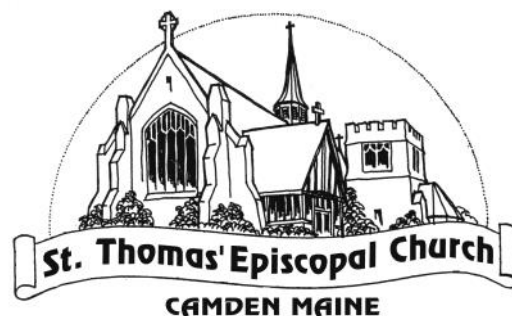


S T . T H O M A S ' Tidings

Sunday, August 6, 2017

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

We welcome all who enter these doors, especially those who enter for the first time or after a long absence. May this place be like home to you! All are welcome to receive the Bread and Wine at this altar. Members of our prayer ministry are available in the Chapel during Holy Communion to pray with you about any need or thanksgiving.



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Prayer List

Let us celebrate those members of our parish who have birthdays in the coming week: Jane Schroeder (August 11) Please pray for those members of this parish and others who are in special need: Marya Allen, Ron, Andrew, Jean Harper, Jane Hards, Joanne Scott, Nancy Soderberg, Missie Stone, Sallie Leighton, Tiffany Andrews, June Dolcater, Loren Kitt, Stormy Bok, Jan Dolcater, Jan Conrad, Carolyn Morris, Roxanna, Janan Vaughn, Heather Lehr Bryant, Michael, Joyce Hards, Judy Mayberry.

A New Idea!

Jan Dolcater has had a terrific idea. He is looking for a few good people to begin a new ministry: picking up parishioners from Quarry Hill, Windward Gardens, or even their homes who request a ride to attend services. If you are interested in assisting our elders rejoin the services on Sunday morning, please give him a call at 236-8625.

End of Summer Event Help Sought!

We need at least 5 or six people to help with our fun and fundraising event: Farewell to Summer—an evening of celebration, good food, good company and good fun. There will lots of fun for everyone, including music, prizes, and a silent auction. It's a time to bless our summer people, fete our year round parishioners, and welcome the whole community of Camden. This event is Friday, September

22. But it can't happen without you! Email us at rector@stthomascamdenme.org, or call the office: 236-3680. The more people get involved, the more fun it will be!

Come and Sit Awhile

Beginning on August 15 I will be in the St Thomas library from 3 to 5 pm, each Tuesday afternoon.

Stop by and share what has piqued your interest and curiosity, as it relates to your spiritual life. What discoveries are you making, as you journey day by day with God?

A brief reflection will be available each week, a simple offering of inspiration and faith based nourishment.

I am looking forward to these holy conversations, and while 'walk-ins' are welcome, it would be helpful if you could contact me in advance. 207-706-6744 or abpettee@gmail.com

*Together in Christ,
The Rev Abby Pettee, Deacon*

Healing Service on Wednesdays

Every Wednesday morning at 9:30 am St. Thomas' offers a service of healing with Holy Eucharist in the intimate setting of the Chapel. A coffee hour and Bible study follow. You are invited to join any or all!

New Email Addresses

Some people have reported trouble getting their messages sent to our new email addresses. Please note the new addresses end in **.org** NOT **.com** and

that the new addresses contain *camdenme*, not just plain *camden*.

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Today's Music

I cannot imagine how I would have reacted were I to have been there, along with Peter, John and James, when Christ was *transfigured and talking with Moses and Elijah* and then *God spoke to them* and they fell silent. One way we can respond today is to sing hymns: *Christ is the world's true Light* (Entrance Hymn #542) is not designated as a Transfiguration hymn, but it sure hits the mark with its text about light and transformation. Incidentally, the composer Percy E.B. Collier (b.1895-d.?) wrote the tune and named it *St. Joan* (to honor his wife!) *Christ, whose glory fills the skies* is one of Charles Wesley's (1707-1788) loveliest hymn texts, has been with us a long time and is included in most denomination's hymnals. George Eliot mentions it in Chapter 38 of her novel, *Adam Bede* (1859). The tune, *Ratisbon*, by William Henry Havergal (1793-1870) is a wonderful example of how old tunes evolve into new tunes. The original is traced back to an early 15th century German folk hymn. During communion we sing a 10th century hymn rich with imagery of the Transfiguration, *O Light of Light, Love given birth*.

I play back-to-back settings of *Lord Christ, the only Son of God*, to underscore

today's Gospel, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" Johann Sebastian Bach (German, 1685-1750), Dietrich Buxtehude (Danish, 1637-1707) and Marcel Dupré (French, 1886-1971) each have composed totally different interpretations of this tune.

Thank you, Millie Crocker, for offering your music today at the 9:30 service!

We go forth into the world singing the rousing hymn, *God of grace and God of glory*, written by Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969) while at his summer home in Boothbay Harbor in 1930 and was sung for the first time at the opening of Riverside Church (NYC) on October 5, 1930. He is reputed to have been a formidable preacher! We sing his text to the vigorous tune, *Cwm Rhondda* (Rhondda Valley), by John Hughes (Welsh, 1873-1932) who composed it for a *Cymanfa Ganu* (Singing Festival) in 1903. Then I play Paul Manz's (American, 1919-2009) equally vigorous postlude based on *Cwm Rhondda*.

—Jane Schroeder, Minister of Music

Next Sunday

August 13, 2017

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 19:9-18

Psalms 85:8-13

Romans 10:5-15

Matthew 14:22-33

7:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Eucharistic Minister:** Sandy Lyle; **Lectors:** Pat Ayers, Terry Mello; **Prayers of the People:** Paul Holman; **Usher:** Jan Lyle.

9:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Deacon:** The Rev. Abby Pettee; **Crucifer:** Jeff Conrad; **Eucharistic Minister:** Jacqueline Recht; **Lectors:** Polly Chatfield, Jocelyn Tidwell, **Prayers of the People:** Bill Freeman; **Ushers:** Bill Freeman, Mike Moore.

Calendar

Sunday, August 6

The Transfiguration

7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

10:45 am—Coffee Hour—Parish Hall

5:00 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Monday, August 7

Building Closed

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Parish Hall

Tuesday, August 8

9:00 am—Xi Gong class (Parish Hall)

1:00 pm—Memorial Service for

Ana Lepure—Chapel

6:30 pm—OA meeting—Library

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Wednesday, August 9

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist and

Healing Service—Chapel

10:00 am—Fellowship Time—Sun Room

10:30 am—Bible Study—Sun Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Thursday, August 10

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Friday, August 11

9:00 am—Finance Committee—

Conference Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Saturday, August 12

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Sunday, August 13

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