

OCTOBER 2024

# THE MESSENGER

St. John's Episcopal Church, Lancaster PA



*Join Us*

*The Power of  
Warmth & Light*



SUNDAY **6** OCTOBER

8:00AM AND 10:15AM SERVICES

*Homecoming Celebration*

With a celebration in the Parish Hall  
Between the services and after the 10:15 service

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR



Dear St. John's,

Our program year is off to a phenomenal start! Sunday school is buzzing, worship continues to be a thin place for experiencing the divine, and opportunities to serve are plentiful. As we prepare to make our pilgrimage back into the sanctuary on October 6, your vestry has been hard at work living into their calls and we have an invitation for YOU! Each year, a new vestry class is raised up from among our community to share in the leadership of our parish. Members of the vestry, along with the rector, serve as spiritual leaders in their congregation.

The Episcopal Church Foundation identifies three responsibilities of the vestry, which guides our work together:

*Discerning God's call*  
*Identifying new leaders*  
*Stewarding and developing resources*

Discerning God's Call - The most important of our vestry responsibilities is discerning God's call as articulated in our mission and vision: GROW IN GOD. WITNESS IN LOVE. ACT IN SERVICE. Each congregation shares the common mission of the Church, but every congregation is uniquely called by virtue of its history, its neighborhood, and its people to live that mission in a particular way. Discerning God's call requires a willingness to know your congregation's history, its neighborhood, and its people and to listen to for the Holy Spirit's guidance.

Identifying New Leaders. - You might not immediately consider identifying new leaders as a vestry responsibility, but as a body charged with leading our parish in fulfilling God's call, our vestry attends to raising leaders who will faithfully lead ministries of the Church. The practice of identifying new leaders requires deep listening for the places where people's passion intersects with God's call.

Stewarding and Developing Resources - Ministries require physical, financial, and human resources. The vestry has the responsibility of maintaining the buildings, planning and tracking the budget, and nurturing the ministry of laity in the congregation.

If you have a listening heart, a desire to empower others, and the desire to serve as a leader of the parish, please see any of our current vestry members or clergy. We would love to discern the ministry of vestry with you!

I remain faithfully yours,  
Amanda+

## OCTOBER WITH FRANCIS



The life and ministry of Saint Francis of Assisi has been an inspiration to millions around the world. During the month of October, 2024, we will take a deep dive into learning more about this inspirational Saint. Each Sunday Adult Forums from 9:00-10:00am will be offered in the All Purpose Room and the children will be learning about Francis in Sunday School culminating on October 27 with a presentation in Church during the 10:15 service. Franciscan artwork will be in display all month.



**Friday, October 4 at 6:00 p.m.  
Feast Day of Francis of Assisi  
Blessing of the Animals in  
the Courtyard**

Bring a pet for a blessing, a photo or memory of a beloved pet, or a stuffed animal that has given you joy and comfort and receive a special blessing.



**Sunday, October 6  
Forum Topic: "Rebuild my  
Church"**

As the sanctuary at St. John's re-opens after months of closure due to construction, we remember God's message to Francis during his time of conversion when God spoke to Francis and told him to "Rebuild my Church". Br David Rutledge, CFC will share the story of the beginning of the Franciscan Movement.



**Sunday, October 13  
Forum Topic: "Franciscan  
inspired Ministry"**

We celebrate the ministry and witness of our Deacon, The Rev. Sr. Stacey Catigano, CFC as she transitions to new ministries. Sr Stacey will share with us her ministry as a Deacon and also a Franciscan.

## OCTOBER WITH FRANCIS CONTINUED



**Sunday, October 20**  
**Forum Topic: "Living in Community"**

Sister Anna Pruett, CFC, is a member of St Paul's Episcopal Church in Harrisburg and has been a Franciscan for many years in both the Third Order of the Society of St Francis and the Community of Francis and Clare. She will discuss her journey of faith as a Franciscan and how being in a Religious Community has shaped her life.



**Sunday, October 27**  
**Forum Topic: "How do I rebuild the Church?"**

As we wrap up this month of learning about Francis, we will look closely at the San Damiano Cross, its symbolism and meaning and make our own crosses as we attempt to answer the question asked of Francis, "How do I rebuild the Church?"

**BRING YOUR PET (LEASHED OR CAGED), FAVORITE STUFFED ANIMAL, OR PICTURE!**



**YOU ARE INVITED TO:**

## **THE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS!**

Join us as we give thanks for our pets, celebrate creation, and remember the ministry of St. Francis.

**WHEN: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 6:00 PM**  
**WHERE: ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH (COURTYARD)**  
**321 W. CHESTNUT ST., LANCASTER, PA 17603**

During the service, a free will offering will be collected for Lancaster City K-9 Unit.

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEACON

Beloved Friends,

Due to rising childcare costs, we decided as a family, it would be best if I took on a more active role in our grandchildren's lives. Our grandchildren live in Northern Virginia and between travel time from here to there and their school schedule, it is no longer feasible for me to continue my prison chaplaincy and be an active deacon. With our bishop's blessing, I am stepping away from both. My last day as your deacon will be October 13th.

I confess, I have mixed emotions about this new season in my life. I am incredibly grateful for this opportunity to spend more time with Ethan and Lily and yet, as grateful as I am to of been your deacon, my heart aches too. James and I will miss all your beautiful faces and warm hugs very much.

Our Bishop blessed me by assigning me to St. John's and Amanda+ blessed me by wanting a deacon. Bishop Audrey felt St. John's was the best fit for a new deacon because she knew St. John's knows how to do outreach. She was right. I learned so much from all of you! I learned how important building God's kingdom is beyond the steeple. I learned how valuable relationship building is and I learned that with Love, nothing for a community is impossible.

Please know I am not only a better deacon because of all of you but a better Christian. You have expanded my heart in ways I never knew needed expanding. James and I cannot thank you enough for your laughter, love and patience. We hope to visit you in the future as we are able and ask you to pray for us as grandparents.

In loving gratitude,  
Sr. Stacey & James Catigano



*Give Thanks*

Please join us on October 13th for a special coffee hour and celebration as we give thanks for Deacon Stacey and James!

## TLC TIPS AND NOTES

In Case You Missed It - In May, the Episcopal Church unveiled a new Pride shield for use “in affirmation and celebration of The Episcopal Church’s LGBTQ+ members”.

The accompanying statement is excerpted below:

“The design retains the upper-left blue corner of The Episcopal Church’s shield logo and incorporates elements of the traditional Pride flag as well as the Progress Pride flag and Philadelphia Pride flag. In their use of black, brown, pink, and light-blue diagonal lines, the latter two flags represent intersectional progress in acknowledging people who are often overlooked by the mainstream LGBTQ+ movement: communities of color; the transgender community; and the many thousands harmed by anti-LGBTQ+ policy—from those who lost their lives in the AIDS crisis of the 1980s and ‘90s, to those still disproportionately impacted today.

For half a century, Episcopalians have been working toward a greater understanding and radical inclusion of all God’s children. Resolutions from General Convention in 1976 recognized LGBTQ+ people as children of God with an equal claim to the pastoral care of the church and equal protection under the law. In 1994, General Convention amended the church’s canons to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation, providing equal access to the rites and worship of the church, including ordination. In 2015, General Convention voted to amend the canons that regulate marriage, permitting any couple the rite of holy matrimony.

In June 2023, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry issued a video message of encouragement to “all of my LGBTQ+ family members,” noting, “I believe deep in my soul that God is always seeking to create a world and a society where all are loved, where justice is done, and where the God-given equality of us all is honored in our relationships, in our social arrangements, and in law.”

Last month, the church announced the hire of its first gender justice staff officer, a new position called for by the 80th General Convention and dedicated to justice, advocacy, and inclusion work focused on women and LGBTQ+ people.

“In the United States, the bodily autonomy of women and trans people is under attack, and fully 50% of LGBTQ+ Americans live in poverty,” said Aaron Scott, gender justice staff officer. “I am grateful for the care and intention that went into designing this new Pride shield as it not only represents the LGBTQ+ community more fully, but also lifts those who, out of sheer necessity of survival and dignity, have fought the hardest and sacrificed the most for the thriving of all of us.”

TLC, Trans Loving Community, meets at St. John's the 1st Monday of each month from 4:30-6:00 p.m. in the parish hall.  
All are welcome to join us at any time!



## MUSINGS FROM THE ORGAN BENCH

I am excited to get back ON the organ bench as we return to the sanctuary on the first Sunday of October. In fact, I think I was able to play the organ about three times when I first started here at St. John's before the instrument...pipes and console...were put in their plastic wrap for the construction protection! The first time back to the organ will be at the Ordination on October 5 ...and then the "grand" entrance into our brightened sanctuary the next day.

The Chancel Choir is off to a great start with some of the "treasures" in our extensive choral library having been presented at the 10:15 morning worship. Even so...there is room for more in the choir!!! It would be great to have a full choir loft with just a few more singers!

The Bell Choir is off to its return to ringing as we practice in the auditorium. We have three octaves of bells, a good library of bell choir music and the hope that we can play once a month. Currently (\*less the Minister of Music) we have five ringers playing across 36 bells! Three more ringers (there is someone out there, I know, who could join us!) would make it possible to play what we have to work with. We will be playing as part of the accompaniment of the Mass of Creation near the end of October and an additional piece in November, and hopefully three pieces during the Advent Christmas season....Don't worry, we can teach anyone to ring the bells...with one or two hands!



A Word about the "Mass of Creation" which we will use during October and November: The ecumenical church celebrates the "Season of Creation", culminating with the Feast of St. Francis, on October 4th each year. For us, the blessing of the Animals take place on that same day. Through the month of October, in our Sunday School classes, Adult Forum and with the choir in worship, we remember that we are now in a "season of prayer and action" for the "protectors of our common home". Through the month of October, with Marty Haugen's "Mass of Creation", which remembers St. Francis and his ministry and through musical settings of St. Francis' prayer/poem, "All Creatures of our God and King" (Laudes Creaturarum) (Hymnal 1982 #400) we reaffirm our love for the natural world in all its expressions.

To add to the beauty of focusing on the words of music inspired by the, life of St. Francis, each Sunday in October, I will feature a grand organ piece based on the hymn "All Creatures of our God and King". And, to add to that, there will be a selection of icons of St. Francis. We will have several original icons of Francis on display as well as the original painting by local artist Freiman Stoltzfus who has painted his own interpretation of St. Francis.

## CAMPUS USAGE

Did you know that our campus is used 7 days a week? Over the past few years, we have welcomed various support groups, dance groups, theater groups, and other non profits to share our space. On any given day, you will likely to run into someone heading upstairs to the auditorium for a rehearsal or into the parish hall to learn about being a good steward of the earth. You'll meet instructors, neighbors, students, and community members - all here sharing this incredible place we call home. Currently, here is a list of the groups who meet here:

2 different NA groups  
2 different AA groups (one Spanish speaking)  
SLAA support group

Office space for Interfaith Power and Light  
Office space for Rafiki Africa  
Meeting space for Citizens' Climate Lobby group  
Power Pack food distribution for Fulton Elementary

Dance classes with Dance Mosaic  
Contra Dances

Rehearsal space for Penn Square Opera group  
Rehearsal and performance space for Orpheus Theater Group

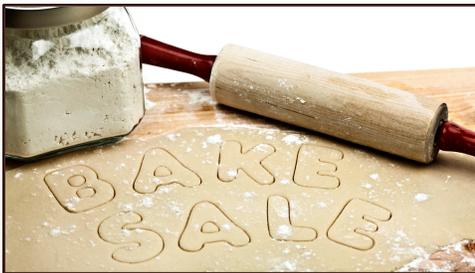
If you bump into someone on campus you don't know, please give them the St. John's welcome! Say hello, introduce yourself, and offer assistance if they need help finding their meeting space or restrooms.

In addition, if you notice the doors are unlocked please be aware it's because our doors are on a schedule monitored by our Property Manager, John Knouse, and Rental Volunteer, Pam Loose. Each week, they set the schedule for the groups using the space. There is no need to lock the glass doors because the system will lock them when scheduled. Thanks so much for making St. John's such a wonderful place to be and for welcoming our community to share in the incredible beauty of our campus!



## ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE

November 5, 2024 will be a huge day in our nation's history. It will also be a huge day in our courtyard as we welcome neighborhood voters to do the job. The annual Election Day Bake Sale will be in full swing by 6:30 AM as faithful voters jockey for position in the wait line. They will be excited (as will we) to support a candidate and will be in a great mood to buy baked goods to take home or to work. That's where YOU come in. Home made food items are the traditional offerings (cookies, brownies, muffins, breads, snack mixes). These are easy to carry away as most visitors are walkers. Whatever you can offer is appreciated. They will be "sold" for a donation (with the exception of some priced gourmet items), with the proceeds going to the students and families of Robert Fulton School.



Items can be brought to church on Sunday, 11/3, Monday, or directly to the courtyard on Election Day. It's important to have a good selection early, but enough to last through the day. See Sue Martin with questions (and to volunteer to be part of the excitement).

### ELECTION DAY PRAYERS

St. John's will be open for individual prayer all day on November 5. Please cast a prayer before you cast your ballot! We will also be offering Morning Prayer at 8 a.m.; Noonday Prayer at 12:00 p.m.; and Evening Prayer at 8:00 p.m. on election day!

### **For the Human Family**

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## FINANCIALS BY CHARLES WEAR, TREASURER

August is typically a low month for income, and this August was exceptionally so. Pledge receipts were \$11k below last year. Although expenses were also down, a draw of \$28.7k from our investment account was required to meet cash needs. This draw is the second from our endowment fund and fulfills the total budgeted amount for the calendar year. An additional draw of \$12.6k is budgeted from the restricted investment account and still available for future needs.

Capital gifts of \$13.4k were received in August, bringing the total receipts for the entire project to date, including gifts, loans and savings to \$735.7k. This represents about 60% of the total forecasted spend for the project. The first draw of \$150k was taken from our line of credit from Orrstown bank in August to address immediate accounts payable. We anticipate receiving a second \$100k loan from the Diocese in September (now received). In addition, another \$400k in pledges are currently outstanding.

### St. John's Episcopal Church Church Operating Income Statement

August 2024 vs 2023

Cash Basis in \$000's

	2023			2024		
	Actual Aug	Actual YTD	Budget Full Yr	Actual Aug	Actual YTD	Budget Full Yr
<b>Income</b>						
Pledge Income	\$36.8	\$298.7	\$415.0	\$25.9	\$310.3	\$428.4
Other Contributions	\$2.2	\$42.6	\$50.5	\$2.5	\$30.5	\$69.5
Investment Draws	\$0.0	\$30.0	\$63.6	\$28.7	\$53.7	\$66.3
Other Income	\$2.0	\$37.2	\$20.7	\$2.1	\$32.9	\$22.3
Income to Transfer	(\$0.6)	\$0.0	\$0.0	(\$2.8)	\$0.9	\$0.0
Jubilee	\$1.7	\$11.1	\$23.9	\$2.3	\$20.4	\$25.5
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$42.1</b>	<b>\$419.6</b>	<b>\$573.7</b>	<b>\$58.7</b>	<b>\$448.8</b>	<b>\$612.0</b>
<b>Expenses</b>						
Clergy	\$20.7	\$159.9	\$247.0	21.2	\$171.3	\$265.3
Lay Staff	\$8.0	\$66.2	\$116.5	7.3	\$70.4	\$102.6
Vestry/Finance/Comm	\$2.0	\$18.8	\$27.6	\$1.5	\$17.7	\$34.2
Utilities	\$3.1	\$33.5	\$39.2	\$2.6	\$28.5	\$41.6
Building Repairs & Supplies	\$8.7	\$25.2	\$33.6	\$1.5	\$19.5	\$33.1
Other Property	\$0.0	\$19.4	\$28.9	\$3.2	\$21.2	\$31.1
Worship/Ed/Community	\$0.5	\$26.0	\$17.2	\$2.7	\$36.5	\$13.8
Outreach	\$7.8	\$44.4	\$64.6	4.8	\$40.5	\$62.3
Jubilee	\$4.0	\$22.0	\$34.2	\$3.6	\$27.9	\$28.1
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$54.7</b>	<b>\$415.5</b>	<b>\$608.7</b>	<b>\$48.4</b>	<b>\$433.5</b>	<b>\$612.0</b>
<b>Net Total</b>	<b>(\$12.6)</b>	<b>\$4.1</b>	<b>(\$35.0)</b>	<b>\$10.4</b>	<b>\$15.3</b>	<b>\$0.0</b>

## AN INVITATION TO JOIN OUR SIBLINGS



*reverent | relevant | real*

Our Towards Racial Justice  
Small Group  
cordially invites you to join us  
for these upcoming events:



### Election Politics & its Impact on People of Color

Monday, September 23  
&  
Monday, October 28  
7:00 - 8:30 PM on Zoom

**Alana Reeves, Presenter**

Talking about politics can be tricky or uncomfortable, especially around issues of race. Maybe you've heard something in the news or online that you want to address, but you aren't sure where to start. We will provide a safe space for conversations from people with all different perspectives. Bring examples of awkward conversations you've had or talking points you aren't sure how to respond to. We'll workshop some ways through those moments.



### Book Study: The Sum of Us by Heather McGhee

November 25 (Ch. 1 & 2)  
December 23 (Ch. 3 & 4)  
January 27 (Ch. 5 & 6)  
February 24 (Ch. 7 & 8)  
March 24 (Ch. 9 & 10)

“McGhee embarks on a deeply personal journey across the country, tallying what we lose when we buy into the zero-sum paradigm—the idea that progress for some of us must come at the expense of others. But in unlikely places of worship and work, McGhee finds proof of what she calls the Solidarity Dividend: the benefits we gain when people come together across race to accomplish what we simply can't do on our own. It leaves us with a new vision for a future in which we finally realize that life can be more than a zero-sum game.”

**RSVP to: Kris Albert**  
**Kristen@LiveWorkSatisfied.com**  
**Questions? Call Kris: 717-371-2994**

**Join the meetings on Zoom:**  
**Meeting ID: 886 8767 3142**  
**Passcode: 956842**

# CRAFT MARKET & RAFFLE!

*Save the Date!*

*Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9-2pm*

*Sunday, Dec. 8 between services  
and after 10:15am service*

*Holiday*   
*Bazaar*  
*Craft Market and Raffles*

## October Maker's Workshops

*Make at a Workshop or at Your Convenience in Your Home!*

- Can you sew a straight line and hem?
- Can you paint a mason jar with glue and roll it in "snow"?
- Can you assemble plates into a tiered cupcake holder?
- Can you help finish craft items by transforming them into beautiful gifts?
- Can you help us "upscale" or "repurpose" donated items into exciting new gifts?



### Seamstresses and Sewers Work at Home!

Liz West is assembling complete kits — everything you need included — for making napkins, table runners, aprons and other items. Straight stitching and seams are pretty much all that is required! Can you help?

Please contact Liz West to get your kit or to learn more about the projects at [paullizwest@gmail.com](mailto:paullizwest@gmail.com).



### Woodworkers Who Enjoy A Challenge!

The Bazaar Committee would like to replicate this amazing wood Christmas tree. We have the original Christmas tree to provide a pattern for the job. We even have the wood!! Work at home at your convenience. Contact Marion at [mwear2016@outlook.com](mailto:mwear2016@outlook.com) for information or if you can help.



### "House of Cards" Paper Art Workshop

Karen Garon, an accomplished paper artist, will teach a group of 12 how to work with paper to create beautiful cards for the bazaar.

- Date is Saturday, October 26
- Time is 8:30-11:30 a.m. (break for light refreshments will be taken midway)
- Location: Auditorium at St. John's

Make 4 cards for the bazaar and a holiday tag for yourself to take home! All materials provided.



No cost for you but any donations are always appreciated.  
Contact Karen to RSVP for this event at [rkgaron@verizon.net](mailto:rkgaron@verizon.net).



*Stay Tuned for November  
Workshop Updates!*

Questions? Contact Marion Wear at [mwear2016@outlook.com](mailto:mwear2016@outlook.com)!

## CRAFT MARKET & RAFFLE CONTINUED...

### *Everyone Can Help with the Bazaar!*

*Do You Have Any of These Items at Home that You Would Like to Donate?*

We are looking for items you may have but no longer want or use that will help us offer many new innovative crafts at this year's Holiday Bazaar! We will be focusing on "Upcycling" and "Repurposing" crafts as well as on beautiful and imaginative gift finishing/presentation of the items.

- Do you have mismatched china plates (any size) or tea cups with saucers?



- Do you have mismatched or extra teaspoons in your kitchen drawers?



- Do you have mismatched mugs in your cabinets?

- How about attractive wrapping tissue paper, gift boxes, ribbon or white light strings?



- Are you updating your holiday or home décor? We need "Vintage Elegance" or high quality and unique items that can be upcycled or repurposed for the fair like pottery, vases, candlesticks, antique frames, stained glass, Christmas arrangements and more!



If you can help, we have a gray fabric collection box you can use to drop off these items in the Parish Hall next to our display. Thank you so much for your generous support!

## GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP CHALLENGE

In 1967, Nigeria was in the midst of a devastating civil war. But when soccer legend Pele and his team of Brazilian greats visited the country to play a match, both sides immediately agreed to a truce so they could watch the legend in action. The military even opened heavily guarded checkpoints so that people could make their way to the big game.....think about it....Jesus sat at table with friends and enemies... can't we do the same and start with real talking?

Don't "Trick" but "Treat" those in your midst with anything, even a smile counts.

### **Global Partnership Challenge for October 6th Feast of St. Francis - October 4th**

"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love." St. Francis was born in the 12th Century and is known as the patron saint of animals and the environment. Let us be caring of both.

### **Global Partnership Challenge for October 13th**

In many places in Europe, the number "13" is not scary but rather "sacred". Think of this - 12 + 1 ...Disciples Plus Christ

We are ALL God's Children and time to be caring and kind to ALL.

### **Global Partnership Challenge for October 20th**

"God is always present - it is us who are missing." Cynthia Bourgeaut, PhD

The third Saturday of each month, St. John's people gather in community to set up, cook, and serve breakfast to those in community much less fortunate with no questions, just acceptance. While it's a caring gift to them, it also fills our hearts.

### **Global Partnership Challenge for October 27th**

While we are buying to fill Trick or Treat bags, don't forget the food bags going out the doors everywhere to those not brave enough to come to your house.

Any gifts to the Food Pantry will help our siblings in need.



## BIRTHDAYS

Malcolm Young	3
Andy Mausolf	4
Nicole Pham	5
Karen Di Pace	7
Helena Carroll	8
Phyllis Gbur	11
Bart Smallwood	14
Andrei Latshaw	15
Lenwood Jackson	15
Conor Brenton	18
Ed Gordon	19
Merle Schnee	19
Robbin Hobbins	19
Roy Keeler	20
Anne Almy-Webber	23
Tracy Cliff	23
Ken Smith	23
Laurel-Jeane Williams	23
Kathleen Magbag	24
Tom Bond	26
Sue Martin	27
Patrick Lamb	27
Maggie Springer	28
Tom Stonerook	29
Amelia Dissinger	30

## ANNIVERSARIES

Julie & David Rodriguez	3
Dan & Priscilla Farmer	9
Ned & Sandra Grove	12
Ty & Carole Humphrey	28

## OUR FRIENDS AT HOME

Ellen Keller, Nancy Nemith, Ricky Smith, Joanna Sweeney, Al Kuser, Mary Sue Farmer, Ellen Sellers, Edith Kane, Merle Schnee, Carol Greenfield, Sandy Grove, Carole Humphrey, Darlene Bentley, Peggy Zuke

## SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Alex Kelly, Brooks Morgan, Brian Hobbins, Joshua Watkins, Kirby Kinderwater, Kyle Kinderwater, David Wolfe

## CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Pat Pankey, Kent Strickler, Nancy Strasburg, Justin & Lisa, Ella, Kevin, Judy Modene, Andrew Gilpin, Cheryl & Rhoda, Ted Griswold, Richard Anderson, Collin, Liz Kryder Reid, Eileen Waite



Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts, may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>29</b> <i>Coffee hour after each service</i> 8:00am Holy Eucharist: Rite I 9-15am Sunday School 10-15am Holy Eucharist: Rite II	<b>30</b> 12:00pm NA 5:00pm Stewardship Committee Meeting 7:00pm SLAA 7:30pm Men's Bible Study	<b>1</b> 1:30pm Martha's Ministry 2:30pm Food Pantry 5:00pm Executive Committee 6:00pm AA (AP)	<b>2</b> 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing 12:00pm NA 5:30pm <b>Adult Forum</b> 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>3</b> 9:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am Worship Committee 1:00pm AA 2:30pm Food Pantry 7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal	<b>4</b> Rector's Day Off 12:00pm NA 6:00pm <b>Blessing of the Animals!</b>	<b>5</b> 11:00am <b>Ordination of Luke Sells</b> 1:00pm AA
<b>6</b> Birthdays & Anniversaries <i>Coffee hour after each service</i> 8:00am Holy Eucharist: Rite I 9:00am Adult Forum 9-15am Sunday School 10-15am Holy Eucharist: Rite II	<b>7</b> 12:00pm NA 4:30pm Trans Loving Community 6:00pm Ministries Council 7:00pm SLAA 7:30pm Men's Bible Study	<b>8</b> 1:30pm Martha's Ministry 2:30pm Food Pantry 4:00pm Finance Committee 6:00pm AA (AP)	<b>9</b> 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing 12:00pm NA 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>10</b> 9:00am Staff Meeting 1:00pm AA 2:30pm Food Pantry 6:00pm Lancaster Convocation Meeting 7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal	<b>11</b> Rector's Day Off 12:00pm NA	<b>12</b> 10:00am Voyager's Meeting 12:30pm Citizen's Climate Lobby Group 1:00pm AA
<b>13</b> <i>Coffee hour after each service</i> <b>Deacon Stacey's Last Sunday</b> 8:00am Holy Eucharist: Rite I 9:00am Adult Forum 9-15am Sunday School 10-15am Holy Eucharist: Rite II	<b>14</b> Office Closed 12:00pm NA 6:00pm Caring Ministry Meeting 7:00pm SLAA	<b>15</b> 1:30pm Martha's Ministry 2:30pm Food Pantry 6:00pm AA (AP)	<b>16</b> 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing 12:00pm NA 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>17</b> 9:00am Staff Meeting 1:00pm AA 2:30pm Food Pantry 7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal	<b>18</b> Diocesan Convention (State College) Rector's Day Off 12:00pm NA	<b>19</b> Diocesan Convention (State College) 9:00am Community Breakfast (First Reformed) 1:00pm AA
<b>20</b> <i>Coffee hour after each service</i> 8:00am Holy Eucharist: Rite I 9:00am Adult Forum 9-15am Sunday School 10-15am Holy Eucharist: Rite II with Baptism 12:00pm Vestry Meeting	<b>21</b> 12:00pm NA 7:00pm SLAA	<b>22</b> 1:30pm Martha's Ministry 2:30pm Food Pantry 6:00pm AA (AP)	<b>23</b> 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing 12:00pm NA 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>24</b> 9:00am Staff Meeting 1:00pm AA 2:30pm Food Pantry 7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal	<b>25</b> MESSENGER DUE Rector's Day Off 12:00pm NA	<b>26</b> 10:00am The Celebration of Life and Ministry of Glenda Broad 1:00pm AA
<b>27</b> <i>Coffee hour after each service</i> 8:00am Holy Eucharist: Rite I 9:00am Adult Forum 9-15am Sunday School 10-15am Holy Eucharist: Rite II	<b>28</b> 12:00pm NA 5:00pm Stewardship Committee Meeting 7:00pm SLAA	<b>29</b> 1:30pm Martha's Ministry 2:30pm Food Pantry 6:00pm AA (AP)	<b>30</b> 12:00pm Holy Eucharist with Healing 12:00pm NA 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	<b>31</b> 9:00am Staff Meeting 1:00pm AA 2:30pm Food Pantry 7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal	<b>1</b> Rector's Day Off 12:00pm NA	<b>2</b> 8:00am AIDS Memorial Garden Cleanup 1:00pm AA