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FROM OUR INTERIM RECTOR - The Rev. David Beresford

OPEN AIR HOLY EUCHARIST Sunday, July 26, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.

We meet on Sunday, July 26 for an outdoor Eucharist on the grounds of St Barnabas outside the Church entrance. (In case of adverse weather, we will hold the service in the sanctuary.)

This will be Father David's last service with us and there will be refreshments provided after the service.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Masks may be worn. We will provide masks for anyone who wants one.
- You will be seated by one of the ushers after you arrive.
- Chairs will be provided. They will have been sanitized beforehand.
- Physical distancing must be respected. Members of the same family may sit together.
- The Order of Service for that day, along with the readings and notices, will have been placed on the chairs. Please use this during the service and take it with you when you leave.
- Restrooms are closed except for emergencies.
- The Lounge, Office and Great Hall will be closed.
- There will be music but we will be unable to sing.
- Offerings can be left in the collection basket on the table. No red bags will be passed around.
- Communion will be in one kind only. Communicants will line up before the altar to receive the host in the palm of their hand. The sacrament can be consumed once we are all back together in our places.

- In this warmer weather, members may wish to bring bottled water to the service.
- Parasols (not sun umbrellas) may be brought to the service.
- Hand sanitizers will be available.
- An online service will be provided for those who cannot attend.
- A "virtual" coffee hour via Zoom will begin at 12 noon.

All are invited, but we ask that all members, especially those with underlying health conditions, carefully assess the risk to themselves before attending.

If you aren't sure if this is the right time for you to return to church, then don't worry. We will continue to offer online services as before. Please see the Sunday morning email for a link to the service.

Note that after returning from vacation, Father David was tested for COVID-19. The results of the test were received this week and were negative.



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

D H Lawrence in New Mexico

How did D H Lawrence, the famous author of novels *Women in Love* and *Lady Chatterley's Lover*, come to live in a homesteader's cabin in the hills outside of Taos, New Mexico? In 1921 Lawrence and his wife Frieda had received an invitation from Mrs Mabel Dodge Luhan, a wealthy New York socialite and arts patron, to establish an artists' colony in Taos. Lawrence accepted, and the couple left Europe for the USA, taking a route via Australia, before landing at San Francisco penniless. Graciously, Mrs Luhan funded the last leg of the journey, and the Lawrences arrived at Taos in September 1922. ...

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MESSAGE FROM ED ROWLES, SENIOR WARDEN



I would like to open this message with some very positive news. In order to sustain our worship and spiritual needs in this time of uncertainty and to help us get through with a minimum of disruption and to maintain consistency in our pastoral support, the Bishop has initiated a new position in the clergy, the resource priest.

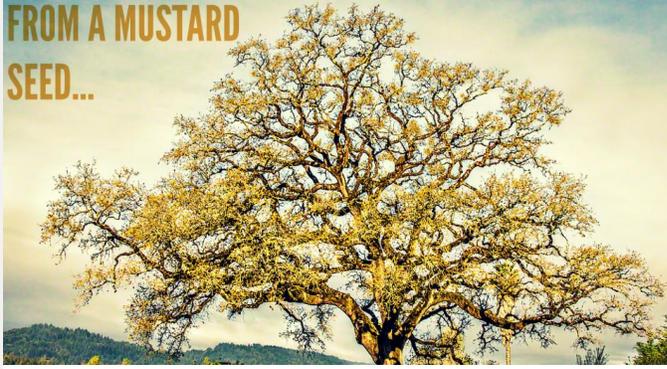
The resource priest will not be another interim rector, but will be a steady source, on a part-time basis, to act as our supply clergy as well as support our needs. Duties would include weekly worship, Tuesday morning Bible Study, working with Sister Cassandra for any pastoral situations where a priest is necessary, the availability to sign into Zoom coffee hours on occasion, attending on occasion the Saturday afternoon Listening Circle, and other needs to be identified as we recognize them.

Sarah Nelson has been identified as willing and available to fill this need for St. Barnabas. **Her responsibilities will commence on August 2nd and continue until we have a new rector in place.** Please join Joanne and me in welcoming Sarah.

Ed Rowles
Senior Warden

THIS SUNDAY

FROM A MUSTARD
SEED...



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 26, 2020

Parable of the Mustard Seed
Matthew 13:31

Online Sunday Worship at St Barnabas

HOLY EUCHARIST on YOUTUBE

Sunday, July 26, 2020
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

The online service will include lessons read by Ed Rowles and Lisa Bowe. The service will include a sermon by Fr David.

A link to the service will be sent to members by 7:00 a.m. on Sunday morning, or you will be able to access the service through our YouTube account by clicking on the Online Worship link below (where you may also view any of our previous online services as well):

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

Scripture Readings for This Sunday

I Kings 3:5-12
Psalm 119:129-136
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52



This Sunday, July 26
12 noon - 1:00 p.m. (Note Time Change)

You are welcome to join Father David for **Coffee and Conversation** following the Sunday Eucharist. Entry by Zoom app. A link will be sent to members **by 7:00 AM on Sunday morning**. If you are interested in joining us, please email Fr David at: davidberesford@gmail.com.

CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS
Monday through Thursday

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (through August 28)

We will resume our regular
schedule of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Monday through Friday
beginning the week of August 31.

EVENTS



Listening Circle
Saturday, July 25
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.'ish
(we will not meet if raining)

This Saturday, we will again be meeting for our Listening Circle. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket and meet under the oak trees at St Barnabas where we will open our hearts/minds and listen to shared stories, feelings, experiences from among those who show up. This is an informal, but intentional, session focused on the sacred act of listening.



Online Bible Study
MONDAY, July 27, 10:00 a.m.
(Note Day change!)

This week we look at chapters 16 & 17 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, or for further information, please email Fr David at davidberesford@gmail.com.

Paradigm Lost: A Presentation by Professor Ian S. Lustick
Wednesday, August 5 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

You are invited to attend (via Zoom) an *Evening with Ian S. Lustick*, a professor of political science at the University of Pennsylvania and a member of the council on Foreign Relations, who will discuss his new book, *Paradigm Lost*. Why have Israelis and Palestinians failed to achieve a two-state solution to the conflict that has cost so much and lasted so long?

Please click on these links to read [Rev. Bill Lane's letter](#) introducing Professor Lustick and encouraging anyone interested to attend. You may also like to view the [Paradigm Lost flyer](#).

You must register to attend this Zoom presentation. Please [register here](#).

NOTICES



NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

My dear friends in Christ,

My Bible verse for thought and reflection this week is one of my very favorite verses: Isaiah 43:1.

“Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you, I have called you by your name; and you are mine.”

You may recall that during the times that I have been honored to preach during worship at St. Barnabas, somehow, I often end up referring to this wonderful Bible verse. It says so very much in very few powerful words. Knowing that we have been called by name by our all gracious God offers a comfort beyond words in both good times and especially in these troubled, uncertain times. Knowing that we are the Lord’s possession, redeemed by Jesus on the Cross makes any burden a little easier to bear, and joys even more joyful! We must never forget or take any of this for granted.

Many songs that we sing both in and outside of worship remind us repeatedly that indeed we are the Lord’s possession, called by name and redeemed by the cross. “Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me”, “What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear”, “And when from death I’m free, I’ll sing on, I’ll sing on” (from What Wondrous Love) are just a few of thousands of lines of text that remind and reassure us of God’s unconditional love, that indeed we are called by name. When we sing these, or any other hymns we must take care not to sing just the sounds of the words but are singing the powerful meanings within the words. The same goes for the words of our liturgies. Be sure as you recite those words, their meanings envelop your heart and soul. How the meaning of our worship experiences will be enhanced!

Clicking or copying this link will take you to a performance of my choral setting of Isaiah 43: 1-4, “Do Not Be Afraid” sung beautifully by the Concordia College Concert Choir.

<https://youtu.be/vJoWYKaOdJU>

Lastly, as Father David’s final Sunday approaches, I want everyone to know what a pleasure it has been for me to work with him planning our liturgies over the past 14 months, both in the church and virtually. Our work as colleagues has led to a wonderful friendship. I know that each of us wishes Father David “God’s speed and blessing” as he begins his new adventure as interim Rector at St. Martha’s, Bethany Beach. Father David, be sure to use that sunscreen!!!

May God hold each of us in the palm of his loving hand.

Dr. Michael Larkin
Director of Music Ministry

**Notice of Church Policy for Groups
Wishing to Use the Church Buildings**

Dear friends,

Since the church closed its doors to worship and other related activities, all church group meetings have taken place either online or in other locations. We have followed the strict guidelines of the diocese, which has encouraged that meetings be held remotely, where possible.

Therefore, until further notice, any St Barnabas' church group wishing to meet in person inside the church buildings must first seek permission from the interim rector and the wardens. **Groups cannot take it upon themselves to meet in person inside the church buildings without first obtaining authorization from the rector and wardens.**

Leaders of any group who are considering a return to meeting in person must first submit in writing to the rector and wardens details of date, time, place and purpose of the meeting, along with an outline of what steps they are taking to fulfill the CDC guidelines on maintaining cleanliness, in order to ensure that the risks to those entering the building are minimized.

Further details can be obtained from the church office. Please email: stbarnabas0ffice@comcast.net.

Father David Beresford
Interim Rector

Ed Rowles
Senior Warden

Joanne Figliola
Junior Warden

OUTREACH



FAMILY PROMISE NEWS

MEALS FOR FAMILY PROMISE

We were blessed to deliver dinner on two nights to two families during our week with Family Promise. Our guests were very grateful and literally found it amazing that people in the community would step in to help in this way. A mother was in the thick of getting her two daughters to their physicals for school startup and answering all their questions and fears. Her quote, "you don't know how much this dinner means to us after adjusting to this, dealing with Covid and my children's fears, and then having some time to sit down and talk with my daughters over a dinner that was prepared for us."

That's a thank you to everyone who volunteers in this program!!

SUPPLY DONATIONS COMPLETE

A big Thank You to our supply donors who overflowed the bin in the lobby!
Your efforts and thoughtfulness are much appreciated, especially when these items can be hard to find. Everything was delivered on Thursday, July 16.

We are not expected to switch back to the Church rotation until 2021, and only when all churches are in agreement to reopen. (Our next volunteer week is in January 2021.)

Thanks for your attention, and please keep our families and all who are suffering through this exceptional time in our prayers.

Cindy Richards
302-690-0751



Friendship House Updates

Andrew's Place

Thank you, all volunteers, for continuing meals to Andrew's Place during these uncertain times. It means so much to our men. I wanted to update you on meals and the residents. In addition, we need some help filling in the July calendar.

We currently have 9 men at Andrew's Place. We're asking for meals for 10 people because a staff member is still joining them each night. We're beginning the process to accept new residents into our transitional housing program, so this number might increase soon. I will try to keep you updated on the number of individuals to be served. Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

We are booked for June but need some help filling in the open dates for July. We have some groups who take the summer off and we just started a new calendar year. That is why there are more openings than usual.

Remaining July openings: 25th, 26th, 27th, 29th, and 31st.

Please let me know if you can take on one of these dates. Thank you!

Kristen Reisor
Volunteer & Communications Coordinator
Friendship House, Inc.

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PLEASE NOTE: Anyone who has questions, you may email Maria Perez at mdperezmd@gmail.com.

Community Church Outreach - Update

Currently, the Community Church can use more donations of pasta sauce and mac and cheese. Jamie (from St John the Beloved) also said they will gladly accept produce from home gardens.

Address: 1205 Milltown Road, Wilmington, DE 19808

The best time to drop off your donation is Monday, Wednesday, and Friday between 8am - 9am, but they are open until 11am. Someone is not always there until 12noon. **Please wear a mask!**

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 July. Please contact the church office of stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net to let us know if you're not listed or the date is incorrect.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

2 - Timothy Froelich
2 - Ceil Jones
3 - Charlotte Sheehan
7 - Robert deBussy
9 - Carol McDowell
10 - Carol Kusel
12 - Emma Hansen
14 - Scott Stanard
16 - Joan Yulduzian
17 - Cassandra Norsworthy
17 - Benjamin Webb
18 - Sharon Warrington
23 - Lydia York
25 - Gracie Willerton
26 - Sara Bryant
26 - Ian Smith
28 - Michael Bruner
29 - Leon Slocomb
29 - Rose Trueblood

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

3 - Bruce & Cindy Richards
9 - Ron & Marti LaRue
10 - Bruce & Alfreda Clinton
19 - Jerome & Holly Novak
25 - George & Carol McDowell
29 - Stephen & Sheridan
Kingsberry
30 - John & Sue Martin

A Prayer for all those affected by the Coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy.
Sustain and support the anxious,
be with those who care for the sick,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may find comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love

in Christ Jesus 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, Sr Rosie, Lilly Walker, Thomas Boyle, David Jefferson, Maria LaValle, Peggy Bachman, Carl, Eileen, Nick Sloman, Donna, Lydia, Alice Cabbage, Jeannie.

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

Those who have died.



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

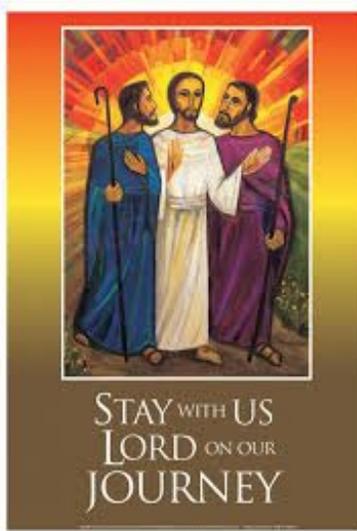
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VESTRY MEMBERS

Sr. Warden: Ed Rowles (2021)

Jr. Warden: Joanne Figliola (2022)

Jeff Bowersox (2023)

Bob Haushalter (2023)

Alan Irwin (2021)

Valerie Jackson (2022)

Bob Jefferson (2022)

Pat McDonald (2023)

Sarah Smith (2023)

John Warrington (2022)

Marian Weir (2021)

Lydia York (2021), Vestry Clerk

Recording Secretary: Debbie McGonigal
