



TIDINGS

A Message from the Senior Warden

I hope this edition of Tidings finds you all well and safe. We are going through some trying times but we pray that the light at the end of the tunnel is near!

In that vein the Vestry is working hard to make our return to in person worship happen. We are going to make that happen as soon as we have done everything to try to ensure the safety of all.

There are extensive and detailed guidelines from the Diocese before we can reopen. We will be sharing those with all of you sometime in the coming weeks as we make preparations for reopening. We will all have to work together to adhere to the social distancing protocols and regulations set out for all churches in the Diocese. In the mean time, as has been the case, the church and Parish Hall will continue to be closed for use by any groups or individuals. If you have any questions please call and I'll be happy to talk to you.

For some good news, we collected \$500 to be sent to Union Hospital Foundation for their work in recognizing the staff on the frontlines of this pandemic. Thanks to everyone who was able to contribute.

Also another big thank you to everyone who has been able to send in pledges and donations. We have successfully been able to keep up with the salaries and bills. What an important thing that is!

Please continue with your prayers and thoughts during this difficult period. We'll all get through this together.

Blessings,
Gayle

Prayer List

“The Lord is near...in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” Philippians 4:6

Carl & Cindy
Elizabeth
Hamid Basil
Bob Boulden
Pam Boulden
Susan Burkholder
Marion Conner
Carol Costello
Tim Coudon
Ronnie Davis
Donna Hurst Dellinger
Alan Fenson

Shawnda Fenson
George Gibson
Fern Hitchcock
Bill Jackson
Robert Kane
Kathy Koslak
Fred Layaou III
Margaret Long
Victoria Long
Jean Major
Sharon McCallum
John McLean
Lynn Monroe

Mary Morrison
Jean Mulford
Larry Parker
Rose Perrone
Rev. Chris Porteus
Janice Pots
Mike Rossi
Jane Sichangi
Betsy Spina
Joyce Stansfield
Lara Tozer
Cyn Wilson



Those who have passed
Phil Hieronimus



Happy June Birthdays

3 Lindsey (Koenings) Ray. 6 Jane B. Ayers 9 Adelaide Wood.
10 Virginia Collins 20 Heidi White 27 Elizabeth Rossi
30 Matt Koenings 30 Father Nicholas

Happy June Anniversaries

13 Matt & Beth Koenings 28 Sandy & Heidi White



Acts of Kindness

It's hard to believe that a month ago I wrote the Acts of Kindness article thinking about the new rule to distance and wear masks and how they were actually an Act of Kindness by preventing inadvertent contamination of someone else.

Now, a month later we are in the face of another critical need for Acts of Kindness with what is transpiring across our nation and even the world with fatally hurtful unkind actions and events. Now more than ever we need to be providing Acts of Kindness to each and every one of us through kind thoughts and prayers, kind words, and kind acts.

In the past month, amidst our pandemic stay at home, we continue to see great Acts of Kindness.

- Dick Lemen reported that Melba at Lena's Sub Shop in Elkton has on several occasions made sandwiches (appx. 100) and delivered for the residents of St John's Towers in Havre de Grace at no charge during this period when the residents could not get out. Her daughter-in-law is a manager there. Act of Kindness.
- Melba also brought me potato soup at no charge the first week of two that she was closed. Pleasant surprise to me. Another Act of Kindness.
- My son Andy, continues to shop for Cheryl and me. We have seen store employees responding to a missed item or broken container running out to us in the parking lot, mask on, to be sure we got the item or got a new one in its place.
- We have seen neighbors walking to other neighbor houses to deliver packages left by error via an Amazon order.
- While walking on trails we have seen others stepping aside to let us pass well separated with at least 6 feet and with a warm greeting as we passed by.
- We have tried to use take out from a couple of our smaller local restaurants at least once a week with a hefty tip to help them in their challenging financial crisis.
- I think our Mother's day, even though virtual, was one of the nicest we've experienced at Trinity by Carol's Act of Kindness to come up with her idea to pay tribute to our Mothers, both past and present through photos and sayings that is now being extended to our Fathers.

Please keep up your own Acts of Kindness. It is in these stressful times that we especially need to be thinking, saying and doing these Acts of Kindness each and every day to each and every one.

Sincerely,
Ross Lee

