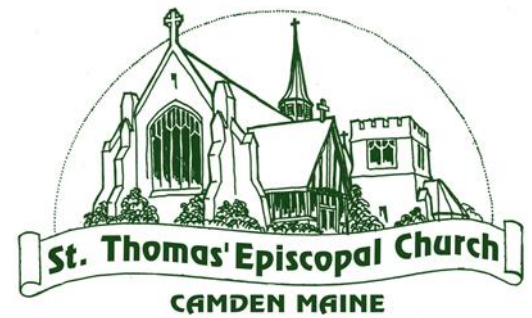


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Tidings

Sunday, September 23, 2018
The Eighteenth 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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Acolyte Training

Acolyte Training TODAY after the 9:30 service. Seasoned veterans and newbies all need to be there to be put on acolyte teams. Parents are encouraged to attend.

Prayers of the People

For a couple of months we're going to be doing a new Prayers of the People. You might notice something missing: the list of people we are praying for. Does this mean I don't care about people we are praying for? BY NO MEANS—to quote Paul. I believe in the efficacy of prayer and most especially prayers for those we love.

Here's what I'd like us to *try*: the people on our prayer list will still be listed in Tidings each week. **PLEASE TAKE THIS HOME-** and pray the list - either alone or with family. It would be lovely to pray it daily, if you are able—or as many times in the week as you can. Really think about each person as you pray for them. My goal is not to pray less for our people, but to pray more.

On Sundays for the next couple of months there will be periods of quiet after each petition. I *encourage you to please say aloud* the names of those you would like to pray for. I would love to hear a ripple of names coming forth from our people, for our people. Don't be shy. I'll be saying people's names, too. I'm hoping that a commitment to praying daily for the people on our prayer list, combined with spontaneous prayer on Sunday's will move our hearts in a way that reading a list of names some-

times doesn't.

Please join me for the next couple of months in this *Prayer Experiment*. Pray daily, lift up names aloud on Sunday. Lisa+

Second Service at 10:00 am, beginning October 7

After a lively Parish Meeting, the parishioners overwhelmingly voted to move the second service to 10:00 am from October to December. We will then discuss how it's going and make adjustments and/or make it permanent. This is an exciting change as it will allow the Rector and the Sunday School to offer classes to adults and children between services. Watch this space next month to see what will be offered in October and what the time schedule will be.

Parish Meeting September 30

There will be a parish meeting on September 30th to roll out the Capital Campaign for the "Save our church" campaign. There will be a meeting after each service. Please plan and attend and see what you can do to help us *Save St Thomas*!

Lisa+

Sunday School Schedule

For the next two Sundays, **Godly Play** will be offered for those ages 3—9 at the usual time of 9:15 am with Karen Colburn. They will return to their parents at the Peace. **10 and UP** will be offered for those 10 and over with Ra-

chel Bickham after the second service. Both classes will meet in the Yellow Room.

Thank you, Florists and an invitation!

First of all, a huge thank you to our summer flower guild members, **Polly Chatfield, Gay Schueler, and Connie Bock**. We look forward to your return! And thanks as well to **Joanne Vengle**, who we hope to see again, soon.

If you have just an hour and a half, (max) on any Friday, we'd love you to join us! We work in pairs and will train--no talent necessary! Come in and give it a try for one Friday. Call me (Corallie Murray) at 921-6618, or look for me after Church and we can set up a time. Thank you!

Today's Music Pentecost 18

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We enter singing the vigorous hymn, *Sing praise to God who reigns above*, written by Johann Jakob Schütz (German, 1640-1690) who was an attorney as well as crafter of hymns. It is paired with the equally vigorous tune, *Mit Freuden zart*, first published in 1566. The sequence hymn was written four hundred years later! The Presbyterian minister and poet Frank von Christerson wrote this direct, simple hymn in 1975 and Carl Schalk wrote the tune for this text in 1979.

When I survey the wondrous cross. Isaac Watts (1674-1748) wrote this classic well-loved hymn text based

on Galatians 6:14. Edward Miller (1731-1807) published the tune in 1790: we have been singing this hymn for over two hundred years. *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*: text written by Joachim Neander (1650-1680) was published in 1680 and the tune, *Lobe den Herren*, has been paired with it for the 300 years since then. The postlude by the American composer Emma Lou Diemer (b. 1927) is based on this tune.

The Choir sings the poignant poem by George Herbert (Welsh, 1593-1633), *Love (3)*. Jackson wrote this (it remains unpublished) for Polly Chatfield's family to sing around the piano. The Choir has made this our own and sings it as such. Thank you, Polly and Jackson, from the bottom of our hearts!

The tune *Rockingham* appears 3 times in each service! I love all the different interpretations composers give to hymn tunes. Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (English, 1848-1918) wrote the organ setting of this tune. Parry was truly a renaissance man: squire, magistrate, author, amateur scientist, teacher, composer, organist, yachtsman et alia! During communion I play Healey Willan's (British, 1880-1968) setting of *Rockingham*. Willan emigrated to Toronto to teach at the Conservatory of Music and become organist of the newly complete St. Paul's, Canada's largest Anglican church. He had a long career as organist and choir director at the much smaller Church of St. Mary Magdalene until his death. Willan compose the anthem (*O Lord, our Gouverneur*) for the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

Sing on!
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, Janan Vaughn, Rosalind Clarke, Amy, Gordon Gushee, Susan, Martha, Jean Harper, Abby Neal, Mary, Jeremiah Swett, Dustin, Marcie Vega.

This Sunday September 23, 2018: The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 11:18-20

Psalm 54

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Mark 9:30-37

7:30 am: Celebrant and

Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry;
Eucharistic Minister: JoAnn Ryan ;
Lectors: Pat Ayers, Paul Holman
Prayers of the People: JoAnne Ryan;
Usher: Anne Ayers

9:30 am: Celebrant and

Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry;
Crucifer: Kavan Kibler; **Eucharistic Minister:** Roy Gilley; **Lectors:** Sally Williamson, Kathryn DerMarderosian;
Prayers of the People: Millie Crocker;
Acolytes: Kavan Kibler, Kingston Kibler; **Ushers:** Scott Chrysler, Leamon Scott

Next Sunday

September 30, 2018: The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

Psalm 124

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

7:30 am: Celebrant and

Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry;
Eucharistic Minister: Pam Bardon;
Lectors: Paul Holman, Sandy Lyle;
Prayers of the People: Jan Lyle; **Usher:** Jan Lyle

9:30 am: Celebrant and

Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry;
Crucifer: George Bickham; **Eucharistic Minister:** Jacqueline Recht;
Lectors: Dean Jackson, Kate Jackson;
Prayers of the People: Chris Glass;
Acolytes: George Bickham, Tom Colburn; **Ushers:** TBD

Calendar

Sunday, September 23

18th Sunday of Pentecost

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

Monday, September 24

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Parish Hall

Tuesday, September 25

9:00 am—Xi Gong—Green Room

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

2:00 pm—Staff Meeting

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Wednesday, September 26

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

10:15 am—Fellowship—Sun Room

11:00 am—Bible Study—Sun Room

4:00 pm—EFM

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

7:00 pm—VoXX

Thursday, September 27

5:00pm—Choir—Green Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Friday, September 28

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Saturday, September 29

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Sunday, September 30

19th Sunday of Pentecost

7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I

**Parish Meeting After Service -
Capital Campaign**

8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am—Holy Eucharist, EOW II
(Coffee Hour follows)

**Parish Meeting After Service -
Capital Campaign**

5:15 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

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