



Pentecost 2020

Greetings Brothers and Sisters of St. David's Bean Blossom.

So much has changed since I last wrote an article for the newsletter I hardly know where to begin. This pandemic is something I never would have predicted or expected to happen. It has been a time of change and adaptation to say the least. It has been hard to not see you all in the flesh. I've always said that pastoral care has to be done in person and that is just not possible in this time.

You all have been very quick to learn this new technology. I thank all the younger members who were able to help me get started especially Lauren, Ed, Cori, Ben and Adie. I thank Yvonne for writing the grant for new tech equipment which we will definitely be needing. I thank you all for continuing to be the church even in this time of great uncertainty. Your willingness to continue to participate and to make important decisions and share your ideas and care for one another has allowed me to keep seeing the love of God in our midst. It was very hard to not open the Farmer's Market this year but I feel that we can continue to serve the needs of the food insecure in new ways.

We are going to start meeting to figure out a plan for gradual re-opening. There is a committee devoted solely to this purpose. To be honest I don't think this pandemic will be something that goes away quickly. We will continue to provide online options and thinking of ways to participate without unduly risking the health and safety of anyone. We will use all recommended safety measures and social distancing. For the foreseeable future there will not be any singing, communion, or in person coffee hour. None of this changes the fact that we are still a community and we are still the body of Christ. We are a people of hope. I pray that during this time of physical separation we continue to draw closer to God and hear the voice of our Creator, the one who grieves with us, celebrates with us and in whom we live and move and have our being. God's peace be with you my friends. Please know that if you have any pastoral concerns you should contact me and we will set up a time to meet by phone or Zoom.

God's peace,

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IN

We are all in.
 God has called us home,
 from the fields, the hunting grounds.
 Each fishing boat moored,
 each gatherer returned
 with baskets stored.

We are all in.
 Now there is no-one
 but ourselves,
 no-one but our own souls,
 in which to dwell in deepest
 communion.

Even in our homes,
 with the sounds
 of children stirring,
 and another's arms enfolding,
 we have not been more aware
 of our inner cells –

our cloistered beings –
 the place in which we hear
 but an echo of the other,
 and the memory of what was
 fades out,
 the residue of dreams.

Only the now existing,
 the very air,
 with currents strange, alive,
 in this time of imagining.
 and the drawing down
 of heaven.

Yes, we are all in.
 But not only to rest,
 and discover new ways of being.
 But to hold the world sorrows,
 as the elements
 of all our possibilities.

Each of us apart,
 cloistered in our quarters,
 but with equal measures gifted,
 and concoctions each
 intrinsic
 to the healing of the nations,
 integral to a world restored in Christ.

~Ana Lisa de Jong
 Living Tree Poetry
 March 2020

Amelia Earhart in Heaven

by Dennis Sipe

In heaven,
 children love to go to Amelia Earhart Airport,
 watch every last plane land,
 low on fuel,
 fuselages dotted with dark bullet holes,
 scarred rudders eaten by flame,
 silver frames catching the light of heaven.

The Wright Brothers are always working on something
 with Warner Von Braun.
 All ex-astronauts get to land on the moon again,
 or for the first time.
 They play golf, drink beer,
 kick up moon dust with their boots and talk.
 Old fighter pilots play in gravity God gives them.
 They never need to turn their guns on each other
 or towns.
 They roll and swoop and whoop joyous whoops.
 God might show up on the tarmac
 in his cowboy hat and boots. He'll say:
*Boys, you all escort my transports to these coordinates.
 Deliver the loaves and fishes,
 and cut a good show with your afterburners
 so that they who are lost will know I mean business,
 yet in my fire there is love.*

Lewis and Clark bivouac with their men up in the hills
 by a clear river that sings like angels over rock,
 gives them rest before they march.
 Although God knows where solar wind comes from
 and to where it goes,
 the lay of the stars,
 the way of the tides on every cosmic shore,
 it pleases God to give Lewis and Clark mapping chores.

Amelia is out there flying from star to star.
 She always makes it.
 She slips through the Electra's hatch in her sleek flight suit
 with candy for children and kisses for cameras.

—*from Jan Drum*

Outreach News

Pandemic Requires Changes

The Covid-19 Pandemic has for me resulted in many disappointments and necessitated my meditating, reflecting, learning to operate electronics, and responding to what I believe is God's purpose and calling. My granddaughter has missed her senior prom, graduation, and eighteenth birthday. Jaden finished his sixth grade on line without the normal celebration of ending his elementary school years. Another grandson has lost his ideal employment in cyber security. The eighth season of the Bean Blossom Farmers Market was cancelled due to safety issues with our volunteers, vendors, and customers. I must attend church services and meetings that require learning to use Zoom, Facebook, and FaceTime family communication. These disappointments, in the scope of the human conditions, are minor as I realize I am Blessed and called to respond to my family, friends, neighbors, and Church in a new and different way.

The Bean Blossom Farmers Market originated with St. David's Outreach to provide to our community a resource for locally grown produce and meats, homebased products of baked goods, jellies, and arcticians. The market provided an economic opportunity for vendors and shoppers to purchase at the market using SNAP and WIC benefits. When McDonald's closed, our neighbors in this area of Brown County had to shop in Nashville, Morgantown, and Bloomington for fresh produce and meat products.

When the 2020 market season was cancelled due to safety concerns during the pandemic, vendors had registered and planning was well underway. When vendors were notified, we offered continued support to provide contact information to place orders on line or phone, to post on Facebook and web-sites current products they had available. Most vendors have Food Stands to sell produce. Some have licensed commercial kitchens and may sell home based products. Vendor contact lists are available on Happenings Board at the church entrance, Scoop, and flyers. Parishioners and friends who may be waiting for fresh strawberries, asparagus, tomatoes, etc. are encouraged to order!

St. David's Bean Blossom Farmers Market Advisory Committee and St. David's Outreach committee recognizes the farmers market addressed food insecurity in our area of Brown County by offering a place where fresh produce and meat was available. But some citizens in our neighboring area cannot get to a place, need to rely on delivery of food resources, or do not have internet to know what is available. Therefore the Food Insecurity Committee has been formed to explore, reflect and respond to our neighbors who need access to food.

The Food Insecurity Committee will focus on identifying families and individuals in Northern Brown County who have utilized food delivery or referrals through the schools, Trustee, churches, other community services. Some delivery of food is being discontinued. The committee is developing a calendar of food service each month to be distributed to the families and individuals. We hope to determine if delivery is needed and schedule. We collaborating with food distribution community resources to help expand programs and/or create new ones.

Share your ideas. Join us to answer Christ's call to feed the hungry.

—*Donna Niednagel*

Farmer's Market News

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. David's Episcopal Church,

We are living through a time right now where things are different in many ways. We cannot gather as a church community and we are forced to shelter in place unless we are working an essential job. The threat of COVID-19 is real and as of right now there continues to be an increase of cases here in Indiana. Because of concerns expressed by several people in the congregation, the vestry voted on Monday to suspend the Farmers Market for the 2020 season. They felt that the safety of each and every volunteer and community member was too precious to risk.

We would not have been able to open the café or have entertainment even if we had decided to open. This was not an easy decision and one we don't take lightly. We had a group conversation last Sunday and the committee chair and market manager and many others were present for it. It is the vestry's job to do what is best for the church community and I know that it was out of great care and concern for you, the vendors, and the community, that this decision was made.

We are continuing conversation with people from the Farmers Market Board, the Outreach committee and the vestry to see how we can best serve the food insecurity of Bean Blossom and Brown County. I know that this is disappointing for many. All of you can still support the vendors by ordering from them in person. The numbers are on the St. David's Facebook pages and will be in *The Democrat* as well.

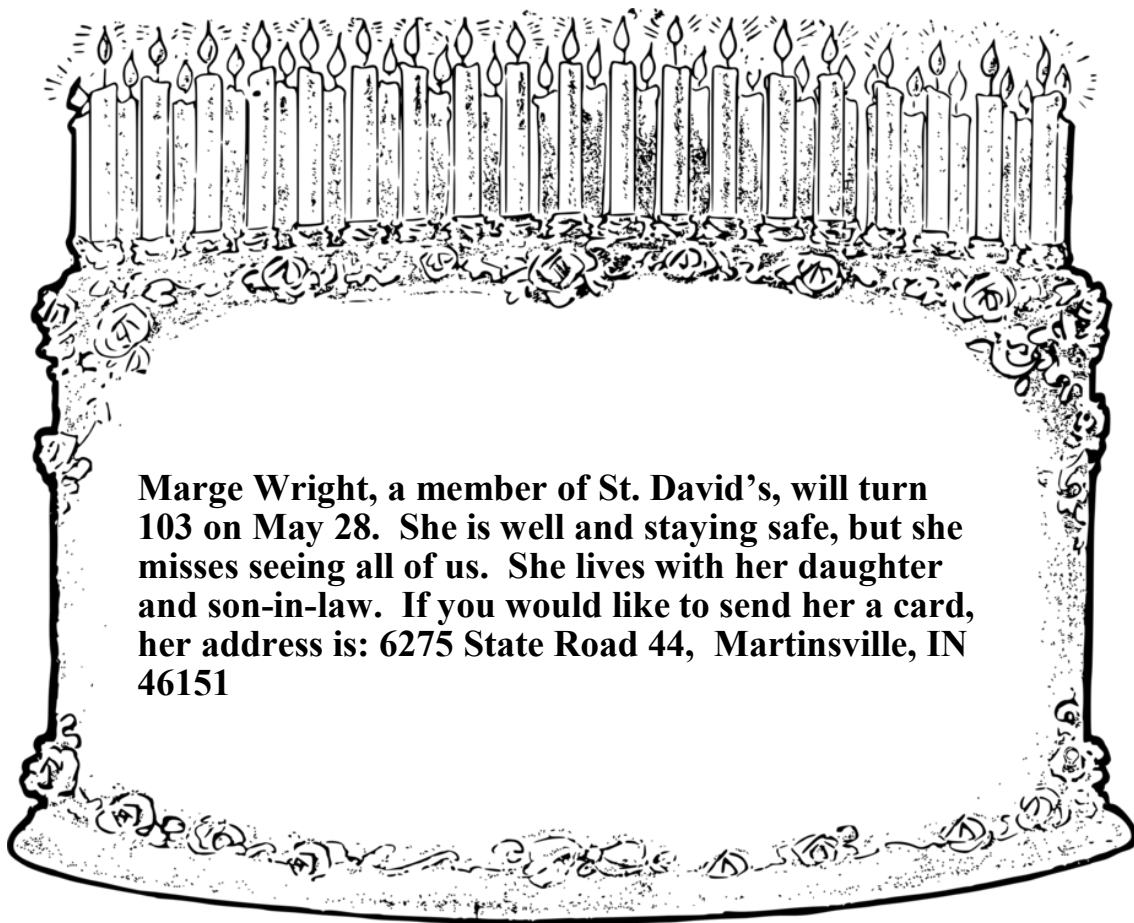
God's peace and understanding be with you all.

Pax,
Mother Mary



HELP OUR VENDORS—ORDER BY PHONE OR ON-LINE OR VISIT THEIR FOOD STAND

- Mary Lou Nay, Nay-tures Hilltop Farms, Text 812-480-7767 or marylounay@gmail.com
- Lynn Jewell, High Thyme Farms, 2152 Grandma Barnes Rd, 317-445-2950. lmjewell@highthymefarm.com
- Linnea Good, Linnea's Greenhouse, 7092 N. Shilo Rd., Unionville, 812-340-0470, linneagood@netscape.com
- Scott & Jill Stowers, The Wood Frog, 1294 McLary Rd., 812-345-4711, scott@thewoodfrog.com
- Phil Wuensch, Uncle Phil's Farm, 392 Camp Moneto Rd., Nashville, 812-318-0538
- Annamarie Hamilton, Ram Family Farms, 765-341-0491, ramfamilybusiness@hotmail.com



Marge Wright, a member of St. David's, will turn 103 on May 28. She is well and staying safe, but she misses seeing all of us. She lives with her daughter and son-in-law. If you would like to send her a card, her address is: 6275 State Road 44, Martinsville, IN 46151

Fun

- 1) Tomorrow is the “National Homeschool Tornado Drill.” Lock your kids in the basement until you get the all clear. You’re welcome!
- 2) I was so bored I called Jake from State Farm just to talk to someone. He asked me what I was wearing.
- 3) 2019: Stay away from negative people.
2020: Stay away from positive people.
- 4) The world has turned upside down. Old folks are sneaking out of the house, and their kids are yelling at them to stay indoors!
- 5) You think it’s bad now? In 20 years our country will be run by people homeschooled by day drinkers...
- 6) This virus has done what no woman had been able to do... cancel all sports, shut down all bars, and keep men at home!!!
- 7) Do not call the police on suspicious people in your neighborhood! Those are your neighbors without makeup and hair extensions!
- 8) Since we can’t eat out, now’s the perfect time to eat better, get fit, and stay healthy. We’re quarantined! Who are we trying to impress? We have snacks, we have sweatpants – I say we wear them!
- 9) Day 7 at home and the dog is looking at me like, “See? This is why I chew up the furniture!”
- 10) Does anyone know if we can take showers yet or should we just keep washing our hands???
- 11) I never thought the comment “I wouldn’t touch him/her with a 6 foot pole” would become a national policy, but here we are!
- 12) ME: Alexa what’s the weather this weekend?
ALEXA: It doesn’t matter – you’re not going anywhere.
- 13) Can everyone please just follow the government instructions so we can knock out this coronavirus and be done?! I feel like a kindergartner who keeps losing more recess time because one or two kids can’t follow directions.
- 14) I swear my fridge just said “what the hell do you want now?”
- 15) When this is over...what meeting do I attend first...Weight Watchers or AA?
- 16) Quarantine has turned us into dogs. We roam the house all day looking for food. We are told “no” if we get too close to strangers. And we get really excited about car rides.

—from Fran Dugan

Birthdays and Anniversaries

MAY

10 Jan Halladay
 16 Michael & Cynthia Kafoure Anniversary
 20 Ray Laffin
 26 Dona Glentzer
 27 Jim & Judy Huber - Anniversary
 27 Gene & Donna Niednagel - Anniversary
 28 Marge Wright
 29 Charles & Margie Hill - Anniversary

JUNE

4 Anne Hawk
 6 Ben Smith
 7 David Savage
 21 Jim Huber
 22 Judy Laffin

JULY

2 Mary Bargiel
 7 Verne Sindlinger

9 Fran Dugan
 18 Dan & Jean Furlong - Anniversary
 20 Yvonne & Bob Oliger - Anniversary
 27 Judy Huber
 29 Ruth Reichmann
 29 Lou Wentzler
 29 David & Jane Savage - Anniversary
 31 Eli Rodriquez

AUGUST

1 Maggie Linscott
 1 Sharon Kitchens
 22 Sandy Ridenour
 23 Verne & Phyllis Sindlinger - Anniversary
 26 Richard & Jan Halliday - Anniversary
 30 Richard Halladay

Don't see your birthday or anniversary - drop me a line at jane@rjherr.com

Notes from our friends in the west: I too am getting bored. Judy's and my health are fine considering we do not go out or are not exposed to the virus. We still have 5 adult cats and two little kittens.

Ray and Judy Laffin

A story from Ray Laffin: A story from my time in the military:

Took basic training at Camp Roberts - 16 weeks - Qualified on an M-1 Rifle

Threw hand grenades - Learned very quickly to put on a gas mask to avoid "tear gas"

Crawled thru an infiltration course at night with live machine gun rounds shooting over our heads.

After basic, auditioned as a percussionist for the 7th Armored Division Band and was selected. Because I could type, I finally was promoted to the First Sgt. of the band. I still have my dress uniform and combat boots since January of 1954.

Enough for now.

Ray Laffin

Newsletter Submissions?

Please send your news items, stories of spiritual growth, book reviews, jokes, cartoons, recipes, etc. to Jane Herr (812)320-2340 or 4923 Stevens Rd., Nashville, 47448 or (the preferred method!): jane@rjherr.com

Next deadlines for submissions:

Fall: August 16, 2020

Advent: November 15, 2020

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SERVICES
Sunday 9:30 AM Holy Communion
Wednesday 6:00 PM Evening Prayer

Summer Holidays

Monday	May 25	Memorial Day
Sunday	May 31	Pentecost Sunday
Monday	June 1	Whit Monday
Sunday	June 7	Trinity Sunday
Thursday	June 11	Corpus Christi
Sunday	June 14	Flag Day
Monday	June 15	St. Vladimir
Saturday	June 20	First day of summer
Sunday	June 21	Father's Day
Saturday	July 25	St. James the Great Day
Monday	June 29	St. Peter & Paul Day
Sunday	July 26	Parent's Day
Saturday	Aug. 1	Lammas
Monday	Aug. 6	Feast of Transfiguration
Saturday	Aug. 15	Assumption Day
Sunday	Aug. 16	deadline for Fall newsletter