

ST. DUNSTAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, ELLSWORTH

TID BITS FROM THE TABLE ~ SEPTEMBER 9, 2022

Dear ones,

Well, Aaron's back now (after two weeks and change)! Turns out, DC is still as hot as we all remembered...

Arthur had the time of his life on Sunday, seeing all his church friends as he always calls you. The highlight for him was actually not even the ice cream party (although as Liz can attest that was a truly exciting part of the day), but physically being in church with you. He's waited for a long time to do that, and I get the feeling it was every bit as wonderful as he thought it would be. Thank you for making the day so special for him.

On Thursday, he starts school. He's been telling all our neighbors and all his friends about it. Yesterday he went "back to school shopping" as he needed a lunchbox (we don't own any), a thermos (same reason) and some base layers that actually fit him. As we know, it's a real privilege even to be able to do back to school shopping. We don't take that lightly. Nor do we take lightly the fact that we feel comfortable sending him to school at this point in the pandemic.

He'll be in outdoor school, running around with other kids all day, one day a week. He could not be more excited. And I'm so happy and excited for him. This dear little boy is getting a little bigger each day, and his world is getting a little bigger with him, at a pace that's right for our family.

Thank you for making Sunday so wonderful for him. Here's to this Sunday all together at church, virtually and in person!

With love,
Carolyn+

We will be forming a **Safety Team**, who will collaborate **to produce an Emergency Evacuation Plan** for our parish. Our first meeting will be in a few weeks (day and time TBD), at the church, with local law enforcement who will do a walk-through with us and identify opportunities for additional protection for our parish.

If you have interest/experience/training and feel called to join the Safety Team, please contact Carolyn (carolynkrosen@gmail.com).

OFFERTORY!

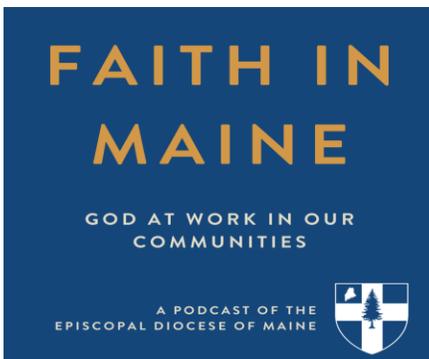
"Ascribe to the Lord the honor due His name; bring offerings and come into his courts." Psalm 96:8

Now that we are in church, your pledges or offerings need not be sent in. You have been so wonderful in sending them in and can continue to do so if it best for you. At this time we do not feel that passing the offertory plate would be wise. We have placed an offertory plate on the back table for your convenience to place your offering, requests for prayers and flower envelopes. Thank you for your support.

"Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord."

Affirmation Prayer

God Calls me out of darkness to live in light,
God calls me out of falsehood to live in truth,
God calls me out of despair to live in hope,
God calls me out of fear to live in trust,
God calls me out of hate to live in love,
God calls out of war to live in peace,
I am called by God to fill my heart, my world,
my universe, with peace, peace, peace. Amen.



Faith in Maine:

This is a podcast produced by our Episcopal Diocese with various members of the clergy giving their thoughts and prayers. The podcast changes each week. Feel free to call and listen.

You can call 207-223-6402 at any time. They usually last approximately 4-5 minutes.

One Loving Family

Loving God of Peace: On this anniversary of unbelievable sorrow, comfort those who mourn, and guide our hearts toward healing and hope. Remind us of the love of Christ, love which leapt over cultural and ethnic boundaries to feed the hungry, seek the lost and care for the least. Make of Your children, no matter how we name You, one human family, bound together in the work of justice and peacemaking. Make us one with the Light that shines in the darkness and illumines a path toward understanding and reconciliation. Let love be our genuine call. Amen.

- Rev. Dr. Jacqueline Lewis

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for Good Shepherd, Rangeley, and St. Nicholas', Scarborough. We pray especially for all Christian Education and Sunday School programs.

We Pray Especially For: Beryl Kirkpatrick, Caiden Chattin, Gage Chattin, Briana Chattin, Noah Gurwitz, Calab Chastain, Natalie Beaver, Sharon St. Claire and Meg Stevens for strength, comfort, and healing. Prayers for the repose of the souls of Robert Dickens and Queen Elizabeth, and comfort for their family and friends.

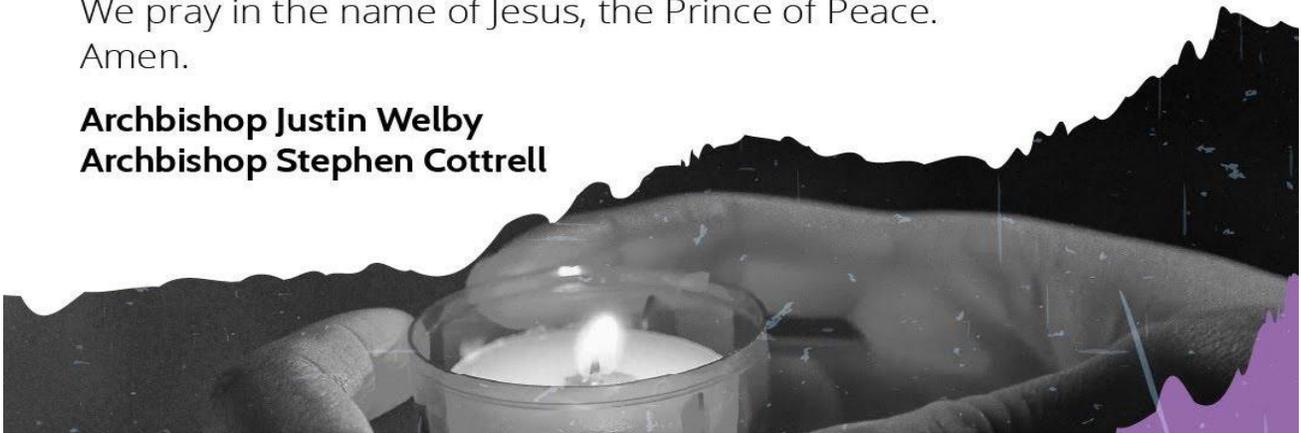
If you would like to add someone to the prayer list or continue a name on the list, please let us know at stdunstansellsworth@gmail.com or leave a message at the church (667-5495). Prayer requests will remain for three weeks.

It is important to us that the list be up-to-date and accurate.
To everyone, please stay well and safe. Blessings to you all.

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Archbishop Justin Welby
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



Fellowship Hour



Each Sunday it does not rain, we are having **Fellowship Hour** (outside only) following the service. Everyone is encouraged to **sign up on the sheet on the corkboard** next to the kitchen in the Undercroft. Nothing fancy, just have fun and make it as easy on yourself as you like. We have lemonade and punch drink mixes in the upper cabinet to the left of the refrigerator, drink containers over the sink which can be used for water as well, plenty of blue plastic glasses that are washed and put back in the upper cabinet marked "glasses" to the left of the stove, ice in the ice maker, and napkins in the upper cabinet near the door from the kitchen to the Undercroft room. Baked goods can be prepackaged or available by individual servings for Covid safety. A table for serving can be taken from the Undercroft and put back at the end. Please be sure the blue plastic glasses do NOT get thrown out. **If no one signs up, no Fellowship Hour.**

Enjoy, have fun, and help us welcome the community to our church!

~ UPCOMING WORSHIP / EVENTS SCHEDULE ~

At this time the Sunday services will be both in church following safe practices and via Zoom. Compline is every Thursday at 7:00p.m via Zoom

The sanctuary is open for quiet reflection and prayer on Mondays 2-4.

Coffee Hour this week: ??

September 11 ~ Holy Eucharist: 9:30

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September 18 ~ Holy Eucharist: 9:30

September 25 ~ Morning Prayer: 9:30 w/ Diana Gazis

October 2 ~ Holy Eucharist: 9:30

October 23 ~ Bishop Brown's visitation: 9:30

**Happy Birthday to Wendy Barcomb
and Mimi DeVries! Enjoy!**



History of Our Beloved Hymns

From time-to-time Herbert Beckwith will write about the history of a hymn that we have sung in our services. Keep your eyes open for this wonderful addition.

[This week we present two histories rather than one as it seemed interesting to show together one hymn which is brand new to us and to our hymnal as well as one so well known that it has appeared in dozens of hymnals and has become almost a necessary standard hymn to sing in Thanksgiving season.]

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME, 450 & 451

Tune: 450, Coronation
451, Miles Lane

The hymn text “All hail the power...” with the tune “Coronation” is among the most popular hymns among Episcopalians. Text and tune are of 18th century origin and have been associated since then. The first stanza appeared anonymously in 1779, and the complete hymn text, attributed to Edward Perronet, appeared in 1780. A much altered version was published in 1787 by John Ripon. A version combining those of Perronet and Ripon appeared to Episcopalians in 1865. With minor changes this appears in 1982, set to two tunes, both of which were in the 1940 hymnal.

“Coronation was composed by Oliver Holden and published in 1793 with the Perronet text. It is said to be the most used of 18th century American hymn tunes. It has been matched with this hymn text since the tune was published in 1793. This matching appeared in many hymnals including musical versions of our 1871 hymnal. “Miles Lane is used for 451 and has been associated with the Perronet text since 1779. The Tucker musical edition of the 1892 hymnal contained this tune with this text. The present harmonization comes from the 1916 hymnal.

DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND, 652 & 653

Tune: 652, Rest
653, Repton

This hymn comes from the concluding stanzas of John Greenleaf Whittier’s poem “The Brewing of Soma which describes the brewing of an intoxicating drink called Soma. The last six stanzas are a prayer for Christians which begins “Dear Lord and Father ...” The poem was written to be read and was never thought of as a hymn. Whittier himself reportedly said “ I am not really a hymn writer ... I know nothing of music.” W. Garrett Horder adapted five stanzas as a hymn in a book in 1884. This hymn entered our hymnal in 1916 Five of these stanzas were adapted as a hymn by W. Garrett Horder in a 1884 book by him. The tune “Rest” is by Frederick Maker, a late Victorian

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composer of hymn tunes, and was used for this hymn in one of its first British appearances in 1887, and came with the hymn to our hymnal in 1916. In the current 1982 hymnal a second tune, “Repton” by Charles Hubert Hastings Parry has been added, Parry was a significant figure in late 19th century English music and was a prolific composer.

Again I present here two rather than just one hymn history, the first because it is said to be a favorite among us Episcopalians, and the other because Diana and I grew up singing it on Sundays in church. We came to call it “one of Father White’s favorites.



Church Flowers

Now that St. Dunstan’s Church is having weekly in-person services, we have begun to decorate with flowers on the altar again. There is a flower sign-up sheet on the offertory table at the rear of the sanctuary, along with flower envelopes and the silver collection plate.

Please be sure to write your name and your dedication for an available date on the sign-up sheet. For those who would like the church to order flowers, please fill out the flower envelope and place it with cash or check in the collection plate.

Flowers are ordered from the Bud Connection for \$30 each, but we must return the vases. We welcome home grown flower arrangements, too, but you must sign up for the date.

The “**Holiday Fair Committee**” will meet on Zoom on Thursday, September 15th at 4 pm. Plans are underway to support our community outreach; we will support THAW again this year. Our fair is scheduled for November 12, 2022. Please email Carol Mason for a Zoom link to join us. cm_mason@msn.com. Looking forward to seeing you all!

If you can’t make this meeting but want to join the committee or contribute, please email me and let me know! Thank You, Carol



Priest - Rev. Dr. Carolyn Rosen
Deacon - Rev. Tracy Shaffer
Senior Warden - Dianne Kelley
Deputy Senior Warden - Liz Graves
Junior Warden - Kim Peterson

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Rain is in the church office Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8 – 9 am