



The St. John's Evangel

Dear people and friends of St. John's,

After some delays due to the tropical storm, Fr. Wayne and Harry moved into their new home on Tuesday, September 11. Their address is:

The Rev. Wayne and Harry Nicholson
212 Carroll Avenue
Bay Saint Louis MS 39520-4514

For the time being, their cell phone numbers and email addresses remain the same. Send them a note anytime. They would love to hear from you!

The next Vestry Meeting on Sunday, October 14, includes major steps in the search process. We hope to approve the formal charge to the Search Committee and to begin the formation of the Search Committee comprised of 8 members (2 from the Vestry and 6 from the parish at large). We have a few nominees already. If you are keen to serve on the Committee, please contact me or Junior Warden Nancy Kinney as soon as possible. Remember, this is a major commitment of time and effort for a year or more.

In other news, thanks to Steven Berkshire for upgrading the parish WIFI network in September. There is a new and improved router in the church with extensions in the Parish House and the Conference Room in the Old Rectory. When you need to sign in with the new password, please contact the Parish Secretary ahead of time.

Work on the exterior of the Parish House continues. The walls and chimney have been power-washed and will be painted as weather permits. New landscaping is in the works too!

On October 6, Rev. Sr. Diane Stier, Karen Varanauskas, and I will attend the Pre-Diocesan Convention Meeting of the Central Region at St. Andrew's in Grand Rapids. This is an important time to learn about the proposed budget and resolutions to be discussed at the 144th Diocesan Convention on November 2-3 in Lansing.

On October 7 at 10 a.m., bring all of your pets to our annual Blessing of the Animals!

On October 14 at 5 p.m., join us for the first Evensong of the academic year.

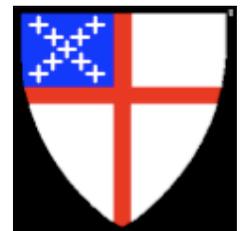
We'll celebrate another baptism on October 21 at 10 a.m.

And then, get ready for our first Arty Party on Friday, October 26! All proceeds from this art auction will support acoustical improvements in the Parish House.

"Stay calm and carry on!"

Love to all in Christ,

David
Senior Warden & Verger





Remember Our Homebound Members

Stop by to visit or drop a card to our parish members who are homebound.

Alma Dickerson

461 E. Wing Rd., Mt. Pleasant
772-2516.

Al Neal

Maplewood, 1945 Churchill Blvd.
Mt. P - 773-6172

Forrest Robinson

Green Acres, 1805 E. Remus Rd.
Room 205 Mt. P. The Facility, 772-3456

St. John's Prayer Group

The 16 members of the Prayer Group offer petitions daily for the church and for specific requests. All parishioners are welcome to become members of the Prayer Group or to submit requests by calling Sandy Wood, 773-9326, Martha Rarick, 773-7510, or the church office at 773-7448.



Brandon DeLong	2
Robert Miller	2
Linda Susan Beard	3
Pete L'Hommedieu	4
Matthew Alton	6
Spencer Kelly	7
Allen Salmonsens	7
Christopher Dyer	9
Ryan Kantak	14
Ian Miller	14
Rod Leslie	16
Sandy Wood	21
Amy Redman	26
Aaron Hartshorne	27
Anne Hiebert Alton	29



Gabriel Kney	
& Mary Lou Nowicki	3
Frank & Diane Benn	10
Christi Brookes	
& D. J. Proctor	12
Jane Gilmore	
& Cindy Seger	30



Home Communion

Just a reminder: you should let the parish office know if you are ill and wish to receive communion or a visit from either the clergy or a Lay Eucharistic Minister.

Parish House Kitchen Linens

If you took the kitchen towels and dish cloths home to wash after Coffee Hour, we do appreciate that! However...you need to remember to return them to the kitchen as soon as you can! We want to be sure that our next Hosts have fresh, clean linens when they are needed! Thank you!





Outside the Tent

On September 21 we celebrated the life of long-time parishioner, Forrest Robinson. His daughter, Allegra Blake, read two poems in his honor. The acoustics in the church being what they are, I am sure that those who sat near the back did not hear what she read, and so I send your way one of those poems, "Shifting the Sun," by Diana der-Hovanessian.

When your father dies, say the Irish
you lose your umbrella against bad weather.
May his sun be your light, say the Armenians.

When your father dies, say the Welsh
you sink a foot deeper into the earth.
May you inherit his light, say the Armenians.

When your father dies, say the Canadians
you run out of excuses.
May you inherit his sun, say the Armenians.

When your father dies, say the Indians
he comes back as the thunder.
May you inherit his light say the Armenians.

When your father dies, say the Russians,
he takes your childhood with him.
May you inherit his light say the Armenians.

When your father dies, say the British,
you join his club you vowed you wouldn't.
May you inherit his sun, say the Armenians.

When your father dies, say the Armenians,
your sun shifts forever
and you walk in his light.

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Those of us who have lost our fathers can relate to the powerful images the author—who died this past year—sends for our contemplation. Those of us whose fathers still live can give thanks for that blessing.

Peace,
Nancy



**Saint John's & Friends First Annual Arty Party!
Friday, October 26th, at 6:30 pm**



Mark your calendars for an evening of boisterous bidding & frivolous fun!

Beginning Sunday, September 30th, **tickets will be sold 2 for \$25 and 4 for \$50.** Come one, come all, and bring your friends! Enjoy tasty foods and beverages while you mingle and place your silent auction bids, then join the live art and experiences auction with our very own Sr Diane as auctioneer. Contact Harriette White and Tom Cochrane if you have art or experiences you'd like to contribute, and Lara Raisanen if you'd like to preorder tickets. Proceeds will fund sound dampening equipment for the Parish House.

"The Many Faces of Prayer"

A Day of Reflection and Discussion with Fr. Bert Gohm

This retreat day will focus on various facets of prayer and spirituality. Fr. Gohm will compare a spirituality of devotion with a contemplative spirituality. Then he will lead the group in exploring prayer as relationship, praying with scripture, meditation and contemplative prayer of awareness. There will be time for personal reflection as well as group discussion.

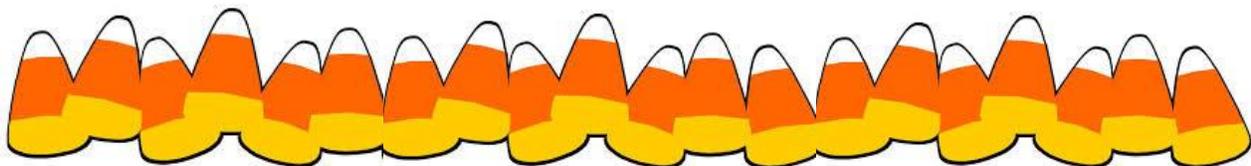
Fr. Gohm is a retired priest in the Diocese of Saginaw. He has presented many retreat on spirituality for Lay Ministers, and other groups within the Diocese. He also has taught in the Lay Ministry Program since its inception. This retreat will be held on **October 20, 2018 at St. John's Episcopal Church. The day will begin with a continental breakfast at 8:30 am and end about 3:00 pm. We will also have lunch, and snacks available throughout the day. There is a \$10.00 registration fee.** Please find registration forms in the Parish Hall.



October 2018

Sunday Lay Ministry

DATE	LESSONS	PRAYERS	GREETERS	COFFEE HOUR HOSTS	ACOLYTES	ALTAR GUILD
October 7 20 Pentecost	8:00 a.m. Jim Thurston 10:00 a.m. Henry Fulton	8:00 a.m. Jim Thurston 10:00 a.m. Nancy Hartshorne	Rod Leslie and Marian Matyn	David and Jennifer Dingman	Emma Dingman	Pamela Dingman and Peg Hicks
Lectionary: Genesis 2:18-24 Psalm 8 Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 Mark 10:2-16						
October 14 21 Pentecost	8:00 a.m. Martha Rapick 10:00 a.m. Nancy Hartshorne	8:00 a.m. Peg Hicks 10:00 a.m. Henry Fulton	Sandy Wood and Harriett White	Ford and Pamela Dingman	Rex Dingman	Pamela Dingman and Peg Hicks
Lectionary: Amos 5:6-7,10-15 Psalm 90:12-17 Hebrews 4:12-16 Mark 10:17-31						
October 21 22 Pentecost	8:00 a.m. Barbara Sheperdigian 10:00 a.m. Joan Kadler	8:00 a.m. Martha Rarick 10:00 a.m. Mary Kiesgen	Colin, Anne, and Matthew Alton	Joan Kadler and Mary Kiesgen	Matthew Kinney	Ella Jo Regan and David Shirley
Lectionary: Isaiah 53:4-12 Psalm 91:9-16 Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:35-45						
October 28 23 Pentecost	8:00 a.m. Steve Berkshire 10:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m. Peg Hicks 10:00 a.m. Joan Kadler	Laura Cochrane and Marcia David	David, Nancy, and Matthew Kinney	Matthew Kinney	Ella Jo Regan and David Shirley
Lectionary: Jeremiah 31:7-9 Psalm 126 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 10:46-52						
November 4 All Saints' Sunday	8:00 a.m. Barbara Sheperdigian 10:00 a.m. Carol Lauffer	8:00 a.m. Martha Rarick 10:00 a.m. Sandy Wood	David and Jennifer Dingman	Carol Lauffer and Lynne L'Hommedieu	Emma Dingman	Pamela Dingman and Harriett White
Lectionary: Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24 Revelation 21:1-6a John 11:32-44						





OCTOBER 2018 at St. John's Episcopal Church. For updates, visit the Parish Website and click on "Calendar"

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
19 PENTECOST SEPT.3	OCTOBER 1	2	3	4	5	6
8 a Holy Eucharist 10 a Holy Eucharist 9 a Sunday School 10 a Pine River 5 p. Potluck & Holy Eucharists at Emmaus 5 p Yoga	12 Noon DOK 4 p.m. Music Meeting 5:30 a.m.EfM	10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:3-p.m. Yoga 7 p.m. Compassionate Friends		10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:30 p.m. Choir Rehersal 6-9 p League of Women Votes (Parish House)	Office Closed	
20 PENTECOST 7	8	9	10	11	12	13
8 a Holy Euchrist 9 a Sunday School 10 a Choral Eucharist with Blessing of Animals 10 a Pine River Vestry Meeting 5 p. Holy Eucharst at Emmaus 5 p Yoga	4 p.m. Music Meeting 5:30:p.m. EfM	10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:30 p.m. Yoga		10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:30 p.m. Choir Rehersal 6-9 p League of Women Votes (Parish House)	Office Closed	
21 PENTECOST 14	15	16	17	18	19	20
8 a Holy Euchrist 10 a Choral Eucharist 9 a Sunday School 10 a Pine River 11:30 a Vestry Meets 5 p. Holy Eucharst at Emmaus 5 p Yoga	9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 4 p.m. Music Meeting 5:30p.m. EfM	10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:3- p.m. Yoga		10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:30 p.m. Choir Rehersal	Office Closed	Faithweavers Retreat Day (All day)
22PENTECOST 21	22	23	24	25	26	27
8 a Holy Euchrist 10 a Choral Eucharist 9 a Sunday School 10 a Pine River 5 p. Holy Eucharst at Emmaus 5 p Yoga	<i>Evangel/Deadline</i> 4 p.m. Music Meeting 5:30 p.m. EfM	10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:3- p.m. Yoga		10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:30 p.m. Choir Rehersal	Office Closed 5:30 p.m. Arty Party	
All Saints' Sunday 28	29	30	31	NOV. 1	2	3
8 a Holy Euchrist 10 a Choral Eucharist 9 a Sunday School 10 a Pine River 5 p. Potluck & Holy Eucharst at Emmaus 5 p Yoga	4 p.m. Music Meeting 5:30:p.m. EfM	10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:3- p.m. Yoga	All Souls Day Halloween	10 a.m. Tai Chi 5:30 p.m. Choir Rehersal	Office Closed	



This is our Greeter/Coffee Hour Host Schedule—If you cannot serve on the date you were given, please exchange dates with someone else on the list and call the Parish Secretary at 773-7446

Greeters



Coffee Hour Hosts



October

- 7 Rod Leslie and Marian Matyn
- 14 Sandy Wood and Sharon Bolton
- 21 Colin, Anne and Matthew Alton
- 28 Laura Cochrane and Marcia David

October

- 7 David and Jennifer Dingman
- 14 Ford and Pamela Dingman
- 21 Joan Kadler and Mary Kiesgen
- 28 David, Nancy and Matthew Kinney

November

- 4 David and Jennifer Dingman
- 11 Ford and Pamela Dingman
- 18 Joan Kadler and Mary Kiesgen
- 25 David, Nancy, and Matthew Kinney

November

- 4 Carol Lauffer and Lynne L'Hommedieu
- 11 Rod Leslie and Marian Matyn
- 18 Christi Brookes, D.J. and Misha Proctor
- 25 Harriett White and Sandy Wood

December

- 2 Ulana Klymyshyn and Lynne L'Hommedieu
- 9 Rod Leslie and Marian Matyn
- 16 Colin, Anne, and Matthew Alton
- 23 Sharon Bolton and Laura Cochrane
- 30 Tom and Mary Ellen Cochrane

December

- 2 Colin, Anne, and Matthew Alton
- 9 Ralph Baber and Karen Varanauskas
- 16 Sharon Bolton and Elizabeth Brockman
- 23 Clancy and Pat DeLong
- 30 Bring your leftover Holiday goodies to share!



**St. John's Episcopal Church
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858
Vestry Minutes, September 9, 2018**

Present are Adam Baker (clerk), Tom Cochrane, Clancy DeLong, David Shirley, Eric Vineguerra, Bernice Cole, Marcia David, Harriett White, Nancy Herman-Kinney, Ulana Klymyshyn.

Bernice opens with a prayer. Vestry welcomes Harriet.

Marcia moves to approve August minutes, Nancy seconds. Vestry approves August minutes.

Clancy reports that we have exceeded the Rector Discretionary Fund for the year. Clancy reports that we are about 2/3 of the way through our budget for the year. This is normal for end of summer. Everything else in budget looks in good shape. When Clancy looks into updating QuickBooks we will decide if the cost is worth it for this year.

David announces that he will not approve any new initiatives until a new rector is installed, so we focus on the projects we have before starting new ones.

Clancy mentions that now is a good time to bring budget items up to date without Rector's wages in the budget.

Clancy leaves.

Diane mentions that there are a few people in the parish with severe gluten intolerance. We use a separate paten and chalice for gluten-free wafers. She suggests that to maintain the "one bread, one cup" ritual ideal, we consider switching to all gluten-free bread. She also suggests we look into buying a bigger paten with a better lip. Vestry expresses support for her plan.

David proposes that we adopt the same language from the previous charge with amended language to have a budget of \$20,000 for search committee and recognize the role of the new Canon Missioner. David believes we should try to form the search committee by October. David believes our agenda for the October meeting should focus primarily on forming the search committee.

Nancy reports that the two bids she received for painting and power-spraying the building are very different. Tom moves we accept Travis's bid for doing the whole building, Eric seconds. Tom moves we amend the motion to also give Nancy permission to buy paint for the job. Vestry approves amendment. Vestry approves motion.



David mentions the noise in the parish hall, both from the HVAC system and ambient reverberation. David knows a company in Grand Rapids who will do acoustic remodeling. David would like them to do an inspection and give a quote. Vestry expresses support, with Tom reminding David to be sure whether the quote is free or not before asking them to inspect the premises. David also asks the Vestry if St. Johns should register (for free) at the Let Peace Reign event at Island Park on September 29. David also encourages as many people as possible to register for and attend the discernment retreat at Emmaus at the end of this month.

Next meeting is scheduled for Oct 14th.

Bernice moves Vestry adjourn, Nancy seconds. Vestry adjourns.

Faithfully submitted,
Adam Baker



August 2018 Financial Report

Below is a summary of operating fund activity through the end of August (66.67%).

Unrestricted operating fund receipts	\$ 122,934.00 (63.17% of budget)
Unrestricted operating fund expenditures	<u>139,549.76</u> (71.71% of budget)

Operating fund receipts over (under) expenditures \$ (16,615.76)

Through August, pledges are down 3.5%. This is very important due to additional costs that will be incurred with the exterior painting of the parish hall. Also, our Capital Fund reserve is at \$13K. Please verify that both your operating and capital campaign pledges are up to date.

Cash balances on August 31, 2018 are as follows:

Checking Account.....	\$ 47,820.51
Savings	\$ 26,723.65
Certificate of Deposit.....	\$ 15,672.20
Endowment Fund Investment Account.....	\$ 66,793.03

Capital Campaign funds balance on January 1, 201820,103.05

Capital Campaign funds balance on August 31, 201812,667.77

Capital Fund Activity For August:

Capital Fund Receipts	1,758.00
Interest Income.....	0.00
Bank/Credit Card Fees.....	(3.05)
Mortgage Principle.....	(3,945.17)
Mortgage Interest.....	(723.52)
Net Activity	(1,861.74)

BUILDING PROJECT

Total Capitalized Expenses.....	442,345.71
Non-Capitalized Expenses (Bank Fees/Interest) ...	16,974.50
Subtotal	459,320.21

Anticipated Expenses:

Mortgage Interest	15,653.45
Bank Fees/Credit Card.....	937.26

TOTAL PROJECT COST475,910.92

Clancy DeLong
Vestry Treasurer



ANGLICAN WORTHIES

335. Temple, Frederick (1821-1902) Archbishop of Canterbury

Photographs of Temple give a distinct impression of confidence and self-reliance that hide his unselfish work ethic and his humanity. It is true that Temple maintained “strong principles of morality and piety; these were what the drudgery of church life led to,” he said, and these he hammered home. If some of us no longer respect the earnestness that seems so characteristic of the best-known figures of that age, which we associate with *Gladstone, Thomas *Arnold, and others, we need to look at them more closely. I think their deep Christian faith maintained them to a degree less familiar to us.

Temple was born on Santa Maura, one of the Greek islands under British rule, where his father was Resident. Later the family moved to Corfu. His father, disliking his post, moved the family to a farm in Devon, where he tried to make an honest living in the soil. The elder Temple was contumacious, picking quarrels with his neighbors over the Corn Laws and other issues. He took a position of Lieutenant-Governor of Sierra Leone, where he soon died, leaving behind on the farm his wife and eight children who survived infancy, needing their maintenance and education. At first Temple was schooled by his mother, who drilled him in Latin, a subject she did not grasp herself. Mark Chapman says that Temple never forgot his debt to his mother for his early education and remained close to her for the rest of his life.

Despite the eminence he later achieved, he never “left the farm,” so to speak. David Edwards states that “to the end of his days he retained the marks of his childhood: a rough accent, no small talk, clarity and directness of mind, an unswerving strength which made light of the burden of incessant labour despite heart trouble and failing eyesight.” Even when he became a schoolmaster at Rugby, he loved to climb trees, and would boast of his skill in ploughing and threshing to others whose smooth hands had never touched a farm implement.

But at least in Devon he was able to be properly schooled. In 1834 he was enrolled in Blundell's School in Tiverton, where he quickly became outstanding. Blundell's had an endowed scholarship to university, which Temple won, and in 1839 enrolled at Balliol, in Oxford. He could not have chosen a better place for modern, liberal learning. This was Benjamin *Jowett's college! Temple's academic strength was “maths,” as the British call it. At Balliol he was almost impoverished. He could not afford wine with meals, nor a fire in his room, nor lamp in the evening. (He used to sit in the lighted stairway to read!) He was reading Kant and *Coleridge; he liked philosophy. He studied under Archibald Tait and W.G. Ward, names mentioned in these essays before. He found the new German biblical commentaries, which challenged the veracity of the Bible, interesting, as did *Clough. He attended *Newman's popular Sunday afternoon homilies and came away thrilled. He became very popular among his classmates, among whom we note Clough, of course, A.P. *Stanley, Matthew Arnold (son of Thomas Arnold of Rugby), and others who would become distinguished in the Church. And, of course, he studied under Jowett.



(Temple's widowed mother moved to Oxford to be near her boy.) Temple graduated in first class honors in classics and mathematics. He was immediately offered a fellowship; i.e., he was asked to remain and teach. A trustee of the college said to him, "Temple, I cannot say what you are going to be, but this I am sure of, that if you live long enough, you will be one of the greatest men in England."

The purpose of higher education is to learn, to be introduced into new ideas to get your stupid mind changed. Chapman tells us that Temple came to Oxford as a Tory, but because of his education, he gradually became more of a Gladstonian liberal. In 1846, while still at Oxford. He was on the election committee charged with deciding what to do in the case of his mathematics tutor, W.G. Ward, who was influenced by Newman and becoming Roman Catholic. Temple ruled with the university against censure and "degradation." Later, when the Oxford dons, after the furor over Tract 90 had died down, wanted to condemn Bishop Hampden for his lack of orthodoxy, Temple backed off. Temple was ordained transitional deacon in 1846; the following year he was ordained priest by Samuel Wilberforce. He remained in Oxford another year.

From 1848 to 1857 Temple served on a committee of the Privy Council on Education first as an "examiner." His particular interest was in the preparation of a curriculum to train persons how to teach. In 1849 he was appointed Principal of Kneller Hall, a new institute designed to prepare others for work educating children in workhouses. This venture was eventually a failure because clergy protested that religious education would be neglected; besides, the pupils were not very bright. There was no "system" of general education for children at this time; this was England, not Scotland. Regardless of the failure of this project, it caught the attention of Oxford and Cambridge to develop curricula, with Temple's input, to prepare teachers.

When Archibald Tait, as Headmaster of Rugby, left to become Bishop of London, he invited Temple to succeed him. Temple declined; he really hoped to succeed Jowett as Master at Balliol. Ten years later the post fell vacant. Tait approached him again; this time Temple accepted, becoming headmaster of the school that, since the days of Thomas Arnold, had become the most distinguished public school in the kingdom. It was at Rugby that Temple, not Arnold, became the most distinguished schoolmaster of his time. He rejuvenated the place, which had been coasting on its laurels.

Temple increased his staff, adding more teachers—and paying them more. He liberalized the curriculum, making English language and literature "subjects" and expanding instruction in history and the sciences. He raised funds to construct a new building for music and the arts. Rugby football, heretofore a pretty brutal contact sport, fraught with injuries, was toned down to make it safer and more accessible to boys. Temple was a grim disciplinarian, but very popular among the students. "A beast," they called him, "but a just beast." During his tenure applications for admission increased to three times the number of places.

While headmaster he was asked on two occasions to report to commissioners on the state of secondary education in the kingdom. His recommendations led to the Public Schools Act of 1868. In 1869 Gladstone offered Temple the deanery of Durham Cathedral, which he declined. The Gladstone offered him the choice of four bishoprics. Temple chose Exeter, the seat of his boyhood. (To be cont'd.)

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Welcome Autumn!

St. John's Mission:

St. John's Episcopal Church, with God's help and in the Anglican tradition, lives to proclaim the Gospel of Christ by ministering through worship, outreach, fellowship and education. We welcome all who enter our doors, and we support the diverse callings of each member as we seek to serve Christ in every person.

Associate Priest, The Rev. Sr. Diane Stier, ec 989-807-0215

Deacon, The Rev. Nancy Casey Fulton, 773-7193

2018 Vestry Officers

Sr. Warden: David Shirley: 773-3463

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Treasurer: Clancy DeLong, 989-400-6546

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