

The Red Door

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Jul 2020

FROM THE PILGRIM PRIEST

DAVID BAILEY

Please plan to be at church on 5 July to welcome David to St. Mary's!

From the Pilgrim Priest,

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace and Peace be with you! My name is David Bailey, and I will be your Supply Priest starting in July. Bob Lowell and John Glaze asked me to share a little bit about myself for the July Red Door. After starting with more information than you would possibly want or need ("I was born in a hospital in Cincinnati, so I could be near my mother..."), I decided to share with you a statement I wrote concerning myself a few years ago, with some more current updates. So here goes . . .

WHO AM I??

First and foremost, I am a DEEPLY flawed follower of Jesus Christ. My

reliance and hope is in the Grace of God offered to me in Christ Jesus. I try hard not to be "holier than Thou", but to honor all for where they are in their walk of faith. The Scriptures that have been speaking to me over the last several months are Philippians 2:1-13 and I Peter (the WHOLE letter, but particularly 2: 13-17).

I enjoy friendship with people of all races, colors, creeds, ethnicities, orientations, etc., but I find particular joy, as a pilgrim on the Way, with walking with other pilgrims and sharing our lives

I am a student. I love to learn from others and love sharing what I've learned with others. You will learn of my passion for SHARED Bible Study and for other conversations that help us all to grow as Christians and as people.

I am a storyteller. I love to hear the stories of others and to share my own.

I am a lover of Beauty: beauty in Creation, beauty in relationships, beauty in the arts.

A few other facts: I am a fifth generation Cincinnati on my maternal grandmother's side, and Appalachian on my Father's side (Southeastern Kentucky). I grew up in both Ft. Thomas, KY and Cleves, OH, which gives me an appreciation and love for "small" town life. (Although I have not lived in Cleves for over 50 years, I am still friends and Lodge members with many of the folks who never left, and get called on a regular basis to do funerals for the small town funeral home in Cleves.)

When asked what I want to be called, I pre-

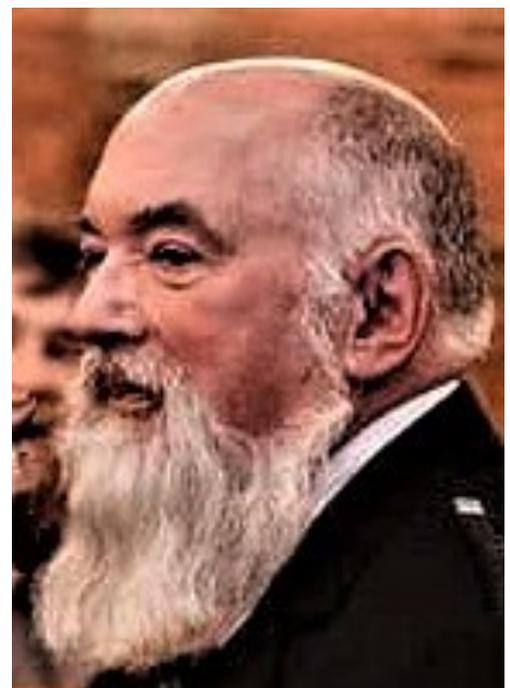
fer to be addressed the way God addresses me: David. If you need to be more formal, Fr. David or Pastor David work fine as well.

Enough about me. I look forward to meeting all of you and walking with you in the Way of Jesus.

Your brother in Christ,

David

PS – It appears that Maggie Hatfield and I are related! More on that some other time!!!



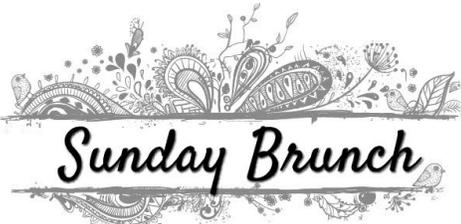
VESTRY

Bob Lowell, Sr Warden
 Richard Davis
 Charles Everhart
 Sandy Ferrell
 Judy Franklin
 John Joy

Feel free to contact any Vestry member with questions, concerns, ideas, etc.

Newsletter editor—John Glaze

WATCH OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES ON SERVICES BEING STREAMED.



Sunday Brunch

July?

Thank You!

Heartfelt thanks to my church family at St. Mary's for the beautiful floral arrangement I received on my 96th birthday, June 13th.

Carlene Phillips

Senior Warden Report

Good day and I hope everyone is enjoying the fine weather. The June Vestry meeting was held on the 28th instead of the 21st which was Father's Day. Minutes of the meeting will be posted in Lacy Hall as usual.

We hope to start the monthly brunches and coffee hour again in July. The monthly brunch has been wonderful for fellowship, getting to know one another better and of course, good food.

I am excited to tell you that July will bring us Reverend David Bailey, our new "Long Term Supply Priest." I met with him at the Church and gave him a tour and answered some questions as best I could about how our service has been conducted in the past. I think everyone will like and be happy with him. He is a retired Priest who lives in the Cincinnati area with his wife, Molly. He stated that he was a firm believer in the Healing Service and Bible Studies. I was really happy when George started the Healing Service again. Numbers have been steadily growing each week, so we know it is an important part of our lives here at St. Mary's. David told me at our meeting that he would like to be called David and not Rev. David. He seems like a steady, pleasant, down to earth sort of guy, and I hope we will all support him as much as we can as he begins his ministry with us here at St. Mary's. We need to show him the same love and support

that we felt for Rev. George. We are thankful that God has sent someone who wants to serve with us here.

Change is difficult and scary but who knows what God has in store for us at St. Mary's, so let's all get on the band wagon and see where we go! We will be having a Coffee Hour his first Sunday with us, July 5th, so everyone can meet him and talk with him.

We weathered the storm much better than some other places in town. The repairs to the damage are being overseen by Charles Everhart. He came and saw what damage was done, called our insurance company the following day, and got things rolling! A big thanks to Charles.

There are still several items which need to be addressed at the church and I hope members will help us out with them. I won't list them all here as they also appear in the Vestry minutes, but please feel free to contact any Vestry member if you're willing to help us in any way.

As always, all Vestry Meetings are open to Church Members. I invite anyone to submit an article, poem, cartoon, etc. to be published in the Red Door when ever you want. See John Glaze about publication. See you at Church July 5th!

Respectfully Submitted

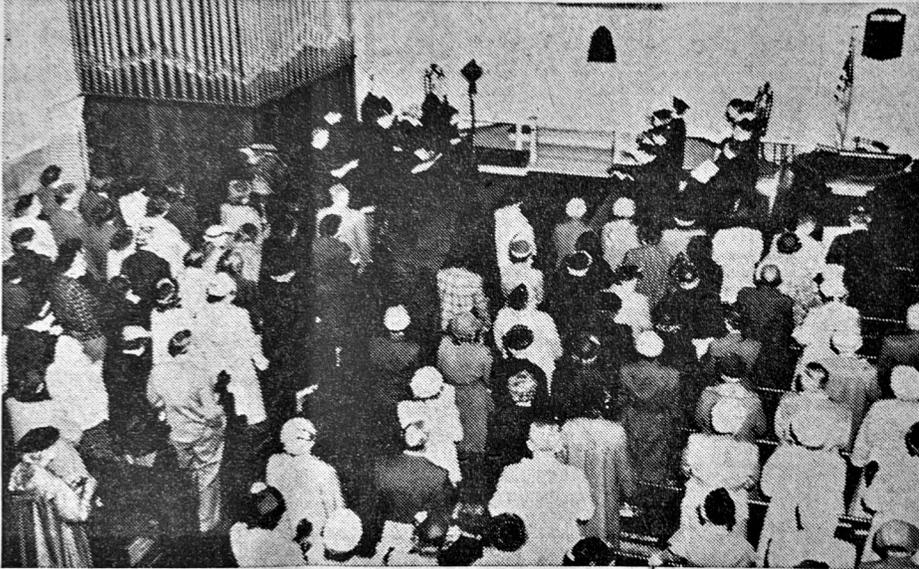
Bob Lowell - Senior Warden



Before the fire in 1968, this chapel was part of St. Mary's. All that remain of this are the window to the right and the large doorway to the left. Can you fill in the details? (answer next month)

Hillsboro News from 1954

... 'For of Such Is The Kingdom of God'



IN COMMEMORATION—Residents of the community, regardless of faith, gathered at St. Mary's Episcopal Church on North High Street here Friday from noon until 3 P. M. for the annual union Good Friday services. Despite a steady downpour of rain, the church remained virtually full through the three-hour worship period. The services traditionally fell into seven parts, with local ministers conducting each period of meditation, basing his message on one of the "Seven Last Words of Christ on the Cross." In this picture, worshippers rise to join in the singing of a hymn. Ministers are at the left in front of the organ pipes and the church choir is at the upper right. (Staff Photo)

In case you are wondering, your editor has been researching newspapers from the 1954-56 period in preparation for a new book the historical society is preparing regarding the school integration fight. Some of you may not know that this fight was the first northern test case following the landmark Brown v. Board of Education judgment from the US Supreme Court. Large northern cities such as Cleveland and Boston were watching the Hillsboro case before they proceeded with their own cases.

Well, in going through newspapers, I sometimes get "into the weeds" and enjoy looking at other news and photos, hence the photos on this page. I hope you enjoy them also.

Many of you will remember when the Hillsboro community came together on Good Friday for 3 hours of worship. Ministers from 7 churches each presented a sermon on one of the Seven Last Words. Most businesses closed for those 3 hours.

One of these Junior High students, representing the Hillsboro High School band program are encouraging the public to make a donation to help improve the band. One is a member of St. Mary's! Who is it? (Hint: from 1954)



Lorine Wilkin (Jennie Harner's mother) was to be a soloist in the annual community choir presentation of "Messiah" at the First Presbyterian Church.

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QUIZ

**Last month's question:
Which of these priests became the Chaplain to the US Senate, as well as Dean of National Cathedral? (answer next month)**

- A. Louis Durr**
- B. ZeBarney T. Phillips**
- C. Edward Bradley**
- D. J. Nelson Jones**

Remember! When you enter the building for services, please use the REAR DOOR to the new building or the FRONT DOOR to the church. There are hand sanitizer, masks and gloves available for your use.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP and SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 am

WEDNESDAY
WELL WISHERS—11:00am
HEALING SERVICE & EUCHARIST—12:00n