

SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE
SANCTUARY

9:30-10:10 Adult Formation &
Youth Formation (7/13 & 27)

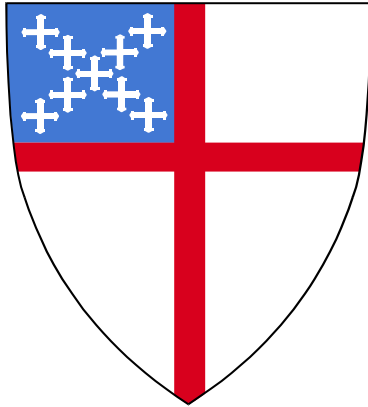
10:30 AM Children's Church &
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Year C

Live-streamed on Facebook
and YouTube

The Witness

July 2025 issue

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church



The Sunday Gospel Readings for July 2025

July 6 - Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 - 4 Pentecost, Proper 9

July 13 - Luke 10:25-37 - 5 Pentecost, Proper 10

July 20 - Luke 10:38-42 - 6 Pentecost, Proper 11

July 27 - Luke 11:1-13 - 7 Pentecost, Proper 12

The Feast & Holy Day Readings for July 2025

July 4 - Independence Day - Matthew 5:43-48

July 22 - The Feast of St. Mary Magdalene -
John 20:11-18 (High Holy Day)

July 25 - The Feast Day of St. James, the Apostle -
Matthew 20:20-28

July 26 - The Feast of the Parents of the Blessed
Virgin Mary (High Holy Day)

Father Dave's Corner



Dear St. Margaret's Community,

This time last summer we were entering the home stretch for completing the fundraising campaign for the pavilion. In a 2024 newsletter I said that our purpose in completing this project could be summed up in two words: Hospitality and Fellowship: *Both are essential if we are to grow and strengthen our ministry as part of the body of Christ. The people of this church are blessed with a gift for showing hospitality and encouraging fellowship. But our physical space inhibits how we exercise those gifts. The warmth and affection we show one another at the passing of the peace has too few opportunities for fellowship outside those few minutes on Sunday morning. The warm welcome visitors receive as they arrive and depart is limited by not having a comfortable gathering space where we can invite them to stay for some coffee or lemonade to get better acquainted. Or invite them to come join us for gatherings in addition to formal worship services.*

The money was raised, the structure is finished, and at long last we can begin to follow through on our goal of expanding those opportunities for hospitality and fellowship. Restoring the tradition of monthly after-church picnics in summer is a first step. The Summer Fun Festival we hosted in June was a test run for future community events incorporating the pavilion. Your vestry has initiated a new Hospitality Team to begin imagining, organizing, and helping execute ways of making full use of St. Margaret's spiritual gift for offering joyful hospitality. With your input and participation, we want to explore new ways of sharing this gift with people in the surrounding community. And strengthening our ties with one another as members of the body of Christ. This is about more than just having fun times. This is a call to new ministry. It is evangelism. It is outreach. And yes, it is also about having some fun along the way.

Fr. Dave Rodrick





From The Deacon's Den

Rev. Janet Atkins is on her much needed Sabbatical from mid-May until July 26th. She will be returning to St. Margaret's on Sunday, July 27. Keep her in your prayers as she uses this time to "recharge"! We will miss her, but we know she is being wrapped in the arms of the Holy Spirit!



Youth Christian Formation is back!!!

Our Youth Ministry will begin meeting every second and fourth Sunday (July 13 & July 27) at 9:30 am in Deacon Janet's office for meaningful discussion about the Bible and our church. This class will be just 45 minutes, and there will be a breakfast snack. The class will be a fun way to approach learning about God and His plan for us. Discussion leaders will be Kathy Locke, Dick Locke, Rita Long, and April Alexander. We invite all youth ages 11 through 16. If you know of any youth who might benefit from our group, share this information. Kathy Locke would love to talk to any youth and their parents/grandparents who might want to participate. Come see and grow with us!

Also, the teachers of Children's Church have exciting plans for the Summer! Every child is invited! The theme of classes will be Bible Adventures - God is alive and well and living with us. There may even be some outside adventures. Come and join us!

**God loves you.
No exceptions.**
The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.



From your Senior Warden

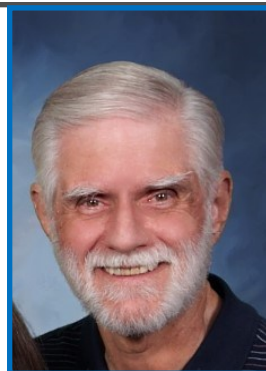
As we enter the hot days of summer, I hope all of you are able to enjoy these lazy days.

I want to thank everyone who participated in our first "Fun Day", especially Diane Meketa and Carole Rowell, who did the lion's share of planning for this event. It was a great experience for us all!

At the end of this 2025 calendar year a number of Vestry positions will become vacant. If you are interested in being a part of the Vestry, or if you have any questions about what is involved, please contact Fr. Dave, Rickey Gilbert, myself, or any current member.

I hope you have a wonderful and safe summer. See you in church!

May God bless - Dewey Michelin





DAUGHTERS OF THE KING (DOK) - SISTERS OF THE PEARL CHAPTER



We welcomed our four new members on Pentecost Sunday last month!
(See pictures on page 4.) Our new Sisters are Kim Corners,
Kay DePalma, Nancy Fodi, and Rita Long.

In the Connector there is a DOK bulletin board with Prayer Request cards that can be inserted into an envelope.
These prayers are kept confidential and do not become a part of the Church Prayer List
unless you let us know to do that.

The next scheduled Coffee Hour after Church hosted by DOK will be Sunday, August 31st.

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Current members of the Sisters of the Pearl Chapter of DOK are:
Kim Barnhill, Kim Corners, Kay DePalma, Nancy Fodi, Rita Long,
Karen Michelin, Cynde Payne, Beth Richardson, Carole Rowell & Brenda Vinson



Hospitality Ministry

The idea to form a group other than the Vestry came about at the June Vestry meeting as we were discussing the use of the Pavilion. It was suggested that the process of scheduling events for the Pavilion should not take up time at Vestry but instead be done by a steering committee. Thus, the St. Margaret's Hospitality Team was born. The first organizational meeting was Wednesday, June 25, and the members are Susan Lancaster, Suzanne Landsverk, Cynde Payne, Carole Rowell, and Michelle Smith. Ideas were discussed and there was excitement in the group. We hope to be able to work with the Vestry to confirm events all year round. Please understand that this will be a work in progress. If you have ideas, please let one of the members know. Thanks!

To Follow Jesus is to give priority to who and whose you are.

De Colores! We are one in the Spirit! Coming Soon!

Have you ever wondered, "What is my purpose in life? Are faith and belief the same thing?" Consider attending the next Cursillo weekend (#149) – from Thursday evening, October 2 to Sunday afternoon, October 5, 2025, at Camp Gravatt, Aiken, SC. Cursillo provides an opportunity to deepen our faith and to experience the love of God in a supportive and prayerful community. For more information, go to:

<https://www.episcopalcursilloministry.org/about-cursillo> or <https://www.edusc.org/cursillo/>.

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**ORDINARY
TIME – THE
LONGEST
SEASON IN THE
LITURGICAL
YEAR**



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Pentecost Sunday Installation of four new members of the Sisters of the Pearl Chapter of the Daughters of the King®



The Sisters of the Pearl busy at work at the Summer Fun Fest!



Coltin Hines' Baptism - Trinity Sunday June 15th





ECW News from Peggy Finley -

Our ECW Ladies (plus a couple of guys showed up!) met on Saturday, June 7, at the Peach Blossom Diner. We discussed the upcoming

bazaar, which is scheduled for November 8, 2025. Lots more to come on this important event! We also discussed our newest cookbook project. The cookbook has been ordered - stay tuned to more important updates! We expect this to be a best seller! You won't want to miss it!

Our next gathering will be on Saturday, July 5 at 9 am at the Peach Blossom. If you are in town, please plan to join us! Mostly fun and fellowship this time. Please note the picture of our lively group. Plus we have a couple of new folks pictured who might be wanting to join!!

Peggy Finley



From the Outreach Team (Ann Diem) - Thank you for your contributions to UFRC volunteering for Mobile Meals! Please consider volunteering for any Outreach project. Thank you to all who volunteer.

The Summer Fun Fest was a success!!! And so much fun! We have some pictures from the day on page 8, plus there are some on Facebook. Looking forward to next year's!

UFRC needs Ramen, Rice, Canned Black Beans.

Ann Diem



Liturgy Ministry - Beth Richardson

Eternity Candle \$10

Altar Flowers - \$25

On June 2nd we officially welcomed in "Ordinary Time" - so happy Ordinary Times month #2!! May your grass remain as green as the Liturgical calendar! Though this season after Pentecost seems like forever (just 26 weeks, not counting the 8 weeks after the Epiphany and before Ash Wednesday - also called Ordinary Time), we will be welcoming in **Advent** on **Sunday, November 30th!** The predominant color for "Ordinary Time" is green, with a smattering of **red** and **white** for special days.



The month of July we will celebrate one Feast Day - **James the Apostle** on the 25th. In addition, we will celebrate two High Holy Days - **St. Mary of Magdalene** on July 22nd and **The Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary** on July 26th. In addition, July 4 is a national holiday - **Independence Day** - and the liturgical color for this day is also **white**.

The Altar Guild members would like to extend a warm and excited welcome to Brenna Bedenbaugh to the Liturgical Team. We also have a special thank you to Christel and Rickey Gilbert for the beautiful Urn Pall, given in memory of Ted Burnett. As those who have seen it have commented - "Ted would have approved and appreciated." And a better late than never thank you to Peggy Finley and the ECW for the much needed and lovely linen purificators used with serving Communion.

God's amazing Love and Grace to us all! Beth

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit!"



Pavilion February 28, 2025

The Pavilion...Finally!



Pavilion June 25, 2025

**Prayers for the Pavilion
June 8, 2025**



**Willie Huggins' Celebration of Life
Gathering - June 12, 2025
First use of the Pavilion!**



**Pot Luck in the Pavilion
June 29, 2025**



The Summer Fun Fest!



A Glance into July at St. Margaret's (check the calendar for more events)

July 1 - Canada Day

July 2 - "Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time" Study & Compline 6 pm July 3 & 4 - Office is closed

July 4 - Independence Day!!!

July 4-5 Muslim Celebration of Ashura

July 5 - ECW Breakfast, Peach Blossom Diner at 9 am

July 6 - The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - C.F. 9:30, C.C. & Holy Eucharist 10:30 am

July 7-13 - The 14th Week of Ordinary Time

July 7 - World Chocolate Day

July 8 - Vestry Meeting 6 pm

July 9 - "Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time" Study & Compline 6 pm

July 12 - Men's Breakfast at Peach Blossom Diner 8 am; National Pecan Pie Day

July 13 - The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost - Youth C.F. & C.F. 9:30, C.C. & Holy Eucharist 10:30 am

July 14 - French Bastille Day

July 14-20 - The 15th Week of Ordinary Time

July 16 - "Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time" Study & Compline 6 pm; National Hot Dog Day

July 20 - The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost - C.F. 9:30, C.C. & Holy Eucharist

July 21-27 - The Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time

July 22 - High Holy Day - Feast Day of St. Mary Magdalene

July 23 - "Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time" Study & Compline 6 pm; National Vanilla Ice Cream Day

July 25 - The Feast Day of St. James the Apostle

July 26 - High Holy Day - Feast of the Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

July 27 - The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost - Rev. Janet returns!!! - Youth C.F. & C.F. 9:30, C.C. & Holy Eucharist 10:30

July 28-August 2 - The Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time

July 29 - National Lasagna Day

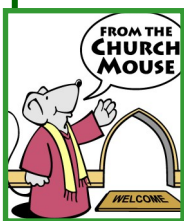
July 30 - "Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time" Study & Compline 6 pm

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The Liturgical Color for the Season after Pentecost (Ordinary Time) is green unless a day is a High Holy Day or national holiday (then it is White) or a Feast Day (then it is Red).

"Every Monday Fr. Dave is off and every Friday Grace is off. The Choir meets every Monday at 6 pm.***

Weight Watchers meets every Tuesday at 9:30 am & every Saturday at 8:30 am.



Readings for July

July 6 - 4 Pentecost - Psalm 66:1-8 or Psalm 30, Isaiah 66:10-14 or 2 Kings 5:1-14, Galatians 6"(1-6), 7-16, Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 - Proper 9

July 13 - 5 Pentecost - Psalm 25:1-9 or Psalm 82, Deuteronomy 30:9-14 or Amos 7:7-17, Colossians 1:1-14, Luke 10:25-37 - Proper 10

July 20 - 6 Pentecost - Psalm 15 or Psalm 52, Genesis 18:1-10a or Amos 8:1-12, Colossians 1:15-28, Luke 10:38-42 - Proper 11

July 27 - 7 Pentecost - Psalm 138 or Psalm 85, Genesis 18:20-32 or Hosea 1:2-10, Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19), Luke 11:1-13 - Proper 12

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July 4 - Independence Day - Psalm 145, Deuteronomy 10:17-21, Hebrews 11:8-16, Matthew 5:43-48 - Proper 8

July 22 - Feast Day of St. Mary Magdalene - Psalm 42:1-7, Judith 9:1, 11-14, 2 Corinthians 5:14-18, John 20:11-18 - Proper 11

July 25 - Feast Day of St. James the Apostle - Psalm 7:1-10, Jeremiah 45:1-5, Acts 11:27-12:3, Matthew 20:20-28 - Proper 11



Prayers for July & Ordinary Time

Father, You alone are our hope and our future. Turn the hearts of Americans toward You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Thank You, Lord, for the men and women who gave their lives for the freedom of the republic in which we live today. Amen.

The Vestry Minutes are posted on the Bulletin Board by the kitchen each month!

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The deadline for the next newsletter: July 20th.

The deadline for the weekly bulletin: Wednesdays.

The church calendar will be included in the newsletter each month.



For those in our prayers - Parish Prayer List

For those in our prayers - Joan Wright, Paul Woolen, Sandy Huggins and her family, Steve Evans, Diane & Al Chulick, Diane Butscher, the Locke and Belknap Families, Jim and Linda Tabor, Peggy Peterson, Alan Rabb, Sarah, Eleanor, Margaret, Cathy, Rhonda & Ron, Tim Collins, Sloan Sentell, Don Hazlett, Ray Hazlett, Cindy Beck, Jennifer J, Diane Royal, Nancy Morrell, Wayne

Hadden, Marietta Kolinchak, The Thomason Family, Jamal Johnson, Angelle Wilkins, Jeri Arnold, Phyliss Skarda, Peggy Renfro, Ronnie Spells, Donnie and Jane Bird, Jennifer Broadway, Brenda Harvey, Marley, Amanda, and Chad (Family), Lela Morris, Stephanie Wilds, Brian & Grant Moss Families, Clint Schaum, Landa Basham, Chester Bolton, Jr., Kirsten Bowden, Debbie Sightler and Family, Kay Moore and family, Julie Felton, Vernell Collins, Jimmie Hord, Brian Rhinehart, Robin LoConte, Rob M., Kelly Royal Myers, the Witt Family, Pat Collins, Bill, Brian & Patti Moss, Roger Dale Holmes, Candy, Ralph Hord, Kim,

Teresa Dixon, Nikki, Andrew, Claudia, Bob, Kristen, Matt, Dennis Sentell, Tyler, Jennifer, Vicki, Michael Maughan, Dmitri, Ed Medford, Jack Golightly, Henry Whittingham, Madelyn, Paula Mikels-Burnett, Daniel Mikels, Sally Price, Lawson, Cheryl, Brett Roberts.

For those serving in the armed forces - Matt, Bobby, Jesse, Megan, Arthur, Dustin



Your Vestry

Dewey Michelin, Sr. Warden

Rickey Gilbert, Jr. Warden

Michelle Smith, Treasurer

Ann Diem, Clerk & Outreach

Beth Richardson, Liturgy

Richard Alexander, Stewardship

Kathy Locke, Evangelism

Peggy Finley, ECW

Diane Meketa, Youth

Carole Rowell, Pastoral Care

Dave Collins, Honorary Sexton



Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
							
			1	2	3	Independence Day 4	5
		9:30 AM VW 	Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time Study & Compline 	Office closed Easton Keller's Birthday 	Office closed 	9 AM ECW Breakfast The Peach Blossom Diner 8:30 AM VW 	
4 Pentecost	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Adult Formation 9:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:30 Children's Church 10:30 	Fr. Dave off 6:00 PM Choir Bill McDaniel's Birthday 	9:30 AM VW 	Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time Study & Compline 	Marty Ownbey's Birthday William McDaniel III's Birthday 	Grace off 	8:30 AM VW 8 AM Men's Breakfast The Peach Blossom Diner 	
5 Pentecost	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Youth & Adult Formation 9:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:30 Children's Church 10:30 Dennis Turner's Birthday 	Fr. Dave off 6:00 PM Choir Rae Schaper's Birthday 	9:30 AM VW 	Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time Study & Compline 	Debbie Bullock's Birthday Jeri Arnold's Birthday 	Grace Off 	8:30 AM VW 	
6 Pentecost	20	21	High Holy Day 22	23	24	Feast Day 25	High Holy Day 26
Adult Formation 9:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:30 Children's Church 10:30 	Fr. Dave off 6:00 PM Choir Clint Schaum's Birthday Jenni Turner's Birthday Kim Corner's Birthday 	9:30 AM VW Don & Debbie Zickefoose's Anniversary 	Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time Study & Compline 		Grace Off 	8:30 AM VW 	
7 Pentecost	27	28	29	30	31		
Youth & Adult Formation 9:30 Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:30 Children's Church 10:30 	Fr. Dave off 6:00 PM Choir 		Walking with Jesus through Ordinary Time Study & Compline 	GIVE THANKS FOR FIVE THINGS TODAY 5 			



JULY BIRTHDAYS

Easton Keller	07/03
Harrison Smith	07/06
Bill McDaniel	07/07
William McDaniel III	07/10
Marty Ownbey	07/10
Dennis Turner	07/13
Rae Schaper	07/14
Debbie Bullock	07/17
Jeri Arnold	07/17
Kim Corners	07/21
Clint Schaum	07/21
Jenni Turner	07/21

Happy birthday to you!

Happy birthday to you!

Happy birthday God's children!

Happy birthday to you!



HAPPY Anniversary



Don & Debbie Zickefoose 07/22 (36 years)



Worship Team Schedule for July 2025

July 6 - 4 Pentecost - C/C - Carole Rowell 2nd Chalice - Karen Michelin
Altar - Karen Michelin Lectors - Jane Rhinehart, Will Hawkins
Greeters - Phil & Connie Ledesma Ushers - Rickey & Christel Gilbert
Tellers - Patricia Lee, Richard Alexander Tech Team - Cindy Collins
Children's Church #1 - Diane Meketa, Susan Lancaster
LEV - None

July 13 - 5 Pentecost - C/C - Beth Richardson 2nd Chalice - Will Hawkins
Altar - Will Hawkins Lectors - Scott Collins, Paul Hines
Greeters - Scott & Cindy Collins Ushers - Diane Meketa, Nancy Fodi
Tellers - Charla Hopkins, Dave Collins Tech Team - Paul Hines
Children's Church #2 - Rita Long, Janice Ownbey
LEV - Dewey Michelin (EV), Karen Michelin (PC)

July 20 - 6 Pentecost - C/C - Scott Collins 2nd Chalice - Carole Rowell
Altar - Brenna Bedenbaugh Lectors - Rita Long, Ann Diem
Greeters - Stan & Cynde Payne Ushers - Rita Long, Will Hawkins
Tellers - Jim McAbee, Patricia Lee Tech Team - David Grayshock
Children's Church #3 - Melissa Woolen, Diane Meketa
LEV - None

July 27 - 7 Pentecost - C/C - Becky Weisner 2nd Chalice - Sharon Landon
Altar - Sharon Landon Lectors - Paul Woolen, Dickie Watters
Greeters - Michelle Smith, Charlie Hopkins
Ushers - Brenda Vinson, Ann Diem
Tellers - Charla Hopkins, Dave Collins Tech Team - Cindy Collins
Children's Church #4 - April Alexander, Brenna Bedenbaugh
LEV - Carole Rowell (EV), Peggy Finlay (PC)

Links to keep St. Margaret's connected:

Website: <https://stmargaretsepiscopal.org>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RoYcQtchHjjs>



Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/smechs/>



Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina:
<https://www.edusc.org/>

The Lectionary Page:
<http://www.lectionarypage.net/>

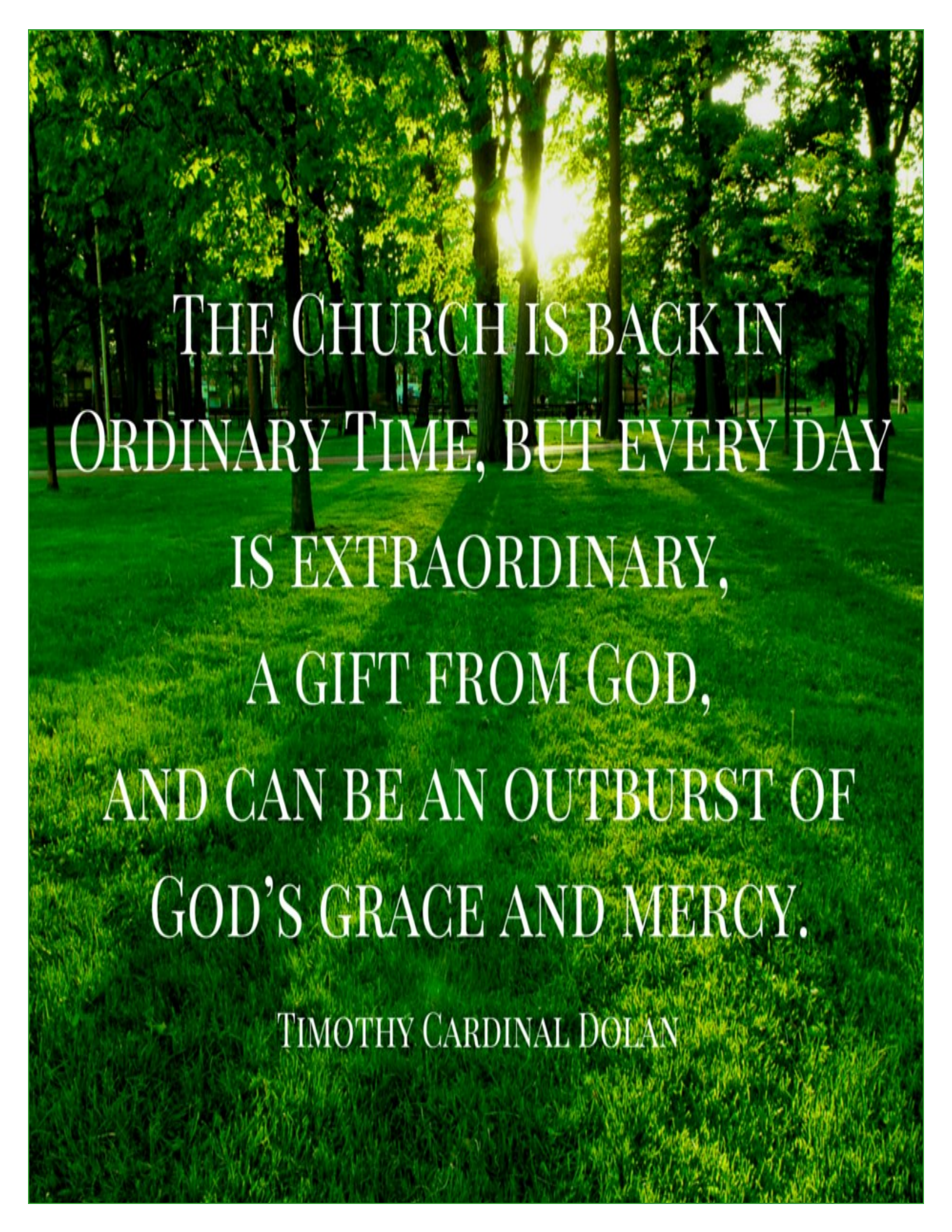


The Book Of Common Prayer:
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The background of the image is a vibrant, sun-drenched park. Tall, leafy green trees line a path that leads into the distance. A bright sunburst effect is visible through the trees in the upper center, casting a warm glow over the scene. The grass is a rich, deep green, and the overall atmosphere is peaceful and hopeful.

THE CHURCH IS BACK IN
ORDINARY TIME, BUT EVERY DAY
IS EXTRAORDINARY,
A GIFT FROM GOD,
AND CAN BE AN OUTBURST OF
GOD'S GRACE AND MERCY.

TIMOTHY CARDINAL DOLAN