# CONNECTIONS

# All Saints Episcopal Church Monthly Newsletter

#### **CONGRATULATIONS 2023 GRADUATES!**

On Sunday, May 21, All Saints celebrated our 2023 graduates with a special blessing during church and a wonderful coffee hour with a celebration cake (thank you to Liz Truman)! Pictured here are St. Olaf graduates, Katie Gunn, Luke Sargent, Olivia Inberg and Abby Davis, along with Northfield High School graduate, Ann Campbell's sister and father, Liz and Robb Campbell. Please see pictures of the other 2023 graduates and read details of all of the graduates' upcoming plans on page 8!

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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



#### **All Saints Strategic Plan**

When the All Saints Vestry met in retreat on April 15, 2023, we spent the better part of the day reflecting on where we've been (the past), the ministries with which we are currently engaged (the present), and on what we sense God calling us to do next (the future.) All of this storytelling and discernment was distilled into a strategic plan which was adopted and endorsed by the Vestry at its May 7, 2023 meeting.

The Mission of the Church, according to the Catechism in The Book of Common Prayer is "to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ." Every parish discerns the particular way that it engages in that mission based on the context in which the parish exists.

Of course we will always be about the "essentials" of Christian community: worshiping God, gathering together in fellowship, and serving those in need. A strategic plan helps give structure to that work. Guided by a strategic plan, we are able to engage in particular work while also allowing the Holy Spirit room to fill in the gaps.

There is nothing magical about a strategic plan. It requires work and diligence on behalf of the whole parish in order for it to be successful (and success is not measured in merely checking off boxes!) If we do not accomplish everything in our strategic plan, we will not have failed. We might even add to the plan as needs and opportunities emerge. A strategic plan is just that: a plan. And sometimes plans need to be adjusted.

The All Saints Strategic Plan has four objectives, with each objective having several strategies and action steps. I will say that it is very ambitious. I will also say that this is a very ambitious parish and, if anybody could ever faithfully execute an ambitious strategic plan, it is us! The Vestry has plotted out the strategic plan for the next 12-18 months to coincide partially with the priest-in-charge process. We will regularly check in on progress made to the plan during vestry meetings and adjust as necessary.

Here is an outline of the All Saints Strategic Plan May 2023 - August 2024:

#### **Objective I: Increase Community Engagement & Service**

- Increase visibility of parish in community
- Get to know our neighborhood better
- Maximize civic identity

#### **Objective II: Revitalize Youth Programming**

- Complete youth room renovations
- Explore community partnerships for programming and advertising
- Reinvigorate youth formation

#### Father Cody Maynus, continued

#### **Objective III: Revitalize Canterbury Campus Ministry**

- Restart transportation program
- Explore church presence on both campuses
- Maintain relationship with Carleton chaplains and St Olaf pastors
- Develop relationships with campus groups and organizations
- Provide care packages for All Saints students
- Share our church space with students
- Explore hiring a part-time Ministry Assistant to focus on youth/young adult ministry
- Develop a peer leader program
- Establish outreach to students on campuses during breaks

#### **Objective IV: Planning for the Future/Maintaining the Vision**

- Conduct annual vestry retreat
- Conduct annual review of worship life
- Begin preliminary planning for ongoing building renovation
- Incorporate historical research into ongoing planning
- Increase transparency in future planning

If you would like to see the Strategic Plan in full, including a timeline, please let me know. A copy is available in the office.

This strategic plan belongs to the whole parish and not just to the vestry. If there are ways that you might wish to connect to this plan, please do be in touch.

And please pray regularly for the parish. Here is the appropriate prayer from The Book of Common Prayer:

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Know that you're held very firmly in my prayers. If there is a specific way that I can pray for you, or otherwise help you, please do let me know! I hope your summer is full of joy and recreation!

Yours in Christ, Cody+

- HARDING	June
3	Pride in the Park
8	Garden Club meeting
- 11	Vestry Meeting
16	Red Cross Blood Drive
18	Father's Day
29	Women's Group Gathering- Summer Supper Salad

# KATIE AND LUKE ARE MARRIED!

Katie Gunn and Luke Sargent got married on Thursday, May 18 at All Saints, with Father Cody officiating and with several of their close friends attending. They will be starting their new life together in Bloomington, Indiana where Katie will begin her Master's in Organ Performance at Indiana University. They are planning a celebration in Indianapolis in 2024. Their mailing address for the next few months is 3203 W 400 S Greenfield, IN 46140. Their email addresses are kgunn019@gmail.com and lukarino87@gmail.com. Best wishes from your friends at All Saints for a happy and blessed future together, Katie and Luke!





# "Can you believe they've been married 50 years?!

Lynne (Weins) Young *and* James Young

Invite you to celebrate with them At an Open House on Sunday, June 25, 2023 2:00—4:00 pm All Saints Church Northfield, Minnesota

Please, we ask only the gift of your presence

# SUMMERTIME IS SALAD TIME!

Submitted by Pam Middleton

We are re-resurrecting the All Saints Resurrected Women's group! Join us for our first get together since the pandemic the evening of Thursday, June 29 for a Summer Salad Supper at the church! Val Britton will be making her famous chicken salad! Val, Carla and I are organizing the supper, so please reach out to us if you can join us and would like to contribute any treats (salads, breads, desserts, beverages). Please watch the weekly news for more details!



# Father's Day is on Sunday, June 18

#### **Prayer for Fathers**

For those who have fathered us into birth, for those we call "father" who have shown us the face of our Father in heaven, for expectant fathers and those whose arms ache to cradle their own, for fathers who have borne the pain of losing a child, for fathers who have laid down their life for their children: May the one who is Father and Lord of all be their guide and their peace. For all fathers, living or dead, those nearby or those distanced by miles, disease, or division: May they all be embraced and strengthened by the loving arms of God, the Father of us all. Amen. —Diana Macalintal, Give Us This Day

#### The All Saints Garden Club welcomes you!

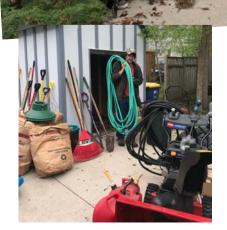
All are welcome to be join the All Saints Garden Club to help to create and maintain our lovely gardens! There is no specific time commitment; you can help out when you are able as often or as little as you like. If you want to be a part of this fun ministry, please reach out to Elizabeth Campbell or Pam Middleton. Please join us!



#### **Spring Outdoor Workday!**

Submitted by Pam Middleton

Even though the weather prompted the postponement of the workday, several of us showed up before the notice went out! The gutters were cleared, the shed was cleaned and reorganized, hoses were put in place for watering, leaves were raked and hauled away, weeding was begun, and dead shrubbery was removed. Thank you to Marshall, Joe, Doug, Richard, Katherine and Elizabeth!



The Shed! Cleaning out and setting up!





## PENTECOST





Katie and Luke's Final Sunday at All Saints Thank you for your gifts of music, on this Penecost Sunday and for the past two years!







A game of "Jesus Knowledge Bowl"! Everyone had their own musical instruments to signal their answer!

The Final Day of Sunday School!





And, of course, we enjoyed Ice Cream Sundaes!



#### **Congratulations to the Class of 2023!**

June 11- Ann Campbell graduates from Northfield High School! In the fall, Ann will be attending Harstad folkehøgskole (folk school) in Harstad, Norway, in the Friluftsliv program, which translates roughly as the art of living in the outdoors.



**May 28-** Katie Gunn, Luke Sargent, Oliva Inberg and Abby Davis graduated from St. Olaf College (picture is on page 1)! Katie will attend the University of Indiana in Bloomington, pursuing a Masters in Organ Perfomance. Luke will be spending a gap year in Bloomington with his wife, Katie (see more on page 4!). Olivia will return to Texas to work as a high school Assistant Choir Director, and Abby will return to Memphis, TN to teach music to elementary school children.



May 20- Eduardo Jaramillo graduated from the Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University with a Masters in Asian Studies. He is working with The China Project (https://thechinaproject.com/), a China-focused news, information, and business services platform. The China Project is a New York based organization; Eduardo, based in Washington DC , will continue researching and writing stories on various topics focused in the DC area.

May 14- Read Gleason, son of Jim and Linda Gleason, graduated from Inver Hills Community College . He earned his RN degree. Read is still discerning where he will be working- stay tuned!





# **GREEN TEAM UPDATES**



Care of Creation Coroner Submitted by Marshall Hansen

We all make mistakes. This month's environmental essay contains at least seven of them. Have fun looking for misspellings and wrong words as you browse this article.

You deserve a hearty pot on the back if you are still reading this! A member of our parish, whose name I won't mention in order to protect her modesty—which is important, because I am married to her—surprised me last month by asking, "Care of Creation Corner? What's that?" She had apparently not read any of these essays since we began featuring them this year. If that is also the case for you, now I understand. However, be reassured that this column is low-kalorie, gender-neutral, ecumenical, and non-GMO, and you, too, are invited to prayerfully submit your care of creation opinions or concerns each month, to be shared here if you wish (with reasonable editing).

Global worming is as much a slippery concept as it is a cut-and-dryad fact. Gravity is similar. We all experience gravity, but how well can you explain it? Most of us are aware of global warming and are experiencing its effects, but it, too, is difficult to elucidate using words.

An important difference, though, between global warming and gravy is this: unlike gravity, global warming does not affect everyone equally. We hardly notice it yet here in Minnesota. But nearly a third of Pakistan was underwater during last year's monsoon season due to record rainfall and flooding. Years of drought-related famines in much of northern Africa prompt increasingly-frequent humanitarian pleas from the World Health Organization and the World Food Program. Sea level rise--you've herd the reports—is inundating coastal cities, Pacific islands, Florida, Venice, and many other populated places.

We've been unwise and unkind to our planet, true, but it is butter to not be negative about it. Positivity inspires better outcomes. Instead of "Game Over", a climate scientist recently urged the expression "Game On!" Workable solutions to global warming are at hand, and with them can come far-reaching environmental, social, health, and economic benefits for all nations. We just need:

- (a) national policy to spur faster action, and
- (b) massive financial investment by corporations and governments.

We must calmly and rapidly bring existing workable solutions to a global scale. Be vocal with your government representatives. And be vocal, too, at your places of business and employment, urging what some are calling "Corporate Climate Leadership." It has been said that "Every job is a climate job." And every church can be a climate church! Not just the church's "green team." Everyone!

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

ERD

All Saints includes ERD in our annual budget for outreach, and this month we focus on ERD and their support of Ukraine. You can read more about ERD here: https://www.episcopalrelief.org/

This February marked one year since the Russian invasion of Ukraine. In that time, millions have suffered incalculable loss. As of this January, there were over 18,000 documented civilian casualties and almost 13 million people who'd been displaced or were refugees. Nearly five million more who originally left their homes have returned to face extremely difficult circumstances.

Soon after the conflict broke out, we began working with ACT Alliance, and through this network, we now directly support 70,000 people each day. Much of this assistance entails providing food and cash transfers to people in Ukraine who are impacted by the war.

Episcopal Relief & Development also continues our partnership with the Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe (CECE), equipping local congregations throughout Europe to assist Ukrainian refugees. CECE supports congregational capacity by providing peacekeeping resources, resettlement and language services, pastoral care, and direct services, including cash transfers.

Please continue to pray for all those impacted by the violence. Donations to Episcopal Relief & Development's Ukraine Crisis Response fund will help meet critical needs created by this crisis.

#### 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: Ordinary Time

The time in the liturgical year between Pentecost and the beginning of Advent is known as ordinary time, but not because it is plain, common or unimportant. It is called that because of the root word ordinal which refers to counting and numbers. That part of the liturgical year from Advent through Pentecost are readily known by the major feasts (church holy-days) that happen along the way (Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Holy Week, Easter, and the day of Pentecost). Once we are past the day of Pentecost we have no major feast days by which to keep track of calendar time. That is where ordinary (as numbers & counting) time comes in. That is why each Sunday in ordinary time is known by its ordinal (number) after Pentecost. For example, the first Sunday in June this year is known on the liturgical year as the second Sunday after Pentecost. Whitsuntide is the season of Pentecost. Both are terms that are little used today.

**Next Month: Chicago-Lambeth Quadrilateral (No, it's not a trick football play!)** Stay tuned for another thrilling installment of Episco-Speak!

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#### **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.

#### JESUS AT CANA John 2:1-12

He'd come outside, You see, and then His Mom Come after Him and says "There's no more wine." He says, "What's that to me? My time's not come."

But answer Him? Not her. Instead She smiles – to us – "Do what he tells you"; And then goes inside.

He watched her in, Then says "Fill up the jugs With water" – which we did – "Now pour some out." We almost dropped The blésséd jug. Such wine I never saw, Before or since. Steward, he ran To fetch the host – "You've saved the best For last!" he says.

And he was right. And no lack, none. Then wasn't he relieved? He hadn't ordered in Enough, you see.

But ask "Where Did that come from?" No, not he!



#### From Bishop Loya, May 23, 2023, regarding Pentecost

Pentecost doesn't erase the differences and diversity present. It's not that everyone speaks or hears the same language, it's that deep connections are formed across differences. The Church's mission is not uniformity, but community and connection. The Church's purpose is to join God's ongoing work of subverting human isolation with loving community.

This week, I invite you to pray, every day, for the Spirit to be poured out in new and fresh ways on our diocese. Pray that in a culture of exclusion and isolation, we might be agents of connection. Pray that our faith communities may be places of big, crazy, expansive, and life-saving embrace. Pray that you, and I, might fully take our part in patching the fabric of the creation God longs to heal in the eternal embrace of God's love.

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## **All Saints Vestry and Committee Chairs**

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#### **BIRTHDAYS**

June

- 4 Fletcher Coolidge
- 5 Oliver Heiman

3 Liz Berrv

- 5 Eleanor Heiman
- 5 Dan Gudbjartsson
- 7 Larry Archbold
- 13 Laura Heiman
- 15 Fernan Jaramillo
- **17 June Chester**
- 22 Coco Leonard
- 26 Richard Collman
- 29 Chris Ennis
- 29 John Schultz

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- 9 Stephanie and Mike Reymann11 Sara and Leo Aeikens
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Celebrate!

ANNIVERSARIES

June

- 11 Linda and Jim Gleason
- 16 Lynne and James Young
- 18 Gretchen and George Hardgrove
- 20 Katherine and Richard Collman
- 20 Susan Dunhaupt and Dick Brown
- 21 Vicki Harper and Richard Olson
- 22 Barbara and Joe Hopwood
- 24 Betsy Brandt and Tom Drucker
- 26 Gail and Tim Halverson
- 29 Cassandra and Jayne Cook-Quarry
- 30 Deney and Chuck Perkins