



COVID-19 – WE continue to follow most of the rules that we have used successfully for 18 months:

Please wear a mask inside our facilities.

Wearing a mask is NOT a political statement – it is part and parcel of
LOVING YOUR NEIGHBOR as yourself

WHAT TO EXPECT ALL of us must follow the guidelines below:

Hands are to be cleansed upon entering the narthex.

No physical contact with persons, friends, or clergy members is allowed.

2-foot social distance is still required within the sanctuary.

Face Masks are to be used by everyone on the campus.

Thank you for your diligence

God's Blessings to All!
The Rev. Charles Cannon  +

**AS OUR NUMBERS INCREASE SO DOES OUR JOY
AT SEEING EACH OTHER AFTER SUCH A LONG HIATUS.
PLEASE KEEP YOUR CONVERSATIONS TO A WHISPER
UNTIL AFTER CHURCH OR AT COFFEE HOUR.**

**PEOPLE ARE PRAYFULLY PREPARING
FOR THE SERVICE. THANK YOU.**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME
TO JOIN OUR US AFTER THE SERVICE
FOR COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP
IN BROWNING HALL**

Saint Hilary's Episcopal Church
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 Phase II Office Hours: M-F, 9:00 AM–3:00PM
NOT CLOSED FOR LUNCH

St. Hilary's prayer list is published once a week, and included in the "Stay Connected" email. If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, please send a request to prayers@sainthilarys.org or call 239-936-1000 by Wednesday before 2:30 PM.

VESTRY

Margi Ehle, Senior Warden, Fred Leffingwell, Co-Junior Warden, Jim Walter, Co-Junior Warden, Margaret Lane, Treasurer and Vestry Member, Ray LaGrange, Assistant Treasurer and Vestry Member, Steve Barchers, Clerk and Vestry Member, Stefani Dougherty, Whitney Kearns, Kelly MacDonald, Ro Mathews, Clay Spikes

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HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

The people standing,

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

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.*

The Ministry of the Word

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Proverbs Proverbs 1:20-33

Bob Eagan

Wisdom cries out in the street;
in the squares she raises her voice.
At the busiest corner she cries out;
at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:
“How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?
How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing
and fools hate knowledge?
Give heed to my reproof;
I will pour out my thoughts to you;
I will make my words known to you.
Because I have called and you refused,
have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,
and because you have ignored all my counsel
and would have none of my reproof,
I also will laugh at your calamity;
I will mock when panic strikes you,
when panic strikes you like a storm,
and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,
when distress and anguish come upon you.
Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;
they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.
Because they hated knowledge
and did not choose the fear of the LORD,
would have none of my counsel,
and despised all my reproof,
therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way
and be sated with their own devices.

For waywardness kills the simple,
and the complacency of fools destroys them;
but those who listen to me will be secure
and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.”

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

Psalm 19

Rector

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the LORD is clear
and gives light to the eyes.

- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

A Reading from the Letter of James
James 3:1-12

Sybil Edgar

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the

likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

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

Gospel

 The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People *Glory be to thee, O Lord*

Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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

The Sermon

The Rev. A. Charles Cannon, III

The Nicene Creed

*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.*

The Prayers of the People

Gene Montooth

The Deacon or other person appointed says

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.

Lord, have mercy.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, To Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Dabney our own bishop, Francis, the Bishop of Rome, Bartholomew, the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Charles our Rector, all priests and deacons – especially Cynthia and Anne who serve the poor in Christ's name, 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.

Lord, have mercy.

For The Diocese of Southwest Florida – The Rt. Rev. Dabney T. Smith; Companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Companion Diocese of Georgia; Companion Diocese of South Carolina; Companion Diocese of Western Louisiana,

Lord, have mercy.

And in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Michael and All Angels, Sanibel; St. Monica's, Naples; St. Nathaniel's, North Port; St. Paul's, Naples; St. Paul's Wesley Chapel, St. Peter's Cathedral, St. Petersburg; St. Peter's, Plant City.

Lord, have mercy.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land; Joseph, our President, Kamala, our Vice-President, Ron, our Governor, and Kevin, our mayor, 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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Diocese of Southwest Florida Prayer for the Election of a Bishop

Please pray with me the Prayer for the election of a Bishop Coadjutor

Gracious God, as we walk by faith the shared journey of choosing a bishop for the Diocese of Southwest Florida, nurture within us discerning hearts and minds hopeful for possibilities yet to be revealed. Send to us a caring leader, we pray, who will uniquely delight in the abundant gifts of our diocese, and the beauty of this land, which so richly reflect your unity in diversity. Equip our human eyes and ears with divine recognition for the chief pastor of our diocese whom you have chosen to lead us in the ever-unfolding mission of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Confession of Sin

Deacon

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Minister and People

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.*

Celebrant

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.**

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**
The Peace is passed without touching

Blessings & Thanksgivings

The Offertory

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II

The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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.

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.***

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for 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 to thee, he broke 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 this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, 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, we thy people do celebrate and make, 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; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in 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 has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

*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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated
Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Fraction Anthem

*Jesus, Lamb of God:
have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins:
have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:
give us your
peace, give us
your peace.*

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion.
Everyone is welcome to come forward to receive a
blessing.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

People and Celebrant say

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

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The Deacon dismisses them with these words

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST 2021 Financials

Year-to-Date
Revenue: \$329,722
Expenses: \$290,585

Month-To-Date
Revenue: \$37,939
Expenses: \$28,950

TODAY'S COFFEE HOUR HOST IS DIANE REIF

AVERAGE SUNDAY ATTENDANCE FOR AUGUST

8:00 AM In Person Worship: 25
10:00 AM In Person Worship: 63 **Live Stream Worship: 212** **Total: 300**

This month's donation to the Harry Chapin Food Bank was 84 pounds
Thank you to Charles and Betty Finkbeiner

Tuesday Morning Bible Study will start on Tuesday, October 5, 2021. The topic will be The Book of Revelation and its Meaning in Western History. Congregation member David Myers, Professor Emeritus of Penn State University, serves as the resource person to assist in preparing individual lessons. Classes will meet in the Music Wing (the old Parish Hall adjacent to the Sanctuary) from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM. Exploration is underway to ascertain if participation by Zoom is feasible. For more information about the class and to register for it, contact Mary Richardson (239 – 281-2049); email mcrichardson@comcast.net. Late deciders are welcome at all sessions.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Due to COVID, we are not able to meet but please keep knitting! You can drop off any completed shawls at the church office. When we have enough, Fr. Charles will bless them. If you have any questions, let Chris know and she will relay them to me. Thank you, everyone, for your continued support. Nancy Terrell

Bishop's Visit: The Bishop is scheduled to visit St. Hilary's on January 16, 2022 at the 10:00 AM service. If you are interested in being received into the Episcopal faith, or being confirmed by the Bishop, please call the office at 239 936-1000 to register your name and schedule a meeting with Fr. Charles. All COVID protocols (ie masks and social distancing) will be observed.

Lifeline Screening will be at St. Hilary's on Wednesday, October 21, 2021, in Browning Hall. Lifeline offers a screening package for \$139 which includes five screenings: Carotid Artery/Plaque, Atrial Fibrillation, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, Peripheral Arterial Disease and Osteoporosis Risk Assessment. Call toll-free for appointment: 1-866-229-0469 or pick up a flyer in the narthex or Browning Hall.

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Call for Volunteers: If you have questions about the various volunteer opportunities at St. Hilary's, please call the office for more information. Anyone wishing to join the Hilary's Angel Crew may add their name to the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

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Blankets of Love is an outreach ministry for Saint Hilary's. The goal is to provide quilts to non-profits in the Fort Myer's area. If you know how to sew and would like to assist in piecing backs or adding labels, your assistance would greatly be appreciated. Also if you have a contact at a local charity that would use quilts in their work, please contact Ray LaGrange, Margi Ehle or Margaret Lane, or just contact the office.

Happy Birthday

James Pikell, Margaret Lane,
Janie Broadbent, Justin Sanford,
Janet Mutzabaugh

Happy Anniversary

Lori and Ray Uhrig

