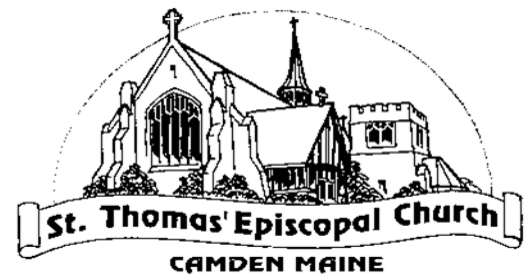


St. Thomas' Tidings

Sunday, June 14, 2020

Second 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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“spiritual” Eucharist from the church with Clarissa on the organ and the Rector celebrating and preaching. If you would like to participate by video, you will need a camera or phone that supports video with sound, and be willing to learn how to upload it to the person pulling it all together. If that sounds like something you would love to try, please let the office or the Rector know by email. It would be nice to see more of our adults and children participate in the service.

either the week before or the week after your birthday or anniversary, and I will say a special prayer for you. I can't wait! *Lisa+*

Rector Taking a Week of Vacation

I will be taking a week off beginning on June 22 and returning on June 29. The Sunday during the vacation (June 28) we will livestream the Diocesan monthly service. It's been a trying time for everyone, and I can't seem to step away from work for even a day. When my father died, it became clear that I needed time both to rest and to grieve. Please take care of each other while I'm "away." I'm going to unplug my computer—which seems to be the only way I'll stop working—and Abby and Donovan will be on call for *urgent* needs. I'm still on call for *emergencies*. Keep me in your prayers, please. *Lisa+*

The Holy Eucharist Streamed from St. Thomas': Second Big Week!

Last Sunday, for the first time, we livestreamed the service from the church. We have not yet finished the upgrades to WiFi, sound and camera—so, as we warned you last week, it was a bit rough. It's a work in progress.

Even so, many of you watched and were good enough to call or email or text to say how much you enjoyed it, and how moving it was being “back in the church.” And how much you preferred it to Zooming!

Please join us again on Facebook this Sunday at 10:00 a.m. as we stream the Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with spiritual Eucharist) live from St. Thomas'. Just click the Facebook link on the website or in the email that will be sent. You do NOT need to be a Facebook user to watch this live.

During the month of June, our plan is to have Sunday services in a format such as the Diocese uses: with people singing and reading or doing the prayers from home, and doing the

Birthdays & Anniversaries During Our Time Apart

At our last service together, back on March 15, I said we would do the birthdays and anniversaries we missed during the shutdown when we all returned. That is taking longer than any of us expected, so perhaps I could say the birthday prayer and a special anniversary prayer as we livestream the service. That means you will need to let us know if you are having either of those. (This is one of those times I wish St. Thomas' had birthdays and anniversaries as part of our database, like most every other church where I've worked. But we'll let that go...)

I don't want to miss anyone, though. If you had a birthday or an anniversary between March 16 and June 10, email me at rector@stthomascamdenme.org. Tell me if you would like your age, or years married, announced. It's entirely up to you.

Going forward, if you want your name announced, please let me know

Volunteers for Noonday Prayer

I'll be away June 22-28 and could use a few volunteers for Noonday Prayer the weekdays I'm gone—those of you who are regular viewers: I'm looking at you. If anyone else also would like to volunteer, I'm thrilled. I will train you, and then it literally takes five minutes to do the service. Your training will probably take longer than the service does. I encourage everyone to give this some thought. It's a privilege to pray with your fellow parishioners—as well as those who watch from different parts of the country. If you would like to help, please email me at rector@stthomascamdenme.org. *Lisa+*

'Virtual' Coffee Hour Is Back!

After you watch the livestreamed service this Sunday from St. Thomas', grab your hot cup of joe, Darjeeling with lemon, or Mexican mocha, your doughnut, Danish, or cinnamon toast, and let's catch up! We'll see you at **11:00 a.m. Sunday on Zoom.**

'Forward Day by Day'

The May-July issue, in large and small sizes, is still available. To have one sent to you, please contact the Office: admin@stthomascamdenme.org, 207-236-3680.

Presiding Bishop Curry has asked that Episcopalians pray this prayer from Pentecost through September 1.

A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit Among the People of God

God of all power and love,
we give thanks for your unfailing presence
and the hope you provide in times
of uncertainty and loss
Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in
us your holy fire.
Revive us to live as Christ's body in
the world;
a people who pray, worship, learn,
break bread, share life, heal
neighbors,
bear good news, seek justice, rest
and grow in the Spirit.
Wherever and however we gather,
unite us in common prayer and send
us in common mission,
that we and the whole creation
might be restored and renewed,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer List

Please pray for those members of this parish and others who are in special need:

Short-term: *Gwen Prosser; Kevin; Edward; Jeremy Tucker; the Brooks family; Amelia Mello; Paula; Sandra A.; Robert Pearson; Dustin; Hunter Fierro; Tadd Lyman; Harry Hart; Ada Power; Larry Parker; Bayard Chanler; Carol; Marcie Vega; Vicky and Bill.*

Long-term: *Shirley; Carolyn Moore; 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; Lainie Vreeland; David Harper; Susan Conrad; Elaine.*

God of all, we pray for our departed, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.



This Sunday June 14, 2020

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 18:1-15
Psalms 116:1, 10-17
Romans 5:1-8
Matthew 9:35-10:8

Next Sunday June 21, 2020

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 21:8-21
Psalms 86:1-10, 16-17
Romans 6:1b-11
Matthew 10:24-39

* Click [here](#) to go to *This Week's Virtual Services*, with readings and Facebook links.

Calendar

Sunday, June 14

10:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist, Rite II—[Facebook Live](#)

11:00 a.m.—"Virtual" Coffee Hour—Zoom

Monday, June 15

9:30-10:00 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

5:30 p.m.—Vestry meeting—Zoom

Tuesday, June 16

9:30-10:00 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

Wednesday, June 17

9:30-10:00 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.—Bible Study via Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

EfM is off for summer

8:00 p.m.—Compline—Facebook Live

Thursday, June 18

9:30-10:00 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

Friday, June 19

9:30-10:00 a.m.—Coffee & Check-In—Zoom

12:00 p.m.—Noonday Prayer—Facebook Live

4:00 p.m.—Rector's Class—Zoom

Saturday, June 20

Youth Christian Education is off for summer

8:00 p.m.—Compline—Facebook Live

Sunday, June 21

10:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist, Rite II—[Facebook Live](#)

11:00 a.m.—"Virtual" Coffee Hour—Zoom

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