

A newsletter from us for all of you.

THE DOVE

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

April 2026



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Way of the Cross (Stations of the Cross)

A devotion to the Passion of Christ which recalls a series of events at the end of Jesus' life from his condemnation to his burial. The Way of the Cross imitates the practice of visiting the places of Jesus' Passion in the Holy Land by early Christian pilgrims.

The stations in the Way of the Cross:

- 1) *Jesus is condemned to death;*
- 2) *Jesus takes up his cross;*
- 3) *Jesus falls the first time;*
- 4) *Jesus meets his afflicted mother;*
- 5) *the cross is laid on Simon of Cyrene;*
- 6) *a woman wipes the face of Jesus;*
- 7) *Jesus falls a second time;*
- 8) *Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem;*
- 9) *Jesus falls a third time;*
- 10) *Jesus is stripped of his garments;*
- 11) *Jesus is nailed to the cross;*
- 12) *Jesus dies on the cross;*
- 13) *the body of Jesus is placed in the arms of his mother;*
- 14) *Jesus is laid in the tomb.*

Eight of the stations are based on events that are recorded in the gospels. The remaining six (stations 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 13) are based on inferences from the gospels or pious legends.

► MAUNDY THURSDAY
 We will gather in the parish hall at 7 p.m. and start with a soup supper, followed by our Maundy Thursday service, also in the parish hall. The communion bread will be passed around the table. Soup will be provided. Parishioners may bring salads if they wish. We will have volunteers (as many altar guild members as possible and any other volunteers) to strip the altar after the service, but it will not be part of the service.

► SUNDAY SCHOOL HAS BOTH SHAPED ME AS A CHRISTIAN AND PERSON

Hi, I'm **Rosie Hemming**, and I attended Sunday School for 10 years. It has not only helped me grow my faith but also shaped me into the person I am today.

To understand Sunday School and why I think kids should attend, children can get bored while the service is happening, which can sometimes cause disruptions. The services can be difficult for children to understand. Sunday School simplifies the lessons and teaches life skills that the children can apply to their everyday life, such as honesty, forgiveness, fairness, and sharing. If the kids get bored, we have fun activities and projects we do every week to keep them entertained, such as painting and crafting!

Sunday School has helped me grow and understand Christianity as a whole through these methods. Through Sunday School, I was able to enjoy learning about the Christian faith and actually understand the lessons. Sunday School has also helped shape me as a kid growing up because it taught me how to be a good person and live as Christ did. Sunday School has meant a lot to me because of this, and I believe that it has helped me be the person and Christian I am today. This is why I encourage all Christian children to go to Sunday School, as it shaped me to understand Christianity and become the person I am today.





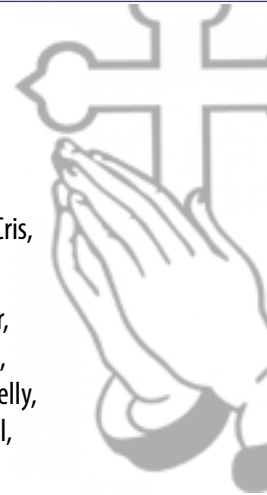
PARISH PRAYER LIST

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

OUR PARISH FAMILY: Claudia Quemore, Jack Panuska, Lloyd Martin, Ron & Marcy Chrisner, Rudolph Brevard, Grayson Arauz, Joe D, John Frombach, Bryan Clifton, Skip, Fr. Joe Rushton, Nick Codd, Bill Johnston, Sara Price, Rochelle Desimone, Katherine Wauhop, Victoria DeSilver, Jane Florentino, Jane, Cris, Carol Lee Hensyl

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Susan Penn, Nicole, Sharon Trezise, Andi Mangels, Janet B., Shelia, Alex Naylor, Leann, David, Gene, Diane Frank, Faye Graham, Harry Spahn, Teresa, Anne Siddoway, Steve, Robyn Diesel, The Walsh Family, Terri & Ron Rickards, Marie Duffy, Jim, Michael Wertz, Pat Borkowski, Willem & Joyce, Kelly, Claudia & Bill Troy, Jennifer Giro, Deanna Turner, Ladd Layton, Alisha Kornfuehrer, Bob Spradlin, Steve Hall, Bobby Wertz, Anne Grabenstein, Nicki Ridenour, David, Phyllis, Linda Rolfes

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



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 11 Wells Quemore
- 14 Patricia Shaw
- 20 Suzi Windemuth

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 22 Cathy & Lee Evans
- 22 Monica & Lloyd Martin

For missed birthdays or anniversaries, notify the church office to update our files.

YOUR VESTRY

2026: Marena Konoski, Monica Martin
2027: Ann Dougherty, Barbara Wachter
2028: Alex DeSilver, Sue Flaherty

Monica Martin, *Sr. Warden* 443.235.8942
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 Bonnie Rease, *Parish Administrator*
 Tim DeSilver, *Music Minister*
 Kathy Elmer, *Sunday School*



Open the camera app on your phone. Hold your phone so that the QR code appears in view. Tap the notification that has popped up. Now you are linked to the church's website.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

APRIL 2026

- 04/01 April Fools' Day
- 04/02 Maundy Thursday Soup & Salad at 7 p.m. followed by Service
- 04/03 Good Friday 7 p.m.
Service with Stations of the Cross
- 04/05 Easter Sunday 8 and 10 a.m.
Easter Egg Hunt After 10 a.m. Service
- 04/13 Vestry Meeting 7 p.m.
- 04/19 Hope4Recovery Meeting 4 p.m.

SAVE THESE DATES FOR MAY

- 05/05 Cinco de Mayo
- 05/10 Mother's Day
- 05/25 Memorial Day
- 05/26 Cluster Meeting 1 p.m.
St. Pauls Episcopal Church, Berlin

AA MEETINGS (Parish Hall)

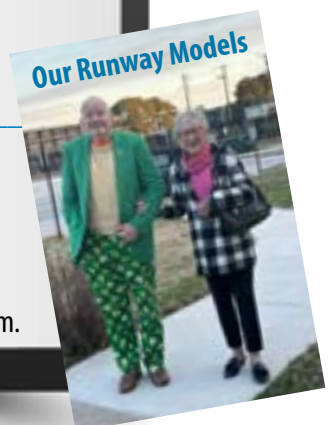
Every Wednesday evening at 5 p.m.

Parish Hall is reserved from 5 - 7:30 p.m.

Every Thursday evening at 7 p.m.

Parish Hall is reserved from 6:15 - 8:30 p.m.

Vestry meeting minutes, 2026 approved budget and financial statements are posted in the parish hall outside of the kitchen.





▶ ABOUT OUR NEW/OLD ALTAR

The above photos show how the altar got to the Church of the Holy Spirit: A truck, lots of lifting, and lots of volunteers.

The altar was gifted to us by the decommissioned St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Vienna Parish. Father Mosley is trying to find out more about its history; however it will take some time. We know that it dates back to around 1930, maybe even the late 1800s.

For all who want to know more, we'll keep you posted as we have more history available.



St. Paul's Church, Vienna



The altar at its old location.

▶ CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE AT THE HOPE4RECOVERY HOUSE

The Ocean Cluster of churches continues to take dinner to the Hope4Recovery (H4R) House once a month. On Sunday, March 15, the Church of the Holy Spirit delivered sodas, juices, a cake, and apple crisp, while others brought salad and corned beef & cabbage. We joined residents of the H4R House for dinner and conversation.

If you would like more information or to be involved, contact Jackie Carey at 443.735.4275.

(Photo below is of volunteers, NOT residents.)





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100TH STREET, COASTAL HWY, OCEAN CITY MD 21842

OUR LOT IS OPEN FOR PUBLIC PARKING



Scan to Park
Park in our lot. Point your phone camera at the QR code and follow the instructions. That's it!

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HELP SPREAD THE WORD

*"Looking for a good place to park?
The Church of the Holy Spirit Welcomes You!
Tell a friend."*

Every person who parks here, helps support our church community.

Thank you for sharing!

Share The Good News:

- Facebook
- NextDoor
- Reddit
- Neighborhood groups
- Local event pages
- With friends and neighbors



▶ MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MAY!

Yes, we are planning the next gathering with our friends and families. We are not sure of the location yet, however, it will be on a Friday in May. As before, there will be good food, talk, laughter, and fellowship. We are all looking forward to seeing you again!

For more information, call Jackie at 443.735.4275.



▶ CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR ALL



By now you should have received a card asking you to pray for another parishioner during Lent. The other half of the story is that someone got a card asking them to pray for you.

This is a project the Ocean Cluster of churches has undertaken in Lent for several years. The selection of who prays for whom is random, but it will be a member of Church of the Holy Spirit. The prayer can be as simple or as complex as you like. It can be as simple as "O God, please bless N (the person you are praying for)." If you know of a special need your person has, you could certainly mention that. **And remember that someone is praying for you.**



Easter Bags for Hope4Recovery

Easter bags were stuffed with goodies and delivered. Thank you to all who participated!



▶ SHARE THE RIDE RESOURCE (Melanie Konoski)

I would like to create a **Share the Ride** resource for any parishioner in need. If you need a ride to and from church each or any Sunday, **reach out to Melanie Konoski at 443.497.2163**. Also, if any parishioner would like to provide transportation to and from church each Sunday, please contact Melanie Konoski.





A Service of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist

Sunday, March 1, 2026 - 10 a.m.

WITH MY WHOLE HEART (Nolan Williams)

With my whole heart, Lord, I will sing to thee. With my whole heart I'll make melodies.
I'll focus on thy glory, so I can come before thee with my whole heart.
Standing in thy presence - there's joy unspeakable and free.
I bow in awe and reverence - crying, holy, how I adore thee.













► **SPLASH WITH THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT** *(Katie Coffman & Monica Martin)*

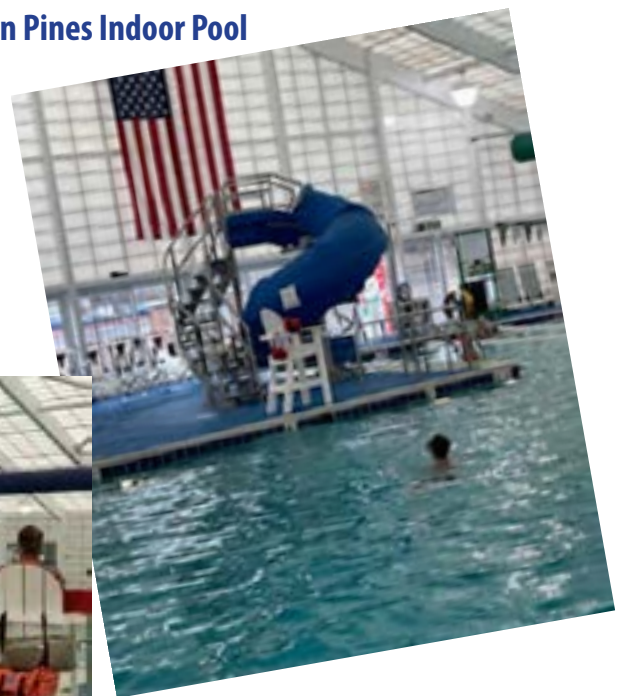
We are **selling raffle tickets for a Private Pool Party at the Ocean Pines Indoor Pool** located at the South Gate in Ocean Pines on Cathell Road. The party includes 2 hours of private use of the pool for 50 guests with three lifeguards!

Times available are **Saturday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m.** and **Sunday afternoons from 3 to 5 p.m.** with **scheduling required before the date of your private party.** The certificate is valid until September 2027.

Tickets are \$5 each, 3 for \$10, and 8 for \$20. The drawing will be at the 2026 Crab Feast.

Please see Monica Martin or Katie Coffman for tickets. You can contact Monica Martin at 443.235.8942 with questions or to purchase tickets.

Let's start splashing!





► CANDY FOR EASTER EGGS

This year's Easter Egg Hunt is on April 5 after the 10 a.m. service and we would like to sweeten the hunt.

Please donate small wrapped candy to fit inside the eggs.

A basket for the donations will be in the back of the church.

For questions, ask Kathy Elmer, our Sunday School teacher.



JOIN US AT THE **JUNE 19** BALL GAME

Let's do it in style!

**ONLY 25 SEATS AVAILABLE.
First come - First serve! No exceptions.**



- WHO:** Church of the Holy Spirit
- WHEN:** June 19, 2026
- WHERE:** Arthur W. Perdue Stadium
6400 Hobbs Road, Salisbury, Maryland 21804
- WHAT:** **Luxury Suite Night with the Shorebirds!**
DELMARVA Shorebirds vs. Myrtle Beach Pelicans
- DOORS OPEN:** 6:05 p.m.
- GAME TIME:** 7:05 p.m.
- TRANSPORTATION:** On Your Own or Share A Ride
- COST:** \$40*
- SIGNUP:** Contact the Church Office at 410.723.1973
or ask a Vestry Member
- PAYMENT:** All payments are due by May 10, 2026
Make checks out to "Church of the Holy Spirit"



***Our Shorebirds Luxury Suite includes:**

- Fully Furnished Suite with Television
- Private Restroom
- Limited Refreshments Included
- Balcony Seating with Padded Seat Bottoms
- Inside Window Seats
- 10 Lot A Parking Passes (please share your ride)
- Heating & Air Conditioning
- Group Welcome on Videoboard
- Fireworks

Same price for every attendee - no discounts.





YOUR SCHEDULE FOR APRIL



8 a.m. **10 a.m.**

USHERS/GREETERS

- 02 Maundy Thursday, 7 p.m .** Birgitt Brevard & Ann Dougherty
- 03 Good Friday, 7 p.m.** Ann & Joe Dougherty
- 05 Birgitt Brevard & Jackie Carey Phyllis Brian & Monica Martin
- 12 Birgitt Brevard & Jackie Carey Joe Dougherty & Marena Konoski
- 19 Birgitt Brevard & Jackie Carey Joe Dougherty & Melanie Konoski
- 26 Birgitt Brevard & Jackie Carey Ann Dougherty & John Frombach

LECTORS

- 02 Maundy Thursday, 7 p.m .** Diane Frombach, Jackie Carey, Marena Konoski
- 03 Good Friday, 7 p.m.** Birgitt Brevard & Monica Martin
- 05 Birgitt Brevard Joe Dougherty
- 12 Birgitt Brevard Kate Hemming
- 19 Birgitt Brevard Alex DeSilver
- 26 Birgitt Brevard John Frombach

ACOLYTES

- 03 Good Friday, 7 p.m.** Melanie Konoski
- 05 Jackie Carey Melanie Konoski
- 12 Jackie Carey Monica Martin
- 19 Jackie Carey Marena Konoski
- 26 Jackie Carey Diane Frombach

CHALICE BEARER

- 05 Jackie Carey Melanie Konoski
- 12 Jackie Carey Monica Martin
- 19 Jackie Carey Marena Konoski
- 26 Jackie Carey Diane Frombach

ALTAR GUILD

- 02 Monica Martin & Barbara Wachter**
- 03 Monica Martin & Barbara Wachter**
- 05 Monica Martin & Barbara Wachter
- 12 Sue Flaherty & Diane Frombach
- 19 Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter
- 26 Jane DiGirolamo & Barbara Wachter

COUNTERS

- 05 Ann Dougherty & Barbara Wachter
- 12 Sue Flaherty & Melanie Konoski
- 19 Ann Dougherty & Barbara Wachter
- 26 Sue Flaherty & Melanie Konoski

COFFEE HOUR

- 05 Diane Frombach
- 12 Pancake Breakfast
- 19 Monica Martin
- 26 Marena & Melanie Konoski

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION *(Melanie S. Konoski)*

Are you aware of the option to donate to the Church of the Holy Spirit as a Qualified Charitable Distribution?

A qualified charitable distribution (QCD) is a distribution from your individual retirement account (IRA) to a qualified charity. You must be age 70½ or older to make a qualified charitable distribution, which is not taxed and does not get included in your taxable income.

If you qualify, QCDs can also count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD) that anyone age 73 or older must meet each year if they have a traditional IRA. Also important: You don't have to itemize on your tax return to take advantage of a QCD.

To see if you meet the qualifications to process a QCD, please contact your tax preparer or your financial advisor. This may be a good opportunity for you to satisfy your pledge or make a one-time donation to benefit you and the church.





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	30	31	1 AA MEETING Parish Hall 5 p.m. <i>1005 DUTY</i>	2 <i>MAUNDY THURSDAY</i> SERVICE - 7 p.m.	3 GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 7 p.m. <i>GOOD FRIDAY</i>	4
5 EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m. EASTER SUNDAY EASTER EGG HUNT after 10 a.m. Service	6	7	8 AA MEETING Parish Hall 5 p.m. <i>Members' Privileges</i>	9 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	10	11
12 EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m. PANCAKE BREAKFAST after 10 a.m. Service	13 VESTRY MEETING 7 p.m.	14	15 AA MEETING Parish Hall 5 p.m.	16 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	17	18
19 EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m. HOPE4RECOVERY 4 p.m.	20	21	22 AA MEETING Parish Hall 5 p.m. MAY DOVE Content Deadline	23 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	24	25
26 EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m.	27	28	29 AA MEETING Parish Hall 5 p.m.	30 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	1	2

▶ SHOUT OUT TO ALL WHO SEND PHOTOGRAPHS
Thank You! Your photos and your efforts to improve this newsletter are highly appreciated. Just please keep in mind that not all can be included to avoid duplication and overload. You are wonderful!

OCEAN CITY 2026

- 04/04 BERLIN SPRING CELEBRATION
- 04/18 VINTAGE & VINYL IN BERLIN
- 04/23-26 SPRING FEST
- 04/23-26 55TH ANNUAL WARD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WILDFOWL CARVING COMPETITION & ART FESTIVAL

MORE INFO ABOUT THESE EVENTS, CLICK [HERE](#)



WORCESTER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS APRIL 2026

- 04/01 ALL DAY
 - 04/02 ALL DAY
 - 04/03 ALL DAY
 - 04/06 ALL DAY
 - 04/21 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Early Dismissal for Students**
Schools Closed for Students:
Professional Day
Schools/Offices Closed: Spring Break
Schools/Offices Closed: Spring Break
Board of Education Meeting

MORE INFO: <https://www.worcesterk12.org>





About Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday, also referred to as Holy Thursday, or Thursday of the Lord's Supper, among other names, is a Christian feast during Holy Week that marks the beginning of the Paschal Triduum, and commemorates the Washing of the Feet (Maundy) and Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles, as described in the canonical gospels.

It is the fifth day of Holy Week, preceded by Holy Wednesday (Spy Wednesday) and followed by Good Friday. "Maundy" comes from the Latin word *mandatum*, or commandment, reflecting Jesus' words "I give you a new commandment." The date of the day will vary according to whether the Gregorian calendar or the Julian calendar is used. Eastern churches generally use the Julian system.

For more information, click [here](#).

About Good Friday

Good Friday, also known as Holy Friday, Great Friday, Great and Holy Friday, or Friday of the Passion of the Lord, is a solemn Christian holy day commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus and his death at Calvary (Golgotha) in order to save his people. It is observed during Holy Week as part of the Paschal Triduum.

Members of many Christian denominations, including the Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Lutheran, Anglican, Methodist, Oriental Orthodox, United Protestant and some Reformed traditions (including certain Continental Reformed, Presbyterian and Congregationalist churches), observe Good Friday with fasting and church services. In many Catholic, Lutheran, Anglican and Methodist churches, the Service of the Great Three Hours' Agony is held from noon until 3 p.m.—the hours the Bible records darkness covering the land until Jesus' death on the cross. In the Catholic, Lutheran and Anglican traditions of Christianity, the Stations of the Cross are prayed in the evening of Good Friday, as with other Fridays of Lent. Communicants of the Moravian Church have a Good Friday tradition of cleaning gravestones in Moravian cemeteries.

The date of Good Friday varies from one year to the next in both the Gregorian and Julian calendars. Eastern and Western Christianity disagree over the computation of the date of Easter and therefore of Good Friday. Good Friday is a widely instituted legal holiday around the world. Some predominantly Christian countries, such as Germany, have laws prohibiting certain acts—public dancing, horse racing—in remembrance of the somber nature of Good Friday.

For more information, click [here](#).

About Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday, also called Resurrection Sunday, is traditionally understood as the day believers commemorate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. The term "Easter" in English may trace back to older language forms referencing spring celebrations, but the central focus is firmly the biblical account of Christ's victory over death.

According to the Gospels, Jesus was crucified, buried, and then rose from the dead on the third day (cf. Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20). In Matthew 28:6, the angel at the tomb declares, "He is not here; He has risen, just as He said." This event is foundational: it





demonstrates Jesus' divine nature and affirms the promise that those who believe will share in resurrection life.

Scripture consistently emphasizes the resurrection's importance. Paul writes, "And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is worthless, and so is your faith" (1 Corinthians 15:14). This underlines the teaching that everything in the gospel hinges on the historical reality of Christ's bodily resurrection.

Early Christian communities recognized the resurrection as the cornerstone of their faith. Ancient writers such as Ignatius of Antioch and Justin Martyr referred to Christian worship on the first day of the week—commonly associated with the resurrection. By the second century, church congregations were regularly commemorating this event annually, calling attention to the empty tomb and the eyewitness testimonies (1 Corinthians 15:5-8).

Outside the Bible, sources including the Jewish historian Flavius Josephus (*Antiquities of the Jews*, Book 18) and Roman historians like Tacitus (*Annals* 15.44) provide secular references to Christ's crucifixion and the early Christian movement. While these texts do not offer direct testimony to the resurrection, they corroborate the setting, timeframe, and the growth of a community centered on the belief that Jesus rose from the dead.

Despite debates about the exact location of Jesus' tomb, scholars note that sites historically identified as the "empty tomb" were revered by early Christians in Jerusalem. Archaeologists have observed early Christian markings in areas believed to be near the original tomb, indicating veneration from the earliest centuries.

Additionally, the wide manuscript tradition of the New Testament—with thousands of Greek manuscripts, plus early translations (Latin, Syriac, Coptic)—reveals remarkable consistency in detailing the resurrection narratives. Among the earliest copies of the Gospels and Pauline letters, references to the resurrection are present and clear, showing no deviation from the core claim that Jesus physically rose from the grave.

Easter Sunday encapsulates the promise of salvation. As Romans 10:9 states, "If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." The resurrection testifies to Christ's authority to forgive sins (1 John 2:2), highlighting that death's power is broken.

Believers hold that the resurrection is not merely a symbolic victory—Scripture and early Christian teaching affirm it was a literal, bodily event. This truth guarantees the believer's own future resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:20-23). The significance is deeply tied to salvation: through this event, Jesus conquered death, validating His role as the Messiah.

Easter Sunday carries transformative power for personal lives. It presents hope, as believers understand that mortal challenges do not have the final word. From a behavioral perspective, this hope fosters endurance and character growth (Romans 5:3-5). It answers fundamental questions about human purpose: if the resurrection is valid, then life, suffering, and morality find resolution in God's plan.

A person's outlook often changes when convinced that humanity's ultimate fate lies in redemption and resurrection. Faith in Christ's resurrection shapes daily actions, ethical decisions, and societal engagement, as believers seek to live in a manner that reflects the transformative power of new life.

While Scripture does not present its timelines in modern scientific frameworks, genealogical references (Genesis 5, 10, 11) and related passages have been interpreted by many to suggest a timeline of several thousand years. Those who hold this viewpoint see the centrality of the resurrection in continuity with the biblical narrative from creation onward.

For more information, click [here](#).





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 50s. December 1 – Full time Vicar Larry Hill begins service.
	1988	Two services in the summer: Saturday evening at 6 p.m. and one on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. 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 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 Father 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. Average attendance 165.
Jan.17	1999	R. Robertson's last service and now only one service with Graham Rowley or Richard Swartout. Average attendance drops 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 Thom continue to serve. Average attendance 96.
	2003	Father Walt Reuschling begins serving Jan.26. Average 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. Average attendance grows to 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; Average attendance 112.
	2008	900 sq. ft. addition for new kitchen started. Average 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 to St. 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 Santosh Kumar Marray April 22. 50th Anniversary Celebration.
September	2023	Reverend Alisha M. King joins Reverend Joseph Michael Rushton as Deacon-In-Residence and serves until November 2025.
February	2025	Father Joseph Rushton retires and Father Carl Mosley is appointed Priest-In-Charge.



THE DOVE



SUBMISSIONS

The content deadline for the May 2026 issue of "THE DOVE" is **Wednesday, April 22, 2026.**

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 April 22 deadline for May.

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SERVICES

8 a.m.

In-Person Holy Eucharist Rite II and live-streamed and posted to YouTube

10 a.m.

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The Right Reverend James J. Shand, *Assisting Bishop of Easton*
The Reverend Carl E. Mosley, *Priest-In-Charge*
Andy E. Diaz Reyes, *Lay Latino Pastor*
Bonnie Rease, *Parish Administrator*
Monica Martin, *Senior Warden* • John Frombach, *Junior Warden*
Kathy Elmer, *Sunday School* • Tim DeSilver, *Music Minister*



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