

THE BEACON

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APRIL 2022... OUR 164TH YEAR

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Sunday In-Person Worship
(also livestreamed on Facebook Live)
10:30 a.m.

Wednesday
Morning Prayer Service
via Facebook Live
8:00 a.m.

Thoughts from the Senior Warden

It seems odd to be writing this note when normally it would be from our Rector. It is like a new beginning. Over the last six years we have had many obstacles. We had two years dealing the pandemic and closing our building and had to learn new ways of spreading and sharing our faith. However, through the leadership of our Rector and our many ministries, we were able to continue to grow in our faith, become closer to God and our Church family, and become more aware of our needs.



Now, with God's continue love and guidance, we as a Parish will continue to grow. A team effort by all will bring to us our new Rector, who is out there and waiting and excited about coming to St. Jude's.

I ask you to pray for your Vestry, Search Committee, our mentor, our parish and our future rector:

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on St. Jude's, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Rector for our parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

God's blessings be with you as you grow! God's blessings wrap and fill and lead you!

Blessings!
Ron Trimmer

Holiday Bazaar & Craft Show November 11 & 12, 2022

It is hard to believe that we are less than a year away from the second Holiday Bazaar and Craft Show. **We have begun to get crafters for this event.** If anyone goes to a craft show or event and finds a crafter that would be a good fit for St. Jude's, please get their card, fill them in a little on the event, and share this information with the Co-Chairs.

We need volunteers willing to work on different areas of the bazaar.

Seed money is needed! Any donation, no matter how small or how large, will be most appreciated. If contributing cash, please attach note indicating that it's for this event. If check, use memo line. Thank you so much!

We also are looking for team leaders for this event. If you're willing to be a part of this, please let us know.

Dee Grossmann has volunteered to head up the St. Jude's booth. We need donations of crafted items to sell to directly benefit St. Jude's. If you are interested in making a donation, please see Dee!

Bazaar Co-Chairs:

Nancy Day
Lynn Hopper
Ron Trimmer

Transition Period

The Church & Pastoral Care

It is hard to believe a month has gone by with Reverend Tracie Little's departure and her new role as the Canon of the Ordinary for the Diocese of Eastern Michigan. And as a faithful community we continue to move forward with a very persistent and caring Vestry to lead us forward through the transition.

We are fortunate to have a Deacon and Worship Leaders along with Supply Priests to handle our services as we move forward.

Presently there is only one Sunday Service at 10:30 am in person and is live streamed on Facebook live and our Morning Prayer services on Facebook live on Wednesday mornings at 8 am.

A reminder if you have a pastoral emergency, please contact The Rev. Paul Brunell: 810-618-3453

As our parish begins a search process for our new Rector, we now have The Rev. Don Davidson as our liaison from the Diocese who will work with our Search Committee and the Vestry. The Vestry has begun the process of putting together the Search Committee and we hope to have that in place by the end of April.

The Vestry asks for your daily prayers to include the Vestry, Rev. Don Davidson, the Search Committee and our future Rector.

Our Vestry will continue to update everyone throughout the search process for the new Rector. Please keep your eyes open for emails and other communications from the church!

Blessings!

Ron Trimmer

COVID Updates

Beginning Easter Sunday, April 17, we will again be offering eucharist in both kinds: the bread and wine. We will be using the common cup which individuals who wish to partake of the wine may drink from. We ask that you drink from the cup and do not intinct (or dip your bread) into the cup in order to partake.

If you are hesitant to drink from the common cup, that is understandable. Please take the bread only and simply cross your arms over your chest when a minister comes by with the cup to indicate that you prefer not to drink the wine.

Our counties continue to be in green/yellow as far COVID risk so masks are still recommended, but not required. We will update you if anything changes as we move forward in these unprecedented and uncertain times.

REFLECTIONS

Submitted by Judy Marinco from "Our Daily Bread", January 19th edition

Stay Awake!

Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation.

The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Matthew 26:41



A German bank employee was in the middle of transferring 62.40 euros from a customer's bank account when he accidentally took a power nap at his desk. He dozed off while his finger was on the "2" key, resulting in a 222 million euro (300 million dollar) transfer into the customer's account. The fallout from the mistake included the firing of the employee's colleague who verified the transfer. Although the mistake was caught and corrected, because he hadn't been watchful, the sleepy employee's lapse almost became a nightmare for the bank.

Jesus warned His disciples that if they didn't remain alert, they too would make a costly mistake. He took them to a place called Gethsemane to spend some time in prayer. As He

prayed, Jesus experienced a grief and sadness such as He'd never known in His earthly life. He asked Peter, James, and John to stay awake to pray and "keep watch" with Him (Matthew 26:38), but they fell asleep (vv. 40-41). Their failure to watch and pray would leave them defenseless when the real temptation of denying Him came calling. In the hour of Christ's greatest need, the disciples lacked spiritual vigilance.

May we heed Jesus' words to remain spiritually awake by being more devoted to spending time with Him in prayer. As we do, He'll strengthen us to resist all kinds of temptations and avoid the costly mistake of denying Jesus.

By Marvin Williams

Reflect and Pray

What part of your prayer life needs to be more devoted and disciplined? How can you intentionally spend more time alone with God this week?

Jesus, because I've been spiritually sleeping, I haven't been praying. And because I haven't been praying, I haven't depended on You. I'm sorry. Please help me to spend more time with You.

Rummage Sale

We would like to (finally) hold a Rummage Sale sometime in June 2022 as a fundraiser for St. Jude's.

In order to make this happen, we need volunteers to help chair or lead this project. Please let Ron Trimmer know asap if you are interested in heading this event.



Directory Updates

You should have received a form in the mail to fill out in order to update our communication with you and your family and update our directory. **Please fill out and return promptly to the office.** There are extra forms available on the table outside the office.

If you do not return your form, you may receive a phone call!

We are hoping to be able to update our information and get a new directory out to everyone by the end of May!

MUSIC NOTES

This April is a liturgically rich month of contrasts. The readings for April 3, the fifth Sunday of Lent, direct us to the coming passion of our Lord with an emphasis on the cross. The music includes *When I survey the wondrous cross* and *Lift high the cross*.

Holy Week begins on April 10, Palm Sunday, with *All glory, laud, and honor*. Each service during the week offers a special worship experience and we walk through Christ's suffering. Most will include musical offerings.

Easter, April 17, will be extra special because we have not been able to celebrate together since 2019! Not only will we have the bishop, but we will also welcome Tracy Dunlop, violinist, on that day. It will be a day of joy!

April 24 is known as Thomas Sunday because we review the story of him seeing and believing in the resurrected Lord. *We walk by faith, and not by sight* illustrates this truth.

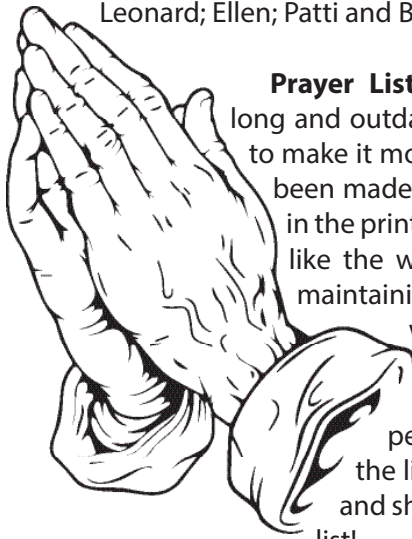
May we all have a blessed month as we partake in as many of these worship experiences as possible.

Marlene Weston

PRAYER LIST

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Prince, our Bishop Provisional; Judy, our Deacon; for the Wardens, Search Committee and Vestry.

For Bret; Bill; Laura; Kathy & Tom; Todd; Diane; Sue; Barbara & Joe; Cindy; Cathy; Danielle; Gabe; Rose; Sharon; June; Carl; Sydne; Laura; Liz; Sherry; Leonard; Ellen; Patti and Brad.



Prayer List Updates: Our prayer list has become long and outdated. In an effort to revitalize our list and to make it more accessible, the following changes have been made: (1) We will only be including first names in the printed prayer list so that we can print in things like the weekly email and on Facebook while still maintaining people's privacy. (2) Any requests that were received and haven't been updated since pre-pandemic (March 2020) have been taken off of the list. If you see a person missing who you still wish to be on the list, please let Liz in the church office know and she will happily put them back on our prayer list!

If you have updates or changes to the prayer list, please let Liz in the church office know. Thank you!

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April Birthdays

- 1st Erica Freeman
- 2nd Jacob Freeman
- 4th Laura Koch
- 8th Shane Chambers
- 9th Mark Hamel
- 10th Aiden Green
- 14th Meghan Rayner
- 15th Michelle Gangwer
- 20th Scott Smith
- 24th Lynn Freeman
- 26th Gay Adams

April Anniversaries

- 5th Fred & Lynell Wright (47th)
- 14th David & Carol Chambers (49th)
- 23rd Bob & Dianne Simpson (45th)



Pray for our St. Jude's Family:





April 10 - Lorraine Moller; Brock Newcomb; Tim Norred, Megan Rosa & Audrey

April 17 - Jill Perry; Michele Peters; John & Carol Pettipher

April 24 - Sue Premo; Clay & Diane Putnam; Lois Putnam

May 1 - James Ramelis; Dave & Denise Rayner; Dustin, Meghan, Austin, Benjamin, Rylan & Danyelle

APRIL 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 10:30 AM Worship Service in Church Building & Livestreamed on Facebook Live	28	29 7:00 PM AA	30 8:00 AM Online Morning Prayer Service on Facebook Live 11:00 AM Alanon	31 6:00 PM Bells 7:00 PM Choir 7:30 PM NA	1	2
3 10:30 AM Worship Service in Church Building & Livestreamed on Facebook Live	4	5 7:00 PM AA	6 8:00 AM Online Morning Prayer Service on Facebook Live 11:00 AM Alanon	7 6:00 PM Bells 7:00 PM Choir 7:30 PM NA	8	9
10  10:30 AM Worship Service in Church Building & Livestreamed on Facebook Live	11	12 7:00 PM AA	13 8:00 AM Online Morning Prayer Service on Facebook Live 11:00 AM Alanon 7:00 PM Outreach	14  7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service 7:30 PM NA	15  7:00 PM Good Friday Service	16
17  10:30 AM Worship Service in Church Building & Livestreamed on Facebook Live (Bishop Prince Singh Presiding)	18	19 7:00 PM AA	20 8:00 AM Online Morning Prayer Service on Facebook Live 11:00 AM Alanon 7:00 PM Vestry	21 6:00 PM Bells 7:00 PM Choir 7:30 PM NA	22	23
24 10:30 AM Worship Service in Church Building & Livestreamed on Facebook Live	25	26 7:00 PM AA	27 8:00 AM Online Morning Prayer Service on Facebook Live 11:00 AM Alanon	28 7:00 AM Dibbleville Food Co-Op Pick Up 6:00 PM Bells 7:00 PM Choir 7:30 PM NA	29	30

WORSHIP LEADERS for April 2022

LEM(s)	Reader(s)/ Intercessor	Ushers	Vestry Person of the Day	Live- Streamer	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour Host(s)	Wednesday MP Leader(s)	Thursday Office Volunteer
<u>April 10 – Palm Sunday</u>								
Holy Eucharist – The Rev. Mike Marinco								
-----	Jill Perry	Nancy Day & Lynne Ronthi	Lois Hartranft	Dave James	Lisa Cronk & Lois H.	Debbie James	4/13 - Ron Trimmer	4/14 – Nancy Day
<u>April 17 – Easter Sunday</u>								
Holy Eucharist – The Rt. Rev. Prince Singh, Bishop Provisional								
	Ed Weston	Dave & Debbie James	Francine Johnston	Ron Trimmer	Terri H. & Francine J.	Johnston / Potluck?	4/20 - Dave & Denise Rayner	4/21 – Lynne Ronthi
<u>April 24</u>								
Holy Eucharist – The Rev. Mike Marinco, presiding / The Rev. Judy Marinco, preaching								
	Jeffrey Wood	Dave & Denise Rayner	Rex Harris	Paul Dolza	Sarah D. & Gay A.	Lisa Cronk	4/27 – Dave & Debbie James	4/28 – Kathy Kortge
<u>May 1</u>								
Holy Eucharist – The Rev. Paul Brunell								
	Ron Trimmer	Rex Harris & Charlie Johnston	Clay Putnam	Dave Rayner	Mary Ellen & Mary Louise	???	5/4 – Judy Marinco	5/5 – Rex & Judi Harris
<u>May 8</u>								
Holy Eucharist – The Rev. Mike Marinco, presiding / The Rev. Judy Marinco, preaching								
	Amy Freeman	Lisa & Kelly Cronk	Ron Trimmer	Ron Trimmer	Dee G. & Judi H.	???	5/11 – Ron Trimmer	5/12 – Judy Marinco

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Holy Week 2022

Palm Sunday - Sunday, April 10

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

(In-Person & Livestreamed on Facebook Live)

Holy Wednesday - Wednesday, April 13

8 am Morning Prayer Service

(Online on Facebook Live only)

Maundy Thursday - Thursday, April 14

7 pm In Person & Livestreamed Service

At Home Maundy Thursday Vigil

8 pm Thursday - Noon Good Friday

Sign up in Vandenberg Hall or online

Good Friday - Friday, April 15

7 pm In Person & Livestreamed Service

Easter Sunday - Sunday, April 17

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

with Bishop Prince Singh

(In-Person & Livestreamed on Facebook Live)

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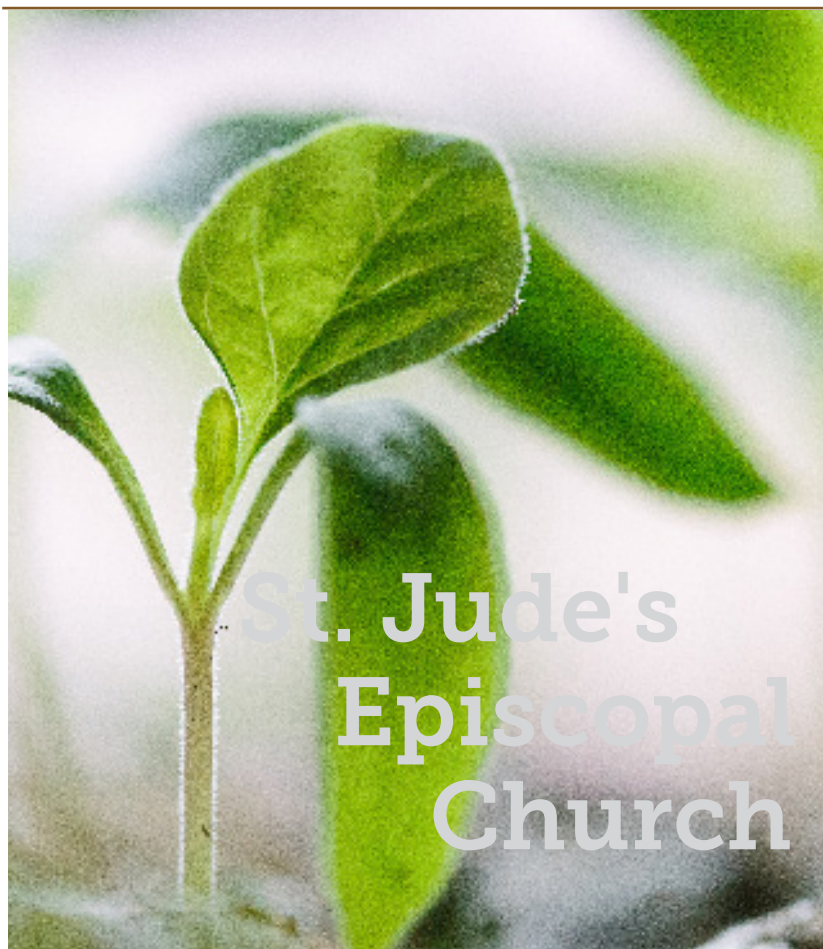
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2023

Nancy Day

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Rex Harris

Mike Wells

2024

Dee Grossmann

Lynn Hopper

Ron Trimmer

2025

Julie DuPei

Lois Hartranft & Arlo

Francine Johnston

Clay Putnam