# Week of October 18 – October 24, 2020

# CASTING OUR NET



# ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Dear St. Stephen's Community,

As the pandemic wears on, I would like to update you on several matters. First, Beulingmann Heating and Air has installed two IWave Air Purifiers in the Parish House

HVAC system. These devices help eliminate particles in the air, including viruses like Covid-19 and are a significant step towards worship in the Parish House, where social distancing and disinfecting are easier to accomplish than in the church. At this week's vestry meeting, the vestry will consider an upgrade in our internet service that will increase our ability to livestream with less buffering or blurring of our videos. This will cost more than our current internet and I ask for your prayers.

While we are making significant investments in our ability to regather as a community, that ability is significantly impaired by the numbers of active Covid-19 cases around us. The Regathering Committee has said that we cannot have more than the live streaming with 10 or fewer people as long as we are in the "red zone" on the state's map of Coronavirus cases. Therefore, I ask that you do everything you can to protect yourself and those around you from this disease. Mask up, wash/sanitize your hands frequently and please exercise good judgement when choosing to participate in engagements with others. Finally, if you are able, please get a flu shot.

In other news, the Book Study this week is joining with the Diocese of Indianapolis for a pre-Convention workshop this Wednesday at 6 PM Central Time on Wednesday, October 21. The workshop is titled: "Racial Healing in the Age of Pandemics" with Dr. Catherine Meeks of the Absalom Jones Center. Prior to this workshop, participants are encouraged to watch the movie 13th, which is available on Netflix. Anyone can click on this link to Join the workshop via Zoom webinar.

God's Peace,



# **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

	Service Place	Leaders	Coffee Hour Time/Host
Oct 25 Pent 21	Dr. Beth preaching remotely	Dr. Beth	

# LITURICAL CALENDAR

October 25, 2020 Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 22:34-46 Nov 1, 2020 All Saint's Day Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm 34:1-10,22 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12



### 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; KA pledge class of Fall 2020 at MTSU; Hazel Leobe; Sally, Charles & Scotty; Dirk; Linda; Ann H.; Vicki; Kaia Schrapker; Rob Thompson; Tom & Odessa; Lisa & Dan; All Looking for work; All involved in the harvest; All suffering From Covid 19;

#### And for those serving in the Military:

EB; Alex; Caitlyn; Brady; Jackson; All who serve

## And for Safety in Travel for:

All truck drivers and delivery persons; Sheila

#### Those who have died:

Dewayane Hughes; Those who have died from Covid 19; Those who have died from violence

**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

# For those who celebrate Birthdays in Oct & Nov:

October 1 – Bish Mumford

October 10 – Rob Bernardin

October 12 – Ken Meyer

October 24 – Annette Buckland

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 Oct & Nov:

October 12 - Cindy & Rob Bernardin

November 15 – Charles & Sally Huck

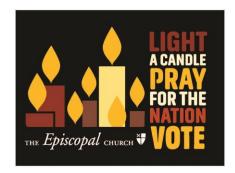
November 28 - Gary & Mary Ellen Gerard

#### **Blessings:**

Sushine; Thanksgiving for livestreaming service

# **BOOK STUDY via ZOOM Continues** "How to be Antiracist" by Ibram X. Kendi For more information call or email Dr. Beth.





### FOR SOUND GOVERNMENT

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.

Lord, keep this nation under your care.

To the President and members of the Cabinet, to Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, and to all in administrative authority, grant wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

To Senators and Representatives, and those who make our laws in States, Cities, and Towns, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfill our obligations in the community of nations.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

To the Judges and officers of our Courts give understanding and integrity, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

And finally, teach our people to rely on your strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy Name.

For yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Amen.

**THANK YOU** to the St. Stephen's Family for your kind words, prayers, emails, texts, cards, and acts of kindness to me and my family after the sudden loss of my brother, Jon Sellers. We were comforted by them all. Margie Waible