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ST. PAUL'S TOWER HERALD

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF
ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH WORCESTER PARISH BERLIN, MD

Rector's Voice

Twenty Years of ministry together! As of the first Sunday in June, I have been as St. Paul's for twenty years. A few weeks ago, I was invited to say the invocation and benediction at the graduation of Worcester Preparatory School. I was struck by the fact that I have been doing this longer than the graduates had been alive, and I had baptized several of them as infants.

There are so many memories, so many stories that could be told about our years of ministry together. Some have been wonderful memories, and others ones that are tinged with sadness.

I will often say at funerals that I remember the words of the hymn, "Time like an ever-rolling stream..." and that I feel privileged to "wade in the water" with you in a part of your journey.

I have been thinking about the changes that have happened over these many years together. The internet was relatively new, and we did not communicate with email or texts. We have more to compete with on Sundays – children's sports leagues, more stores open, and a culture that does not seem to value worshiping on Sundays. But what has not changed is our calling to share the Good News of Jesus Christ – we just need to explore new ways of doing so.

You will find in this newsletter an invitation to a celebratory concert and reception. It will be held on Saturday, 29 June at 2:00 p.m. I hope that many of you will be able to attend.

In Christ,

Remembering Barry

The Vestry is working on two memorials for Deacon Barry Neville. We have established a \$1000 scholarship in his memory at the Community College in Melfa, Virginia where he taught. We are working towards dedicating the Parish Hall in his name. Efforts to "spruce up" the Parish Hall are underway



Cluster News

Ocean Cluster (the Episcopal Churches in Berlin and Ocean City) is continuing their new-found relationship with Recovery House. This is primarily by providing supper one Sunday a month.

The June supper is on 23 June at 4:00. We are responsible for the entre on that day. That is being taken care of, but there is a need for paper products. You can bring them to church on Sundays.

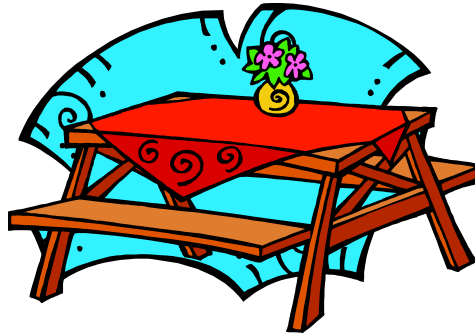
The July Supper is on 21 July at 4:00. We are responsible for salad and bread that day. Please contact Sarah Hooper (sarah.hooper@comcast.net) or Ann Wheeler (AMWHEELFree@aol.com) if you would like to help.

The August Supper will be our Annual Cluster Picnic. We are having the picnic the same way we have the past few years. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring a Side Dish, Salad, or Dessert to share. We will have games and fellowship. The Picnic will be on Sunday, 18 August and will begin at 4:00. It is being held at Recovery House, which is located across the street from the Barrett Medical Building on Old Ocean City Blvd.

Mark your calendars for a special event on Sunday, 6 October! Details will be in the next newsletter. This will be a Cluster Event that will not involve Recovery House.

Sign-ups Galore!

There are plenty of opportunities for people to sign up to help – flowers for Sundays, Ushering, Baseball Game and other events.



When you come to Church on Sunday, take a moment to look at the Sign-Up Sheets in the Narthex – you might just find something you would like to do!

The Bishop is Coming!

The Bishop will make his annual visitation to St. Paul's on Sunday, 30 June. Since this is the Fifth Sunday of the Month, we will be observing our usual practice of one service at 9:30 followed by a Potluck. There will be several people being Confirmed/Received and a few Re-affirming their Baptismal Covenant. Please be sure to join us!

A Poem About Stewardship...

“More than Our Gifts”
By Raymond A. Foss

Our stewardship vision
far more than our gifts
they are part of our commitment
but not the first or last
We begin with our prayers
and end with our service
Our gifts joining with our presence
in the community of saints
All that we offer
all that we share together
far more than our gifts
offering our all unto God

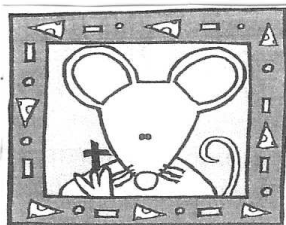
VBS

We will be participating with the Ecumenical Vacation Bible School again this year. It will be held from 22-26 July. This year it is being held at SonRise Church. If you would like to help, please see Fr. Moyer. We will be providing the snack one evening, Fr. Michael will be helping with the Bible Story one evening and volunteering for "other duties" the other evenings.

Church Mouse

We have found the switch in hours from 10-3 to 11-4 was a good move. It appears the good shoppers in Berlin seem to be late risers.

As you most likely are aware we can not use winter clothes at this time. We received several donations of winter items and had to take the time to sort them out of the mix with summer items, then take them to other places that would accept them. Sadly some of these came from our own church members despite postings in the bulletin and previous additions of the newsletter. If you can not store them until fall, we understand, but please take them to other drop off places.



Needless to say household items are always welcome. As are novels cook books and children's books. Puzzles and games are big sellers, however please make sure all pieces are there, and tape the box closed. If in doubt feel free to call Helen 443 995 3122.

Thank you for your generous donations in the past, keep them coming!

Outreach

Worcester goes Purple is an awareness project to engage the community in preventing

substance abuse and promoting healthy life choices. The project is inspired by the THP Project Purple, an initiative of The Herren Project, a 501(c)3 non-profit foundation established by former NBA basketball player, Chris Herren, that assists individuals and families struggling with addiction.

WGP is an initiative supported by Worcester County Public Schools, Worcester County Health Department, Atlantic General Hospital and the Worcester County Sheriff's Office. WGP welcomes partnerships with community organizations and businesses who support their mission. Funding is being made possible through the participating agencies, the Heroin and Opioid Policy Development Grant, and donations from the generous Worcester County Community.

In September the Church Mouse will be decorated with purple to promote awareness to prevent substance abuse and to promote healthy choices. Our recent Outreach for Spring: GOLD, Greater Berlin Minority scholarship, Food for the Poor, Jesse Klump Memorial Fund, Operation We Care, Honor Flight, Diocese of Easton, Meals on Wheels and Camp Agape.

We finish up the collection of Hygiene at the end of June. During the month of July we will be collecting school supplies. The list of items needed will be published in an upcoming bulletin. **Please wait until the list is available as there are specific items the schools require.**

We thank you for your generous donations for each monthly outreach collection. As usual the wicker collection baskets will be located in the Narthex.



*You are invited to a celebration of
20 Years of Ministry Together
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Worcester Parish
Berlin, Maryland*

and

The Rev'd Michael D. Moyer O.G.S.

Saturday, 29 June 2019

Two O'clock in the afternoon

A Concert of Music

"Sacred and Secular"

followed by a Reception

Please RSVP to the Church Office

410-641-4066 or

churchstreet3@aol.com St. Paul's, Berlin



June Birthdays

- 1 Sarah Lynch
- 3 Christopher Main
- 4 Franklin Lynch
- 5 Lisa Cook
- 8 Maureen Moore
- 9 Connie Duke
- 10 Gerald Kizina
- 18 Steven Lehman Janice Keys
- 19 Bev Bigler
- 20 Jan Quick
- 24 Susan DeGroft
- 28 Edward Reid

July Birthdays

- 9 Ann Wheeler
- 12 Kate Hastings John Whaley
- 13 Barry Neville Helen Wiley
- 15 Pat Diniar
- 16 Jessica O'Neill Ashton Conley
- 17 Maury Wimbrow
- 19 Michael Hooper
- 21 John Laughlin
- 22 Brandon Lehman
- 23 Donna Main
- 31 Dick Bunting

August Birthdays

- 1 Chris Duke Amanda Hudson
- 3 Leslie Coates
- 4 Bob Vaughan
- 6 Danny Moore
- 12 William Fsham, Jr.

- 18 Susan Mariner Sarah Hooper
- 19 Jim Quick
- 20 Austin Cook
- 23 Mike Pacella
- 24 Sarah Conley
- 31 Mary Moore



June Anniversaries

- 1 Edward & Melissa Reid
- 7 Donald & Patricia Fischer
- 10 Dick & Ellen Bunting
- 13 Bill & Susan Mariner
- 21 Fr. Moyer, deacon
- 25 James & Mary Hall
- 26 Bob & Betsy Abel

July Anniversaries

- 5 Mike & Helen Wiley
- 22 Mike & Sarah Hooper

August Anniversaries

- 4 Danny & Mary Moore
- 9 Steve & Donna Main
- 22 Jack & Virginia Barrett

Funerals

- Ed Linn Fhart
- Robert Bigler

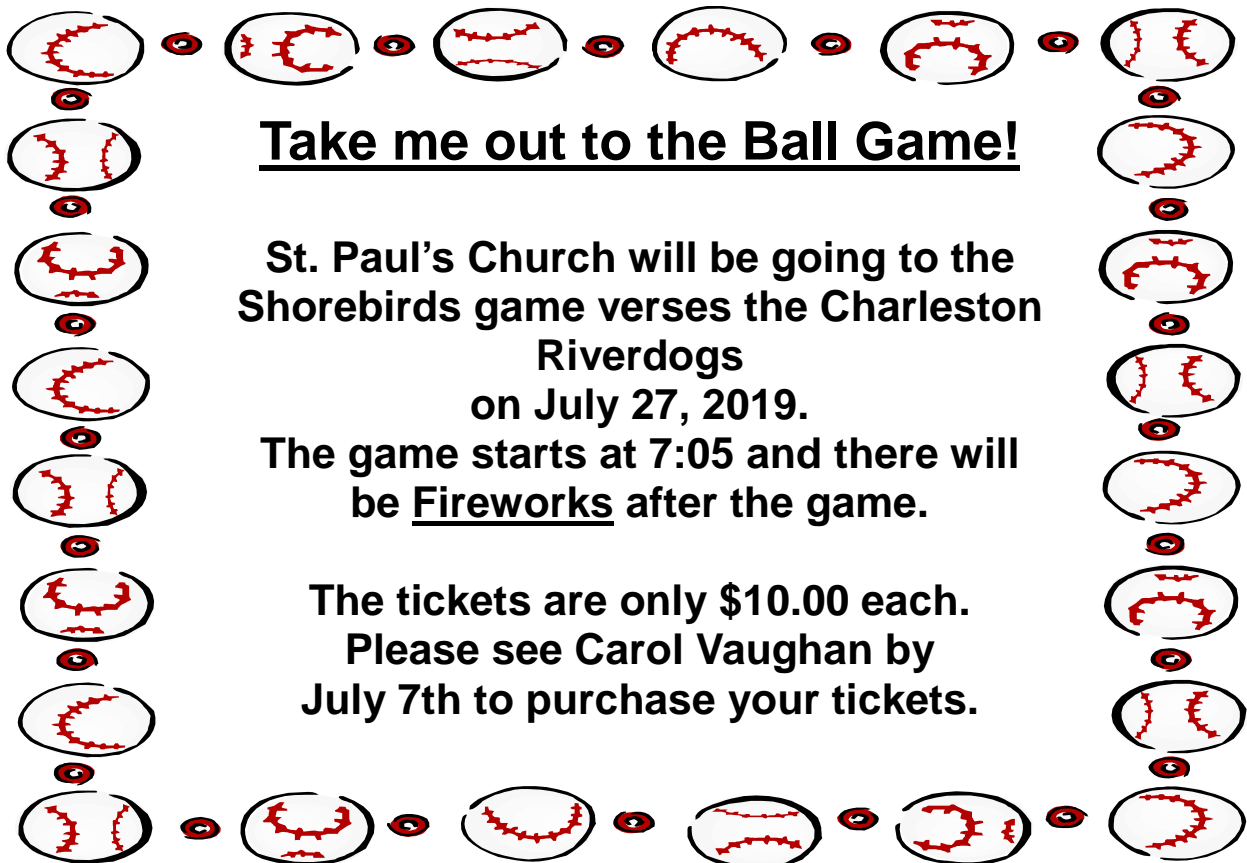
Baptism

- Skylar Morgan Summers

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Take me out to the Ball Game!

**St. Paul's Church will be going to the
Shorebirds game verses the Charleston
Riverdogs
on July 27, 2019.
The game starts at 7:05 and there will
be Fireworks after the game.**

**The tickets are only \$10.00 each.
Please see Carol Vaughan by
July 7th to purchase your tickets.**