prudence and charity for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve.

Stay with us, Lord, and grant us your peace.

Amen.



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

This Tuesday, June 2 at 10:00 a.m., we look at chapters 2 & 3 of the First Book of Samuel. 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 email Father David Beresford at davidberesford@gmail.com

MID-WEEK DISCUSSION

**Art and Faith: The Hospitality of Abraham
Wednesday, June 3, at 7:00 p.m.**

All are welcome to join an online discussion of the icon, **The Hospitality of Abraham** by Andrei Rublev. The discussion will be preceded by a meditation from Fr David and conclude with



Compline. Icon 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.

NOTICES



TRINITY SUNDAY **Sunday, June 7, 2020**

In place of our usual St Barnabas' celebration of the Holy Eucharist, the Right Reverend Kevin S. Brown, the Bishop of Delaware, will live-stream an online worship service at 11:00 a.m. Further details to follow.



NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

My friends in Christ,

I pray that each of you are staying well and healthy during these continued challenging times.

My Bible verses this week for meditation and reflection are Psalm 68:24-25.

Psalm 68:24-25, New International Version (NIV):

24 Your procession, God, has come into view, the procession of my God and King into the sanctuary.

25 In front are the singers, after them the musicians; with them are the young women playing the hand drums.

My friends, how we all long for the day when again we can make our own procession into St Barnabas on Sunday mornings accompanied by singing, musicians and even drums! Hopefully, that day will come in the not-too-distant future.

For now, we continue to offer our recorded Eucharist services. We are very appreciative of the many kind words we have received about these services and also the number of viewings on Sunday morning. I think it is important for us to remember that a building is not the church.....the building houses the

church of God's people. It has been brought to my attention that many parishioners might not have hymnals or prayer books at home to follow along. Since we probably will continue to worship in this manner for a while, we would like to offer the opportunity for you to borrow a prayer book and/or a hymnal. Simply call the church office and make a request and we will arrange for you to safely pick them up.

As we celebrate the feast of Pentecost this Sunday, I invite you to click on the link below -- or copy the link, paste it into your URL, and enjoy a beautiful performance of one of the great sacred compositions, the American composer Randall Thompson's "*Alleluia*." The performance is by the University of Michigan Concert Choir conducted by Dr. Jerry Blackstone.

<https://youtu.be/BNV2V9LAFg4>

God's peace to you,

Dr. Michael Larkin
Director of Music Ministry



In Deepest Sympathy

Some of you may remember **Jo Thompson**, the wife of Norm Thompson, St Barnabas' long-time organist and choir director. Jo passed away in Virginia Beach, VA on Tuesday, May 26th at the age of 90. She will be buried at Old Swedes Church with Norm. May Light perpetual shine upon her.



Click on Response #14 Link below
for Bishop Brown's COVID-19 Update:
Safely, Boldly, and with Love for One Another

[Response #14](#)

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.**

Maria Perez

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 - Nicholas Sloman
2 - John Graper
2 - Joyce Sipe
3 - Tyler Alexander
3 - Betty Howe
4 - Heather Green
4 - Andrea Trabelsi
5 - John "Jack" Gracie
8 - Patrick Delaney
8 - Jack Weir
9 - Abby Jarrell
9 - Michael Brown
12 - Simon Griffin
12 - Andrew Webb
12 - John Grim
13 - Claudia Rodriguez
15 - Edith Grunfeld
17 - Andre Strukelj
18 - Jessica Conte
20 - Marge Lennihan
22 - Ty Weir
29 - Mayble Wample

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

5 - Matthew & Jessica Conte
11 - Renee & Ed Waterland
12 - Ruth & Hal Bruner
16 - Sandy & John Grim
19 - Cathy & Bud Cooling
22 - Mary & David Angerer
22 - Cara & Scott Stanard
22 - Lindsey & Dan Vitalo
28 - Laura & Jack Gracie

*God the Holy Spirit,
Comforter and Sanctifier,
Melt our hearts
That we may accept your love.
Renew our minds
That we may know your truth.
Strengthen our wills
That we may serve you faithfully.*

Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO NEED HEALING AND COMFORT:

Arlene & Dave Carpenter, John Materis, Gail Calhoun, Leon Slocomb, Nancy Clapp, Anne Priebe, Patty, Bruce Clinton, Tyler, Rose, Lilly Walker, Thomas Boyle, The John Sandy Family, David Jefferson, Maria LaValle, Peggy Bachman, Rita Barker. and Cindy Roberts.

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

Those who have died, especially Carmen, Jo Thompson, Bill Beatty.



PLEASE PRAY FOR the First Responders, EMS, Paramedics, Doctors, Nurses, Hospital Aides, Respiratory Therapists, Medical Technicians, and Medical Assistants; for Environmental Services, Social Workers, Phlebotomists, Security Services, and Food Services; for Policemen, Firemen, and Ambulance Drivers. Pray also for all those we cannot see but are hard at work providing care for the sick.

May God walk with them every step of their day and guide them. Open their hearts to see you at work in the world around them, including especially Leslie, Lydia, Kathi, Stephen, Mike, Ali, Caroline and Magdy.

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MORNING PSALM AND PRAYERS

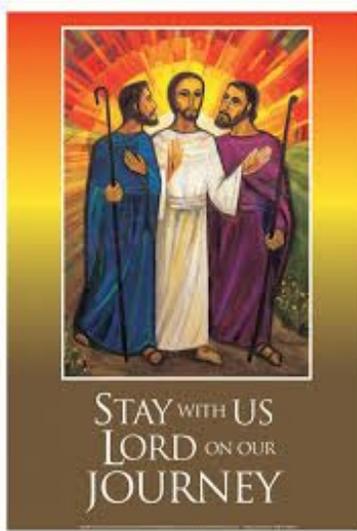
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Jr. Warden: Stephen Kingsberry

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
