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Calendar Highlights

Friday, June 2

- 1:00 p.m. Al-Anon—Library
- 6:00 p.m. Couples 12-Step Program—Room 1
- 6:30 p.m. **Movie Night—Undercroft Commons**

Saturday, June 3

- 9:00 a.m. Overeaters Anonymous—Chapel
- 11:00 a.m. Al-Anon—Undercroft Commons
- 11:00 a.m. Overeaters Anonymous—Room 1

Sunday, June 4

- 7:45 a.m. **Holy Eucharist—Main Church**
- 8:15 a.m. **Choir Rehearsal —Choir Room**
- 9:00 a.m. **Holy Eucharist—Main Church**
- 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. **Godly Play—Room 6**
- 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. **Joyful Path—Room 11**
- 10:15 a.m. **Service for Young Children— Chapel**
- 11:00 a.m. **Misa en Espanol— Chapel**
- 11:15 a.m. **Holy Eucharist—Main Church**

This Week at Ascension

Pentecost

The term means "the fiftieth day." It is used in both the OT and the NT. In the OT it refers to a feast of seven weeks known as the Feast of Weeks. It was apparently an agricultural event that focused on the harvesting of first fruits. Josephus referred to Pentecost as the fiftieth day after the first day of Passover. The term is used in the NT to refer to the coming of the Spirit on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1), shortly after Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension. Christians came to understand the meaning of Pentecost in terms of the gift of the Spirit. The Pentecost event was the fulfillment of a promise which Jesus gave concerning the return of the Holy Spirit. The speaking in tongues, which was a major effect of having received the Spirit, is interpreted by some to symbolize the church's worldwide preaching. In the Christian tradition, Pentecost is now the seventh Sunday after Easter. It emphasizes that the church is understood as the body of Christ which is drawn together and given life by the Holy Spirit. Some understand Pentecost to be the origin and sending out of the church into the world. The Day of Pentecost is one of the seven principal feasts of the church year in the Episcopal Church (BCP, p. 15). The Day of Pentecost is identified by the BCP as one of the feasts that is "especially appropriate" for baptism (p. 312). The liturgical color for the feast is red. Pentecost has also been known as Whitsun or Whitsunday, a corruption of "White Sunday." This term reflects the custom by which those who were baptized at the Vigil of Pentecost would wear their white baptismal garments to church on the Day of Pentecost.

- http://archive.episcopalchurch.org/109399_15013_ENG_HTM.htm

Opportunities for the Practice of Yoga and Centering Prayer in June

In addition to the Thursday morning yoga class at 10:00 a.m., I'll be offering a reprise of my Lenten offering on Wednesday evenings in June:

- 11:15 a.m. **Family with Young Children Small Group—Library**
5:00 p.m. **Holy Eucharist—Chapel**

Monday, June 5

- 1:00 p.m. Al-Anon—Library
6:30 p.m. Ensemble Rehearsal—Main Church
6:30 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous—Room 4
6:30 p.m. Spanish Class—Ascension House
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal — Choir Room

Tuesday, June 6

- 7:00 a.m. **Mobile Med—Chapel**
11:00 a.m. **Staff Meeting—Library**
6:00 p.m. **Spanish Bible Study—Ascension House**
7:00 p.m. Codependents Anonymous—Room 1
7:00 p.m. Stillwater Mindfulness Group—Chapel
8:30 p.m. Al-Anon—Room 1

Wednesday, June 7

- 10:00 a.m. **Wednesday Morning Book Group—Library**
1:00 p.m. Al-Anon—Library
7:00 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous—Room 1
8:00 p.m. Gamblers' Anonymous—Chapel

Thursday, June 8

- 10:00 a.m. **Yoga—Chapel**
4:00 p.m. **Tai Chi—Chapel**

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gentle yoga at 6:00-6:30 p.m. and Centering Prayer at 6:30-7:00 [p.m.in](#) the Chapel. - Randy

We give thanks for the life of Helene Yankus, mother of Christine Yankus-Eng, who died last Wednesday, May 31, at the age of 103.

We give thanks for the birth of Eliza Grace (granddaughter of Nancy Karman) to Dennis and Heather Kuczynski, on May 17.

We give thanks for the birth of Christen Cahira to Christopher and Rachel Ruggeri, who as born at 8:27am last Wednesday.

We give thanks for the life of John Carman who died April 27, 2017.

Baptisms

Three baptisms were held on Easter day:

- Cristal Andrea Reyes
- Aaron Gabriel Sims
- Nelson Misael Reyes

Jason's Ordination

Ascension I would like to thank you for a wonderful year with you all. You are a gift.

I also want to let you know what I am doing next. First, we move to Minneapolis in May. I begin work at "The Dignity Center" (a center that works to assist people from homelessness to stability), I will be a pastoral presence there for the summer. I will keep you posted as a more permanent placement develops.

On June 10th I would invite you to join me in person or prayer for my ordination to the transitional diaconate. The

service will be held at "Episcopal Church of the Epiphany" (3301 Hidden Meadow Dr. Herndon, VA 20171) at 10:30 a.m. As is our motto: All are welcome.

Blessings to you all from Cecily, Jason, Soren and Henning Cutshall.

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Prayers For Those Whose Lives are Closely Linked With Ours: Seabury Resources for Aging, St. Columba's Church, St. Columba's Nursery School

Pray for Comfort, Healing, Courage, and Hope: Sandy, Kirk, Sally, William, Margaret, Christine, Fran, Suzanne and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We pray for peace in the world and all who are serving our country here and abroad, especially those in harm's way, and their families.

Equip us and empower us to be witnesses to your love – as advocates and as servants, as ministers of welcome and of hope for refugees and all affected by natural disasters, violence, and war.

We pray for all special intentions, and those on our extended Healing Prayer List.

Worship Leaders

Sunday, June 4

Preacher: Randy Lord-Wilkinson

7:45 AM

Reader/Prayers: Jean Cohn
Chalicians: Enid Cole, Wadai Dennis
Healing Prayer: Jean Cohn
Acolytes: Raymond Chin, Aidan Douglas
Welcome Team: Meredith Horan, Janet King
Altar Guild: Leslie Sanya, Wadai Dennis
Hospitality Angel: David Burton

9:00 AM

Reader: Carleton MacDonald, Susan Ahalt

Prayer: Betsy Hasegawa
Chalichists: Margaret Tellu, Jerry Pfadenhauer
Healing Prayer: Paul Whitmore
Acolytes: Roberta Taylor, Richard McFarland,
Alfred Wasikye
Welcome Team: Dorett Sutherland, James Black,
Jonathan Black
Altar Guild: TBA
Hospitality Angel: Nathalie Scott

11:15 AM

Reader: Sarah Rubin
Healing Prayer: Alex Langley
Welcome Team: Avin Lalmansingh, Karl Didavi, Clark
Didavi
Altar Guild: Geogana Maines
Chalichist: Anika Lalmansingh, Sarah Rubin
Song Leader: Betsy Hasegawa
Hospitality Angel: Pamela Novel

Eucharistic
Visitor: Randy Lord-Wilkinson
Flower Delivery: Eliane Dunn-Johnson, Alice Padmore