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All Saints Episcopal Church Monthly Newsletter



CONFIRMATION 2023



On Saturday, April 29 Liz Campbell, Soren Murphy-Pearson, and Luke Sargent were confirmed at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Minneapolis. Congratulations, Liz, Soren, and Luke! Your All Saints family is always here for you! Enjoy Fr. Cody's article on page 2 and more pictures on page 13..

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Welcome to All Saints

Masks are welcome but not required during the service. Service will continue to be available at 10:30am at allsaintsnorthfield.org

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Priest-in-Charge
Father Cody Maynus

About a third of our parish carpooled to the Twin Cities to support three of our own—Liz Campbell, Soren Murphy-Pearson, and Luke Sargent—who were confirmed in The Episcopal Church on a beautiful late April afternoon. Our three were joined by about 80 others from parishes throughout the diocese and the liturgy was celebrated in Karen, Hmong, Spanish, and English!

There are some authors and speakers who have made their whole brand identity on the premise that the Church is dying. (I won't name names, but I sure could!) I used to think this narrative was compelling and got really anxious about what would happen when it did. I spent all kinds of time wringing my hands and wondering how we could possibly stop church decline or at least slow it way down so that we could at least pass the decline off to another generation.

I used to believe this, but then I got out from behind my desk and actually experienced the Church in all its diversity first hand. I then realized that the Church is way too vibrant to die! More than 400 people of great diversity—people of several races and ethnicities, gender identities and sexual orientations, political backgrounds and ideological frameworks, ages and experiences—came together and sat in a hot cathedral on a beautiful spring day and pledged to support their friends and fellow pilgrims as they recommitted themselves to love God, one another, and, indeed, the whole world. Not the people they like or with whom they agree, but the whole world!

My goodness! If that's what the big wig thinkers call "dying," then I'd hate to see what living looks like!

Junior Warden
Laura Kay Allen



There are members of our All Saints congregation that do things all around our church and we are grateful to them. Each month, I would like to do a "shout out" recognizing individuals and their contributions. Please feel free to email or text me information. A big thank you to these folks for their extra efforts during April:

Betsy Brandt- Working on securing supplies for the kitchen

Elizabeth Campbell-For providing her continued leadership in the rain garden.

Chris Ennis- For purchasing the new All Saints E-Go cordless, self-propelled electric lawn mower using dedicated funds by various parishioners.

Dave McGuire, All Saints Sexton- Dave's steady and consistent work to maintain our church each week is greatly appreciated!

Bob Rowe- Repaired the front door so it opens, closes and locks properly

- Working on the water cooler - assessing what's the problem and exploring solutions

- Installed a new EXIT sign in the Commons - right near the table where we serve food and installed new battery packs in all EXIT signs.

Bob and Rhonda Rowe- Recently met with a roof adjuster about our past hail damage. They will provide a written report when information becomes available.

As always, please contact me with questions, issues or worries.



A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!

Katie Gunn and Luke Sargent are happy to announce that they are engaged to be married! We, at All Saints, have been blessed with their gifts of music and friendship for two years now, and we wish them both a happy future together!



Exciting update from your Co-Treasurers, Pam and Larry!

Submitted by Pam Middleton

As of May 2023, our mortgage payment is **BELOW \$150,000!** This is a big milestone (our initial loan in 2013 was for \$900,000 to cover the remaining cost of the building project), and is due to the continued generosity of the All Saints community. Our monthly loan payment (\$1,786) covers both principal and interest, and is included in our annual budget for operating expenses. So thank you to everyone who gives generously each year in support of the operating expenses of the church! Thank you also to those who donate extra funds during the year that go towards the principal, thus reducing the number of years to pay off the loan!

Graduation Season is here!

- We congratulate **Ann Campbell** who is graduating from Northfield High School on June 11!
- Congratulations to **Katie Gunn, Luke Sargent, Abby Davis and Olivia Inberg** who graduate from St. Olaf on May 28!
- We also congratulate **Eduardo Jaramillo** from the Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University on May 21. Pam, Fernan, Sara and Cormac will join Eduardo at the ceremony in Washington!
- Congratulations to **Read Gleason** who just earned his RN degree from Inver Hills Community College!

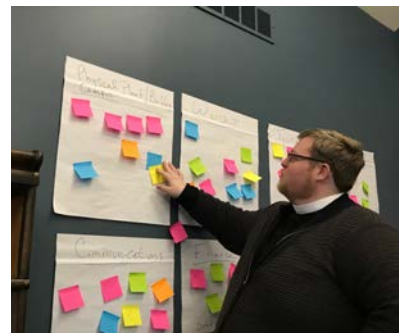
Watch for more details about our graduates' futures in the June Newsletter.

On Sunday, May 21, we will honor our graduates and have a special coffee hour to celebrate their achievement.

May

7	Vestry Meeting
13	Outdoor Workday
14	Final Sunday School; Mother's Day
	Katie Gunn, Luke Sargent- orchestra concert
21	Graduation Celebration Sunday
27	ECW meeting, Anoka (See Elizabeth Campbell)

Vestry Retreat April 15, 2023



Introducing the New All Saints Ministry Teams

Submitted by Fr. Cody

At our recent Vestry retreat, we spent some time discussing the current work of the parish and how that work fits into God's mission in the world. After discernment and discussion, the Vestry has decided to adopt an organizing model that distributes leadership throughout the parish and allows the Vestry to spend more of its time on dreaming big dreams and leading our parish into the future.

In some parishes—usually smaller ones than ours—the senior warden is seen as the person “in charge” of the parish, the junior warden is seen as the person responsible for fixing things and taking care of the building, and the vestry is seen as the most active or most prominent members of the parish. The priest, in these congregations, tends to be a chaplain: present only on Sundays and during life cycles (funerals, baptisms, etc) and any time the wardens need the priest. For some congregations, this model is their only option due to size and/or resources. There aren't enough people to whom the work might be spread out and they might not have the funds to support a priest.

All Saints, however, has the good fortune of being in a stable financial situation and having a larger community from which to discern and raise up leaders. This means that we can identify leaders for each area of our parish's ministry and life together and allow the vestry and clergy to appropriately support those leaders in their ministry. This also allows the vestry the opportunity to spend time in prayer and reflection, casting a vision into the future and leading us in the direction of that vision.

In this new model, the work of the parish is split up into nine ministry teams which work independently of one another while also staying part of the bigger picture through their team leads, the wardens, and the priest-in-charge. Each ministry team has a leader who is responsible for its various ministries, events, and groups. This person does not necessarily have to do or organize all of the work within their area, but they are responsible for making sure that it gets done and supporting those within each area who are involved in the implementation of the work. Each ministry team is supported by either the senior or the junior warden, as well as the parish clergy.

Father Cody Maynus, continued

Don't feel like you have to be responsible for knowing the ins and the outs of the model right away. The most important thing for you to know is who to talk to about various parts of our life together here at All Saints. In the old days, you might automatically talk to the senior warden if it's about the congregation, the junior warden if it's a maintenance concern, or the priest if it's a spiritual concern. In this model, all that changes is that those responsibilities are shared with a larger group of people, ensuring that more voices are heard and the experiences of more people are allowed to shape our lives together in this parish.

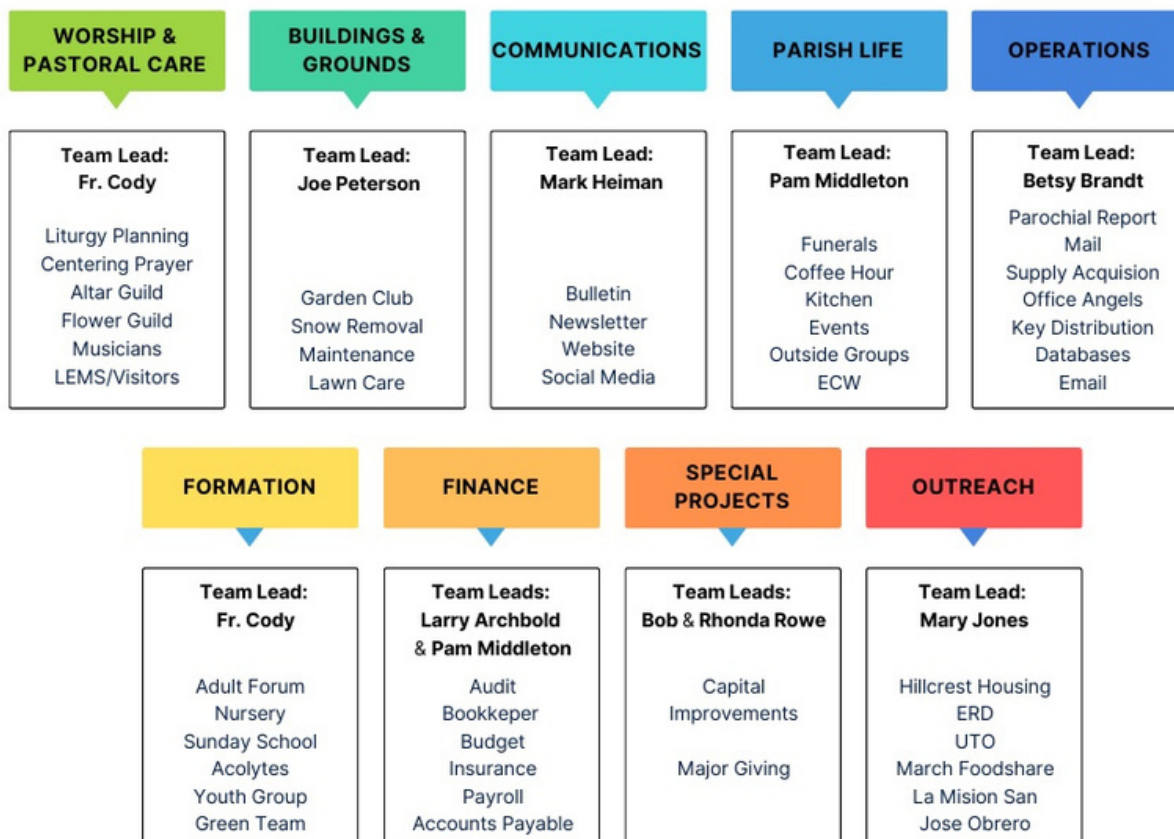
There is nothing magical about this organizational model. We are giving it a try and seeing how it serves us. If we figure out that this doesn't work or that something else would work better, then we will pivot in that direction. The good news is that our All Saints Vestry is composed of remarkably dedicated folks who work very well together.

If you have questions about this process, please let me know!

Yours faithfully,
Cody+

All Saints Church

Ministry Teams



Holy Week 2023



**Palm Sunday
!Hosanna!**

The Procession and the Passion



Ukrainian Egg Decorating with Laura!



Tenebrae: A Service of Light and Darkness
Holy Wednesday
Thank you to Sabe and Katie



Maundy Thursday
A service with Foot washing and
Stripping the Altar
Keeping watch through the night
in the Fireside Room



Good Friday
A Solemn Service

Holy Saturday
Prayers with the Altar Guild in the Fireside Room



Preparing the Church for Easter!



**Thank you to Fr. Cody for
the breakfast on Holy
Saturday!**

The Altar Guild prepared the altar, hung the banners, placed the flowers, and readied the church for the Great Easter Vigil and Easter Day services!



The Great Easter Vigil



Easter Sunday

ALLELUIA



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Singing The Hallelujah Chorus- An All Saints Tradition!

Hunting for Easter Eggs
Even with some snow still on the ground!



Easter Festive Coffee Hour!





KITCHEN UPDATES!

Submitted by Pam Middleton

The Coffee Aficionados have spoken! We are giving fair-trade, good-tasting and other coffee a chance- AND we have special airtight containers to store the coffee in, right by the Bunn Coffee Maker! We also have a new Compost Container with a cover! Thank you to our new Head Kitchen Angel, Betsy Brandt for making all of this happen. If you would like to join the fun-loving Kitchen Angel Team, please speak with Betsy.



**A CONFIRMATION BLESSING FOR
LIZ CAMPBELL, SOREN MURPHY-PEARSON AND LUKE SARGENT
AND A WELCOME TO CATHY WHITEMAN TO ALL SAINTS
SUNDAY, APRIL 22**



**CONFIRMATION AT ST. MARK'S CATHEDRAL
SUNDAY, APRIL 29**





Fr. Cody and Deacon Cassandra met Mrs. Moxie at the Pride in the Park Fundraiser at Imminent Brewery on April 12.

From Fr. Cody:

Mrs. Moxie, and the whole Pride in the Park - Northfield committee is working so hard to make sure that every person in Northfield is seen, heard, welcomed, and loved. To use the language in The Episcopal Church's baptismal covenant, they are helping us all to "respect the dignity of every human being."

It's hard to keep track of all of the awful legislation throughout our country aiming at victimizing and even criminalizing drag queens and other drag performers. When I do manage to read up on the various bills and initiatives, I'm filled with such sorrow—and even shame!—because the people leading the charge against drag performers—and other forms of LGBTQ joy and community—are often people wearing collars and standing behind pulpits.

That's why Deacon Cassandra and I were at the Pride in the Park fundraiser—to support Mrs. Moxie and let the community here know that there are, in fact, folk who stand behind pulpits and wear collars standing shoulder-to-shoulder with and among the whole rainbow people of God.

College Monfant Gala Announcement

Nalongue Cogan, wife of Charlie Cogan who regularly attends All Saints, is hosting a gala at Ruth's on Stafford at **6:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 13th** to raise funds to send 22 girls to attend College Monfant in Togo, Africa. Dinner reservations are \$25/adult and \$10/student with a live auction and entertainment. To learn more about the school and to register for the Gala, please go to collegemonfant.org website and click on "2023 Gala fundraiser". See you all there!



Memoir Writing Workshop in honor of Orlo Otteson to be held in June

Submitted by Joan Ennis

As many of you remember, our friend Orlo, who passed away in 2021, was a writer and editor, and volunteered for a number of years at the Northfield Middle School. He worked with students researching Northfield and Minnesota, and helped the students write and edit the books they wrote, under the guidance of Earl Weinman. Orlo also gave a workshop on memoir writing at the Northfield Public Library, and facilitated a memoir writing group for several years before the pandemic began.

After his passing, a memorial fund was set up in his honor. The funds will be used to hold a two part workshop on memoir writing, taught by St. Olaf Professor, Kaethe Schwehn. The dates are Tuesday, June 13, 6:00 – 8:00 and Wednesday, June 21, 6:00 – 8:00. The workshop will be limited to 12 people. If you are interested, contact Joan or the library.



MUSICAL OFFERINGS!



SENIOR RECITALS

Katie Gunn and Luke Sargent each had their senior recitals in April and had a lot of support from their friends at All Saints! Congratulations Katie and Luke!



Katie will also be performing with the orchestra as one of the senior soloists (Luke will be playing in the orchestra) at the Senior Soloists Concert on Sunday, May 14 at 3:30pm in Boe Chapel! All are welcome!

News from Nathan!



Submitted by Larry Archbold

Nathan Cleaveland—our organist/choirmaster of some years recently—reports that he has been accepted in the graduate degree program at the University of New Mexico in Choral Conducting. He was also awarded a Teaching Assistantship. He is currently employed in Albuquerque as a church musician. Congratulations to Nathan!

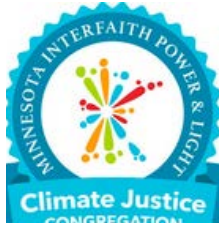


Organ Recital

On Sunday, May 21 at 4 PM, Dr. John A. Schultz (member of All Saints) will present an organ recital at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Rochester.

His program will feature music by women composers, and is inspired by the themes presented by the church's stained glass windows. The windows depict the seasons of the church year and are celebrated in vivid, stained glass splendor. He will also be including two Pentecost chorale preludes by Johann Sebastian Bach.





GREEN TEAM UPDATES



Earth Day was celebrated over several days, from Thursday through Saturday April 20-22! Our own Carla Hansen is one of Northfield's organizers and returned to Northfield from North Carolina where she has been working for the past several months to help with the events. The cold pushed many events indoors but that did not dampen the spirits.



Marshall Hansen and I rang the bells at All Saints on Earth Day at 11:00am for 11 minutes to underscore the fact that we are in the 11th hour of time to address climate change. All Saints was one of several area churches to "ring" the alarm!

Episco-Speak

A Guide to the Language of Episcopalians

Submitted by James Young

You say you don't know your apse from your clerestory? Well, don't despair! Help is here. Each month I will attempt to dazzle you with my command of the vocabulary of Anglicans and Episcopalians. If there is some term or concept about which you want to learn more, I will also take requests. Please contact me!!

This month: Whitsunday/Whitsuntide

A feast of the Church which commemorates the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, fifty days after the Resurrection of Christ, on the ancient Jewish festival called the "feast of weeks" or Pentecost (Exodus 34:22; Deuteronomy 16:10). Whitsunday is so called from the white garments which were worn by those who were baptized during the vigil; Pentecost ("Pfingsten" in German), is the Greek for "the fiftieth" (day after Easter). Whitsunday, as a Christian feast, dates back to the first century. Whitsuntide is the season of Pentecost. Both are terms that are little used today.

Next Month: Ordinary Time

Stay tuned for another thrilling installment of Episco-Speak!

Jesus Encounters

Submitted by Fletcher Coolidge

What I have to offer is a series of dramatic monologues where I tried to imagine myself back into the first century and then into an encounter with Jesus (or a situation involving Jesus) without 2,000 years of dogma, theology, history, etc., to fall back on when interpreting the situation. Or, in other words, what would it have been like to encounter Jesus with no preconceived notions (except, maybe what you had heard at the marketplace or in the temple or some such place)? The attitudes of my protagonists may not be politically correct, but they are my attempt to be as accurate as possible in portraying real people, seen through the wrong end of the telescope.

A FISHERMAN REMARKS

Yeah, I know those guys –
Some of them – we used to fish together;
I worked for James and John's old man
For a couple of years before I got my own boat.

Yes, I know they're making a lot of noise
In the temple these days,
But you should have seen them
The day their leader Jeshua died!

I was coming up to Jerusalem
For the Passover that day,
And I met James and Simon
and six or eight others
coming out of Jerusalem
As fast as they dared
And still not be noticed.

Fifty thousand people, more or less,
Going up to Jerusalem,
And these ten or eleven going
Away from the city!

They were scared spitless,
I tell you. They seemed to think
That the temple police would be coming
After them next, although it was pretty obvious
That Jeshua was the one they wanted.

And, of course, Jeshua, they already had.
But good. Pass me that hank of cord, would you?
Thanks. Some monster tore up our net last night –
As you can see – and then left without
So much as saying goodbye.

But anyway, I didn't see anything of any of them
For the next six weeks or so –
They didn't dare show their faces, I guess –
And then here they come, back again,

And now they're up at the temple
All day, every day, and nobody can shut them up!
They've been chased by the temple police,
Fined, tossed in the jug, beaten up –
I heard that one of them was even
Taken out and stoned the other day.

That was odd, too, actually –
You'd think, with that "in" with God
That they claim, that he would have
Called down fire from heaven on them
Or something, wouldn't you? But they say
He only said, as he was dying,
"Lord, lay not this sin to their charge".

And they just keep coming back.
Makes you wonder, doesn't it?
What changed them? From
Cowering in corners six weeks ago –
And corners not in Jerusalem, apparently –

To preaching in the temple
At the tops of their lungs,
In the faces of all those learned types
who always know better.

It's a puzzle. What changed them?
Dunno. All I know about is fish
and nets, and not too much of that.
Oh well. Time for a little shut-eye,
We have to go out again tonight.
I just hope that this time, our friend
From last night is down
At the other end of the lake!

All Saints Vestry and Committee Chairs

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May Readings

7	Acts 7:55-60 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
14	Acts 17:22-31 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21 Psalm 66:8-20
21	Acts 1:6-14 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11 John 17:1-11 Psalm 68: 1-10, 33-36
28	Genesis 11:1-9 Acts 2:1-21 John 20:19-23 Psalm 104: 25-35, 37

BIRTHDAYS

May	3	Read Gleason
	6	Eduardo Jaramillo
	9	Molly Gleason
	12	Edith Heiman
	14	Pam Middleton
	14	Joe Peterson
	15	Chester Graham
	23	Sue Redalen
	25	Abe Hansen
	29	Christiana Adams

ANNIVERSARIES

May	20	Rhonda and Bob Rowe
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