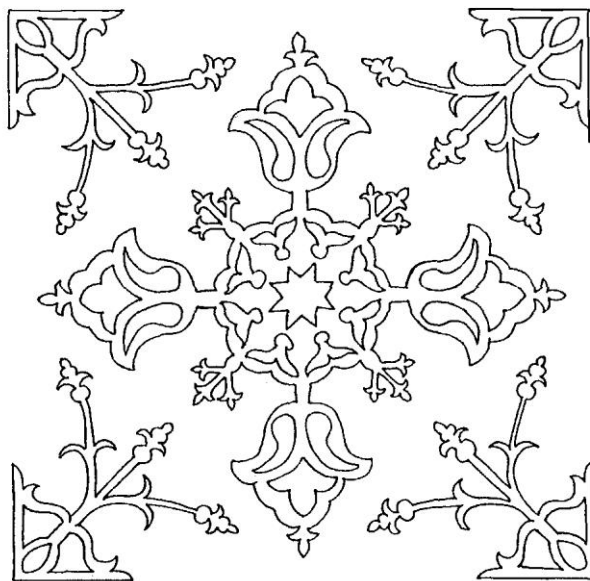


**The Last Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**February 11, 2024 - 10:15 a.m.**



**St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church**  
*Serving our community, the world, and each other  
through the love of Jesus Christ.*

# Days of Elijah

R. Marks



1. These are the days of E - li - jah, de - clar - ing - the Word of - the Lord, and these are the days of your  
2. These are the days of E - ze - kiel, the dry bones be - com - ing as flesh; and these are the days of your



ser - vant Mo - ses, right - eous - ness be - ing re - stored. And though these - are days of great tri - als, of  
ser - vant Da - vid, build - ing a tem - ple - of praise. And these are the days of the har - vest; the



fam - ine and dark - ness and sword, still we are the voice in the de - sert cry - ing, "Pre -  
fields are as white in the world; and we are the la - bor - ers in your vine yard, de -



pare ye the way of the Lord!" Be - hold He comes, rid - ing on the clouds, shi - ning like the sun  
clar - ing the word of the Lord!



at the trum - pet call. So lift your voice, it's the year of ju - bi - lee, and out of Zi - on's hill sal - va - tion



comes. And There's no god like Ye - shu - a, There's no god like Ye - shu - a, There's no god like Ye - shu - a,



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There's no god like Ye - shu - a, There's no god like Ye - shu - a, There's no god like Ye - shu - a, Be - hold! He

Welcome! We are a diverse community committed to carrying out Christ's mission in the world around us, strengthened, nurtured, and guided by the presence of the Holy Spirit. Some of us were born into the Episcopal Church, some of us were received into it as adults, and some of us are discovering it for the first time. We come from various occupations, family configurations, educational backgrounds, interests, and talents. We have found hospitality here, and invite you to join us.

Our religious tradition is best known for the beauty of its Anglican music and liturgy. Contemporary issues are tested by the standards of scripture, tradition, reason, and experience. The conscience of the individual is highly respected, and corporate worship is the means by which Christ shapes our moral values, nurtures and guides our spiritual formation, shapes the character and community of the faithful, and equips us for mission and ministry. If you are not currently active in another congregation, please accept this invitation to worship with us, and to make our church your own.

## The Last Sunday after the Epiphany February 11, 2024

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10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

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Prelude *Lord of All Hopefulness* M. Hokanson and E. Butler

Processional (*see facing page*) *Days of Elijah*

Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

LEVAS 243 *Glory to God*

C. Haywood

The Collect

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### 2 Kings 2:1-12

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

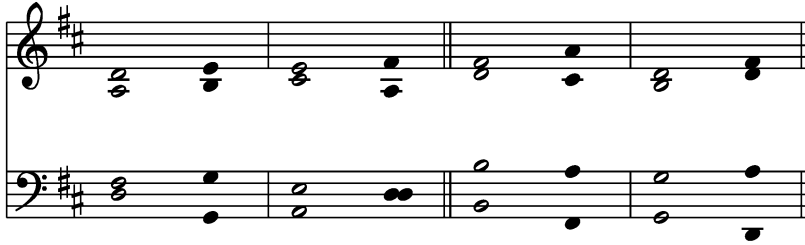
The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*People*

Psalm 50:1-6 (S-415)

Jerome Webster Meachen  
(b. 1930)



- 1 The God of gods has | spoken; \*  
God has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its | setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its | beauty, \*  
God is revealed in | glory.
- 3 O God, you will come and will not keep | silence; \*  
before you there is a consuming flame,  
and round about you a raging | storm.
- 4 You call the heavens and the earth from a | bove \*  
to witness the judgment of your | people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal | followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with | sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of your | cause, \*  
for you alone are | judge.

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2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

*All stand in body or spirit*

Hymn 133, vss. 1-2

*O Light of Light*

*Elmhurst*

Mark 9:2-9

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Hymn 133, vs. 3

*O Light of Light*

*Elmhurst*

Sermon

The Rev. John Bolin Shellito

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People – A Litany of Freedom and Unity**

*Litany based on the words of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Holy Scripture, adapted from pp. 54-55, in "Seeing the Face of God in Each Other: The Antiracism Training Manual of the Episcopal Church." ([https://www.episcopalchurch.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2021/02/antiracism\\_book-revise3.pdf](https://www.episcopalchurch.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2021/02/antiracism_book-revise3.pdf)) Closing prayer taken from p. 41.*

One: "The agony of the poor diminishes the rich.... We are inevitably our sibling's keeper because of the interrelated structure of reality."

All: **"For freedom, Christ has set us free;"**

One: Lord, teach us that brotherhood and sisterhood and siblinghood begins with respect.

All: **"For freedom, Christ has set us free;"**

One: "Change is not accomplished by peeling off superficial layers when the causes are rooted deeply in the heart of the organism."

All: **Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that.**

One: Stir us up, O Lord, if we are at ease. Use us so that justice may roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

All: **Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that.**

One: "The Christian Gospel is a two-way road. On the one hand it seeks to change the souls of people and thereby unite them with God; on the other hand it seeks to change the environmental conditions of people so that the soul will have a chance after it is changed."

All: **Grant us faith and courage not to grow weary.**

One: "There are some who still find the cross a stumbling block and others consider it foolishness, but I am more convinced than ever before that it is the power of God for social and individual salvation."

All: **Grant us faith and courage not to grow weary.**

One: "I know some of you are asking today, 'How long will it take?' I come to say to you ... however difficult the moment, however frustrating the hour, it will not be long, because truth pressed to earth will rise again."

All: **How long?**

One: Not long, because no lie can live forever.

All: **How long?**

One: Not long, because you will reap what you sow.

All: **How long?**

One: Not long, because the arc of the moral universe is long, and it bends toward justice.

*At this time, we allow a few moments of space for us to name those for whom we pray, either out loud or silently in our hearts.*

*Presider*

O God of radiance, fascinating in your kaleidoscopic diversity, help us to love ourselves as we mirror your image to the world. As we grow tired of this struggle, Lord, and we feel alone in our weariness, strengthen us when we grow faint of heart. Give us a memory for the victories of our ancestors: help us to remember a time when our forebears faced immeasurable pain with the sure knowledge that you were with them. Remind us that we are truly never alone. When we grow faint, gird us with your strength; when we doubt, fill us with confidence that the beauty of our skin, ebony, mahogany, lemon, ivory and taupe is but a mere reflection of the richness of your glory. Help us to understand the gifts we bring into this broken world: the love of color and variety. This we ask in the name of Jesus, who loved all. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*All stand, as able. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements



## The Prayers for Birthdays & Anniversaries

*All those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week are invited to be recognized.*

**Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days in their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Table

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem

*Psalm 130/62*

D. Palmer

Youth Choir with Adult altos

Doxology

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship Prayer 2

*Enriching Our Worship*

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
The Lord be with you.      And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
Lift up your hearts.      We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*  
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,  
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep  
and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars;

earth, winds, and waters;

and every living thing.

You made us in your image,

and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;

and yet, as a mother cares for her children,

you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us

to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels  
in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,  
lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

*Celebrant and People*

Sanctus: LEVAS 255

G. W. Brown

*The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.

To deliver us from the power of sin and death

and to reveal the riches of your grace,

you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,

that she might conceive and bear a son,

Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us.

He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,

healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.

He yearned to draw all the world to himself

yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross

the sacrifice of his life,

and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,  
Jesus was at table with his friends.  
He took bread, gave thanks to you,  
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:  
"Take, eat:  
This is my Body, which is given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me."  
As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.  
Again, he gave thanks to you,  
gave it to them, and said:  
"Drink this, all of you:  
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,  
which is poured out for you and for all  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Whenever you drink it,  
do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,  
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,  
who was and is and is to come,  
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,  
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts  
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.  
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth  
and make us your new creation,  
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,  
with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Barnabas, and all your saints,  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
To you be honor, glory, and praise,  
for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

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Our Fath-er which art in heav'n. Hal-low-ed be thy name.  
 Thy king-dom come, Thy will be done on earth, As it is in hea-  
 ven. Give us this day our dail-y bread. And for-give us our tress-pass-es,  
 As we for-give, for-give them that tre-pass a-gainst us.  
 And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion: But de-li-ver us from e-  
 vil: For thine is the king-dom, the power and the glo-ry, For e-ver and e-  
 ver. A - - - - - men.

### The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Fraction Anthem: S-161

D. Hurd

*Celebrant*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Hymn 482 *Lord of all hopefulness*

*Slane*

LEVAS 18 *Swing low, sweet chariot*

Spiritual, arr. R. N. Dett

*After Communion, the Celebrant says,*

Let us pray.

**God of abundance,  
you have fed us  
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us  
with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one  
with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth  
in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever  
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

Hymn 135

*Songs of thankfulness and praise*

*Salzburg*

The Dismissal

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*Get Movin'*

D. Palmer

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The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God.

## In Our Prayers

### For our Clergy:

Presiding Bishop: The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry  
Diocesan Bishops: The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson, Bishop  
The Rt. Rev. Gayle Elizabeth Harris, Assistant Bishop  
The Rt. Rev. James Joseph "Bud" Shand, Visiting Bishop  
Rector: The Rev. John Bolin Shellito  
St. Barnabas' Vestry, Wardens, and Staff  
Our Sister Parish: Iglesia Episcopal San Juan Bautista, Palma Soriano, Cuba

### In the Anglican and Diocesan Cycles of Prayer:

For the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; for St. Peter's in the Woods, Fairfax Station.

### For the special needs and concerns of this congregation (as of February 7, 2024):

Bernard Blair	Lee Gibbs	Blair MacKenzie	Barbara Rigden
Jean Anne Braddon	James Harris	Cindy McLaughlin	Ann Sayles
Charles Camp	Roger Hefferan	Jack Miller	Trisha Serven
Cricket Camp	James Hughes	Helen Mosher	Frank Spink
Margot Donnelly	Gertrude Jones	Shirley Newman	Kathleen Stark
Charlie Flaherty	Sharon Jones	Nancy Peyton	Larry Stark
Betty Jo Fortune	Alusine Kanu	Beth Phillips	Karen Steidel
Bob Frye	Joy Lyles	Anne Radway	Mareea Wilson
Rotha Frye	Tom Lyles	Grace Rampersaud	Dana Wiseman
Preston George	Bob Macfarlane	Norma Ricketts	Dave Wright
Joan Gibbs	Maria Macfarlane	Ellen Riddle	Mary Yeaman

### And for:

**Amy, Courtney** (Barbara & Jack Miller); **Gerry** (Beth Campbell & Dick Crutchley); **Kim, John, Don, Kerry, Corinne** (Beth Harper); President **Volodymyr Zelensky** (Bible Study); **Ralph, Molly**, Morgan (Cindy McLaughlin); **Andrea, Rosa, Nicole, Erin, Josh, Tracy, Ivory, Judy, Lorraine, Judy** (Cricket & Charles Camp); the **Chwirut Family, Bonnie** (Diana & Tim Greer); **Michelle, Marlana** (Ellen Riddle); **Heath** (Helen Mosher); **Angie** (James Harris); **Patricia** (Kathleen and Larry Stark); the **Troutman Family** (Katie Westerlund); **Noel+, Teresa** (Len LeRoy); **Joan, Dan, Josiah, Pam, Dave** (Marcel Lisi); **Lori** (Margot Donnelly); **Mary** (Maria & Bob Macfarlane); **Gerry, John, Floyd** (Mary Riggs); **Louis, Al & Family** (Molly Newling); **Sophia, Charles, Simone, Ingrid** (Norma Ricketts); **Bill, Bucky, Kathy, Clai, Sharon & Family, Bill** (Sharon Jones); **Josefa, Mary, Susan** (Sheena Friend); **Audrey, Joyce, Valerie, William** (Shirley Newman); **Emily, Edward, Brianna & Family** (Theresa Merchant); **Cesar** (Tom Lyles); **Mary, Renata** (Ann Sayles); the **Atchley Family, Kathleen, Garth, Kathy, Mary, Robert** (Anne Radway & Jonathan Barber); **John & Family** (Nancy MacLachlan & Hugh Agnew); **Carl** (Richard Hayhurst).

And for those enrolled in institutions of higher learning: **Jacob** Dugger; **Kyle** Hitchman (Marcel Lisi); **Ken** McKeever; **Garrett** Patterson; **Genevieve** Phillips; **Joey** Robbins (Grace Robbins).

And for the faithful departed: **Rowena** Taliaferro, **Cindy** Cottrell, **Rudi** Peach, **James** Patrick Jennings, **Robert L. Jimerson, Jr.** (Cindy McLaughlin); **Teresa** Iles (Anne Radway & Jonathan Barber).

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## Parish Announcements

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### Adult Forum

Today, February 11 – Video Discussion Series: *Short Stories by Jesus*, P. Amy Jill-Levine

February 18 – Lenten & Easter Series with Nathan Harpine, Seminarian, begins

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### A New Exhibit at the St. Barnabas' Gallery

The second exhibit in the St. Barnabas' Gallery are the etchings of renowned artist John Taylor Arms. A well-known etching artist of the early 1900's to 1940's, Arms did many etchings of churches and cathedrals in European and American cities. One of his most famous etchings is of the Brooklyn Bridge. The John Taylor Arms etchings are on loan from the private collection of fellow parishioner Dave Wright. Our official opening is today, Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> following the 10:15 a.m. service.

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### Food Pantry

The ACCA Instagram shared that Food Pantry supplies are critically low. Consider bringing extra non-perishables to St. Barnabas' during your next visit so that we can help replenish the Food Pantry for those who are hungry. Our Ash Wednesday services includes Isaiah 58:6, "Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, to let the oppressed go free."

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### Women of St. Barnabas'

Thanks to everyone who brought food for and/or helped set up for the reception on February 4<sup>th</sup> that honored our confirmands, baptizands, those being received, and those renewing their Baptismal Vows. The reception also welcomed Bishop Shand and his wife.

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### Thank You from the Plants

Thanks to all who adopted the plants from our Christmas display!

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### Shrove Tuesday ▪ February 13<sup>th</sup>

6:00 p.m. Pancake Supper; 7:00 p.m. Intergenerational Farewell to Alleluias service in the Richardson Room. Join us for some Mardi Gras fun in the feast before the fast.

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### Ash Wednesday ▪ February 14<sup>th</sup>

10 a.m. & 7 p.m. Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes

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### Lent Madness Begins February 15<sup>th</sup>

We all know about March Madness, the annual NCAA college basketball championship games. Some of us have even filled out our brackets to try to predict the willer. But do you know about Lent Madness?

Lent Madness began in 2010 as the brainchild of the Rev. Tim Schenk. In seeking a fun, engaging way for people to learn about the men and women comprising the Church's Calendar of Saints, Tim came up with this unique Lenten devotion. Combining his love of sports with his passion for the lives of the saints, Lent Madness was born. In 2012 Tim partnered with Forward Movement and Executive Director the Rev. Scott Gunn to create the Lent Madness website ([www.lentmadness.org](http://www.lentmadness.org)) and broaden the number of people involved in the writing process, with Tim and Scott serving as the self-appointed Supreme Executive Committee.

The format is straightforward: 32 saints are placed into a tournament-like single elimination bracket. Each pairing remains open for a set period of time and people vote for their favorite saint. 16 saints make it to the Round of the *Saintly Sixteen*; eight advance to the Round of the *Elate Eight*; four make it to the *Faithful Four*; two to the *Championship*; and the winner is awarded the coveted *Golden Halo*. The first round consists of basic biographical information about each of the 32 saints. Things get a bit more interesting in the subsequent rounds as we offer quotes and quirks, explore legends, and even move into the area of saintly kitsch.

Lent Madness is a great family activity and a lighthearted way for all of us, regardless of age, to learn more about our saints. You can download the free Saintly Scorecard, which includes information about this year's 32 competitors and your very own bracket at [www.lentmadness.org](http://www.lentmadness.org). Be sure to subscribe to receive updates and watch for the full color Lent Madness bracket poster in the Richardson Room. If you have questions, contact Beth Harper or any member of our EfM group.

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**Reporter Deadline • Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>** The next *Reporter* newsletter will be a combined issue for March and April 2024. The deadline for submissions is Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. Please send your contributions – schedules, articles, announcements, and photos – to the Parish Office at [stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com](mailto:stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com). Paper copies also are welcome.

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### **The Stations of Saint Paul's: An Invitation from Beth Harper Please contact Beth by February 17<sup>th</sup> for this opportunity**

Long known as the "Cathedral of the Confederacy," St. Paul's Episcopal Church in downtown Richmond has done groundbreaking work over the past several years to acknowledge its complex heritage and move toward racial reconciliation. As a milestone on this journey, the church commissioned a series of 14 Stations of St. Paul's by Janelle Washington, a paper-cut artist from Alexandria, VA. The Stations were first exhibited during Lent 2023.

I visited St. Paul's last spring to see the exhibit and attend an artist's talk by Washington. The artworks are stunning and emotionally powerful. You can read more about the exhibit at [Stations of St. Paul's | St. Paul's Episcopal Church | Richmond, Virginia \(stpaulsrva.org\)](http://St.Paul's_Episcopal_Church_|_Richmond,_Virginia_(stpaulsrva.org)). The webpage includes links to several articles and videos about the exhibit, including a particularly good writeup by Michael Paul Williams that appeared in the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* when the exhibit opened.

I recently contacted St. Paul's and learned that the Stations will be exhibited again this year. I would like to organize a St. Barnabas' Lenten field trip for any interested parishioners to visit St. Paul's, see the Stations, and learn more about their ongoing work in racial reconciliation. We'll determine the exact date when I know how many people are interested and when they're available. We'll carpool to Richmond and include a lunch stop. If you're interested, please contact me or the Parish Office no later than February 17. This event is appropriate for tweens, teens, and adults.



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***Arrival of the First Documented Africans in English America Showing* ▪ Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> 2 p.m.**

You are invited to a free showing of the documentary film, *Arrival of the First Documented Africans in English America*, which examines the contributions of African Americans through 400 years of slavery in the U.S. Writer Ric Murphy, an acclaimed historian, scholar, lecturer, and award-winning author, based his research on original documents located in a local (Alexandria) library. His research explores slavery in the context of both domestic and international events, and brings new voice to the particular contributions of thirty-two Africans.

The showing will take place at 2 p.m. on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> in the Community Room at Place One Condos, 5500 Holmes Run Parkway in Alexandria. The movie runs approximately 55 minutes; cookies and coffee will be served. Since parking can be limited, please contact Place One resident Kathleen Stark if you would like to attend. You may wish to consider carpooling with a friend.

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**20's / 30's Brunch ▪ Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>!**

Mark your calendars for a 20s/30s brunch after the 10:15 a.m. service on February 25<sup>th</sup>. Details coming soon. For more information on the St. Barnabas' 20s/30s (in body, mind, or spirit) group, please contact Haley Bolin Shellito.

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**"The Philadelphia Eleven" ▪ February 25<sup>th</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup>, and Other Dates**

There are several upcoming opportunities to see "The Philadelphia Eleven," a powerful film about the ordination of the first eleven women priests in the Episcopal Church.

*In an act of civil disobedience, a group of women and their supporters organize their ordination to become Episcopal priests in 1974. The Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia welcomes them, but change is no small task. The women are harassed, some lose friends, and others are banned from stepping on church property. In this feature-length documentary film, we meet the women who succeed in building a movement that transforms an age-old institution, and challenges the very essence of patriarchy within Christendom.*

The film is suitable for adults and teens. To learn more about the film and watch the trailer, go to <https://www.philadelphiaelevenfilm.com/watch.html>. (If the link does not work, copy and paste the link directly into your browser.)

**February 25<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. at The Falls Church**

For those who haven't yet had a chance to view the movie, The Falls Church Episcopal is hosting a screening on February 25<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m., followed by a panel discussion with four former TFC women clergy: the Rev. Kelly Moughty, the Rev. Cathy Tibbetts, the Rev. Rosemari Sullivan, and the Rev. Jean Milliken. The panel discussion will be facilitated by the Rev. Ruthanna Hooke, Ph.D, and Professor of Homiletics at VTS, and it will focus on the role women clergy play in today's church and the challenges women and minorities continue to face. Please see the attached flyer.

**March 8<sup>th</sup> at 8 p.m. Online Premiere on Kinema.com**

This inaugural streaming will be followed by a panel discussion including two of the Philadelphia Eleven, the Rev. Dr. Carter Heyward and the Rev. Nancy Wittig. Tickets are \$10 and all proceeds will benefit the film's distribution. You can purchase tickets and see a complete list of screenings at [Watch \(philadelphiaelevenfilm.com\)](http://www.philadelphiaelevenfilm.com).

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### **Hypothermia Shelter February 26-March 4, 2023**

Once again this year, we will provide a week's worth of meals to our homeless neighbors in Fairfax County. We are using SignUp Genius to organize meal contributions and opportunities to set up, serve, and clean up. For questions, please contact Cindy McLaughlin.

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### **Taizé Service • Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.**

Many of you are familiar with songs that were composed for and are still sung at the Taizé community in France. St. Barnabas' has often sung one of its simple repetitive songs during communion, especially during Lent. The songs were meant to be easily learned by the multinational groups that make pilgrimages to Taizé, and they often have multilingual lyrics. St. Barnabas' is offering a service of Taizé music on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM to be held in the Richardson Room. Our young people are contributing to the design of the service; you can expect candles, readings, art, and options to sit on rugs.

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### **Cuba Clothing Collection Through Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>**

The Cuba Committee has placed a plastic tub in the narthex for clothing donations for Cuba. We are collecting shirts, blouses, shorts, pants, dresses, and skirts for children through adults. We will be sending a shipment on March 11<sup>th</sup>, and expect items to be received before Easter. The deadline for donations is Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Wendy Williams if you have any questions.

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### **Annandale Christian Community for Action and Heritage Food Site**

St. Barnabas' supports two local food pantry efforts. Food and personal hygiene item donations are needed; items can be left in the narthex baskets. There are volunteer opportunities at both.

ACCA Food Pantry volunteers deliver a 7-10 day supply of food and hygiene items to households with an urgent need for food. ACCA purchases fresh food and canned goods to supplement donated items. St. Barnabas' financial support helps pay for these purchases. Referrals come from Fairfax County and Inova social services staff and sometimes clergy of ACCA member churches.

The Annandale United Methodist Church's Heritage Mission Center food site distributes several bags of food on Thursday evenings to anyone who comes, serving about 300 households each week. Donations of nonperishable food are appreciated. Needed items include 12 oz. boxes of cereal, 1-pound boxes of pasta, 20-ounce cans/jars of pasta sauce, and 14-16 ounce cans of vegetables and fruits.

To volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact Ken or Camille Mittelholtz or the Parish Office (703-941-2922 or [stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com](mailto:stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com)).

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### **Your Weekly E-piscopalian**

If you know of someone who is finding it a challenge to read the E-piscopalian via email, please be aware that a paper copy of the weekly email is mailed to a select number of people, and our Parish Administrator would be happy to add additional names to the list. Please contact the office or provide the contact information to them. (see above)

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## **Shrine Mont Camps**

Early bird registration for summer camp at Shrine Mont is underway. The Diocese of Virginia runs a variety of different summer camps for campers age seven and up – maybe one will be a good fit for you or your family! 2023 Camp was an open and affirming space for LGBTQ+ individuals and allies, and 2024 camp is being planned with that same commitment in mind. Many campers report having an absolutely amazing time. Please reach out to Rev. John with any questions, including questions about scholarships. For more information on Gender Inclusion at camp, please see the Shrine Mont website at [www.shrinemont.com](http://www.shrinemont.com).

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## **Support for Ukraine through ERD**

Support Episcopal Relief & Development in providing humanitarian aid in response to the crisis in Ukraine. By donating to the Ukraine Crisis Response Fund, you will help meet critical needs for people fleeing the violence, including food, cash, blankets, and hygiene supplies. To donate through ERD, please visit [episcopalrelief.org/Ukraine-crisis](http://episcopalrelief.org/Ukraine-crisis).

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## **Prayers for Family, Friends, and Others**

If you would like to add names of family, friends, or others to the parish Prayer List (published Thursdays and in the Sunday bulletin each week), please contact the Parish Office. If you might be interested in this ministry, please contact the Rector or the Parish Office. Thank you.

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## ***Forward Day by Day* February/March/April Issue Available - Paper and Online**

*Forward Day by Day*, a booklet with daily devotions and scripture is available in either regular or large print for you to pick up. Please contact the office if you would like one or more copies mailed to you (703-941-2922 or [stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com](mailto:stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com)).

*Forward Day by Day* also is available to read on the web at:

[https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/forward\\_day\\_by\\_day.php?d=22&m=3&y=2021](https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/forward_day_by_day.php?d=22&m=3&y=2021)

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**Altar Flower Dedications** If you wish to contribute to altar flowers, please complete a dedication form (found in the hallway at church, attached to this email, or from the Parish Office) and return with your contribution to an usher on Sunday or to the office. A donation of \$70 is suggested, and is tax-deductible. Thank you for your generous support of the Flower Guild and our ministry of beautifying the church.

For more information about the Flower Guild or to volunteer for Flower Delivery to those who might not be able to attend a service, please contact Anne Radway.

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**The Altar Flowers** today will go to Barbara Rigden. Please sign the card in the hallway and add any personal message you'd like to extend.

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**Emergency Pastoral Care:** For after-hours emergency pastoral concerns, please contact the Rev. John Bolin Shellito at 571-402-2218.

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## CALENDAR

- Sunday, February 11      The Last Sunday after the Epiphany  
8:00 AM      Holy Eucharist  
9:10 AM      Cherub Choir - Lyles Room  
9:15 AM      Adult Forum - Richardson Room  
10:15 AM      Holy Eucharist with Choir - Youth Sunday  
11:30 AM      Youth Choir - Lyles Room  
1:00 PM      Oneness Mission Church (until 3:30 PM)  
4:30 PM      Ryders' Rounders - Richardson Room (until 8:30 PM)  
5:30 PM      Ladies Night Out Al Anon - J2A Room (until 7 PM)
- Monday, February 12  
10:00 AM      Serenity Seekers Al-Anon - Library (until 11 AM)
- Tuesday, February 13  
3:45 PM      Annandale Safe Youth Project - Richardson Room (until 6 PM)  
6:00 PM      Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Richardson Room  
7:00 PM      Farewell to Alleluias - Richardson Room
- Wednesday, February 14  
10:00 AM      Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes  
11:30 AM      Staff Meeting - Library  
3:45 PM      Annandale Safe Youth Project - Richardson Room (until 6 PM)  
7:00 PM      Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes  
8:30 PM      AA Barnabas Group - Richardson Room (until 10 PM)
- Thursday, February 15      *Reporter Deadline March/April issue*  
10:00 AM      Tai Chi - Richardson Room  
3:45 PM      Annandale Safe Youth Project - Richardson Room (until 6 PM)  
7:30 PM      Pipe Band - Lyles Room
- Friday, February 16      Parish Ski Trip through Monday, February 19
- Sunday, February 18      The First Sunday in Lent  
8:00 AM      Morning Prayer with the Great Litany  
9:15 AM      Adult Forum - Richardson Room  
10:15 AM      Morning Prayer with the Great Litany  
11:30 AM      Youth Choir - Lyles Room  
1:00 PM      Oneness Mission Church (until 3:30 PM)  
4:30 PM      Ryders' Rounders - Richardson Room (until 8:30 PM)  
5:30 PM      Ladies Night Out Al Anon - J2A Room (until 7 PM)

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> for the Presidents' Day holiday.

**Participants in the services today are:**

**8:00 a.m.**

Vestry Leader/Closer  
Acolyte  
Lector  
Chalicer  
Opener

Camille Mittelholtz  
Michael Dugger  
Todd McKeever  
Michael Dugger  
Mark Patterson

**10:15 a.m.**

Acolytes  
Lectors  
Chalicer  
Usher  
Coffee Hour Host  
Flower Guild  
Counters  
Altar Guild

Michael Dugger, Noah Schaefer, Joaquin Tamanaha, Cindy McLaughlin  
Molly Newling, Cindy McLaughlin  
Cindy McLaughlin, Mark Patterson  
Ken Mittelholtz  
Maria Bottlick  
Margot Donnelly  
TBD  
Grace Robbins, Sharon Jones, Sheena Friend

**Participants in the services on February 18 are:**

**8:00 a.m.**

Vestry Leader/Closer  
Acolyte  
Lector  
Chalicer  
Opener

Jeff Schaefer  
Mark Patterson  
Mark Patterson  
N/A  
Molly Newling

**10:15 a.m.**

Acolytes  
Lectors  
Chalicer  
Usher  
Coffee Hour Host  
Flower Guild, Flower Delivery  
Counters  
Altar Guild

Laura Westerlund, Jordan Kennedy, Adam Schaefer, Michael Dugger  
Lyn Harris, Beth Harper  
N/A  
Robin Erskine  
Molly Newling, Beth Harper  
*No flowers in Lent*  
TBD  
Jocelyn Leatherwood, Behn Ayala, Maria Bottlick

**Land Acknowledgement**

*We remember and honor the Indigenous people of the world, especially the Piscataway Conoy Nation, whose land we now occupy in this region that was once their home, and that was taken from them. We give thanks for them and their care for this land. May we always remember that the Earth does not belong to us; rather, we are charged with stewardship of the Earth, and are all members of our Creator's family. We ask God to help us learn from our past mistakes and be instruments of justice and peace for all people, particularly the original Indigenous inhabitants.*