

Good News From New Life

September 21, 2023



17 Pentecost

Holy Eucharist Rite II

St Michael and All Angels

Genesis 28:10-17

Psalms 103

Revelation 12:7-12

John 1:47-51

Rev Barbara preaching

Calendar of Coming Events

Wednesday mornings: 10:30 am

Short services in the St Luke Chapel

Sept 27: Lancelot Andrews

Wednesdays at 11:00 am: Book Club

Kris Radish: "Annie Freeman's Fabulous
Traveling Funeral"

Sept 24 St Michael, Angel Cards

Oct 1 St Francis, Animal Blessing

7 pm Taize service

Oct 3 Tuesday Group "Do Not Fear"

Carlo's, Lynn Gorman, leader

Oct 8 Holy Eucharist; Coffee Hour

Oct 22: St Luke Healing Service,

Pete Iole, preacher

Nov 5 All Saints Sunday

7 pm Taize service

Nov 11 Diocesan Convention

Nov 12 Veterans Observance,

Charlyn Bridges, preacher

Nov 23 Thanksgiving Day

Nov 26 Christ the King.

Debbie Likins-Fowler, preacher;

Bill Kendrick, organist

Dec 3 Advent I, 7 pm Taize

Dec 10 Advent II

Dec 17 Advent III

Dec 24 10 am Advent IV

Scott Bridges, preacher

7 pm Christmas Eve; Rev Barbara

Dec 25 10 am Christmas Day

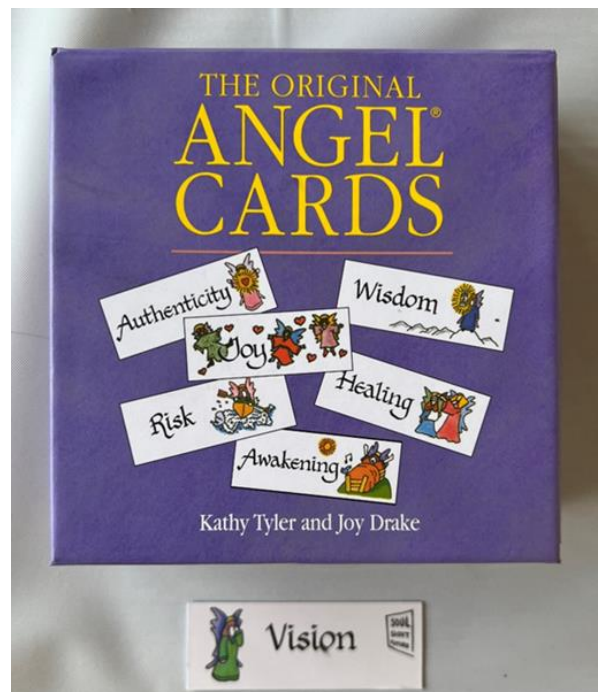
Angel Cards Sept. 24

On September 24 we will observe the feast day of St. Michael and All Angels. **This year, something new!**

The Spirituality Team is giving Angel Cards to all families in the congregation. These will be on the table in the parlor on Sept. 24.

What are Angel Cards? Small cards, each with a good thought for the day, and a charming graphic of an angel.

What do you do with them? Put them in a pretty container, and every morning (perhaps during your devotions), extract two cards, randomly, and see what the angels have to tell you that day. This works especially well with a partner or in a group.



Episcopal Minute: Autumn

While Autumn is not a church liturgical season, it does seem to signal change. Often a parish will have a Homecoming service, or perhaps begin church school classes again, mimicking the secular society. The common beginning for university classes in England is September 29, known as Michelmass, a reference to the feast day of St. Michael and All Angels (which we will celebrate this Sunday).

Autumn begins this Saturday, September 23, the Autumn Equinox, when the hours of daylight and nighttime are equal. We notice a crispness in the air as the season turns, as leaves change color, and fall from trees. Autumn often puts us in a wistful mood. It signals the waning of the year.

One of my favorite prayer books is Prayers for a Planetary Pilgrim by Edward Hayes, who has prayers for liturgical seasons as well as the natural "cosmic" seasons of spring, summer, autumn and winter. Should you desire to make a prayerful observance of the coming of autumn, I include one of his prayers (p. 76). Hayes suggests that this prayer could be said over a meal, a glass of wine or cider, or while eating autumn food: Welcome Autumn with a prayer!

**My heart is the home of a banquet,
and so I sing a song of thanks
for all the gifts, talents, blessings,
and treasures
that fill my life to the fullest.**

**My life is a feast
that overflows with the delights of
your presence.
In thanksgiving, I rejoice in that river
of gifts**

**that flows from taste, smell, touch,
and sight.**

**May my life be an endless song of
gratitude.**

**May this, my life song, be a magnet
that draws me ever closer to you, O
Divine One,**

**who has whispered in the silent
spaces of my heart**

**words that speak the gift of gifts:
"You are my beloved." Amen**

ACME CASHBACK

Continue saving your ACME grocery receipts. ACME CASHBACK is BACK! Please bring your receipts dated Aug. 1, 2023-Feb. 15, 2024 to church. There is a glass bowl in the parlor where you can place your receipts. This is a great way to give back to our community while doing your regular shopping!

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Many families who have loved ones who are patients at Childrens' Hospital have the need for housing. We can help support these families by bringing our recycled tabs from soda cans, fruit and vegetable cans, even pet food cans. In addition they accept old keys. Please consider saving these items and bring them to church. There is a container in the parlor on the big desk to deposit your metal item listed. This is an ongoing project so keep saving and bringing your items. Thank you.

Send newsletter items to Rev Barbara by Tuesday

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

Server Schedule

Altar Guild

09/23 - 09/29 – Terri
09/30 - 10/06 – Rita
10/07 - 10/13 – Marianne
10/14 - 10/20 – Terri
10/21 - 10/27 – Rita
10/28 - 11/04 – Marianne

Readers

Sept 24: Charlyn
Oct 1 Amy

Counters

Week of Sept 24 - Jan & Darlene
Week of Oct 1 - Jan & Julie
Week of Oct 8 - Jan & Susan
Week of Oct 15 - Jan & Andrea
Week of Oct 22 - Julie & Susan
Week of Oct 29 - Julie & Andrea

Vestry In Charge

Sept 24 – Pete

Healers

Sept 24 – Amy

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 Group October 3

The Tuesday Evening Group will meet October 3 at Carlo's Trattoria. Those wishing to eat dinner may come at 6 pm, or those joining the discussion only may come at 6:30 pm. Newcomers are always welcome.

The topic is "Do Not Fear," led by Lynn Gorman.

We can all be Greeters!

Being a designated Greeter, to welcome visitors to our Sunday services, can be a joyful ministry. And we can all work to be aware of new people at our services.

Darlene Giffin, chair of our Newcomers effort, outlines how Greeters (and all of us) can participate.

Job of a Greeter

Identify visitors to New Life with help of parishioners and the Priest.

Ask them to sign the guest registry. Introduce them to the Priest and other members.

Explain where restrooms are located. If it is a coffee hour Sunday, invite them to attend after the service and escort them downstairs.

Answer any questions they may have.

If they are not with a member and are not familiar with the Episcopal liturgy, ask someone to sit with them to help follow the service.

Our Priest will follow up with a note to the new visitor.

Preaching Schedule

Oct 22 Pete Iole
Nov 12 Charlyn Bridges
Nov 26 Debbie Likins-Fowler
Dec 24 am Scott Bridges

FISH Items for 2023

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

September Cleaning products

October Cereal

November Pasta and pasta sauce

December Instant potatoes

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.

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

Wednesday services continue

Rev Barbara will continue to offer brief worship services on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the parlor, or St. Luke Chapel. Each service focuses on a particular saint. Participants also enjoy Angel cards..

Sept 27 Lancelot Andrews

Oct 4 Brigitta of Sweden

Oct 11 Teresa of Avila

Oct 18 Lattimer, Ridley & Cranmer

Oct 25 James of Jerusalem

Deacon's Dismissal

Rev Josh Butler

Roger and I were friends in grade school. We rode the same bus. Sometimes, kids made fun of Roger because he wore his brother's hand-me-downs. Some Saturdays, I'd ride my bike to Roger's house. We built forts in the woods out back. One day, I arrived just as Roger was stepping from a small outbuilding. When he saw me, he was flustered. He said, "I just go in there to tie my shoe." My father had told me that Roger's family had "no plumbing." From that Saturday, I began to understand something of the inequities of this world.

9-20-23

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New Lifers Attend FISH Banquet Sept. 12

