

# St. Paul's by-the-Sea

## *Weekly news & updates*

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August 28, 2020

### Sunday's Service

This Sunday, August 30, 2020 at 10 am we will gather inside the Red Doors Community Center (10959 Worcester Highway, Berlin) for a Rite II Holy Eucharist service. Pastor Karen Wamester will officiate.

Below are requirements set forth by the Diocese that we must maintain at all times:

- **Please arrive early** as it will take a while to get everyone checked in.
- Everyone will have their temperature taken
- All must wear masks the entire time
- Everyone will sign the log book
- Bring the signed covenant or submit to the questionnaire
- There will be marked areas to stand on the ramp while waiting to come inside
- Only one group or individual will be allowed inside at the check in desk at one time
- Only one person or family at a time in the restroom
- Everyone must remain by their seat. No mingling, no hugging, no handshaking
- We will have individual sealed communion wafer & juice sets

***Come and join us!***

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**Regathering at the Church**



### ***Prayer List:***

Gary & Beverly Cooper, Robbie Whittington Joyce, Sylvia Tyler, Cathy, Shelton Watson, David Rouch, Danny Haberman, Lou Anne Garton, Joan Leatherwood, Christopher, Rachel Lee, Cindy Dreslin, Kyle Harmon, Pat Stephens, Shirley Connor, Yvonne Field, Nancy Turnbull, Michele Werner, Joe Walcott, Tammy Johnson, Jan West, Scott Burke, Jose Cabrera, Deborah Gooch, Jan Richardson, Joan Kamorowski, Melissa Martin, Lois Renn, Ryan Fischer, Hannah Wolf, Julia Rayfield, Jerry & Sandy Cushing, Debbie Simpkins, Ember Poppiti, Max Long, Bonnie Caudell, Cary, Cathy & Mark Baxley, Katlyn, Mary Scott, Etta, Chris Lynch, Tom Stearns, Gil Griggs, David Warren, Aunua, Letty Trimper Hurst, Ann Smith, Ann Plowman, Margaret Hudson, Matt Leszcz & family, Kenneth Rudia, Catherin Hatfield, Rev. Penny Morrow, James Miller, John Anderson, Judy Hoffman, Andy Hales, Ken Toms, Brannon Thacker

*We need your help to keep the list current. Please contact the church office with corrections, additions, and/or deletions. Thank you!*

Many are asking when services will resume at the church. While there is no definitive date at this time, the Regathering Committee is hoping for the last Sunday in September.

Before regathering at the church can take place, the front steps and railings must be repaired or replaced. This will take several weeks. In addition, the Bishop must give his approval which requires another application process.

Let us pray that God will provide a way for the red doors on Third Street to be open again on September 27th.

### **Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

#### **Collect:**

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

#### **Lectionary:**

**Exodus 3:1-15**

**Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c**

**Romans 12:9-21**

**Matthew 16:21-28**

#### ***Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:***

We give thanks for the witness of God's people at St. Paul's Episcopal Center, and for its Vicar, the Rev. Laura Dorsey, and for its Director, Mrs. Dee Rinehart.

#### ***Local Faith Community Prayer Cycle:***

St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Ocean City

#### **Birthdays**

9/1 Cheryl Nottingham

9/4 Ian Bresnahan

#### **Forward Day By Day**

Copies of the August, September, October edition are at the RDCC for anyone who would like to take one home. If you would like a copy sent to you please contact the church office 410-289-3453.



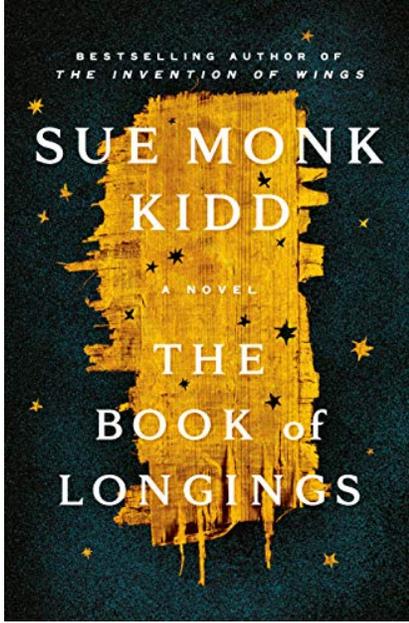
#### **Pastor Karen's 8/23 Sermon**

**Click here** to read her sermon.

**Click here** to watch the Facebook Live version of the 8/23 service.

### **SPBTS Book Club**

St. Paul's by-the-Sea Book Club will begin reading *The Book of Longings*, by Sue Monk Kidd in September. This book is an historic novel supposing that Jesus actually married. It follows the story of his wife, Ana, and focuses on the atmosphere and culture and the place of women during the time of Jesus. Debbie Shuster will be the leader of the discussions about this book.



In order to maintain social distancing and to keep folks safe, meetings will be virtual, using Zoom. Having the Red Doors facility available for those without Zoom capabilities is a possibility. At the RDCC the conversation can be projected and heard by those present (socially distanced, of course). More details, day and time of meetings, are to come. In the meantime, please call the church office or Debbie Shuster and let us know you are interested in joining the Book Club.

[Click here to view the Parish Calendar](#)

