

St. Mary's Whitechapel Episcopal Church
Trinity Episcopal Church
5940 White Chapel Road
Lancaster, VA 22503

May 2021

The Good News

Thoughts from the Garden

"Everything's Coming up Hopeful!"

Beloved communities of Trinity and St. Mary's Whitechapel Churches,

This spring has been one of the prettiest I can remember. The temperatures have warmed but not too much, allowing us sunny days, occasional rain, and still cool nights. And the flowers and plants have responded with joy! Blooming and blooming with gusto, the cool temps allowing each blossom to open slowly and then last many days, bringing joy to all!

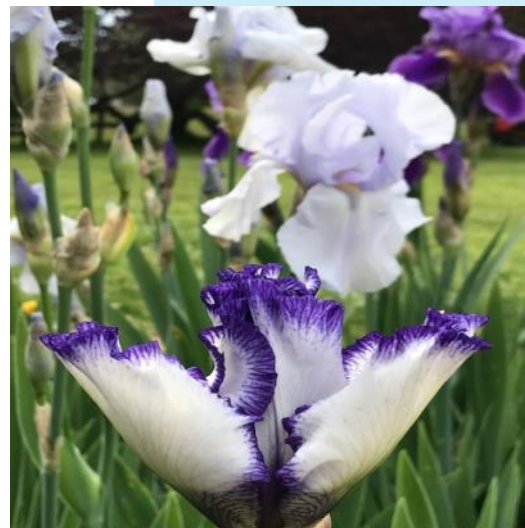
I suspect that this spring has also been one of the prettiest I can remember, because it has occurred along with the slowing and waning of the pandemic. After more than a year, we can feel hopeful with the arrival of vaccines and the ability to gather safely again.

And as the flowers have been blooming slowly, we have been returning to gathering indoors slowly, first for worship, and now, I am happy to report for other activities.

Starting in June the following activities will resume:

The church office will reopen. Of course, during the pandemic, Paula Stallard departed after three years as our Parish Administrator, and Deb Lockhart and Nancy O'Shaughnessy were hired as our co-Parish Administrators. With different staff our hours have changed.

Deb and Nancy will be in the office on Tuesdays, 10:30am-3:30pm, beginning June 1st. If you need their help with a problem or project, contact them ahead of time or drop by on a Tuesday.



The Chair Yoga class at SMWC will start meeting again on Fridays at 11am, beginning June 4th. We will still be socially distanced and masked so our numbers will be limited. Please contact Megan if you'd like to attend.

The Line Dancing class at SMWC will start meeting again on Fridays at 10am, beginning June 4th. We will still be socially distanced and masked so our numbers will be limited. Please contact Megan if you'd like to attend.

The Book Group that meets at SMWC will resume meeting in person on Friday June 4th at 12:30pm. The group has just started reading the book *Morality: Restoring the Common Good in Divided Times* by Jonathan Sacks. This group has met for over 20 years, and consists of folks from both churches, as well as the larger community. The group has intentionally had no leader for all of its history, but Megan does attend, so if you want to know more, you can contact her.

As spring turns to summer, hopefully the COVID numbers will continue to drop, and other activities can resume. See the article in this newsletter on the Trinity Pavilion for updates on when it will be ready to reopen!

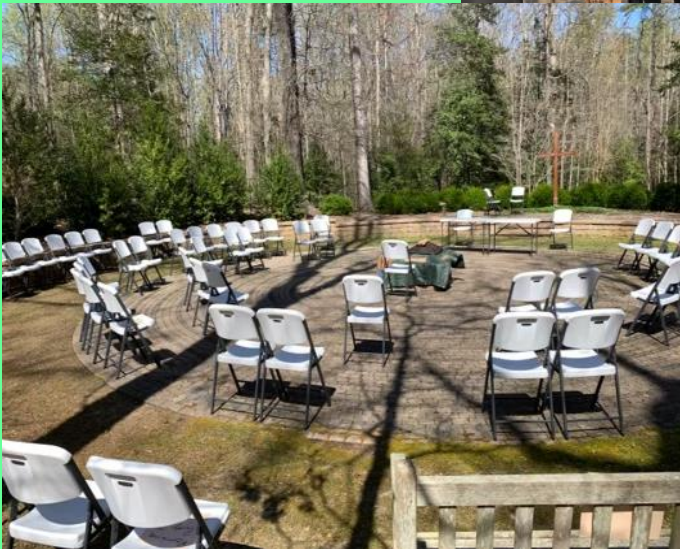
Everything is indeed coming up hopeful! May we treasure each opportunity to gather, and may we never take the blessing of being together for granted again.

Spring blessings to all,

Megan



Easter Highlights



Trinity Pavilion Update

The renovation of the Trinity Pavilion continues with dry wall going in, duct work installed for the HVAC system, insulation ready to install, and the plumbing and electrical done. The commercial grade kitchen is coming together, and appliances have been ordered. Our contractors, the well-named Trinity Construction are hopeful that the renovations will be completed by late June/early July.

The Trinity Vestry are tentatively planning for a dedication service and grand reopening of the Pavilion on Saturday, July 31st. The day will begin with a service of thanksgiving and dedication for this renovation project. We will thank God for all the ways the Pavilion can serve as a community resource, especially as the new home of the River Road Food Pantry. The festivities will continue with food, music and the return of the Trinity Treasures Yard Sale! Hold the date on your calendar; Trinity will confirm as the construction project gets closer to completion.

May/June Birthdays and Anniversaries

St. Mary's White Chapel:

Karen Woodruff, May 4; Jean DeFilippo, May 12; Ernie Greene, May 13; Randy Romaine, May 25; Rita Theisen, June 3; Ursula O'Bryhim, June 16; Ed Ramsey, June 16; Jane Henley, June 17; Jane Fortin, June 22; Warren Hottle, June 29
Anniversaries – Lucy and Warren Hottle, May 10; Ed and Sue Ramsey, June 15

Trinity:

Finn Pollard, May 2nd; Allen Cornwell, May 3rd; Karen Woodruff, May 4th; Jonathan Chilton, May 11th; Hope Hayden, May 11th; Milton Kingsbury, May 13th; Owen Christopher, May 22nd; Spencer Cammarata, May 24th; Jenny Dunaway, May 24th; Jamie Hayden, June 12th; Jodie Hayden, June 12th; Alexis Hayden, June 15th; Cole Hayden, June 15th; Dinny Jackson, June 23rd; Julian Cornwell, June 24th; Curtis Walker, June 30th
Anniversary - Carter and Cheryl Christopher, May 19th, Janet and Jay Davenport, May 20th Gwen and Stan James, June 16th; Diane and Dukie Smith, June 18th

Submit Articles to

The Good News

With the resumption of our monthly Good News Newsletter, you are invited to submit an article for the newsletter. As activities continue to resume, feel free to write an article and send it to Nancy and Deb, our co-Parish Administrators at :
stmarys.whitechapel@gmail.com

The Good News will be published monthly on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. The deadline for articles for the June newsletter will be June 1st.



Mailed Copies of Bulletins:

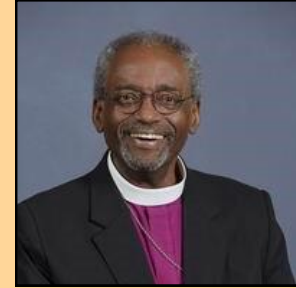
We are happy to mail Sunday bulletins to anyone who is unable to make it to church due to illness, age, or lack of transportation. If you know of anyone who would like to receive the bulletin either by mail or email, please contact the church office at 804-462-5908 or stmarys.whitechapel@gmail.com.

May Events

Thurs., 5/13	11:00	River Road Food Pantry	SMWC
Thurs, 5/27	1:00 pm	Vestry	SMWC

June Events

Fri., 6/4	10am	Line Dancing	SMWC
	11am	Chair Yoga	SMWC
	12:30pm	Book Club	SMWC
Tues., 6/8	6:00	Vestry	Trinity
Thurs., 6/10	11:00am	River Road Food Pantry	SMWC
Fri., 6/11	10am	Line Dancing	SMWC
	11am	Chair Yoga	SMWC
	12:30pm	Book Club	SMWC
Fri., 1/18	10am	Line Dancing	SMWC
	11am	Chair Yoga	SMWC
	12:30pm	Book Club	SMWC
Thurs., 6/24	1:00 p.m.	Vestry	SMWC
Fri., 6/25	10am	Line Dancing	SMWC
	11am	Chair Yoga	SMWC
	12:30pm	Book Club	SMWC



“Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive; built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

– **Michael Curry, Crazy Christians: A Call to Follow Jesus**



Celtic Spirituality.....come to Shrine Mont and hear John Philip Newell in person

John Philip Newell, the renowned author and teacher of Celtic Spirituality, returns to Virginia and will be teaching 2 workshops at Shrine Mont. The School of Celtic Spirituality, now called the School of Earth & Soul, will take place October 5-7 and October 12-14, 2021.

For more information, go directly to Shrine Mont's website <https://shrinemont.com/> and register there.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Chapman. mamiechapman@gmail.com

PRAYER LISTS

St. Mary's Whitechapel

Bob Swann, Jimmy Barrack, Mareesa Fulkerson, Donna Brayton, WarrenHottle, Howard Hanchey, Lora Ingle Smith, Edward Green, Coyle/Clewell Family, Virginia Blackwell, Roberta Blackwell, Ron Okrasinski, Agnes Robbie, Don DeFilippo, R.W. Courtney, Dorsey Ficklin, Glenn Courtney, Lin Greene, Jake Cobb, Dave Petersen, Dan Ficklin, Hilda Courtney, Robert, Karen Woodruff, Brad Quillen, Jessica, Joanne and Michael.

Nursing Home Resident:
Lancashire - Mary Sue Courtney

Armed Forces: Jacob Sensenig, Joshua Green, Kathryn McCormack Akacem, Mehdi Akacem, Thomas Mackie, Pia Mackie, Tate Young, Spencer Fortin.

Trinity

Bob Swann, Sylvia Thomas, Elsie Cornwell, Carlisle Walters, Fred Ripley, Lella Lee Edwards, Lorraine Jett, Malcolm Jett, R.W. Courtney, Glenn Courtney, Berkeley Kellum, Hilda Courtney, Robert, Karen Woodruff, Michael Dunaway, Brad Quillen, Ian Larmore, Brandon Dunaway.

Armed Forces: Giovanni Elhordoy, Ward Gavin, and Paul Price.

Do you need help getting trash to the dump or picking up prescriptions or an occasional grocery item?

Please know that we have folks ready to help in our joint churches community. Contact Megan for connection to a volunteer.

Soon to Return:

Trinity Treasures Yard Sale

**Moving?
Downsizing?
Too much clutter?**

Help the church that helps so many others.

Donate your unwanted items to Trinity Church, Lancaster Courthouse, for their yard sale.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Household items• Tools• Cars (with title)• Boats (with title)• Lawn equipment | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patio furniture• Tables and chairs• Unfortunately we are unable to accept Christmas items, linens and bedding, and clothing. |
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We will pick up from your home, you needn't lift a finger!!

Trinity, The Little Church with the Big Heart

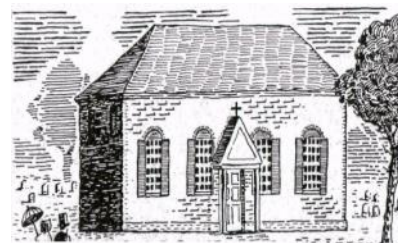
Call Judy Ripley 804-761-5007 cell, or 804-462-7233.



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ST. MARY'S WHITECHAPEL
VESTRY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS - MARCH 2021



Your Vestry met April 29 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom. The minutes from March 2021 meeting were approved as presented.

Items Discussed:

- Elected Jane Fortin for Convention Delegate and Connie Horne for alternate.
- Discussed office hours and mail pick up. Vestry meetings will be in person starting in May on the fourth Thursday of the month at 1:00 in the Parish Hall.
- Discussed Labyrinth care and maintenance.
- Connie Horne and Ann Clewell provided updates a walking trail project for the SMWC grounds.
- Junior Warden Gloria Romaine reviewed her activity, which included needed plumbing repairs and bulb replacement. She is awaiting word on the start date for the roof repairs and plaster replacement for the church.
- Senior Warden Richard Gill worked on providing power to the Labyrinth for Easter service and repaired existing receptacles.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.



TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
VESTRY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS - APRIL 2021



Your Vestry met Tuesday evening, April 13th. At 6:00 p.m. The Vestry approved the previous months Register's Report and the Budget Reports.

Items discussed-

- Frances Callaghan will serve as delegate and Chris Cammarata as alternate for the April 24, 2021 Diocesan Special Convention for the Budget *and for the Diocesan Convention in November*. Frances Callaghan will serve as lay delegate to the Northern Neck Region meeting April 25, 2021.
- The return of in-person worship as well as the continuation of Zoom worship services at a time to be determined pending discussion with current Zoom participants.
- The Sheridan family donation of funds for the purchase of new playground equipment.
- Progress on the Pavilion.
- The review and approved the contract offered by Anthony and Danielle Spencer for purchase of 8394 Mary Ball Road, Lancaster, VA, (Hammock House).
- Gratitude to Ellen Tracey for serving as temporary Register the first three months in 2021. Frances Callaghan offered to contact several parishioners about serving as Register for the remainder of 2021
- Security issues related to the physical plant and property. This process was begun in early 2020 and delayed due to COVID-19 restrictions.
- Visitors who have participated in our ZOOM worship services.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Vestry 2021

Senior Warden	Richard Gill
Junior Warden	Gloria Romaine
Members	Anne Clewell Page Henley Connie Horne

Register	Alison Towles
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Vestry 2019

Senior Warden	Frances Callihan
Junior Wardens	Fred Ripley
Members	Allen Cornwell Jane Dunaway Stan James Filmore McNeal
Register	Janet Christopher

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