



Week of November 8—November 14, 2020

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Dear St. Stephen's Community,

Well, we made it through some big events last week both in terms of our nation and our church. We have navigated a major election AND a diocesan convention in the midst of a pandemic. I thank Mike Staubitz and Linda Warrum for their participation. I also thank all who participated in the "Light, pray, vote" campaign. And while votes are still being counted in various states, we are moving on to our next challenges as a nation AND as a church. One of our church challenges is how we keep gathering as a congregation in the months to come.

Yesterday, a number of you attended a Zoom service with St. Mary's Madisonville, KY. It was an opportunity for us to learn about worship in a live, more interactive manner. The response of those who attended was favorable and you will be hearing more about this in the weeks to come.

On a more personal note, between the 9 hour gathering on Saturday for Convention (which is available on the Diocese of Indianapolis YouTube channel) and the church gatherings on Sunday, my post-concussion brain had had enough of screens. So yesterday afternoon, my husband and I spontaneously drove north of Marion, KY to ride the free car ferry across the Ohio River to visit Cave-in-Rock, Illinois. It was a beautiful drive and a great experience. And it was, by definition, a safe, socially distanced, adventure. I share this with you as a dare: I dare you to have one safe adventure while the weather is still cooperating and share it with the rest of us at an upcoming Coffee Hour.



Waiting for the Ferry



Cave-in-Rock, Illinois

Stay safe and keep praying for our nation!

God's peace

Beth+



October Glory Tree dressed in Red and Orange

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

	Service Place	Leaders	Coffee Hour Time/Host
Nov 15 Pentecost 24	CCC Indianapolis		Liz and Bish
Nov 22 Last Sunday after Pentecost	Livestream from Parish House	Dr. Beth	Dr. Beth
Nov 29 First Sunday of Advent	National Cathedral		Mike

November 15, 2020

Judges 4:1-7

Psalms 123

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

November 29, 2020 First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 64:1-9

Psalms 80:1-7, 16-18

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-37

We ask for Continued Prayers:

The church, its members, and its mission; The nation and all in authority; The welfare of the world; All students, faculty, & staff; Sally, Charles, and Scotty; Tom and Odessa; Karen, Rachel, and Trevor; Sheila, Greg, and Ivy; Traci; Lima Wells; Carol Stratton; Lena Feiner; All looking for work; The KA Pledge class of 2020 at MTSU; All involved in the harvest; All suffering from the effects of COVID 19; Peace; Chicago Bears

And for those serving in the Military:

EB, with added prayers over the next 2 weeks as he is away for selection; Alex; Caitlyn; Brady; Jackson; All who serve

And for Safety in Travel for:

All truck drivers and delivery persons; EB

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

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

November 22, 2020

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Psalms 100

Ephesians 1:15-23

Matthew 25:31-46

For those who celebrate Birthdays in Nov:

November 2 – Geneva Hall

November 6 – Michael Harris

November 7 – Docey Lewis

November 8 – Clint Cox

November 15 – Peggy Meyer

November 16 – Carol Stratton

November 23 – Rita Davis

November 28 – Richard Diemer

November 29 – Suzanne Harris

November 29 – Cindy Bernardin



For those who celebrate Anniversaries in Nov:

November 15 – Charles & Sally Huck

November 28 – Gary & Mary Ellen Gerard

Blessings:

EB making it through and passing his selection process; A stunningly beautiful autumn; Warm, sunny days; Wisdom and patience

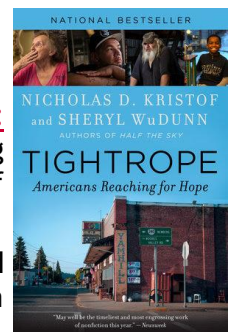
Those who have died:

Alice Huck; Jerry Alexander; Brenda Butman; Rick Mounts; Alex Trebek; Those who have died from Covid 19; Those who have died from violence

New Diocesan Book Study Starts November 16 Tightrope: Americans Clinging to Hope

Starting November 16, Bishop Jennifer will lead a diocesan book study of **Tightrope: Americans Reaching for Hope by Nicholas D. Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn**. The best-selling book examines "the crisis in working-class America while focusing on solutions to mend a half century of governmental failure."

Discussion questions will be posted on November 16, and on Sundays, November 29 and December 6 and 13 at 1 p.m. Eastern/noon Central, Bishop Jennifer will host Zoom conversations about the book's various themes.



Pictured is Wayne with our Kunstfest donation for the **Patchwork Central Bike Repair Shop** and the **After School Program**.

Bikes were delivered for the repair shop.

