



Saint Patrick's Episcopal Church

The Sunday News

April 26, 2015

COLLECT FOR THE DAY – THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR B

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSONS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR B

Acts 2:42-47

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is ‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.’ There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 10:11-18

Jesus said, “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Psalm 23

1. The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
2. He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
3. He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for
his Name's sake.
4. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death, I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
5. You spread a table before me in the presence of
those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
6. Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Vestry

Jan Krumel – <i>Parish Life</i>	664-6256
Pete Sale – <i>Outreach</i>	928-7835
John Ritter – <i>Financial Stewardship</i>	754-7379
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Mark Stehle – <i>Building and Grounds</i>	360-4694
John Syme – <i>Worship Support</i>	770-8317

Staff

The Rev. Mark S. Forbes, *Rector*
The Rev. Dr. Sally Brower, *Assisting Rector*
Beryl Frey, *Parish Administrator*
Julie Lynch, *Financial Secretary*
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Stacey Fox, *Children's Director*
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Office Hours

9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Monday through Thursday

COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Celebrant: Living God, be strongly present with _____ as she delivers communion to _____.
People: **May hearts be kindled, bodies restored, and hope enlivened. Our prayers go with you.**

THIS WEEK AT SAINT PATRICK'S

Sunday, April 26	9:30 a.m.	Lectionary Bible Study	Youth Room
Monday, April 27	6:30 p.m.	Vestry Meeting	Library
	6:30 p.m.	EfM	Youth Room
Tuesday, April 28	6:00 p.m.	Centering Prayer	Sanctuary
Wednesday, April 29	9:30 a.m.	Midweek Eucharist	Sanctuary
	10:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer	Sanctuary
	11:40 a.m.	Preschool Chapel	Sanctuary

Welcome to our Visitors and Newcomers

We are happy to have you with us. This service is part of our ongoing life of worship, learning and service. We are here to deepen our relationship with God and with one another, and to explore how to live our lives more fully and compassionately. Please know that you are invited to participate in all aspects of our worship, most importantly by sharing with us in our common meal at God's Table.

We invite you to continue the journey with us; ask questions, attend our educational offerings, participate in the activities of this community. We invite you to return again next week for Eucharist at 8:30 or 10:30 a.m. Please be aware that we offer a nursery for children ages three and under. The nursery is located just down the hallway in the education wing.

Those persons serving our community this morning:

8:30 - Acolyte/Lector/LEM: Steve Messick.

10:30 a.m. - Chalice Bearers: Wes Bryant, Jon Ramsey; Lectors: Steve Messick, Linda Bashaw; Psalm and POP: Linda Simowitz; Acolyte Leader: Ron Gimla; Altar Guild: Colleen Mulcahy, Jon Ramsey; Lay Minister of Healing: Jane Pope; Ushers: Bob, and Alex Gourley; Mark and Chris Hatley; Greeters: Carol Miller, Sandy Palmer, John Syme; Counters: John Azali, Julie Lynch; Coffee Hour Team: Rosemary Bramigk, Jan Lamm; Nursery: Judy Willingham; Children's Chapel: Ann Hales, Kari Caron.

ALTAR GREENERY GIVEN BY STACEY AND MIKE FOX

The greens on the pedestal in front of the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Stacey and Mike Fox. They are given in honor of their son Aidan's 13th birthday.

FLOWERS IN THE NARTHEX

The flower arrangement in the Narthex this morning is given to the glory of God by Margie Ridgeway. They are given in loving memory of her husband, Loren Richard Ridgeway, and in honor of her daughter, Renee D'Ann Ridgeway.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

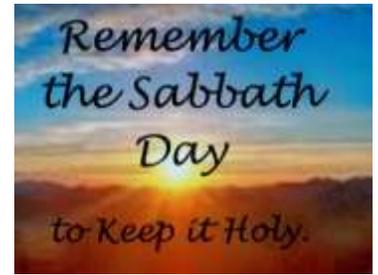


ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY – NEXT WEEK – MAY 3RD

Please join us next Sunday, May 3rd as we celebrate the twenty-fourth anniversary of Saint Patrick's! We will observe the occasion with an outdoor service followed by our annual parish picnic. Please wear comfortable clothes to church that day and plan to celebrate with us! Grilling meats will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share. Also please remember to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets to sit on. There will be a small seating section available for those who forget, or for those who require more stable seating. Come and join in the fun and fellowship!

SABBATH AT SAINT PATRICK'S: APRIL 22 – AUGUST 4

You are invited to deepen your own experience of spiritual rest while our rector is on sabbatical. The goal is to help re-pattern the rhythm of our lives from one of driven/escape to ministry/Sabbath. Choosing a Sabbath day and keeping it holy, set apart, allows us time to reconnect with God, ourselves, our loved ones, and creation. Each week we will publish an inspirational quote and spiritual practice for you to try. There will be an ongoing link to a piece of meditative music from our music director and a reminder calendar to help guide your chosen Sabbath day. Additionally, if you sign up for spiritual guidance through email, you will receive a special email address where you can ask questions of our associate rector and share stories of your weekly experience. You will also receive a once weekly email to provide spiritual guidance based on our community Sabbath keeping experience. You may sign up at any time during the 15 weeks. Sign up via the Weekly Reminders, which goes out every Thursday.



VESTRY ANNOUNCES NEW MEMBER!



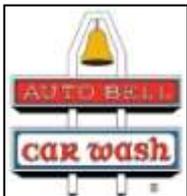
The Vestry is pleased to announce that John Ritter has discerned a call to serve on the Vestry. John will assume the position of Vestry Leader for Financial Stewardship that was vacated by a resignation earlier in the year. You can read John's bio in the Weekly Reminders. He will be a great asset to the Vestry and Saint Patrick's.

SOLAS LEIGHIS CONCERT SERIES – MAY 17

Jim Hurst is returning to Saint Patrick's on Sunday, May 17th at 7:00 p.m. Jim combines savvy guitar picking, broad vocal range and a musical eclecticism that culminates in jaw-dropping performances. The event includes a wine and cheese reception so if you are planning to attend, please bring a finger food to share. Tickets at the door: \$15 adults and \$10 student/seniors. For more details visit our website at www.saint-patricks.org



YOUTH SELLING AUTO BELL CARWASH COUPONS



The Youth Pilgrims have begun selling Auto Bell Car wash coupons to benefit the Summer 2015 Pilgrimage. Cost of each ticket good for an interior and exterior cleaning is \$16.00 (the same as you pay at the carwash) of which we get to keep \$7.99. We will offer the tickets for the month of April and possibly early May. Please support this effort and get a clean car to boot.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Inspiring and cultivating sacred connections with God and one another
as we embrace diversity of spiritual thought, practice and being.

Inspire-Connect-Embrace-Share

PULSE OF VISION AND MISSION

We are called in our Mission to embrace diversity of spiritual thought, practice and being. Doing so, fourteen parishioners participated recently in a series of meditation classes comprising eight hours of sessions held by Dr. Karen Oldham here at St. Patrick's. The class enabled and encouraged them to include the practice of daily meditation in their path of spiritual growth.