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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.

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**Please welcome
Father Kenn, Theresa,
& Leo Katona to our
St Barnabas community!**

Anyone who would like to send a welcoming note or card to Father Kenn and his family may do so by giving it to Joanne Figliola. She is collecting cards and notes and will send them bulk-mail to Fr Kenn. You may email her at j.figliola@verizon.net for details. If you'd like to send him an electronic note, you may be able to comment to him on his Facebook page or possibly on his YouTube channel.

Click on the link below for Fr Kenn's introductory video.....

[A Video from Fr Kenn Katona](#)



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

For All the Saints

Several years ago when my family gathered to plan the liturgy to celebrate my Father's life, the question arose concerning which hymns we would choose to express his life and his faith. Quickly, one hymn rose to the top of our list: "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God." My brothers and I have fond childhood memories of my Dad humming or singing these words of faith. We often confused the verses but we always ended with..."and there's not any reason – no, not the least, why I shouldn't be one too."

Sometimes it is tempting to think of the Saints of God remembering those saints who have lived their lives in superlatives. When we read children's books about Saints, we read just this: people who have lived lives that we simply admire and of which we stand in awe. Saint Barnabas was born a Cypriot Jew named Joseph. Barnabas engaged in missionary work to bring Gentiles to the Christian faith. The faith of Barnabas, the ministry of Barnabas are so rich and so widespread, bringing so many to God that this Disciple is remembered for the ages.

Saint Barnabas was truly a Saint. He is a Saint because, as the hymn tells us, "He loved the Lord so dear, so dear." That, of course, is the mark of the Saints of God. Barnabas and so many others are saints because they loved their Lord so dear, so dear. Saints do not always engage in superherculean feats. The saints of God live lives where God is first, where all things are done to proclaim and profess God's majesty and glory. The saints of God are those who, when we look at them, we see God. ... [Read More](#)

"We give them back to you, O Lord, who first gave them to us."

As we celebrate the Feast of All Saints' this Sunday, we give thanks for all your saints, especially for those in our community who have died:

Eleanor Beatty, Richard Broadbent, Ceeanne Brosi, Judy Bruner, Joan Conly, Alice Cabbage, Barbara Frye, Lynda Griffin, Florence Kvalnes, Donald LaRue, Morriw & Catherine LaRue, Andrew Leaning, George & Violet McDonald, Warren O'Sullivan, Joseph & Jeanette Phillip, Roy & Dory Richardson, Wayne Roberts, Donna Spendio, Helen Todderud, Ken Thompson, Jeanine Walker, Roberta Waterland, Ben Wilkinson, David Wingate, Bob & Connie Witman, Nellie Wright, Titia & Harry VanderLek, Margaret York.

Christmas Bazaar

2020

As mentioned in last week's e-News, we **WILL** have a bazaar in December -- it will be on **Saturday, December 12, 2020** with a few modifications. Slip a smile under your mask and prepare your appetite!



St Barnabas' cooks are preparing to assemble...

chili soup cookies

for you and your family to enjoy on those cold, busy nights in December. Food will be prepared with care and good taste; proper precautions will prevent COVID contamination. All cookies will be nut-free and already boxed to avoid germs.

Paperwhites will also be sold, and there will be a **fifty-fifty raffle**: \$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00.

Remember that all monies raised will be, as always, distributed among our outreach charities. **We will gladly and gratefully take donations;** we've had a difficult year and so have our friends in need. Anything you can add to our fundraiser will be truly appreciated.

Click on the red button below for the order form, which will give you more details.

ORDER FORM

We are requesting that you submit your order **ONLY** by contacting the church office either by email (stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net) or by phone (302-994-6607). The **DEADLINE** to submit your orders is **Monday, November 30th**. **Don't be disappointed -PLEASE - ORDER EARLY as quantities will be limited. Additionally,** if you attend an in-person Worship Service on any Sunday between November 1st and November 29th, there will be order forms inserted in the bulletins. You'll be able to either give your completed form to Joanne Figliola after the service or take it and the bulletin) home with you so you can call it in or email it to the church office. You may also pick up a form during the week from the table outside the office.

Feel free to donate to our ministries with or without a purchase.... And yes, it is acceptable to regret this year's loss of the craft tables, of the books and furniture and those amazing finds in the white elephant sale, the beautiful and

unique jewelry finds, we'll miss the music from the carolers and musicians, the lunch, and the smiling faces of fellow parishioners who are always ready with a hug and a kind word -- but remember, we'll have it all next year! This year, we will celebrate by enjoying a warm dinner, homemade cookies, beautiful paperwhites, and ensuring that our outreach ministries can continue their good work.



THIS SUNDAY

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Join us this Sunday,
November 1, 2020 at **11:00 a.m**

- **In-Person Public Worship Service**
- **which will also be Live-Streamed**
- **Previously Recorded Service on YouTube (available any time after 7:00 a.m. Sunday morning)**

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 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.** (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 and will also be LIVE-STREAMED

Sunday, November 1, 2020
All Saints' Day

The online service will include three hymns: an Opening Hymn: 287 - For All the Saints Who from Their Labors Rest; an Offertory Hymn: 293 - I Sing a Song of the Saints of God; and a Closing Hymn: 618 - Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones, 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 Live-Stream service and to the recorded YouTube service will be sent to members **by 7:00 a.m. on Sunday morning**, or you will be able to access the YouTube 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>

Books of Common Prayer and Hymnals are Available to Borrow

Anyone wishing to follow along while viewing the recorded Worship or Live-Stream service may do so as you are viewing them may do so. The entire **Book of Common Prayer** is available at: <https://www.bcponline.org/>. Or if you'd like to borrow a **Book of Common Prayer** from St Barnabas, please contact the church office at stbarnabas0ffice@comcast.net or telephone (302) 994 6607. A hymnal is also available to borrow.

Scripture Readings for This Sunday

Revelation 7:9-17
Psalm 34:1-10, 22
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12



COFFEE & CONVERSATION

This Sunday, November 1
at 12:30 p.m.

Join Senior Warden Ed Rowles for **Coffee and Conversation** following this Sunday's In-Person 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 contact Ed at erowles@comcast.net or 302-562-4580.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday
from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
and
Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

EVENTS & MEETINGS

"UNDER THE OAKS"



Listening Circle
Saturday, October 31st
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 Tuesday, November 3rd at 11:00 a.m.

This week we look at chapter 29 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 302-994-6607 or stbarnabas0ffice@comcast.net.

Being with Grief Group Monday, November 9th and Monday, November 23rd 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

The next Being with Grief Support Group will meet on **Monday, November 9 from 12:00-1:30 p.m.** "under the oaks!" We will not meet if it is raining. 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

NOTICES

New Zimmer Organ Demonstration!

Click on the link below to enjoy a demonstration by Dr. Michael Larkin of our new Zimmer Organ! What a beautiful instrument and beautifully made piece of furniture! We hope you will enjoy learning about and hearing it!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aJI-HF_hT0U

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

My dear friends in Christ,

As I was writing my article for last week's newsletter, I mentioned the name of our church, St. Barnabas, and I



thought, “How much do we all know about our namesake?” With that question floating around my mind, and the fact that we celebrate the feast of All Saints this week, I did a little homework. Although it has nothing to do with music, here is some interesting information about St. Barnabas, the man.

St. Barnabas’ original name was Joseph the Levite and was an important early Christian missionary mentioned in the New Testament. He is also considered one of the early church Apostolic Fathers. He was a Jew from Cyprus who joined the church at Jerusalem not long after Christ’s crucifixion. We learn in Acts 4:36-37 that he sold his property and gave all the proceeds to the community. He was one of the Cypriots who founded and preached at the church in Antioch (Acts 11:19-29).

Barnabas called Paul (Acts 11:25) to be his assistant at Antioch. Soon after, they went on a missionary tour (Acts 13 – 14) ending up in Jerusalem in the year 48. Soon after that, Barnabas and Paul had a serious disagreement over who should go with them on their next journey. Unable to reconcile, they went their separate ways, Barnabas to Cyprus and Paul to Syria and Cilicia. After that incident, there are only three more mentions of Barnabas, brief references by Paul a few years later in I Corinthians 9:6 and two references in the second chapter of the book of Galatians.

Nothing is known for certain about the time or circumstances of his death. Barnabas’ reputed tomb, discovered in 488, is near the Monastery of St. Barnabas, in the Cypriot city of Salamis, whose Christian community was founded by Paul and Barnabas almost 2000 years ago.

So, now we all know a little more about our church’s namesake, St. Barnabas.

In honor of All Saints Sunday, click on or copy the link below and enjoy a performance of “For All the Saints” by Ralph Vaughan Williams, sung by the Men’s Chorus at Brigham Young University, conducted by Mack Wilberg.

<https://youtu.be/p16pJAY3Mlc>

Blessings,

Dr. Michael Larkin
Director of Music Ministry

Scouts BSA Troop 1923 Update

The girls of Scouts BSA Troop 1923 were pleased to hold its first Court of Honor in a year outdoors at the end of September. Seventeen Scouts received recognition for their hard work on rank advancement, merit badges, and other awards. Several adult leaders were honored, as well, for achievements in training, longevity, and



delivering Scouting to the best of their ability. Thanks to parishioners and all who joined us under the oaks!

Since then, the troop has welcomed two new Scouts and began spreading mulch on the church grounds to prepare beds for winter.

The troop is also conducting a fundraiser to support their year-round camping activities. If you would like to help by purchasing popcorn, please [use this](#)

[link](#) to view all the delicious choices. (You'll choose to support Scout Margaret L, which equates to benefitting the troop as a whole.) Thank you for considering a purchase!

PASTORAL CARE TEAM IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

During these rather troublesome times due to COVID-19, the Pastoral Care team would like to stay in touch with our parishioners, especially those who are going through particularly harder times than usual. One way to show we still care and have not forgotten them is to deliver a small token to our friends of homemade food item(s). We are looking for volunteers to make or bake: a loaf of bread (any kind) or a baked dish in a small aluminum loaf pan, etc.

If you would like to volunteer in this wonderful ministry, please contact Sister Cassandra at 302-331-5688 or zaclight742@gmail.com. Thank you.

O U T R E A C H

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.

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*

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 - Cathy Cooling
4 - Benjamin Stanard
7 - Matthew Conte
7 - Carolee Kunz
11 - Lynn Price
14 - Ruth Bruner
16 - Ann Lopez
17 - Sarah Jefferson
17 - Emma Jefferson
17 - AJ Jefferson
20 - Mark Smith
20 - Juliett Steenkamer
21 - Louis Lopez
22 - Lisa Bowe
24 - Cara Stanard
25 - Hannah Steenkamer
25 - Daniel Steenkamer
30 - Allan Okuniewski

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

9 - Debbie & Dennis McGonigal
17 - Carol & Marko Strukelj
30 - Carolee & Carl Kunz

PRAYER BEFORE THE ELECTION

Prayer 24

Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

One Million Lives Lost

China recorded the first known coronavirus death in January, 2020. Since then, over one million people have died. This prayer is from the Church of England website.

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, Bruce Clinton, Sr. Rosie, Lilly Walker, Thomas Boyle, David Jefferson, Maria LaValle, Peggy Bachman, Barbara & Jerry Connell, Ed, Charles Griffin & Family, Ed & Renee Waterland & Family, Valerie Jackson, Ryanne Jackson, Giorgio, Andre & Priscilla, David, Leslie, and Gehana.

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.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN DELAWARE

VOTE FAITHFULLY
Series with
Bishop Brown

Third Video in Series:

Click Link Below for

[Election Season](#)
[Resources](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wqid2kb3zyw>

Second Video in Series:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bXrUxefR434>

First Video in Series:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IS0gwneC6sc>

"It is a Christian obligation to vote, and more than that, it is the church's responsibility to help get souls to the polls."

-- Presiding Bishop
Michael B. Curry

VOTE FAITHFULLY
ECUMENICAL WORSHIP SERVICE
praying together for our country and our election

This Sunday, November 1st at 6:45 p.m.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more details and to join the Webinar!

**CHANGES TO
ANNUAL CONVENTION**

See bishop's message below, followed by detailed changes, to include registration procedures.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP
236th Annual Convention

We are returning the convention schedule back to 'Plan A.' That is, we will host a single-day event on Saturday, November 21, as originally envisioned back in January, long before the pandemic hit.

I am thankful for so many folks who were helping plan the expanded three-day schedule. Back in June, we hoped we could generate an energetic, unifying, spirited online experience that would showcase the resilience of this remarkable diocese and spark renewed excitement for 2021 — all the while trimming the total hours we would all spend online... [Read More](#)

COVID-19 Update: Bishop Brown's Response #16
Coronavirus and Safety

Hello beloved of God across the Episcopal Church in Delaware,

Just this past week we passed a sad milestone: over one million people are known to have died worldwide from the novel coronavirus. In all likelihood, there have been many more lives lost to this deadly disease than we know. Let us pause and pray for the souls of our sisters and brothers across the world who are gone. Let us again remember the agony of surviving family and friends, the resolve of steadfast nurses and doctors, and the gratitude for those who lived through COVID-19. Read full response [here](#).

MORNING PSALM AND PRAYERS

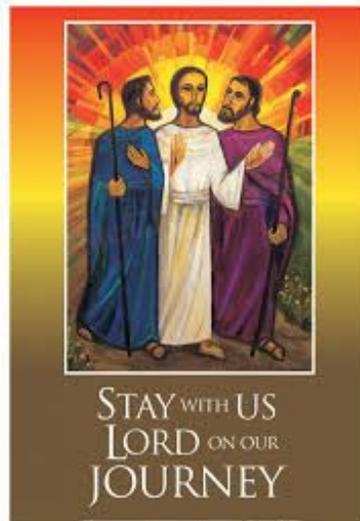
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VESTRY MEMBERS

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
