Sunday, April 12, 2020 Easter

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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Altars: For Nourishment, For Courage and To Remember Who and Whose We Are

Thank you for the pics of people's altars. These are (*right, from top*) Br. Donovan Bowley's, Jocelyn Tidwell's, and mine. I enjoyed gathering up things that were important to me to place on the altar, to have a focal point for my deep silences. I just started my altar, but Jocelyn's is ongoing—and it changes with the church seasons. It is useful to have visual reminders of what we hold sacred, reminders of the people and things that sustain us.

Please continue to share your altars with us, for inspiration, joy, and so we can remember God's bounty in our lives.

Lisa+

Worship at Home for Holy Week

and Easter: Please click on the link below to go to the booklet: https://www.stthomascamdenme.org/wpcontent/uploads/2020/04/2020-Holy-Week-from-Home-for-St.-Thomas-Episcopal-Church.pdf











What Is Coming After Easter?

Well, you can now pray with lots of Alleluias!

We have begun an intentional phone tree to supplement the ones you are already engaged in, and many thanks to Sarah Groman, Lucy Ebbert, and our deacon, Abby Pettee, for taking on this ministry. There are others of you who I know are also checking in on people—and I thank you all. If you hear of anyone who is ill—with Covid-19 or anything else, please let me and the office know.

Worship schedule after Easter:

Noonday Prayer, Monday-Friday, via Facebook live. You don't have to be a Facebook user to participate. Just follow the Facebook link on our website, and decline to join when it asks you. You still can join me because it's a public page. It will also be on our You Tube page—that link is also on the website.

Compline on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., also on Facebook live.

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'After Easter' continues...

Morning Prayer at 10:00 a.m. on Sundays via Facebook live. You can join in as I lead it—or do it at your convenience some other time during your Sunday. This was the primary service for all Christians until the 1979 Prayer Book introduced the concept of Eucharist as the primary Sunday service. Welcome again this part of your heritage. I love the Morning Prayer service, and you will, too! I may have occasional "guests" for this. Keeping our social distance, of course.

Bible Study Wednesdays at 10:30—join us via the Zoom link.

The Rector's Class is just finishing up *Sabbath*—which everyone loved. We will soon begin a new book, *Learning to Walk in the Dark* by Barbara Brown Taylor. We are in the planning process to offer this class via Zoom—watch for details.

I encourage all the small groups within the community to meet occasionally using Zoom. Anyone can sign up for a free account. It's a good way to be with each other, even if we can't do it physically.

Take care of yourselves, pray for the community, and remember: Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

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A Note from Your Treasurer

Please remember that while the church building is closed, the staff of St. Thomas' is hard at work, making sure worship, pastoral care, classes, meetings, and publications can continue virtually and through the mail. Our sexton continues to sanitize the building and care for the grounds, in preparation for our return. Our expenses continue, and your offerings are still needed! There are a number of ways you can continue to support St. Thomas':

- You can set up an automatic payment through your bank (*recommended*)
- You may send in pledges or other offerings by mail.
- We are working on an online option to donate – the website will be updated once we "go live."

We realize this is a financially challenging time for many. Let us know if your situation has changed or you need assistance.

Blessings, Terry Mello

Prayer List

Please pray for those members of this parish and others who are in special need: The Brooks family, Dru Collins, David Mello, Amelia Mello, Brian Bowley, Stephanie Laite, Sandra A., Paula, Julie, Ryan, Peter, Adam, Robert Pearson, Dustin, Hunter Fierro, Tadd Lyman, Shirley, Harry Hart, Ada Power, Larry Parker, Bayard Chanler, Carol, Marcie Vega, Eleanor, Vicky and Bill, Arnie Joy, Maxine, Judith Shepherd, Ron, Andrew, Joanne Scott, Tiffany Andrews, Seana Roubinek, Carolyn Morris, Amy, Joan Pottle, Paul Whittaker, Anne, Sandy Lyle, Brian Fitzpatrick, Skip Groman, Tom Fontaine, Kathy Kulick, Lainie Vreeland, David Harper, Susan Conrad. Elaine

This Sunday April 12, 2020

Easter Collect 3 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Jeremiah 31:1-6 Acts 10:34-43 Matthew 28:1-10

Next Sunday April 19, 2020 Second Sunday of Easter Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

Calendar

Sunday, April 12—Easter Eucharist available by links to services (see St. Thomas' website) 11:15 a.m.—National Cathedral Service https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPV2KYa GO-U&feature=emb_title

Monday, April 13 12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook live

Tuesday, April 14 12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer with Guided Meditation—Facebook live

Wednesday, April 15 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.—Bible Study via Zoom 12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook live 4:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.—EfM via Zoom 8:00 p.m.—Compline—Facebook live

Thursday, April 16 12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer with Guided Meditation—Facebook live

Friday, April 17 12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook live

Saturday, April 18

Sunday, April 19 10:00 a.m.—Morning Prayer—Facebook live 8:00 p.m.—Compline—Facebook live

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