



SAINT THOMAS TIDINGS



October 2019



Prayers of The People

Pray for anyone who suffers from any kind of grief, trouble or illness especially **Ed, Harlow, Mary Ann, Russ, Fr. John, Bill, Jean, Marion, Carol, Charline, Joe, Dawn, Sheri, Nick, Elanor, Nicholas, Tina, Chase, Amy, Nancy, Kaz, Michael, Janna, Alison, Lily, Robyn and Gad. Deliver them from their distress.**

Pray for those serving in our armed forces especially, **Casey, Nicholas, Jim, Trevor, Aaron, Christine, Alan, Mitchell, Emily, Steven, Chris, the 200th Red Horse Squadron and the 393rd U.S. Air Force Bomb Squadron. Protect, guide and comfort them and bring them home safely when their work is done.**

A Message From Pastor Beverly

It's hard to believe that I have been here a year already. It has gone so quickly. I feel blessed to have been called to serve you. I have found St. Thomas and Port Clinton friendly and inviting and I look forward to continuing my service to you.

I have tried not to change too many things, but there were times when I felt you wanted something more from worship or outreach. We've tried a number of new ideas, many suggested by you. Some have worked well, others not so well. But it was apparent to me that you wanted to make everyone who enters our Red Doors feel welcome and part of St. Thomas.

Please continue to bring to me your concerns or suggestions, understanding that St. Thomas is made up of many personalities and differences of opinions. There's an Old Rhyne that says:

Men's faces, voices, differ much;
Saints are not all one size;
Flow'rs in a garden various grow;
Let none monopolize.

I think St. Thomas has a unique ability to recognize the diversity of gifts God has blessed us with, plus the competence to use them wisely.

Thanks for a wonderful year.

Pastor Beverly

Announcements

Saint Thomas Food Closet

Saint Thomas is opening a food closet to provide emergency shelf stable food to members of the local community. Please contact the office for a list of food items. We also accept donations of money. If you would like to write a check, please write "Saint Thomas Food Closet" in the memo section. Thanks.

Ladies Night Out

The next *Ladies Night Out* event will take place on Tuesday, October 22nd at Ciao Bella in Port Clinton. There will be a sign-up sheet in the kitchen. Please sign up if you plan to attend so we can call the restaurant and make a reservation. Thank you.

Community Meal

Last month, Saint Thomas served beef stroganoff and peas to 75 people and 41 carry out meals at a cost of \$0.96 per meal. Thanks to all who came and helped or made donations to the meal. This month, we will be serving goulash, garlic bread, and salad on Thursday, October 17th. Please sign-up in the kitchen if you would like to help out and check out the menu insert for information about future meals.

Singers wanted

Pastor Beverly is looking for men and women, boys and girls, who would be willing to sing as part of a choir at the community Thanksgiving service on Monday, November 25th at 6:00 PM and again at Lessons and Carols in December. Please contact the church office for more information.

A Luncheon and a Planting

We will be hosting a thank you luncheon for Deacon George on Sunday, October 27th following the service. After lunch, we will move outside to plant daffodil bulbs for the spring. We have already purchased 200 bulbs. Further details for this event will be forthcoming.

Future Announcements

Please send future church email announcement submissions to saintthomaspcch@gmail.com, or you can call the church office and speak to Sue. Thank you.

Vestry Meeting Information

Here is a summary of the issues covered in the September 2019 vestry meeting. “Big” Mike McCroskey is now hosting Sunday Night AA Meetings. Repairs to the front steps of the church have been completed and the invoice has been paid. Next, we will need to replace the bell tower shingles. The pros and cons of replacing the parish hall windows versus sealing them and getting AC was also discussed. The vestry also decided not to donate to Anglican Digest.

Pastor Beverly visited Ed Kuck in the hospital. His health status is uncertain at this time. She also visited Marion Rose and Bill Becker and will visit Martha Appleyard in the coming months. She has created written instructions for ushers and is planning to offer “Why we do what we do.” Worship rituals and practices” lessons during Advent. The vestry approved the use of Blue paraments during Advent and Sanctus bells during the Easter Season. Replacing the “little” bell in the bell tower and the rope was also discussed.

Donna Becker has volunteered to put together a new church directory. She will do so after the secretary goes through and compiles all of the old lists. Finally, delegates were selected for the upcoming diocesan convention.

October Birthdays

Nancy Douglas	1 st
Ed Kuck	2 nd
John Rodrigue	5 th
Bill Moon	17 th
David Barnes	23 rd
Lee Wahlers	29 th



O, God, our time is in your hands. Look with favor on your servants as they begin another year. Strengthen their trust in your goodness, all the days of their lives. Please let us know your birthday so we can include it in future editions of the newsletter.

Recipe: Green Zombie Smoothies

Back by popular demand for “Trick-or-Treat in Downtown Port Clinton”, this kid-friendly green smoothie is sure to please. Come try a sample on Saturday, October 26th during the Port Clinton Chambers trick-Or-Treat Event.

Ingredients:

2 cups baby spinach
2 cups apple juice, chilled
½ avocado, cut into cubes and sprinkled with lemon juice
1 cup mango chunks
1 cup pineapple chunks
1 medium bananas sliced



1. Place fruit and avocado into a baggie and freeze for at least three hours.
2. Place apple juice and spinach in a blender and blend until smooth.
3. Add frozen fruit and blend until all is incorporated and the smoothie reaches a thick creamy green consistency.
4. If your blender ceases up before your smoothie is blended, add ½ cup more apple juice and keep blending until your smoothie reaches the desired consistency.
5. Serve immediately.

Joke of the Month

Two zombies were at a Halloween party. Suddenly, one zombie turns to the other and says, “How rude? I think that woman just rolled her eyes at me. Do you think I should say something?” The second zombie replied, “No. Just be a gentleman and roll them back.”

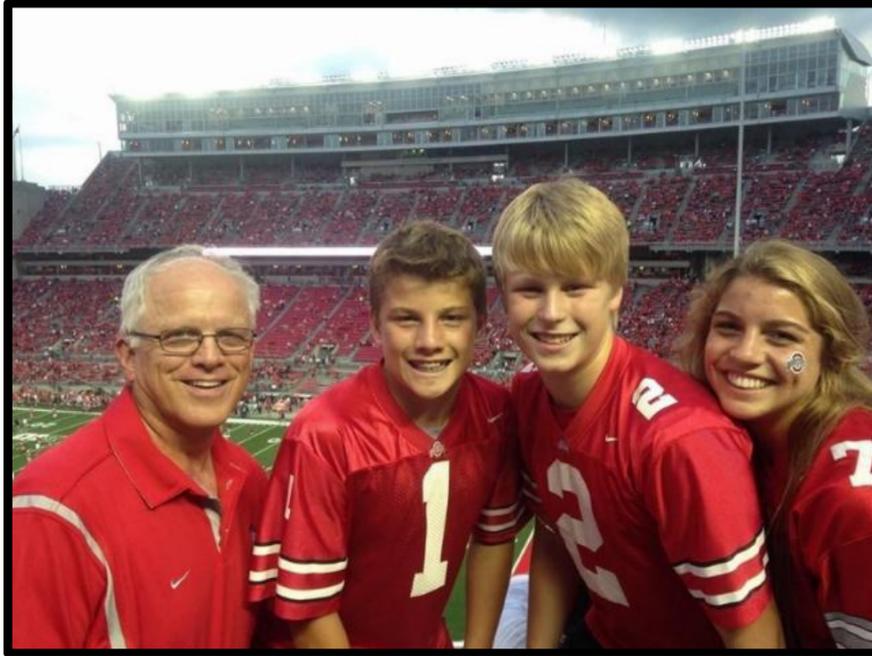
Meet John Henry Bolte: Your Treasurer

A native of Ohio, John enjoys a number of things, but Ohio State football is his real passion, so much so that he named his dog "Buckeye". His schedule revolves around their games. But his wife Gerri, his two children, Renee and John Henry the 4th and five grandchildren, Cooper, McKenzie, John Henry the 5th, Luke and Ty are the love of his life.

An Electrical Engineer by profession, and a graduate of Tri-State College in Angola, Indiana he rose through the ranks to end his career as Vice President of Operations at National Machinery of Tiffin, Ohio.

He keeps meticulous records for St. Thomas and enjoys keeping our books in audit perfect shape. It has become the goal of the vestry to "keep John happy", because if he is happy that means that the church is doing well.

A HIGH FIVE for John.



John attends a Buckeyes Game with three of his grandkids, Cooper, Luke and McKenzie.

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