

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH News

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Diocesan Youth Mission Trip to Appalachia

From June 24th through the 30th, Jay Freeman, the Whiteley Family and Deacon Michele were among the adults and youths who traveled to Appalachia coal country on a Diocesan Youth Mission Trip.

This is the fourth consecutive year the Diocese of Bethlehem has sponsored a trip to Grace House on the Mountain. Grace House, located in St. Paul, Virginia, was founded by Deaconesses in the 1900's to provide social justice and advocacy for local families. Grace House is a nonprofit charity supported by the Episcopal Diocese of Southwest Virginia.

Each year, in addition to making personal connections to Virginia families, our youth strengthens their relationships within the Diocese of Bethlehem. Volunteers from five Episcopal churches worked together donating muscle power, elbow grease and material to complete home projects.

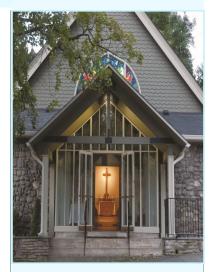
So pull out your work boots and gloves because there will be another Grace House on the Mountain trip scheduled for 2019. For more information please contact Deacon Michele, MaryEllen Whiteley or Fr. Doug.











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Worship Schedule:

Sunday 8:00 am Said Eucharist

Sunday 9:00 am Adult Forum

Sunday 10:00 am Sunday School

Sunday 10:15 am Choral Eucharist

Wednesday Noon Healing Prayer Eucharist



COMFORT AND HEAL THOSE WHO SUFFER IN BODY, MIND OR SPIRIT...

June, Jennifer, Roseanne, Cynthia, Antonia, Dryden, Claire, Caren, Loretta, Ken



IN THE MILITARY...

Benjamin Potter, Joseph Causton, Andrew Walck, Nii Lante Lamptey, Jonathan Lindsley, Mario Arciniega, Tim O'Sullivan, Shane Gephart, Damien Smeltzer, Brittany Heistand, Jake Whiteley, and all the men and women in our armed services stateside and around the world.



Winnai Hoyt (8/1), Peggy Walck (8/4), Cynthia Oglesby, Rich Woisin Jr. (8/8), Celine Radican (8/9), Trish Hughes, Sylvie Stewart (8/12), Loretta Nwosu (8/14), Sharon Potter (8/15), Elaine McFadden (8/16), Darell Covington (8/18), Riley Tepper (8/19), Leona Vinansky (8/21), Barbara Polhemus (8/22), Denay Richards (8/27), Leslie McChesney, Fay Richards (8/31)

Carolyn & Dave Buckley (8/1), Garnet & Jennifer Sutherland (8/7), Michele & Rob Causton (8/10), Russ & Suzanne VanWhy (8/22)





Our Annual Outing to Coca Cola Park is on Friday, August 24th. If you have ordered tickets and given a deposit, the balance is due to Fr. Doug no later than Monday, August 5th.



A Habit workday is scheduled for Saturday, August 11th. Habitat is looking for 5-7 volunteers over the age of 16 years. The best way to enroll is through http://www.habitatmc.org/get-involved/volunteer-forms/ or by calling Guy Patra at (570) 216-4390.





Its almost time for Sunday School! Sunday School will begin on September 9th at 10:00 am in the upstairs classrooms in the Church. Children ages 3-14 are invited to attend.

Classes will be grouped by ages of: 3 yrs. -6 yrs.; 7-9 yrs., 10-11 yrs., and a new 12-14 year old class.

With the departure of Barbara Emert, we are looking for at least one teacher. Experience is not required; however, you will have to complete the Diocese's Sexual Harassment Training Program. You can have your choice of the grade you wish to teach and can teach on a weekly or substitute basis. If interested, contact Chris Nelson or Barbara Cramer.



Blessing of the Backpacks—On Sunday, August 26th at the 10:15 a.m. service, we will be blessing students' backpacks and teachers' bags that are used for education. This blessing of backpacks and bags is open to everyone, school age through college level, so bring a friend!

After the service we will gather in the Fellowship Hall to decorate name tags for the backpacks. A "God's Got Your Back" tag will be provided for individuals to color, followed by the laminating of each tag. Please see Deacon Michele for any questions.

"Blessed is the nation whose God is Lord, and the people he has chosen for his inheritance" Psalm 33:12

Operation Pen Pal—Say Hello to our Military

A Recovering American Soldier c/o The Walter Reed Army Medical Center, 8901 Rockville Pike Bethesda, MD 20889-0001

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August 2018

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|---|-----|----------------------|---|--|
| | | | 1 Healing Mass—noon Bible Study 1:00 p.m. | 2 | 3 | 4 10-12 noon Food Pantry Distribution | |
| 5 Worship 8:00 am | 6 | 7 | 8 Healing | 9 | 10 | 11 Habitat | |
| 10:15 am | | | Mass—noon Bible Study 1:00 p.m. | | | Work Day | |
| 12 Worship 8:00 am 10:15 am | 13 | 14 | 15 Healing Mass—noon Bible Study 1:00 p.m. | 16 | 17 | 18 | |
| | | | Food Pantry distribution 5-7 pm | | | | |
| 19 Worship 8:00 am 10:15 am | 20 | 21 | Healing Mass—noon | 23 | 24 Coca Cola Stadium | 25 | |
| | | | Bible Study 1:00 p.m. | | 7:05 pm | | |
| 26 Worship | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |
| 8:00 am 10:15 am | | | Healing Mass—noon | | | | |
| Blessing of Backpacks | | | Bible Study 1:00 p.m. | | | | |



August 2018

| DATE | TIME | TORCHES | SERVERS | LECTORS | CHALICE | COUNTERS |
|---------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| August 5 11 Pentecost | 8:00 AM | - | Rob Causton | Kevin Furst | Deacon Michele | |
| | 10:15 AM | Jelena Nortey Jaina Nortey | Jerrin Nortey | Andrea McQueen Mike Shands | Mike Shands | Terry Miller Bob Nelson |
| August 12 12 Pentecost | 8:00 AM | - | Rob Causton | Joan Duckloe | Deacon Michele | |
| | 10:15 AM | Jaina Nortey Jelena Nortey | Anthony Pisculli | Jill Thatcher Cynthia Leenerts | Cynthia Leenerts | Jill Thatcher Chris Nelson |
| August 19 13 Pentecost | 8:00 AM | - | Rob Causton | Louise Bach | Deacon Michele | |
| | 10:15 AM | Jelena Nortey Jaina Nortey | Jerrin Nortey | Debby Tanico Jay Freeman | Cynthia Nortey | Greg Tanico Jay Freeman |
| August 26 14 Pentecost | 8:00 AM | - | Rob Causton | Rob Causton | Deacon Michele | |
| | 10:15 AM | Jelena Nortey Jaina Nortey | Jerrin Nortey | Barbara Cato Martha Linne | Leigh Smith | Cheryl Cloke Martha Linne |



On Saturday, September 15th, at 11:00 am at the First Presbyterian Church of Allentown, 3231 Tilghman Street; The Reverend Canon Kevin D. Nichols will be ordained and consecrated a Bishop in the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church, and IX Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem.

The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church, will be the Chief Consecrator. The Right Reverend A. Robert Hirschfeld, Bishop of New Hampshire will preach.

All are invited to this momentous occasion. Please plan on arriving early before the processions begin. Following the service, a reception and luncheon will take place on the campus of First Presbyterian.

For further information, please refer to diobeth.org and click on Bishop Search and Transition.

The Weis Register Tape Rebate Program is still in effect for our church.

So how does it work you ask—simple. Just save your register receipts when you shop at Weis, then bring them to church with you and place them in the bowl on the right-side table in the narthex.

For each submission, Christ Church receives 1% of the total amount of tapes submitted. It adds up and the monies received go into our operating account. A great help for the church budget.

If you have any questions, please see Louise.

