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EPISCOPAL CHURCH
A welcoming community of faith

We are called by God to see Christ in all persons, grow in faith and live in joyful fellowship with one another.

Your Weekly e-News - September 11, 2020

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Pray for those who died and for their families.***

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LIFE IN CHRIST - REFLECTIONS FROM OUR RESOURCE PRIEST, THE REV. SARAH NELSON

Finding Rest

If you are anything like me, you spend most of the year looking forward to a vacation. Sometimes that time is time away, at the beach, in the mountains, camping at the lake. Sometimes vacation is visiting family and friends and renewing those ties that bind. On other occasions our time is exploring landmarks, or museums, or simply taking in a new place or a novel experience. Today, a staycation gives us space and a new perspective. Yes, we human beings enjoy both the planning and the experience of a vacation. But you know what? Most everyone I speak with, after being away, they tell you how much they enjoyed themselves, but then most will say, "But it was so good coming home and sleeping in my own bed."

You and I, we love the novel, the exciting, the fresh new experiences but we also so love settling back into the familiar. [Read More](#)

THIS SUNDAY

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Public Worship
in the Sanctuary
This Sunday, September 13, 2020
11:00 a.m.**

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- When we are indoors in the Sanctuary, masks must be worn. We will provide masks for anyone who needs them.
- You will be seated by one of the ushers when you arrive.
- Physical distancing must be adhered to while waiting to be seated. 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 pews. 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 plate.
- 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 you are back in your seat.
- In this warmer weather, members may wish to bring bottled water to the service.
- Hand sanitizers will be available.
- A "virtual" coffee hour via Zoom will begin at **12:30 p.m.** (NOTE TIME CHANGE - see below for more details)

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. (See below for more information.)

Online Sunday Worship at St Barnabas

HOLY EUCHARIST on YOUTUBE

**Sunday, September 13, 2020
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

The online service will include three hymns: an Opening Hymn: 390 - Praise to

the Lord, the Almighty; an Offertory Hymn: 674 - Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive; and a Closing Hymn: 397 - Now Thank We All Our God, played by Dr. Michael Larkin, aided by Lisa Bowe, with lessons read by Ed Rowles and Lisa, and the Prayers of the People led by Ed. The service will include a sermon by The Rev. Sarah Nelson.

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 (on Sunday) 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

Genesis 50:15-21 (*Joseph forgives his brothers*)

Psalms 103:8-13 (*The LORD is merciful and gracious*)

Romans 14:1-12 (*Be united in Christ; cultivate good relationships*)

Matthew 18:21-35 (*Parable of the unforgiving servant*)



COFFEE & CONVERSATION

This Sunday, September 6

12:30 p.m. (Note Time Change)

Join Senior Warden Ed Rowles for **Coffee and Conversation** following the Sunday In-Person Eucharist. **Note that Coffee Hour now begins at 12:30, since our in-sanctuary worship service begins at 11:00 a.m. (until further notice).** 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 contact Ed at erowles@comcast.net or 302-562-4580.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

**Effective Immediately,
the church office will be open
from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Monday through Thursday, and
Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

E V E N T S

**"UNDER THE
OAKS"**



Listening Circle
Saturday, September 12th
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.

Being with Grief Group
Monday, September 14th
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

The Being with Grief Support Group will begin meeting again on Monday, September 14th from 12:00-1:30 p.m. “under the oaks!” We will continue to meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays for as long as weather permits!

The journey of grief is painful and lonely. No one should travel this road alone. In this time of COVID-19, it is even more difficult to connect with others. Whether your loss was 3 months ago, 3 years ago or 3 decades ago, you are welcome to join this therapist-led group for understanding your personal grief, encouragement and support. Please bring your own lawn chair and wear a mask.

For more information contact:
Mary Van House 302-542-8878 or mvanhouse@hotmail.com

Online Bible Study
Tuesday, September 15th at 11:00 a.m.

This week we look at chapter 24 of the First Book of Samuel, led by The Rev. Sarah Nelson. 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 contact the office at 302-



NOTICES



NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

My dear friends in Christ,

My Bible verses for thought and reflection this week are Psalm 96, verses 1-3. This psalm is one of the great songs on praise in the Bible:

- 1** O sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth!
- 2** Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
- 3** Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

We at St. Barnabas are singing a new song of praise because our new Zimmer Cornell organ has arrived and has been installed. It has yet to receive its final tuning and voicing for our specific acoustical space. This will happen next week when a technician from Walker Organ Co., who built the tone production system, will visit us and, over a 3-day period, tune and voice the organ. Even now, before the tuning and voicing, it sounds magnificent as I played a short composition on it last Sunday during Communion.

I can't wait until it is possible for both congregation and choirs to sing along with our new organ. Unfortunately, it still is going to be quite a while before that will happen. We will, however, eventually be able to sing our new song to the Lord along with the glorious sounds of our new organ.

With that thought in mind, several persons over the last couple weeks have asked me why we can't sing hymns on Sunday mornings or when we will be able to resume singing hymns. All the science, from multiple sources, have concluded that singing is probably the most efficient way to spread the Covid-19 virus, even when wearing masks. When singing, aerosol particles can spread out as far as 20 feet on the breath of each singer. A mask does NOT totally stop the flow or particles out and especially into our bodies. Plus, there are a wide variety of masks being worn, some less efficient than others. There will be no formal singing of our choirs for the same reason. This is indeed

unfortunate but necessary for the health of everyone, and all churches are “in the same boat.” I also have cancelled the fall seasons for the New Ark Chorale, the Brandywine Pops Orchestra, and the Arts at St. Barnabas.

When there is a reliable vaccine that is widely available, singing will return. I think we all long for that day to come! Eventually over the fall we will have some vocal or instrumental solos or duets performed from the choir loft, safely, and far enough way from the congregational space.

Speaking of hymns, I invite you to click on or copy the link below and enjoy another magnificent performance by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir as they sing and play the hymn “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” as arranged by music director Mack Wilberg. This hymn will open our YouTube service this week.

<https://youtu.be/3NNatbKemz0>

Indeed, let us all sing a new song to the Lord!

Blessings,

Dr. Michael Larkin
Director of Music Ministry



New Organ

The new organ installation was completed on September 2nd. It looks and sounds great!

The Cornell Zimmer team did a great job removing the old organ and the 20 speakers and 8 amps from the church and installing the new organ, 20 new speakers including new antiphonal speakers at the

entryway to the church.

The last components for the organ arrived last week and the organ console was quickly finished. Luckily, we had done all the pre-wiring and organ space preparation (removing choir pews, modifying the choir risers, enlarging the organ space, running a new electrical outlet, and installing the new flooring under the organ) was completed, and we were ready to receive the organ this week and get the installation completed.

To my non-musical ear, the organ sounds great, but the next step is to get the organ tuned or 'voiced.' This will be done by a Voicing expert, with the accompaniment of Michael, the week of September 14th. It is expected that it will take about 3 days to tune the organ to be optimized for our Sanctuary at St Barnabas.

The new organ has a lot more capability than the older organ (lots of knobs and switches to the novice like me) and we should expect to hear great music

from it for a very long time to come.

The first service with the new organ will be September 20th.

If you have any questions, please contact me (brian.r.engler@gmail.com).

Thanks,

Brian Engler

OUTREACH

From Episcopal Relief & Development

Hurricane Laura slammed into the Gulf Coast last week, which was the same week that marked the 15-year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. Episcopal Relief & Development is in constant communication with the impacted dioceses working to reach vulnerable populations devastated by the storm.

[Donate today](#) to support these efforts.

<https://support.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-relief>

Community Church Outreach

Currently, the Community Church can use more donations of canned vegetables, regular size boxes of cereal (not family size), canned tuna, and pasta sauce. They will also accept produce from home gardens.

You may drop off your donation in the lobby of St. Barnabas Monday through Thursday from 9am - 2pm. Thank you. If you should have any questions, please contact Amy Quillen, [302-533-5768](tel:302-533-5768).

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.

Episcopal Church Women of Delaware September, 2020 Newsletter

Proclaim!

What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light;
and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the rooftops.

Matthew 10:27

Proclaim! is the occasional newsletter of the ECW - Delaware. Send any news, suggestions, projects, etc. to gr8art@outlook.com for publication in a future edition. Names may be added to the mailing list in the same way. Please

share the newsletter in your parish and beyond . This shortened newsletter will focus on three topics: the Annual Meeting on October 10, the outreach project for 2020, and the United Thank Offering - (UTO).

No matter how we travel, we are on the same journey.
Walking With God

The ECW of Delaware will hold its 2020 Annual Business Meeting and Worship by Zoom this year because of the Pandemic. It will be held on Saturday, October 10th, from 10 a.m. to Noon. The theme for this year's meeting is Walking With God. The keynote talk and worship service will be led by The Rev. Maryann Younger, curate at St. David's, Wilmington. The business meeting will include the election of the President and Vice-President. We will hear from a representative of The Way Home, our outreach target for this year. We hope that The Rev. Dr. Marta Illueca will speak to us about her UTO grant.

Everyone is invited to attend; there is no charge. We do ask that you sign up in advance. Simply send your name, parish, and email address to: gr8art@outlook.com. Register by October 1, so the master list will be complete. Everyone who registers will receive the Zoom code and meeting documents by email a few days before the meeting: agenda, minutes of previous meetings, treasurer's report, other reports and the worship bulletin. Let your friends and fellow parishioners know about the meeting!

The Way Home - Outreach Target for 2020

This organization assists people who have been incarcerated make a successful re-entry into society. In the past, case workers would meet with the inmates while they were still in prison, establish a working relationship and begin the process of transition. With the COVID Pandemic the case workers are no longer permitted to enter the prison to work with the inmates. Counseling in the prison is very limited. The Way Home staff is frustrated and stressed by the current situation. We can help!

1. The case workers have told us that they need gift cards to pass to the clients. The cards are used to purchase food and other necessities. We will purchase the gift cards and deliver them if you

2. You can purchase the gift cards, Walmart and Wawa preferred, and send them yourself to:

The Way Home
P.O. Box 1103
Georgetown, DE 19947
Phone – 302-856-9870

3. Another item that the facility could use is tote bags. The clients often have no way to carry their clothes and toiletries, and many must carry their things in garbage bags. Any sturdy tote bag with handles will work. We often get these bags at conventions or as an advertisement. Even reusable heavy grocery tote bags will work. If you or your parish collect some of these bags, please contact The Way Home to arrange to deliver them.

send your check to:

ECW-Delaware
3719 Philadelphia Pike
Claymont, DE 19703

The United Thank Offering **(UTO)**

The UTO is focusing this year's grants on recovery efforts for the pandemic. In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, it has been very difficult to determine a way to hold our annual UTO campaigns and ingatherings. This article is, in part, from the ECW magazine Communique. Here are several options that you as an individual or your parish can follow. Remember that no matter how you choose to support the UTO, it is important that our diocese and your parish are identified in your check or written form if donating on line or by text. Remember, the UTO is a prayer and thankfulness charity. So stay safe, stay well and stay grateful!

Ways to give to the UTO:

1. Encourage your parishioners to send a check to your parish office. The office can then send the money to our ECW treasurer. If the office at your parish is not collecting for the UTO this year, you can send

your personal check to our treasurer made out to: ECW Delaware. Be sure to indicate your Parish name and UTO on the memo line of the check, like this -

UTO-Ascension.

Mail it to:

Chrissie Lockwood,
3719 Philadelphia Pike
Claymont, DE 19703

2. Text to give: INGATHER41444

3. Give online at:

unitedthankoffering.org/give

4. Mail a check directly to UTO's bank. Make the check out to UTO. Put Ingathering, your parish name and Delaware on the memo line. It should look like this –

In-gathering- Ascension-Delaware

Mail the check to:

United Thank Offering
DFMS – Protestant Episcopal
Church
PO Box 958983
St. Louis, MO 63195 – 8983

Intentional Love

Do not be dismayed by the brokenness of the world.

All things break. And all things can be mended.

Not with time, as they say, but with intention.

*So go. Love intentionally, extravagantly,
unconditionally.*

*The broken world waits in darkness for the light that
is you.*

L.R.Knost

MISCELLANEOUS

STOP! STOP FLUSHING YOUR OLD MEDICATIONS!

Safely dispose of unused, expired, or unwanted medications at collection sites across Delaware. Visit DelawareHealthyHomes.org.

Collections are accepted at all nearby Walgreens Pharmacies.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Below are listed Birthdays and Anniversaries for September. Please contact the church office of stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net to let us know if you're not listed or the date is incorrect.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 - Mano Fernando
2 - Debbie Fink
2 - Martha Precht
7 - Elizabeth Walsh
8 - Jerry Connell
13 - Terry Sloman
17 - Charles Griffin
17 - Joan Irwin
18 - Nancy Clapp
18 - Emilie Vitalo
19 - Alfreda Clinton
20 - Andres de Cos
21 - Paul Venti
22 - Victoria de Cos
24 - Carol Broadabent
30 - Catherine Scarborough
30 - Ryanne Jackson

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

8 - Greg & Penny Taylor
15 - Doug & Sarah Jane Page
17 - Andres de Cos & Claudia Rodriguez
17 - Kirk & Celeste Witting
17 - Dick & Jackie Leaning
24 - Alan & Joan Irwin
27 - John & Sharon Warrington

A Prayer for all those affected mvanhouse_@hotmail.com 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 Slocumb,
Nancy Clapp, Anne Priebe, Bruce Clinton, Sr. Rosie, Lilly Walker,
Thomas Boyle, David Jefferson, Maria LaValle, Peggy Bachman,
Fran O'Sullivan and Family, Barbara Connell.

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

Those who have died, especially Janet Moore.

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.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN DELAWARE

21-Day Equity Challenge Program

August 17 - September 14, 2020

The Episcopal Church in Delaware joined this state-wide challenge and
journey led by the United Way of Delaware and YWCA Delaware.

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

**CLICK HERE TO
REGISTER**

The Bishop will offer a **Zoom Wrap-Up Meeting on September 16 at 6:30 p.m.** for those participating in the 21-Day Equity Challenge Program. You must **REGISTER IN ADVANCE** through the Episcopal Church in Delaware to join the conversation by clicking on the button to the left.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

MORNING PSALM AND PRAYERS

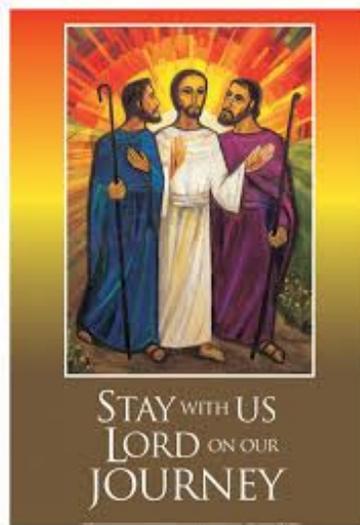
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[DELAWARE COMMUNION](#)

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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
