

St. John's Episcopal Church - Newsletter Sunday, May 7, 2023

LET US PRAY:

O God, who has blessed and sustained this parish through the years; we ask that you continue to lead us, stretch us, and direct us, in our search for a new rector. Raise for us, we pray, a priest and pastor who will boldly proclaim your Gospel, faithfully administer your Sacraments, and serve your people with love and compassion, that we may continue to grow in the likeness of Christ and be a beacon of love and hope to our community and the world. To the glory of your holy Name. **Amen.**

Temperature checks, hand sanitizer and masks are always available as you enter **if needed**. The church is professionally sanitized each week using an ozone generator.

WORSHIP AND EDUCATION NEWS:

First Wednesday of each month we will have <u>Mid-Week Eucharist Service</u> during the summer in the chapel at 5:30 pm with Rev. Joe Porter. May 3 is first on schedule.

Worship: May 7, Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with Rev. Teresa Cantrell at 10:30 am.

Readings: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

PASTORAL NEWS:

Please keep the following in your prayers: Debra Frazier Richardson, Courtney Turner, Kathleen Gibson, Cole Jefferies, Jo Liddy, Jim Howe, Sylvia Ross, Linda Dowling, Susan Taylor, Abigail Grace Fox, Pam Catlett, Debbie Ewart, Vivian Wright, Gill Pillow, Jerry Wenzel, Tommy Haycraft, Helen Faulkner, Camden Riley, Gene Parker, Billy Smith, Gibson Turley, Hank Boudinot, Bennie Madden, Peyton Biederman, and the family of Roger Patterson.

OUTREACH NEWS:

St John's ECW is sponsoring **Bingo** at **The Manor** on **Tuesday** from 1 - 2, **May 9.** Contributions are welcome for the prizes. There is a small box at the back of the church for these prize donations. Thank you.

Grace Food Pantry – plastic bags go in the labeled container in the narthex.

CHURCH OFFICE NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

May 3, Wednesday Mid-Week Eucharist Service at 5:30 in the chapel with Rev. Joe Porter

May 7, Adult Sunday School Class at 9:15 am in the undercroft

May 7, Holy Eucharist Service at 10:30 am at St. John's with Rev. Teresa Cantrell,

Donald Mankin will be our organist this week.

Lay Eucharist Minister & Acolyte: Ben Pittman Ushers: Mason Kirkman & Altar Guild: Bennett Sellers & Lindalu Hargraves Video – Facebook Live: Jessica Pillow

Flowers – Maureen & Neville Jones

June 7, Wednesday Mid-Week Eucharist Service at 5:30 in the chapel with Rev. Joe Porter

CDC COVID-19 guidelines (Vestry approved) Complete list is on table in the back of church

For those that cannot attend in person, there will be live streaming on Facebook.

The link for Sunday service is: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/929943537685987</u>

Facebook Group: St. John's Episcopal Church-Helena, AR

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