

## Parish Notes

- The wedding of Paul Baskill & Kristen Peterson will be held on Saturday, May 2
- United Thank Offering Spring Ingathering is Sunday, May 3rd, in 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. services.
- A "Safeguarding God's Children" workshop will be offered on Sunday, May 17, at 1:00 p.m. in the library for all adults working with infants and youth through age 18.
- Celebrate Pentecost with Holy Eucharist on Sunday, May 24, at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

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## Rector's Journal:

### A Message From the Rector in Support of Our LGBTQ Brothers and Sisters

St. John's Episcopal Church welcomes all people, including those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning (LGBTQ), and their allies. As our mission statement says, we are "a loving family of faith united in Christ..." We believe unity in Christ transcends all human differences, making one community where once there was many.

The Episcopal Church has a long history of recognizing and supporting people regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity.

- The church has prohibited discrimination against lesbians and gays since 1976.
- In 1994, the church's General Convention passed a resolution affirming the ability to ordain people who are lesbian, gay and bisexual.
- In 2009, the General Convention passed several resolutions in support of transgender individuals.
- Since 2012, discrimination has prohibited against transgender people, and in that same year the General Convention passed a resolution in support of passage of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, inclusive of gender identity.
- Also in 2012, General Convention approved "*The Witnessing and Blessing of a Lifelong Covenant: Liturgical Resources for Blessing Same-Sex Relationships.*"

As your Rector, I believe it is important for us all to be aware of where The Episcopal Church stands on these important issues. It is also important that you know that St. John's Parish, in harmony and in step with our bishop and our diocese, The Rt. Rev. Dean Wolfe, and the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas, has never taken a stance or acted on any of these issues out of sync with the wider church. Most importantly, I want you to know that I am committed to seeing St. John's live out its mission with authenticity and transparency. Therefore our missional commitment to unity in Christ and fully welcoming all people must necessarily include all our brothers and sisters, including members of the LGBTQ community.

Of course, St. John's has been doing this for decades. It's in our DNA to welcome all people and accept them as they are. So, in some ways I'm not sharing with you anything you do not already know. So, what's different? The difference, I believe, is now we must seek to let this be known publicly in the greater Wichita community. Our value of radical inclusion of all people will now, without a doubt, be a mark by which we are recognized, a value for which we strive, and a means by which we will, as ONE people, make Christ known to the world.

I fully understand that we may not be of one mind on these issues. I believe that people, in good conscience, can disagree while still finding that their unity is in God and desiring to work together as Christ's servants in the world. I am called to be a pastor to all the people of St. John's Church and as



long as I am, I will never forsake this holy responsibility. So know that I am available to anyone who wants to talk with me about the issues I've written about here, or any other issues for that matter. I value your input.

In all this, I humbly ask for your prayers for me and for the community of faith that is St. John's Church.

In Christ,

The Rev. C. Earl Mahan, Rector

## The Curate's Corner

by the Rev. Dr. J. Ted Blakley



### How Can They Give Us Their Blessing, If We Don't Seek Them Out?

In the late 1990s, the late Henri Nouwen gave a series of sermons at the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, California. The title of the series of talks was, "The Life of the Beloved." (By the way, they are available on YouTube. Search for "The Life of the Beloved (Henri Nouwen, 2011)".) Nouwen suggests that the voice of God that addressed Jesus at his baptism, saying, "You are my beloved. I'm very pleased with you," also addresses us. Unfortunately, we live in a very busy and noisy world. We are so preoccupied that we lose touch with who we are, and the chaos within and without drowns out the voice of God. Spiritual disciplines are designed, in part, to help us tune out the world and tune into what God is speaking to our hearts and minds.

Nouwen says that spiritual disciplines are the human effort to create some open space in our lives so that we can hear the voice of God telling us who we truly are, his beloved, treasured, and valued sons and daughters. Nouwen then speaks of three disciplines that help us create this space for God's voice in our lives. They are communion, community, and ministry.

In **communion**, we spend a little bit of our time every day, sitting with God in silence, or spending time with God by prayerfully reading the Scriptures. And in this discipline of communion, we hear the voice of God calling us the beloved.

Then, in **community**, we are gathered together in worship and in fellowship. In that community of faith, we hear the voice of God speaking to us through one another. And isn't it amazing how God's voice becomes amplified when it comes to us as the voice of another human being. One would have thought that it would be enough for us to hear God's voice directly. But it appears that God has so designed human beings that we need to hear God's word of love and blessing being spoken by a friend, a family member, or a brother and sister in Christ. "You are God's beloved." Finally, in **ministry**, the people of God are sent out into the world to proclaim the good news of God's love. And listen to what Nouwen says about the discipline of ministry:

Jesus went to the poor, the sick, the dying, to the little ones. And dear friends, I cannot tell you enough how the final voice that calls you the beloved comes from those *you* care for. That's a great mystery I want to tell you.... [Those whom we serve], they are the ones who God has chosen to speak his word of love to us.

Do you remember in the Beatitudes, do you remember what it says? "Blessed are the poor. Blessed are the mourning." It does not say, "Blessed are those who care for the poor." It does not say, "Blessed are those who console the mourning." No, no. The blessing is located in the poor. In these people that we want to help, we will find that they carry the blessing in their heart for us, for us to live. They give *us* life, they give us a sense of God's presence. And I want to tell you that they whom *we* go to minister to are the ones who carry in themselves the blessing. And the blessing is the voice of God, saying, "You are my Beloved. On you my favor rests." We hear that blessing come to us through those who are weak, through those who are poor. And they will lead us closer and closer to the heart of Love.

That is the great joy I want to announce to you and for you to trust because once you are in deep communion with the poor, you will be able to discover your own poverty, your own weakness, your own brokenness, and not be afraid of it. You will discover, "Yes I am poor too." When we work with the poor we will become so aware of our own limitations, but the voice of God is saying, "Don't be afraid because I love you right there where you are poor too." And so, we become in a way, a fellowship of the weak where the power of God's grace can manifest itself.

So keep some space for God's voice. Some space by praying alone. Some space by forming community. Space by going out and going to those people in your own family, your own friends, and in your own city who need you. They don't just need you because they are needy, they also need you to give to you their blessing.

So, if there is any truth to this. If the poor have a blessing for us, then how can we find ways—individually and as a community—to enter into relationship with them? Because how can they give us their blessing, which is from God, if we don't seek them out?



### Arland Wallace Preparing for June Ordination as Deacon

Parish member Arland Wallace is completing the process of becoming a deacon, and will be ordained in Topeka at Grace Cathedral on June 13th.

As a new deacon, he will be needing new vestments and clergy apparel. He will be receiving a cross and dolmatic as gifts from some in our parish. St. John's Episcopal Church will be giving him a red stole for his ordination.

Additional needs will include grey shirts, clergy collars, an alb and cinsure. You can help Arland as he begins his ministry by contributing a financial gift to him toward any of these items. Please give your gift to Arland directly, making your check payable to him. Any extra funds Arland receives will start his deacon's discretionary fund.

### UTO Spring Ingathering: Thankful Hearts

Sunday, May 3, at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Services

St. John's will hold its Spring Ingathering for the United Thank Offering at both services on Sunday, May 3. You are invited to count your blessings by placing coins and cash in your UTO Blue Box in thanksgiving for big and small daily blessings that God gives which brighten your life and the lives of those around you.



UTO Blue Boxes and envelopes will be available on the table at the back of the church or in the hallway. Bring your offering on May 3rd to share your blessings so that yours can be joined with the thank offerings of other Episcopalians around the world. UTO offerings will be used to award grants for projects through The Episcopal Church. Your prayers and offerings from past Ingatherings have built churches and schools, made needed renovations, fed the hungry, clothed the poor, obtained shelter for the homeless, and provided care and support for those facing physical, mental and emotional challenges.



### The Rev. Torey Lightcap Named Canon to the Ordinary

Bishop Dean E. Wolfe on March 13 announced that the Rev. Torey L. Lightcap has been named Canon to the Ordinary for the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas. His ministry will begin on May 1. Rev. Lightcap, 42, currently serves as Transitions Officer for the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa and as Rector of St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Sioux City, Iowa.

As Canon to the Ordinary, he will have responsibility for clergy deployment, oversight of the ordination process, support for clergy and congregations, and administration of the diocesan office.

Rev. Lightcap is a 2004 graduate of the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas. He received a bachelor's in journalism from Oklahoma Baptist University and a master's in mass communication from Oklahoma State University.

He also served parishes in Texas and Colorado before moving to Iowa in 2009. In addition, he is a writer, a three-time fellow of the College of Pastoral Leaders and an alumnus of the "Recasting of Building Assets" program of the Episcopal Church Building Fund.

He is married to Jacqueline Whitney Lightcap, a native of Topeka. They have two children, Gabriel, 10, and Annie, 7. Rev. Lightcap said he and his family are delighted to be returning to their area roots – his mother lives in Wichita, and his wife's mother and grandmother live in Topeka.

## Safeguarding God's Children Training

**Sunday, May 17th at 1:00 pm in St. John's Library. Lunch included.**

Racine Zackula will be leading this essential training for church volunteers and staff who work with infants through youth age 18, and for vestry members. If you need to take this training, or need to update your certification (required every 6 years), please contact the parish office at [cathyharris@stjohnswichita.org](mailto:cathyharris@stjohnswichita.org), or 262-0897, to register for this session.

### Children's Formation

At the end of May, we will conclude our series of lessons from "Weaving God's Promises."

During the summer there will be short films shown, based on Biblical stories or Christian values. Two volunteers will be needed each week to start the movies and escort the children upstairs to join the service at the Peace. The ushers will signal you when the Prayers of the People have started, giving you about 5 minutes to put up things and get the children ready to go.

Treats are an option, if you want them, you bring them. Fruits and veggie snacks are the best, sugar should not be the main ingredient.

There will be a sign up sheet in the west walkway soon. Enjoy knowing our younger members. Remember, we have yet to lose a parishioner to this program! - *Tish Seely*

### Registration Deadline for Episcopal Summer Mega Camp May 8th!

Episcopalians have been attending Summer Camp the first week in June at Camp Wood YMCA for over 70 years. Camp Wood features a

variety of activities such as horseback riding, archery, climbing tower, canoeing, kayaking, swimming, water slide, mud slide, arts and crafts, and sports. The volunteer Episcopal staff provides solid Christian education, featuring worship, music, small group discussions, and prayer.

**When:** Sunday, May 31, 2 pm to Saturday, June 6, 11 am, 2015

**Where:** Camp Wood YMCA, Elmdale, KS

**Who:** Students in grades 3-12 for 2014-15 school year (you must have finished third grade to attend); Camp is NOT restricted to Episcopalians or regular churchgoers. All are welcome, so feel free to invite friends and family.

**Cost:** \$420 (\$450 after May 8).

**Priority Deadline:** Friday, May 8, 2015 (fee increases by \$30 after this date). There are absolutely no refunds after Friday, May 15. Regardless of your payment status, you will still owe the full price for camp unless you notify us that you are canceling your registration by May 15.

**Registration forms:** Click here to register online: <http://edok.formstack.com/forms/megacamp2015>.



**Will you or a family member be graduating this year?** Let us celebrate with you! Please submit your graduation announcement details, and a photo if you'd like. We'll recognize your achievement in upcoming newsletters and in services later this Spring.



### Scholarship Applications Due July 1st

The Scholarship Committee is accepting applications for the 2015/2016 school terms. Any member of St. John's who will be attending College or an Institute of Higher Learning is eligible to apply. The deadline for application is Wednesday, July 1st, and the recipients will be announced in church on Sunday, July 19. Applications are available by contacting Cathy Harris in the parish office at 262-0897.



Come Celebrate  
Pentecost Sunday  
on May 24th

Rite I Holy Eucharist at 8:00 a.m.  
Rite II Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m.

**Seeking Recipes from Members for 145th Anniversary Parish Cookbook**



Plans are underway to publish a parish cookbook to mark the 145th anniversary of St. John's Episcopal Church later this year. The cookbook will also include the recipes from earlier parish cookbooks published in 1908 and 1910. Each parish household is asked to submit 3-5 recipes to [connieshawver@stjohnswichita.org](mailto:connieshawver@stjohnswichita.org), or you may mail or bring your recipes to the church office. The funds raised from cookbook sales will support the mission and ministry of St. John's.

The last meeting of **The Daughters of the King** will be May 16, 2 pm at the home of Shannon Mahan, 160 S. Bleckley. We will be watching the movie *Maleficent*. Everyone is welcome to join us, we will bring treats and share thoughts on what we have seen. No tests, just a comfortable afternoon. In September we start our regular monthly meetings. We are looking at some Anne Lamott books for material. All suggestions are welcome !



**We Need You!** We are looking for someone to serve as **Clerk of the Vestry**, to take minutes at the monthly vestry meeting. Your responsibilities would be to take the minutes, type them up and send them out. Vestry meets the third Thursday of every month at 6pm. You may contact Cathy at 262-0897.

**St. John's Episcopal Church Actual vs Budget Report**

March 2015

	Actual March 2015	March 2015	Difference from Budget	Actual Jan. - Mar. 2015	Budget Jan. - Mar. 2015	Difference from Budget	2015 Annual Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>							
<b>Income</b>							
Pledges	13,916.95	12,830.29	1,086.66	37,320.43	35,659.05	1,661.38	155,000.00
Contributions	5,061.50	2,667.52	2,393.98	10,068.44	6,712.17	3,356.27	35,150.00
Investments	8,404.05	6,800.00	1,604.05	23,204.47	18,900.00	4,304.47	82,000.00
Additional Income	1,090.00	1,090.00	0.00	2,855.00	3,870.00	-1,015.00	37,180.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>28,472.50</b>	<b>23,387.81</b>	<b>5,084.69</b>	<b>73,448.34</b>	<b>65,141.22</b>	<b>8,307.12</b>	<b>309,330.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>							
Worship Ministry & Altar Guild	416.61	170.84	245.77	1,234.39	762.44	471.95	3,450.00
Outreach Ministry	5,286.37	5,940.00	-653.63	16,856.48	17,220.00	-363.52	67,980.00
Christian Formation Ministry	533.82	237.50	296.32	1,011.46	1,112.50	-101.04	3,250.00
Parish Life & Fellowship	414.88	145.83	269.05	898.32	437.53	460.79	3,750.00
Building & Grounds	4,398.05	4,175.00	223.05	12,258.50	12,700.00	-441.50	31,345.00
Utilities	2,551.08	2,396.66	154.42	8,328.36	7,790.06	538.30	23,600.00
Office	1,169.94	455.00	714.94	2,737.18	1,805.00	932.18	5,100.00
Personnel	21,198.94	21,799.49	-600.55	69,340.96	70,973.49	-1,632.53	282,418.00
Professional Fees & Accounting	2,420.80	2,500.00	-79.20	7,227.93	7,500.00	-272.07	30,000.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>38,390.49</b>	<b>37,820.32</b>	<b>570.17</b>	<b>119,893.58</b>	<b>120,301.02</b>	<b>-407.44</b>	<b>450,893.00</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>-9,917.99</b>	<b>-14,432.51</b>	<b>4,514.52</b>	<b>-46,445.24</b>	<b>-55,159.80</b>	<b>8,714.56</b>	<b>-141,563.00</b>

## A Look Back at St. John's History

By Parish Historian, Katie Pott

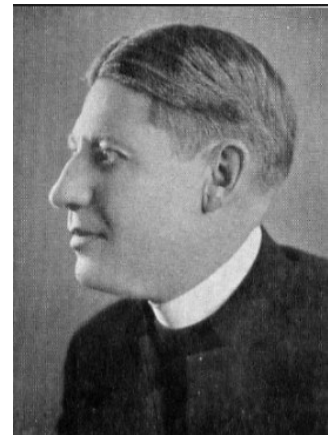
### 120 years ago . . .

Wichita Daily Eagle, May 22, 1895: Next Sunday, May 26, as celebrated in the Episcopal church is known as Sunday next following Ascension day, and coming this year as it does on the Sunday before Decoration day the rector, Rev. John F. von Herlich, has extended to all the local military organizations an invitation to attend divine services at St. John's church in the evening of that day. There will be militant music especially prepared for the occasion by the Surplice choir assisted by a special band under the direction of Mr. Arthur Reams. To the regular evening prayer services will be added a military address by the rector and special decorations appropriate to the occasion.

May 28: The address to the military Sunday night by Rev Von Herlich was listened to by as large an audience as ever assembled in the Episcopal church. ~ Promptly at 8 o'clock p.m. Brigadier General Corbett and staff, and Captain Minick, with company A, marched in, being in full military dress. The surplices choir never sang as well since its organization, and the way they sang the opening piece, makes it compare with any like organization in the country. ~ Mr. Von Herlich's sermon was a master piece, and the artistic way in which he presented a battle during the war made more than one old soldier imagine that he was fighting his battles over again. He said that those that perished in battle are not forgotten, but are enshrined in the hearts of men, just as Dante and other great men are, still with us, and that monuments throughout the land attest the reverence in which the heroes are held, and in a very forcible manner he demonstrated that Webster was right in saying that as the limbs of a man must walk in unison, so must the members of this great union be bound by bands that never can be severed, and dread war alone could settle this highly disputed question. ~ In the history of nations liberty has never been gained without a struggle. Old soldiers have their reward, by forever having their names perpetuated in the hearts of the people. In our glorious country flowers are not only on the graves of generals, but on the humblest of the soldiers. ~ Mr. Von Herlich's words were simply a flow of eloquence from first to last.

### 75 years ago . . .

from the Rev. H. Clarkson Attwater's parish paper, April 5, 1940: Rector's Ruminations LOW MONDAY, we suppose, in the natural sequence of things, should follow Low Sunday; which is the name by what we in the church are taught to call the Sunday which follows Easter Day; and which closes the Easter Octave. We are quite accustomed to the slump in congregational attendance which invariably follows the attendance upon the Easter services. Or is it just that the two Sundays suffer by comparison, as far as attendance is concerned and so we instinctively set up a defensive against the inevitable low to normal averages. Doubtless this has much to do with it and at the same time Low Sunday was anything but depressing insofar as attendance or the worshipfulness at services is concerned. ~ When we looked into the faces of the 7:30 congregation we rubbed our eyes lest by chance somehow the service hours had become transposed. The congregation looked like the average eleven o'clock congregation and there was a communicating attendance of more than five full rails at the altar. "Halleluia! The Lord is Risen! He is risen indeed!" We have risen in our spirits with the glad Festival Easter and a deadly indifference, all too prevalent toward the early service, has been quickened by the Spirit of the Risen Christ. No longer do we walk and are sad but risen indeed to the heightened joys which the resurrection assurances afford. ~ THE CHURCH SCHOOL too, with its meeting at 9:30, had an increased interest and attendance. The choir pews were filled with the children's choir and the glorious Easter hymns were sung from hearts full of hope and expectancy. ~ ~ THE RAINBOW GIRLS with a membership of 200 have asked the rector to hold their annual church service for them next Sunday. This we have gladly consented to do and their service with sermon especially addressed to them will be appointed for 11 o'clock. We are sure the congregation will welcome the attendance of these lovely girls dressed in the uniforms of their order and occupying the front pews across the nave of the church. The rector is open to suggestion as to just what his message to these lovely daughters of the rainbow should be. This thought comes to him. The seven prismatic colors in the rainbow, the symbol of the seven cardinal virtues, with the rainbow, the symbol of hope, to crown them all. Perhaps someone has a better suggestion; if so, we will be delighted to have it; but let us have it early in the week for the service is at 11 o'clock next Sunday.



**Rev. H. Clarkson  
Attwater**

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

01 Collin Cordoba  
 01 Christian Cathey  
 06 Scott Orr  
 06 Zackary McQuiston  
 11 Dan Seely  
 12 Mia Carvalho  
 16 Cooper Bitler  
 17 Mary Irene Pickarts  
 19 Jan Mueller  
 21 Robert Kindsvatter  
 22 Taby West  
 23 Tammy Breeden  
 28 Pat Heeren  
 30 Amy Maccarone  
 31 Robert Elliott  
 31 Jake Seely

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

18 Phil & Nancy Dietrich  
 20 Philip & Kelley Davidson

**BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES**

01 Scott Orr  
 01 Katie Pott  
 01 Linda Jaynes  
 03 Cole Davidson  
 03 Jean Wikle  
 11 Kaylen Mueller  
 11 Kari Bitler  
 11 Clinton Orr  
 14 Amy Maccarone  
 17 Garry Morris  
 17 Judy Morris  
 19 Derek Settle  
 19 Max Williams  
 21 Courtney Poynter



21 Jared Williams  
 22 Mary Frances Hathaway  
 23 Caleb Oswell  
 23 Caitlan Oswell  
 23 Tracy Anderson  
 25 Jill Poynter  
 26 Scott Mueller  
 26 Lawton Boggs  
 27 Duane Poynter  
 28 Iola Crandall  
 30 Brittany Troyer  
 30 Amanda West  
 30 Damien West  
 30 Theresa West

**Mary Irene Pickarts Turns 100 on May 17!** In honor of this milestone birthday, a card shower has been requested by Mary Irene's family. There will be a card from the parish available to sign in the parlor on Sundays, May 10 & 17, which will be delivered to her. Or you may mail your birthday greetings to: **Mary Irene Pickarts, Larksfield Place, HCC Room 415, 2828 N. Gouverneur, Wichita, KS 67226.**

**ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS**

Dedications may be made to the Altar Flower Fund in memory of loved ones, or in thanksgiving for blessings. A minimum donation of \$25 is requested. Sign in the book on the back table or call the parish office at 262-0897.

<b>05/03/15</b> 5th Sunday of Easter	Lanelle McKernan Paul & Kristen Baskill Shari May & Michael May	Loving memory of Kris Hale In thanksgiving for their wedding at St. John's on Saturday In memory of her Mother, His Grandmother, Dorothy E Moody
<b>05/10/15</b> 6th Sunday of Easter	Ron & Carol Hartzler  Darlene & Vernon Herrman Phil & Nancy Dietrich	Loving memory of Carol's sister Elaine Grooms and Ron's son Shem Hartzler. Thanksgiving for wedding Anniversary of Darlene's granddaughter Kimberly & Paul Nye on May 11th. Thanksgiving for their wedding Anniversary
<b>05/17/15</b> 7th Sunday of Easter	Marlene Franklin Suzanne Pickarts, Robert Montgomery, Marshall Pickarts	In memory of Harold & Frances Cox and Kelly Cox In thanksgiving for the 100th birthday of Mary Irene Pickarts celebrated today 5/17/15
<b>05/24/15</b> Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday	Ken Breeden Ed McCrillis	In thanksgiving for Tammy's birthday on May 23rd In loving memory of his wife, Elizabeth H. " Betty" McCrillis
<b>05/31/15</b> First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday	McFerren Family	Thanksgiving for Lanelle McKernan, Directoress of Altar Guild



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><u>26 Fourth Sunday of Easter</u>  <b>8:00 AM Rite I Eucharist</b>            9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal            9:00 AM Parish Breakfast in the library            9:15 AM Adult Bible Study            9:30 AM Acolyte &amp; servers practice            10:20 AM Children's Sunday School            10:30 AM <b>Rite II Eucharist</b>            11:45 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b>            5:45 PM EFM- Education For Ministry Class            6:00 PM Campus Ministry at St. Stephen's</p>	<p><b>29</b>            12:00 PM Noonday Prayer &amp; Bible Study resumes in the library            4:00 PM Staff Meeting            5:30 PM <b>Evening Prayer</b>            6:15 PM Praying the Scriptures</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>1</b>            5:30 PM Baskill/Peterson Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>2</b>            11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Hope Mennonite            3:30 PM Wedding of Paul Baskill &amp; Kristen Peterson</p>
<p><u>3 Fifth Sunday of Easter</u>            8:00 AM <b>Rite I Eucharist</b>            9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal            9:15 AM <b>Coffee &amp; Conversation in parlor</b>            9:15 AM Adult Bible Study in library            10:20 AM Children's Sunday School            10:30 AM <b>Rite II Eucharist</b>            11:45 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b>            5:45 PM EFM- Education For Ministry Class            6:00 PM Campus Ministry at St. Stephen's</p>	<p><b>6</b>            12:00 PM Noonday Prayer &amp; Bible Study resumes in the library            4:00 PM Staff Meeting            5:30 PM <b>Evening Prayer</b>            6:15 PM Praying the Scriptures</p>	<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>9</b>            11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Ellington-Kilgore families</p>
<p><u>10 Sixth Sunday of Easter &amp; Mother's Day</u>            8:00 AM <b>Rite I Eucharist</b>            9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal            9:00 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor            9:15 AM Adult Bible Study in library            10:20 AM Children's Sunday School            10:30 AM <b>Rite II Eucharist</b>            11:45 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor            11:45 AM Teen Ministry Meeting &amp; Lunch</p>	<p><b>11</b>            6:00 PM Daughters of the King in the Library</p>	<p><b>12</b>            5:45 PM EFM- Education For Ministry Class            6:00 PM Campus Ministry at St. Stephen's</p>	<p><b>13</b>            12:00 PM Noonday Prayer &amp; Bible Study resumes in the library            4:00 PM Staff Meeting            5:30 PM <b>Holy Eucharist</b>            6:15 PM Praying the Scriptures</p>	<p><b>14</b>  <b>Ascension Day</b>            6:00 PM Outreach Meeting in the Parlor</p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b>            11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Pathway Church</p>
<p><u>17 Seventh Sunday of Easter</u>            8:00 AM <b>Rite I Eucharist</b>            9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal            9:00 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor            9:15 AM Adult Bible Study in library            10:20 AM Children's Sunday School            10:30 AM <b>Rite II Eucharist</b>            11:45 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b>            5:45 PM EFM- Education For Ministry Class            6:00 PM Campus Ministry at St. Stephen's</p>	<p><b>20</b>            12:00 PM Noonday Prayer &amp; Bible Study in the library            4:00 PM Staff Meeting            5:30 PM <b>Evening Prayer</b>            6:15 PM Praying the Scriptures</p>	<p><b>21</b>            5:00 PM Finance Meeting in the library            6:00 PM Vestry Meeting in library</p>	<p><b>22</b>            AGO DOWNTOWN Organ Crawl— begins at 7 pm at First United Methodist</p>	<p><b>23</b>            11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Lutheran Synod</p>
<p><u>24 Pentecost Sunday</u>            8:00 AM <b>Rite I Eucharist</b>            9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal            9:15 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in Parlor            9:15 AM Adult Bible Study in library            10:20 AM Children's Sunday School            10:30 AM <b>Rite II Eucharist</b>            11:45 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor</p>	<p><b>25</b>  <b>Memorial Day</b>            Parish office closed</p>	<p><b>26</b>            5:45 PM EFM- Education For Ministry Class            6:00 PM Campus Ministry at St. Stephen's</p>	<p><b>27</b>            12:00 PM Noonday Prayer &amp; Bible Study resumes in the library            4:00 PM Staff Meeting            5:30 PM <b>Holy Eucharist with Holy Unction (healing)</b>            6:15 PM Praying the Scriptures</p>	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b>            11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Aldersgate UMC</p>
<p><u>31 1st Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday</u>            8:00 AM <b>Rite I Eucharist</b>            9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal            9:00 AM Parish Breakfast in the library            9:15 AM Adult Bible Study            9:30 AM Acolyte &amp; servers practice            10:20 AM Children's Sunday School            10:30 AM <b>Rite II Eucharist</b>            11:45 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor</p>						



“The flowers appear on the earth,  
 the time of singing has come.”  
 Song of Solomon 2:12



### Serving the Lord

	May 03 Easter 5	May 10 Easter 6	May 17 Easter 7	May 24 Pentecost	May 31 Pentecost 1
<b>8:00 a.m. Service</b>	RITE I	RITE I	RITE I	RITE I	RITE I
<b>Acolyte</b>	Cathy Harris	Peggy Karr	Cora Olson	Arland Wallace	Mike Morrow
<b>Lector / Intercessor</b>	Charles Lloyd	Peggy Karr	Cora Olson	Arland Wallace	Mike Morrow
<b>10:30 a.m. Service</b>	RITE II	RITE II	RITE II	RITE II	RITE II
<b>Organist</b>	Ken Breeden	Ken Breeden	Ken Breeden	Ken Breeden	Ken Breeden
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Peggy Karr	Leslie Dunlap	Mike Morrow	Lanelle McKernan	
	Marlene Franklin	Racine Zackula	Ben Kittrell	Kelley Davidson	
	Cora Olson	~~~~~	~~~~~	~~~~~	~~~~~
<b>Acolytes Server</b>	Arland Wallace	Ben Kittrell	Mike Morrow	Emma Blakley	Mike Morrow
<b>Crucifer</b>	Paul Steele	Emma Blakley	Mikayla Mahan	Mikayla Mahan	Paul Steele
<b>Torch</b>	Emerson Ross	Caitlan Oswell	Emerson Ross	Caitlan Oswell	Emerson Ross
<b>Torch</b>	Gracyn Ross	Caleb Oswell	Gracyn Ross	Caleb Oswell	Gracyn Ross
<b>Lector / Intercessor</b>	Tammy Breeden	Katie Pott	Mike Morrow	Trevor Mahan	Roger Carvalho
<b>LEMs Lay Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Ben Kittrell	Tom Pott	Arland Wallace	Katie Pott	Arland Wallace
	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy	Tammy Breeden
<b>Childcare Nursery</b>	Jazmin Montes	Jazmin Montes	Jazmin Montes	Jazmin Montes	Jazmin Montes
	Cathy Harris	Bridgette Dozal	Phyllis McCabe	Kelley Davidson	Bridgette Dozal
<b>Children's Sunday School</b>					
<b>Teen Minister</b>					
<b>Teen Minister</b>	~~~~~	~~~~~	~~~~~	~~~~~	~~~~~
<b>Teen Lessons Leader</b>					
<b>Teen Activity Leader</b>					
<b>Daughters of the King</b>	Tish Seely	Judy Morris	Jean Wikle	Lura Unger	Nancy Dietrich
<b>Refreshments</b>	Phyllis McCabe & Iola Crandall	Katie & Tom Pott	Kelley & Philip Davidson	Nancy & Phil Dietrich	Parish Breakfast/ Cathy & Shirley Harris
<b>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</b>	Charles Lloyd	Paul Massaria	Judy Nelson	Arland Wallace	~~~~~

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**We welcome you!**

<b>Sundays</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Rite I Holy Eucharist</b>
	<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>Adult Bible Study</b>
	<b>10:20 am</b>	<b>Children's Sunday School</b>
	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Rite II Holy Eucharist</b>
(Nursery available from 9:15—11:45 am)		
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>12:00 noon</b>	<b>Noonday Prayer &amp; Wednesday Bible Study</b>
	<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist or Evening Prayer Service</b>
	<b>6:15 pm</b>	<b>Praying the Scriptures</b>

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