

**Sixth and Main Streets** Clarksburg, WV

# The Good News Weekly

Christ Episcopal Church ~ St. Barnabas Chapel May 30, 2021



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# This Week at Christ Church, Clarksburg and St. Barnabas Chapel, Bridgeport Sunday, May 30, 2021 **Pentecost 1 Trinity Sunday**

Reservations are required.

Email Christ Church at: christchurch1853@aol.com Give the following information: Your name and total number of family members planning to attend. (Your reservation will be confirmed by a return email.) Or phone in your reservation to the Church office at 304-622-3694, if necessary please leave a message. (Your reservation will be confirmed by a return call.) Reservations must be made by Friday morning. If unable to keep a reservation, please cancel.

#### **Service Times**

10:00 AM Eucharist at Christ Church Clarksburg 11:00 AM Coffee Hour in the Courtyard 6<sup>th</sup> and Main Street in Clarksburg and

5:30 PM Eucharist at St. Barnabas Chapel 721 Hall Street in Bridgeport

#### **Christ Church 10:00 AM Service**

May 23, 2021, can be viewed anytime on Facebook Pentecost in the courtyard pictures can be seen at Christ Episcopal Church | United States (christchurchclarksburg.com)

Trinity Sunday will be posted on May 30, 2021

#### **E-Giving to Christ Church Without Fees**

Parishioners are encouraged to use e-giving at: http://www.wvdiocese.org/pages/aa-egiving.html Just scroll down and click on the donate button located by Bridgeport-St. Barnabas or Clarksburg - Christ Church. Checks can also be mailed directly to **Christ Episcopal Church** 

PO Box 1492, Clarksburg, WV 26302

#### **Backpack Schedule**

Deliver backpacks – June 3	Dick Clovis
Shopper for June 3	Pam Critchfield
Deliver backpacks – June 10	Beth Sickles

#### Noonday Office Prayers with the Diocese of WV

Daily, Monday - Friday, at 12:05 PM Can be found on Facebook Live

at: https://www.facebook.com/EpisDioWV/

Or Join Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83647158363?pwd=Y3ViTnJiSm pzbDNKd2pCaVNRbXhRQT09

> Meeting ID: 836 4715 8363 Passcode: 417287

### Compline with the Diocese of WV

Daily, all seven days, at 7:00 PM Can be found anytime on Facebook Live at: https://www.facebook.com/EpisDioWV/

Or Join Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81023773084?pwd=L1pWTHZ6 eVRtcFRKVGdpYzU0VUhjUT09 Meeting ID: 810 2377 3084

Passcode: 68854

# Pentecost Service at the National Cathedral With Presiding Bishop Curry Preaching

5.23.21 National Cathedral Sunday Online Service - YouTube

. . . to know, live, and share The Good News Story of Jesus Christ.

# Bulletin Insert: Trinity Sunday

# Explore the Way of Love: Learn – May 30, 2021

As humans, we often think of our lives in terms of stories. So much of the input of our senses, what we hear and what we read – and even what we feel – is processed in terms of story. We are the protagonist, the heroine or hero on a journey, pursuing our goal, facing conflict along the way, and each day is another chapter in our story.

When we look to the example of Jesus, we see a life in which God was incorporated in a very real way as part of that story. As we embark on the Way of Love, the practice that leads us in the footsteps of Jesus and those who have followed him for generations, we can invite God into our own stories.

The Way of Love calls us to the practice of learning. As the Psalmist prays, "Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths."

By reading the scriptures, taking time to study, listen, and absorb what they say, we are entering into the long, deep, stream of humankind's experiences with God. By taking time daily to engage with the Scriptures, particularly the stories of the life of Jesus, we move beyond pop culture interpretations and quick one-line verses and immerse ourselves into the character, will, and story of God. And by internalizing what we read—meditating and allowing even the most mysterious words to flow over us and work inside of us—we are allowing God to work in our story, too.

Diving into the Scriptures can be daunting for some. The Bible is not a rulebook or instruction manual to be easily digested and applied on first reading. Instead, it is a library of different experiences with God, written or told by many different people in different places for different reasons over generations of time.

Beginning to understand and know the Scriptures is a lifelong practice, and calls for patience, openness, and a willingness *not* to know every answer. But as we continually study and discuss with other people who accompany us on our journey, and reflect upon the ideas on the page, sometimes wrestling with them, and sometimes just letting them flow by like a spring breeze, we will grow in understanding, and we will get to know God better, as God becomes more and more intertwined with our own story.

Are you willing to commit to the practice of learning? Are there those around you who can support and join you as you learn?

Learn more about the Way of Love at *episcopalchurch.org/wayoflove*. You can find suggestions on getting started and going deeper with Learning at *iam.ec/explore*.