



Christ Church Chronicle

SEPTEMBER 2022

Calling the crowd to join his disciples, he said, “Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You’re not in the driver’s seat; I am. Don’t run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I’ll show you how. Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to saving yourself, your true self. What good would it do to get everything you want and lose you, the real you? What could you ever trade your soul for? – Mark 8:34

Discernment for Ministry – An Update!



Holy Cross Day - September 14

First, let me thank all of you who have continued to pray for me as I proceed through this process towards ordination. A lot has happened over the summer! I will try to catch you up here and let you know what is happening next.

The Discernment Phase officially closed this past June. In reality, discernment never ends! But at the end of this phase, the Bishop decides whether or not the discerner continues to proceed. I was cleared to proceed. The summer has been spent hammering out a plan for me to receive training. Since my ‘case’ is a bit different from the normal candidate, it has taken some time to figure out exactly how I and the diocese should proceed.

First, it was decided that I would be re-instated as a Deacon, most likely in early summer of 2023. Next, it was decided that there were a handful of required courses that I could simply write an essay about in order to demonstrate proficiency in that field given that I have a Bachelors in Theology, went through diaconal formation, served as a missionary and a deacon for many years. I also hold a Bachelors in History and a Masters in Classical and Ancient History.

Simultaneous with the essay writing, I am taking courses that were deemed necessary. I am currently enrolled in three courses and completing a fourth. In addition to course work, there are retreats, cohort meetings and workshops to attend!

Beginning the first Sunday of September, I will be entering into my internship year. It has been decided that I will serve my internship at Christ Church in Austin, the Rev. John Sullivan being my mentor. The internship year generally runs from September through May. During that time, I will not be in attendance on Sundays in Albert Lea.

Please continue to pray for me that I and those guiding this process continue to hear God’s voice clearly.

- *George M. Favell*

We thank God for George Favell and Daniel Montenegro’s active presence and immense participation in our parish. We will miss them at Christ Church. We pray George’s internship at Christ Church in Austin will enable him to progress in the ordination process.

Note: Christ Church, Albert Lea, remains George’s sponsoring parish for his ordination to the sacred order of priests.

Go forth, George and Daniel, with our blessings and love, *Father Henry Doyle.*

Support San Jose Obrero

Misión San Jose Obrero (The Mission of Saint Joseph the Worker) is a special ECMN Mission made up of migrant workers who come each year to work at the Seneca canning plant in Montgomery, Minnesota. Services of Holy Eucharist and meals are offered for the two shifts operating at the plant, Sunday afternoons and evenings in August and September. The first service begins at 3:30, then we share a meal. The second meal begins at 6:15, followed by another service at 7:00.

We invite all faith communities of ECMN to support this Mission! You might choose to come and worship with us, participate as a host faith community providing meals, or support the Mission financially.

Please make checks to "Southeast Minnesota Episcopal Mission Area" and send to:

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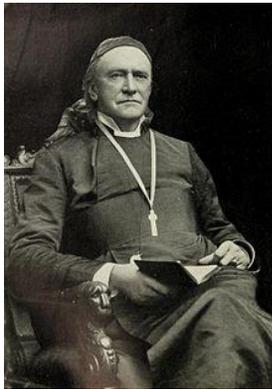
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Way Back When

Yes, it is a "new name". I'm going to try to cover a bit more of the history of Christ Episcopal Church, telling some of the things that have happened "way back when".



It was 1861 in January when the first Episcopal service was held in Albert Lea by Bishop Henry Benjamin Whipple (1822-1901), who was the first Episcopal bishop of Minnesota. He gained a reputation as a humanitarian and an advocate for Native Americans. It was another five years before the next service was held in Albert Lea, with Bishop Whipple presiding. In 1877 thirteen confirmations were held in the Presbyterian church. And in 1880 the parish raised \$1200 to purchase the Congregational church and held the first service there.

Tune in next month when the story will be continued.....

Gail Thurnau



Through the United Thank Offering UTO we expand the circle of thankful people. Our next Ingathering will be on Sunday, November 9th.

As you place your coins, bills, or checks in the blue box, remember this prayer.

Gracious God, source of all creation, all love, all true joy: accept we pray, these outward signs of our profound and continuing thankfulness for all of life. Keep each of us ever thankful for all the blessings of joy and challenges that come our way Bless those who will benefit from these gifts through the outreach of the United Thank Offering.

This we ask through Him who is the greatest gift and blessing of all, Jesus Christ.

Amen

Gail Thurnau

It's Greek (and Hebrew) to Me! - The Son of Man lifted up

Have you ever felt it difficult to forgive yourself for something you have said or done – or failed to do? Read on and you may find a way to do that.

There is a curious story in the Old Testament when the Israelites in the wilderness complained to Moses (they complained on a regular basis!). On this occasion, snakes appeared in the camp and began to bite the people, poisoning them. They ran to Moses and begged God to forgive them and heal them. God gives a strange command: “Make a snake and put it up on a



pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live.” (Numbers 21:8)

Centuries later, Jesus refers to this story when he predicts his death. In John 3:14, he says: “Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the

wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.”

When one is injured, the tendency is to focus upon the wound; to focus on it and protect it. Undoubtedly, when the Israelites got bitten, they focused on the snake bite, realizing in horror that they would likely soon die. By making a bronze snake and putting it on a pole, God is forcing them to look away from the wound and look to the possibility of healing.

The New Testament gives us the same instruction in reference to the Cross: “Looking to Jesus...” (Hebrews 12:2); “Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on the earth.” (Colossians 3:2).

The Hebrew word ‘to look’ is רָאָה – “ra’a”. It not only means to simply look, but also can mean ‘to consider’, ‘to respect’ and ‘to perceive’. In other words, this ‘looking’ is an act of considered, active faith. Jesus, interestingly, replaces the act of looking with ‘believing’. The Greek word for believing in this passage is πιστεύω – “pistuo”. This word also carries the ideas of ‘being persuaded’, ‘having confidence in’.

To look away from our own sins, troubles and problems and giving our attention to the presence of God in our lives, is an act of faith that changes our focus – away from ourselves and our passing circumstances and toward the eternal reality of God and God’s love.

We are all wounded, and many of our wounds are self-inflicted by our choices and actions. God is showing us a way out of the limitation of sin and ignorance. We can continue to be absorbed by our faults and failures – our wounds and our pain. Or we can look away – away to where all these wounds and this pain have been met and conquered. It requires that we change our focus – from our wound to God’s healing, from our sin to God’s forgiveness, from our limitations to God’s unlimited love and power. Today, give yourself permission to ‘look away’ – from your wounds to God’s love – to the Cross.

- *George M. Favell*

Tickets Available: The National Lutheran Choir’s 2022-2023 Season

Starting September 7th, tickets are available for the NLC’s 2022-2023 season! This season, the choir’s 37th, will celebrate the singers of the NLC as well as our Artistic Director, David Cherwien, who will retire next June.

We invite you to join us both in person and virtually for a variety of NLC experiences. The annual All Saints program will include John Rutter’s *Requiem*. The Christmas Festival, held

again at the magnificent Basilica, will feature favorites from the last 20 years as well as some new works. In the Spring, we’ll celebrate the National Lutheran Choir with a series of events for our community, including David’s final performance with the choir at the Spring Concert.

While tickets and season passes are available for in-person events, a Virtual Subscription is an

opportunity to connect with us online. This season's Virtual Subscription includes regular content from the NLC directly to your email inbox, an additional virtual All Saints program, and a series of three documentary-style exclusives.

Get your tickets, passes, and subscriptions starting September 7th at NLCA.com.

Season Overview:

All Saints Concerts - November 4th & 6th
 Christmas Festival - December 9th & 10th
 Choral Tune-up with Dr. Anton Armstrong - January 14th
 Celebration Weekend
 Hymn Festival - May 5th
 Gala - May 6th
 Spring Concert - May 7th
 Visit NLCA.com to learn more.

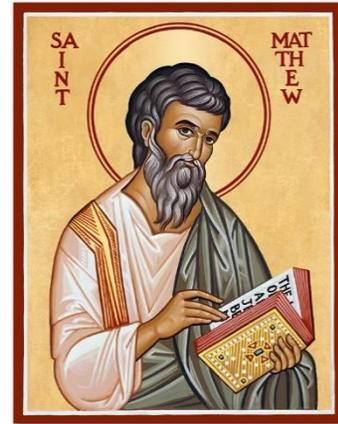
Worship Schedule for September

Sunday, September 4, 2022 – 13th Sunday after Pentecost
 Holy Eucharist 10:30am

Sunday, September 11, 2022 – 14th Sunday after Pentecost
 Holy Eucharist 10:30am

Sunday, September 18, 2022 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost
 Holy Eucharist 10:30am
 COFFEE HOUR
 VESTRY MEETING – 9:15am

Sunday, September 25, 2022 – 16th Sunday after Pentecost
 Morning Prayer 10:30am



Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist - September 21

*"I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it,
 but because by it I see everything else."*

C.S.Lewis

New Revised Common Lectionary Sunday Readings

Eucharist Lectionary – Year C - Daily Office Lectionary – Year 2

4-Sep	Jeremiah 18:1-11	Psalms 139:1-5, 12-17	Philemon 1-21	Luke 14:25-33
11-Sep	Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28	Psalms 14	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 15:1-10
18-Sep	Jeremiah 8:18-9:1	Psalms 79:1-9	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 16:1-13
25-Sep	Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15	Psalms 91:1-6, 14-16	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16:19-31

Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Henry Doyle

Senior Warden: Savile Lord

Junior Warden: Michael Murtaugh

Vestry: Jeff Shaft

Music Director: Gail Thurnau

Treasurer: Joy Shaft

Parish Administrator/Secretary:

George M. Favell

Fr. Henry - Please keep me in the loop

Far too often, you might hesitate to inform me of your desire/need for pastoral care, because you do not want to bother me. On the contrary, you are not bothering me when you inform me of a major illness, yours or a loved one's illness. Because of privacy issues and regulations, staff at hospitals, nursing homes, and other health care facilities will not contact me. You, a family member, or a close friend must contact me, if you have a pastoral need.



"Dance, Dance, wherever you may be! I am the Lord of the dance, said he..."



Saint Michael and All Angels -
September 29

Prayer

It's impossible to please God apart from faith. And why? Because anyone who wants to approach God must believe both that he exists *and* that he cares enough to respond to those who seek him. - Hebrews 11:6



Meditation Prayer – Collect for Peace –

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O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Christ Episcopal Church September Birthdays

- 5 - Chris Boyce
- 7 - Henry Doyle
- 17 - Gail Thurnau
- 17 - George Favell

Episcopal Church in Minnesota Cycle of Prayer

SEPTEMBER - 7 - For the month of September, please pray for the Episcopal Homes of Minnesota, Episcopal Group Homes, Guardian Angels and all other institutions that do ministry for and with the elderly. Please pray for your local senior residential facilities and care centers.

13 PENTECOST (September 4) [Proper 18] GOOD SAMARITAN PARISH Sauk Centre
ANNIVERSARIES 9/7 Jackie Bernacchi, p 2001 9/8 Mary Jo Feely, d 1994

14 PENTECOST (September 11) [Proper 19] BISHOP WHIPPLE MISSION (Comm. Henry B. Whipple, September 16) Morton ANNIVERSARIES 9/13 Georgia Hecock, p 2008 Loxley Koshnick, d 200 9/15 Mary Farr, d 1983 9/16 Kate Hennessy-Keimig, p 2006 Lindsey Briggs, p 2019

15 PENTECOST (September 18) [Proper 20] ST. MATTHEW'S (Feast of St. Matthew, September 21) Chatfield, St. Paul ANNIVERSARIES 9/21 Christine Fair Beebe, p 2008

16 PENTECOST (September 25) [Proper 21] LA MISION EL SANTO NINO JESUS, St. Paul SAN JOSE OBRERO, Montgomery ANNIVERSARIES 9/29 Tristan English, p 2010 10/1 Samantha Crossley, p 201

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*We adore you, O Christ, and we
praise you. Because by your holy
cross you have redeemed the world.*



Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer

September 2022

Thursday 1 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Minnesota –
The Episcopal Church
(VI (6) Province)**

Friday 2 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Indigenous Spiritual Ministry
of Mishamikoweesh – The Anglican
Church of Canada
(Rupert's Land Province)**

Saturday 3 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mississippi –
The Episcopal Church
(IV (4) Province)**

Sunday 4 September 2022

12th Sunday after Trinity

Season of Creation

The Anglican Church of Australia

Monday 5 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Missouri –
The Episcopal Church
(V (5) Province)**

Tuesday 6 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of West Missouri –
The Episcopal Church
(VII (7) Province)**

Wednesday 7 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mityana – The Church
of the Province of Uganda**

Thursday 8 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mombasa –
The Anglican Church of Kenya**

Friday 9 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Monmouth –
The Church in Wales**

Saturday 10 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Montana –
The Episcopal Church
(VI (6) Province)**

Sunday 11 September 2022

13th Sunday after Trinity

Season of Creation

The Church of Bangladesh

Monday 12 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Montreal – The
Anglican Church of Canada
(Canada Province)**

Tuesday 13 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Moosonee –
The Anglican Church of Canada
(Ontario Province)**

Wednesday 14 September 2022

Holy Cross Day

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Moray, Ross
& Calthness – The Scottish
Episcopal Church**

Thursday 15 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Port Moresby –
The Anglican Church of Papua
New Guinea**

Friday 16 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Morobo – The
Province of the Episcopal Church of
South Sudan
(Central Equatoria Province)**

Saturday 17 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Morogoro – The
Anglican Church of Tanzania**

Sunday 18 September 2022

14th Sunday after Trinity

Season of Creation

Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Monday 19 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mpumalanga – The
Anglican Church of Southern Africa**

Tuesday 20 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mwapwa – The
Anglican Church of Tanzania**

Wednesday 21 September 2022

Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mthatha – The
Anglican Church of Southern Africa**

Thursday 22 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Muhabura – The
Church of the Province of Uganda**

Friday 23 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mukono – The Church
of the Province of Uganda**

Saturday 24 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Multan – The (united)
Church of Pakistan**

Sunday 25 September 2022

15th Sunday after Trinity

Season of Creation

The Anglican Church of Burundi

Monday 26 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mumbai – The (united)
Church of North India**

Tuesday 27 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mumias – The
Anglican Church of Kenya**

Wednesday 28 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mundri – The
Province of the Episcopal Church of
South Sudan
(Amadi Province)**

Thursday 29 September 2022

Michael and All Angels

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Mundu – The
Province of the Episcopal Church
of South Sudan
(Central Equatoria Province)**

Friday 30 September 2022

Season of Creation

**The Diocese of Murang'a South –
The Anglican Church of Kenya**

September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Yoga – 9-11am**
4 13 TH Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Eucharist – 10:30am	5 Yoga – 9-11am & 6pm**	6 Office Open – 10-2pm	7 Chair Yoga – 9-10**	8 Office Open – 10-2pm	9	10 Yoga – 9-11am**
11 14 th Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Eucharist – 10:30am	12 Yoga – 9-11am & 6pm**	13 Office Open – 10-2pm	14 HOLY CROSS DAY Chair Yoga – 9-10**	15 OFFICE CLOSED	16	17 Yoga – 9-11am**
18 15 th Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Eucharist – 10:30am COFFEE HOUR VESTRY	19 Yoga – 9-11am & 6pm**	20 Office Open – 10-2pm	21 SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST EMBER DAY Chair Yoga – 9-10**	22 Office Open – 10-2pm	23 EMBER DAY	24 EMBER DAY Yoga – 9-11am**
25 16 th Sunday after Pentecost – Morning Prayer – 10:30am	26 Yoga – 9-11am & 6pm**	27 Office Open – 10-2pm	28 Chair Yoga – 9-10**	29 SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS Office Open – 10-2pm	30	

****** Please check with Clemencia to confirm location and if class is full.

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Vestry Minutes

JUNE MINUTES

ather Henry opened in prayer

Father Henry update – does not have much for an update.

Senior Warden Update – Rector Jim Zotalis lost his wife to cancer on June 1st. He was in Kasson for years and has recently been in Faribault at the Cathedral.

Junior Warden Update – Does not have an update other than what is in business to already discuss

Financials – Building walk through that Paul does was made into its own line in the financials. Electricity bill went down from about 1400 to 400 dollars that was the difference between colder and warmer weather. Savile motioned to approve the financials as presented. Mike seconded. All approved.

Old Business

Roof Shingles – George will be asked to call the 2 businesses from the previous months vestry notes and get quotes.

Replacement of outside lights – We only want to replace the light that is closest to the building replaced. Mike moves to approve replacement of the lights closest to the building and have southern Minnesota do the the work, Jeff seconded. All approved.

IT Estimate – We will move forward with the New Hard wire estimate that is \$450 dollars higher than previously thought so that we can have the floor bored through for the wiring. Jeff motioned to approve this and Savile seconded. All in favor.

New Business

Wells Fargo and Jason – Jason our rep from Wells Fargo has resigned and has notified the Foudation. We have a new replacement. This will not change much in our relationship with

Wells Fargo as he did not have anything to do with what accounts were chosen.

Form 5 – Postulancy – This form for George Favell was signed by the Vestry to show our support for his continued postulancy. This affirms his continuation of his process of ordination to the priesthood.

Repair of boilers – We received a quote \$15,000 from Christianson Heating and Plumbing for replacing the boilers. Jeff put a motion on the table and Kenneth seconded that to pay for it we take \$6,000 out of youth account then use \$2,000 from the check from the Diocese and then take the balance from the operating funds of general account to pay for it. But first we will get a few more estimates before we have the work done. L&M Boiler should be one and Jim and Dudes should be the other.

Outdoor Services – July 3rd will be our first outdoor Service and going forward the first Sunday of each month of July, August, and September will be those services.

Bishop visit – The Bishop will be spending a week in each of his non metro areas. He will be in Southern Minnesota September 30th – October 5th. They have asked as a congregation we do 3 things, get a photo of the congregation, write 2 short sentences about the church, and then have 3 fun facts about our faith community.

- (1) We were founded in 1876. So the centennial of the church coincides with the bicentennial of the United States.
- (2) We sit on a lake and have an unbelievable view from our sanctuary.
- (3) Our building fills a need in the community for groups to gather: womens retreats, and yoga classes, the art center and humane society.

Our 2 sentences are Mission statement is: We strive to be a place where ALL people can feel

welcomed and included in the life of this faith community.

Strategic Planning – We missed the deadline for the June 23rd decision. We have a small congregation, and we are still interested as it could make an impact on our congregation. We

JULY MINUTES

July 24th meeting

Opening Prayer

Father Henry Update – Father Henry was not able to make this meeting.

Senior Warden Update – Savile did not have any updates.

Junior Warden Update – Boiler is being repaired this week. Mike noticed that Faribault is doing a roofing project. We will look into who they are doing. Multiple spots in the building where the water does not get away. The gutters have a leaf guard. We also rediscussed window covers to keep them free from debris.

Financials - Joy presented the financials with no major changes from last month. Jeff motion to approve the financials as presented and Kenneth seconded.

Old Business

Music in the church - When Gail is off there will be no music. She has 5 Sundays a year off. If someone wants to volunteer their time, they are more than welcome to provide music.

Replacement of outside lights – We are on their list at Southern Minnesota Electric. So we are just waiting.

would like to discuss with Canon Blair, Savile will touch base.

Closing Prayer

July 24th will be our next meeting.

Streaming – hardwired system. – We are not sure where this stands, but we can ask.

Rain Proof mailbox – Kenneth and Savile Will find one.

Wells Fargo and Jason – Jason, who has left Wells Fargo was interested in whether we were interested in joining him in his new company. The Vestry declined this offer.

New Business

Building Use forms - Review the revised building use forms that George has provided.

Use of church by another church request - We had a request from a local church to use our facility. The vestry believes it is certainly worth pursuing and clarification of what their expectations would be. Want to know why they are not using that church anymore.

San Jose Obrero – The vestry approved the \$350 yearly support of San Jose Obrero.

Closing prayer

Other notes

We are really short staffed on readers and coffee hour participants.

We will have the next Vestry meeting on the 28th of August.