



The Chimes

Newsletter



October 2023

Hello Everyone,

This is a busy time, and I am reminded of how much work goes on behind the scenes to maintain the day-to-day operations of the church. When I was a young person and went to church as a “consumer” I thought everything just happened sort of automatically. I took it for granted that everything was set up every Sunday; the necessary supplies were there; the lights were on; the bulletin was there for me to read or doodle on and everyone knew what needed to be done to provide an inspiring worship service. I don’t know who I thought did all the work; it was just what I expected. As our country has gotten “modernized” and more affluent, people’s expectations have risen. We expect our needs in the community and in the church to be taken care of efficiently and quickly. When I have traveled to other countries, I have been reminded of the little things we take for granted. Often there are no handicapped entrances or exits; you don’t always get a glass of water in a restaurant; you may not be able to access the internet; pharmacies don’t always have the medicines you need and there may not be clean bathrooms. In churches there may not be fresh flowers, or printed bulletins, or music and you may have to pay for the devotional booklets; for lighting a candle; and for visiting the church itself. Sometimes I feel like we have an “all-inclusive” mentality. We think because we pay our taxes or pay our pledges that everything should, and will, be provided. But in a small church with a limited budget how can everything get done unless we all pitch in?

When I was a new priest and I was looking at the churches that the bishop suggested for me, my clergy mentor told me not to go to a small church because I would be bored. He said there was nothing to do in a small church. He was from a large church with lots of staff. Later, he was called to a small church, and he said he had completely changed his perspective. He said there is much more that needs to be done in a small church! In a small church, things just don’t happen unless people step in and help out or provide resources. Actually, one of the things I love about a small church is that every person matters; every donation helps out; every time you volunteer you make a difference. Every time you help the church you are serving God and the church. We don’t have to be brilliant or super talented, or super strong or super rich. All of us can contribute in our own way. Everything we do is a thank you gift to God.

If you are not contributing in some way, I encourage you to find a way to get involved by volunteering or sharing resources. To the many dozens for people who are actively participating: THANK YOU! And God Bless You.

Pastor Sally

+First Corinthians 12:4-7

‘There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.’

Current Vestry Members:

Marcia Bell, Edna and Joe Ferraro, Kathryn Hauser, Fran Hennessy, Joann Miller, Karen Patterson, Judy Sweeney Smith, Debbie Sweeney

Current Vestry Officers:

Senior Warden: David Sweeney

Junior Wardens: Joann Miller, David Sweeney, Edna & Joe Ferraro

Treasurer: Heather Clabaugh

Secretary: Karen Patterson

Current Clergy Serving Harriet Chapel:

Bishop: The Rt. Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton

Bishop Coadjutor: The Rt. Rev. Carrie Schofield-Broadbent

Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Douglas C. Smith

Assisting Priest: The Rev. Sally Joyner Giffin



Birthdays

3rd – Joshua Gervais

17th – Dottie Sweeney

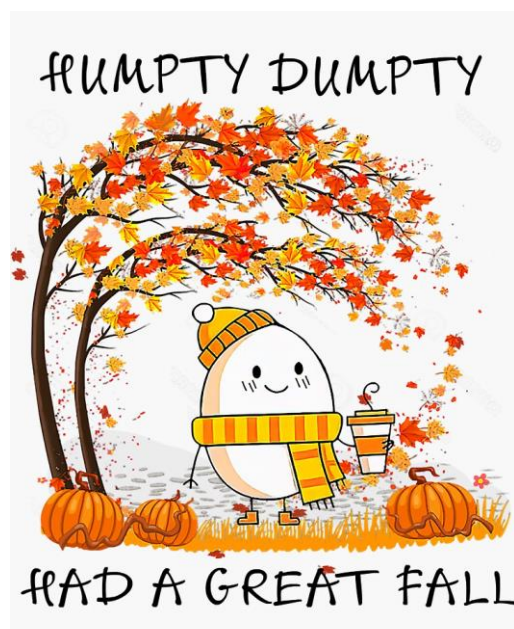
Anniversaries

1st – Marcia & Gary Bell

11th – Barbara & Bill Sears

26th – Ann & Stephen Hess

31st – Sally & John Giffin



CATOCTIN EPISCOPAL PARISH TREASURER'S REPORT

PREPARED BY: HEATHER JO CLABAUGH
August 11, 2023

JULY 2023

INCOME	Month	Year To Date	Year To Date Budget	Total Budget
PLEDGE	5,383.25	45,941.75	38,640.00	66,240.00
PLATE	258.00	2,379.77	2,275.00	3,900.00
EVENT REVENUE	210.00	6,484.83	12,250.00	21,000.00
WORSHIP & ALTAR	125.00	1,707.80	1,691.67	2,900.00
FELLOWSHIP	0.00	20.00	145.83	250.00
OUTREACH	83.00	253.00	116.67	200.00
SUBTOTAL	6,059.25	56,787.15	55,119.17	94,490.00
NON-BUDGET INCOME	492.00	7,532.64	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	6,551.25	64,319.79	55,119.17	94,490.00

EXPENSES				
DIOCESAN PLEDGE	0.00	5,718.00	6,673.33	11,440.00
RECTOR SALARY	2,589.56	15,089.56	40,833.33	70,000.00
RECTOR BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	2,251.67	3,860.00
PAYROLL	1,261.98	8,558.57	19,742.33	33,844.00
SOCIAL SECURITY & MEDICARE	0.00	558.19	1,437.92	2,465.00
ADMINISTRATION	1,073.03	3,364.69	3,645.83	6,250.00
BUILDING REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	288.93	3,380.49	3,500.00	6,000.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UTILITIES	379.06	8,998.48	7,008.75	12,015.00
INSURANCE	172.00	1,726.50	1,962.92	3,365.00
EVENT EXPENSE	0.00	535.57	1,633.33	2,800.00
FELLOWSHIP EXPENSE	0.00	234.88	145.83	250.00
WORSHIP & ALTAR	110.88	2,001.39	2,275.00	3,900.00
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	0.00	0.00	233.33	400.00
OUTREACH	0.00	0.00	291.67	500.00
EVANGELISM	84.60	989.20	875.00	1,500.00
SUPPLY CLERGY	0.00	0.00	729.17	1,250.00
SUBTOTAL	5,960.04	51,155.52	93,239.42	159,839.00
NON-BUDGET EXPENSES	0.00	1,530.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	5,960.04	52,685.52	93,239.42	159,839.00

BALANCE	591.21	11,634.27	-38,120.25	-65,349.00
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CHECKING ACCT BALANCE (Woodsboro)	11,634.27
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SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE	14,093.46
STIFEL NICOLAUS STOCK ACCOUNT	495,123.73
MONTH-TO-MONTH CHANGE	24,568.07
ANNUAL CHANGE FROM 12/31/2022	26,543.73
2023 WITHDRAWS	-

AS OF 07/31/2023

CATOCTIN EPISCOPAL PARISH TREASURER'S REPORT

PREPARED BY: HEATHER JO CLABAUGH
September 10, 2023

AUGUST 2023

INCOME	Month	Year To Date	Year To Date Budget	Total Budget
PLEDGE	5,063.25	51,005.00	44,160.00	66,240.00
PLATE	369.00	2,748.77	2,600.00	3,900.00
EVENT REVENUE	320.00	6,804.83	14,000.00	21,000.00
WORSHIP & ALTAR	70.00	1,777.80	1,933.33	2,900.00
FELLOWSHIP	0.00	20.00	166.67	250.00
OUTREACH	0.00	253.00	133.33	200.00
SUBTOTAL	5,822.25	62,609.40	62,993.33	94,490.00
NON-BUDGET INCOME	109.00	7,641.64	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	5,931.25	70,251.04	62,993.33	94,490.00

EXPENSES				
DIOCESAN PLEDGE	1,906.00	7,624.00	7,626.67	11,440.00
RECTOR SALARY	2,000.00	17,089.56	46,666.67	70,000.00
RECTOR BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	2,573.33	3,860.00
PAYROLL	1,112.20	9,670.77	22,562.67	33,844.00
SOCIAL SECURITY & MEDICARE	0.00	558.19	1,643.33	2,465.00
ADMINISTRATION	218.91	3,583.60	4,166.67	6,250.00
BUILDING REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	910.00	4,290.49	4,000.00	6,000.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UTILITIES	629.41	9,627.89	8,010.00	12,015.00
INSURANCE	0.00	1,726.50	2,243.33	3,365.00
EVENT EXPENSE	0.00	535.57	1,866.67	2,800.00
FELLOWSHIP EXPENSE	0.00	234.88	166.67	250.00
WORSHIP & ALTAR	185.00	2,186.39	2,600.00	3,900.00
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	0.00	0.00	266.67	400.00
OUTREACH	0.00	0.00	333.33	500.00
EVANGELISM	84.60	1,073.80	1,000.00	1,500.00
SUPPLY CLERGY	0.00	0.00	833.33	1,250.00
SUBTOTAL	7,046.12	58,201.64	106,559.33	159,839.00
NON-BUDGET EXPENSES	348.36	1,878.36	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	7,394.48	60,080.00	106,559.33	159,839.00

BALANCE	-1,463.23	10,171.04	-43,566.00	-65,349.00
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CHECKING ACCT BALANCE (Woodsboro)	10,171.04
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SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE	14,096.46
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STIFEL NICOLAUS STOCK ACCOUNT	479,138.64
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MONTH-TO-MONTH CHANGE	(15,985.09)
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ANNUAL CHANGE FROM 12/31/2022	10,558.64
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2023 WITHDRAWS	-
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AS OF 08/31/2023

Notes from the September 2023 Vestry meeting, held on Wednesday the 20th at 7:00 p.m.

- + Meeting opened with Pastor Sally leading devotions.
- + Approval of the purposed meeting agenda.
- + Approval of the financial reports for July and August 2023.

- + Rector's Report:
 - *Fr. Doug will be the clergy in charge during October
 - *Update on possibilities for Priest in Charge per phone call with the Rev. Stuart Wright from the Diocese:
 - there are currently 83 openings in the Diocese at this time. East of the Mississippi there are over 680 Episcopal churches looking for clergy. What does that mean for us: Rev. Wright strongly suggested that we 'yolk' with another church, join with another church to hire someone, so we would be sharing a priest.
 - it's something that the Future of the Parish committee needs to look into.
 - *Stephen Hess has officially agreed to be our music director, he had joined the paid staff.
 - *Fall Fest – Oct. 12, 13, 14
 - *Blessing of Animals will be held on the 8th of October, an outside service
 - *Harriet Chapel will celebrate its 190th Anniversary on October 22nd with a special service.
 - *Spirits in the Furnace is October 21st.
 - per Fr. Doug's correspondence with Liz Comer, the Historical Society representative:
The H.S. has asked to use the church for their spirits activities this year.
There will be 5 groups of 30 people moving about the Furnace. Each group will visit the church for a service and this year it will be a Moravian service. Fr. Doug has been asked to portray Pastor Schlagle.
 - *We will receive a visit by the Bishop Co-Adjutor, The Rt. Rev. Carrie Schofield-Broadbent on Sunday, November 19th. Marcia Bell has stepped forward to arrange a fellowship for after the service.

- + Senior Warden's Report:
 - *there was a toilet issue in the bathroom adjacent to the Altar Guild Room, involving the toilet bowl flapper causing the water to constantly run and not shut off. A flapper part was purchased, and Dan Harman and David Sweeney fixed the problem.
 - *thanks to Heather and Don Clabaugh, Harriet Chapel has a new Fall Fest Banner which was put on display on Sept. 5th.

- + Junior Warden's Report:
 - *the church sign needed repair, which was completed. The refurbished sign was reinstalled on Aug. 9, 2023.
 - *noted that there are spots in the porch area which need a touch-up.
 - *our storage shed in back had some rotten places, plus the closure latch needed adjusted. The cost of the repair was donated, and the shed was completed on the 16th of Aug.
 - *the inside of the shed needs to be cleaned out and organized, date to be determined.
 - *a fall clean up of the gardens will be scheduled, during this the lilac bush in the front needs to be trimmed.
 - *To help to deter the deer from destroying our gardens, a member suggested that perhaps a motion sensor light be installed to replace the spotlight that is currently at the back corner of the church.
 - *The United States flag was replaced on the 11th of Aug. Thank you Pastor Sally for the donation of the flag.
 - *the church septic system was pumped out on Aug. 25th.
 - *a doorstop was added to the kitchen door to prevent the door from banging into the closet door. Stop was donated and installed on Aug. 11th.
 - *the vent fan motor over the kitchen stove was not working properly and the electrician was called. Coblenz Electric came and checked the belts, lubricated the gears, tightened everything and it appears that everything is working properly again.
 - *noticed that the wall going into bathrooms and office area need some touch up of paint in the future.
 - *on Aug. 11th, some paint touch up was done on the door frame opening inside the church.

+ Junior Warden's Report cont.:

FUTURE THINGS TO TAKE CARE OF:

- *a few things have already been listed

- *a biggie: since 2 of the pews were shortened, we need to get some scaffolding to get access to the vent in the back of the church to replace the filter. Parishioner Dan Harman and David Sweeney have volunteered to take of this in the fall.

- *the fire extinguishers will be scheduled for inspection in December 2023.

+ Outreach Committee: we will continue to collect whatever supplies folks can donate, as the food bank is in need of everything.

+Future of the Parish Committee: needs to schedule a meeting ASAP.

+Finance and Fund Raising: Heather has seen that everything has been done for our Articles of Corporation. Our plans for Fall Fest are moving along smoothly, Debbie has a hand on the yard sale items. No further meetings will be scheduled for this year's event.

+Stewardship: November, which is set aside as our Stewardship month, will soon be upon us; Pastor Sally is looking for someone to write our letter this year for our annual drive.

+Christian Education: Fr. Doug will do a Bible Study beginning in October.

+Evangelism:

- *web site: Josh is currently working with Maxine on updating the information. He hopes to soon have everything under control.

- *Marica has volunteered to handle the ads for the local paper

- *Susie is currently working on a newsletter.

+Fellowship/Welcoming: coffee hour has been suspended until after Fall Fest.

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NEW BUSINESS:

A member of the congregation has graciously given the church a gift of \$10,000 towards the purchase of pew cushions, with the remaining going towards the replacement of the carpet in the sanctuary. Another member has offered to replace the carpet in the office/sacristy.

- After some discussion it was decided that the cushions would be a much-appreciated gift as would the carpet. The family has chosen a burgundy/dark red material and the cushion is contoured so it will fit well and if we should ever need to flip them, they would still fit. A gentleman did come in to measure the pews and also the area to be carpeted.

- *Here is the gentleman's email stating quotes:

*Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide the attached carpet quotes based on the measurements I did on Tuesday and your (potential) carpet selections.
I have attached two quotes for your review.*

*The first quote is for the Chapel and Narthex (entry) area. We take up and dispose of the existing carpet and pad. We furnish and install 36 oz. SHAW Emphatic or MOHAWK Influencer (color TBD) over our SPRING cushion and install carpet on three "podiums". Total installed price for this project is: **\$4,932.50**. (I have already taken the tax out of these orders, figuring that you are tax exempt).*

*The second quote is for the work room (office), using 15'0" wide 26oz. Scoreboard (color TBD). We take up and dispose of the existing glue-down carpet and move and reset furniture. We install glue-down carpet. Total installed price for this project is: **\$2,644.50**.*

*Total installed price for both projects is: **\$7,577.00**. Standard terms are 1/3 down, balance due upon completion. We can do these projects at the same time or do them separately. We could do the work room first and sooner, if you would prefer. We are currently scheduling carpet jobs in mid-to-late October. If you decide to move forward, we will order the carpet and hold it until you are ready for install. Or we can order the carpet and get the jobs scheduled so you aren't waiting for our carpet schedule to open up.*

I hope this helps. Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information. I look forward to hearing from you soon. FYI and...

Thank you,

-Again, it was decided to accept the generous gifts, as the quotes are considered very reasonable. In order to cover the full cost of carpet and installation, Harriet Chapel will begin accepting monetary donations. Pastor Sally has arranged with Kountry Kitchen to host a fund raiser in January. They will give us 25% of their proceeds from 4 – 8 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 20th.

-Since Fr. Doug is expected back next week, a consensus on which carpet to get will be decided then. In the meantime, Pastor Sally will contact the first donor to give them the go ahead with the cushions.

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+ Next Vestry meeting will be October 18th at 7:00 p.m.

The person leading the devotions for the remainder of the year are:

October – Joann Miller

November – Karen Patterson

December – Marcia Bell

*January – Annual Meeting

Meeting was closed with Pastor Sally leading us in the Lord's Prayer.

+These are not the official minutes of the September Vestry Meeting. I was invited to attend since the meeting was too close to the newsletter due date. So, please if you have any concerns or questions see me, Susie.

Thank you.



The Morning Sun

The morning sun
So warm and new
Always makes me
Think of you
As Time goes by
Day by Day
You think of me
The LORD I pray

By Phil

	GREETERS	LAY READERS	ALTAR SERVERS	ALTAR GUILD
Oct. 1st	Fran Hennessy Pat Plum	Pat Plum Susie Robinson	David Sweeney Denny Hoffman	David Sweeney Mary Allison
Oct. 8th	Debbie Sweeney Mary Allison	Stephen Hess Karen Patterson	David Sweeney Donna Clabaugh	David Sweeney Susan Rauth
Oct 15th	Danny Harman Susie Robinson	Donna Clabaugh Kathryn Hauser	David Sweeney Gary Bell	David Sweeney Danny Harman
Oct. 22	Susan and Jim Rauth	Beth Smith Mimi McReal	David Sweeney Susie Robinson	David Sweeney Joann Miller
Oct. 29th	Lorraine and Denny Hoffman	Susan Rauth Susie Robinson	David Sweeney Denny Hoffman	David Sweeney Mary Allison
Nov. 5th	Fran Hennessy Pat Plum	Fran Hennessy Pat Plum	David Sweeney Donna Clabaugh	David Sweeney Susan Rauth
Nov. 12th	Debbie Sweeney Mary Allison	Stephen Hess Judie Sweeney Smith	David Sweeney Gary Bell	David Sweeney Danny Harman
Nov. 19th	Danny Harman Susie Robinson	Donna Clabaugh Karen Patterson	David Sweeney Susie Robinson	David Sweeney Joann Miller
Nov. 26th	Susan and Jim Rauth	Beth Smith Mimi McReal	David Sweeney Denny Hoffman	David Sweeney Mary Allison
Dec. 3rd	Lorraine and Denny Hoffman	Susan Rauth Kathryn Hauser	David Sweeney Donna Clabaugh	David Sweeney Susan Rauth
Dec. 10th	Fran Hennessy Pat Plum	Fran Hennessy Pat Plum	David Sweeney Gary Bell	David Sweeney Danny Harman
Dec. 17th	Debbie Sweeney Mary Allison	Stephen Hess Susie Robinson	David Sweeney Susie Robinson	David Sweeney Joann Miller
Dec. 24th	Danny Harman Susie Robinson	Judy Sweeney Smith Donna Clabaugh	David Sweeney Denny Hoffman	David Sweeney Mary Allison
Dec. 31st	Susan and Jim Rauth	Karen Patterson Beth Smith	David Sweeney Donna Clabaugh	David Sweeney Susan Rauth



FALL FEST!

How can YOU make our Fall Fest a success?

+ **Donate:** Help defray the costs of Fall Fest by making a monetary donation in our donation box, located in the narthex or in the Parish Hall.

+ **Donate to the Yard Sale:** We are accepting your treasures such as household items, furniture, toys, clothes, books, etc. to be clean and in gently used condition. But please, **NO ELECTRONICS OR EXERCISE EQUIPMENT!**

+ **Baked Items:** We are accepting all homemade baked items. We have plastic containers for cake and pie pieces. Ingredient sheets are in the narthex and need to accompany your baked items.

*note: cupcakes do not sell as well as cookies

+ **FALLFEST HELP NEEDED:** Please check your calendars now and plan to help with this year's Fall Fest.

7th Saturday: 1:00 p.m., volunteers to help put tent up. If we have enough help, we'll take the counters out of the attic.

8th Sunday: volunteers to help retrieve counter tops from the attic. This is in case we were unable to do so on Saturday.

10th, Tuesday: at 4 P.M., volunteers to set up tables and carry out yard sale items.

11th, Wednesday: at 8 A.M. help needed in sorting and unpacking yard sale items.

12th – 14th, Thursday – Saturday: help throughout the 3-day event. We open at 8:00 a.m.

Cleanup on the afternoon of the 14th: we will need to put everything away for next year and prepare the grounds and parish hall for our regular Sunday service.

We will gladly take whatever time you can give us. If you would like to help, please see David Sweeney, Debbie Sweeney, or Joann Miller.

Upcoming Events continued:

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: We will be holding a special worship service under the tent on Sunday, October 8th at 9 a.m. to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. Mark your calendars and prep your pet.

FALL FEST: October 12th – 14th.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21ST, 190TH ANNIVERSARY FIELD TRIP – more information can be found on the following page.

SPIRITS OF THE FURNACE: Saturday, October 21st from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. – more information can be found on the following page.

HARRIET CHAPEL'S 190th ANNIVERSARY will be celebrated with a special historical service on [Sunday, October 22nd](#). Mark your calendars now to plan to attend.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH: The Diocesan Trail of Souls to be held at Harriet Chapel. The Catoctin Historical Society will also be participating, Elizabeth Comer will be a speaker.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH is All Saints Sunday. Please check the back of this newsletter for the form to fill out if you would like to have your loved ones remember in our service.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19th the Rt. Rev. Carrie Schofield-Broadbent will be visiting with us.

OCTOBER FOOD BANK NEWS: There are 2 baskets placed in the narthex for food bank collection. We will continue to collect soup and cleaning products, **HOWEVER anything** you can donate to help feed the local families will be greatly appreciated. Currently the Thurmont Food Bank distributes food and other necessary items (cleaning, hygiene, pet food, etc...) to a 100 or so families each week. Although we are all feeling the crunch of ever-raising prices, for those less fortunate than us, the struggle is more keenly felt as they may have to choose between which bills to pay, providing a roof over their children's heads, putting food on the table and clothes on their backs.



Up Coming Events:

OCTOBER 21ST, 190th ANNIVERSARY FIELD TRIP: October 25, 1833, Harriet Chapel was consecrated as a mission of All Saints' Episcopal Parish in Frederick. John Brien, a longtime vestry member of All Saints,' owned Catoctin Furnace at that time. His wife, Harriet McPherson Brien, also had deep family associations with All Saints.' To mark the occasion, a special tour will take place on October 21, 2023. We will start with a 9 a.m. visit to Heritage Frederick (24 E. Church Street in Frederick) where an early 19th century McPherson family wedding dress is on view. The curator and archivist will give us a special before-hours tour and have planned an added value "pop up" exhibit to share more about McPherson and Brien materials in the collection. Then, we will walk three blocks west to enjoy a tour of All Saints' and if time allows, we will venture across the square to see the Mathias Brien House. Our program will conclude before lunch, but we may plan a Dutch Treat lunch option for anyone interested. Parking recommendations: The Church Street parking garage (17 E. Church Street) is recommended. The cost is \$1 per hour. Metered parking on the street is also possible. If you are interested in carpooling to Frederick, please note that when you register, we will follow up. Please register by emailing Liz Shatto at esshatto4@gmail.com or sign up on the bulletin board. Provide names, email address, and phone number please. Cost: \$15 per person for the special tour of Heritage Frederick. Please pay in advance with a check payable to the Harriet Chapel Discretionary Fund. Scholarships available! Additional costs, as applicable, will be parking fees and lunch.

SPIRITS OF THE FURNACE: The Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc., Cunningham Falls State Park and Harriet Chapel present "Spirits of the Furnace" on Saturday, October 21, 2023 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. "Spirits of the Furnace" is a guided night tour through the historic Catoctin Iron Furnace and Village, with stops in historic structures and along the landscape. Refreshments will be available at the Museum of the Ironworker.

****for more information about the tours, costs, tickets, etc. please check out the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society's website.***

The scenes encountered during "Spirits of the Furnace" are based on actual events in the village. In 1774, Catoctin Furnace was built by four brothers in order to produce iron from the rich deposits of hematite found in the nearby mountains. The iron furnace at Catoctin played a pivotal role during the industrial revolution in the young United States. Cannonballs fired during the battle of Yorktown were made at the furnace. The furnace industry supported a thriving community, and company houses were established alongside the furnace stack. Throughout the nineteenth century, the furnace produced iron for household and industrial products. After more than 100 years of operation, the Catoctin Furnace ceased production in 1903. The village of Catoctin Furnace maintains the layout and structures built from 1774 to 1820 with remarkably few modern intrusions. A visitor to Catoctin Furnace is introduced to the historical importance and heritage resources of the area, and experiences the look and feel of an early industrial complex. Illuminating the lives and legacy of enslaved and freed African Americans is a primary focus. For the past 50 years, the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc. has worked to commemorate, study, preserve, protect, and interpret the historic village located 12 miles north of Frederick on Maryland Route 806 (Catoctin Furnace Road). For more information, call 240-288-7396 or visit www.catoctinfurnace.org.



Pray with us to the Lord and as our prayers, like incense rise before him, he will hear us and answer us, according to his promise.

+St. Francis of Assisi

For those with acute needs we pray for: Rob and Becky Hankey, Keegan Jaravata, Brenda Dewees, Tracey Stottlemeyer, Margaret Cool, Betsy Schoonover, Paul Doyle, John Guillory, Ann Hess, Richard Massey, Ursula Cole, Hawa Freeman, Ed Zinn, Kathryn Rentzell, Cheyanne Sanger, Joe Loetell, Casey Gray, April Knott, Matthew Chakola; Cindy, John, Peggy Champion and family; Nancy and Jerry Anderson, Aaron Teitel, Nana T, Ben Ayres, Jo Mason, Susan Akins, Bessie A., Pastor Kathy Feil, People of Ukraine, Caroline Tate, Enid Shannon, Joan L., Deborah Boisvert,

We also offer prayers for those with long-term needs: Mitchell Scott, Daryl and Susie Trout, Joan, Jimmy and Ira James Burrier, Nathaniel Rentzell, Virginia Rauth, Wilton III, Joan Portner, Vanessa Pryor, Sue Shatto, Michael Curry, Janet Nave, Ed Joyner, Tara and Brenna Miller, Marcia Bell, Ruth McAfee, Susan and Jim Rauth, Bobby Toms, Susan Hess, Daniel Hess, Stephen Hess, Don Clabaugh, Danny Harman, Carla Beck, Adunni Dennis, Karen Hess, Robert L. Gray Jr., Mae Bolin, John Kent, Gene and Shirley Long, Bonnie Miller, C. Cleary, Betty and Bob Gray, Judy Sweeney Smith, the Nichols family, Robert Ricketts, Mildred Coshon, Claire Scott,



CALLING ALL VETERANS!

Since Veteran's Day is November 11th, I thought that we ought to acknowledge those who have served in the armed forces, past and present.

To do so, I am asking all veteran's past and present to submit a photo of themselves in uniform, during active duty. I would also appreciate a short paragraph/a few lines in regard to your military duty.

Deadline is the 25th of October for the November issue. Thank you.



As you know St. Francis of Assisi is the patron saint of animals, environment, ecology, foresters, veterinarians, and so on. His feast day is October 4th. This year we would like to recognize our beloved pets (really extended family members) past and present. According to written accounts, hagiographers noted examples of Francis and his interactions with God's creatures and creation.

+Francis preached the Christian doctrine that the world was created good and beautiful by God. As someone who saw God reflected in nature, this is seen in his Canticle of the Sun, where he refers to Brother Sun, Sister Moon, Brother Wind, and so on.

+In The Fioretti (Little Flowers) a collection of legends and folklore, there is an account of how one day while Francis was travelling with some companions, they happened upon a place in the road where birds filled the trees on either side. Francis told his companions to "wait for me while I go to preach to my sisters the birds". The birds surrounded him, intrigued by the power of his voice, and not one of them flew away. That is one of the reasons why he is often portrayed with a bird, typically in his hand.

+Another legend tells that in the city of Gubbio, where Francis lived for a time, there was a wolf "terrifying and ferocious, who devoured men as well as animals". Francis went up into the hills where he found the wolf, he made the sign of the cross and commanded the wolf to come to him and hurt no one. Then Francis led the wolf to town, and surrounded by startled citizens made a pact between them and wolf. Because the wolf had "done evil out of hunger", the townsfolk were to feed the wolf regularly. In return, the wolf would no longer prey upon them or their flocks. In this manner Gubbio was freed from the menace of the predator.

+At Greccio near Assisi, around 1220, Francis celebrated Christmas by setting up the first known creche – Nativity scene. His nativity imagery reflected the scene from traditional paintings. He used real animals to create a living scene so that the worshipers could contemplate the birth of the child Jesus in a direct way, making use of the senses, especially sight. A feeding trough filled with straw was set between a real ox and donkey. It was beautiful in its simplicity, with the manger acting as the altar for Christmas Mass.

Lights, Camera.....ACTION !!!

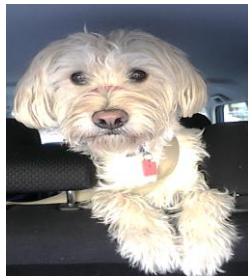


← Hi, I'm Maeve 'Carr', I was adopted from a rescue organization that rehomes dogs and cats from Kentucky. Seeks affection on her own terms.



← Hi, my name is Percy 'Carr' – I was adopted from the Frederick County Animal Shelter, and I like to interrupt Zoom calls.

I'm Charlie 'Hess', I have been with my family for 8 yrs. As the saying goes, "Who rescued whom?" Daddy says I'm a real gift and I bring joy to both he and mommy.



Hello, our last name is McReal.
→ Onyx (black cat)
Achilles (gray striped cat)
Hazel (the orange cat),
as a side note, we miss our brother Thomas (below)



← Starting left and going clockwise, we are – Maggie, Cleo and Stella. We love grandma Karen (Patterson), but she insists on disturbing our rest!





← Hi, I'm Happy (the large red male!) and the other one is Heidi, she's a girl! Our last name is Hauser and we get to spend a lot of time with our grandparents in Thurmont.



Meet U-Be, the dark and Spot the white. Mary Allison was our mama. We have crossed the Rainbow Bridge and are making new friends.

Hi, I am Fernando 'Clabaugh', I too have crossed the Rainbow bridge, but daddy says, 'I remain a beautiful memory, never to be forgotten'.



This is Paco 'Hennessy'. I was born in 2008 and I too have recently crossed the Rainbow Bridge.



← Hi, I'm Molly 'Giffin'

I'm Henry 'Giffin'



← I'm Kitty 'Giffin'



← I'm Maggie 'Robinson' and I live with my grandparents. I use to rule until HE came along!



← Hi, my name is Duke 'Robinson', no one pays much attention to me. I'm the typical middle child.



← 'HE', would be me, Humpfries 'Robinson', I am 4 months old, and I get blamed for everything!

THE BLESSING
of ANIMALS



All God's
Creatures



To close our tribute to our beloved pets, past and present; I want to share with you the statement which Edna and Joe Ferraro submitted. A more loving memorial I have yet to see. Thank you.

+ + +

Pet photo? Try albums! A brief statement? It would be a volume. We give thanks to the loving God who created all living creatures and guided us to a number of them that became a part of our home, our lives, and our hearts forever. Our lives have been enriched, emboldened, secured by their presence. Through them, we have known loyal, sincere, unconditional love; we have had their companionship, comfort and assurance in good times and bad; we have found joy, happiness, and a reverence for nature by experiencing life and the seasons at their sides; we have learned lessons in acceptance, resilience, forgiveness, and understanding through their example. Through their trust and unquestioning inclusion, we became a part of, what we called, a sacred circle, feeling we, with them, were one family of creation.

“From our souls to theirs, goodness flows, touching each of us with the reflection of God’s love.”

Submitted by Edna and Joe Ferraro



Just this side of heaven is a place called Rainbow Bridge.

When an animal dies that has been especially close to someone here, that pet goes to Rainbow Bridge. There are meadows and hills for all of our special friends so they can run and play together. There is plenty of food, water and sunshine, and our friends are warm and comfortable.

All the animals who had been ill and old are restored to health and vigor. Those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by. The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing; they each miss someone very special to them, who had to be left behind.

They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly stops and looks into the distance. His bright eyes are intent. His eager body quivers. Suddenly he begins to run from the group, flying over the green grass, his legs carrying him faster and faster.

You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion, never to be parted again. The happy kisses rain upon your face; your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into the trusting eyes of your pet, so long gone from your life but never absent from your heart.

Then you cross the Rainbow Bridge together...

Author unknown...

Francis and the Anglican Church: During the 19th century a few members of the 'high' church of England joined together at the University of Oxford. These persons sought a renewal of 'catholic' or Roman Catholic thought and practice within the Church of England in opposition to the Protestant tendencies of the church. One of the results of the Oxford Movement in the Anglican Church was the re-establishment of religious orders, including some of Franciscan inspiration. The principal Anglican communities in the Franciscan tradition are the Community of St. Francis (women, founded 1905), the Poor Clares of Reparation (P.C.R.), the Society of St. Francis (men, founded 1934) and the Community of St. Clare (women, enclosed-cloistered).

A U.S. – founded order within the Anglican world communions is the Seattle-founded order of Clares in Seattle (Diocese of Olympia), *The Little Sisters of St. Clare*. A few of you may remember Patty and Patrick O'Brien, they attended Harriet Chapel for a while, Patty even assisted with our Lenten Youth Retreat, where she gave a lesson from Godly Play. Patty is currently a member of the Little Sisters of St. Clare; they ZOOM every morning for daily prayer. (I am a Companion in Prayer to the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia, a Third Order group, comprised of laity and religious. I try to set aside time each day when I can clear my mind and pray for the sisters, our neighbors, community and world to include all of creation. Sometimes I am able to accomplish this, but truthfully, these prayers are usually done right before bedtime, once the house is quiet and still.)

The Anglican church has retained the Catholic tradition of blessing animals on or near Francis' feast day of 4 October, and recently Lutheran and other Protestant churches have adopted the practice.

I hope you have not been bored, maybe interested enough to further look into the life of an uneducated man, who went from being a party animal to a beggar, a companion to lepers, the sick and the poor. A man who threw away his father's wealth and riches to wearing a coarse woolen tunic, who had friends with influence and power. Who associated with popes and sultans as well as prisoners and the outcasts. This man of Assisi saw the vision of Christ in every person he met. He truly was the imitator of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

The Blessing of St. Francis of Assisi to Brother Leo

*The Lord bless you and keep you. May He show His face to you and have mercy.
May He turn His countenance to you and give you peace. The Lord bless you!*

Thinking of You.

Read my Bible,
Said my prayer.
In my thought
You're always there.
Although the miles
We are apart,
You still lay heavy
Upon my heart.
And if I know
That you're ok.
I'll have a warm
heart
Throughout the day

By Phil



Sorrow,

How long does it take;
To shake this sorrow
From my soul.
I cry and cry,
Every day.
Please DEAR LORD
Take my sorrow away.

By Phil

October Word Search



AIR	CHRISTMAS	FOX	MINOR	POVERTY	STIGMATA
ALMS	CHURCH	FLY	MONASTERY	PRAY	STONES
ANIMALS	CLAY	FRANCISCANS	MOON	PREACH	SULTAN
APPARITIONS	CLEAN	FRIAR	MYSTIC	PRINCIPLES	SUN
ASS	COMMUNITY	GUBBIO	NATIVITY SCENE	ROPE	TALK
ASSISI	COMPANIONS	HAGIOGRAPHERS	MORTAR	SAN DAMIANO	THE FIORELLI
BEGGARS	CREATION	HAY	MOVEMENT	SEA	THIRD ORDER
BIRDS	CRECHE	HEM	OBEDIENCE	SECULAR	THREE
BLESSINGS	CRUSADE	HOLY LAND	OWL	SICK	TONSURED
BROTHERS	DOGS	ITALY	PAIN	SIMPLICITY	TRUST
BUILD	ENVIRONMENT	ITINERANT	PEN	SING	VOICE
CANE	FAITH	KNOTS	PENITENT	SISTERS	VOWS
CANTICLE	FEAST DAY	LAUDATO SI	PETS	SKY	WALK
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CHASTITY					

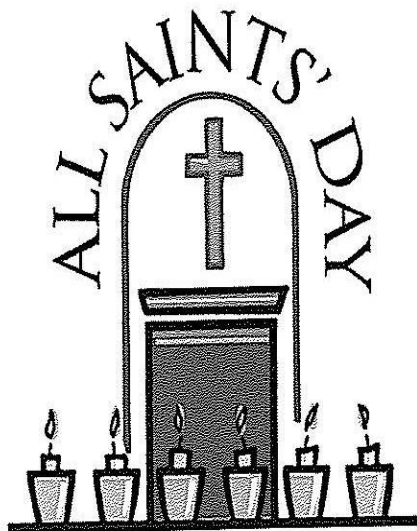
When you are finished, beginning with the 1st line, locate any letters NOT circled. Write these letters in the spaces provided 1 letter to 1 space, write them as you find them, reading from left to right. When all the letters are used, you should be able to read a quote which has been attributed to St. Francis of Assisi.



“ _____ ,

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St. Francis of Assisi



**PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED
IN OBSERVANCE OF
ALL SAINTS' DAY
SUNDAY, NOV. 5, 2023**

Please fill this out and place
it in the offering container or
on the desk in the office.
The deadline for submission of names
is Oct. 29, 2023

Your name: _____ Phone number: _____

I would like to include the names of the same saints I listed last year _____

I'd like to include these saints in the Litany for All Saints Day: _____

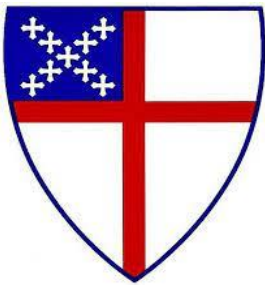
If you would like to make a donation to the church in memory of those listed above, simply place your gift in an envelope marked 'All Saints Day' and place it in the offering plate.

Thank you.



2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9 a.m., Rite I Healing Service +++ NO LWICC	2	3 Office	 11 8:00 a.m. Sort and unpack yard sale items Set up kitchen and bake sale area	5 Office	6	7 1:00 p.m. Set up big tent Get counters from attic
8 Blessings of Animals 9 a.m., Rite II +++ 1:30 p.m. LWICC	9 Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples Day	10 Office 4:00 p.m. Set up tables, bring yard sale items out- side	11 8:00 a.m. Sort and unpack yard sale items Set up kitchen and bake sale area	12 Office +Volunteers should be on site by 7:00 FALL FEST Begins at 8:00	13 FALL FEST	14 FALL FEST
15 9 a.m., Rite I +++ 1:30 p.m. LWICC	16	17 Office	18 VESTRY: 7 p.m.	19 Office	20	21 9 a.m. 190th Anniversary Tour in Frederick 6:30—8:30 p.m. Spirits of the Furnace, tours
22 Special Anniversary Service 9 a.m., Rite II +++ 1:30 p.m. LWICC	23	24 Office *Stewardship Letter DUE !!	25	26 Office	27	28
29 9 a.m., Rite I +++ 1:30 p.m. LWICC	30	31 Office Halloween				



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