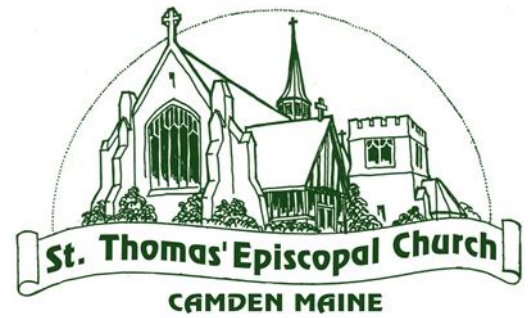


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Tidings



Sunday, August 26, 2018
The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We welcome all who enter these doors, especially those who enter for the first time or after a long absence. Everyone is welcome! 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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**Family Friendly Eucharist
Once a Month to begin**

The Christian Education committee has now met twice, and we are again looking at the possibility of hiring someone to coordinate K-12 Christian Education, and assist in teaching the 8-12 year olds. While it is not possible to change our budget for this year, we would like to see it in the budget for next year.

Karen Colburn will continue to offer Godly Play (beginning Sept 9) for children up to 7 years of age. The parents have offered to keep their older children in church for a couple of months, going over the bible lessons for the week at home, and encouraging them to participate fully.

For the next two months- and hopefully longer—St Thomas' will offer a family -friendly Eucharist on or near the 1st Sunday of the month which will: encourage the older kids to take on the ushering, lecturing, and acolyting during the 9:30 service, and will give me to opportunity to program a child friendly sermon which I think the adults will enjoy too. **The first Family-Friendly Eucharist will be on September 9, (the Sunday after the Labor Day weekend) and the second one will be on October 7.**

We are all very excited about where the Children's Ministry at St. Thomas' is heading and would wel-

come additional input and volunteers. Lisa+

Taizé Service Today!

The Taizé service will be held at 7:00 pm in the church this Sunday, August 26. Come and enjoy the candlelit services, the Taizé chants, and the times of rich silence in this ancient yet modern contemplative service. This is our final Taizé service of the summer.

Parish Meeting Called

Parish Meeting to discuss possibility of the new service time for the Second Service. Come hear why Mother Lisa thinks this change will benefit St. Thomas'. Put it on your calendar—September 16. Meeting will be after the coffee hour. Join the discussion!

Food Pantry

Please remember to bring donations next Sunday, September 2, 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.

Coffee Hour

Next Sunday, September 2, there will be a coffee hour after the 7:30 Service.

**Today's Music
Pentecost 14
August 26, 2018**

Some folks have had a difficult time with our entrance hymn, *Stand up, stand up for Jesus*: our 20th and 21st century ears might hear it as a militaristic hymn. However, The Rev. George Duffield, Jr. (American, 1818-1888) wrote this text in response to the fiery anti-slavery sermon preached by The Rev. Dudley A. Tyng, rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia in 1853. Tyng died a few days later in a tragic accident; Duffield wrote the hymn the following Sunday inspired by Tyng's sermon. The text was paired with George James Webb's tune, *Morning Light*, as early as 1861. Therefore, you can sing with gusto with a clear conscience!

The lilting sequence hymn is a very loose paraphrase of Psalm 84. The tune is originally by J.L. Macbeth Bain (Scotland, 1840-1925) who organized a Brotherhood of Healers to treat both physical and spiritual infirmities. He was known to sing to his patients as part of their treatment. He is known as Brother

James; hence the tune's name. During communion we sing the classic German chorale, *Liebster Jesu* (Dearest Jesus, we are here), first found in 1664. This fresh text was written by Percy Dearmer (English, 1867-1936) was deacon, priest, social activist, Red Cross chaplain, professor of ecclesiastical art and canon of Westminster. He was also a prolific writer (including hymns) and compiled hymnals with composers such as Ralph Vaughan Williams and Martin Shaw, contemporary British writers as well as American writers. Dearmer's 20th century text is an appreciation of the Bible in our lives as well as in worship. Going forth into the world we sing another hymn extolling Holy Scripture, *O Christ, the Word Incarnate*, by William Walsham How (English, 1823-1897). This text clearly draws the connection between the Bible and Jesus Christ being the living incarnation of the Word. The tune, *Munich*, first appears published in 1693. What we sing is an adaptation of the harmonization written by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) for his oratorio, *Elijah*.

Ed Shindle sings Franz Schubert's (German, 1797-1828) exquisite setting of a poem by Friedrich Rückert (German, 1788-1866). This is the third poem in a set of four and is the way Schubert set it for solo voice and piano. Today I play organ pieces by contemporary American composers based on the communion hymn tune, *Liebster Jesu*. Gerald Near (American, b. 1944) who composed the prelude and Paul Manz (American, 1919-2009) who composed the communion offertory are both prolific writers, performers and church musicians. David Schack (American, b. 1947) is also an active church musician and composer. Each has a distinctive style.

Sing! Sing! Sing!

Jane Schroeder
Minister of Music

Prayer List

Please pray for those members of this parish and others who are in special need: Marya Allen, Ron, Andrew, Joanne Scott, Tiffany Andrews, Stormy Bok, Seana Roubinek, Pat Olds, Paul Whittaker, Carolyn Morris, Roxanna, Risa, Janan Vaughn, Rosalind Clarke, Amy, Darlene, Gordon Gushee, Susan, Martha, Jean Harper, Abby Neal, Francesca Bero, Mary, Susan, Jeremiah Swett

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Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18
Psalms 34:15-22
Ephesians 6:10-20
John 6:56-69

7:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher:

The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Eucharistic Minister:** Sandy Lyle ; **Lectors:** Sandy Lyle, Jan Lyle; **Prayers of the People:** Pat Ayers; **Usher:** Edmund Hartt

9:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher:

The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Crucifer:** TBA; **Eucharistic Minister:** Roy Gilley; **Lectors:** Sarah Groman, Kathryn Derr-Marderosian; **Prayers of the People:** Millie Crocker; **Acolytes:** TBA; **Ushers:** Dean Jackson, Ed Williamson

Next Sunday

September 2, 2018:
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Song of Solomon 2:8-13
Psalms 45: 1-2, 7-10
James 1:17-27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

7:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher:

The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Eucharistic Minister:** Pam Bardon ; **Lectors:** JoAnne Ryan, Terry Mello; **Prayers of the People:** Edmund Hartt; **Usher:** Bert Ryan

9:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher:

The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Crucifer:** TBA; **Eucharistic Minister:** Jacqueline Recht; **Lectors:** Polly Chatfield, Barbara Lawrence; **Prayers of the People:** Roy Gilley; **Acolytes:** TBA; **Ushers:** Dean Jackson, Roy Gilley

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

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7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist, EOW II

(Coffee Hour follows)

5:15 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

7:00 pm—Taizé Service—Church

Monday, August 27

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Parish Hall

Tuesday, August 28

9:00 am—Xi Gong—Green Room

10:00 am—Tai Chi for Wellness—
Green Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Wednesday, August 29

9:30 am—Service of Holy Eucharist with Healing—Chapel

10:15 am—Fellowship—Sun Room

11:00 am—Bible Study—Sun Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Thursday, August 30

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Friday, August 31

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Saturday, September 1

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Sunday, September 2

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