

A newsletter from us for all of you.

THE DOVE

JUNE 2023 - CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



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SERVICES (The office sends a weekly email with links to the posted services.)

8 a.m. In-Person Holy Eucharist Rite II and recorded service posted to YouTube

10 a.m. In-Person Holy Eucharist Rite II and virtual attendance via Zoom posted to Facebook

The Right Reverend Santosh Marray, *Bishop of Easton*

The Reverend Joseph Rushton, *Rector*

Bonnie Rease, *Bookkeeper and Secretary to the Rector*

Monica Martin, *Senior Warden* • Cal Hook, *Junior Warden* • Kathy Elmer, *Sunday School* • Tim DeSilver, *Music Minister*

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"Seeking Christ With Others While Sharing The Christ Within Us"



FROM THE RECTOR



Dear Church of the Holy Spirit Family,

On Sunday, May 28, 2023, the church moved from the Easter Season to the Season of Pentecost. We remember that Jesus and the Father fulfill their promise to send an Advocate to be the abiding presence of God among God's people.

John 20:19-23

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said,

"Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

This is the place where we as Christian people dwell. Jesus has been raised from the dead and Jesus' promise has been fulfilled. Jesus and the Father did not leave us orphaned. God's presence - Father, Son and Holy Spirit – continues and remains with all of God's creation. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit continue to be present in our Church and in our world. We are invited to respond to that presence in our daily life. Following the steps of Jesus, we are to love our God and see all others as children of God and deserving of our love.

Here in the Ocean City area the Summer 2023 season has begun. Let us look upon those who will come among us and welcome them and believe that all are God's children, our neighbors and our sisters and brothers. Let them see in us the loving presence among us.

Please be well and stay safe.

Faithfully yours,

Father Joe Rushton



THE DOVE welcomes comments, suggestions, and articles. Contact Birgitt Brevard at bsbrevard@yahoo.com.





PARISH PRAYER LIST

OUR PARISH: Our staff, our vestry and its officers, and our ministries and committees.

OUR PARISH FAMILY: Jack Panuska, Rochelle Desimone, Joe D., Bob Wauhoh, Katherine Wauhoh, Victoria DeSilver, Jane Florentino, Jane; Cris, Carol Lee Hensyl, Fr. Joe Rushton

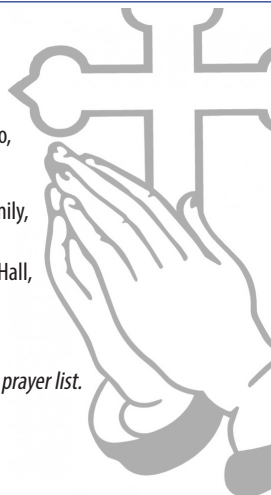
OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Troy, Terry Searcy, Tracy Thompson, Rochelle Butler, Sally, Albert Thompson, Claudia Troy, The Cymek Family, Jasmine, Katherine J., Bryan, Kelly Green, Regina, Amy Curry, Aaron Call, Jennifer Giro, Rosa Lee, Pam Barrier, Gen Haller, The Payne Family, Judah, Deanna Turner, Ron Jones, Ladd Layton, Alisha Kornfuehrer, Edith Vogl, Bob Spradlin, Flo Donoway, Steve Hall, Bobby Wertz, Ronin Kenneth Haines, Joan Faulkner, Dee, Lane & Liam, Anne Grabenstein, Bruce; Nicki Ridenour, David, Phyllis, Jane E., Sandy, Jim Popa, Marian Cannon, Linda Rolfes, Ziggy, Mary, Sabrina & Joey Helms, Margo Cahill, Nancy Meadows

Please notify the office or complete a yellow prayer card to include loved ones on our prayer list and to remove loved ones from our prayer list.

FOR THE DEPARTED: Doug Cymek

**Memorial Cards are available through the Parish Office*

In the unfortunate event that a member of your family requires hospitalization or other acute care, please notify the parish office at 410.723.1973 or Father Rushton at 410.279.2582.



BUDGET			
	April	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
OPERATING INCOME	\$11,324	\$46,276	\$38,474
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$9,950	\$41,463	\$43,436
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$1,364	\$4,813	(\$4,962)

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS		
06/04	Church Picnic	3 p.m.
06/11	Hope4Recovery	4 p.m.
07/08	MMR	10 a.m.
08/07	Quarter Auction	
10/08	Property Committee Meeting	9 a.m.

Vestry Meetings to resume in fall or as necessary.



BIRTHDAYS

06/13 Zachary Elmer
06/18 Frank Price

ANNIVERSARIES

06/02 Pat & Jack Panuska

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, we are very sorry! Please notify the church office with the appropriate date so we can update our files.



YOUR VESTRY

2023: Jackie Carey, Marena Konoski
2024: Ann Dougherty, Barbara Wachter
2025: Birgitt Brevard, Sue Flaherty

Monica Martin, *Sr. Warden*
443.235.8942
Cal Hook, *Jr. Warden*
302.775.4043
Melanie Konoski, *Treasurer*
443.497.2163
Diane Fromback, *Registrar*
443.523.4519
Bonnie Rease, *Bookkeeper/Secretary*
Tim DeSilver, *Music Minister*
Kathy Elmer, *Sunday School*

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

will resume in the fall.

SMILE FOR THE CAMERA

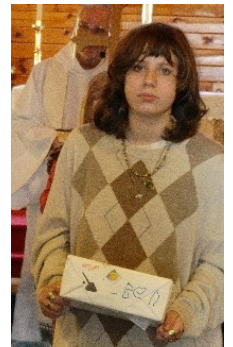
During the month of June, the DOVE newsletter team will continue to ask you to take your photo. **We are interested in your smile - big or small.** Selected photos will be used for the **July DOVE newsletter.** Individual names will not be listed. **Help us make this summer a happy one!**





SPECIAL THANKS & CONGRATULATIONS ...

... to the Sunday School children for completing another year and for their annual donation to our church. Mrs. Kathy, Assistant Caleb, and the Sunday School children presented the church with their annual donation in a beautifully decorated box on **Pin Day**. The



children also filled Lent boxes earlier this year. The total donated by the Sunday School children is **\$150.44!** Thank you to our teachers, Ms Kathy and Caleb for a job well done!

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - PARISH PICNIC

LOCATION: Showell Park
11281 Racetrack Road
Berlin, Maryland 21811

DATE: Sunday, June 4, 2023

TIME: 3 p.m. - until all food is gone!



*Come One, Come All -
It's time for
our Annual Picnic!*



Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Fried Chicken will be provided. Side dishes are welcome! Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the parish hall so we know what you will bring or let **Melanie Konoski** know at **443.497.2163** or **mamemik@gmail.com**.

There are restroom facilities, plenty of parking, picnic tables, grills, two playgrounds, baseball fields, basketball courts, tennis courts, and volleyball nets.

Please bring sports equipment, lawn chairs, blankets, sun block, or whatever you may need to enjoy the picnic.





FAREWELL DONNA ADAMS

Donna Adams will soon be moving to Manor House, a retirement community in Seaford, De. She has been a long time member at Church of the Holy Spirit. We were able to celebrate with her during coffee hour and at the Ropewalk. **She will be missed but we wish her the best!**



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO MADE THIS EVENING'S COMMUNITY PRAYER WALK POSSIBLE!

WE EXTEND A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES WHO DONATED THE PIZZA FOR TONIGHT'S EVENT:

- Berlin Pizza
- Domino's Pizza
- Fox's Pizza Den
- Mione's Pizza
- Paradise Grill Pizza
- Paul and Vinny's Pizza

PRAYER FOR OUR SCHOOLS

On May 2, a cluster of Interfaith houses of worship came together to pray for schools in the Northern End of Worcester County in conjunction with National Day of Prayer which was on May 4th. Kathy Elmer and Monica Martin were part of a group at Ocean City Elementary School. Following prayer at individual schools, all who participated gathered at Decatur Park in Berlin for continued prayer, music and pizza that was donated by local businesses. **It was a great event all around and there is talk of having such an event again in the future.**

A SHOUT OUT & THANK YOU TO KATIE & TERRY

for all their hard work over the past years on the DOVE newsletter! They went above and beyond to compile information, create the publication, and get it out on time. While it's time for a break now, they both are still part of the newsletter team - just in different capacities. Their expertise is far too valuable to lose! So again - thank you, for what you have done - and thank you, for what you will continue to do!



WELCOME BACK, JACK

It was great to see Jack Panuska back to Church after a recent fall which required hip surgery. **We wish him well with his continuing recovery!**





COMMUNITY



Summer Plans for the Ocean Cluster of Churches

The Easter bags for the **Hope4Recovery** House were a huge success, and we filled them to overflowing. I don't know who enjoyed the process more – those of us who filled the bags or those who received them.



Our share of the food for Hope4Recovery in June is dessert and beverages. If you have a dessert you'd like to share or if you'd like to bring soft drinks or water, let Jackie know.

In case you don't know, the Hope4Recovery House, located in Berlin, is a residential and treatment program for men in recovery from addiction. The Ocean Cluster started taking dinner to them once a month to help them re-enter the community. We stayed and ate with them till Covid stopped that, but now that things have calmed down pandemic-wise, we stay and enjoy the meal with the residents.

And the Ocean Cluster of Churches is St. Paul's Berlin, St. Paul's by-the-Sea and Church of the Holy Spirit. We try to have events together to enhance community and get to know our fellow Episcopalians.

We are also planning to try to resurrect the **3-Parish Picnic**. We had a lot of fun with the ones before Covid shut everything down. Plans are not firm yet, but we're looking at a Sunday in September in Stephen Decatur Park in Berlin. We decided not to cook hot dogs and hamburgers as the state of the grills available in the park might be questionable. Plus, it ties up the chefs so they can't enjoy all the fellowship the rest of us are taking part in. So it will be potluck. Holy Spirit will probably provide sandwich platters, and anyone attending is invited to bring a side, beverages or dessert. More details will be forthcoming as plans develop, but give some thought to attending. It's a fun time and will give us a chance to get together with other Episcopalians in the area.



St. Paul's Berlin



St. Paul's by-the-Sea



Church of the Holy Spirit

For more information about the Cluster and its activities, contact **Jackie Carey** at **443.735.4275**.



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YOUR SCHEDULE FOR JUNE



8 a.m.

10 a.m.

USHERS/GREETERS

4 Eileen Owings
 11 Skip & Jackie Carey
 18 Skip & Jackie Carey
 25 Skip & Jackie Carey

Ann Dougherty
 Joe Dougherty
 Kay Saxon
 Ann Dougherty

LECTORS

4 Birgitt Brevard
 11 Jackie Carey
 18 Birgitt Brevard
 25 Jackie Carey

Monica Martin
 Joe Dougherty
 Melanie Konoski
 Diane Frombach

ACOLYTES

4 Diane Frombach
 11 Skip Carey
 18 Skip Carey
 25 Skip Carey

Monica Martin
 John Frombach
 Melanie Konoski
 Diane Frombach

CHALICE BEARER

4 Diane Frombach
 11 Skip Carey
 18 Skip Carey
 25 Skip Carey

Melanie Konoski
 Diane Frombach
 Monica Martin
 Carolyn Johnston

ALTAR GUILD

04 Sue Flaherty & Monica Martin
 11 Diane Frombach & Bonnie Rease
 18 Sue Flaherty & Monica Martin
 25 Diane Frombach & Barbara Wach-
 ter

COUNTERS

04 Jane Florentino & Melanie Konoski
 11 Jane Florentino & Melanie Konoski
 18 Rudy Brevard & Ann Dougherty
 25 Ann Dougherty & Barbara Wachter

COFFEE HOUR

4 Marti McNiff & Suzi Windemuth
 11 Marena & Melanie Konoski
 18 Diane Frombach
 25 Monica Martin





June 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	1 2	3
8 & 10 a.m. EUCCHARIST CHURCH PICNIC Showell Park 3 p.m.	4 5	6	AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	7 8	9	10
8 & 10 a.m. EUCCHARIST HOPE4RECOVERY 4 p.m.	11 12	13	AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	14 15	16	17
8 & 10 a.m. EUCCHARIST	18 19	20	AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	21 22	23	24
8 & 10 a.m. EUCCHARIST	25 26	27	AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	28 29	30	1

There will be no vestry meetings in June, July, or August.

HOLD THE DATE: Quarter Auction Monday, August 7

OCEAN CITY EVENTS

06/10 - 11	OC Air Show
06/11 - 09/3	Sundaes in the Park & Fireworks
07/4	Music & Fireworks
08/7 - 11	White Marlin Open
08/24 - 27	Jeep Week
09/8 - 9	Wine on the Beach
09/13 - 17	OC Bike Week
10/4 - 8	Endless Summer Cruisin'
10/19 - 21	O.C.toberfest
10/19 - 22	Sunfest
11/17 - 12/31	Winterfest

MORE INFO: <https://www.oceancity.com>



WORCESTER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - JUNE 2023

- 12 - 13 Early Dismissal for Students, High School Exams
- 13 End of 4th Marking Period (44 Days), Tentative Last Day of Schools
- 19 CLOSED: Juneteenth

MORE INFO: <https://www.worcester12.org>





ABOUT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



March	1968	Ground Broken for the Chapel of the Holy Spirit
June 23	1968	First service, the Rev William R. Dewees rector, one service average attendance 33
July 14	1968	Building dedicated and blessed
Sept. 1	1968	Last service for the first year Building completed in Fall
June - August	1969	Same as previous year
	1970-75	Two services held each Sunday June-first Sunday of September. Some of the Priests were William Dewees, Elmer Baker, L. Barton, Edward Bushong. Average attendance 45
May 30-Sept 5	1976	Two services (more at 8) Priests: Walt Reuschling and N Acton Average attendance 66 Steeple added.
May 29-Sept. 18	1977	Two services Priests: N Acton and L Barton Average attendance 95 (again, more at 8)
May 28-Sept 17	1978	Two services Vicar Walt Reuschling average attendance about 95 About equal attendance at services
	1979 thru 1984	Pattern about the same as 1979 Attendance increases gradually to about 110, flags and fair linens dedicated in 1979 and mid-week prayer service added in 1984
May 26	1985	Chapel becomes a year-round mission and John Wright is the Vicar. Two services May thru Oct. Attendance about 97 One service Oct thru Dec. Attendance about 71
	1986	One service Jan thru May and Sept thru Dec. Two services May thru Sept John Wright vicar. John Wright completes 21 months of service, June 1985 to Feb. 1987
	1987	One service winter months, two in summer. John Wright, John Hurd, and Norbert served as priests. Average attendance drops to 50's December 1 – Full time Vicar Larry Hill begins service
	1988	Two services in the summer, one of which is Sat evening at 6, one on Sunday at 9:30 Attendance begins to build to average 66
	1989	Average attendance 89 in 1989 Trailer used for Sunday School.
	1990	Average attendance 103 October 1 - Parish Hall dedicated
Jan. 25	1991	Chapel receives Parish status and is now called Church of the Holy Spirit. Two services for longer time of the year Average attendance 154
	1992	Continued growth Average attendance 178
	1993	Fall of 1993 Additions begin to Church and Parish Hall
	1994	New additions dedicated in March Father Nickerson and Larry Hill serve as Priests. Two services year-round. Average attendance 166
	1995	Larry Hill leaves as Rector in Nov. and Father Nickerson fills in.
June 17	1996	Ronald Robinson begins as new Rector. Average attendance 124
	1997	R Robinson Rector. Two services, one midweek on Wed. Average Attendance 151
	1998	R. Robinson Rector. Two Sunday services. Ave. attendance 165
Jan. 17	1999	R. Robertson's last service and now only one service with Graham Rowley or Richard Swartout Average attendance drop to 96
	2000	Rev. Philip Houghton becomes Rector May 7 and serves until Oct. 29. Rev Bill Truitt begins services on Nov. 5. Only one service during this year. Average attendance 84
	2001	Easter Sunday begins two services. Rev Truitt serves thru May. Father Bryan Glancey and Father Ken Thom (priests from SPBTS) begin serving in June. Average attendance 92
	2002	Father Bryan Glancey and Father Ken Tom continue to serve; Average attendance 96
	2003	Father Walt Reuschling begins serving Jan. 26. Ave. attendance at the two services 100. Father Glenn A. Duffy called as Rector and begins services June 1 Average attendance 109
	2004	Father Glenn A. Duffy, Rector. Growth Average attendance 145
	2005	Father Glenn A. Duffy, Rector Mortgage paid off for Parish House and Church additions in June. Average attendance 121
	2006	Average attendance 126
	2007	Parishioner since 2000, Carl Mosley ordained as Deacon by the Rt. Rev. James Shand, Bishop of Easton; Ave. attendance 112
	2008	900 sq. ft. addition for new kitchen started; Ave. attendance 108
	2009	Average attendance 101
	2010	Kitchen completed; Average attendance 101
	2011	Average Attendance 101
	2012	After completing seminary and a master's Degree from 2008-2011 through the Nashotah House in Wisconsin, Deacon Carl Mosely ordained a Priest by the Rt. Rev. James Shand, Bishop of Easton; Barry Neville of St. Paul's Berlin served at Holy Spirit from Jun-Dec as part of his educational program to become an ordained Deacon; Average Attendance 95
	2013	After serving as Assistant Priest at Holy Spirit and Supply Priest in the Diocese of Easton, Father Carl Mosley was appointed Pastor and Priest-in-Charge at Mary's in Bridgeville, Delaware; Average Attendance 96
	2014	Father Glenn A. Duffy retires after the December 7th Annual Meeting; Father G. Allen LaMontagne begins serving as Priest-in-Charge on Dec. 14; Average Attendance 84
	2015	Parishioner since October 2014, Deacon Sherry Snyder begins service in June; Average attendance 74
	2016	Father G. Allen LaMontagne retires on September 30; The Reverend Doctor Mark Cyr is brought in as Interim Rector on November 1; Average attendance 75
October 1	2017	The Reverend Joseph Michael Rushton becomes Rector
January 21	2018	Welcoming a New Rector & Renewal of Ministry Service with Bishop Santash Marray April 22 50th Anniversary Celebration



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SUBMISSIONS

The content deadline for the July 2023 issue of "THE DOVE" is Thursday, June 22, 2023.

Please submit your content in Microsoft Word document with text only, no designs. Email your letters, ideas, articles, comments, information, photos, questions - carefully labeled to **Birgitt Brevard at bsbrevard@yahoo.com**.

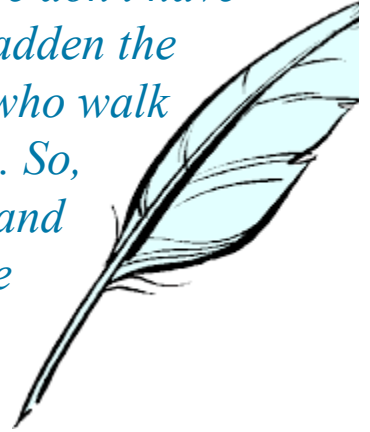
NOTE: Dates, times, locations mentioned in this newsletter are subject to change. All information has been edited to the best of our abilities. Be kind and understanding. PEACE!

REMEMBER the June 22 deadline.

QUOTE FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

"Life is short. We don't have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk this way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind."

Henri-Frédéric Amiel



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