

# Tidings

Rector: The Rev. Dr. N. Nicholas Síchangí

Dear brethren,

Grace, mercy and peace from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I want to thank God for each one of you for your support and prayers that we share in the ministry that God has called us to do in the Kingdom of Heaven. Our faithful God has been very gracious to us in many ways that I cannot count the blessings he bestowed upon us. By grace we are guaranteed of God's Love and provision for everything including life in fullness in Jesus who is our Lord and Savior.

It is my hope that you enjoyed summertime with your friends, families or just being alone despite the extremes of heat. As we move into Autumn, Fall and Winter season, I have no doubt that each season will usher in new blessings despite its downfalls that may accompany it, ie weather changes that may force us to adjust to comply.

Jane and I want to thank both vestries of our shared ministry and parishioners of our beloved Trinity and St. Stephen's parishes for granting us an opportunity to take a sabbatical. We are so excited as we begin our sabbatical for it grants us an opportunity for self reflection and prayer. This will allow us to reflect on our spiritual journey and ministry with openness in allowing God's light to shine on us and be gracious to us as we continue to offer ourselves to His service, Our hope is that we will come back refreshed in the Lord's love.

We plan to spent time in Uganda at, Namirembe Cathedral, and Uganda Martyrs Shrine at Namugongo in Uganda.

We will be journaling our faith journey which we will share with upon our return.

During this time our phones will be completely off. We have made the arrangements on how the services will be and will be published on our websites. While we will be away, in case of any emergency, call the parish office for assistance. Our parish administrator and leadership, i.e Wardens, registrars and treasurers will be ready to assist you as soon as possible The Rev. Dr. Darcy Williams has graciously accepted to assist in case of pastoral care, but you have to call the office or our parish leaders first.

Remember to keep us in your prayers as we do likewise. It is only through prayer that God will bind us together with cords of Love that cannot be broken.

Our sabbatical begins on September 1st, 2023 through Novembers 1st, 2023. We wish you good health and God's blessings and hope to see you soon.

Shalom.  
Fr. Nicholas





*Please keep Jane and Father Nicholas in your hearts and prayers as they travel to Africa and begin their sabbatical.*

*May God bless them, renew their minds, refresh their bodies, and refill their heart with God's love.*

*Please also keep Chris, Dennis and Hudson in your prayers.*

*During September and October our worship services and times will be different each Sunday.*

*Please check each Sunday's time of service before coming to Church.*

*If you are in need of a priest while Father Nicholas is on sabbatical, please call the office or*

*Susan Weed 410-392-3154*

*Mary Helen Atwood 443-553-1163*





# Worship Services & Times September & October

This Sunday, September 3 at 9:00 AM  
Morning Prayer- (Only 1 service)  
Leader: Gordon Tozer  
Reader: Mary Helen Atwood

Sunday, September 10 at 10:00 AM  
Holy Eucharist- St. Stephen's on  
Hazelmoores Beach in Earlville.  
Celebrant: Rev. Eleanor Ellsworth  
CBR: Mary Katharine Hitchcock  
Picnic to follow (No services at Trinity)

Sunday, September 17 at 9:00 AM  
Morning Prayer (Only one service)  
Leader: Gordon Tozer  
Reader: Joan Marie Parker

Sunday, September 24  
(Regular services)  
8:00 AM Morning Prayer  
Leader: Gordon Tozer

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist w/ Music  
Celebrant: Rev. Darcy Williams  
CBR: Susan Burkholder

Sunday, October 1 at 9:00 AM  
Morning Prayer (Only 1 service)  
Leader: Gordon Tozer  
Reader: Ross Lee

Sunday, October 8 at 9:00 AM  
Morning Prayer (Only 1 service)  
Leader: Gordon Tozer  
Reader: Mary Helen Atwood

Sunday, October 15 at 9:00 AM  
Morning Prayer (Only 1 service)  
Leader: Gordon Tozer  
Reader: Mary Katharine Hitchcock

Bishop Santosh Marray- Visit to Trinity  
Sunday, October 22 at 10:30 AM  
Holy Eucharist w/ music (Only 1 service)  
Celebrant: Bishop Marray  
CBR: Joan Marie Parker

Sunday, October 29 (Regular services)  
8:00 AM Morning Prayer  
Leader: Gordon Tozer

10:30 AM Holy Eucharist with Music  
Celebrant: Rev. Darcy Williams  
CBR: Susan Burkholder

Our Acts of Kindness have continued since our 40 for 40 days of Lent. We extended this through Pentecost and the following are examples that I will be adding to our Acts of Kindness “barometer” in the Parish House.

### From Easter through Pentecost:

- worked on Holiday to help colleague
- visited family member in rehab
- helped family member living alone
- stayed after work to help others
- contributed to ALS Foundation in memory of a friend who recently died from this disease.
- attended Memorial Service with wife, and daughter for friend who died out of town
- provided potted plants to Mom's and ladies on Mother's Day.
- assisted in setup of Mother's Day Coffee Hour with special refreshments provided by The Brotherhood of St. Andrew.
- brewed and served coffee at Trinity Coffee Hour multiple times

And since Pentecost thru July:

- made donation to friend of a colleague whose cancer took a bad turn
- helped colleagues
- helped family members
- gave thanks and recognition for the amazing acts of kindness from emergency, hotel, airlines, and all other personnel involved in the loss of a loved one while traveling.

We are so blessed by these Acts of Kindness that show how God's love works through all of us. Let's continue these through the final days of the summer, wherever we go. Just a smile or kind word could make someone's day!!

Ross Lee

### ***Prayer List***

*“Our prayers are with all those who are ill, all who are caring for them and all who are striving to hear the voice of God in these challenging times. May God bless you and keep you, now and always.*

*Lynn Anstatt, Mary Helen Atwood, Tim Bennett, Cori Campbell, Susie Campbell, Donald Comer, Diane Hair, Alan Fenson, Shawnda Fenson, Brian Hubis, Libby Keefer, Dorothy Kirk, Jenn, Paris Mason, Louise McLean, Natalie Northon, Larry Parker, Cecelia Polidoro, Robert Powell, Hunter Smith, Beverly Tozer and Kyle Watson.*

*Please keep Father Nicholas and Jane in your hearts and prayers.*





## Un Piccolo Carmencita

ANDREA ARENA who has been singing for us during our special holiday services will be performing in this production as Carmen. Join this wonderful condensed version of the opera Carmen, which is sponsored in part by The DaVinci Society (<https://societadavinci.org/>). You won't want to miss this fantastic performance of Un Piccolo Carmencita in support of our incredible Italian Heritage & Culture in Delaware, as we showcase our theatrical presentation within The Patio located on the campus of Archmere Academy. The Patio is steeped in rich Italian Architecture and is the perfect backdrop for this exquisite one night event.

Please click on the link below for more information and tickets too:

[www.UnPiccoloCarmencita.com](http://www.UnPiccoloCarmencita.com)

### *Happy September Birthdays & Anniversary*

*9/3 Cheryl Lee 9/18 Bill Smith*

*9/18 Lawrence Parker*

*9/24 Gordon Tozer 9/25 Robert Powell*

*9/24 Paul & Sharon Arbour-wedding*

*9/30 Gordon & Beverly Tozer-wedding*



## MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Music in worship is a way of penetrating our souls, that enables our expression in our prayers and praying to God. Music brings to our minds the prayers and songs of our Spiritual Ancestors.

A hymn introduction is important to state the tune clearly and establish the tempo to prepare the congregation for singing. The entire hymn introduction is played. in case the tune is unfamiliar and to give time to those who have not bookmarked their pages in the hymnal. The only exception is if a hymn is longer than usual; therefore, a short introduction may be used.

All the verses of the hymn should be sung. Many of the hymns are biblical and in singing all the verses convey the complete meaning of the hymn. Some hymns have more than five verses; depending on the nature of the Liturgy and the placement of the hymn, singing fewer verses is acceptable.

Thank you for singing the hymns and responses. It's a joy to hear all worshipers joining in one voice and song as we continue praising God and giving glory.

God Bless  
Rodney Long

**We are seeking congregation members who would like to sing and/or ring bells for the pre-service music on Christmas Eve.**

**If interested in singing some Christmas Carols or ringing a bell or two, contact Valerie Reichenbach**

**at 302-275-2256 or reichbv@yahoo.com**

**No musical experience necessary.**

**Also, please let us know your favorite Christmas Carols so that we can prepare the music.**

**We will rehearse a few times throughout the fall so everyone will be familiar with the Carols.**







HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
to  
OUR RECTOR



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