#### **ST. JOHN'S HONEOYE FALLS NEWS**



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#### ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE

## **RECTOR'S REFLECTION**

#### **BY REV. JIM TRIMBLE**

Hindsight is usually 20/20, and that hits me a lot when I recall things that went unsaid in my childhood home, or things we never talked about. Money was one of those things. I never knew what my dad's salary was, or how much the monthly mortgage payment was, or how credit cards really work, or how to balance a checkbook. We didn't talk about race, or gay-lesbian issues, or the Oakland Raiders. We talked a lot about church and religion, but we also stayed away from politics.

I imagine folks of certain ages grew up with the advice to not discuss money, religion, and politics in polite company, which is a real shame. In the truest form of the idea, politics relates to how groups of folks function together, how resources are allocated, how we live in community with one another. But somewhere along the way, politics evolved to only meaning that which is "partisan," us and them, which is another shame.

When we Christians read the Gospels, or the Epistles, or the Acts of the Apostles, many attribute only ideas and actions of spirituality to Jesus, but that's so far from the truth. In order to take Jesus' message of God's Kingdom seriously, we're commanded to reorder our lives, our beliefs, our relationships with family, neighbor, and community, as well as our relationships to power and government. Jesus spoke truth to power and those in power murdered him for it. The early Christians proclaimed Jesus as Lord and not the Emperor and were killed for it. Paul proclaimed our citizenship is in heaven, not Rome. This is politics. (continued on next page)

**SUNDAY IN-PERSON OR** VIRTUAL SERVICE. 10 AM

JOIN US

TUESDAY **BIBLE STUDY**, ZOOM ONLY, 11AM

ZOOM MEETING ID: 532-398-8617



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

**BLESSING OF** THE ANIMALS

Bring your furry and feathered loved ones to church for a special blessing!

SAVE THE DATE:

10/19

FOR MEMBERS

FRIENDS & FAMILY!

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Our nation's founders were good and right to include the separation of church and state in the governmental documents the last thing they wanted was another national religion with the King or Queen as leader. And our country's tax code prohibits a church from endorsing a particular candidate or political party from the pulpit. But, this doesn't mean religion or churches aren't political - that was never on the table. The Good News of Jesus Christ doesn't center on how to get to heaven after we die, but how we live together as a people here on earth. And that will always include politics - you can't escape it. My colleague in Ohio, the Rev. Philip DeVaul writes, "As a church we are meant to embody the love of God. Do we believe that God only loves us so long as we hide some of our most deeply held convictions and beliefs? We are making a

theological decision when we don't talk about politics in our worshiping community."

In the Lord's Prayer, we ask that God's will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Our call as Christians is to strive to make the world around us look more heavenly - by loving our neighbor, by calling out lies, suffering, and inequality when we see it, by working for justice for all, by seeing everyone as a beloved child of God, by engaging spiritual political in and discernment and work. The Presidential election is right around the corner. The Church has a part to play in the days leading up to it - finding those things that can make this world more heavenly as we root ourselves in following Jesus as our Lord and Savior.

Fr. Jim +

	Date	Crucifer	Old Testament & Psalm	New Testament & Prayers	Altar Guild
	10/6	Ray Locke	Nancy Gift	Mark Stiegler	Allene Baillargeon
	10/13	Allan Shafer	Jan Metcalf	Lorraine Reynolds	Lorraine Reynolds
	10/20	Mary Jo Smith	Mary Jo Smith	Allene Baillargeon	Judy Haravitch
	10/27	Robin Sardone	Shelly Shellman	Jonathan Motherwell	Anne Streule

# SUNDAY SERVERS

# SHAPPY & BIRTHDAY

4: LUCINDA SEQUEIRA 6: JAKOB WHEELER 8: JANE INGLE 9: DAVID LAMPHIER 26: DAN WHEELER, JR. 30: JENNIFER LOCHNER, CAROLE BOWER & FR. JIM TRIMBLE



APP

30: GINA & BILL HURLEY

## EAGLE STAR Housing Needs

Thank you for your continued support of Eagle Star Housing! Currently, there is a need for the following items. New items only, please!

- pillows
- towels
- wash clothes
- twin sheets
- laundry detergent pods



## **OCTOBER SPECIAL PRAYERS & BLESSINGS**

**October 6** – Birthday & Anniversary Prayers, and Blessing of the Animals – bring your pets to church, or even a picture, or stuffed animal.

**October 26** – Prayers for delegates from St. John's attending Diocesan Convention in Geneva this day.

**October 27** – Healing Prayers with Anointing









The Episcopal Diocese of Rochester will soon welcome its new Director of Finance and Administration - it's our own Will Ingle!! He will begin his new duties at the Bishop's Office on October 15th. Will will continue serving St. John's as Treasurer, and work with Finance Committee, and Buildings and Grounds. This is exciting news, and we wish Will all good blessings in this vocational calling to serve the Church.

## **BAPTISM - CONFIRMATION -RECEPTION - REAFFIRMATION**

As part of the Bishop's annual visit - this year on the First Sunday of Advent, December 2 - certain sacramental rites are offered to members of the congregation, some of which can only be done by a bishop.

**Baptism:** this sacrament of Christian initiation can be administered by the rector, but it's always special on a bishop visit.

**Confirmation:** 'confirming' as an adult the vows and promises made on your behalf if you were baptized as an infant, or the next step of the spiritual journey after adult baptism.

**Reception:** if you were baptized and confirmed in another Christian tradition and would like to be received into the Episcopal Church - no need to be baptized or confirmed a second time. Reaffirmation: if your faith journey has brought you to a place of profound Christian joy and you wish to acknowledge and affirm this in public.

Please let Fr. Jim know by October 31 if you're interested in any of these, and prepare for classes on November 10 & 17.

## **EPISCOPAL 101/CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

To prepare for the Bishop's visitation on December 1, and to all who might be interested, two classes will be offered to learn more about The Episcopal Church - Sundays, November 10 & 17 during coffee hour. We'll explore the history of the Church in America and its roots in England, the Book of Common Prayer, our style of worship, and more. Please let Fr. Jim know if you'd like to attend.



To all who took part in the Welcome Back Picnic, especially Dave & Lisa for cooking and cleaning.

To all who participated in and were present for the Renewal of Ministry Service – a big day for this congregation and rector!

To those who give to this parish in so many ways – pledges, donations, Marketplace receipts, supplies for the Eagle Star Veterans, food for the FISH Food Cupboard, discretionary fund offerings

To our Sunday Morning Ministers: altar guild members, choir members, musicians, crucifers, offertory presenters, Zoom hosts, lectors, chalice bearers, coffee hour hosts, Sunday School teachers! OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <b>11am</b> Bible Study (zoom)	2 <b>7:30pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)	3	4	5
6 <b>10am</b> Holy Eucharist - 20th Sunday after Pentecost	7	8 <b>11am</b> Bible Study (zoom)	9 <b>12pm</b> Silver Spoons (PH) <b>7:30pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)	10	11	12
13 <b>10am</b> Holy Eucharist - 21st Sunday after Pentecost	14	15 <b>11am</b> Bible Study (zoom) <b>7pm</b> Vestry	16 <b>7:30pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)	17	18	19 Oktoberjez <del>i</del>
20 <b>10am</b> Holy Eucharist - 22nd Sunday after Pentecost	21	22 <b>11am</b> Bible Study (zoom)	23 <b>7:30 pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)	24	25	26
27 <b>10am</b> Holy Eucharist - 23rd Sunday after Pentecost	28	29 <b>11am</b> Bible Study (zoom)	30 <b>7:30pm</b> AA Meeting (PH)	31 Happy Hallowin		00



### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Health and well-being: John, Gloria, Alice, Floyd, Chelsea, Greg, Rob, John, Kathleen, Zeke, Robert, Patrick, Michael, Jan, Christopher, Mark, Pat, Taran and Connie

> For those who have died: Allen, Frank, Nancy, Jay and Frank



# All Saints' Day

#### Join us Sunday November 3

We will be remembering our loved ones during the reading of the Necrology.

Please contact the church office by October 25 with the list of those you would like remembered.



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