

Week of May 24 – May 30, 2020

CASTING OUR NET

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Dear People of St. Stephens,

How can it be Pentecost, already? The hangings in the church are still purple!

As I reflect on the journey from Ash Wednesday through Ascension Thursday, most of it a cyber journey, I am truly amazed at the ways our community has come together in our own form of diaspora. Like the early Christian Church, we are scattered about, making connections as we are able, giving witness to the God of Love, whose compassion transcends the divisions and disagreement in our world today.

We continue to move forward in our work on the regathering team. I invite those who are able to drive by and look in on the parish house. There we are setting up our "phase 1 and 2" worship space, subject to the Diocesan approval. If you look in the doors, you will see various groupings of chairs. All regular members have chairs and there is even room for guests with appropriate social distancing. This is not how we envisioned church but like the early disciples after the fall of Jerusalem, we are learning how to remain connected, whether it be by Zoom, by phone, by email, or even by the old fashioned letter. Like the early disciples, we will also learn to gather anew in new ways and in new spaces.

In the past few months, the Holy Spirit has moved among us. The first Pentecost marked the acknowledgement of the Holy Spirit in a new and dramatic fashion. THIS Pentecost we will mark the new and dramatic ways that the Holy Spirit has worked among us in 2020. I hope you will join us for the service on our St. Stephen's YouTube Channel and for coffee hour via Zoom. And wear red, after all, it is Pentecost!

God's peace,
Beth+



This is what our socially distanced Worship may look like.



EDUCATION

Liturgical calendar:

May 31, 2020

Pentecost

Psalms 33:12-22

Genesis 11:1-9

Acts 2:1-11

John 7:37-39a

June 7, 2020

Trinity Sunday

Psalms 8

Genesis 1:1-2; 4a

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20

June 14, 2020

Psalms 116:1, 10-17

Genesis 18:1-15

Romans 5:1-8

Matthew 9:35-10:8

June 21, 2020

Psalms 86:1-10, 16-17

Genesis 21:8-21

Romans 6: 1b-11

Matthew 10:24-39

June 28, 2020

Psalms 13

Genesis 22:1-14

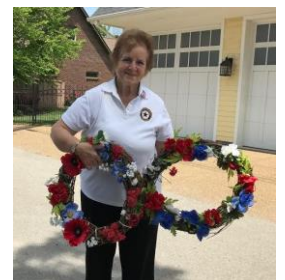
Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42

St. Stephen's friends
participating in the
Memorial Day ceremonies
in New Harmony



Charles Huck



Rose Wilkinson



We ask for Continued Prayers:
 Barbara Macke; Mary Yuan; Robert Gregg;
 Sheila; Charles, Sally & Scotty; Mary Ellen
 & Gary; Tom & Odessa; Cameron and his
 mom; Sheila, Greg & Ivy; Karen, Rachel &
 Trevor; Peggy Stewart; Graduates in class
 of 2020; All teachers, students, parents &
 school administrators who made the best
 of this school year; All of our loved ones,
 far & near

And for those serving in the Military:
 EB; Alex; Caitlyn; Brady; All who serve

And for Safety in Travel for:
 All truck drivers and delivery persons

And we pray for those who have Died:
 Barbara Lutz; Jerry Sloan; All victims

Blessings:
 Graduates; Recent beautiful weather; Flowers; The ability to see the world's rainbow of
 Colors; The human qualities of wisdom and good judgement; Moments to sit, contemplate,
 And recharge

For those who celebrate Birthdays in
 May and June:
 May 5 – Janet Rice
 June 6 – Sue Huelsmann
 June 7 – Gary Gerard
 June 7 – Odessa Straw
 June 23 – Darrell Harris

For those who celebrate Anniversaries in
 May and June:
 May 15 – Mark Sellars & Beth Macke
 June 9 – Karen & Rachel Seal

And for those serving in our Diocese,
 including Bishop Jennifer Bakservill-
 Burrows, our companion Diocese Brasillia,
 their Bishop Mauricio, and the people and
 Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's in Mithon

Wandering in the Wilderness

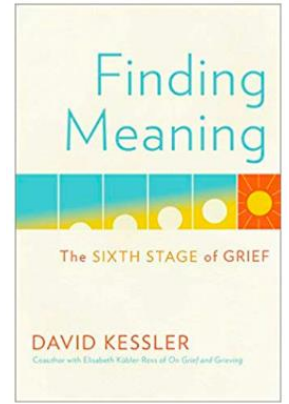
Tuesdays at 7 p.m. and Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

Join us as explore biblical stories of wandering in the wilderness as
 a way for us to see how the people of God have walked through difficult
 and in-between times and how God might be present with us today.

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/91128629571?pwd=NDR4cGM5ekpSQVlxM3RKbHRsNnRUUT09>

Meeting ID: 911 2862 9571
 Password: 205785
 phone: 312-626-6799 US (Chicago)

Interested in book study
 via Zoom this summer?



<https://grief.com/sixth-stage-of-grief/>

In this groundbreaking new work, David Kessler—an expert on grief and the coauthor with Elisabeth Kübler-Ross of the iconic *On Grief and Grieving*—journeys beyond the classic five stages to discover a sixth stage: meaning.

Wandering in the Wilderness SCHEDULE

April 20 + 28: Waiting for the Promised Land - In-between the Exodus and the Promised Land (the Wilderness)

April 29 + May 5: Waiting for Land - In-between the building of the ark and dry land (the Flood)

May 6 + 12: Waiting for a Baby - In-between promises made and promises kept to Abraham and Sarah

May 13 + 19: Waiting for Ministry - In-between baptism and ministry (The Temptation of Jesus)

May 20 + 26: Waiting for Resurrection - In-between the Cross and Resurrection (Holy Saturday)

May 27 + June 2: Waiting for the Holy Spirit - In-between the Ascension and Pentecost (Upper Room)