

The Red Door

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

WHAT IS THE CHURCH FOR?

October 2018

234 N High St Hillsboro, OH 45133

Why not be a Christian in private?

Music at St. Mary's

Concert

Series 2018-2019

October *7* 3:00pm

Organ

Recital

Jim McLaughlin

The Church fulfils three important functions. Worship is one of them. We don't worship God because we have to, or because we're afraid of what God might do to us if we don't. We worship God because we believe that God is a being who fully deserves our respect and love. Worshipping God is simply the best response to love. God's and а church service is an effective and timehonored way of carrying out this behavior.

(By the way, one often meets people who claim they don't believe in God. It might be worth asking what God it is that they don't believe in – the caricature of God is often a grumpy old man in the sky with impossibly high demands on us, a disturbing interest in sex, and a set of hoops to

jump before we are worthy of the Divine attention. Very few, if any, Episcopalians happen to believe in that God either. Which doesn't make us atheists.)

The second purpose of the Church is teaching. Partly this is something we do to each other; passages from the Bible are read out in church, and sermons comment and enlarge on them and other issues, and relate Christianity to real life. But Christians also have a responsibility to make their own insights about God available to the rest of the world. organized and an Church can provide a framework of tried and true insights for individ-Christians ual who don't have time, energy, or even feel the need, to reinvent the wheel.

Our third purpose is fellowship; we are a

community of people with a common goal, supporting and strengthening each other as we work towards that goal. An important part of Christian teaching compassion for others, and the Church provides material support for the needy as it attempts to promote social justice to the rest of society. While Christians have certainly done some very unchristian things, that's only part of the story. On the whole, the world is healthier, better fed, better educated, with more rights, because of Christianity than it would be without it. Just because Christians have sometimes failed to live up to our high ideals doesn't mean we haven't just as often made great progress in striving toward them.

Why do you go to church?

Rev. Judi

Website use continues to grow. I checked a few days ago and we were at 17 unique visitors per week. That doesn't sound like many, but remember that our congregation is not very large and our former website still being active causes some confusion trying to get noticed on search engines.

Keep visiting—things change every now and then!

MASM Concert Season

Our Concert Season begins October 7 with Jim McLaughlin's Organ Recital. Performing with Jim will be Jennie Harner on flute, Kevin Keister on trumpet and John Glaze joining Jim on an organ duet plus a couple vocal solos.

Our Cookie Queens, Lynn and Sandy, will be needing your help to provide refreshments following each of our concerts.



October 7th SILENT AUCTION: (This is also called the BAS-KET AUCTION) This is always a fun event at St Mary's. You fill a basket (container of some sort) with items of a theme. (I brought in one of mine that is titled "Into the Night Sky" with a book on constellations and star facts, binoculars, a notebook and a blanket to lay out under the stars.) Bring your basket to church on Saturday, October 6 and set it on a table set up for the auction. People will go around either Saturday or Sunday morning and write their bid on the sheet in front of the basket. Remember, if you want an item that is already bid on, you can write your name under that bid and bid higher! If a basket is not bid on, we will have an auctioneer hold up the basket and accept bids! But don't wait! Bid early. Our auction will begin after the meal during Coffee Hour. The money made will go to purchase new robes for our acolytes. Questions? Call Rev Judi+

Sunday, October 21st-VESTRY MEETING in Telfair Room at

Saturday, October 27th-WORSHIP TEAM MEETING in Conference Room at 10 am

Tuesday, October 30th-TAB (The Academy Board) MEET-ING in Conference Room at 2 pm

If you are interested in receiving your newsletter by email, instead of US Mail, let Maggie know. You'll read each newsletter in COLOR, save the church the cost of paper and postage!

VESTRY HIGHLIGHTS

The Vestry needs someone to take minutes at their meeting. Marth Gorman usually does so, but has surgeries and recovery coming up. Could you help?

We would like to recognize Dallas, Robert and Tyler Harner for planting and maintaining the gardens. Thanks, fellas, for your contributions to the gardens and for serving as acolytes.

We would like to announce birthdays and anniversaries in the bulletin and the Red Door. Please check the list in Lacy Hall and add your name and dates.

Please wear your name tags on Sundays. We have visitors and we want to make it easy for them to get to know us all. If you see someone new, invite them to coffee hour. Jesus called us to BE His church.

If you would like to bring a snack item for COFFEE HOUR, please sign up on the list in Lacy Hall. You don't have to serve a meal, just a snack. Donuts will be provided if no one signs up.

Judy Franklin and Karen Vlaskamp would like someone to join the BUDGET COMMITTEE in October. MINISTRY CHAIR-PERSONS should put in requests by October 28th, otherwise the budget will remain the same for 2018-19.

Volunteers are needed to do a Fall Cleaning of the Kitchen. Call Maggie or Karen to volunteer.

We are currently up-to-date with our church bills. Your contributions make this possible. Thank you!

We need volunteers to USHER on Sundays. Contact Rev. Judi to train and join the list. This is an easy way to serve! Kim McGuire Haines and Karen Vlaskamp will attend the WOR-SHIP LEADER TRAINING at the Proctor Center in November and December.

STAND FIRM

In a recent sermon, Rev. Judi explained that when Jesus said, "Get thee behind me, Satan." He was telling Peter to stand firm and support Him. Whenever you sin, don't blame God for He never tempts us, but He does test us. There is a difference. Temptation is Satan's attempt to defeat your spirituality. God tests us to validate your victory in Christ.

Your response can be a testimony to God's power. Satan works to discredit and dishonor God. God wants to know if your Sunday "Amen" continues Monday through Saturday. Remember Christ's authority can make you victorious over Satan every time!

Karen Vlaskamp

October

Oct 5—Herschel Hook Birthday Oct 23—Dallas Harner Birthday Oct 23—Andrea & David Harner Anniv.



Photo on left shows the window decoration which surrounded each of the stained glass windows. (date unknown)

TAKE A LOOK AT THIS WINDOW!

One of the items in the archives of the church is a small booklet. Hand-written on the outside is the date "1889" and "The services at Hillsboro Episcopal Church when The Stained Glass Memorial Windows to dear Katie Trimble (were dedicated)." The inside is a report on Easter Services:

The attendance at St. Mary's Episcopal Church last Sunday was very large, and the services were very impressive. At the regular morning services at 10:30 the choir was assisted by Prof. Ed. Frey and Mr. H. B. Thompson, and rendered the joyous Easter music in a delightful manner. The ladies of the church had donated flowers for the occasion, and the magnificent floral decorations rendered the scene a most charming one. Two beautiful memorial windows, given by Mrs. Wm. H. Trimble, were unveiled. The first one is on the left side, near the organ, and bears the following inscription:

In Memory of Katherine Buckingham Trimble.

Entered into rest at
Woodland, July ninth, 1883,
"And we also bless thy holy
name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith
and fear."

Serving Schedule for October

ОСТ	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES & CRUCIFER	TORCHES	USHERS	INTERCESSOR
7	Jim Heathcote	Connie Reynolds	Larry Wiley Robby Harner	Dallas Harner Tyler Harner	Andrea Harner Deanna Flinn	Betty Heathcote
14	Kim Haines	Larry Wiley	Dallas Harner Robby Harner	Tyler Harner ?	Shirley Gilliam Connie Reynolds	Lynn Lowell
21	Jennie Harner	Jim Heathcote	Bob Lowell Connie Reynolds	Robby Harner Tyler Harner	Larry Wiley Dallas Harner	Deanna Flinn
28	Lynn Lowell	Bob Lowell	Larry Wiley Dallas Harner	Robby Harner Tyler Harner	Sandy Ferrell Charlie Gorman	Sandy Ferrell

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October Quiz

- 1. Who is this?
- 2. What would she be known for in our sanctuary?

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NEW WEB SITE: www.smehillsboro.weebly.com

SUNDAY WORSHIP and SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 am

WEDNESDAY HOLY EUCHARIST with HEALING PRAYERS: 12:00 noon