

**NORTH PARISH
MAY/JUNE 2025
NEWSLETTER**

**THRU THE HANDS OF GOD -
ONE HAND HELPING ANOTHER
(North Parish's Mission Statement)**



Musings.....from the priest.....May-June 2025

ALLELUIA!! CHRIST IS RISEN!!

With the proclamation that Christ is Risen, our Easter season comes and the northern hemisphere bursts with new life. The hope that Easter brings will continue throughout Pentecost and again we recognize that death has no hold on us. The words "He has burst his 3 day prison" were sung and Alleluias resounded. Easter is joyful and lively and bright. All words to describe the casting of death away and eternal life taking shape.

As joyful as Easter is, Pentecost comes with the breathlessness of a dawn...darkness is vanquished and daylight and the hope of a new day, and a new life begins. Pentecost gives us breathing room to study and contemplate and again rejoice of the mighty acts that God has done for us. I recommend you consider perusing the bookshelves in the church and hall for something that catches you. Take it home, read it, and ask questions to delve more deeply into an aspect of this faith that you may never have considered.

Offer your time to a ministry that continues throughout the late spring and summer. Better yet, ask a relative or acquaintance to accompany you to a Sunday service or 2. That invitation may be the start of a good solid discussion about the Episcopal Church or about Christian beliefs in general. And come and sit with a coffee, tea or treat at a coffee hour. Speak with someone you may know to see but who you may never have spent any time with. Explore that uniquely Episcopalian question- "How did you come to attend the Episcopal Church?" or "Tell me about your faith journey". Some folks have amazing stories, and sharing is an extension of our Christian faith.

During Pentecost, we are told that the Advocate-the Paraclete-will remind us of everything we need. Consider your own story, and share it without embarrassment, fear, or judgement. It may strengthen you again, knowing why you have become a part of this Christian branch. And the journeys of others worship and serving with you may be a spark that is needed to allow your faith to grow and develop anew.

In peace, your brother-in-Christ.....

Kurt +

Fr. Kurt





MAY BIRTHDAYS

4 – Denise Ann Yelito
6 – Owen Labie
8 – Robert Tiley
10 – David Hewes, Sr.
12 – Melyssa Willard

12 – Kyle Schu
14 – Robert Higgins, Sr.
15 – Carly Demcher
17 – Ty Androshick
20 – Susan Neary

21 – Dylan Harkins
22 – Megan Engelbrecht
23 – Chloe Demcher

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

2 – Skye Goodman
June Leshar
Sean O'Neill
3 – Danielle Meade
7 – Aidan Reppert
Marilyn Spieles
11 – Tyler Scheuren
12 – Jaime Lauver

12 - Suzette Leibig
Terry McGlone
17 – Steven Goodman
18 – Justin Ulceski
Kyler Bowers
19 – Albert Snyder
22 – Jason Noble

23 – Spencer Dougherty
Zachery Willard
24 – Lisa Lindenmuth
25 – Margaret Frantz
Bonnie Lecher
Jeanne Capparell
29 – Todd Leshar

If your birthday is listed incorrectly or it is not included on the birthday list, please notify the church office. Thank you.



NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS are needed for our Food Cupboards. If you are unable to donate food items, you can also give a monetary donation. Please write your check to North Parish and designate Food Cupboards. Thank you.



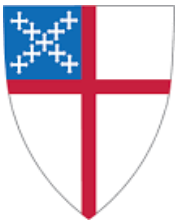
PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Amanda, Amelia, Bob, Bridget, Dolores, Emily, John, Patricia, Ben S., Betty P., Rachael Coyle, Delores Frantz, Donna Frantz, Phil Frantz, Gerard Frantz, Jennifer Frantz, Rebecca Higgins, Linda Hood, Harley Hynoski, McKenzie Kline, Fr. Kurt Kovalovich, Bill Kuhn, Joshua Lauver, Landry Lauver, Stephen M., Mary Makely, Jeff Maurer, Shirley Moyer, Catherine Mozdy, Justin Mummaw, Bill Noble, Joe Scheuren, Kim Russell Seibert, Rev. Dolores (Evans) Smith, Christopher Stevens, David Strunk, Bob Tiley, and Eddie Ulceski

PRAYER LIST POLICY: We are updating our prayer list beginning July 1st. If you would like your name to remain on the prayer list or need to add someone, please notify the office before then. We ask that you call the church office at 570-429-7107 or email us at nparish@ptd.net. Please leave your name, phone number and the name of the person for the prayer list. Thank you.



SPECIAL INTENTION: Your prayers are asked for the family and friends of Edward (Don) Watters who entered eternal life on March 31, 2025. May God grant Edward eternal rest and give comfort to all who knew and loved him.



HOLY APOSTLES SATURDAY SERVICES

May 3, 2025 – 5:00 p.m.

Holy Eucharist

Celebrant – The Rev. Dr. Kurt K. Kovalovich

May 31, 2025 – 5:00 p.m.

Evening Prayer

Worship Leader – Bonnie Baker



All articles for the July/August Newsletter should be submitted to our Parish Secretary, Shannon, no later than Monday, June 16th.

MAY MEMORIALS



WINE & WAFERS: In memory of Betty Noble by the Hynoski Family.

BULLETINS: In memory of Bertha and Robert Price by Mary and Robert Price.
In memory of Alice Umlauf by Susan Noble and Family.

SANCTUARY CANDLES: In memory of Mary C. Umlauf by Joseph Coddington.
In memory of Jim Lecher by the Lecher Family.
In memory of Leona Briel, Gladys Lally and Anna Umlauf
by Susan Noble and Family.

JUNE MEMORIALS



WINE & WAFERS: In memory of Jim Lecher by the Lecher Family.

BULLETINS: In memory of Mary C. Umlauf by Joseph Coddington

SANCTUARY CANDLES: In memory of Cole Joshua Lauver by the Hynoski Family.
In memory of Harold Strunk by Strunk and Ulceski Families.

MAY/JUNE NEWSLETTER: In memory of Bertha and Robert Price by Robert and Mary Price.

2025 MEMORIALS AVAILABLE:

Bulletins – October & November - \$10 per month

Newsletter: July/August - \$10.00

Please call the church office for more information – 570-429-7107

SUNDAY BREAKFAST - Holy Apostles

May 4, 2025 & June 1, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

The menu includes scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage,
home-fries, toast, juice, coffee, tea, etc.

The cost is \$12.00 at the door

The breakfasts are fundraisers for North Parish's general fund.

Our profit from March - \$1,243.18.

Our profit from April - \$818.22



call the church office at 570-429-7107 for tickets

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Future plans

FEBRUARY & MARCH 2025 FINANCES

North Parish Receipts			North Parish Disbursements		
General Account			General Account		
25-Feb	\$	3,298.00	25-Feb	\$	4,459.40
Year to Date	\$	7,471.24	Year to Date Exp.	\$	12,275.54
Transfer in from M&I for Expenses	\$	1,000.00			
Transfer M&I Year to Date for expenses	\$	1,000.00			
Transfer in from DIT Trust Fund	\$	5,000.00			
Transfer DIT Trust Fund Year to date	\$	5,000.00			
Transfer in from Memorial Acct.	\$	-			
Tranfer Memorial Acct year to date	\$	-			
M&I Account			M&I Account		
25-Feb	\$	55.09	25-Feb	\$	1,000.00 (gen. acct)
Year to date	\$	158.19	Year to date	\$	1,000.00
Memorial Account			Memorial Account		
25-Feb	\$	20.08	25-Feb	\$	-
Year to date	\$	20.17	Year to date	\$	-
Balances					
General Account	\$	5,572.98			
M&I Account	\$	5,072.71			
Total funds available	\$	10,645.69			
Memorial Account	\$	5,287.97			
Temp. Restricted Fund					
North Parish Receipts			North Parish Disbursements		
General Account			General Account		
25-Mar	\$	6,358.64	25-Mar	\$	10,352.41
Year to Date	\$	13,829.88	Year to Date Exp.	\$	22,627.95
Transfer in from M&I for ExpensesCurrent	\$	-			
Transfer M&I Year to Date for expenses	\$	1,000.00			
Transfer in from DIT Trust FundCurrent	\$	-			
Transfer DIT Trust Fund Year to date	\$	5,000.00			
Transfer in from Memorial Acct.Current	\$	-			
Tranfer Memorial Acct year to date	\$	-			
M&I Account			M&I Account		
25-Mar	\$	907.65	25-Mar	\$	-
Year to date	\$	1,065.84	Year to date	\$	1,000.00
Memorial Account			Memorial Account		
25-Mar	\$	0.09	25-Mar	\$	-
Year to date	\$	20.26	Year to date	\$	-
Balances					
General Account	\$	1,579.21			
M&I Account	\$	5,980.36			
Total funds available	\$	7,559.57			
Memorial Account	\$	5,288.06			

News from Marion C. Price Trust Fund

SAVE THE DATE!

MPTF annual summer picnic will be held Thursday July 17, 2025. We will be trying something different this year by having the event in the evening. While the location of the picnic has not yet been finalized, the time of 6:00 PM has been set. This will allow our seniors still working to attend, and for all of us to get home before dark in case you prefer not to drive at night. When all details are finalized, information will be available in church bulletins, the July newsletter, or by contacting Cathy Clouser.

FREE COMMUNITY SHREDDING EVENT will be held Thursday May 15, 2025 from 9AM to 1 PM at the Fairlane Village Mall Parking Area in Pottsville. Documents will be shredded on site. Attendees are limited to a 3-bag or box limit per vehicle. PLEASE NOTE: Items for shredding should be paper based. No 3-ring binders, plastic of any kind, binder clips, etc. This is a safe way to get rid of old paperwork containing personal information. For additional information please call 570-794-4039 or contact me in the office. The event is sponsored by Representative Tim Twardzik and Senator Dave Argall.

I have recently attended a seminar on Senior Scams. The event was held in the Fairlane Village Mall with a presentation from the Office of the Attorney General. Scammers can be very creative, hoping to catch people off guard, adding a sense of urgency before you have time to think about or question their request. Here are some tips to prevent Seniors from becoming victims of fraud:

- *Tech Repair Scam- if a questionable pop up appears on your computer do not click instead disconnect from the internet, then shut down your computer. You can then restart your computer safely.
- *NEVER reveal all or part of your credit card number(s), Social Security number or bank account number(s) to any caller for any reason! Do not invest in anything you do not fully understand.
- *If you don't know the caller, let it go to voicemail.
- * Don't always trust the caller ID on your phone.
- *Don't provide financial or personal information to callers.
- *Don't pay anyone with prepaid debit cards or gift cards.
- *IRS will NOT call you until they have sent you 3 official letters.
- *ONLY provide Medicare information when receiving care or services.
- *Always confirm contact from financial institutions by the phone number on your statement.
- *Shred credit card receipts and statements before discarding. Close unused credit cards or bank accounts.
- *Do not let salespeople pressure you into immediate purchases.

To file a complaint or sign up for Scam Alerts visit www.attorneygeneral.gov or phone the Senior Protection Unit at 1-866-623-2137



NORTH PARISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

MAY 2025

May 3 Saturday	Holy Eucharist	5:00 p.m.	Holy Apostles	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
May 4	Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m.	St. John's	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
May 11	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Timothy Albright The Rev. Timothy Albright
May 18	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
May 25	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Bonnie Hynoski Susan Noble
May 31 Saturday	Evening Prayer	5:00 p.m.	Holy Apostles	Bonnie Baker

JUNE 2025

June 1	Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m.	St. John's	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
June 8	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Timothy Albright The Rev. Timothy Albright
June 15	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich The Rev. Dr. Kurt Kovalovich
June 22	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Bonnie Hynoski Bonnie Baker
June 29	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Bonnie Baker Susan Noble

May 3 & 4	The Third Sunday of Easter	White
May 11	The Fourth Sunday of Easter	White
	Mother's Day	
May 18	The Fifth Sunday of Easter	White
May 25	The Sixth Sunday of Easter – Rogation Sunday	White
May 31 & June 1	The Seventh Sunday of Easter	White
	The Sunday after Ascension Day	
June 8	The Day of Pentecost – Whitsunday	Red
June 15	The First Sunday after Pentecost – Father's Day	White
	Trinity Sunday	
June 22	The Second Sunday after Pentecost	Green
June 29	The Third Sunday after Pentecost	Green

2025 EASTER FLOWERS WERE GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

St. John's

Amour Families
 George & Naomi Amour
 Roy Amour
 Margaret Briel
 Walter & Leona Briel
 Donald Clamser
 Anne Frankel
 Earl & Beverly Hess
 Hess Families
 Edith Hoffman
 Jimmy Hood
 Rosemary Jefferson
 Bob Jones (2)
 Ethel & Bert Kehler
 Gladys Lally
 Franklin Lane
 Ethel & Mike Lane
 Cole Joshua Lauver
 Geraldine Leibig (2)
 Dorothy Tiley Miller
 Marlin "Sparky" Miller
 William Miller, Jr.
 Emily & Louis Morris (2)
 William Morris (2)
 Bill Neary
 Angela Neary
 Betty Noble (2)
 Mary Anne Clamser Orr
 Mary Phillips
 Scheuren Families
 Albert Snyder, Jr.
 John Stivetts, Jr.
 Margaret & John Stivetts
 Harold & Deborah Strunk
 Timothy Strunk
 Edward & Rosemary Ulceski
 Raymond & Alice Umlauf
 Anna & John Umlauf
 Mary Umlauf



Holy Apostles

Chattin Family
 Davie Family
 Carol Dresch
 Frank A. Frantz
 Harry Frantz
 Ruth Frantz
 Charles & Maggie Frantz
 Orme & Merle Frantz
 Edward & Clara Gehring
 Lewis & Myrle Goodman
 Robert B. Goodman
 Anna Hesse
 Abram & Geneva Jones
 Abram & Mary Jones
 Lecher Family
 Raymond & Charlotte Paisley, Sr.
 Raymond Paisley, Jr.
 Roland & Helen Price
 Bertha & Robert J. Price
 Evan & Emma Reese
 Russel/Deans Family
 Chet Shanoskie
 Laura Turnitza



The flowers on the side altar at St. John's were in loving memory of members of the Amour & Hess Families.

Easter Flowers at St. John's and Holy Apostles
 In thanksgiving for the faithful people of North Parish
 by Fr. Kurt.