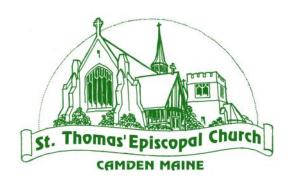
Tidings

Sunday, June 24, 2018 The Fifth 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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An update from **Deacon Abby Pettee**

I will be taking a 6 month personal leave as a deacon in good standing from my parish based ministry at St Thomas' beginning July 1, 2018, so that I can allocate more time with my family. This decision came in recent discernment conversation with our Bishop, Stephen Lane. Please know that I will keep the people of God at St Thomas' in the prayers of my heart.

-Abby

Taizé Service This Evening

Come and enjoy the candlelit services, the Taizé chants, and the times of rich silence in this ancient yet modern contemplative service, this evening at 7:00 pm. Future Taizé services will be held on July 22 and August 26.

Using Our Library

All are welcome to peruse and check out the books in our Library. If you want to take a book home with you, please follow the simple checkout procedures: Take the card from the book pocket and enter your name on the next free line. File the card in the small card file next to the window on the left side of the room. That's all there is to it!

Food Pantry Collection Next Sunday

Please remember to bring donations next Sunday, July 1 for the Food Pantry. Any personal hygiene items or non-perishable foods would be helpful. Of particular need: hearty soups, cereals, baked beans, baking mixes, spaghetti sauce, soups, soups, soups rice and

canned vegetables or fruits. Please check the expiration dates. You can also make a cash donation using the specially marked envelopes in the pew racks.

Parish Admin on Vacation

Your Parish Administrator will be on vacation next week. Please contact Rev. Lisa for matters concerning the church. **Tidings will not be published next week.** It will resume Sunday July 8. Look for our Thursday parish email as usual!

Summer Fair News

The next meeting of the Fair Committee will be on Friday, June 29 at 10:30 am in the Conference Room. In the meantime, keep those rummage donations coming! We also need volunteers — it takes more than a Committee to make a Fair! There is now a Summer Fair page on our website where you can get detailed information. Take a look!

Today's Music

David Cherwien (American, b. 1950) wrote the lilting prelude, Laudate Dominum! (O praise ye the Lord!). We then will sing that tune as our sequence hymn. Henry Williams Baker wrote this paraphrase of Psalms 148 and 150 in 1875. Charles H.H. Parry wrote the tune in 1894 for the close of his anthem, Hear my words. The first phrase echoes the chiming of English parish and town clocks. Think of that as we sing it! The entrance hymn, Jesus, Lover of my soul, was written by Charles Wesley (1707-1788) shortly after his conversion and is an expression of his deep personal faith in Jesus Christ as savior. It is so very well paired with the strong Welsh tune, Aberystwyth, composed in 1876 by Joseph Parry (South Wales, 1841-1903) (no

known relationship between the Welsh and the English Parrys!). Joseph Parry was born to a poor family and by age ten was working in a coal mine; however he was brought up with music and sang alto in a well-known oratorio choir. In 1854 his family moved to Danville, PA, where he worked in a mill and studied music in a class run by other workers. His fellow workers sent him to college in Geneseo, NY. He returned to Wales, took organists posts, won prizes and went to the Royal College of Music. In 1867 he returned to Danville where he founded a music school. In 1873 he was called back to Wales to be professor of music at the newly founded University College, Aberystwyth. He was a prolific composer, writing operas, oratorios, anthems, cantatas and instrumental music. An amazing path for a boy who started out working in the coal mines.

During communion we sing James Montgomery's (English, 1771-1854) hymn, Songs of praise the angels sang. Montgomery was a poet, a publisher, a printer (who was imprisoned twice) who spoke out against the slave trade, child labor and state lotteries. He wrote over 400 hymns (you can look up the ones in our hymnal in the back under Authors, Translators and Sources). Charles John King (1859-1934) composed this cheerful tune specifically for Montgomery's text in 1905. We go forth into the world singing the powerful Eternal Father, strong to save, known as the Navy Hymn. We sing it today to underscore the Gospel reading from Mark. John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876) was commissioned to write the tune, which he named Melita, referring to the island of Malta, where St. Paul found safe haven after being shipwrecked.

The Choir sings a hymn commissioned in 1995 by the American Guild of Organists, San Francisco Chapter. This lyrical text is by the Rev. Carl P. Daw, Jr. The Chapter then held a competition for a tune for this text: what we sing today is John Karl Hirten's lovely setting.

Ralph Vaughan Williams was a prolific composer: he also wrote popular music and music for films. The postlude is his adaptation of music for the 1940 film The 49th Par-

Sing with gusto!

— Jane Schroeder, Minister of Music

Prayer List

Please pray for those members of this parish and others who are in special need: Ron, Andrew, Joanne Scott, Nancy Soderberg, Missie Stone, Tiffany Andrews, Stormy Bok, Seana Roubinek, Pat Olds, Paul Whittaker, Sid and Priscilla Lindsley, Carolyn Morris, Roxanna, Risa, Janan Vaughn, Rosalind Clarke, Amy, Darlene, Gordon Gushee, Susan, Martha, Ginnie Harper, Abby Neal, Francesca Bero, Mary.

Next Sunday

July 1, 2018: The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

> 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Psalm 30 Mark 5:21-43

7:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; Eucharistic Minister: Pam Bardon; Lectors: Sandy Lyle, Jan Lyle; Prayers of the People: Pat Avers; Usher: Bert Rvan.

9:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; Crucifer: TBA; Eucharistic Minister: Roy Gilley; Lectors: Dean Jackson, Kate Jackson; Prayers of the People: Br. Donovan Bowley; Acolytes: TBA; Ushers: TBA.

What's Where

Our Sunday School and Nursery rooms are located past the Sun Room. Turn right. The Blue Room is the Nursery; the Yellow Room is the Sunday School room. Restrooms are located down the right aisle, past the Chapel, at the end of the corridor on the left side. Additional rest rooms are located in the basement (down the same corridor, via the stairway on your left).

Calendar

Sunday, June 24 The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist, EOW II

5:15 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel 6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

7:00 pm—Taizé service—Church

Monday, June 25

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Tuesday, June 26

9:00 am—Xi Gong—Green Room 96:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Wednesday, June 27 9:30 am-Service of Healing and Holy Eucharist—Chapel

10:00 am—Fellowship Hour

-Sun Room

I I:00 am—Bible Study—Sun Room

6:00 pm—VoXX Rehearsal

-Parish Hall, Green Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Thursday, June 28

6:00 pm—VoXX Rehearsal

-Parish Hall, Green Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Friday, June 29

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Saturday, June 30

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Sunday, July 1

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist, EOW II

1:30 pm—Service at Quarry Hill

5:15 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Monday, July 2

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Tuesday, July 3

9:00 am—Xi Gong—Green Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Wednesday, July 4 **Independence Day**

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Thursday, July 5

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Friday, July 6

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Saturday July 7

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Sunday, July 8

The Seventh Sunday after **Pentecost**

7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I 8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist, EOW II

5:15 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Meetings and Events are subject to change. St. Thomas' welcomes the use of its facilities for meetings and events. Please contact the Parish Office before scheduling any event. A detailed building calendar can be viewed in the office copier room.