



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION

RISE & SHINE

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Priest in Charge

Serving God, Helping others, Living hope

Time And Tide Wait For None...

As the showers of spring give birth to new life, and makes way for the bright sun and summer breeze, we also emerge to face a new season. It has been a little more than a year since the novel coronavirus COVID-19 brought the routine, mundane, extraordinary, significant, exemplary, and everything in-between to a drastic pause. And yet, time and tide wait for none...



It has been about eight months since I have been your Priest at The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection. We have journeyed together as a congregation, from Advent to Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Passion, and Good Friday. Easter was a reminder that we are indeed victorious. As we move from the Feast of the Pentecost, to worshipping our Triune God on Holy Trinity, we celebrate that the omniscience and omnipotence of our God is what unites us, wherever we are: worshipping in-person or on Zoom. And yet, time and tide wait for none...

Our Spirituality teaches us that life moves forward. No challenges can stop or deny our ability to progress. Even the COVID-19 pandemic will not prevail over us. We thank God for the advances in science, research, and the blessings of modern medicine (including the vaccines), which are restoring our society, and slowly but surely healing our world. We look forward to a new normalcy, and the light that glows a bit more brightly, at the end of this proverbial tunnel. And yet, time and tide wait for none....

As the 'Resurrection Family', we are a community of faith, victory, strength and resilience. We will press forward. We will continue to walk in love, service, hope, and patience. We will build one another up, as we rely on God's Grace and Strength to endure the hardships we face. Let us continue to strive until we hear the sweet words of affirmation and welcome from our Savior and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, saying, "well done my good and faithful servant". And yet, time and tide wait for none...

Time and tide wait for none...and yet our God cares for each of us, within our own times of need, in our own tides of life. As each season passes us by with the promise of beauty the next season holds, so is our journey of life and faith in Christ. God is with us, in our midst, abiding in us, beside us, at all times, in all places, in all circumstances, and yet, patiently waiting for us as we journey with each other, and cross into the next season of hope, beauty, and promise.

"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end."

Ecclesiastes 3: 11

Blessings,

The Rev. A.J. Manuel



Day of Pentecost 5/23 WIND, WIND *Carol Bozek*



Photos Mary Pat Gannon

ADULT STUDY

Weekly Scripture Study, Wednesdays, 10am

Scripture readings can be found at:

- www.resurrectionwillistonpark.org,
- scroll down to *Preparing for Sunday*
- Open and Read
- Zoom in
- Meeting ID: **872 7594 4013**
- Passcode: **786680**

or

- Dial by your location:
- **+1 646 876 9923**

FOOD COLLECTION

for **St. George's Food Pantry, Hempstead.**

Hunger never goes away.

Patty is here M, W, Th 9-1; Tu, F 9-12

*You may drop off non perishable food
anytime the Office is open.*

We will see that it gets to where it needs to go.

June 14, June 20,	Flag Day Father's Day	Monday Sunday
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July 4, July 25,	Independence Day Parents' Day	Sunday Sunday
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Parish Administrator: Patricia Hayes

Organist: Ellen Schutt

Rise & Shine Editor: Jane Colgrove

Vestry:

Jane Colgrove, Warden;

Mary Pat Gannon, Warden, Treasurer;

Sharron Friedlander, Michael Lindgren,

Annemarie McQuilly, Daniel Mohun,

Paul Servinskas, Fritz Weinrich,

Liz Weinrich.

Clerk: Pat Calvert



VESTRY VIBES



March 15, 2021

- Balance of \$76,678.80 as of 2/28/21.
- Agreed to put \$5000 revenue into our community to help those in need.
- Approved to donate Thrift Shop clothing & other items to those who could use them.
- AJM+ thanked Mary Pat for the *Caste* series; new Adult Study in April for 4 sessions.
- 33 pledge units received to date.
- Holy Week schedule of services announced.
- PH contacting volunteers for availability when Thrift Shop reopens.
- Continue search for part time handy man.
- Healing Service Thu, Mar 18th.

April 19, 2021

- Approved to send \$500 to Bishop's fund for volcano relief.
- Approved to send \$2000 to The INN.
- \$200 Good Friday offering sent to ECUSA.
- Will discuss donating the remaining \$2500 near the end of 2021.
- Approved unanimously to open ECR for in-person worship on the first Sunday in May—will continue zoom services.
- Pastor Sajeev will celebrate his last service at JMC on 6-27-2021; we will present him with a personal gift on June 20th.
- Termite inspection-church; window replacement-rectory; air conditioners-rectory; cement work full driveway & patio-rectory; fire retardant doors-church;
- DJ contact Pat to inspect & list needed work to be considered by Vestry.
- Food donations necessary—will deliver to food pantries.

May 17, 2021

- Rectory cement work completed. \$13,800.
- Looking at estimates for replacement windows.
- Bishop Franklin's visit 9/12 to celebrate & preach. Vestry to meet with him tba.
- Fritz & Liz on Medical leave from Vestry.
- Thrift Shop: looking for soft opening tba; one day a week in July, Aug—need volunteers on board before setting opening date.
- Quarterly finance report

2021:	INC 41,651.	EXP 37,680.
2020:	INC 38,556	EXP 41,904

YES/AND "I have measured out my life with coffee spoons." *T.S. Eliot*



The hesitant speaker in Elliot's poem measured out his life in the most banal all of the entities - the coffee spoon resting on the counter after the coffee has been stirred and drunk. The spoon still has a few drops in the bowl, and it sets there waiting.

We have been in our cocooned worlds for a long time now. We, too, have been waiting...waiting.

Waiting for assurances that it was safe to come out.

Waiting for the relief of vaccination.

Waiting to see each other's faces again.

Waiting to smile and hug.

Waiting can paralyze. Even the tiniest step forward seems insurmountable. Fear can grab us, and we quickly scurry back to the "safety" of our cocoon.

But waiting is also the time for metamorphosis. A time to re-gather our strength, to re-define our battles, to reconfigure ourselves. Perhaps we learned to do with fewer material things; maybe we recognized that some of the "faces" we wore were not really projections of our true self. Maybe, just sitting and waiting taught us more than we know: "Be still, and know that I am God!" *Psalms 46:10*

Through the magic of Zoom, I spent many evenings in discussions of Sacred Ground, an Episcopal workshop on the systemic racism that has enveloped our country for centuries. And our own Adult Study group spent a month reading and discussing Caste, another troubling look at how caste privileges have tribalized our society.

The absence of the usual noisy drumbeats of life, the quietness of the cocoon, allowed a lot of musing, a lot of pondering, a lot of soul-searching. It provided time to incubate a new, "more perfect creature."

"You think I am impoverishing myself by withdrawing from [society], but in my solitude I have woven for myself a silken web or chrysalis, and nymph-like, shall ere long burst forth a more perfect creature."

Henry David Thoreau

So now that we on the cusp of returning to the world, how can we, an older congregation, mobilize our pandemic strengths to affect some change in our troubled society?

Midway through the poem, Eliot's Prufrock asks that same question: "Do I dare disturb the universe?"

Our answer to that must be "Yes!"

Our first, and primary, resource is our continued prayer. Our second, and not so easy, resource is the "good trouble" that Rep. John Lewis advocated. And, that is the same message that Jesus used to commission his disciples: "Love one another as I have loved you...Lay down your life for each other." *John 15:12-13.*

A chrysalis molts into a butterfly. It dies so it can be reborn. Unlike the inert cocoon, a butterfly joins the world as a crucial pollinator.

Perhaps that is our path- to be the "pollinators" in family and friend conversations, to speak cogently of Christ's message of love **for all**, to "seed" everyone so the fruit of real equality will finally bloom in our world. We need to venture into our corner of the world "to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord."

YES, we are almost "back to normal."

AND, we must reconfigure that to a new normal. We must be the proverbial butterfly whose gentle stirring of the air - society - creates new currents of life.

Molting from our cocoon frees us. Prayer assures our mission:

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. John 15:7

Fly well! Amen!

Mary Pat

Birthdays

JUNE

9 Diane Petraglia
12 John Bernhardt
12 Devaki Devados
24 Regina Huneke
26 Ellen Schutt
26 Daniel Mohan
28 Nalini Mohan

JULY

2 Sharron Friedlander
16 Patricia Calvert
29 Patricia Hayes
30 Patty McMahon
31 Dorothy Strafer

AUGUST

6 Robert Petraglia
13 Cynthia Igloria
15 Karen Callegari
15 Freeda Sigamoney
16 Donald Josling
17 Ruth Hanshe

Anniversaries

JUNE

JULY

19 Dorothy & Stewie Lotten

AUGUST





Photo by John Bernhardt

Fig Tree grown and given by John Bernhardt in honor of Mary Ann Rose



SOME PICS 2021

Mother's Day Preacher
Mary Pat Gannon



Mother's Day post worship
Agnes, Susan, and Fr. AJ



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