

Good News From New Life

July 6, 2023



6 Pentecost

Genesis 25:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Canticle: Song of Solomon 2:8-13

Romans 7:15-25a

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Rev Barbara Bond preaching

Calendar of Coming Events

Wednesday mornings: 10:30 am

Short services in the St Luke Chapel

July 12: Benedict of Nursia

Wednesdays at 11:00 am: Book Club

meets in the Parlor. "The Nightingale"

July 11 Tuesday Evening Group

6 pm Carol's Trattoria

July 15 Terri and Larry Mackey's 50th

Wedding Anniversary, 1 pm, Canton

Women's Club, 822 Market Ave N

August 6 Scott Bridges preaches

August 13: Coffee Hour

August 26: Country Hoedown:

Event for Adults with Special Needs,

12 noon – 3 pm.

September 10 Parish Picnic

Wednesday services continue

Rev Barbara will continue to offer brief worship services on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the St. Luke Chapel. Each service focuses on a particular saint. Participants also enjoy Angel Cards (ask them what this is).

July 12 Benedict of Nursia

July 19 The Women

July 26 Mary and Martha of Bethany

Terri and Larry Mackey's 50th

Terri and Larry Mackey invite the entire parish to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at a gathering at the Canton Woman's Club on Saturday, July 15, beginning at 1 pm. The Woman's Club is located at 822 Market Ave N, Canton.

Please RSVP by July 7 to Allison Dale, 330-268-1015, call or text.

Coffee Hour, Second Sundays

We will hold Coffee Hour once a month, on Second Sundays. Those in charge will follow our regular team rotation. Thus for August 13 Coffee Hour, Team Four will oversee refreshments.

The Church Picnic comes on the second Sunday in September. Sept. 10. All parishioners are invited to attend and bring dishes to share. Team One will oversee the organizing..

Coffee Hour teams

Team 1: Darlene, Bo and Connie

Team 2: Rita, Terri and Charlyn

Team 3: Mariann and Kathy

Team 4: Gladys, Laura and Judy

Tuesday Evening Group July 11

The Tuesday Evening Group will meet July 11 at Carlo's Trattoria in Hartville, 6:00 pm, for food, fellowship, and Fruits of the Spirit! Newcomers are always welcome. Questions?

Lynn Gorman (330) 801-4005.

Episcopal Minute: Symbols

Brian Sisak loaned me a small book entitled The Practice of Religion, originally written in 1908 and no doubt still in print. This little gem has wonderful information about our tradition. Brian thought I might find a few interesting nuggets for The Episcopal Minute!

And so today I am delving into Symbolism. The section begins, "Christian Symbolism is the use of signs and symbols to teach and present religious truths. Words often fail where symbolism succeeds, while taken together they frequently make spiritual things more fully grasped." Here are some examples:

Of Flowers: the Lily signifies Purity, the Pomegranate Immortality, the Rose Love.

HIS are initials of the Holy Name. They are generally taken to stand for "*Jesus hominum Salvator*" (Jesus the Savior of men), but more likely they are an abbreviated form of the first letters of the words *Jesus Christ*, with a Cross between them, as written in Greek.

The Nimbus is the halo of light placed about the heads of Saints and Angels, symbolizing the beauty of holiness.

The Orb surmounted with a Cross means that the Christian Religion is for all. It often has under it written in Latin, "The Cross stands while the world revolves."

A Light symbolizes the Presence of God, as the Burning Bush to Moses, or the Pillar of Flame to the Israelites. Thus the Red Lamp or Candle before the Altar notes the Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Server Schedule

Altar Guild

07/08 – 07/14 – Rita

07/15 – 07/21 – Marianne

07/22 – 07/28 – Terri

07/29 – 08/04 – Rita

Readers

July 9 – Bo

July 16 – Amy

July 23 – Pete

July 30 – Charlyn

Counters

Week of July 9 – Andrea & Julie

Week of July 16 – Jan & Susan

Week of July 23 – Jan & Andrea

Week of July 30 – Susan & Julie

Vestry In Charge

July 9 – Jeff

July 16 – Larry

July 23 – Julie

July 30 – Pete

Healers

July 9 – Bo

July 16 – Charlyn

July 23 – Amy

July 30 – Lynn

Send newsletter items to Rev Barbara by Tuesday

Please send items by Tuesday evening to Barbara. RevBLBond@msn.com

Vestry Goals for 2023

Vestry has identified three short-term goals for the remainder of 2023:

Build Relationships: Develop New Life's visibility in our community through face-to-face relationships with groups and individuals.

Improve Communications: Improve external communications by redesigning and maintaining New Life's website.

Build Fellowship: Build and maintain monthly fellowship opportunities, including:

- Monthly social events
- Monthly coffee hours
- Events off-site or at New Life
- Tuesday Evening and
- Wednesday Morning group

Country Hoedown Theme

The event for adults with special needs is planned for Saturday, August 26 from noon to 3pm at New Life. Invitations will read: "Your Friends at New Life Episcopal Church invite you to a Country Hoedown".

According to leader Bo Iole, volunteers will be serving lunch, providing activities and entertainment as well as gifting goodie bags to our guests. If you're able to bake or donate cookies for the cookie table and/or have suggestions for the goodie bags, please let Bo know. We are also looking for volunteers to help serve food, help with activities and for cleanup.

Should you know any young people that need service hours, this would be a great opportunity for them. Please provide names and phone numbers to Bo so she can reach out to them.

Sunday Night Prayer Telecon

Join your New Life family in prayer for about 15 minutes each Sunday night at 8 pm and start your week off prayerfully! A few minutes before 8 pm call 720-843-2008. Enter the access code when prompted: 420030#. If you use a smart phone and would like a text reminder and texted prayers, contact MJ at 330-606-9904. Or pick up a flier in the parlor with the prayers. Rotating telecon leaders are Lynn Gorman, Julie Martin, MJ Maling, Bo Iole and Jo Schiffbauer. We pray for our church, our country, our world, and each other's concerns and thanksgivings. For more information contact any of the telecon leaders.

FISH Items for 2023

Please bring items to church for the FISH pantry! Any of these items can be donated during any month.

July	Shampoo
August	Fruit juice
September	Cleaning products
October	Cereal
November	Pasta and pasta sauce
December	Instant potatoes

Parish Picnic September 10

Our annual Parish Picnic will take place Sunday, September 10, at Boettler Park, in the same pavilion we use every year. The outdoor worship service begins at 10 am, and potluck picnic lunch follows. Mark the date!

Deacon's Dismissal

Rev Josh Butler

Last week, I learned that the men's shelter was starting a regular art session for residents. I was skeptical. I doubted the men would be interested in art of any kind, but I showed up. A half-dozen residents, gathered around a folding table, were painting paper mache masks ... some masks muted or monochromatic ... others masks vivid and bright. I pulled up a chair only to watch. Somehow, I cannot quite recall how, I ended up with a brush, paint, and my very own mask. As we painted, we fell into conversation. This old world holds many surprises for me.

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