



# Pentecost Day

May 31, 2020

8:00 a.m.

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People** **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

**Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee,**

**we worship thee,**

**we glorify thee,**

**we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,**

**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

**that takest away the sins of the world,**

**have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world,**

**receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,**

**have mercy upon us.**

**For thou only art holy;**

**thou only art the Lord;**

**thou only, O Christ,**

**with the Holy Ghost,**

**art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, who on this day didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

## LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.      *People*      **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:25-35, 37

25 O Lord, how manifold are your works!  
    in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

26 **Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number,  
    creatures both small and great.**

27 There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan,  
    which you have made for the sport of it.

28 **All of them look to you  
    to give them their food in due season.**

29 You give it to them; they gather it;  
    you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

30 **You hide your face, and they are terrified;  
    you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.**

31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;  
    and so you renew the face of the earth.

32 **May the glory of the Lord endure for ever;  
    may the Lord rejoice in all his works.**

33 He looks at the earth and it trembles;  
    he touches the mountains and they smoke.

34 **I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
    I will praise my God while I have my being.**

35 May these words of mine please him;  
    I will rejoice in the Lord.

37 **Bless the Lord, O my soul.  
    Hallelujah!**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
    as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to

each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL:** John 20:19-23

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord. *People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Bishop Matthew Gunter

*Please stand*

**THE NICENE CREED**

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**I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,**

and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified;  
who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*please stand or kneel*)

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Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially \_\_\_\_\_], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [\_\_\_\_\_ and of] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## CONFSSION OF SIN

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Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

**Almighty God,**  
**Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**  
**maker of all things, judge of all men:**  
**We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,**  
**which we from time to time most grievously have committed,**  
**by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,**  
**provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.**  
**We do earnestly repent,**  
**and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;**  
**the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,**  
**the burden of them is intolerable.**  
**Have mercy upon us,**  
**have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**  
**for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,**  
**forgive us all that is past;**  
**and grant that we may ever hereafter**  
**serve and please thee in newness of life,**  
**to the honor and glory of thy Name;**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

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Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

THE PEACE     The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.

*People*     **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant*     Lift up your hearts.

*People*     **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant*

*People*

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down [on this day] from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:**

**Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**

**Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please stand or kneel*

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.  
**AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant  
and People*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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*Celebrant* Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## INVITATION TO VISUAL COMMUNION

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## POST COMMUNION PRAYER (*in unison*)

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*Celebrant* Let us pray. *Please kneel*

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## BLESSING

*Celebrant* The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**INVITATION TO VISUAL COMMUNION** - In the medieval western church, a common practice was “ocular communion” or communing visually with Jesus in the Sacrament. This was done, for a variety of reasons, most of the congregation would reverence the Sacrament in place of physically receiving it. It is similar to what we do when we do Adoration and Benediction at the Eucharistic Festival or the Vigil before the Sacrament many of us keep Maundy Thursday. During this time of physical distancing when we are not able to gather in community to share in the Eucharist we invite you to visually contemplate and commune with Jesus in the Sacramental Bread. Here are a couple of prayers to assist you.

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there

and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

(Alphonse Liguori)

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

(Prayer Book for the Armed Services)

# Announcements

Office Hours – For now, the office is still open Monday – Friday from 9:30-1:30 p.m.



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**You can now give to St. Thomas online!** During this time of physical distancing and sheltering in place, we are not gathering as a community during regular in-person Sunday services. Thus, there is not the usual Sunday offering that is a main source of income to St. Thomas.

For those of you who are able, we hope you will continue to give, either by mailing your donation to the church or by **giving online through the church website**: [stthomaswi.com/give](http://stthomaswi.com/give) - Simply click on the gold 'Give Online' button on the Give page and fill out the pop-up form. The pop up form is actually on the Tithe.ly website and is very secure, even though it looks like you are still on the St. Thomas website. Your gift can be a one time or recurring donation. You may give by using a credit card or your bank account. You can also cover the fees for your donation by clicking that box. Covering fees helps to reduce the cost to St. Thomas (a \$50 donation has a \$.81 fee) and the fee amount is a part of your tax-deductible donation. You can find step by step instructions on the church website under Important Information. We thank you for your faithfulness and generosity in supporting St. Thomas through this time.

We also know that for some of you, your income may have changed drastically. If you need help, please contact the church or Fr. Ralph. Double Portion is serving take-out meals on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays and the food pantry is open.

Faithful Innovation – A few members of St. Thomas as well as other Parishioners from our Diocese are participating in a process called Faithful Innovation. We will be meeting three times over the next few months to participate in a learning Community. (A learning community is a group of congregations who commit to one another in a nine month learning experience. Through prayer, skill-building, action and reflection they address pressing questions about the future.)

One of our first assignments is called “Dwelling in the Word.” Dwelling in the word is an ancient way of reading scripture. It’s a way of “spiritually submitting to the text” as one way God speaks to us.

Please join us in reading, and re-reading Acts 16:6-15: Which tells the story of the apostle Paul being redirected by the Holy Spirit to move from one direction of ministry to another; and with the added bonus of learning the results of that new ministry. You can pick up a copy of the reading at the front or back of the church or read it on your own. More will follow as we embark on this journey together.

Your Faithful Innovation team: Fr. Ralph, Fr. Aran, Lisa Ueda, Anne Peterson, Jeanna Werbeckes, David Morton, Rob Prehn and Mike Land



## **Calling All 18 – 25 (ish)**

**Year Olds** Go figure! We have two amazing gatherings of young adults and COVID-19 comes along and ruins everything ☹ But that doesn’t mean we’re not gonna get together...we’ll just be gathering remotely using Zoom. More details are coming but it’ll be on the last

Sunday of the month. If you’re interested, contact Aran Walter [aranwalter@gmail.com](mailto:aranwalter@gmail.com) or Shannon Walter [shannonwalter@gmail.com](mailto:shannonwalter@gmail.com)

## **Upcoming St. Thomas Events - Mark Your Calendars**

Parish Picnic – Parish Picnic has been postponed. We will keep you posted on when the new date will be.

**Changes to Fr. Aran’s 2020 Sabbatical –** Due to the uncertainty of All Things due to COVID-19, Aran has let the vestry know he will be deferring 5 weeks of his 2020 sabbatical into 2021. Details will be printed up for the next Vestry Meeting and in the next issue of the Lamplighter.



The SPRING INGATHERING of the UNITED THANK OFFERING (UTO) will be held Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Because of the current “Shelter in Place” COVID-19 situation we will celebrate our prayers and giving in a different way. The method of collecting our contributions to this worthwhile program will be for your financial contribution to be delivered/mailed to St. Thomas Church, 226 Washington Street, Menasha, WI 54952 by **June 20<sup>th</sup>**. Please put **UTO** in the memo line of your check. 100% of the funds collected will be used for diocesan and community programs which impact the current pandemic. Another way of contributing is to do so online by [diofdl.org/uto](http://diofdl.org/uto). Be sure to list St. Thomas Church Diocese of Fond du Lac in the memo line so that we can be acknowledged at the Eucharistic Festival on June 27<sup>th</sup>. The UTO has been an active thanksgiving program of the Anglican Communion since 1889.

Come camp with us in Door County! - Several St. Thomas folks will be biking, visiting, swimming, eating, shopping and relaxing the second week-end of August. We would love to have you join us. Contact Cindy Osborne for more details or to let her know you will be joining, 729-0904.

**When:** August 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> (Some are camping Thursday, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> through Monday, Aug 10<sup>th</sup>)



**Where:** Rustic Timbers Door County Camping (Egg Harbor)

Call the campground at [920 868-3151](tel:9208683151) and ask for a space with the St Thomas group. We have some sites set aside. There are also cabins available.

## **Youth Ministry ([WWW.STYG.COM](http://WWW.STYG.COM))**

Junior & Senior High Youth Group (6-12 gr.) – Hello friends . . . grace and peace! Well, obviously things like Medieval Knight and our monthly service projects and other events are cancelled/postponed. Once this whole COVID-19 crisis has passed, we will let you all know when things will start back up. But, this doesn’t mean we’re not getting together... (*keep reading*)

**D-Groups Are For Us** – D-Groups are NOT cancelled!!! For real.

Just because we can’t get together in person, doesn’t mean we aren’t getting together! D-Groups will CONTINUE to gather together every Wednesday (and maybe more often). We’ll be using Zoom so if you’re in 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades, join us! If you don’t have the Zoom link/invite that Aran sent out, text him at (920) 379-6629 or snap him at @aranwalter [www.styg.com/d-groups](http://www.styg.com/d-groups)





## Camp @ Home Is Almost Here

Senior Camp (completed 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)

*June 7-13*

Middler Camp (completed 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)

*June 14-19*

Junior Camp (completed 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>)

*June 14-19*

Kinder Camp (ages 4-7 with adult)

*June 19-21*

[www.diofdl.org/camp](http://www.diofdl.org/camp)

**Chicago 2020 Mission Trip** – We are sad to announce that, due to COVID-19, our Summer Love Journey to Chicago has been cancelled. Please be in prayer for the 20 people pictured here as we are each grieving this loss. If you'd like more information, please do not hesitate to contact Aran Walter at [aranwalter@gmail.com](mailto:aranwalter@gmail.com) or (920) 379-6229.



## **Summer D-Groups Are Coming Soon**

**We are HOPEFUL that events like**

**Cookouts, Pool Parties, Outdoor Movie Nights, Pizza Parties, and  
more will be able to take place starting in early July**

[www.styg.com/d-groups](http://www.styg.com/d-groups)

## **Pastoral Care**

Specialized Pastoral Counseling at Thomas - Fr. John Peterson is available for virtual counseling at St. Thomas. It will take place by phone or video. This counseling is specialized in that it will meet the need of anyone looking to be able to clear and optimize the way their mind works. It is fast and effective with many of life's problems including anxiety, depression, grief, low self-esteem, relationship issues, substance abuse, obsessions, compulsions, anger, resentment and self-destructive behaviors.

When a person has a problem or an issue that needs to be addressed there are two ways to approach it. One way is “outward” when one aims at changing the outward circumstances. Another way is “inward” when one aims to change how one perceives the situation in their mind. It is this second way, the “renewing of the mind” that is the pathway used for this healing.

During these stressful and uncertain times, I want to offer you an audio exercise presented by Jon Connelly, my teacher and mentor in Rapid Resolution Therapy entitled “Ease Your Mind & Raise Your Immunity – Accelerate Healing & Relieve Anxiety.” E-mail me at [Johnpeterson2@earthlink.net](mailto:Johnpeterson2@earthlink.net) and request it. You will be blessed by it.

## Outreach/Missions



**Scrip Program:** *Proceeds benefit the Mission Scholarship Fund (sending missionaries and bringing our mission partners here).*

We are still selling scrip. Office hours are 9:30-1:30pm. Please call the office at 920-725-5601 or email Sandie at [sandieumland@gmail.com](mailto:sandieumland@gmail.com) with your order. We will get your order together and put on the table, right outside the office. Please leave your payment in an envelope on the table. If you need to order certain ones that we don't have in stock, let Sandie know by Monday morning and she can order them. These special orders will be available to be picked up by Thursday of that week.

Scrip cards from the following merchants are typically in-stock for immediate pick up: Amazon, Applebee's, Buffalo Wild Wings, Cheddars, Chipotle Mexican Grille, Festival Foods, IHOP, Kohl's, Kwik Trip, Longhorn, Meijer, Olive Garden, Panera Bread, Papa Murphy's, P.F. Chang's, Piggly Wiggly, Roundys, Starbucks, Subway, Target, Walgreens and Wal-Mart/Sam's Club. In addition, **Scrip cards can also be ordered for over 500 of the country's biggest brands.** Scrip cards that are special ordered on Sunday mornings will be available to pick-up the following Sunday. Scrip cards can be purchased in the Parish Hall on Sunday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon, and weekdays in the church office during normal office hours.

# MISSION PARTNER PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MAY 2020

## REVS. ALLEN & RACHEL HILL: [www.samusa.org/missionaries-frames01.html](http://www.samusa.org/missionaries-frames01.html)

Praise God for:

- For the joy Rachel has had in serving God among young students as she has been subbing in public schools

Prayer Requests:

- For Allen's sanity as he completes his thesis which is about 75% done
- For clear guidance as we begin to seek the Lord about what He wants us to do next
- For the Lord's provision as we face unexpected medical and other expenses as well as school fees for Allen
- For John's knee and for peace and blessing on the lives and studies of James and John

## DOUBLE PORTION: [www.doubleportionsoupkitchen.com](http://www.doubleportionsoupkitchen.com)

Praise God for:

- The good health of all the workers at Double Portion
- The gifts of needed food and money donations as we continue to feed others during this time of stress

Prayer Requests:

- For continued good health for our DP leaders and guests
- For peace and calm relationships in families that are under new kinds of stress

## MOTHERS' MERCY HOME – DIOCESE OF MT KENYA SOUTH: [www.mmhpp.org](http://www.mmhpp.org)

Prayer Requests:

- For our children whose learning is totally affected by COVID 19
- For a COVID 19 cure so that people will be able to resume normal life
- For doctors and health workers who are working selflessly to save people's lives, esp. Cargo Human Care Staff
- For all our Partners that God will protect them at this difficult time
- For our student candidates who are scheduled to sit for final exams beginning in October

## BETSY HAKE – JERICHO MINISTRIES IN HONDURAS: [www.settingthecaptivesfree.org](http://www.settingthecaptivesfree.org)

Prayer Requests:

- For issues and costs associated with an accident Betsy had. No one hurt but expenses incurred for damages done
- For the 10 children who recently became a part of the Jericho family in the Villa
- For final funds to repair van damaged last year
- For the transformation of the women from the dump who are now in our sewing workshop
- For the teams coming this year and someone to lead the teams to free Betsy up
- For a publisher for Betsy's book "The Road to Jericho" that it may bring glory to God

**The following anniversaries** of members of our Parish Family will be remembered.

**SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2020 TO SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2020**

**BIRTHDAYS**

- 31 Cindy Osborne
- Melanie Miller
- 2 Gary Schmiedel
- 3 Kate Williams
- 5 Rob Prehn
- Vicky Stauber-Pufall
- 6 Leo Checkai

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1 James and Linda Loomis
- 6 Duffy and Jan Eves  
  Steve and Julie Hendrix

**FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

- 31 Keith Martiny
- 1 Mary Fischer  
  Jane Cochrane
- 5 Francis Bradler  
  Ruby Hart  
  Evelyn Phelps  
  Irene Hom
- 6 Gordon Mc Cunn

**MISSION PARTNER LINKS**

- Double Portion with Calvary Bible Church/  
  St. Patrick's Church
- Betsy Hake - Honduras
- The Revs. Allen/Rachel Hill
- Mothers' Mercy Home - Kenya

**MISSION PRAYER LINKS**

- African Medical Mission
- Boy Scouts Troop 3
- Cub Scouts Pak 3003
- Carmen & Rosa and the San Lucas UCC - Chicago
- Gideon Bible Distribution Ministry
- Bishop Todd and The Rev. Patsy McGregor -  
  Madagascar
- Fr. Ian/Polly Montgomery - (SAMS)
- Wisconsin Kairos Prison Ministry

**SERVING IN THE MILITARY**

- Auston Allen - Air Force
- Kyle Cooper - Army National Guard
- Mary Danner-Jones - Air Force
- Claire Kopczynski - Army National Guard
- James Kopczynski - Army National Guard
- Bruce McRae - Army Reserve
- Tim Paterson - Army Reserve
- Don Patrick - Army Reserve
- Humberto Puga - Navy
- Mark Sopkiw, Jr. - Army
- Matthew Verich - Navy

**DEPLOYED**

- Johnny Kromenaker - Peace Corp
- Clint Kupari - Army
- Andrew Shaffer - Army
- Foreign Diplomats:  
  Steve Hendrix

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In the wider Anglican Communion we pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia; The Most Rev. Leonard Dawea - Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Melanesia and Bishop of Temotu. In the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for the people and ministries of St. James, Mosinee; Diocesan Summer Campers and Staff.