

September 30th

9:00 a.m. Service

followed by a Brunch at the Parish Hall

Please bring something to share.

Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church.

- Breakfast Casseroles
- Juice
- Fruit
- Pastries/Rolls/Bread
- Any other food items that you would love to share!

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8:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Rite I)
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THE WAY OF LOVE *Practices for Jesus-Centered Life*

TURN

Pause, listen, and choose to follow Jesus

As Jesus was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. – Mark 2:14

Like the disciples, we are called by Jesus to follow the Way of Love. With God's help, we can turn from the powers of sin, hatred, fear, injustice, and oppression toward the way of truth, love, hope, justice, and freedom. In turning, we reorient our lives to Jesus Christ, falling in love again, again, and again.

LEARN

Reflect on Scripture each day, especially on Jesus' life and teachings.

"Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them." – John 14:23

By reading and reflecting on Scripture, especially the life and teachings of Jesus, we draw near to God and God's word dwells in us. When we open our minds and hearts to Scripture, we learn to see God's story and God's activity in everyday life.

PRAY

Dwell intentionally with God each day

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." – Luke 11:1

Jesus teaches us to come before God with humble hearts, boldly offering our thanksgivings and concerns to God or simply listening for God's voice in our lives and in the world. Whether in thought, word or deed, individually or corporately, when we pray we invite and dwell in God's loving presence.

WORSHIP

Gather in community weekly to thank, praise, and dwell with God

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. – Luke 24:30-31a

When we worship, we gather with others before God. We hear the Good News of Jesus Christ, give thanks, confess, and offer the brokenness of the world to God. As we break bread, our eyes are opened to the presence of Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we are made one body, the body of Christ sent forth to live the Way of Love.

BLESS: Share faith and unselfishly give and serve

Freely you have received; freely give. – Matthew 10:8

Jesus called his disciples to give, forgive, teach, and heal in his name. We are empowered by the Spirit to bless everyone we meet, practicing generosity and compassion, and proclaiming the Good News of God in Christ with hopeful words and selfless actions. We can share our stories of blessing and invite others to the Way of Love.

GO: Cross boundaries, listen deeply and live like Jesus

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." – John 20:21

As Jesus went to the highways and byways, he sends us beyond our circles and comfort, to witness to the love, justice, and truth of God with our lips and with our lives. We go to listen with humility and to join God in healing a hurting world. We go to become Beloved Community, a people reconciled in love with God and one another.

REST: Receive the gift of God's grace, peace, and restoration

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. – John 14:27

From the beginning of creation, God has established the sacred pattern of going and returning, labor and rest. Especially today, God invites us to dedicate time for restoration and wholeness - within our bodies, minds, and souls, and within our communities and institutions. By resting we place our trust in God, the primary actor who brings all things to their fullness.

FOR DISCERNMENT AND REFLECTION

You, your ministry group or church or organization might begin by reflecting on the questions:

- What are the ways God is calling me to regularly engage in this practice?
- How could – or how do – I incorporate this practice into my life regularly?
- With whom do I need to journey in order to keep a commitment to this practice?

More detailed questions for discernment and reflection, along with additional resources, available at

www.episcopalchurch.org/wayoflove

As the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement, we follow the Way of Jesus. His way is the Way of Love, and that love has the power to change lives and change the world.

Do you seek a life centered on Jesus? Do you seek to explore and live his Way of Love? How will you or your church, ministry, or network commit to following the Way of Jesus? How could you join or gather a community for practicing Jesus-centered life?

Get inspired online by viewing the comprehensive set of resources gathered from across the church. Develop your own resources, campaigns, and pathways for living The Way of Love — as individuals, ministry groups, congregations, dioceses, and networks. Take part in the church-wide movement. Share your stories and resources.



Daily Devotions for The Way of Love Week Two: TURN

Take 10 minutes and sit in a comfortable chair. Breathe in and exhale deeply, paying attention to the motion of your breath. Allow yourself to imagine God's presence surrounding you as you pray. Read slowly the passage below, several times. As you rise from your time of prayer, know that Jesus remains with you always.

MONDAY, October 1, 2018

Exodus 3:1-4

There the angel of the Lord appeared to Moses in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!'

Can you think of a time when God called you to turn away from a daily thought, routine or relationship?

Prayer: *Loving God, help me to have eyes to see your presence and your purposes in my daily life.*

TUESDAY, October 2, 2018

Psalms 119: 175-176

Let me live that I may praise you, and let your ordinances help me. I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek out your servant, for I do not forget your commandments.

Where are the places or relationships in your daily life where you feel lost?

Prayer: *Gracious God, thank you that you seek me out in my daily life. Help me to remember your love and your commandments.*

WEDNESDAY, October 3, 2018

2 Corinthians 4:6

For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shined in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Where are areas in your life or in the lives of those around you where you see God shining light in darkness?

Prayer: *Loving God, thank you that you bring the light of your peace and love into all life. Help me to seek your light in the silence of my days, in the scriptures and in the sacraments of my faith.*

THURSDAY, October 4, 2018

2 Corinthians 4:7

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.

Where have you seen the power of God – in your life or in others – working in ways humans do not or cannot?

Prayer: *Creator God, thank you for the treasure of your love and your power. Help me to trust you to transform my life in ways I cannot on my own.*

FRIDAY, October 5, 2018

Luke 5:4-6

When Jesus had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break.

In what areas of your life or relationships do you feel like you are working "all night long but have caught nothing?"

Prayer: *Merciful God, help me to listen to your Word in scriptures and in sacraments and to follow your call to try and to dare new directions for my choices and my habits.*

St. Francis Day

Blessing of the Pets

Sunday, October 7, 2018

4:00 p.m. at Christ Church

Our pets are a blessing to many us.

Bring your pets to church so that they can
receive a blessing too!





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Two Diocesan Hunger Walks Scheduled for Sunday, October 14, 2018

The Hunger Fund Committee of the Diocese of Washington cordially invites you and your congregation to attend one of the two Diocesan Hunger Walks scheduled for this October 14, 2018.

Southern Maryland Walk – starting at 1:30

This Walk is hosted by the Robinson family at their Serenity Farm (serenityfarminc.com) on the Patuxent River in Benedict, Maryland. The Walk is sponsored by the friends of Christ Church, Port Tobacco and Christ Church, Old Durham and will start at 1:30 on that Sunday afternoon.

The last few Southern Maryland Walks have been held at Serenity Farm and their facilities have been a big hit. The farm is designated as a Historic Site and is included on the National Park Service's Star Spangled Banner Trail and John Smith Chesapeake Water Trail. Activities at the farm include a petting zoo and hayride as well as the Walk itself.

Cathedral Walk – starting at 2:00

The metro area walk will be held on the Cathedral grounds, same place as last year. This walk through the grounds of the Cathedral promises to be an inspiration in itself. In addition, there will be representatives from some of the organizations that receive support from the Hunger Fund. Hear directly from the people who turn your funds into meals for the hungry in our Diocese.

This walk will end just as the Sunday Choral Evensong begins at 4:00 in the Cathedral. What better way to rest up from the Walk?

Walk Details and Materials are available on the website – hungerfund.net

From the main Hunger Fund page follow the link to the Annual Hunger Walks. Logistical information is available at that site, including a simple "how to get involved" sheet, maps, signup sheets, remittance forms, etc.

Please join us.

The Hunger Fund has played an important role in the support of small organizations in our Diocese who feed the hungry. More on that on the website. Lately, however, funding has been shrinking at an alarming rate. Without your support those organizations feed fewer people. As far as we can tell, the fact that "money doesn't grow on trees" has not changed. Which means we need you and your congregation to be those trees. (Of course, if it has – please let us know asap – we'll be right over.)

Thanks, and we hope to see you at the one of the walks.

THE LITURGICAL GUIDE

THE NEWSLETTER APPEARS WEEKLY. THE NEXT ISSUE WILL BE PUBLISHED ON FRIDAY, OCT. 5TH.

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September 30, 2018

(19 Pentecost--Way of Love Lectionary)

Exodus 3:1-6
Psalm 119:169-176
2 Corinthians 4:5-7
Luke 5:1-11

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October 7, 2018

(20 Pentecost--Way of Love Lectionary)

Micah 4:1-5
Psalm 90:1-12
Hebrews 4:12-16
Matthew 13:44-53

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October 14, 2018

(21 Pentecost--Way of Love Lectionary)

1 Samuel 3:1-10
Psalm 25:1-9
2 Corinthians 12:7-10
Luke 11:1-13

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II LEM - TBD

Greeters - Amy & Mark Topolski
Lector - Brad Reeves
Coffee Hour - Brunch at Parish Hall
Altar Guild: Donna Reeves and Team



8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I LEM - Kathy Cooke

Greeters - J. Schuhart & J. Burch
Lector - Jim Westerfield

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II LEM - Monty Wright

Greeters - Karen & Keith Owens
Lector - Fred Wyant
Coffee Hour - Potluck Sunday
Altar Guild: Lynne Redmond and Team

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I LEM - Kathy Cooke

Greeters - Patti & John Harhai
Lector - Ebie Cooper

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II LEM - Herb Redmond

Greeters - Karen & John Colton
Lector - Karen Owens
Coffee Hour - Potluck Sunday
Altar Guild: Lynne Redmond and Team

September 30, 2018

Processional:

H 410 Praside, my soul, the King of heaven

Song of Praise:

WLP 822 Through North and South

Sequence:

H 609 Where cross the crowded ways of life

Offertory Hymn

H 337 And now, O Father, mindful of the love

Sanctus: Mass of Renewal
Fraction: Mass of Renewal

Communion:

LEVAS 178 Sweet hour of prayer

Recessional:

H 344 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

H—Hymnal 1982

WLP—Wonder, Love, and Praise

LEVAS—Lift Every Voice and Sing

SERVICES AT CHRIST CHURCH

SUNDAYS

8:00 am, Holy Eucharist

10:00 am, Organ & Choir / Holy Eucharist

THURSDAYS

6:10 pm, Meditative Music on the Piano

6:30 pm, A Simple Holy Eucharist

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To see the readings for the next two Sundays,
click on the links at the top of the schedule on this page
or visit lectionarypage.net

OCTOBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>30 19 Pentecost (Proper 21B) FIFTH SUNDAY 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist @CC (Rite II) 10:00 AM Brunch 12:00 PM Birthday Party</p>	<p>1 Parish Office Closed <i>Remigius, Bishop of Rheims, 530</i> 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Line Dancing Class</p>	<p>2 <i>[The Holy Guardian Angels]</i> 10:30 AM Zumba 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Covenant Class 7:00 PM Zumba/Flaunt</p>	<p>3 <i>[George Kennedy Allen Bell, Bishop of Chichester, and Ecumenist, 1958]</i> <i>[John Raleigh Mott, Evangelist and Ecumenical Pioneer, 1955]</i> 7:00 PM Buildings and Grounds Committee</p>	<p>4 <i>Francis of Assisi, Friar, 1226</i> 6:10 PM Meditative Music in Church 6:30 PM Holy Eucharist 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM NA</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6  <i>William Tyndale, Priest, 1536</i> 8:00 AM Parish Workday</p>
<p>7  8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Rite I) 9:00 AM Breakfast Bunch 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist @CC (Rite-II) 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Rite II) 11:00 AM Coffee Hour 4:00 PM Blessing of Pets</p>	<p>8 <i>[William Dwight Porter Bliss, Priest, 1926, and Richard Theodore Ely, Economist, 1943]</i> Parish Office Closed 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Line Dancing Class</p>	<p>9 <i>Robert Grosseteste, Bishop of Lincoln, 1253, [Wilfred Thomason Grenfell, Medical Missionary, 1940]</i> 10:30 AM Zumba 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Covenant Class 7:00 PM Zumba/Flaunt</p>	<p>10 <i>Vida Dutton Scudder, Educator and Witness for Peace, 1954</i> 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Christ Church Vestry</p>	<p>11 <i>Philip, Deacon and Evangelist</i> 6:10 PM Meditative Music in Church 6:30 PM Holy Eucharist 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM NA</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 7:00 PM SMTMD Contra Dance</p>
<p>14 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Rite I) 9:00 AM Breakfast Bunch 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist @CC (Rite-II) 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Rite II) 11:00 AM Coffee Hour</p>	<p>15 Parish Office Closed <i>Teresa of Avila, Nun, 1582</i> 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Line Dancing Class</p>	<p>16 <i>Lattimer, Ridley, and Cranmer, 1555, 1556</i> 10:30 AM Zumba 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Covenant Class 7:00 PM Zumba/Flaunt</p>	<p>17 <i>Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch and Martyr, 115</i></p>	<p>18 St. Luke the Evangelist 6:10 PM Meditative Music in Church 6:30 PM Holy Eucharist 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM NA</p>	<p>19 <i>Henry Martyn, Priest and Missionary to India and Persia, 1812, [William Carey, Missionary to India, 1834]</i></p>	<p>20</p>
<p>21 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Rite I) 9:00 AM Breakfast Bunch 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist @CC (Rite-II) 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Rite II) 11:00 AM Coffee Hour</p>	<p>22 Parish Office Closed 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Line Dancing Class</p>	<p>23 St. James of Jerusalem, Brother of our Lord Jesus Christ and Martyr, 62 10:30 AM Zumba 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Covenant Class 7:00 PM Zumba/Flaunt</p>	<p>24 <i>[Hiram Hisanori Kano, 1986]</i> 7:00 PM Intercessory Prayer Group</p>	<p>25 6:10 PM Meditative Music in Church 6:30 PM Holy Eucharist 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM NA</p>	<p>26 <i>Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, 899</i> 7:00 PM SMTMD Homespun Coffee House</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Rite I) 9:00 AM Breakfast Bunch 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist @CC (Rite-II) 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Rite II) 11:00 AM Coffee Hour</p>	<p>29 <i>James Hannington, Bishop of Eastern Equatorial Africa and his companions and Martyrs, 1885</i> Parish Office Closed 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Line Dancing Class</p>	<p>30 <i>[John Wyclif, Priest and Prophetic Witness, 1384]</i> 10:30 AM Zumba 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Covenant Class 7:00 PM Zumba/Flaunt</p>	<p>31 <i>[Paul Shinji Sasaki, Bishop of Mid-Japan, and of Tokyo, 1946, and Philip Lindel Tsen, Bishop of Honan, China, 1954]</i> Halloween</p>	<p>1  ALL SAINTS DAY All Saints Day 7:00 PM NA</p>	<p>2  Feast OF ALL SOULS Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)</p>	<p>3  <i>Richard Hooker, Priest, 1600</i> 8:00 AM Parish Workday</p>



CHRIST CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Please let the office know of updates to the prayer list.

Pray for Parish Members: **Thelma** Fuller, **Caroline** Baldwin, **Dorothy** Pecson, **Jane** Cooper, **Doris** Goode, **Mike** Moore, **Michael** Sirk, **Barbara** and **Martin** Hailey, **Gail** Edger, **Marvin** Smith, **Susan** Tyner, **Jennifer** Bryant, **Sharon** Montillo, **Virginia** Raley, **Karen** Owens, **Joe** Drumgoole, and **Paul** Graves.

Also pray for: **Richard** Griffith - Colton; **Bob** Whitlock, **Sharon** Miller, **Marvin** Jones- Donahue; **Dave** Schenkman, **Lee** Phillips - Penk; **Henry** Lauver - Moore; **Kay** DesMarais - Kauffman, **Frances** Clemenos - Edger; **Carl** Thoburn, **Myra & Ken** Fitch, **Fonzie** Quance-Fitch - Fitch; **Dennis** Reich, **Karletta** Magura - Smith; **Scott** Peabody - Heflin; **Joe** Turner, **Betty** Roush - Saunders; **Terri** Johnson - Oliver; **Carli** Trost, **Gilbert** Murphy, **Pat** Valladingham - Sirk, **Shophi** Grace, **Nicholas**, **Tony** Bianchini, **Cheryl** Musiol - Schuhart; **Ron** Wong - Redmond; **Jennifer** Peacock - Rocheleau; **Ben** Pecson - Pecson; **Joann** McGilloway - Tyner; **Luther** Wolfe, **Carolyn** Cave, **Tom** Berry, **Eidson** Mulling - Cooper; **Elise** Wloch - Shupe; **Dianne** Henwood, **Laura** Cooper and **Baby** Elliott - Jubinski; **Pam** Chaney, **Pam** Jones, **Carolina** Montillo - Montillo; **Ed** Poplin - Westerfield; **Chuck**, **Jake**, **Matt** - Loker; **Melysa** Anderson - Eaton; **June** Green, **John** Gradwell - McCubbin; **Jessica** Higgs - M. Oliver; **Bill** Lee - Oppermann; **Linda** Dickerson - Graves; **Moe** Mazingo, **Cindy** Young; **Phillip & Virginia** Quade, **Tim** Butler - Burch; **Frank** Gough - Donaldson; **Joy** Samuel, **Frankie** Tippet, **Alan** Harry - Simmons, **Hope** Brouwer-Ancher - Wright; **Barbara** Carlton - Shupe; **Joe** Fuller, **Verna** Kooker - Fuqua, **Doris** Anne Bradburn.

EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON CYCLE OF PRAYER—19 PENTECOST

Please pray for the following parishes and concerns this week:

- Pray for church musicians and choirs
- Pray for international human rights and all organizations and individuals that promote peace and justice worldwide

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER—19 PENTECOST

◆ **Sunday 23-Sep-2018 Pentecost 19**

PRAY for The Anglican Church of Tanzania

Diocese of Mpwapwa - (The Anglican Church of Tanzania) The Rt Revd Jacob Erasto Chimeledya

◆ **Monday 24-Sep-2018**

Diocese of Ibba - (Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan) The Rt Revd Wilson Elias Kamani

◆ **Tuesday 25-Sep-2018**

Diocese of Idah - (The Church of Nigeria) The Rt Revd Joseph Musa

◆ **Wednesday 26-Sep-2018**

Diocese of Idaho - (Province VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Brian Thom

Diocese of Indianapolis - (Province V, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows

◆ **Thursday 27-Sep-2018**

Diocese of Ideato - (The Church of Nigeria) The Most Revd Caleb Maduoma

◆ **Friday 28-Sep-2018**

Diocese of Idoani - (The Church of Nigeria) The Rt Revd Ezekiel Dahunsi

◆ **Saturday 29-Sep-2018 Michael & All Angels**

Diocese of Ife - (The Church of Nigeria) The Rt Revd Olubunmi A Akinlade

Diocese of Ife - (The Church of Nigeria) The Rt Revd Oluwole Odubogun

PARISH NEWS

✠ **THIS SUNDAY...We Welcome Keith Loker** as our guest preacher.

✠ **Parish Workday** on Saturday, October 6th starting at 8:00 am. Your help will be very much appreciated! Another work day will be on November 3rd.

✠ **St. Francis Day Blessing of the Pets** will take place on Sunday afternoon, October 7th, 4:00 pm at the church. Our pets are a blessing to us, why not being them to be blessed too!

✠ **Friday Night Fellowship (Formerly Friday Night Sunday School)** will begin on October 12th at 6:30 pm. This is for members of all ages and guests are most welcome! We will start off with a potluck supper and then continue with a short program.

✠ **Hunger Walk** will take place on Sunday, October 14th, 1:30 pm at Serenity Farm. Each year we form a Christ Church team. A special collection will be taken at both services on 10/14. The money raised goes to the Hunger Fund of the Diocese which supports small organizations throughout the Diocese who feed the hungry. Please contact Fr. Chris for more information or to join the team.

✠ **Zumba and Flaunt start on Tuesday, September 25th**—10:30 am Zumba and 7:00 pm Zumba and Flaunt.

✠ **Line Dancing Class**—Please join us for an hour of Line Dancing on Monday mornings, 9:30am until 10:30am at the Christ Church Parish Hall. We promise good exercise and lots of fun. Beginners are welcome. For information or questions, please call Lynn Burton at 202-746-4100 or Sheila Barber at 240-652-3085.

✠ **Adult Study resumes on Wednesday, September 12th at 10:00 a.m.**—We meet on most Wednesday mornings to do book studies, bible studies, and discuss relevant spiritual issues facing Christians today. We meet in Fr. Chris' Office.

✠ **Covenant Class Starts on September 18th**—This class is intended for youth and adults who wish to be Confirmed or Received in to the Episcopal Church or those who wish to "kick the tires" and learn more about our faith tradition. Sessions will meet on Tuesday evening from 7:00—8:30 p.m. September 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Confirmation Date: Saturday, November 3, 2018 at the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul (Washington National Cathedral) Please contact Fr. Chris at frchris@cckqp.net or 410.253.3664 for more information or to register for this class.

✠ **Bulletin and Newsletter Deadline**—Please forward any announcements and prayer requests to Fr. Chris (frchris@cckqp.net) by Wednesdays at 3:30 pm for inclusion in the weekly newsletter and Sunday bulletins.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- 10/7 – St. Francis Day Blessing of the Pets at 4:00 pm
- 10/14—Hunger Walk at Serenity Farm
- 11/18—Parish Thanksgiving Dinner
- 11/21—Thanksgiving Eve Service at 7:00 pm
- 12/23—**ONE SERVICE at 9:00 am**
- 12/24—Christmas Eve: 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, 9:00 pm Festive Music, 9:30 pm Holy Eucharist
- 12/25—Christmas Day: 9:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 12/30—**ONE SERVICE at 9:00 am**
- 1/5—"Twelfth Night" Party at the Rectory (more details to follow)

Thought for the week:

“Jesus does not give recipes that show the way to God as other teachers of religion do. He is himself the way.”

Karl Barth

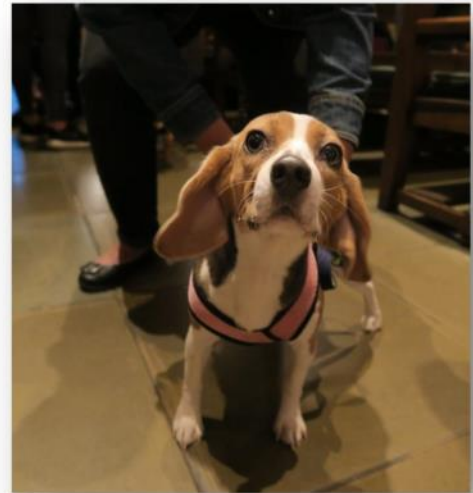


BULLETIN INSERTS

September 30, 2018 Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

On October 4, the Church celebrates the life and witness of St. Francis of Assisi, founder of the Franciscan and Clarissine Orders, advocate for the poor, and friend of the animals.

Born in the late 12th century, Francis was the son of a wealthy merchant and his high-born wife. Despite living a life of general comfort and ease, he found himself called toward a life in pursuit of “Lady Poverty”. After a series of humbling interactions with the poor, Francis devoted himself to the care of the sick and poor, giving up his business interests and material possessions (much to his father’s chagrin). It could not have been easy, but Francis’ faith demanded that he trade in his fine clothes for sackcloth and financial security for scarcity. In the words of the prayer attributed to the saint, he found that “it is in giving that we receive.”



From a St. Francis pet blessing at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, New York, Diocese of New York.

Francis founded the Order of Friars Minor, which demanded a strict vow of poverty, in the belief that worldly goods too often proved distractions from a sanctified life. With Clare of Assisi, he would form the Poor Clares, a religious order for women similarly dedicated to service. A Third Order would follow close behind, for those men and women who would live out Franciscan values in the context of everyday life. In Francis’ thought, to fully embrace one’s poverty was to embrace reliance on God alone; to physically suffer was to identify with Christ’s own suffering. According to *A Great Cloud of Witnesses*, this made Francis, “the most popular and admired [saint], but probably the least imitated.”

We may perhaps remember St. Francis best for his devotion to nature and animals; in several hagiographies, or stories of the saints, Francis is depicted as preaching to and otherwise communicating with fish, birds, and even a wolf. He believed that the Creator is praised through all his creatures and, indeed, creation itself. It is in this spirit that many Episcopal churches offer blessings of pets and other animals each year on Francis’ feast day.

Collect for the Feast of St. Francis

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may for love of you delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

SOMD Episcopal Community Groups - Life is Better Connected

This fall we will be offering two Community Groups in St. Mary's County. Community Groups are opportunities to meet with others in your area to grow deeper Christ-centered relationships around fellowship, discussion of God's Word, and prayer. You'll be encouraged to live out truths you discover in the Bible as you encourage others to do the same. These groups will meet for eight weeks. We encourage you to participate in one of the Community Groups closest to your house. We look forward to seeing what God is going to do in and through you as you continue to grow in your relationship with God and your neighbors.

This semester we will be using the book: *Community: Starting Well in Your Small Group (Eight Sessions)* by Andy Stanley

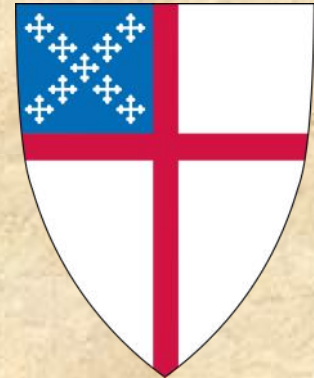
We are offering two community groups in St. Mary' County:

Tall Timbers Community Group

Mondays @ 7:00pm starting September 24, 2018

Wildewood Community Group

Thursdays @ 5:30pm starting September 20, 2018



If you are interested in participating, please contact Iman Syler, SOMD Missioner for Discipleship and Faith Formation at Imansyler@gmail.com

Blessings,
Iman

**Saturday,
October 6th
8:00 a.m.**



All Church

WORK DAY

rites of passage

Please forward Birthday and Anniversary information to Fr. Chris at frchris@cckqp.net

October Birthdays

- 2 Debbie Dorsey
- 4 Robbie Loker
- 7 Bill Edger
- 11 Mary Ann Oliver
- 13 Joan Schuhart
- 15 Macie Topolski
- 16 Gale Edger
- 16 Karen Owens
- 28 Margaret VanMeter
- 31 Tina Shupe

October Anniversaries

- 18 Henry & Arlene Oliver
- 24 David & Mary Simmons
- 26 Tina & Steve Shupe
- 27 James & Anne Ridenour
- 30 Chip & Lynn Burton



On the Lighter Side...



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