Sunday Notes for Sunday, May 12, 2024

Welcome to a digital retreat. We love our time together and time with God, and find it is better if we are unplugged. All you need for service is found inside. We ask that you silence your phones, or leave them in the car, if possible. And enjoy this time!

A blessing to the world. God is working for good in the world and in every person's life, including yours. Our prayer is that you see that you are a part of something bigger, and that you can be a part of God's work and can bless others! There are many opportunities to bless others every day. Look for opportunities below.

For those who are new

Happy Easter and welcome! We are glad that you are here! The **Order of Holy Eucharist** in each pew is there to help you participate in the service. The **Sunday readings handout** allows you to follow along with today's prayer, readings, and special music. **Visitor Cards** (located on the table in the lobby) will help us stay in touch and/or help you get more involved. And **children's bags** are located in the lobby with activities for your child to do during service.

Sunday Schedule

8am - worship with incense and instrumental music

9am - Christian Formation class (library) / choir rehearsal (music room)

1030am - worship with children's programs (ages 0-10)

11:45am - refreshments (parish hall)

12:00-12:45 - children's choir & all-parish choir (music room)

The Offering - Each Sunday, you are invited to bring non-perishable food items for Storehoust West, our local food pantry. They need peanut butter, cereal, pasta, and canned fruit. No glass jars please.

Events & Ministry Calendar

Office and Chapel Hours: Mon-Fri, 11am-2pm

Monday 6pm - Vestry meeting (online) 7pm - Bible Study on Ephesians (library)	Tuesday 11am - Centering Prayer (chapel)	Wednesday 5pm - Centering Prayer online
Thursday 10am Bible study online	<u>Friday</u>	Saturday Women's Group (Daughters of the King) - 1030am Sunday Worship Setup (Altar Guild) - 1130am

Recovery (AA, NA) groups meet most days.

Scout Troops 417 & 1010 and Pack 417 meet Tuesday evenings.

Parish Events and News

MOTHERS DAY - Happy Mother's Day. Whether you are a mother or a father, a two-father or two-mother family, a grandmother or grandfather, a son or a daughter, we pray this service is a blessing for you. At the end of the service there will be a special musical offering, a song titled "The Blessing" - receive it as a blessing upon you and your family, or for you and your own parents.

BOOKKEEPER UPDATE. We are pleased to announce that we have contracted with Latitude Bookkeeping Services to handle our bookkeeping needs going forward. They are a company, based out of New York, that was designed to work with smaller churches who do not need a full-time bookkeeper. Please pray for them as they begin their work with us.

^{*}For more information or to join any of these events/groups, show up, or contact the office for more details.

TRIP TO THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN NAVAJOLAND. Join us <u>July 25-28</u> for a time of learning and fellowship with our Dine sisters and brothers. We will be staying in Farmington, and traveling from there to different sites. RSVP on our website.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL YOGA! - Beginning May 26, our Sunday Schoolers will begin their summer Sunday School program. They will begin in church (instead of beginning in the Sunday School room). At the time of the readings and sermon, they will go to a special area for Bible-story yoga, where they will learn a Bible story by acting it out with different yoga poses and movements. If you have any questions, please contact the office!

PRAYERS FOR HEALING - God works in many, many ways, and He is always working in our lives for good. One of the ways God works is through physical healing. If you would like prayers for healing today, they are offered in the back of the sanctuary after you receive Holy Communion.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR. Children's choir will meet on Sunday from 12-12:15pm in the Sanctuary.

REFRESHMENTS IN THE COURTYARD. April 28-June 2 we will enjoy the spring weather with after-service refreshments in the courtyard (11:30-12:15). We ask that you <u>bring your own coffee cup/mug</u> (we will have some to borrow, too).

WOMEN'S MINISTRY OF THE DIOCESE. From May 9 (Ascension Day) to May 19 (Pentecost Sunday) the Women's Ministry of the Diocese will be praying for the advance of God's Kingdom. There will be daily blog posts on the Women's Ministry website to encourage this: https://varietiesofgifts.blogspot.com/

VOLUNTEER ON SUNDAY MORNING. There are many opportunities: readers, greeters, acolytes, kitchen crew, altar setup, Communion servers. Sign up on the whiteboards in the lobby. New? Haven't served here before? We'd love to get you oriented: simply let one of our priests know you signed up.

SERVING AT BISHOP'S RIDGE. May 25-26 - join us as we do some hands on maintenance work at our diocesan camp and conference center. Located in Santa Fe, the conference center hosts many groups and individuals. It is also the site of Camp Stoney, our local summer camp. Contact the office for more details.

STOREHOUSE WEST - What's needed right now is canned fruit, peanut butter, cereal, and pasta. No glass jars, pelase.

CAMP STONEY - Camp Stoney registration is open! Programs for children, teens, and parents this summer. Register on the diocesan website: www.dioceserg.org (Click "I'm an Episcopalian"). NOTE: DO NOT LET COST BE AN ISSUE; there are opportunities for fundraisers and scholarships. Talk with Fr. Alex about scholarships and fundraisers.

RAINBOW TRAIL DAY CAMP FOR KIDS. Save the date for June 10-14 and June 17-21, 9am-2pm, for Rainbow Train Day Camp for elementary-school-aged children. Contact the office for more details and for registration materials.

IF YOU DON'T GET OUR EMAILS OR TEXTS. Please let us know. We don't send out many, but we try to keep you updated on upcoming events.

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