



The Third Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist
June 9, 2024
9:00 AM

Join us in person for our service.

Or join us by going to our livestream on the St. Peter's Facebook page [here](#).

The worship leaflet can be found [here](#).

There will be a coffee hour after the mass.

This Sunday's Ministers:

Eucharistic Ministers: Emily Keniston and David Savage

Crucifer: Galen Weibley

Lector: Steve Koskinen

Usher: Cindy Sherwood

Altar Guild: TBD

Coffee Hour: Cindy Sherwood

MUSIC NOTES for this Sunday can be found at the end of Key Notes.

Dear Friends,

With summer almost upon us, schedules change, some of us are away on vacation, and the rhythm of life may be a bit different. That does not mean we need to miss the worship of God. We have a committed group of folks who worship with us every Sunday online, and you can always join them even if you are far from Portland. The service is broadcast live on our Facebook page on Sunday mornings, and a video of the service remains on the page for 30 days.

Reading Key Notes each week can keep you up to date on what is occurring in the life of the parish. And please remember that offering our gifts and tithes is a regular part of our worship of God. The expenses of the parish do not diminish during the summer, and maintaining your regular giving ensures that we can carry out our mission and support our ministries.

Wherever and however you spend your summer days, may the worship of God be included in them, Sundays, and every day.

Faithfully,
Fr. Tom



**Thank You to All For Making Our Gardens
Grow**

Our grounds and gardens have never looked better! Thank you to all who came out on Saturday morning to weed, water, plant, remove brush, and even rubbish from the Bethany House garage. We appreciate your offering of love and labor:

Judy Howes, Anne Whitman, Janene Gorham, John Gorham, Thora Easton, Linda Foster, Herb Taylor, Fred Fowler, Tom Ainsworth, Bob Simmons, Mary Franklin, and Wayne Franklin, our junior warden who coordinated the efforts.



Some Good News

Our front doors should be open again by this Sunday. Thank you for your flexibility and patience while the repair work was underway.

Come Join the Song

We will have another evening of informal singing on Thursday, June 20th at 7:00 PM. No experience is necessary. We will simply be exploring diverse ways in which God's people have offered songs of praise.

Congratulations to our Graduates

We give congratulate and give thanks to God for graduates in families of our parishioners:

Grace Catherine Kubat graduated from Salve Regina

University.

Hannah Louise Kubat graduated from Georgetown University.

They are the granddaughters of **Jan and Michael Tracy**.

John Gorham Aissis graduates from EO Smith School in Storrs, CT.

He is the grandson of **Janene and John Gorham**.

Sean Blackmer graduated from St. Mary Wahington College.

Kelly Blackmer graduated from Towson College.

They are the grandchildren of **Lorna Blackmer**.

Christian Jabo Mpuhwe graduated from Dallas College (Department of science and technology) .

He is the son of **Fr. Celestin Hakegekimana and Claudette Nyiranshuti**.

May God bless them in all their future endeavors!

Next Youth Service Corps Project is June 16th

The next Service Corps project is a food packing event which will create 10,000 meals for local food pantries throughout southern Maine. Rev. Peter Swar of Trinity Church has already received emails from folks from as far away as Bridgeton asking for food from this event since so many food pantry shelves are bare. So, needless to say, our work and effort together is IMPORTANT.

It will take place at Trinity Church on Forest Ave, and they will start setting up tables around 10:30 on Sunday in Lincoln Hall. We are welcome to swing over as soon as you are finished with worship on Sunday. Please let Fr. Tom know if you plan to attend - Peter is planning on pizza afterwards and it helps to know who is coming!

Help Us With Our Online Presence

Each week, numerous persons join us online during our Sunday mass, or by viewing the service on our Facebook page later in the week. While we have been recording these services with one iPhone, we will now be using at least two cameras, managed from an iPad. We are looking for persons who are interested in helping to coordinate this service on Sunday mornings. The need is especially important this summer, as Bob Simmons, who is the one person managing this now, will be at his summer camp job. Please speak to Fr. Tom or to Bob if you believe you can help us out for some Sundays. The task of coordinating the camera is fairly easy. The iPad is provided, it can be done from where you are sitting in the pew, and the results will be appreciated by many.

News From the Diocese

Preview of Pride

Each year, our youth from the diocese host the diocesan effort to participate in pride parades, and they march together in Portland Pride. This year's theme is "Life as Art" and we will encourage any church who wants to participate in the **Portland Pride parade** to RSVP **using this link**, but also for any church who marches in their own community celebration to share pictures with us!

Details for the Portland Parade are on the form, but in essence:

- All are welcome. The parade is over a mile so being able to self-ambulate or have adequate accommodations is

important.

- We don't yet have a meeting point (the parade organizers will tell us where to meet once they close registration), but it will be at 12:30 on June 15 somewhere around the Portland Public Library.
- Folks are encouraged to wear rainbow colors and to create posters or messages about God's love for all people. Diocese of Maine Pride T-shirts will be available for purchase soon!
- Questions can be directed to **Emily Keniston**.

Wearing Orange for Gun Violence Prevention June 7-9

Every year on the first Friday in June, members of the movement against gun violence come together to honor survivors of gun violence and to demand a future free from this crisis by wearing orange throughout the weekend. Wear Orange originated on June 2, 2015—what would have been Hadiya Pendleton's 18th birthday. Just one week after performing at President Obama's second inaugural parade in 2013, she was shot and killed at the age of 15. In the aftermath, teenagers in Chicago who wanted to honor their friend wore orange to raise awareness around gun violence.

The Episcopal Peace Fellowship of Maine wishes to honor Hadiya and the more than 110 people shot and killed every day in the U.S. Congregations are encouraged to join in National Gun Violence Awareness Day and Wear Orange Weekend, June 7-9. Learn more **here**.

Looking Ahead

St. Elizabeth's Volunteer Morning Tue. June 11

Portland Pride Parade with Diocese of Maine June 15

Youth Service Corps Food Packing on Sun. June 16

Merry Hearts Lunch, Thu. June 20th at noon

"Come Join the Song" Thu. June 20 at 7:00 PM

Compline Link

Join us for the Compline Prayer Service on Zoom on Wednesday, June 12th .

Here is the service for Compline.

The Zoom link, which will be good through July 3rd is **here**.

Sunday Minister Rota for June

June 9

Eucharistic Ministers: Emily Keniston and David Savage

Crucifer: Galen Weibley

Lector: Steve Koskinen

Usher: Cindy Sherwood

Altar Guild: TBD

Coffee Hour: Cindy Sherwood

June 16

Eucharistic Ministers: Myrna Koonce and Tom Ainsworth

Crucifer: Garrett Keniston

Lector: Ava Keniston

Usher: Lenita Richard

Altar Guild: Anne Whitman and Judy Howes

Coffee Hour Hosts: TBD

June 23

Eucharistic Ministers: Myrna Koonce and Emily Keniston

Crucifer: Steve Koskinen

Lector: Chris Hickey

Usher: Anita Chandler

Altar Guild: TBD

Coffee Hour Hosts: Lorna Blackmer and Jane Noone

June 30

Eucharistic Ministers: Myrna Koonce and Janene Gorham

Crucifer: Jake Mahon

Lector: Jan Tracy

Usher: Lenita Richard

Altar Guild: TBD

Coffee Hour Hosts: TBD

Weekly Prayer List

Prayers For Parishioners, Families, and Friends

Ann Marie Cady

Allison Schroth

Francisco Andreu

Steve Secord

Diane Dalton

Dino Rice

Robert Stillings

Fred Fowler

Lincoln Clark

Peter Haskell, *friend of Allison Schroth*

Martha Gagliardi, *friend of Fr. Tom*

Tommy Valente, *friend of Don and Ann Marie Cady*

Jane Reiha, *friend of Judy Howes*

Brenda Pappalardo, *friend of Judy Howes*

Stephen and Rebecca Seraniche, *friends of Dino Rice*

Marge Devine, *family member of Allison Schroth*

Jimmy Devine, *family member of Allison Schroth*

Fuji Sprott, *friend of Dino Rice*

David Turner, *cousin of Craig Mousin*

Tammy, *friend of Craig Mousin*

Beth, *friend of Lee Walters*

Pam, *friend of Anita Chandler*

The Kutasi Family, *friends of Allison Schroth*

Luca Esposito, *friend of Allison Schroth*

Glenn, *spouse of Caroline Loupe*

Patrick, *family member of Tom Ainsworth*

The Hendricks Family

Janet Blessing, *neighbor of Jane Noone*

Kelly Marie Bell, *friend of Allison Schroth*

Earle, *friend of Cindy Sherwood*

If you wish to add or return persons to the prayer list, please contact our Prayer Ministry Coordinators:

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Emma Bond at: 207-619-3662
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A Prayer for Those We Love

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

From *The Book of Common Prayer*

MUSIC NOTES FOR THIS SUNDAY

Johann Sebastian Bach's first wife, Maria Barbara, died on July 7, 1720, leaving him 7 children. The following year, while serving as Court Capellmeister at Anhalt-Cöthen, Bach remarried to Anna Magdalena Wilcken, a soprano singer at the court who by all reports was as beautiful as she was talented. In addition to raising Bach's children, she was to give him 13 more between the years of 1723 to 1742.

(Recalling Bach as "prolific" is something of an understatement.) Bach's marriage to Anna Magdalena was a happy one, and they shared a common love of music. Bach dedicated some of his most inspired works to her, and she in turn contributed enthusiastically to her husband's work, transcribing his music and organizing regular musical evenings with visiting musicians at their Leipzig home. The famous "Notebook for Anna Magdalena Bach," given to her

in 1725, undoubtedly fulfilled an educational purpose in the musical instruction of the Bach children. Furthermore, it can be regarded as a family musical album reflecting the tastes of the Bach family. Today's prelude--highly melodious-- comes from this collection.

"Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven" was written by Henry Francis Lyte. The hymn is frequently sung in the United Kingdom and was used in the 1947 royal wedding of H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth, now the late Queen Elizabeth II, and Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. Born in Scotland and educated at Enniskillen and Trinity College in Dublin, Lyte's most important position was Anglican curate at Lower Brixham, Devonshire, England, where he served for 24 years. The popularity of this hymn has been significantly enhanced by LAUDA ANIMA, Sir John Goss' stirring melody written in 1869 expressly for these lyrics. Its inclusion in Hymns Ancient and Modern (1875 edition) and in The English Hymnal (1906) have made it one of the most broadly sung Victorian hymns, used most recently at both Queen Elizabeth's funeral and at King Charles' coronation.

The author of our sequence hymn, John Ernest Bode (1816-74) wrote his text for the confirmation of his three children. It is based on Luke 9:57: "Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest." Oxford educated, Bode was an Anglican priest, educator, and poet.

Our closing hymn, "O Zion, Haste" (1894) is one of the great Mission hymns of the 19th century. Its inspiration is the so-called "Great Commission" found in Matthew 28: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations..." The author, Mary Ann Faulkner Thompson, was born in London and moved to Philadelphia where she married John Thompson, the head librarian of the Free Library of Philadelphia, one of the most historically significant public libraries in the world.

It is interesting to trace Bach's growing mastery of organ pedal technique in his early compositions; the Praeludium in G major, while hardly a complex work, requires far more

skill than compositions written only slightly earlier. It was almost certainly composed during the four year span when Bach was the organist at the Neue Kirche in Arnstadt; in fact, it may be one of the very pieces which earned him a reprimand from the town council for "unseemly lack of restraint" in his virtuosic performance practices. ~HT

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