

News and noteworthy

15 November 2020

Rector's reflections

Another week has come and gone and – suddenly – Christmas candy is out, turkeys are filling store freezers, shopping has started.

We have had a busy week at the church which included discussing Advent and Christmas plans.

Advent – I would like to try a little joint activity during Advent. Whether or not we will still be meeting in person we can join together to light our Advent wreaths. The plan is everyone not at the church have their Advent wreaths ready when they watch the service and light the candle(s) when we do at the beginning of the service. If you do not own an Advent wreath we can provide the raw materials so you can put one together.

Also, please consider joining us for study on Wednesday mornings during Advent. I know this will not replace Wednesday morning services, but I hope it can be another way for us to spend some time together. Suggestions for the study will come out this week and I am also open to any suggestions from you.

Regathering/covid update

Last week at convention Bishop Gates mentioned that new information would be coming out in the 'near' future about any changes. So far nothing has been sent out. We do anticipate some further guidance from the diocese and will get that out as soon as we have more information.

HELP! WE NEED SOMEBODY(S)

As we move forward, we have found we need some volunteer help and ask that you please consider volunteering.

We are trying to set up a small group of 4-5 people who can oversee the streaming of the service. This is not hard and you do not need to be technical wiz. It would be about once a month if we can get at least 4 people. Training is free and will take about 10 minutes.

As I mentioned a week or so ago now, I would like to call on all current and 'future' altar guild members (no gender discrimination). The purpose is to help with set up and take down of what we need for our weekly Eucharist. We have a couple of people who have already offered but we can use a few more and spread the joy around. Bonuses are, you can work in the church by yourself and keep socially distant, if you accomplish your tasks by Saturday you can sit back Sunday morning and enjoy the streaming service, and you get to spend some time and peace and prayer if you want to.

Finally, we would like to find one or two volunteers who can help in the office if Cristalyn is ill or out for some reason. Mainly answering phones but on rare occasions working with some paperwork. Our office is not open to the public so coming in contact with people would be very limited if at all. A little training is required but I promise nothing too onerous.

Sunday worship from regathering committee

During our meeting and looking at what has promised to be a pristine weather day tomorrow we are planning to meet OUTSIDE. This will mean an extra jacket, maybe a lap blanket but we have been given another beautiful day to enjoy our garden. If something comes up to drive us inside that decision will be made at the time of the service.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	Wednesday	Thursday	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
15 24 Pentecost	16	17	18	19 Mother Donna in office 9-12	20 thrift shop open 11-3 Mother Donna's sabbath	21 Thrift Shop open 11-3
22 25 Pentecost	23	24	25	26 Thanksgiving Office closed	27 T day holiday Office closed	28 Thrift Shop open 11-3