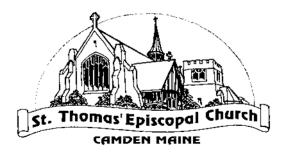
Tidings and av July 21, 2019

Sunday, July 21, 2019 Sixth 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.



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Tower Repair

We are entering the next phase of our tower repair. The engineers are conducting a

detailed assessment and developing plans to affect the needed repairs. Soon, the masons will be erecting staging around the tower to safely allow for this assessment. We will be taking care to ensure the All Souls Garden is protected. The safety of parishioners and visitors is our highest priority.

Mother Lisa and I will be providing an update to the congregation on the project between services on Sunday, July 28, at 8:45 a.m. in the Sun Room. All are encouraged to attend. Faithfully, Carlos Mello, Sr. Warden

New Music Minister

After a long and thorough search, St. Thomas' now has a new Music Minister! The Rector and her Advisory Committee are pleased to announce that Clarissa Brown has joined the staff as organist and choirmaster. Clarissa comes from Yarmouth, Maine, and has been a sought-after substitute organist throughout the state for many years. She will take up her position at St. Thomas' the week of August 5 and will grace our Sunday services with her playing starting August 11. She is looking forward to joining us!

Watch for an article about Clarissa in next week's Tidings.

'Hamlet' and Hospitality

Soon we will once again be hosting the Camden Shakespeare Company, a professional acting company that has used our Parish Hall as a rain date location for several years when they exclusively performed at the library amphitheater.

This year Camden Shakespeare will use the amphitheater for one show, and our Parish Hall for their production of *Hamlet*, which runs July 27, 28, 30, and 31, and August 4, 6, 8, and 9. (Note, too, that July 23-26, the company also will be using many St. Thomas' facilities for rehearsals and possible rain-date locations. Please see 'Calendar.')



Many people — local and not — will be coming to see these shows, and this year we would like to ask for volunteers to sell concessions at the intermission during the eight shows. We would do this not to raise money, but to be a friendly St. Thomas' presence to the theatergoers, providing a service and answering questions should we be asked them.

If you are interested in this ministry opportunity, please talk to the Rector after either of the services on July 21. Help us host (no cooking required)—and see the production!



Reading A Bigger Table!

The Rector's class continues July 21 with Chapter 9 of A Bigger Table: Building Messy, Authentic, and Hopeful

Spiritual Community, by John Pavlovitz.

Come join our book discussion in the Conference Room at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays!

(There will be no class next Sunday, July 28, because of the Parish Meeting. The Rector's class will resume August 4.)

Outreach Fundraiser

Please save the date of Tuesday, September 3, for a great event at Flatbread Company in Rockport! That's when the St. Thomas' Outreach Committee will host its second fundraiser of 2019 to benefit Meals on Wheels, Hospitality House, Coastal Opportunities, and New Hope for Women.

All members of the St. Thomas' community are encouraged to attend and to invite families, friends, and neighbors to enjoy a delicious dinner at Flatbread Company. A percentage of the cost of meals purchased by St. Thomas' members and friends will be contributed to the four charities mentioned above. This event is an opportunity to have a great time with friends and contribute to four worthy organizations.

Save the date! More details to follow.

End of Summer Celebration

The **End of Summer** event this year will include a dance, culinary delights, a silent auction, and a raffle. More information to follow. So save the date: September 20! And shine up those dancing shoes.

Vestry Minutes

The June Vestry Minutes were approved at our July Vestry meeting and are posted on our website and the bulletin board in the Sun Room.

Treasurer Reports

The two recent quarterly Treasurer reports have been posted on the "Finance and Stewardship" page of our website (click on the "About Us" tab). Please contact Terry Mello (treasurer.stthomascamden@gmail.com) if you have any questions or would like additional information.

Host a Coffee Hour

If you are one of the parishioners who enjoy the Sunday morning Coffee Hour, why not sign up to host one? New sign-up sheets have been added to the binder in the Sun Room. There are lots of dates still available!

St. Thomas' Website

In the last few months there have been many changes to the website (www.stthomascamdenme.org) and we would appreciate your feedback. Is there something that you would like to see that is not there? Is the information helpful and easy to find? Please send an e-mail to Terry Mello (treasurer.stthomascamden@gmail.com) with your thoughts and suggestions.

Worship Service Schedule

The 3rd Quarter schedule has been posted on the Worship page of our website. If you would like a copy, please contact Susie Crawford (admin@stthomascamdenme.org).

Prayer List

Please pray for those members of this parish and others who are in special need: Maxine, Marty Kaufman, Judith Shepherd, Ron, Andrew, Joanne Scott, Tiffany Andrews, Seana Roubinek, Carolyn Morris, Amy, Susan, Joan Pottle, Paul Whittaker, Anne, Sandy Lyle, Jan Gilley, Brian Fitzpatrick, Skip Groman, Helen Kuhl, Tom Fontaine, Kathy Kulick, Gayle and George, Lainie Vreeland, David Harper, Susan Conrad, Elaine, Nancy Swoyer

This Sunday July 21, 2019 Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52 Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42

7:30 a.m.: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; Eucharistic Minister: JoAnne Ryan; Lectors: JoAnne Ryan; Terry Mello; Prayers of the People: Edmund Hartt; Usher: Bert Ryan

10:00 a.m.: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; Crucifer: Freya Johanson; Eucharistic Minister: Jeff Conrad; Lectors: Doc Wallace; Millie Crocker; Prayers of the People: Brother Donovan; Acolyte: Lola Black; Ushers: Scott Chrysler; Jim Ebbert

Next Sunday July 28, 2019 Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 138 Colossians 2:6-15, 16-19 Luke 11:1-13

7:30 a.m.: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; Eucharistic Minister: Sandy Lyle; Lectors: Terry Mello; Pam Bardon; Prayers of the People: Melissa Woodhead; Usher: Isa Babb

10:00 a.m.: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; Crucifer: Kavan Kibler; Eucharistic Minister: Roy Gilley; Lectors: Polly Chatfield; John Mattern; Prayers of the People: Chris Glass; Acolytes: Kingston Kibler; Tom Roberts; Ushers: Leamon Scott; Bill Freeman

Calendar

Sunday, July 21

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

7:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal

9:00 a.m. – Rector's Class – Conference Room

10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Coffee Hour follows)

5:15 p.m. – Centering Prayer – Chapel

6:30 p.m. – AA meeting – Basement

Monday, July 22

6:30 p.m. - AA meeting - Parish Hall

Tuesday, July 23

9:00 a.m. – Xi-Gong Dance Class 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. – *Hamlet* rehearsal— Parish Hall, Guild Room, Sun Room, Kitchen 6:30 p.m. – AA meeting – Basement

Wednesday, July 24

9:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist with Healing Service – Chapel

10:15 a.m. – Coffee and Conversation – Conference Room

11:00 a.m. – Bible Study – Conference Room 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. – *Hamlet* rehearsal and rain date—Parish Hall, Guild Room, Sun Room, Kitchen

6:30 p.m. - AA meeting - Basement

Thursday, July 25

11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. – *Hamlet* rehearsal and rain date—Parish Hall, Guild Room, Sun Room, Kitchen

6:30 p.m. - AA meeting - Basement

Friday, July 26

6:30 p.m. – AA meeting – Basement 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. – *Hamlet* rehearsal and rain date—Parish Hall, Guild Room, Sun Room, Kitchen

Saturday, July 27

11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. – *Hamlet* rehearsal and Opening Performance—Parish Hall, Guild Room, Sun Room, Kitchen

6:30 p.m. – AA meeting – Basement

Sunday, July 28

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

7:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30 a.m. - Choir Rehearsal

8:45 a.m. – Parish Meeting – Sun Room

10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite II

(Coffee Hour follows)

5:00 p.m. – *Hamlet*—Parish Hall, Guild Room, Sun Room, Kitchen

5:15 p.m. – Centering Prayer – Chapel

6:30 p.m. – AA meeting – Basement

Meetings and Events are subject to change. St. Thomas' welcomes the use of its facilities for Meetings and Events.

Before scheduling any activity, please contact the Parish Office (admin@stthomascamdenme.org, 236-3680).