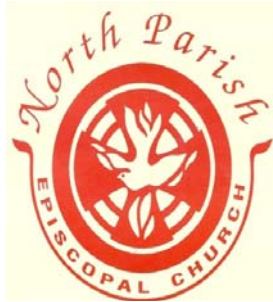


NORTH PARISH NEWSLETTER & SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2018



THRU THE HANDS OF GOD -
ONE HAND HELPING ANOTHER
(NORTH PARISH'S MISSION STATEMENT)



Dear Members of North Parish

I am energized by this year's stewardship theme, "Transforming Generosity." I like it because it has two meanings.

The first way to look at it is that *generosity can transform us, our community and our church*. When we become financially generous, we can empower the ministry of North Parish and transform the wider community.

The second meaning is that *we can transform what generosity looks like*. We can define generosity as the way we live our lives and the way our church works in the community. We are called to be generous financially. But we are also called to be generous in the way we welcome newcomers, care for the planet, forgive those who have offended us, and care for our facilities.

This year's pledge drive is about more than our parish budget. It is about how we transform generosity and allow generosity to transform us. I know our lives can be changed through this work. I hope each one of us will prayerfully review the reflections written for the Sundays during our pledge campaign. They represent a variety of voices on generosity from across the Church. The reflections will be printed in the bulletins beginning October 7th.

On November 18th we will then celebrate Pledge Sunday. A pledge card will be available in the next Newsletter and will also be available in the November 18th bulletins. You will be asked to place your pledge card in the alms basin offering to the Glory of God before communion.

I hope you'll join me as we work together to transform generosity in our church, our community and our lives.

Faithfully,
Donald Clamser, Sr.
Stewardship chair#



SEPTEMBER MEMORIALS



WINE AND WAFERS: In memory of Earl Hess and Lester Jones by Carol Jones.
In memory of Betty Noble by the Hynoski Family.

BULLETINS: In memory of Chester Shanoskie by Claudia and Christie.

SANCTUARY CANDLES: In memory of Rosemary and Edward Ulceski by the Ulceski Family.
In memory of William Miller Jr. by Linda Gerlott.

OCTOBER MEMORIALS

WINE AND WAFERS: In memory of Alfred and Dolly Roberts by Bob and Kay Ann Kalbach.

SANCTUARY CANDLES: In memory of Betty Noble by the Hynoski Family.
In memory of Timothy Strunk by the Ulceski and Strunk Families.
In memory of Alice Umlauf by Susan Noble and Family.

2018 MEMORIALS AVAILABLE:

Bulletins: October

If you are interested in memorials please contact the church office by phone (570-429-7107) or send a note to the church secretary: Shannon Mozdy, North Parish, P.O. Box 487, Frackville, PA 17931 OR

You can also give your memorials to your church treasurer:

Holy Apostles – Marsha Dudash, St. John's – Elaine Ulceski

The donations for monthly memorials are as follows: Sanctuary Candles - \$5.00

Bulletins - \$10.00; Wine and Wafers - \$10.00, Newsletters - \$10.00



All articles for the November/December should be submitted to our Parish Secretary, Shannon no later than Wednesday, October 10th. Volunteers are needed on Thursday, October 25th at 1:30 p.m. at Holy Apostles, St. Clair to help fold the newsletter.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Fr. Bruce Baker
Joseph Bass
Doris Behney
Richard Berger
Danielle Brophy
Nathan Conrath
Alma Davis
Robert Davis
Anne Dorrance
Denise Fegley
Kay Fertig
Julia Foerster

Richard Griffin
Sylvia Guldin
Tatiana Heffner
David Hewes Sr.
Rita Hinchey
Jean Hoffman
Anna Hutchko
Janis Idell
Dolores K.
McKenzie Kline
Nick Lane
Diane Lippincott

Marilee McDonough
Dakota Miller
Raymond Moyer
Shirley Moyer
Charlotte Smith
James Spieles, Jr.
David Strunk
Judith Wright
Peg Wylam
Margaret Yasenchak

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE SERVING THE MILITARY HERE AND ABROAD

Please call the church office if you have a loved one who needs prayers and also anyone who is serving our military. All those listed on the prayer lists are prayed for during Sunday services.



NORTH PARISH'S ANNUAL MEETING October 21, 2018

The Annual Meeting for North Parish will be held at on Sunday, October 21st. The combined worship service will be at 11:00 a.m. followed by the meeting of all parishioners and a luncheon. All members of North Parish are asked to be in attendance.



**VESTRY MEETING – Sunday, October 21st
Holy Apostles, St. Clair
Following the Annual Meeting**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 – Sarah Andrewcavage | 10 – Scott Price | 24 – Donald Clamser, Jr. |
| 2 – Mark Andrewcavage | 13 – Barry Idell | 27 – Nancy Long |
| 5 – Ja' Shon Dennell Yelito | 14 – Elizabeth Andrewcavage | 30 – Edward Ulceski |
| 8 – Amanda Foerster | 15 – Rev. James C. Smith | |
| 10 – Brittany Evans | 20 – Kayla Ann Tiley | |



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 – Adalynn Eckrode | 11 – Claudia Rae Moyer | 26 – Ethan Correll |
| 4 – Angela Bowers | 17 – Betty Haverty | Elaine Scheuren |
| 5 – Rev. Timothy Albright | Carol Jones | 28 – William Umbenhaur |
| 7 – Shannon Correll | McKenzie Kline | 29 – Heidi Ann Higgins |
| Jeffery Hoffman | 19 – Linda Gerlott | 31 – Robert Jones, Jr. |
| 9 – Michelle Jacobs | 20 – Jacqueline Demcher | |

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



FALL 2018 UTO Offering

The Fall UTO offering will be held on Sunday, October 7, 2018. Envelopes will be provided in the church bulletin that day. This is a special opportunity for Episcopalians to deepen their faith in God through prayer and thankful giving. Thank you for your generosity. The Spring UTO offering was \$30.00

The United Thank Offering 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.

MAY 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

North Parish Receipts

General Account

	May	\$ 9,086.00
Year to Date Gen. Receipts		\$ 23,761.24
Transfer in from M&I (Current)		\$ -
Transfer M&I Year to Date		\$ -
Transfer in from Mem. Acct. (Current)		\$ -
Transfer Mem Acct. Year to Date		\$ -

M&I Account

	May	\$ 105.10
Year to date		\$ 1,779.01

Memorial Account

	May	\$.93
Year to date		\$ 4.51

Balances

General Account	\$ 10,010.82
M&I Account	\$ 48,366.92
Memorial Fund	\$ 10,886.37

North Parish Disbursements

General Account

	May	\$ 4,410.83
Year to Date Exp.		\$ 22,580.72

M&I Account

	May	\$ -
Year to date		\$ -

Memorial Account

	May	\$ -
Year to date		\$ -



JUNE 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

North Parish Receipts

General Account

	June	\$ 6,232.57
Year to Date Gen. Receipts		\$ 29,993.81
Transfer in from M&I (Current)		\$ 3,000.00
Transfer M&I Year to Date		\$ 3,000.00
Transfer in from Mem. Acct. (Current)		\$ -
Transfer Mem Acct. Year to Date		\$ -

M&I Account

	June	\$ 1,351.40
Year to date		\$ 3,130.41

Memorial Account

	June	\$ 755.92
Year to date		\$ 760.43

Balances

General Account	\$ 10,012.62
M&I Account	\$ 46,718.32
Memorial Fund	\$ 11,642.29
Temp. Restricted Fund	

North Parish Disbursements

General Account

	June	\$ 9,230.77
Year to Date Exp.		\$ 31,811.49

M&I Account

	June	\$ 3,000.00
Year to date		\$ 3,000.00

Memorial Account

	June	\$ -
Year to date		\$ -



JULY 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

North Parish Receipts

General Account

July	\$ 2,696.38
Transfer in from DIT-Gen. Fund	\$ 30,000.00
Year to Date Gen. Receipts	\$ 62,690.19

Transfer in from M&I (Current)	\$ -
Transfer M&I Year to Date	\$ 3,000.00

M&I Account

July	\$ 88.13
Transfer in from DIT-M&I	\$ 30,000.00
Year to Date	\$ 33,218.54

Memorial Account

July	\$ 95.99
Year to date	\$ 856.42

Balances

General Account	\$ 38,294.82
M&I Account	\$ 76,806.45
Memorial Fund	\$ 11,734.28
Temp. Restricted Fund	

North Parish Disbursements

General Account

July	\$ 3,986.18
Year to Date Expenses	\$ 35,797.67

M&I Account

July	\$ -
Year to date	\$ 3,000.00

Memorial Account

July	\$ 4.00
Year to date	\$ 4.00



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED THE PEACH FESTIVAL. WE HAD A PROFIT OF \$621.00.



20th Annual Baber Appreciation Day – Sunday, September 9, 2018



Nature & History Walking Tours – 3:00 p.m.

Basket Raffle – 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Third Brigade Band Concert – 4:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Bake Sale – 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Picnic Beginning – 4:30 p.m.

Solemn Evensong Service – 6:00 p.m.

Hot dogs, baked beans, chips, watermelon and water will be provided.



Old Fashioned Rummage Sale and Soup Sale

Trinity Episcopal Church, Pottsville, PA

Friday Oct. 5th from 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. & Saturday, Oct. 6th from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

(\$2.00 Fill a bag starting at 12 noon – 1:00 p.m.)

Church Parish Hall, Second and Howard Ave.



The Community of Caring Christians Annual Block Party

Saturday, September 15th

12 noon – 6:00 p.m.

North Mill Street from Hancock Street to Franklin Street, St. Clair, PA



NEWS FROM MARION C. PRICE TRUST FUND

Shingles- is a viral infection that causes a painful rash or it can cause intense pain with minimal rash. Although shingles can occur anywhere in your body, it most often appears as a single stripe of blisters that wraps around either the left or the right side of your torso.

Shingles are caused by the varicella-zoster virus – the same virus that causes chickenpox. After you have had chickenpox, the virus lies inactive in nerve tissue near your spinal cord and brain. Years later, the virus may rear its ugly head as shingles.

The reason for shingles is unclear. But, it may be due to lowered immunity to infections as you grow older. It is most common in older adults and in people who have weakened immune systems.

The signs and symptoms of shingles are pain, burning, numbness or tingling, sensitivity to touch, a red rash that begins a few days after the pain with fluid filled blisters that break apart and crust over (which usually affect only one side of your body) and itching. Some people also experience fever, headache, sensitivity to light and fatigue.

Pain is usually the first symptom of shingles. For some, it can be mistaken for a symptom of problems affecting the heart, lungs or kidneys. Some people experience shingles pain without ever developing the rash and for some shingles pain (post herpetic neuralgia) continues long after the blisters have cleared.

Contact your doctor immediately if you suspect shingles; if the rash is widespread and painful; if someone in your family has a weakened immune system (due to cancer, medications or chronic illness); and especially if the rash appears near your eye, if this is left untreated it can lead to permanent eye damage.

Until your shingles blisters scab over, you are contagious and should avoid physical contact with anyone who hasn't yet had the chickenpox or the chickenpox vaccine, especially people with weakened immune systems, pregnant women and newborns. (Chickenpox can be dangerous for some people).

Two vaccines may help prevent shingles: Zostavax and Shingrix.

Zostavax, approved in 2006, is recommended for people age 60 or older. It has been shown to offer protection against shingles for about 5 years.

Shingrix was approved in 2017 and recommended for people age 50 and over. Studies show that protection against shingles lasts beyond 5 years. It is a non-living vaccine given in two doses with two to six months between doses.

The most common side effects of either shingles vaccine are redness, pain, tenderness, swelling and itching at the injection site and headaches.

As with the chickenpox vaccine, the shingles vaccine doesn't guarantee you won't get shingles but it will likely reduce the course and severity of the disease and reduce your risk of post herpetic neuralgia.

The majority of the cost of the vaccines may be covered by your insurance plan.

Flu – Most people who get the flu have mild illness (fever, cough, sore throat, body aches and fatigue), and will not need medical care. Adults 65 years of age and older and children younger than 5 are at highest risk for complications. People in these age groups are more likely to get flu complications that can result in hospitalization and sometimes death. Pneumonia, bronchitis, sinus and ear infections are examples of flu-related complications. The flu can also make chronic health problems worse.

Flu vaccines are offered in many locations, including doctor's offices, clinics, health departments and pharmacies. Most health insurance plans cover the cost of recommended vaccines.

In addition to getting a flu shot, it's important to practice healthy habits, such as covering coughs with your arm instead of your hand, washing hands often and avoiding people who are sick. If you are 65 and older and develop flu symptoms, seek medical advice quickly. The CDC (Centers for Disease Control) recommends rapid treatment with an influenza anti-viral medication.

Anti-viral drugs are prescription medications that fight against the flu in your body. They are best when used within 48 hours of getting sick and can mean the difference between having milder illness instead of very serious illness that could result in a hospital stay.

Medicare – Health and prescription drug plans make changes each year – things like cost, coverage and what providers and pharmacies are in their networks. October 15 – December 7 is called the open enrollment period, when people can change their health plans and prescription drug plans for the following year to better meet their needs. Even if you are satisfied with premiums and coverage this year it is recommended that you review your options during this open enrollment period. By comparing plans you may find lower premiums and extra benefits for 2019.

Call Kathy Burda at 570-621-3220 for help to review your plans and help you find your best options for health and drug plans for 2019.

Operation We Care – Thank you!!!! Since June, 2007, the Episcopal Churches in Schuylkill County have sent almost 5000 pounds of goodies and personal care items to our local servicemen and women stationed abroad.

This November will be our 26th mailing since we started this very worthwhile project. As we prepare we look forward to your continued support.

Individual snacks or individual personal care items work best for mailing or monetary donations to help defray cost of postage (each box cost about \$17.50 to mail) is greatly appreciated.

For more information please contact Kathy Burda at 570-621-3220.

NORTH PARISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

SEPTEMBER 2018

September 2	Holy Eucharist Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Kurt Kovalovich Donald Clamser, Sr.
September 9	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Dolores Smith The Rev. Dolores Smith
September 16	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Donald Clamser, Sr. Robert Tiley
September 23	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Robert Tiley Donald Clamser, Sr.
September 30	Morning Prayer Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Robert Tiley The Rev. Kurt Kovalovich

Notes:		Color:
September 2	The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
September 9	The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
September 16	The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
September 23	The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
September 30	The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Green

NORTH PARISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES

OCTOBER 2018

October 7	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Dolores Smith The Rev. Dolores Smith
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October 14	Morning Prayer Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	Donald Clamser, Sr. Robert Tiley
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October 21	COMBINED SERVICE OF NORTH PARISH			
	Morning Prayer	11:00 a.m.	Holy Apostles	Donald Clamser, Sr. Robert Tiley

October 28	Holy Eucharist Morning Prayer	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	St. John's Holy Apostles	The Rev. Kurt Kovalovich Donald Clamser, Sr.
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	Notes:	Color:
October 7	The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost	Green
October 14	The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost	Green
October 21	The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost North Parish's Annual Meeting at Holy Apostles	Green
October 28	The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost	Green