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The Messenger

August/September 2022

From Darcy+

Dear Friends, what follows are the remarks I made to those assembled for our 9:30 AM service of Holy Eucharist on July 24:

All stories have a beginning, a middle, and an end. My story with Emmanuel and all of you began 9 years ago this month when Dan Gross, your rector, called me to be your curate.

From the moment I walked in the door on my first Sunday in July 2013, I knew that the story of our journey together would be amazing, and it has been. Our story has included comings and goings, joys and sorrows, programs and events, celebrations, music, food, prayers, outreach, new technology, and even a pandemic. But all along I knew that someday the time would come for this story to end and another to begin.

Three years ago, the plot of our story took a turn when I reached the milestone of my 72^{nd} birthday and was faced with the reality that the Canons of The Episcopal

Church require a priest to submit their resignation to their bishop and to the church where they are serving as Rector. Your Vestry and I asked the Bishop to allow me to stay on as your priest-in-charge, with an annual review. He agreed but to only 2 years, and instructed the Vestry to form a Search Committee. Their assigned goal was to recommend 1 or 2 finalists to be the 34th rector of Emmanuel so that he or she would be in place by the end of July 2021.

The plot of our story thickened in March of 2020, when the entire world's focus was turned to combatting the COVID19-pandemic, and all other plans, including Rector searches, were put on hold. Eventually Emmanuel's Search Committee was able to start their work in earnest.

As all good stories do, ours is coming to an end and another will begin. Who knew that a global pandemic would give us a bonus 15 months!

The work of the Search Committee is nearly over. I am confident that the work of the Vestry in conducting their interviews and making a decision is also nearing a conclusion.

With that in mind, I spoke to the Vestry last week and told them it is time to begin the final chapter of our story as priest and people of God at Emmanuel. My last Sunday with you will be October 23. Doing this now creates the space and opens the way for the Vestry to finish their work in selecting and calling Emmanuel's next rector and it allows us time for the important work of saying good-bye and preparing for the day you will welcome your next rector.

Let's spend the next three months writing a wonderful last chapter to our story!

Peace and blessings,

Darcy+

Worship Schedule

Sundays June 19—September 4 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with music

Beginning September 11 Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with music, 10:30 a.m.

> Wednesdays 12 Noon Holy Eucharist, with Anointing for Healing

Did You Know...

... that the Vestry has received permission from the **Maryland Historic Trust and to the Chestertown Historic District** to install the new memorial plaque on the exterior wall of the church near the entrance on the corner of Cross and Memorial Plaza?

... that our Sunday morning worship services are being streamed directly to our **new Emmanuel** Chesterparish YouTube channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUKz6GgwwXP2WlkwOKGkuVQ</u>

VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS from June and July

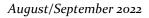
- Continued to monitor income and expenses, particularly increased expenses for heating due to the rapid rise in heating oil and propane prices.
- Noted that heating costs for the rectory will be over-budget for 2022 due to combined effect of not making a mid-year budget adjustment and increased propane costs in 2022.
- Approved a proposal from Nick Fritz (Nick Works Trees) to trim trees in the Garth, and cut back branches of trees along Cross Street and Memorial Plaza that are overhanging the roof.
- Approved enhanced signage for "handicap accessible" entry to the Parish Hall.
- Approved a \$500 donation to Sumner Hall to support the Civil Right Bus Tour video project.
- Discussed plans for installing and dedicating the new plaque.
- Discussed options for the 2022 Christmas Bazaar.
- Discussed making the Parish Directory available online and password protected.
- Received a brief report from Sandra Bjork, deputy to the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church.
- Received reports from the Vestry liaisons to the various parish committees including plans for the 2022-23 Concert Series.

Diocese of Easton 2022 Fall Mission Summit: Mary Parmer, Founder of "Invite Welcome Connect"

Please plan to join us for the second annual (first in-person) Mission Summit to be held in the Diocese of Easton! **Mission Summit 2022: Invite Welcome Connect** will be conducted by Mary Parmer, one of the keynote speakers from the 152nd Diocese of Easton Convention and the founder of Invite Welcome Connect, a transformational ministry that equips and empowers congregations and individuals to cultivate intentional practices of evangelism, hospitality, and belonging. The training is being held on two separate dates and in two different locations:

- Friday, October 7th, 9am 4pm at St. Albans in Salisbury OR
- Saturday, October 8th 9am-4pm at Holy Trinity Oxford.

This important training program is being provided by the Diocese at a cost of \$20/person (includes lunch). We would like to have a good turn-out from Emmanuel. Registration is required to provide an accurate number count for lunches and materials. For more information and to register, go to the diocesan website: <u>https://dioceseofeaston.org/missionsummit/</u>. Then click on the REGISTER link.



The Children's Chorus of Maryland Concert Choir, August 9, 7 PM

All are invited to join us on August 9 at 7 PM, when a small ensemble of 14 tour concert singers, ages 13-17, from the Children's Chorus of Maryland will be in Chestertown and will perform a short concert at Emmanuel. A free-will offering is asked to help with travel expenses.

In its 46th year, Children's Chorus of Maryland and School of Music (CCM) is a comprehensive program for choral music education and performance for children. Under the direction of Artistic Director Susan Bialek, the music Conservatory program features small classes and in-depth vocal enrichment to provide children with a complete musical education and choral experience. Children as young as 6 are encouraged to audition for one of the Conservatory's three choirs and 10 levels of musicianship classes. Classes and rehearsals are offered twice weekly from September to May at CCM's facility in Towson and performances are held each semester. Children's Chorus of Maryland welcomes families whose children attend public, private and parochial schools as well as those who are homeschooled. Scholarships are available. Our group today represents our Concert Choir. This ensemble sings repertoire in four-part harmony from varied historical periods and diverse cultures, performed in multiple languages.

Choir News!

Emmanuel Choir will be starting up soon! New singers are always welcome, and we especially need *a few good men*!

Singing in a church choir is an important ministry and also a lot of fun. In addition, singing has numerous physical and emotional benefits. Here are the main points from an article in Healthline I read recently:

Ten Ways That Singing Benefits Your Health

by Rebecca Joy Stanborough. 11/10/2020

by Stephanie LaMotte

- 1. Relieves stress
- 2. Stimulates the immune response
- 3. Increases pain threshold
- 4. May improve snoring
- 5. Improves lung function
- 6. Develops a sense of belonging and connection
- 7. Enhances memory in people with dementia
- 8. Helps with grief
- 9. Improves mental health and mood
- 10. Helps improve speaking abilities

Not bad, right?! Please contact Stephanie LaMotte at <u>sksimplify@gmail.com</u> or 443.480.9068 if you'd like to be part of our choir. We will be having our annual Fall Kick-off Choir BBQ soon, and we'd love for you to join us :)

Emmanuel's Concert Series Returns—Our 29th Season!

The Emmanuel Concert Series will return for its 29th season of recitals by nationally and internationally known organists for the 2022-23 season.

The lineup of artists will include **Jeffrey Brillhart** on September 30, **Gabriel Benton** on October 21, **Katherine Johnson** on March 24, **Jeremy Bruns** on April 14, and **Ken Cowan** (remember him?) on May 11.

Full details on the artists and tickets will soon be available in the Concert Series brochure. Watch for it in your mail.

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Welcome to Emmanuel's Newcomers!

Katie Dodds and Gary Lewis

Katie and Gary moved to Easton in 2018 from Shermans Dale, PA (which is close to Carlisle.) The couple had always been fond of the Eastern Shore, and when a professional opportunity arose for Katie in Easton, the couple took it and haven't looked back!

Background:

Katie hails from Natick, Massachusetts. She earned a bachelor's and a master's degrees in sociology and

anthropology at Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida, which was close to her grandparent's home in Jacksonville. She is currently employed as the Administrative Assistant for the Director at the Talbot County Free Library. She describes the job as "extremely busy but very rewarding."

Gary is from Baltimore and often visited family who lived in Chestertown. He has also lived in Salisbury and Ocean City. He is retired from his own cleaning business.

Interests:

Katie loves the James Herriot series of books. When she worked at the National Endowment for the Humanities after she graduated from college, she met documentary maker Ken Burns and held in her very hands the first draft of his Civil War script!



Gary enjoys model railroading and photography. Some of his photographs are on display at the River Arts gallery near the Dunkin Donuts. His preferred subjects are wildlife and landscapes. His favorite book is *The Splendid and Vile* by Erik Larson.

Travel:

The couple loves to explore the small towns of the Eastern Shore as well as West Virginia and the Atlantic coast. They sometimes make a special trek to the Vanderwende Farm Creamery in Bridgeville, Delaware for its fabulous ice cream.

...And This Is...Bob Tyson

Bob is a multi-talented musician, Choirmaster Emeritus, and gem of our parish.

Bob has been an active member of Emmanuel (on and off) since the early 1950s when he was a college student at Washington College. He was born in Havre d' Grace (which locals pronounce *Haverty Grace*) and grew up in Port Deposit in Cecil County. For high school, he attended the Jacob Tome Institute, where our beloved Darcy+ was once headmaster. He studied math and physics at WC and married Helen when he was a senior; they had grown up five miles apart on different sides of the Susquehanna River but didn't meet until college.

Bob is an accomplished musician. He began private music lessons as child. He later studied organ, piano, and voice at Peabody in Baltimore on weekends for 3.5 years. While a student at WC he played organ at 2



churches in Cecil County on Sundays to earn pocket money. He served as the assistant organist and choirmaster at Emmanuel before being promoted to organist and choirmaster. He led a team to the UK to select our magnificent pipe organ, custom-made in Durham, England. When the disassembled parts arrived, they filled the entire church. He helped launch the organ concert series, thinking it would last three or four years, but is now at 29 years and counting! After his retirement, our vestry has named him Choir Master Emeritus.

Travel: Bob has visited England over 50 times, often with a group of fellow organists who traveled to various churches and cathedrals to play their organs. On one notable trip, he had the pleasure of playing at Westminster

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Abbey; he chose a piece by Healy Willan-an arrangement of St. Ann better know as "O God, our help in ages past."

Bob has traveled around the world. His favorite trip was a cruise on a mail boat from the northern tip of Norway to Bergen. He has visited Australia, New Zealand, South America and even the remote Falkland Islands, where he was delighted to play the organ at the cathedral in Port Stanley.

Beyond his musical talents, he has contributed his artistic talent for the good of our parish. He started the flower guild and has long served on the altar guild. He also designed and stitched many of the gorgeous needlepoint kneelers in our church. He has also created several of the altar vestments, all sewn on a basic home sewing machine. If you look closely, you will see that they include beautiful needlepoint insets.

Emmanuel is certainly blessed by Bob's many contributions!

Student News and Accolades: 2022

In our last newsletter, we turned the spotlight on our college graduates **Barnes (BK) Saunders** and **Denny Grande**, and our 8th grade graduates **Harrison Lavery** and **Lynden Saunders**. Now it is time to meet our other kids and take a few minutes to catch up with all of them as we learn a little about their plans and accomplishments. With that as the introduction, congratulations to our College, High, Middle, Elementary School and Pre-K students, and two younger siblings:

Julie and Brent Blyman's children:

- Adele, age 9, completed 3rd grade in a homeschool program this year. She will attend Galena Elementary School in the fall for 4th grade. This summer she will attend Echo Hill Camp for 2 weeks, hang out with family, and enjoy summer. Adele loves to draw, do various crafts, and swim.
- **Gardner**, age 9, completed 3rd grade in a homeschool program this year. He will attend Galena Elementary School in the fall for 4th grade. Gardner loves to swim, fish, and catch frogs. This summer he will participate in one of the Explore Trips on the Chester River, take tennis lessons, and attend golf camp.
- Oliver, age 9, completed 3rd grade in a homeschool program this year. He will attend Galena Elementary School in the fall for 4th grade. Oliver's favorite pastimes are kayaking, fishing, and Pokémon. This summer he will join his brother on an Explore Trip on the Chester River, as well as at tennis lessons and golf camp.

Rachel and Brad Hopkins' children:

- Eli, age 8, completed 2nd grade at St. Anne's Episcopal School, Middletown, and will return for 3rd grade in the fall. This summer, Eli is looking forward to a family trip to Walt Disney World. He enjoys playing outside and sports of all kinds. Eli is a peacemaker and is very good at giving hugs!
- Luke, age 6, completed kindergarten at St. Anne's Episcopal School last year and will return for 1st grade in the fall. Like his brother, he is looking forward to the trip to Walt Disney World this summer. Luke enjoys swimming and fishing. His mom says he exudes joy and is a very expressive storyteller.

Candice and Steve Gerber's children:

- Amelia, age 11, attended Kennard Elementary school last year and is now heading into 6th grade at Centreville Middle School. She plans to spend the summer swimming, camping with the Girl Scouts, playing on her tablet, and being a "tween." Amelia loves to create art through drawing, coloring and paint. Her artistic talents also include making snacks and meals that look like animals, silly faces or cool patterns, as well as creating Lego cities.
- **Clara,** age 10, attended Kennard Elementary last year and will return for 5th grade in the fall. She plans to go camping with the Girl Scouts, take a 5-day canoeing trip with Echo Hill outdoor school, and spending her free time relaxing and swiming. Clara loves the outdoors, nature, animals and figuring out why things do what they do. She has worked with all kinds of small animals like the family's chickens, ducks, dogs, and cats, and has begun learning all about bee keeping with the help of a family friend.

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- Elsa, age 8, attended Centreville Elementary school last year and is heading into 3rd grade at Kennard Elementary. Elsa has not had a full year of school without Covid-19 influencing things. She is looking forward to a "normal" school year. Her summer plans include playing with her besties, attending a few day camps, overnight camp with Girl Scouts, and catching as many fireflies at one time as humanly possible then releasing them all at once to the delight of her little brother, Ian. Elsa is very tenderhearted and was awarded various kindness awards throughout the school year. She wants to be a Blue Angels pilot when she grows up.
- Annika, age 5, (AKA Kiki) will attend kindergarten at Centreville Elementary this fall where she attended as a pre-k student in both the 3s and 4s blended program. Annika's summer includes hanging out with her brother Ian, participating in a few day camps through the YMCA, helping mom bake, working in the garden with mom and Ian, and snuggling her favorite cat, Binx. Annika is already reading and loves to share her math facts with everyone. She also loves to draw, color, and paint, and decorates all the egg cartons used in the kid's egg business ("Long Legs Eggs"). She likes to help with the chickens but only if she doesn't have to get dirty.
- **Ian**, age 2, loves to hang out with his sisters, jump on the trampoline, dig in the garden, play tractors, check on the chickens, and help do any and all chores mom and dad are doing. Mom says he would probably be outside 24/7 if left to make that decision on his own. Ian loves to go to the library, and is now getting acquainted with story time and sing-along time at the local library. He loves people.

Liza and Joe Goetz's children:

- Lizzy, age 21, is a second semester Senior and will graduate from Delaware Valley University in December, 2022 with a degree in Landscape Design. She plans to work with her mom at Wildly Native Flower Farm in the Summer and hit the beach whenever she can. Delaware Valley University participates in the Philadelphia Flower Show each year and each year the university chooses a student design as their exhibit. The University chose Lizzy's and together they won a Silver Award for her design -- a huge accomplishment where there is fierce competition!
- Will, age 17, is a rising Senior at Kent County High School. This summer he is working on a Charter Fishing Boat and enjoying the Chesapeake Bay. In his senior year, in addition to college planning, he will be the Kent County High School Future Farmers of America (FFA) President as well as being back on the playing field for the high school football team.

Kyla and Doug Mackey's children:

- Mia, age 8, competed 2nd grade at HH Garnet Elementary School and will return for Grade 3. This summer, Mia will attend the Horizons Camp and travel to see her grandparents in New Hampshire and Iowa. She is a big help taking care of her little brother. She recently started gymnastics and loves it.
- **Graham**, age 2, loves staying at home with his Mommy. This summer he and his family will travel to New Hampshire and to Iowa to visit grandparents. Graham looks like he might be a future PGA star: one of his favorite things to do is to hit golf balls in the back yard.

Bree and Adi Mayer's children:

- Luella, age 10, will be a 5th grader in the fall and will return to Kennard Elementary School for her last year of elementary school. She enjoys nature and collecting and identifying plants as well as reading, modern dancing, and baking her original recipes. Luella is excited to go to the beach and visit her family in Germany this summer.
- **Bianca**, age 8, completed 2nd grade at Centreville Elementary and will attend Kennard Elementary School as a 3rd grader in the fall. Bianca was very excited to attend Sultana Canoe Camp and to celebrate her birthday with friends in June. She is looking forward to visiting her family in Germany and especially likes exploring the airport. Bianca loves writing stories and reading.

Katie and Nick Moulsdale's children:

• Anna, age 9, completed 3rd grade at Galena Elementary School where she will return for grade 4 in the fall. Over the summer, she will attend Echo Hill Camp, and Echo Hill Outdoor School camps, and spend

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time swimming and hanging out with Grammy, especially swimming at "Grammy and Chief's beach" (aka Libby and Peter Rice's).

- **Emilia**, age 7, completed 1st grade at Galena Elementary and will return for grade 2 in the fall. This summer she is looking forward to attending day camps at Echo Hill Outdoor School and along with her siblings, she will spend time swimming and playing at "Grammy and Chief's beach".
- **Benjamin**, age 4, completed a pre-k program at Miss Laura's Family Daycare. In the fall he will start at Friendship Montessori in the primary room. He is looking forward to another summer of fun swimming at "Grammy and Chief's beach" along with his sisters and cousins.

Susan and David Roberson's children:

- **Spencer**, age 16, is a rising 11th grader at The Masters School in Dobbs Ferry, NY. He is excited about the year ahead where he will play violin in the string ensemble, add Latin to his schedule, and repeat as captain of his school golf team. When not studying, golfing or playing the violin, Spencer loves to play the guitar.
- Angus, age 13, is a rising 8th grader at the Aaron School in New York City. He enjoys living in the city for part of the year and in Chestertown for the summer and holidays. He is an active participant in dance at school. But outside of school he has found he enjoys horseback riding. This summer Angus will attend a horseback riding camp and outdoor trip.

Caren and Ron Saunders' children:

- Shane, age 20, will begin his junior year at the University of Maryland, College Park, studying chemistry. He is home this summer and can be found working at Stam's luncheonette scooping ice cream and working behind the counter.
- Aaron will be 17 in September. He is a rising junior at Kent County High School where he will be the Assistant Drum Major for the KCHS Brigade of Blue Marching Band. This summer, Aaron will compete with the Eastern Shore Aquatics swim team and the local Sho'men swim team, as well as practice with the high school marching band.

Michelle and Phil Ticknor's children:

- Abigail, age 9, completed 3rd grade at Galena Elementary School where she will return for grade 4 in the fall. This summer, Abby will go on two different Jellystone camping trips with her parents, as well as bowling in a summer family league, and spending time with her best friends. Abby was a top bowler in her age group in the state of Delaware last year in a junior league that runs from Fall into Spring, made the honor roll all four quarters, and is a member of Girl Scout Troop 94.
- **Emily**, was born November 2021, and is enjoying being a baby who is much loved by her family. She loves her own toes, tasting new baby foods, and grabbing anything she can. She has also found out it is fun to be in the swimming pool held by Mom, Dad, or Abby!

Senior Warden at the 80th General Convention of the Episcopal Church

by Sandy Bjork

I had the distinct honor to be a part of the Diocese of Easton's eight-member deputation to General Convention. Although the shortened and COVID-restricted Convention was not at all like a usual one, it was still exciting to be among more than 800 dedicated and enthusiastic Episcopalians doing the business of our church.

As a safety precaution, we COVID-tested every morning. The good news was that only about 8-10 individuals, less than 1% of the Convention, tested positive. For those who did, it was difficult to be quarantined in a hotel room.

There was no Exhibit Hall, congregational singing, special vocal music, or special evening events except on the last night, but there was lots of camaraderie during the day-long and evening



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sessions. There were some connectivity problems, which, much to my relief, had nothing to do with my ineptitude with iPads!

My focus for this report is on the sermons/homilies (perhaps, surprisingly!) we were privileged to hear, which were pre-recorded and viewed on the big screen.

President of the House of Deputies, Gay Jennings, gave an amazing homily that previewed her new career (only kidding, she said) of art historian. She focused on Caravaggio's *The Calling of Matthew*. I recommend taking a look online to see if you find what she did. Among her comments: no one was looking at Jesus, they stayed focused on the collected taxes with their fingers on the coins. Peter pointed to the bearded man with the hat thought to be Matthew, but he deflected to someone else. Jesus' right foot (if you can see it) is already turned toward the door; he's ready to get moving. Her points were that we need to be aware and open to being called, ready to respond and move ahead.

Eugene Sutton, Bishop of Maryland who hosted GC80, preached at Sunday eucharist, detailing the journey that his diocese began two bishops ago to determine the extent of that diocese's involvement in issues of slavery and how to begin the process of truth telling and reparations. Diocesan funds have been set aside for this purpose and contributions are part of each annual diocesan budget. Bishop Sutton made the point that "reparations" is more than giving money. Reparations are paying what is owed, and are meaningless without truth telling.

Several significant resolutions approved were:

- The Episcopal Coalition for Racial Equity and Justice (Resolution A125) and the Resolution for Telling the Truth about The Episcopal Church's History with Indigenous Boarding Schools (A127). Each have significant funding in the 2023-24 budget.
- The first reading of a resolution to repeal Title X of the Constitution dealing with The Book of Common Prayer and replace it with language that includes authorized liturgies. The more than twelve liturgies authorized for use are found at <u>episcopalcommonprayer.org</u>, the official site for authorized liturgies.
- President Gay Jennings and Vice-president Bryon Rushing retired after 3 three-year terms. Julia Ayala Harris, the first Latina and the Rev. Rachel Taber-Hamilton, the first of indigenous descent, were elected President and Vice-president respectively at this Convention.

These are new beginnings for the National Church, as we, at Emmanuel, will be having in the near future.

The Fourth Century Society

by Tom Mack

The congregation is well aware of my "pitch" at our Annual Meeting over the past decade on behalf of the Fourth Century Society. We at Emmanuel have a wonderful legacy for the continuation of Christ's ministry through both the Dwyer Fund and the Preservation Trust Fund. In our 2022 budget we are blessed to receive \$40,000.00 from the Dwyer fund to support the vital mission to our community.

It may surprise you to know that this budgeted item never exceeds 90% of the prior year's investment income, and 10% is tithed back to the fund. The corpus of the endowment is never touched. All of the Preservation Trust income is reinvested in the fund. Requests for non-budgeted, major capital expenses are made on an as-needed basis. Fortunately, we have not needed to tap into those funds recently, and they continue to accrue.

The Trustees of both endowments recently met with their financial advisor to review our funds' portfolios, and discuss our strategies for these challenging times. The good news was that they both have performed much better than the broader markets. The bad news is the Dwyer Fund's contribution to next year's budget will not be as generous as in 2022.

Please consider The Fourth Century Society, whether it be a cash gift, appreciated stock or real estate, a life insurance policy, retirement plan or IRA, or your will. Your gift becomes part of a lasting legacy supporting the mission of Emmanuel in our community.







but Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."

Matthew 9:14







CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS EVERY WEEK

KNIFTY KNITTERS—Meets each Monday at 1 p.m. in Dwyer Hall.
CHOIR REHEARSAL—Choir rehearses every Tuesday, September through early June, from 5—6:30 p.m., and every Sunday morning, beginning at 9:30 a.m. *(subject to change)*BIBLE STUDY—Each Wednesday at 11 a.m.
MID-DAY EUCHARIST WITH ANOINTING FOR HEALING—Each Wednesday at noon; the service lasts about

30 minutes ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS—Meets each Thursday evening, 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

August

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2 P.M. Heron Point Eucharist Wesley Hall, Rev. Darcy Williams

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 7 P.M. Children's Chorus of Maryland Concert

August 14-21 Darcy+ will be out of town

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 8 A.M. Brotherhood of St. Andrew's Breakfast

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26, 8 A.M.—1:30 P.M. Set-up for Jumble Sale. This is the day to bring your sale-worthy donations. Please, no clothing, coffee mugs, computers, or TVs

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 8:30 A.M.—1:30 P.M. Jumble Sale! You won't want to miss it—Bargains Galore!!



September

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 Last week for summer worship schedule Bazaar Committee meeting after service

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5—LABOR DAY Offices closed for holiday

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 5-6:30 P.M. Choir rehearsal resumes

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2 P.M. Heron Point Eucharist Wesley Hall, Rev. Frank St. Amour

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 Article/Photo submission deadline for October/November *Messenger*

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 8 A.M. Brotherhood of St. Andrew's Breakfast

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 7:30 P.M. First Organ Concert of the 2022-2023 season, Featuring Jeffrey Brillhart

Don't Forget!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 8:30 A.M.—1:30 P.M. Emmanuel's Annual Jumble Sale is BACK! Bargains galore—you won't want to miss it!

Donations for the Jumble Sale will be accepted **Friday, August 26 from 8 a.m.** – **1:30 p.m.** Please, no clothing, coffee mugs, computers, or TVs.

To arrange for item pick-up, call Nancy Dick at 410-708-0824



Bazaar Bites

by Linda and Hanson Robbins

Calling all helpers to pick up where we left off!

Our Holiday Bazaar is scheduled to happen on the weekend before Thanksgiving, November 18 and 19. We hope to be able to have some type of Preview Party, but recognize the continued need for caution due to the COVID pandemic. We are carefully considering how best to proceed.

All interested people are invited to gather after church **September 4th** to begin what will be another fun time to raise monies for those less fortunate than ourselves.



Worship in August

August 7 (G) Pentecost IX

<u>Flowers</u>: Frances Perry Metcalfe, and Paige Streit Coombs

Parish Prayer Cycle: Susan & Earl McGimpsey; Mary & Bob McGinnis; Lynn McLain & Louie Nicholson; and Karen McLaughlin

August 14 (G) Pentecost X

<u>Flowers</u>: Juliet & Victor Gillespie, Jean & Edward Gillespie, and Hans Albertsen

Parish Prayer Cycle: Joanne, Patrick, Henry, & John McNamara; Sue & Sid Merrill; and Hans Morsink

August 21 (G) Pentecost XI

Flowers: Jinks Strong Comegys & Paul Comegys **Parish Prayer Cycle:** Pat Moser; Rebecca Moss; and Katie, Nick, Anna, Emilia, & Benjamin Moulsdale

August 28 (G) Pentecost XII

Flowers: *Pauline & Peter P. Rice, Sr., and Edward T. Reilly, Jr.*

Parish Prayer Cycle: Kathi & Chris Naumann; Dottie Naumann; and Helen & Ken Noble

Notes: Uppercase letters in parentheses indicate liturgical colors: B=black, BL=blue, G=green, R=red, LA=Lenten array, P=purple, W=white

Worship in September

September 4 (G) Pentecost XIII

<u>Flowers</u>: Ann H, & Joseph H. McLain, Colin P. & Helen Hollingsworth, Mr. & Mrs. G. Vickers Hollingsworth, G. Vickers Hollingsworth, Jr.. Mr. & Mrs. Howard S. McLain, Jedd Deppman, and Gay Dubois Kelly

Parish Prayer Cycle: Tom Noble; Megan, Casey, Eleanor, & Dorsey Owings; and Katherine & Chuck Paff

September 11 (G) Pentecost XIV

<u>Flowers</u>: Miriam & Maj. Frank S. Hoffecker, Jr., USMC

Parish Prayer Cycle: Mark and K.T. Pagano; Faith & Bill Parshall; and Carrie, Joe, Annie, & Lexie Pawelchak

September 18 (G) Pentecost XV

Flowers: Isobel & Lawrence N. Rapley **Parish Prayer Cycle:** Liz & Jon Peterson; Mary Phelps; and Susan & Jim Pritchett

September 25 (G) Pentecost XVI

<u>Flowers</u>: Roger & Marilyn Simpkins, and Mary Ellen Simpkins

Parish Prayer Cycle: Susan & Firoze Rao; Sue & Jerry Reep; and Gail Regester

October 2 (G) Pentecost XVII

<u>Flowers</u>: Ann Tylden Giraitis Cumiskey, and Donald Cumiskey

Parish Prayer Cycle: Susan & Frank Rhodes; Libby & Peter Rice; Elizabeth & Bruce Riedel; and Linda & Hanson Robbins

Leaves, and Other Things

I think that I shall never see a poem lovely as a tree. Poems are made by fools like me, but only God can make a tree. – Joyce Kilmer

This has long been my favorite poem, perhaps because of that last line where in only six words, Kilmer has posited a complete creed where, in essence, there is only one God, and he is the omnipotent Creator.

I can accept that, as written, and everything else I believe can fit comfortably within it. A leaf takes six molecules of carbon dioxide, plus one molecule of water, and converts them to one molecule of sugar (for its own sustenance) and six molecules of oxygen for ours. It is a perfect process with absolutely no waste, and no negative side effects. A human being generates sixteen tons of carbon dioxide over a lifetime. It takes 15 trees to convert that much carbon dioxide over the same period of time. It's a perfect process, and we should emulate it. God has given us the design, the architecture, and the blueprints for how to do it ourselves. Wait! That's it! Maybe only God can make a tree, but I'll bet now we can figure out how to make a leaf. In fact, we're already taking carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere on an industrial scale in Iceland, and learning how to store it safely. Now, if only we can figure out how to make oxygen out of all that carbon dioxide. Hmmm...Maybe we can make a leaf after all, and maybe...I think I'll call it biomimicry, and write an article about it for *The Messenger*. Naah...it's probably already been done.



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