



**ST. BARNABAS'  
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.*

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

#### ***A New Thanksgiving***

There is a thing going around Facebook that speaks of wanting nothing for Christmas except for the world to go back to normal. Those words strike deep into our being, especially this week as we prepare for a very different Thanksgiving celebration. Those Norman Rockwell images come to mind. Generations of family and friends gathered around a table spread with food. A football game in the other room. Laughter, conversation, hugs and just being with those who we love. Perhaps no other holiday so holds the images of the bounty of life: both in food for the heart and soul as well as the full belly.

This year, though, will be different. This year, we show our deepest love by staying distant from those who we love. Thanksgiving this year means a smaller turkey shared just with those with whom we have spent these last eight months. There will be football and zoom or other calls. There will be delicious food and memories will be made. Perhaps this will be the Thanksgiving that we remember because it will be so different. ... [Read More](#)

## **236th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN DELAWARE**

**This Saturday, November 21, 2020  
Via Zoom and Livestream**

**9:00 a.m., Call to Order/Business**

Click [here](#) for more details



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

Anyone who would like to send a welcoming note or card to Fr 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. There is a basket in the back of the church on Sundays; you may drop your cards in the basket if you attend church. Otherwise, you may email Joanne at [j.figliola@verizon.net](mailto:j.figliola@verizon.net) for details.

## Christmas Bazaar

**2020**

By this time, you probably know that 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. **ALSO NOTE: Payment is not due until pick-up on December 12th - [checks preferred](#).****

## ORDER FORM

**We are requesting** that you submit your order **ONLY** by contacting the church office either by email ([stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net](mailto:stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net)) or by phone (302-994-6607). The **DEADLINE** to submit your orders is **Friday, December 4th**. (Note this is a date change.) **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 now 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 (see picture below!), and ensuring that our outreach ministries can continue their good work.

<https://www.friendshiphoused.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Advent-Calendar.pdf>



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## THIS SUNDAY

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**LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY**

**Join us this Sunday,  
November 22, 2020**

- **In-Person Public Worship Service at 11:00 a.m.**
  - **A previously recorded service will be available on YouTube (the link will be sent out by 7:00 a.m. Sunday morning).**
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### **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.)

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## **Online Sunday Worship at St Barnabas**

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### **HOLY EUCHARIST on YOUTUBE**

**Sunday, November 22, 2020**

**Last Sunday after Pentecost - Christ the King Sunday**

The online service will include three hymns: an Opening Hymn: 460 - Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!; an Offertory Hymn: 435 - At the Name of Jesus; and a Closing Hymn: 494 - Crown Him with Many Crowns, 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 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>

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## **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](mailto:stbarnabas0ffice@comcast.net) or telephone (302) 994 6607. A hymnal is also available to borrow.

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## **Scripture Readings for This Sunday**

**Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**  
**Psalm 95:1-7a**  
**Ephesians 1:15-23**  
**Matthew 25:31-46**

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## **COFFEE & CONVERSATION** **This Sunday, November 22** **at 12:30 p.m.**

You are invited to join us for **Coffee and Conversation**, hosted by Senior Warden Ed Rowles, 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](mailto:erowles@comcast.net) or 302-562-4580.

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## **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.**

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## **EVENTS & MEETINGS**

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***"UNDER THE***

# OAKS"



**Listening Circle**  
**Saturday, November 21st**  
**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.

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

The next Being with Grief Support Group will meet on **Monday, Nov. 23rd 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! In December, the Group is scheduled to meet on Monday, Dec. 14th. However, because of the holidays, the meeting on Dec. 28th will be confirmed later.

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](mailto:mvanhouse@hotmail.com)

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**Online Bible Study**  
**Tuesday, November 24th at 11:00 a.m.**



**Each week during Advent, we will be reading different scriptures that relate to the Gospel Readings during Advent. This will be a great time to join us in Bible Study!**

This week we look at Mark 1:1-8, 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](mailto:stbarnabas0ffice@comcast.net).

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## **NOTICES**

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### **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

We have completed the first three phases of the Capital Campaign upgrades:

1. New flooring and carpet in the sanctuary
2. New upgraded sound system
3. New Cornell-Zimmer organ

The final phase of the sanctuary upgrades are now in the planning stages:

1. New front doors
2. New windows
3. Paint inside of the sanctuary
4. Other miscellaneous upgrades to the sanctuary

We will begin the final phase of sanctuary upgrades after we have received adequate funds to complete them.

The Capital Campaign committee will be sending out campaign pledge statements to everyone in the next couple of weeks. Due to the pandemic, the deadline for completing the Capital Campaign has been extended to June 1, 2021, to allow adequate time for the final contributions to be received. A big **THANK YOU!** to everyone who has contributed to the very successful Capital Campaign.

Below is a summary of the Income and Expenses for the Capital Campaign.

If there are any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

George McDowell Capital Campaign Chairperson [gkmc dow@icloud.com](mailto:gkmc dow@icloud.com)  
Bill Rose Capital Campaign Treasurer [rosewc9@gmail.com](mailto:rosewc9@gmail.com)  
Brian Engler Finance Chairperson [brian.r.engler@gmail.com](mailto:brian.r.engler@gmail.com)

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**Income:**

**Expenses:**

Pledges Received: \$ 231,891

Organ: \$ 143,097

Open Pledge Amount: \$ 32,565

Floor: \$ 61,529

Memorial Fund: \$ 30,000

Sound System: \$ 24,978

Campaign Expenses: \$ 8,535



## NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

My dear friends in Christ,

First, a warm thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, and good wishes regarding my recent eye surgery (thankfully, with no complications and my upcoming second surgery on December 1. So far, so good. The distant vision in my right eye is noticeably improved, my close-up vision just a bit better. Being so far-sighted I will still need some help reading when all is done.

This coming Sunday is the final Sunday in the liturgical year, and then next Sunday, November 29, we celebrate the Christian New Year on the first Sunday in Advent. The liturgical year, also known as the church year or Christian year, consists of the cycle of liturgical seasons in Christian churches that determines when various feast days are to be observed, and which portions of Scripture are to be read either in an annual cycle or in a cycle of three years. The cycle of readings that includes one Old Testament reading, one Psalm, one Epistle reading, and the Gospel reading for each service during the liturgical year is called the Lectionary. Most churches now use what is called the Revised Common Lectionary that was formulated in 1994 and very much based on the pre-existing Roman Catholic Lectionary. The Lectionary is built around a three-year cycle of lessons, Years A, B, and C relative to the liturgical year.

There are various versions of church calendars that go way back in time. The seasons of the contemporary liturgical year are in order: Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost, sometimes called Ordinary time. Each season has its own mood and various feast days, as well as its own liturgical color. Music, of course, is chosen relative to the liturgical seasons and specific Sundays within each season.

This coming Sunday, the final Sunday of the Year, is usually referred to as Christ the King Sunday. It is a shame that we can't sing hymns because some of the great hymns of the church are appropriate for this Sunday, hymns such as "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!," "Crown Him with Many Crowns," and "Rejoice, the Lord is King."

I invite you to copy or click on the link below and enjoy a performance of "Rejoice, the Lord is King" as performed by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra conducted by music director Mack Wilberg.

<https://youtu.be/q3pGwIF6vQg>

Please accept my wishes for a most blessed Thanksgiving.

Dr. Michael Larkin  
Director of Music Ministry

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## **2021 Offering Envelopes and Calendars are available in the back of the church.**

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### **PLEASE NOTE**

**In last week's issue of the e-News, there was an announcement regarding an in-person Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist service.**

**Because of the uncertainty regarding the COVID-19 virus, the Thanksgiving Eve Service has been cancelled.**

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## **O U T R E A C H**

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### **To Friendship House Church Partners**

I'm reaching out because this year Friendship House has compiled an advent calendar. The advent calendar is a fun, interactive way to give back to the community. I've attached a link to the pdf on our website. Please let me know if you have any questions or a better contact for me to reach out to. Thank you for your loving support!

**[Click Here to view Advent Calendar](#)**

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**Kristen Reisor**  
Volunteer & Communications Coordinator  
Friendship House, Inc

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### **Seaman's Center - Christmas at Sea**

Normally, our Youth Group would collect items for the mariners, pack and wrap them at the Port of Wilmington. With 2020 being anything but normal, we won't be able to do the packing and wrapping this year but with your help, we can do the 'collecting'!!

*Note from Joan Lyons (Seaman's Center Exec. Dir.):*

*Due to COVID, Christmas at Sea is more important than ever since the men have not been off their ships since March and many have not been able to return home at the end of their contract. However, because of COVID we can't bring in groups to help. Any collected items would be deeply appreciated.*

The circumstances this year certainly take 'self-isolation' to new heights for the mariners. Please consider donating to this ministry. The following items would be most appreciated: **knit hat/scarf, comb, razors, playing cards, cough drops, sewing kit, soap, toothpaste/ toothbrush, deodorant, shampoo, chapstick, candy/gum, hand lotion, pens/stationery, winter gloves.**

Please drop off your items in the blue "Seaman's Center" box at church (hallway in front of the office, M-Th 9-2, F 9-1). We will collect items through November 30. Please call Sandy Witman with any questions 302-668-6302.

Thanks in advance!!

Sandy Witman

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### **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.

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### ***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*

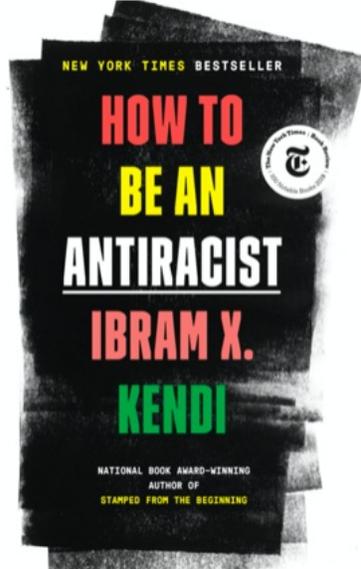
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## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

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Hello members of St. Barnabas:

Some of you have already read Ibram Kendi's latest book, some of you are in the process of reading it, and others of you may have it on your TBR list. Well, there is good news. **Province III of the**



**Episcopal Church** has organized a bookclub to read and discuss the book over several weeks. I highly recommend the support of a bookclub to help you process the book. Take my word for it, it's not easy reading.

Join Province III's Racial Justice Ministry and participate in the book discussion of *How to Be an Antiracist*, culminating in a session with Ibram X. Kendi. There will be 10 Zoom sessions on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. **You may join at any time.**

[Click Here](#) for the reading outline and an email contact in case you or someone you know is interested in joining the bookclub. Please share with

other members of our church. I imagine that even if someone missed the first week, catching up would not be a challenge.

Sheridan Quarless Kingsberry

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## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Below are listed Birthdays and Anniversaries for November. Please contact the church office of [stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net](mailto: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

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## 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.



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### **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, Charles Griffin & Family, Ed & Renee Waterland & Family, Valerie Jackson, Ryanne Jackson, Giorgio, Andre & Priscilla, David, Leslie, Gehana, Matthew, Idella Ludwig, Jim Clarke, Kathleen Frees Kroboth, Michael Larkin, Jeff Stanard, Kristin Leirsh, Mary.

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

Those who have died, especially Ed Wright.

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**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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## **EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN DELAWARE**

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### **MESSAGES FROM BISHOP KEVIN BROWN**

**COVID-19 Update: Bishop Brown's Response #17:  
Impact of Governor's New Order**  
For entire message, click [Here](#)

For Governor Carney's Press Release, click [Here](#)

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**MORNING PSALM AND PRAYERS**

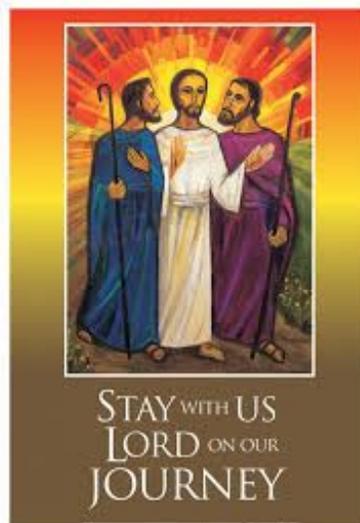
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**VESTRY MEMBERS**

**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

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