

The Ministers of Hope Church - "All the People of Hope Church"

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(Without volunteers much would not be accomplished.)

Altar Guild: Lynette Brown
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Hope Episcopal Church

A Jubilee Parish

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May 7, 2023

Holy Eucharist - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Please remember in your prayers:

Elizabeth Grace & the Mattson Family, John, Marian, Michael, Bob, Barbara, Angie, Katie, Jerry, Paul, Braiden, Diane, Nancy, Judith, Lydia, Jeff, Lester, Susan, Beth Ann, Mose, Ed, Daphne, Peg, Stephanie, Everett, Bertha, Janice, Lily, Carol, Steve, Lori, Patrick, the Beal Family, and GriefShare;
Those suffering from all illnesses and those who caring for them;
Those impacted by natural disasters and violence;
The People of Ukraine and all those supporting them;
Those living in nursing homes, group homes, and prisons;
The People of the Diocese of Navajoland and all indigenous peoples;
Those serving in the military;
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Johns the Baptist Episcopal Church, York
The Church in Wales.

To add people to our Parish Prayer List, including those in the military please call the church office so they can be added to our prayer list.

Servers for May 7, 2023

First Lesson - Missy Gebhard

Psalm - Lynette Brown

Second Lesson - LeAnne Burchik

Prayers of the People - Jo Steffy

Lay Eucharist Minister - Rob Gokey

Ushers - Jeff Gebhard, Steve Norton

Acolytes - Ethan Weckerly, J.D. Hynick, Liam Peach & Gunner Tuscan

Thanks to Branden & Kathleen Peach for providing Lunch today.

Happenings at Hope Church:

- + **Coffee hour/Sunday Luncheon:** There is a sign-up list on the whiteboard in the parish house kitchen for those who want to provide lunch. The entire year is listed on the sign-up pages. The last Sunday of the month is a Pot Luck, so plan to bring your favorite dish!
- + **GriefShare:** GriefShare will meet every Tuesday at 6:30 PM. The next session will be Tuesday, May 9. You may contact Jo Steffy, the Group Facilitator, at 717-572-7491.
- + **Altar Guild:** Training will take place following worship today. All previous Altar Guild members and anyone interested in joining the Altar Guild are invited. Please try and head back over to the Sanctuary by 11:30 AM.
- + **Bible Buffet** is our once monthly Bible Study held on zoom. The next Bible Buffet will be on May 17th at 7:00 PM.
- + **Blood Drive:** St Edward's Episcopal Church is hosting a Blood Drive on Thursday, May 18th from 2:00-7:00 PM. All donors will receive two tickets to redeem at any home, regular season Lancaster Barnstormer's game! To register contact the Blood Donor Center at 717-544-0177 or online at LGHealth.org/giveblood.
- + **Summer Cookout:** Head over to Culliton Park (behind the Mission) at 210 Conestoga Street in Lancaster, for a Summer Cookout on Saturday, May 20th from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM hosted by CeaseFire PA! There will be free food, music, games and prizes.
- + **Convocation Night at the Barnstormers:** Save the Date - Saturday, May 20th at 6:30 PM is Convocation Night at the Barnstormers! A section of seats have been reserved for the 10 Episcopal Churches of Lancaster County to have a night at the ballpark with Fireworks following the game! Registration is due now later than Monday, May 15th For more information, check out the newsletter insert or poster in the Parish House!
- + **Baptism:** Our next Sacrament of Holy Baptism Service will be May 21st. Please contact the Church Office if you are interested in Baptism.
- + **Rogation Service:** The Bangor Episcopal Church in Caernarvon will be hosting a Rogation Service on Sunday, May 21st at 4:00 PM. Rev. Mark A. Scheneman will lead a 30-minute outdoor liturgy, followed by a walk of the and a light supper. For more details, see the flyer on the white board in the Parish House.
- + **Acolyte Training:** Following worship on June 4th, we will have a kid-friendly lunch, then move back over to the Church for a 90-minute Acolyte Training. Open to all kids ages 7 and up. Since we will also be measuring for robes, please contact Deacon Nancy if your child would like to Acolyte but cannot attend that day.

+ **Vacation Bible School:** Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School will be June 26-June 29 this year! Sign-ups are now open on Eventbrite!

+ **Combined Outdoor Service with St. Luke's:** Sunday, July 9th, we will be hosting a combined outdoor service and BBQ with St. Luke's!

+ Now more than ever, people need your help. The pandemic and inflation have exasperated food insecurity and housing issues. We need to continue to support our local food banks. One in 10 Lebanon County residents face food insecurity, which means nearly 14,000 individuals do not have certain access to adequate food throughout the year. There is a collection basket in the back of the church. From LCCM.

RIP MEDICAL DEBT

We are thrilled to announce that we are so close to hitting our \$10,000 fundraising goal for RIP Medical Debt! The Outreach Committee will guarantee our success. Checks and donations are still coming in!

Over next month, the resources that we gathered in collaboration with St. Luke's in Lebanon, as well as multiple church offerings and donations, are going to be gathered and sent to a debt abolishment team. Instead of a bill, these people will get letters from RIP explaining that their debts have been paid off, in full, by the Episcopal Church.

The campaign website with direct debit card donations will close on Friday, May 12th! After that, you may still make donations by check made payable to Hope Church with "RIP Medical Debt" in the memo line.

RIP Medical Debt was featured on CBS this past Sunday! Scan the BLUE QR code to check the article out!



If you would like to help meet our \$10,000 goal, you can scan the RED QR code to make a donation!

