

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**APRIL 23, 2017, 10 a.m.**

**Readings:** Acts 2:14a, 22-23; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; & John 20:19-31.

**Presiding Minister:** Rev. Barbara Wilson:

**Assisting Minister:** Les Knickerbocker

**Assisting Chalice:** Sharan Davarn

**Acolytes:** Jackie VanDeWarker & Chloe Arbanas

**Eucharistic Visitor:** Stephen Leonard

**Organist:** Elaine Shoemaker

**Readers:** Neal Moran & Liz Nitz

**Greeters:** Leslie Arbanas & John Schram

**Counters:** Judy Moran & Les Knickerbocker

**Coffee Hour Hosts:** The Bangharts

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**ONGOING**

**1st Sunday**— Kids' Mass

**Last Sunday** — Anointing & Prayers of Healing

**Every Tuesday & Friday** — A.A. meets 8 p.m.

**Wednesdays** — "Mass Underground" at 6:15 p.m.

**2nd & 4th Monday** — Food Pantry, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

**5th Saturday** — Soup Kitchen open 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

**3rd Wednesday** — Prayer Shawls at Caffé Tosi 10 a.m.

**Vestry** — Meets third Monday, 6:30 p.m.

**WEEKLY SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE**

April 16 (77)

April 9 (49)

April 2 (37)

March 26 (51)

March 19 (40)

**FOOD PANTRY PATRONS**

April 10 (56)

March 27 (45)

March 13 (45)

Feb. 27 (48)

Feb. 13 (70)

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Rector's Book Study Group** — Will meet at **9 a.m. Sunday, April 23**, in the office for its final session about "*The Sin of Certainty*" by Peter Enns. Everyone is welcome, whether they've read the book or not.

**Concert Celebration** — St. Paul's Episcopal Church, St. Joseph, will hold an organ/piano memorial concert at **3 p.m. Sunday, April 23**. Jim Lauk will perform on the organ and Antoniel Roca will perform on the piano.

**Food Pantry** — Takes place on **Monday, April 24**. Volunteers needed for delivery about 10 a.m., and distribution from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Please help if you can, especially for the evening shift. **Egg cartons needed!** Please bring your empty egg cartons for those times that we have eggs to distribute, especially if you have the half-dozen size containers. Larger plastic grocery bags always needed too.

**Soup Kitchen Needs Volunteers** — St. A's is committed to host and to serve at the Benton Harbor Soup Kitchen on **Saturday, April 29**. Please plan to be at the Soup Kitchen by 9:30 a.m. to assist in preparing the meal. If you can help, there is a sign-up sheet downstairs at the church.

**Rector's Book Study Group** — "*The Great Emergence: How Christianity is Changing and Why*" will be the next topic of discussion at **9 a.m., Sunday, April 30**, in the office. Rooted in the observation that massive transitions in the church happen about every 500 years, Phyllis Tickle shows readers that we live in such a time right now.

**Play Ball!** — Baseball season is here and the South Bend Cubs will play the Lansing Lugnuts on **Saturday, May 20**. Game starts at 7:05 p.m. and gates open at 5 p.m. The tickets are \$14 for admission and hat combo. The seats are in sections 112 or 113. Sign-up sheets are downstairs on the bulletin board. Deadline for sign up and payment is **Sunday, April 30**.

**Barrier-Free Project** — Construction will begin soon. However, it is important to **keep up-to-date on pledges** specific to the project as we are short in our budget and will soon be paying bills. For details about the project, see Bruce Banghart.

**Weekly at The Whitcomb** — All are invited to join the Episcopal community for a weekly informal celebration of the Eucharist at 11 a.m. every Thursday at the Whitcomb Hotel in downtown St. Joseph.

**Member Outreach** — Reach out to church members unable to attend services on a regularly. Let them know we care and they are missed.

**WANTED: Coffee Hour Hosts** — Please sign-up to host this special time following Sunday service. For details see Natalee Rogers.

**Episcopal Peace Fellowship (EPF)** — Has initiated a membership drive to increase its limited number of EPF members and chapters in the Diocese of West Michigan. EPF currently supports the following Action Groups: Gun Violence Prevention; Death Penalty Abolition; Palestine Israel Network; and Young Adult Network and Urban Pilgrims. Annual membership in the EPF starts at \$50 but those of limited means may join for a lesser amount. The EPF National Executive Council is meeting later this month in Chicago in conjunction with the **Bishops Against Gun Violence: Unholy Trinity** meeting. For more information on EPF, ask Rob Burgess or visit the EPF website at: <http://epfnational.org/>

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**PRAYER LIST**

**The Episcopal Diocese of Western Michigan** — For Bishop Whyne Hougland Jr.; Christ Church, Charlevoix, Tom O'Dell, Rector; Celebration of New Ministry, The Rev. Christian Brocato, St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, April 25; Province V ECW Annual Meeting, April 28-30.

**Community, Nation, World** — For the residents, students and educators in Berrien County; our president, governor, congress, legislature, councils and courts; people affected by poverty, political strife and natural disasters.

**In the Armed Forces** — For Geoffrey, Jason, Nathan, Paige, Patrick, Susan, Tom and Zack.

**For Those Who Died** — Due to armed conflict, religious persecution, senseless violence, and those within our community. Comfort those who mourn their loss, who so deeply miss their friendship and their love.

**Good Health** — Extend prayers for Sarah Woolcock; Dan Wilson; Colleen Wilson; Latania and Timmy; and William Schmalfeldt.

**Birthdays** — Bob VanDeWarker (4/23); Andrea Anderson (4/25); Jean Domer (4/29); Jean Owen (4/29); Terrencia Rogers (5/5); Collin Burgess (5/5); Ann Wilschke (5/7); Marc Rowland (5/11); Priscilla Banghart (5/13); Joel Arbanas (5/13); John Forbes (5/16); Nathan Moore (5/17); Debb Bush (5/18); Rod Nitz (5/20); Sharon Ward (5/22).

**Anniversaries** — Leslie & Joel Arbanas (5/8); Sarah Woolcock & Marc Rowland (5/31).

**Parish Cycle of Prayer** — Cynthia & Noel Lewis; Jean & Bela Lindenfeld; Don Martin; Alfred Mayer; Jean McDonald; Lizzie, Carol & Nathan Moore; Judy & Neal Moran; Joan Murphy; Kevin Murphy; and Latonia Nealy.

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**IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE**

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Office hours at St. A's (unless otherwise announced) are Mondays and Wednesdays from 4-7:30 p.m. or by appointment.

**Vestry:** Senior Warden Emil Gally, Junior Warden Jean Domer; Reid Benson, John Forbes,  
Stephen Leonard, Nathan Moore, Judy Moran, Natalee Rogers, Jenny VanDeWarker.

**Altar Guild:** Stephen Leonard                      **Maintenance:** Bruce Banghart  
**Kids Mass:** Cara Gillespie                      **Kitchen Coordinator:** Natalee Rogers

**Food Pantry:** Gail Wells  
**Choir Director/Organist:** Esther Elaine Shoemaker  
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