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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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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY January 17, 2021



Please welcome our new rector and his family to our St Barnabas community:
Father Kenn Katona, his wife Theresa, and their son Leo!

Anyone who would like to send a welcoming note or card to Fr Kenn and his family may do so by dropping it off in the foyer near the church office. You may also email Fr Kenn at: kenn.katona@gmail.com.

As we all know, the COVID-19 virus is exploding exponentially all across our great country. Within the past weeks, the number of cases, the severity of the illness, and the spread ratio have increased alarmingly.

In light of this reality, the Governor of Delaware has issued a state-wide stay-at-home advisory. Our schools are returning to *hybrid* instruction and our medical experts continue to advise us to stay at home, wash our hands, wear masks, and remain socially distant. **Our Bishop continues to call our Diocese to suspend in-person worship from now until further notice.** This is done with the hope that a brief suspension will give time for the spread of the virus to wane, the vaccine to begin to be administered, and for all of God's people to remain safe.

Recorded services will continue as well as the Wednesday morning Drive-Through Eucharist. In these strange and uncertain times, we can best love our neighbor by staying at home and holding one another in

prayer.

I offer the peace of God which passes all understanding to each and every one of you.

Faithfully,
The Reverend Kenn

Online Worship at St Barnabas

HOLY EUCHARIST on YOUTUBE

Sunday, January 17, 2021
Second Sunday after the Epiphany

The online service will include three hymns: an Opening Hymn: 7 - Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies; an Offertory Hymn: 126 - The People Who in Darkness Walked; and a Closing Hymn: 477 - All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine, 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. Kenn Katona.

A link to the recorded YouTube service **for Sunday, January 17th** 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>

Scripture Readings for This Sunday

1 Samuel 3:1-10[11-20]

Psalms 139:1-5, 12-17

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

John 1:43-51



COFFEE & CONVERSATION

This Sunday, January 17th

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

You are invited to join us for **Coffee and Conversation**, **hosted by Fr Kenn Katona**, our new rector. 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 Rowles** at erowles@comcast.net or 302-562-4580.

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.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN DELAWARE

MORNING PSALM AND PRAYERS

Compline: Service of Prayer for national unity and peace

You are invited to nightly Compline - a service of prayer for national unity and peace - led by Bishop Brown and other diocesan leaders and clergy. Please join us and invite others for this service of prayer for our nation, every evening through Inauguration Day.

- The service began on Wednesday, January 13 and will end on Wednesday, January 20
- 9:00 p.m.
- via Zoom

TO JOIN, USE THE FOLLOWING
LINK | INFORMATION:

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88156840651?pwd=VmpvTjV4Q0QramZkM0lqekFLTGRldz09>
- **Meeting ID:** 881 5684 0651
- **Passcode:** 756085
- Joining by telephone, dial +1 646 558 8656

Bishop Brown's
COVID Response #19 |
January 6, 2021
Choosing a Path of Love

[Click Here](#)

DELAWARE COMMUNION
Winter 2020/2021 issue
(published December 2020)

The NET
January 13, 2021 issue

EVENTS and MEETINGS

Listening Circle Update

The **Listening Circle** is postponing its weekly Saturday meetings through at least the end of January. Please continue to check the e-News every week; it will be announced when the **Listening Circle** will begin meeting again.



Online Bible Study

Tuesday, January 19th at 11:00 a.m.

Today, we welcome Fr Kenn Katona, who, going forward, will be leading our Bible study. 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 stbarnabasOffice@comcast.net.

Holy Eucharist Drive-Through Wednesday, January 20th, 2021 Between 10:30-11:30 a.m.

The Eucharist is the primary worship of our community. Most every gathering of God's people finds God's feeding of God's people at its core. In the Episcopal Church, we reveal our Protestant and catholic coming together as we say, "Take, eat: this is my Body," followed quickly by, "Take them in remembrance of me." Indeed, the Bread is consecrated and becomes the Body of Christ, here present and among us. The Bread is also a Remembrance of our Savior who lived and died among us, using his dying and rising for us.

Needless to say, these weeks and months of the COVID virus have impacted how we celebrate God's most Holy meal. Because we are not able to join together in the sanctuary, the absence of the Eucharist can be acute and painful. **Therefore, every Wednesday morning as long as there is a need, you are welcome to drive through the parking lot at St Barnabas between 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. to receive the Body of Christ.** Masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, and outdoor space will all be in place to keep us safe. You will stay in your car and I will offer you the Sacrament.

I hope that this sharing of our Eucharist will be helpful to you.

Faithfully,
Rev. Kenn Katona

Evangelism/Parish Life Team Online Meeting Friday, January 22nd, 2021 10:30 a.m.

The next EPL meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 22nd at 10:30 a.m. This online meeting will be held via Zoom and the link to join the meeting will

be emailed to Team members that morning, January 22nd.

Being with Grief Virtual Group
January 25th, 2021
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

The Being with Grief Support Group will continue to meet in 2021 on the 2nd and 4th Mondays from 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. **using Zoom!** The next meeting is scheduled for January 25th. A Zoom link will be emailed to anyone interested in participating in this source of support. If you are curious, know someone who needs support, or are in need of support yourself, please contact Mary Van House (see below) for more information or to be added to the email list.

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.

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

FINANCE

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Have you made your pledge? - To date, we have received **75 pledges totaling \$169,595.** This includes **36 increased pledges** over last year and **6 new pledges.** If you have not yet pledged and wish to do so, pledge cards are available in the lobby outside the church office. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Or you can also call the office to request that a pledge card be mailed to you.

You may also submit your pledge card by going online to our website at www.stbarnabasde.org and click the red Stewardship button (on the Homepage) which will take you to the pledge form. Or you also have the option to donate directly on line via the **DONATE** button (found at the bottom of the Home page) via Pay Pal or credit card. We need your participation and support for our ministries in 2021. Thanks to all who have already pledged!

2021 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN
“All Things in Love” 1 Cor 14-16

2020 has been a year of change and challenge for St. Barnabas as we battle the pandemic and its effects on our daily lives, continue to move forward with the capital campaign and bring our search for a new rector to a conclusion. As we prepare for the new year, we will face new challenges as Fr. Kenneth Katona arrives in January and begins his ministry among us with one of the

main emphases being to grow St. Barnabas during these challenging times. Please see this video below from our wardens Ed Rowles and Joanne Figliola, including vestry members Pat McDonald and Lydia York talking about the importance of Stewardship and support for St Barnabas.

Financially, St Barnabas has been impacted by the pandemic with decreases in pledge and plate income, and a loss of some rental income. Pledge income has dropped from about \$275k in prior years, to about \$225-\$245k in 2020. The Finance Committee has targeted pledge to increase by 6-12% to achieve the target budget of \$260k in pledge commitments for 2021. This will allow us to stabilize the church financials for 2021 even though we will need to draw on our endowment fund and still have a deficit that will be funding from cash savings. We believe that things will return to 'normal' in 2022.

At this stage, all we need from you is a pledge, which will be kept confidential. Your pledge is an offering to God, an investment in St Barnabas as your spiritual home. On behalf of the vestry and finance committee, we ask that you prayerfully consider your pledge for the upcoming year.

There are 3 ways to submit your pledge:

1. If you haven't already returned your pledge card to the church office that was mailed to you more than a month ago, please do so as soon as possible.
 - Click the link to view a copy of the [Stewardship letter](#).
 - Click the link to view a copy of the [pledge card](#).
2. Submit your [online pledge form](#) on our website. Click the red Stewardship button (on Home Page) which will take you to the pledge form.
3. You also have the option to donate directly on line via the [DONATE](#) button via paypal or credit card.

Faithfully,

Ed Rowles
Senior Warden

Brian Engler
Finance Chair

Joanne Figliola
Junior Warden

Craig Brosi
Treasurer

2020 Financial Update and Key 2021 Budget Issues

The Finance committee presented a draft budget to the Vestry at the November Vestry meeting. This is to share with the rest of the parish the current state of our financials and our challenges for 2021.

[Click here](#) to view entire 2020 Update and 2021 Budget Outlook.

Please contact either of the Wardens, Ed Rowles or Joanne Figliola, or the Finance chair, Brian Engler, or the Treasurer, Craig Brosi, with any questions.

NOTICES



NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR

My Dear Friends in Christ,

In this week when we say goodbye and thank you to our resource priest Rev. Sarah and warmly welcome Fr. Kenn into our St. Barnabas community, I pray that each of you remains safe and healthy. Until in-person worship resumes, I hope that you have been able to view our recorded service each Sunday. I remain very grateful to Lisa Bowe for beautifully leading us in the hymns for each recorded service.

For the next few weeks, I thought I would share some information and history about some of the major sections of the Sunday liturgy, traditionally called the “mass,” beginning with the “mass” itself. In the contemporary Christian world, the mass liturgy is celebrated each Sunday by the Episcopal, Lutheran, Greek and Russian Orthodox, and Roman Catholic Churches. Several other Protestant denominations very closely follow the mass liturgy when the Eucharist is offered, although the term “mass” is seldom used in favor of “communion service.”

The word “liturgy” is derived from the Greek and can be best translated as “the work of the people.” A liturgy is a series of events during worship such as prayers, scripture readings, preaching, music, etc. The mass is just one of many different liturgies.

The mass liturgy is divided into two large components commonly called the “Propers” and the “Ordinary” of the mass. The Propers of the mass are those sections that change from Sunday to Sunday, such as prayers, responses, and scriptural themes based on the liturgical year. The Ordinary of the mass are those sections that are sung or said every Sunday. They are the Kyrie (Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy), the Gloria in Excelsis, the Credo (Nicene Creed), the Sanctus and Benedictus (Holy, holy, holy), and the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world). Some parishes, such as St. Barnabas historically has done, only sing or say the Kyrie in Advent and Lent when the Gloria is also omitted. The Agnus Dei is one of several “fraction anthems” available and appropriate to be sung or said during the Eucharistic liturgy while the priest breaks the bread.

The English word “mass” is derived from the middle Latin “missa,” which actually is part of the final words or dismissal of the mass (the mass is ended). There are many theories beyond the scope of this article as to how this transition occurred. Each section of the ordinary of the mass evolved quite early in church history. The Sanctus was literally borrowed from our Jewish brothers and sisters. Musical settings of the mass usually include only sections of the Ordinary. As the service unfolds, it is divided into two large sections. The Liturgy of the Word includes all scripture readings, the sermon, prayers of the people, and the creed. The Liturgy of Eucharist is the second half of the service and includes the Eucharistic prayers, the Sanctus and Hosanna, and

the Agnus Dei or other fraction anthem, and communion distribution.

I hope this gives some basic explanations of our weekly worship experience, or mass. Next week I will write about the history and musical settings of the "Gloria." As a musical introduction, I invite you to copy or click on the link below and listen to a performance of the "Gloria" from Franz Schubert's "Mass in G" as performed by the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Symphonic Chorus under the direction of the great Robert Shaw.

https://youtu.be/yEl_eVVMMWs

Blessings,

Dr. Michael Larkin
Director of Music Ministry

**2021 Offering Envelopes are available
on the table outside the church office.**

FLU SHOT REMINDER

Let's ALL consider getting a flu vaccination this year to protect us from pneumonia that could also be life-threatening, especially with medical systems being overwhelmed by active COVID-19 infections.

Thank you,
Maria Perez

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 - 1pm. 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.

FAMILY PROMISE NEWS

Our three service weeks for Family Promise 2021 are::

*10-day program: Thursday 1/7 thru Saturday 1/16/21

*Wk 2: Wk 4/18/21 (Sun - Sat)

*Wk 3: Wk 7/18/21 (Sun - Sat)

With COVID restrictions, our work is limited to preparing and delivering meals to 2-3 families staying at a hotel in the Christiana area. Family Promise continues to work with the families to accomplish those things that enable them to find and remain in permanent housing, typically within 45-60 days. Once rehoused, Family Promise continues to work with the family to ensure their success in maintaining housing.

Do you have a favorite holiday meal or casserole dish to pass? We are always looking for volunteers interested in preparing or purchasing some portion of the dinner for Tuesday and Thursday nights. During our last session in July, a few of us would drive and meet at the hotel, to deliver the meals to the families.

Kitchen Tools. The hotel room is equipped with a refrigerator, microwave, and 2-burner stove, and minimal utensils and dishes. When a new family joins the program, we have found it helpful to provide just a few additional kitchen supplies, such as an electric skillet, basic cooking utensils, etc. Please keep it in mind if you find you have something helpful to donate, as Family Promise is occasionally looking for this type of donation.

While we are active in this program 3 weeks each year, the wonderful work you do literally cares for families the entire year. Without a full slate of volunteer churches, the calendar schedule and program would fall apart. This is the only shelter program in Delaware that enables a family to stay together at a time of stress, and is also the most successful program in New Castle County, thanks to their excellent program and the personal touch of each volunteer. Thank you for all your support, donations, volunteerism, and prayers for this ministry and volunteers.

Cindy Richards
302-690-0751

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

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 - Stacey Gracie
4 - Laurel Ann Gonsecki
5 - Gary Frye
6 - Natalie Icasiano
7 - Allison Delaney
9 - Sandra Brown
10 - Turner Bowersox
10 - Richard Hoffman
10 - Peter Haushalter
12 - David Carpenter
12 - David Sheehan
12 - Carol Strukelj
18 - Sophia Schubert
21 - Bud Cooling
22 - Deborah McGonigal
24 - Jordyn Rybinski
25 - Denise Jarrell
25 - Betty Hoffman
27 - Richard Williamson
29 - Greg Yulduzian

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

7 - Charles Griffin & Lori Hill
17 - Pat & Bonnie McDonald

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO NEED HEALING AND COMFORT:

Arlene & Dave Carpenter, John Materis, Gail Calhoun, Leon Slocomb, Nancy Clapp, Bruce Clinton, Sr. Rosie, Lilly Walker, Thomas Boyle, David Jefferson, Maria LaValle, Peggy Bachman, Barb & Jerry Connell, Gehana, Matthew, Idella Ludwig, Jeff Stanard, Dave Greenwood, John Martin, John Warrington, George & Kammy Franz, Bruce & Liz, Penny, Mildred, Denise, Steve, Alison, Theresa, Debra, Fallon, Pat Lennon, Susan, Leslie, John Grim.

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

Those who have died, especially The Rev. Arthur W. Archer, The Rev. Canon Barbara T. Duncan, The Rev. Mariann Babnis, Michelle Wysock McClelland.

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.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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

