SAINT THOMAS TIDINGS

Prayers of The People

November 2023



Pray for anyone who suffers from any kind of grief, trouble or illness especially Maria, Diane, Nana Jo, Patricia K, Scott, Fr. John, Alec, Roseann, David, Michael, Steve, Sue, Eliza, Linda and Donna: Deliver them from their distress. Pray for those serving in our armed forces especially, Fr. Tony, Mitchell, Emily, Chris and Chelsey, the 200th Red Horse Squadron, 983rd Combat Engineer Battalion 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:

Imagine that your job in life was to get up every morning and fix an egg for someone. We all know that there are several different ways to cook an egg: hardboiled, soft-boiled, poached, fried, baked, scrambled, benedict, etc. Now, if you didn't want to get bored and are willing to take a chance, you would look for new ways to cook an egg. But if you wanted to play it safe, and you knew that the person you were cooking it for loves poached eggs, you would prepare the same poached egg every morning. Preaching a sermon every week is a little like that. During my years as a Lutheran pastor and then as an Episcopal priest, I've written many sermons. Most have been OK, a few good, and then maybe one or two exceptional. But in each of my

Contact Information Phone Number: 419-734-3404 Email: saintthomaspcoh@gmail.com sermons I have always tried to have one central theme, "God is a God of love." For whatever reason, when I preached on the Ten Commandments, a couple of weeks ago, I felt this tug at my heart that told me to go on. Go on with the rest of the Commandments, don't stop there. I have learned through my own mistakes that when God tugs at your heart, you need to listen. So, in the coming weeks you will hear we talk about the Ten Commandments. They are the foundation of who we are and God's gift of love to us."

Shalom, Pastor Beverly

Prayer For Peace In The World

Lord, Healer of the Nations, from the noise of war and the drumbeat of vengeance, give us undiminished determination to wage peace. Out of brokenness, violence, and destruction let us plant seeds of hope. Out of chaos, confusion, and hatred, let us build bridges of love. Out of distrust, disunity, and distance, let us walk together in harmony. Heal our divisions, make us whole, and bring us peace. Amen.

- Pastor Beverly

Ministry Opportunities

Here are some ways to serve St. Thomas and our community.

Knitting Ministry: Tuesdays, November 5th at 1:00PM. No knitting ministry on November 21st.

Operation Food on the Table: We will be packing food bags on Wednesday, November 29 at 11 AM. Text Dana with questions: 419-681-0960.

Service Time Change: Starting on November 5th service will move from 9AM to 10AM.

Daylight Savings Time: November 5th. Don't forget to turn your clocks back!

Diocese Convention: November 10th and 11th

Join us every Sunday at 10am for service or livestream is available at Episcopalportclinton.org

October 2023 Vestry Meeting

Treasurer's Report: Contributions are up. The meeting with Edward Jones resulted in buying more bonds.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Beverly attended the women's retreat October 14th. She highlighted some upcoming events: The NCMAC meeting Oct. 21st. The Diocese convention is Nov. 10th and 11th. St. Thomas will need to send a lay person.

Food Pantry Report: Toledo Food bank continues to be a low-cost food source. Dana would like to do something for the vineyards regular food bag recipients, possibly a turkey during thanksgiving.

Other: <u>Building and grounds:</u> The quote to fix the bell tower water leak is \$2460. The motion to repair the tower was passed. Bill Moon has finished the work on the ground bell tower. Larry Janes moved the ground trimmings to the street. This will need to be done monthly next summer. John Bolte will get with Bob Keller to discuss his duties and hours.

New Business: Krystal Hilton has been working in the office and is being trained on the required duties. Mike Mabee said this is the year we need to do an appraisal on Rev. Beverly. The last appraisal was done in 2020.

Old Business: None

Troy Thomas – 14th Donna Becker – 26th Don't forget to wish them Happy Birthday

November Anniversaries

Pastor Bob and Anne Butcher – 16th Strengthen their trust in your goodness all the day of their lives

Recipe Leftover Hot Brown Turkey Casserole Ingredients:

¼c. butter4c. 2% milk¼ tsp. salt¼c. all-purpose flour¼ tsp. paprika1 large egg12 slices bread, toasted2lbs. leftover turkey or chicken¾c. parmesan cheese, divided¼ tsp. pepper6 strips bacon, cooked and crumbled

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°. In a large saucepan, melt butter over medium heat. Stir in flour until smooth; gradually whisk in milk. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly; cook until slightly thickened, 6-8 minutes. Remove from heat. In a small bowl, lightly beat egg. Gradually whisk in 1/2 cup sauce. Slowly return all to the pan, whisking constantly. Add 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese, salt and pepper. Cook and stir until thickened. (Do not allow to boil.) In a greased 13x9-in. baking dish, layer 6 toast slices and turkey; pour sauce over top. Sprinkle with paprika, bacon and remaining 1/4 cup Parmesan cheese. Bake until heated through, 20-25 minutes. Top with tomatoes and parsley. Cut remaining toast slices in half diagonally; serve on the side.

The Month Of November

The name November, follows the same pattern as the months before it, September and October, which take their names from their original numerical position in the calendar year. November comes from the Latin root novem- meaning "nine," because in the Roman calendar there were only 10 months in the year, and November was indeed the ninth month. November is the time to prepare for the winter months, which means pulling out our winter coats and boots, adding another blanket to our bed, or searching for the perfect pumpkin pie recipe. It also has some important dates: Thanksgiving, elections, Daylight Saving Time and we must not forget "Black Friday". November is one of our shorter months only having 30 days.

Ladies Luncheon

Where: Bistro 163 When: Saturday November 18th at 12pm

Men's Breakfast

Next meeting will be Thursday, November 9th at Ala Carte After Hours on Madison Street, at 8:30 am in downtown Port Clinton. All men are welcome to come and share breakfast and a time of fellowship together.

