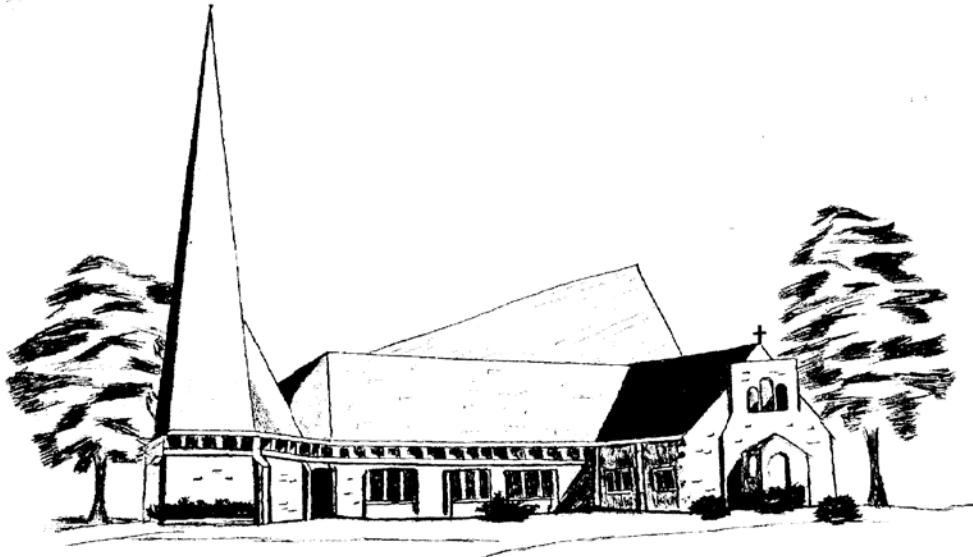


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***Our Vision:***

**We are a Jesus-centered,  
Spirit-filled community of  
diverse followers working to  
transform the world.**

***Our Mission:***

**To know Christ.  
To make Christ known.  
To serve others in Christ's name.**

**June 28, 2020  
10:00 a.m.  
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

## PRELUDE

*"Notturno, Op. 54, No. 4"*

Edvard Grieg

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"* Hymnal #518

<sup>1</sup> Christ is made the sure foundation,  
 Christ the head and cornerstone,  
 chosen of the Lord, and precious,  
 binding all the Church in one;  
 holy Zion's help for ever,  
 and her confidence alone.

<sup>3</sup> To this temple, where we call thee,  
 come, O Lord of Hosts, today;  
 with thy wonted loving-kindness  
 hear thy servants as they pray,  
 and thy fullest benediction  
 shed within its walls alway.

<sup>2</sup> All that dedicated city,  
 dearly loved of God on high,  
 in exultant jubilation  
 pours perpetual melody;  
 God the One in Three adoring  
 in glad hymns eternally.

<sup>4</sup> Here vouchsafe to all thy servants  
 what they ask of thee to gain;  
 what they gain from thee, for ever  
 with the blessed to retain,  
 and hereafter in thy glory  
 evermore with thee to reign.

Words: John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Music: Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

*Celebrant*      Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People*      **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open,  
 all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
 by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
 that we may perfectly love you  
 and worthily magnify your holy name;  
 through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## GLORIA

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**Glory to God in the highest,  
 and peace to his people on earth.  
 Lord God, heavenly King,  
 almighty God and Father,  
 we worship you, we give you thanks,  
 we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God,  
 you take away the sin of the world:  
 have mercy on us;  
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

receive our prayer.  
**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People*      **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

# THE FIRST LESSON

## Genesis 22:1-14

God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.” So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.” Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, “Father!” And he said, “Here I am, my son.” He said, “The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” Abraham said, “God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place “The Lord will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.”

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 13

- 1 How long, O Lord? will you forget me for ever?  
    how long will you hide your face from me?
- 2 **How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,  
    and grief in my heart, day after day?  
    how long shall my enemy triumph over me?**
- 3 Look upon me and answer me, O Lord my God;  
    give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;
- 4 **Lest my enemy say, “I have prevailed over him,”  
    and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.**
- 5 But I put my trust in your mercy;  
    my heart is joyful because of your saving help.
- 6 **I will sing to the Lord, for he has dealt with me richly;  
    I will praise the Name of the Lord Most High.**

**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.**

## THE SECOND READING    Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Reader*   The Word of the Lord.

*People*   **Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 10:40-42

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## CHILDREN SERMON

## THE SERMON

Fr. Aran Walter

*Please stand*

## THE NICENE CREED

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**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please stand or kneel*

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Godfrey, Bishop of Masvingo, Matt, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence*

*Celebrant and People*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE: The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OFFERTORY                    *"Prelude in C Major, BWV 846"* Johann Sebastian Bach

*Please stand*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please stand or kneel*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant  
and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

*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

see end of bulletin

## COMMUNION

## *“Peace Like A River”*

## Traditional

# THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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*Celebrant*    Let us pray.    *Please kneel*

## *Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
Be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

# BLESSING

*Celebrant* The Blessing of God Almighty Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Please stand*

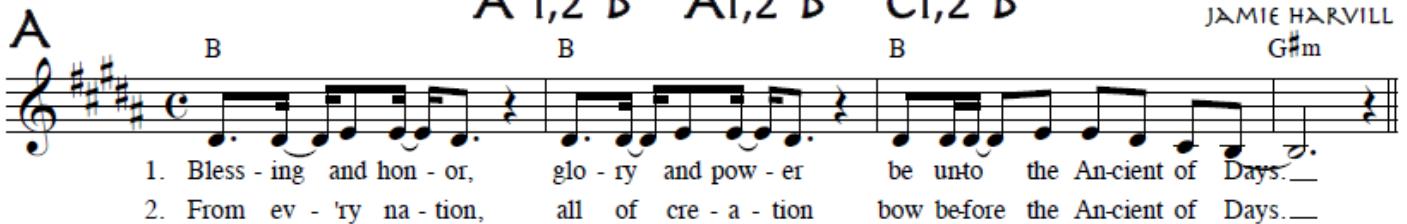
## RECESSATIONAL HYMN

# ANCIENT OF DAYS

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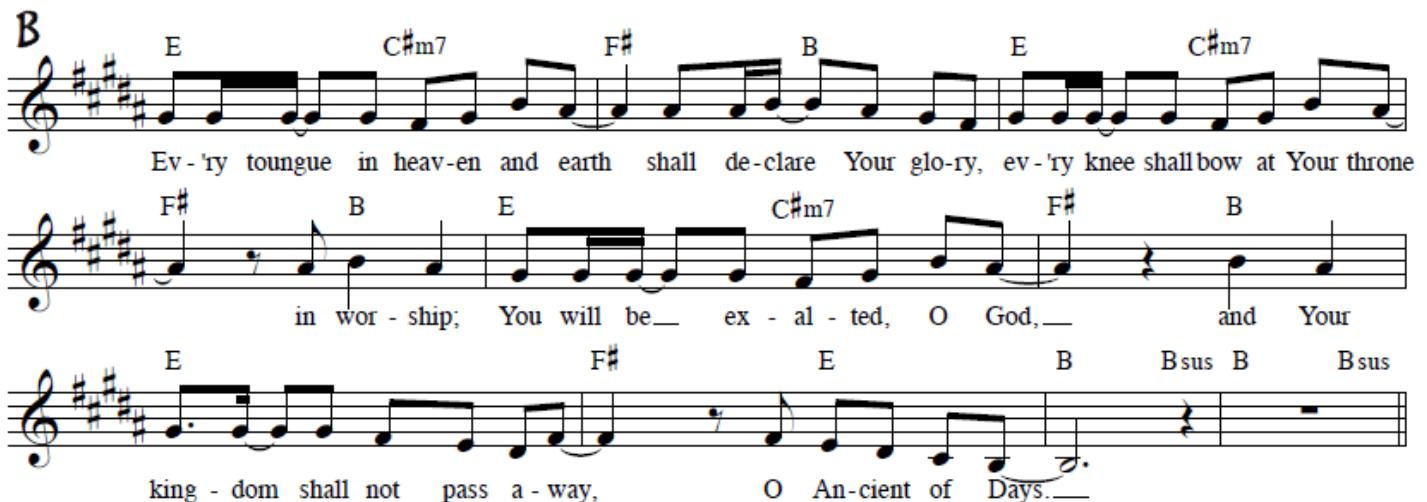
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JAMIE HARVILL  
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**A**



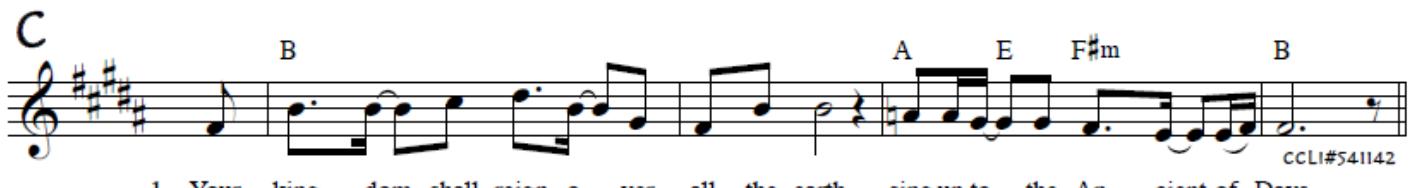
1. Bless-ing and hon-or, glo-ry and pow-er be unto the An-cient of Days.  
2. From ev-'ry na-tion, all of cre-a-tion bow before the An-cient of Days.

**B**



Ev-'ry toungue in heav-en and earth shall de-clare Your glo-ry, ev-'ry knee shall bow at Your throne in wor-ship; You will be ex-al-ted, O God, and Your king-dom shall not pass a-way, O An-cient of Days.

**C**



1. Your king-dom shall reign o-ver all the earth, sing un-to the An- cient of Days.  
2. For none can com-pare to Your match-less worth sing un-to the An- cient of Days.

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

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

POSTLUDE

*“Prelude in F Major, BWV 928” Johann Sebastian Bach*

**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)

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

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2020 TO SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2020**

**BIRTHDAYS**

30 Kathy Peterson  
Braedyn Waitrovich  
Peter Leininger  
1 Tim Paterson  
Mike Pagel  
2 Tim Mims  
3 Dave Morton  
4 Matthew Peterson  
James Binning

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

29 Mike and Nancy Pagel

**WITH SYMPATHY**

Our prayers go out to the Gray family on the death of Jack. He died on Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

28 George Thompson  
29 Leone Arnemann  
Billy Hahnen  
1 Don Kieper  
Patti Homewood  
2 Betsy Franklin

**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 United Church of North India, The Most Rev. Dr. Prem Chand Singh - Moderator of CNI & Bishop of Jabalpur. In the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for the people and ministries of Holy Nativity, Jacksonport; Mashava Church District, Masvingo. In the St. Thomas cycle of prayer we pray for the Ministries involving Youth including Children's Ministry, Youth Ministry, AWANA, Nursery, Sunday School, VBS, and Boy Scouts.

# Announcements

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

Please respond to the Bishop's Annual Appeal 2020

<b>Vital Congregations</b> <i>GIVE</i> to your congregation. Please note gifts with “Bishop’s Annual Appeal”	<b>Prayer and Worship</b> <i>PRAY</i> for people of diocesan congregations with the Prayer Card that was mailed to you.	<b>Missionary Church</b> <i>GIVE</i> to UTO at <a href="http://diofdl.org/uto">diofdl.org/uto</a> or give through St. Thomas and we will pass it on.
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The Spring Ingathering of the United Thank Offering (UTO) has changed. During this pandemic we have had to change the format as we adopt to new ways of communicating. While June 14<sup>th</sup> was **UTO SUNDAY**, we could not worship together to present our blue boxes and envelopes, please send your contribution directly to the church, (putting **UTO** in the file line of your check). St Thomas contributions will be presented at the Eucharistic Festival.

The **UTO** is a ministry of the Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through **UTO**, individuals are invited to embrace and deepen a personal daily spiritual discipline of gratitude. **UTO encourages people to notice the good things that happen each day, give thanks to God for these blessings and make an offering for these blessings.** **UTO** is entrusted to receive the offerings and distribute 100% of the offerings. This pandemic years all offerings will be used locally (diocese or province) for COVID-19 relief.

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Looking for an easy way to give to St. Thomas? **Give online** or use our church app! You have been faithful in your giving and St. Thomas is weathering this time of Covid well. For those of you who are able, we hope you will continue to give, either by mailing your donation to

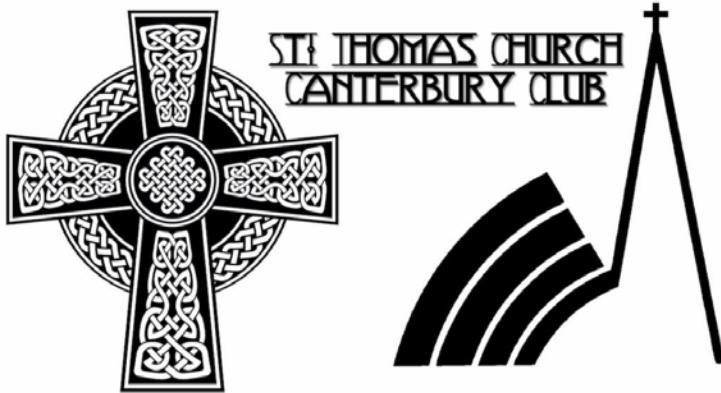
the church or by **giving online through the church website:** [stthomaswi.com/give](http://stthomaswi.com/give) or through the St. Thomas Church app. To give through the website simply click on the gold Give Online button on the Give page and fill out the pop-up form. Your gift can be a one time or recurring donation. You may give by using a credit card or your bank account. The fee for a \$20 donation using a credit card is 3% + \$.30 (\$.90) and for a bank account it is 1% + \$.30 (\$.50). You can cover the fees by clicking the box, which helps St. Thomas. You may also give through our church app. Download the church app from the website and click on Give and you will be taken to our giving platform website, Tithely, and simply follow the instructions.

**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



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**

**EVENTS THAT ARE CANCELLED** – Due to the Covid-19, some of our events will be cancelled until next year: Parish Picnic, Ice Cream Social and Fellowship Camp.



Forest Springs Camp. Like so many events throughout the state, nation and world, we are, unfortunately, having to cancel the 2020 St. Thomas Fellowship Weekend, held at Forest Springs Camp in Westboro. During these uncertain and unprecedented times, we feel it is best to forgo the event this fall and we will look forward to safely gathering again in the northwoods of Wisconsin in September 2021. Be sure to keep the first weekend after Labor Day open for the St. Thomas Fellowship weekend in fall of 2021!

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 and ask for a space with the St Thomas group. We have some sites set aside. There are also cabins available.

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



## 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** – Hopefully! It is with great joy and yet hesitant excitement that we announce the schedule for Summer D-Groups. During the school year, D-Groups gather at St. Thomas on Wednesday nights. However, during the summer, we get together at peoples' houses, or at area parks, or other amazing places. Obviously, with the COVID-19 numbers still not going down, we can't for 100% sure say that we'll be getting together this summer. BUT, check out the schedule which is posted on the website so you can see what it MIGHT look like once we HOPEFULLY get back together. [www.styg.com/d-groups](http://www.styg.com/d-groups)



**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**

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## Pastoral Care

Specialized Pastoral Counseling at St. 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 JUNE 2020

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

Praise God for:

- The way Honduran firemen responded to the brushfires that threatened our buildings
- The wonderful times of prayer & celebration that we have had with 60 people currently living at the Villa. We have completed a two week fast to pray for revival with many staff and children set free.

Prayer Requests:

- For things to open up in the country. Under strict lockdown we can only go out every 14 days.
- For funds to finish the construction of our chapel at the Villa
- For deliverance from a head lice plague

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

Praise God for:

- James' 18<sup>th</sup> birthday and graduation from High School and all those who have prayed and supported him over the years
- The Lord's grace to endure all the challenges of the worldwide pandemic

Prayer Requests:

- For Allen as he works to bring his thesis together with hope of submitting it by August and for relief of his back problems
- For clear guidance as we consider a wonderful ministry opportunity that has been presented
- For guidance and blessing as James takes a gap year before starting college
- For all those who serve on the front lines of Covid 19, the ill and vulnerable, the unemployed and those suffering despair

## 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)

Praise God for:

- The gift of friends who never grow tired of serving God at MMH by providing finances

Prayer Requests:

- For an end to COVID 19 so that children can return to school and learning
- For the children's/guardian relationships which has been affected due to lockdown
- For Class 8 and Form 4 children whose exams have been affected by COVID 19