

# Chimes *and* Times

Episcopal Shared Ministry of Cumberland County

July/August 2017

## Ellen's Epistle:

Dear Friends,  
Summer advertisements encourage us make our summer a vacation season, with opportunity to refresh and re-create ourselves. Summer-lovers enjoy the warm temperatures and long days; outside activities, fund-raisers, and barbeques keep us busy, even as we de-clutter our schedules for summer rest.

As people of faith, does summer have a particular word for us? Each of us will answer that question for ourselves. Only consider...the beauty of summer brings to mind gratitude for God's creation and care for us. Being with friends, old and new, encourages friendships that convey the love that God has for us and we, in turn, for one another. Sabbath rest refocuses our priorities; with rest, we find opportunity to reflect, pray, and discern the ways of God in our lives. When we participate in community projects, we find ourselves partners in the pursuit of God's justice for all God's children.

We are always challenged to carry our faith through our daily lives. With a careful word to a lonely friend or a generous act to a stranger in the coffee shop, we transform the ordinariness of our days into the arena of God's generosity revealed. We make a difference by making Christ visible in our words and actions; and we make our way through life, confident in the love that God has for each of us and confident as we share that love with others.

What greater witness is there to the power of God in our lives than the joy we receive – quietly or raucously – and share with one another? Invite someone to church this summer to share our joy. May you and your guest find blessing together in worship and fellowship.

Blessings,  
Ellen+

**Mark your calendars!**

***Deadline for the  
September/October 2017 issue of  
the Chimes and Times is August  
15th.***

**Check out our website:  
<http://cumberlandnjepiscopal.org>**

## Current Weekly Service Times

### Weekly Worship

[consult our website for updates]

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| 10am            | Worship & Sunday School<br>at St John Bosco, Millville<br>(M) |
| 1st Sun, 4pm    | Adaptive worship at St<br>Andrew's (B)                        |
| Mondays, 1:30pm | Eucharist & Bible Study at<br>Trinity (V)                     |
| Wednesdays, 6pm | Eucharist & Bible Study at<br>St. John Bosco (M)              |



## *Our Life Together*

### Cycle of Life

June 1	Burial	Betsy J. Miletta
June 17	Burial	Daisy Buchanan
June 21	Marriage	Wayne Robert Marquardt/Russell Gregory Todeo
June 30	Burial	Mario Federici
July 1	Burial	Janet Klein

### Special Thanks

Church of the Resurrection has recently received two bequests, one from the Estate of Gladys Hadley, a second from the Estate of Barbaretta Dickinson. What a wonderful way to remember the ministry of the church you supported with your weekly pledge, by making a gift to the Church in your will! Thank you, Gladys and Barbaretta. Your generosity lives after you.

## *Learning Together*

### The Book Discussion Group meets again!

Summer Tues, July 18,25, Aug 1,8,15, 11:30am-12:30pm, The Book Discussion Group meets at St Andrew's (B). The book selection is Katherine Towler's *The Penny Poet of Portsmouth* (Counterpoint, 2016). Join us for a good read and good discussion, or read the book on your own and enjoy. Books (\$16 each) will be available from Rev Ellen.

## Children's Faith Development

We give thanks for Donna Starr's many years as Sunday School teacher and coordinator and wish her many blessings in retirement from her Sunday School ministry. If you are interested in children's spiritual formation, John Pearson Jr and Rev Ellen ask your help. We will be gathering a focus group on Sun, July 30, 11:30am, following service, to consider priorities and possibilities for our children's spiritual care and formation. Interested? Please contact John Jr or Rev Ellen for details.

### Health Fair coming this Fall

Plans are underway for a community Health Fair on Sat, Sep 9, 9:30am-12noon, at St John Bosco. Sonia Burgher-Gayle is coordinating this project. Contact Sonia to lend a hand to this community service and outreach.

## Safe Church training Sat, Sep 30, 9a,-3pm COR/St Andrew's, Bridgeton

Diocesan Safe Church training for those who work with young people is a requirement for those who work with children and youth in our Diocese. In this workshop, both sexual abuse of children and sexual exploitation and harassment of all persons are covered. This training is required every five years for clergy, wardens, employees, church personnel, and anyone regularly working with or around children or youth. Registration will be available in late summer through the diocesan website.

## *What's Happening?*

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

July 3 Sonia/Curtis Gayle  
 July 3 Jack Heath  
 July 3 Donna Starr  
 July 4 Paul Bracaliello  
 July 5 Robin MacDade  
 July 6 Mia Kimble  
 July 6 Russell Miller  
 July 10 Carol Gurzo  
 July 13 Mary/Bruce Bedwell  
 July 13 Trent Kimble  
 July 22 Dorothy Torchio  
 July 23 Ron Rondeau  
 July 31 Louise Basile  
  
 Aug 2 Pepi Dragotta  
 Aug 3 Eleanore Rainey  
 Aug 9 Alma/Mike Pesiri  
 Aug 10 Linda/Newlin Williams  
 Aug 10 John Rainey  
 Aug 12 Sara Lockette  
 Aug 12 John Pearson, Sr.  
 Aug 14 Vilma Parker  
 Aug 14 Aiden Piernikoski  
 Aug 14 Bob Smith  
 Aug 15 John Mundy  
 Aug 15 Molly/Gerald Ward  
 Aug 19 Patty Shelton  
 Aug 21 Jean Stelmach  
 Aug 26 Dee/Russ Bell  
 Aug 28 Linda Nolan  
 Aug 30 Marge Miller  
 Aug 31 Chris Hill  
  
 Sept 2 Addie/Ed Bracco  
 Sept 4 Lois Paoella  
 Sept 5 John Sabella  
 Sept 6 Amanda Cooper  
 Sept 6 Clark Katz  
 Sept 8 Joyce Cooper  
 Sept 8 Stephanie/Dave Saul

Sept 9 Ed Bracco  
 Sept 9 Jose Cruz  
 Sept 12 Janice Carpenter/Judy Rice  
 Sept 13 Shanna/Chris Fulcher  
 Sept 16 Patty/John Pearson

*If you have an addition or change to this list, please contact the church office. Thank you!*

### **For your calendar...**

Jul 9,11:15a VBS mtg (M)  
 Jul 13,2-4pm Food Pantry (B)  
 Jul 18,6p Vestry (B)  
 Jul 30,11:30a Children's Formation  
 Focus Group (M)  
  
 Aug 2,12noon Women's lunch out (B)  
 Aug 6-10 VBS (M)  
 Aug 10, 2-4p Food Pantry (B)  
 Aug 13,4p Adaptive worship (B)  
 Aug 21-25 Reading Camp (B)  
 Aug 24,2-4p Food Pantry (B)  
  
 Sep 9,9:30a Community Health Fair (M)  
 Sep 10,4p Adaptive worship (B)  
 Sep 14,2-4p Food Pantry (B)  
 Sep 17,11a Annual Parish Eucharist & Picnic,  
 Parvin State Park  
 Sep 17,2p District ECW, Woodstown  
 Sep 28,2-4p Food Pantry (B)  
 Sep 30,9a-3p Safe Church training (B)

### **What's going on at Youth Group?**

**Y**outh Group members are invited to participate in Vacation Bible School (VBS) and Reading Camp this summer. Regular meetings will resume in the fall. At each meeting, we get together to do some Bible Study, help with an outreach project, and have some time for fellowship and refreshments. Membership is for young people in grades 6 through 12. Contact-person: Joanne Gallagher, Grace McClean

## *Service & Outreach*

### **Vacation Bible School (VBS)**

#### **Maker Fun Factory is coming.**

**T**he fun starts Sun, Aug 6th and ends on Thurs, Aug 10th. We will be at St. John Bosco Church in Millville from 5.45pm to 8pm each day. Activities include Bible, Crafts, Music, Games and snacks. We are looking for volunteers for teaching, kitchen duties, crafts and game monitors. Most of all, we are looking for help in making props, as in gears, pretend electronics and Lego's.

Thank you  
Joanne Gallagher

### **Reaching Out to Haiti**

**E**ach year, VBS selects a project for support, both to educate our VBS participants and to expand the ministry of the congregation. This year, we have selected the ministry of Redemption School, Gonaives, Haiti. Deacon Helen Orlando and Ms Susan Legani, Director of Christian Education, from St Peter's Episcopal Church, Medford, NJ, visited us for service and an information session on July 2 to talk with us about the ministry their congregation shares with Redemption School. A couple of ways to follow-up...

- 1) Read about the Episcopal Church in Haiti  
< <http://www.egliseepiscopaledhaiti.org/>>  
(Use the English translation)
- 2) Purchase fair-trade Haitian coffee, chocolate, and art from Haiti's small producers  
<<https://singingrooster.org/>>  
Watch for details of this summer's Redemption School at VBS program.

### **Reading Camp (Aug 21-25)**

**D**o you have a heart for reading? Reading Camp is a one-week day camp of intensive reading help and fun activities for rising 3rd and 4th graders. We'll be at St John

Bosco Church, 8:30am-3pm, breakfast and lunch included. We are seeking campers, volunteers, and teachers. If you're interested in helping kids read, contact Rev Ellen.

### **"Welcome Home" kit**

**Y**ou can make a difference in the lives of our homeless neighbors. The M25 Initiative, parent organization of Code Blue, is opening up a new opportunity for ministry with the homeless, called "Welcome Home" kits <<http://www.m25initiative.org/housing-first.html>>. Your vestry has made a commitment to prepare a "Welcome Home" kit for someone(s) on the current new-home voucher list. Brittney Ingersoll is serving as vestry liaison for this project. You can help make a home for someone(s), who could use a helping hand. Let Brittney know how you can help.

### **The Power of Prayer**

**I**n the Spring, Mayor Kelly asked several churches to pray around the clock for Bridgeton, and we at Church of the Resurrection participated in that 7-day prayer vigil. "The goal was to cover the city in prayer. His hope was that through prayer God would show His power to the people of Bridgeton. God did just that. For an entire week the city of Bridgeton was crime free. There were no burglaries. There were no shootings. The only people who got picked up had previous warrants out for their arrest. That week was a testament to the power of prayer. It was a testament to the power of God." (<[SeekGodforBridgeton.blogspot.com](http://SeekGodforBridgeton.blogspot.com)>??)

Mayor Kelly's next challenge for us and other congregations is to pray continuously for a 30-day period for the peace and safety of our city. In anticipation of this 30-day period in the fall, you are asked to pray and fast regularly this summer for this prayer effort. Prayer concerns will be posted regularly on the website, <[SeekGodforBridgeton.blogspot.com](http://SeekGodforBridgeton.blogspot.com)>, and we will keep these concerns in our common prayer as you keep them in your personal prayer. Watch the website for updates and community prayer opportunities.

## Church Leadership

### Vestry Notes

The Vestry met on May 23, 2017, 6pm, in Bridgeton. The meeting opened with prayer and continued with review of the previous meeting's minutes and the treasurer's report. The Senior Warden reported on the cancellation of our contract for sale of St Andrew's with Voice of Promise. A rental agreement for Sun mornings at St Andrew's has been signed with a new tenant to run June 1st through Dec 31st. A long-term lease with Greater Deliverance Church for Trinity is currently under review. The Junior Warden reported on maintenance issues at both church buildings. The church sign at St John Bosco has been completed and posted. Contents Committee requests were reviewed and granted. Plans for Bring-a-Friend Sunday on June 4 are underway. A thank-you gift will be given to Donna Starr upon her retirement from Sunday School teacher this year. Suggestion was made to hold a focus group to consider next-steps with regard to children's formation. Report was made of the Woodbury Convocation meeting and plans for diocesan discernment. Plans for a fall Health Fair are beginning; updates will follow. Annual Parish Eucharist and Picnic will be held Sept 17 at Parvin State Park. Annual Vestry Retreat will be held Sat, Oct 21. The meeting closed with Lord's Prayer.

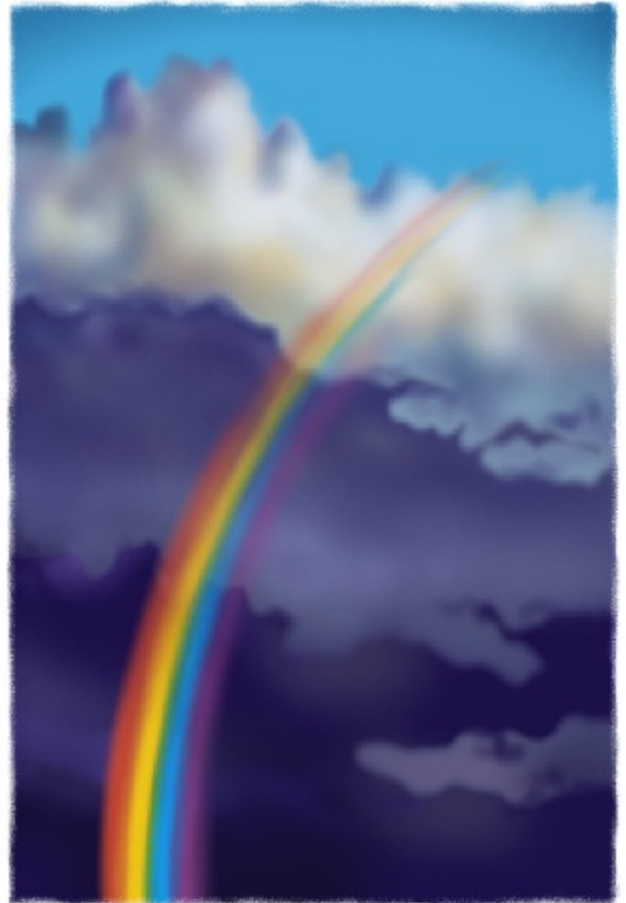
The Vestry met on June 20, 2017, 6pm in Bridgeton. After opening prayer, the meeting continued with review of the previous meeting's minutes and the treasurer's report. The Senior Warden reported on the completed lease with Greater Deliverance Church for Trinity. Estimates for repair of the St Andrew's parish-hall basement area are being sought. The Junior Warden's report gave updates on maintenance performed at both buildings and continuing care for Trinity, while rented. A Contents Committee request was reviewed and granted.

The Vestry reviewed the recent Bring-a-Friend Sunday experience and suggested it be an annual Pentecost event, with regular reminders to bring-a-friend throughout the year. Plans for the 2016 Audit are beginning. Summertime programming is underway for VBS and Reading Camp at St John Bosco. Nominations for diocesan Older Adults Ministry were discussed. Plans for the

fall Health Fair are continuing. Discussion of the M25 Initiative, "Welcome Home" kits, was discussed; the vestry decided to prepare one welcome-home kit for someone(s) on the current housing voucher list. The meeting closed with prayer at 8:15pm.

### Is there something you'd like to have?

**B**y May 1st, the contents of COR/Trinity were packed and in storage in anticipation of our new renter, Greater Deliverance Church. Items at COR/St Andrew's are still in place. If there is a COR/St Andrew's item(s) you are interested in, please write a letter to the vestry, following this format: 1) request the item, 2) state a reason for your request (memorial, favorite, etc.), and 3) a suggested donation. The vestry will consider your request and get back to you. Contents Committee co-chairs: Harvey McCubbin, Monica Mundy; Vestry Liaison: Carol Gurzo



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**SERVER SCHEDULE**

DATE	READERS	CHALICE	ACOLYTE	ALTAR GUILD
July 9	R. Cooper, Alston, Smith, Pesiri	Walton Williams	Harrell Miller	Alston-Harrell, Harrell, Jervis
July 16	Walton, B. Ingersoll, D. Cooper, Gannotta	A. Ingersoll St. John	Harrell Miller	Heath, J. Miller, M. Miller
July 23	McCubbin, Williams, Torchio, Garrison	Williams Gayle	Harrell Miller	Cooper, Parker, Rivelli
July 30	Meehan, McCubbin, Jervis, Bracaliello	A. Ingersoll Mundy	Harrell Miller	Botts, Hanson, Ratcliffe, Pearson
Aug 6	Gayle, Torchio, Gannotta, B. Ingersoll	B. Ingersoll Pearson	Harrell Miller	Alston-Harrell, Harrell, Jervis
Aug 13	Garrison, Robinson, Jervis, Meehan	Meehan Ratcliffe	Harrell Miller	Heath, J. Miller, M. Miller
Aug 20	Burgher-Gayle, R. Cooper, McClellan, Pesiri	Reece Robinson	Harrell Miller	Cooper, Parker, Rivelli
Aug 27	Bracaliello, McCubbin, Williams, Ratcliffe	Walton Williams	Harrell Miller	Botts, Hanson, Ratcliffe, Pearson
Sep 3	Alston, Smith, B. Ingersoll, Walton	St. John Gayle	Harrell Miller	Alston-Harrell, harrell, Jervis
Sep 10	McClellan, B. Ingersoll, Jervis, Gannotta	A. Ingersoll Mundy	Harrell Miller	Heath, J. Miller, M. Miller
Sep 17 Picnic	Torchio, D. Cooper, Walton, Pesiri	Pearson Ratcliffe	Harrell Miller	Cooper, Parker, Rivelli
Sep 24	Gayle, Robinson, Ratcliffe, McClellan	B. Ingersoll Meehan	Harrell Miller	Botts, Hanson, Ratcliffe, Pearson

**If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please arrange for a substitute and contact the church office in order that the change can be included in the service bulletin. Thank you!**