

The Herald

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After Pentecost, all the way through to the beginning of Advent (the end of November), the Church celebrates the 'green season', the season of focus on the ministry and words of Jesus as we seek to grow as his disciples. During this season, we shall continue to reflect on the book 'Walk in Love' both alone and together (10-10.30 on Sundays). It is my hope that this will prepare us to consider confirmation, rededication and reception into the Episcopal church, even as we know that we are already members of the Church by our baptism and welcomed into St Raphael's by the love of our community.

This season is a good time to reflect on our collective ministry. The Diocese of Lexington has given us a clear theological foundation for all ministry in their document 'Differentiation for Ministry: discernment, formation and deployment for ministry in the Diocese of Lexington:

'We are made full members of Christ's Body the Church by water and the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Holy Baptism (BCP p 298), through which we are empowered with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and invited to share in Christ's royal priesthood (BCP p308). Christ has given his own ministry of reconciling the world to God to all of the baptized collectively [described as diakonia]...Our model is Christ himself, who emptied himself and took the form of a slave (Phil 2:7), and who came not to be served as to serve and who 'gave his life a ransom for many' (Mk 10:45). The collective ministry shared by all the baptized is differentiated in the members of the Body as part of our growth to maturity and the full stature of Christ for the common good of the whole and the building up of the Body (Eph 4:12-13).'

The primary ministry of the vast majority of the baptized is to carry out Christ's ministry of reconciling the world to God, inside and outside the community in the many varied ways that we look to fulfill our baptismal vows of proclaiming the good news of God in Christ by word and example, love our neighbors, and seek justice and peace (BCP p 305]. Formation for any and all ministry is mostly through participation in congregational worship, sacraments, and teaching, and I am deeply grateful and

privileged to serve a congregation that has so many very skilled and generous folk with serving hearts that bring beauty, love, joy (and food!) to our worship and our community. Thank you, all of you!

However, some lay ministries involve the Bishop's license as they are normatively functions associated with ordained ministry, yet key to sharing ministry responsibilities. These are specified by Episcopal Church Canons, policies and our Bishop's oversight, and include (from 'Differentiation' p 7):

- Pastoral leader (authorized to exercise pastoral or administrative responsibility in a congregation 'under special circumstances')
- Worship leader (authorized to lead public worship under the direction of the clergy)
- Preacher (authorized to preach under the direction of the clergy and rarely licensed in DioLex)
- Eucharistic Minister (authorized to administer consecrated elements at a Eucharist under the direction of the clergy and when not enough clergy are available for this purpose)
- Eucharistic Visitor (authorized, under the direction of the clergy, to take the consecrated elements immediately following a Eucharist celebration to members of the congregation who, by reason of illness or infirmity, were unable to be present at the celebration)
- Catechist (authorized to prepare persons for Baptism, Confirmation, reception, and the reaffirmation of baptismal vows, under the direction of the clergy).

Over this 'green season' of summer, especially as we progress through our 'Walk in Love' book study which further clarifies all this, I'm keen to hear from members able and interested in licensing for these ministries, so that we can prepare and develop our team ministry at St Raphael's!

Helen



Rev. Canon Dr. Helen
Van Koevering

Sr Warden's Corner - Tony Lo Bianco

A few weeks ago I attended a conference. As with many conferences that I have attended the main presenter had a "favorite phrase." The kind of phrase that the first few times you hear it, you're probably thinking, "oh, that's interesting." But then between the 3rd and 15th, if you're like me you begin trying to find something sharp to jam into your ear. But this guy persevered despite my cringes and grimaces, and long about the 20th utterance I gave in and thought, "o.k., what's this really all about?"



The phrase was this: "Consider allowing your Church to rise to the level of family."

Kind of an ear-worm, right? And no, this is not a piece about stewardship, although that was the broad context and in future months (after you've batted that phrase around 20 or so times) it might be.

My purpose with this article is to explore how our Church is like, and is not like, our families. And just to get this out there: I know that there are many and varied types of families. Families of one person, one gender, living in multiple states and countries across the globe and generations. But, in any context, does the Church rise to their level?

My first thought was "NO!" Now you all are great, and I have referred to you as my Church family many times. But sorry, the pecking order for those closest to me starts with Amy and John, then some parents /cousins etc... and then y'all are in the mix. So whatever this "level" concept is, I'm probably maintaining my 'no' vote on that one.

But what about the functions of a family? How well do we stack up there? On a good week I'd say our family eats together several times, finds something to celebrate, shares stories, witnesses each others' morning faces and attitudes, trudges through the mundanities of life while remaining well aware of our commitment to be there for each other. That actually seems pretty close to our Church family to me.

What about our long term goals as families? For me it's pretty simple: leave the world a better place than we found it. Isn't that why many of us have children? I'm well aware of my own mortality, sometimes too aware. When we got John baptized it wasn't because his head was dry. We wanted him to be part of a community that would support his growth. And all of the after-school activities, the reading, the 'stop shooting animated aliens on your computer' moments... these are all attempts to form a well-rounded young man who will do better things in this world than I have.

How does our Church family do at that? Not just with the youth, but with our overall long term goal of making 'this

fragile Earth our island home' less fragile, filled with more love, more hospitality. Will anyone know what St. Raphael's is in 100 years? Do we even have long term goals?

I'm not sure how my current scorecard looks... I think it's all over the place to be honest. But I know that we have the people who can continue our Church family's good work and help sustain it. And since you are all part of this family we will stick with you throughout that ride however you choose to participate..

Stewardship Corner

Thanks for joining us again at the Stewardship Corner!

How is everyone enjoying our newly refreshed and renovated living space area downstairs?

I thought so. Please take a moment to stop Patty Bond and Helen the next time that you see them, as they both worked ever so hard to come up with the plan you have unfolding before you. Our status as a welcoming church is now "shouted from the mountaintop" (sorry, had to throw in one of my old Pentecostal phrases I still love).

And you know who else also needs a shout? All of you who contribute to St. Raphael stewardship in so many ways. Sometimes (like the downstairs) it takes federally backed paper in some form. Other times it takes someone like Martha Helen and her two other volunteers for what I lovingly call Yard Angel work. Bless them all, since one again the fruits of their labor shout out to all who drive by and to all who enter "WELCOME"! They can always use an extra hand, so go see about joining them for an hour or two a month.

Other times it is like Mike Booth putting his life skills to work with all the woodworking that has also gone into the downstairs living space enhancement. The Lord dropped him and his wonderful family into the St. Raphael lap, and we are very blessed to have that type of talent. Stop him and give him some of the Lord's praise for his stewardship.

Let us give thanks for all that God has bestowed upon us and give thanks and praise to the Lord for all those things he is about to bestow upon us in 2019.

Roger L Kirk

Views from the Pews

We would like to encourage more parishioners to write articles for this column sharing their perspectives about the church, spiritual growth and other topics that may be of interest to our congregation. Just submit your article to Dana Berry by the requested date on the back page to be include in the next month's issue

A Note from Ed Blackwell

Hi, Folks; yep, it's me again after a long dry-spell. Ed Blackwell. This article is primarily about friendships. I've always been a very shy and intimidated person for the vast majority in my life; a loner. Being around others, a certain insecurity made me feel that I just didn't belong anywhere.

I was an only child, raised in a dysfunctional family and with a speech impediment to boot. People would laugh at me and make fun of me. You've probably heard the saying that "you're known by the company you keep." By having no other means by which to test reality, I came to the conclusion that this is just the way things are. "I'm never gonna change, they are never gonna change, blah, blah, blah..." They would say to each other, "oh, that Ed Blackwell, you better watch out around him, he's no good."

This kept me from the ones who had the potential of being Real Friends I had so been hoping for.

After I grew up, I began to experiment around with some musical instruments such as piano and saxophone and realized I could play. I had a talent that most don't, and when I would get out and play, I soon began to find that the "shell" I had been in for so long had begun to diminish. I felt more alive than ever before and it felt good. At last, I new that I was really good at something, but with the alcohol and other drugs I was doing at the time, I came to the point that I knew I couldn't do this anymore and therefore ended my short-lived career in the music business.

These days I'm a writer and I seem to be good at it so I'll keep doing it as long as I can. In conclusion, I wish to thank all you good people for your loving support through my illness and life changes - it would be so much more difficult without you. God Bless you all.

Love, and take care!

Ed Blackwell.

On Commencement

Commence·ment. Noun. A beginning or start.

How many commencements do we have in life? I wondered this as I attended my stepsister's graduation from Garrard County High School yesterday. Hers is a most uplifting and incredible story. Georgia Gale was born in the Xinjiang province of China in 2001. My not-much-older-than-me stepmother, Judy (Rev. Summers married them at St. Raphael's in 1984, eight years after my mother died—Judy was much younger than dad). After dad died in 2000 Judy went on a mission trip to China. She instantly connected with this young baby at an orphanage in this far outreach of China, a child of God, rejected by human parents and left to languish with many other such children. Judy had no idea to adopt, she wanted to help, for the baby was blind in one eye and had some other ailments. Back home, she made inquiries, and by complete chance on a Lexington street she ran into a young woman from Beijing involved in international adoptions. Judy shared her story and gave her the name of this baby in Xinjiang province. Even IF she wanted to become an adoptive parent, it almost never happens that one specific child will be the adopted child.

Until now. The local coordinator called Judy to tell her he'd never seen it before, but this same child would be available for her if she wanted to adopt. After getting the paperwork done here, Judy went there, and brought this young child here. She raised her on Main Street in Lancaster, and in this wonderful small-town USA, the young girl grew, and under Judy's outstanding tutelage this girl flourished. Driven, focused and with the encouragement from family and friends, Georgia Gale succeeded beyond all expectations: A governor's scholar, Georgia Gale was the class Valedictorian who gave an outstanding graduation address, and earned a full scholarship to attend Dartmouth College this fall.

Truly, her life of as-yet-to-be-fulfilled destiny is about to "commence," along with all the other graduates here and around the world.

I then mused about the aged people I had seen this week. Those who experienced this "commencement" many decades ago and were now on the short end of earthly existence. What had they experienced since that start in life--rather, that new start in life? Did all, or any, of their hopes and dreams come true? Are they feeling satisfactions, regrets, sorrows, joys, hopeful expectations, or a sad sense of futility at unfinished business and the despondency of unrealized potential?

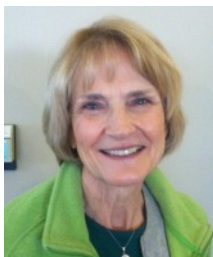


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Music Notes

St. Raphael Choir Will Recess for Summer Vacation

Our choir has worked hard since last fall, singing each and every Sunday and on all Holy Days. Now it is time for a well-earned rest, and the choir will take a break from Pentecost (June 9) until Labor Day. During the summer months, we will have a cantor each week leading the music for the 11:00 a.m. Sunday service. This will give the choir a vacation while providing beautiful vocal music as part of our worship.



On Pentecost, listen for many of our favorite hymns and anthems, with composers from Josquin des Prez and Thomas Tallis, to more contemporary works such as “Sweet, Sweet Spirit” by Doris Akers and “Every Time I Feel the Spirit,” arranged by William Dawson. Pentecost is literally a spirit-filled Holy Day with much to celebrate: the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and the birth of the Christian Church. The liturgical color is red, so search your closet and dress for the occasion!

It is such a pleasure to welcome back Amy Smereck and Thomas Bollinger to our choir and our faith community. Amy has been in England for the past nine months, with her husband, Chris Bollinger, who has been on sabbatical. Thomas has completed his freshman year at Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, and is home for the summer.

On the other hand, it was with sadness that we said goodbye to choir members Kimberly Applegate and George Parker, as they left Lexington, returning to Indianapolis. Kimberly and George were a delightful addition to our choir at the very time last fall when Amy and Thomas left. We will miss them very much! However, George and Kimberly have graciously promised to “drop in” and sing when they are in town visiting their son.

Blessings and best wishes to St. Raphael members and friends for a blissful summer,

Melinda Storey, Organist/Choirmaster

Crafter's Circle

The Circle will meet during June on the 8th and the 22th at 10:00 in the downstairs main room. Everyone is welcome to come and work on quilts, knitting or any other crafting items.

Sages to meet at Malones, Palomar Center June 20

Join us on Thursday, June 20th, at 11:30 AM at Malones, Palomar Center. Rose Conley will be hosting. Please RSVP to her at 554-5361

Walk the Stations of the Cross at Tobit's Trace

You are welcome to walk the Stations of the Cross at Tobit's Trace, You can follow along with the content on your smartphone. Go to <http://sreclex.org/tobits-trace/stations-of-the-cross-track/> . Or go to <http://sreclex.org/tobits-trace/explore-tracks/> and click Stations of the Cross. There are also printouts for those without smartphones. They are available in a box at the new Tobit's Trace sign.

Other tracks, including the Stormwater Track, will be available soon.

Tobit's Trace at St. Raphael Episcopal Church Facebook Group now open!

We also have set up a Facebook Group for Tobit's Trace and please feel free to share access to your friends. Post Photos of the area and share your experiences exploring this area!

Tobit's Trace - Caps for Benches

Please help us in collecting plastic caps which will be recycled into benches that will be placed throughout Tobit's Trace. Read more about the program here. Rescue those caps out of your trash can and bring them to church! The environment and we will thank you.



A Church Mouse in God's House

Good News! I mean, for me, not you (spoiler alert: I'm self-centered). But, as I'm getting up there in the seasons I've been starting to worry about health problems. Specifically, my hearing. This is a very valuable sense for our kind. And it's not like we have doctors with fancy instruments to test it. But last week we had the closest thing we have to an audiologist in town and I went to see her.

The exam went like this. She asked me to think of a place that I have frequently visited over a number of years and that would have had about the same noise level over that time. And I thought of the perfect one – the time just before your 11:00 Sunday Morning service. I'm almost always there, and unlike the services themselves which I know vary in terms of music and other sounds, the 10-15 minutes before the service seem pretty constant.

Then she asked me to describe the first time I had a memory of this. I described feeling peaceful, at ease, quiet and still. Like I was in the presence of some great mystery that was about to be revealed.

Then she asked me to describe more recent experiences of the same event. Oh, I told her, now I hear all kinds of things – about peoples' weekends, sporting events, books and movies, favorite kind of toast, what servers are wearing (or not!) under their robes, I hear people narrating the altar flowers, the weather and everything about the last four priests.

She didn't even have to tell me. I knew! My hearing was not only not declining, it had actually improved! Praise the Lord, you are a place where healing happens!

As pleased as I am by this, I have to confess something: I kind of miss that feeling of peaceful and prayerful meditation. I think that I might need to be healed from my healing.



Birthdays for June

Erica Formisano June 5
Mary Jane Amick June 14
Bill Frohoff June 16
Dave Sevigny June 21
Jack Supplee June 21
Moses Massaquoi June 28
Jonathon Melton June 28

Anniversaries for June

Amy & Tony LoBianco June 8
Kris & Katherine Olson June 11
Logan & Marie Jacobs June 14
Martha Helen & Al Smith June 17

Please let me know if we miss anyone's special day! We'd hate to leave out anyone on their birthday or anniversary. Send an email to me at danabruceberry@gmail.com if we don't have your dates.

Focus on Art Gallery - Joy!

Joy From Our Homes . .

The walls of our lobby are filling up but there is still more room. Please bring your item(s) by the church to be displayed for all to enjoy.

This month the Herald is featuring three wonderful paintings made by Helen and Mark Van Koevering's children (with the help of a local artist back in 2002). A street scene through the eyes of a 9 year old Jake, a 7 year old Matt, and Kylie who was 5. Can you guess which age did which painting? You will have to ask Helen for the answer to that! The Van Koevering children went on to study art, had work displayed in the Pietermaritzburg SA art gallery, won an art award, and finished High School with art displays.

These pictures were brought back from Wales last January, fresh colors with a child's perspective holding memories and bringing smiles to Mark and Helen whenever they view them.



The Great, Green, Growing Season after Pentecost

Imagine before you a small square, made of wood. Within that square is a ring made of many small wood pieces. Each of those pieces are painted one color or another: either purple, green, white, or red. Two white ones have special stickers on them: one a cross, and the others a star.

Radiating out from the center are three arrows not unlike the hands of a clock. One always points to the white block with a cross on it. Another point to the white block with the star on it. The last one moves around that ring pointing a one after the other.

There are ten purple blocks. There are eight white ones. There is one red. And there are thirty-three green ones. Together they form a general liturgical calendar in Godly Play with the goal of teaching children the movement of the Church Year. There is a whole story on the Church Year for the children with lines like "this is the Pentecost block and it is warm, almost hot, like fire...ouch."

Here is what our Book of Common Prayer says about liturgical seasons, "...". Nothing, it leaves it up to local churches to develop practices. It sets rules for how to worship on certain Sundays, but color is optional. Dean J. Neil Alexander of Sewanee seminary writes "The prayer book tradition has not regulated the use of liturgical colors and you will find no reference to liturgical colors in the book."

Godly Play, a children's ministry developed by an Episcopal priest (Rev. Jerome Berryman), has a great deal to say about the seasons and calls the Season after Pentecost the "great, green, growing Sundays." These Sundays contain teaches from Jesus and the Old Testament about what being a part of "kingdom of priests" and a "priesthood of all believers" is like. They contain stories that will hopefully inspire us to grow like the trees around us. We are the mustard seed set to grow large in the faith. They teach us "kingdom" living is a world surrounded by teachings that support reckless consumerism and government, secular messiahs.

This is also the season of vacations. Unlike the rest of the Church Year that builds from Advent One to Holy Trinity, this season is less story arc and more episodic. If you miss some, that's okay. You missed some stories of God's love and God's call to ministry. That's okay, this week there are stories of God's love and God's call to ministry. Let us grow together and let us grow according to God's individual story for each of us. Amen.

Carl J. Fosnaugh IV

St Raphael Episcopal Church - Striving to be The Greenest Church in Lexington!



Visit our Facebook Group page for Tobit's Trace - Tobit's Trace at St. Raphael Episcopal Church! Feel free to share the page with your friends!

June 2nd - Join us for Rogation Procession!

Everyone, adults and children: next Sunday (June 2), after our 11am service, we shall gather for a 'rogation procession' throughout our church land, including Tobit's Trace. This began as an ancient rural procession to prayerfully 'beat the bounds' annually of a parish, but we are also offering Tobit's Trace to God and the community in prayer ahead of our Family Day in June 11. Join us (or follow us from the Columbarium)!

Shop in Style with our Reusable Shopping Bags made here at St Raphaels!

On Saturday, May 25th, Carol Summers and Nancy Christiano Mathews manned a booth at the Greenfest in Lexington to promote not only Tobit's Trace, but our reusable Grocery and Produce bags made by the ladies in our Crafting Group. The bags will sold at the church for \$15 for the reusable shopping bags, and \$5 for reusable produce bags. Proceeds from the sales will go towards our VBS program this August.

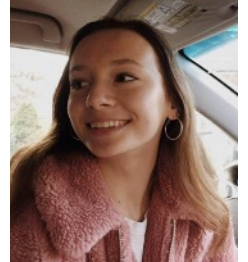


Congratulations to our Parish Family Graduates!

Michael Binkauskas, son of Michelle & Ron Binkauskas, will be graduating from Drexel University in Philadelphia in June 14, 2020. Michael has earned a Bachelor of Science in International Business and Marketing with a minor in Business Law. Michael's future plans are undecided at this point, he would like to stay in the Philadelphia area if possible. We are incredibly proud of the young man he has become and are certain his future is bright, wherever God may lead him.



Susannah Major, granddaughter of Martha Helen & Al Smith is graduating from high school in West Hartford, CT. She will attend Oklahoma University which has one of the top dance programs in the country after a summer intensive program with the Bolshoi Ballet in New York.



Kayla Colliver, daughter of Don & Victoria Colliver, will graduate from Tates Creek High School on June 2. Her future plans are to attend Berea College and study Veterinary Medicine.



Reading Camp

If anyone is interested in helping with Reading Camp in June, it will be in the following locations:

June 17 - 21: Church of the Resurrection

June 24 - 28: Mission House

Please speak to Helen if you are interested and available.

Junior Camp at Cathedral Domain

Helen will be the Chaplain for the June 23 - 29 session. Please join us! Contact Helen for more information.

Gardening Angels Needed

Our St. Raphael's "Gardening Angels" (who help organize the care for the plantings immediately around the church building) have slowly been retiring, and our gardens could use a few newly canonized "Gardening Saints" to help manage the care around the church. If your passion is working some in God's earth, we could use your energy, enthusiasm and leadership. Please contact the Properties chair, Dave Seigny (thekydude@gmail.com or 859-312-5157) to share your enthusiasm!

A View from the Pew

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It then hit me: death is not final. It is yet another commencement! It's all a mystery. Were I a dogmatic Christian, I'd say my baptism and belief in Jesus, now and until my final breath, would grant me occupancy in one of the many rooms Jesus has prepared in his father's heavenly mansion. And from there, the world would be my oyster because heaven is indescribably delicious.

But as a believer in the unknowable mystery, the Great Spirit that transcends placement in any box of human conception—religious, scientific or otherwise—the alpha and omega commonly referred to as “God,” I believe that this commencement from earthly life will be enjoyed by all, regardless of human intention, regardless of earthly beliefs, faiths, desires or lack thereof.

All who have ever breathed and all who ever will.

Congratulations, graduates--past, present and future!

Book Study: Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices, 10 a.m. Sundays

All are invited to take part in our book study. The book "Walk in Love" is a 'journey through The Book of Common Prayer, the Christian life, and basic beliefs of our faith, guided by two Episcopal priests.' The group went through Chapter One last Sunday, but it's an easy read and you can catch up or read independently at your own pace. Please let Helen or Carl know if you need a copy of the book. Or, order one for yourself here:

<https://www.amazon.com/Walk-Love-Episcopal-Beliefs-Practices-ebook/dp/B079H3N7XG/>

Family VBS is June 11, "A Day in Tobit's Trace"

The day will start at 9 a.m. and end at 3 and include lunch. We will spend the day at Tobit's Trace exploring God's Creation using all of our senses. The experience of God in Nature is profound and will enrich our connections to the natural world and its Creator. Led by natural scientist Tom Kimmerer, we will see how our senses connect us with the natural world and the Holy Spirit. We will plant trees not only for the future, but also to enrich our connections to Nature. This course is suitable for all ages and abilities. Please RSVP to Carl at SROffice@sreclex.org.

Dinner Church June 29

Our next Dinner Church is scheduled for June 29 beginning at 5:30 pm. Meet Carl Fosnaugh with his teaching hat on and his office manager hat off for a night with the "Fathers of The Church." Jesus welcomed children. Ate with sinners and tax collectors. Kept a woman from being stoned by a mob. Met with non-Jewish people with compassion. Stories abound in the gospels about Jesus behaving in scandalous ways. The teachers of the Early Church came to some radical opinions regarding God's love and justice because of these stories. Come to a night devoid of politics, of elephants verse donkeys. Come a night that honors Christ, remembers our spiritual ancestors, and asks the question: what do the people that lived, taught, and wrote after the Bible was "finished" have to say to us today. RSVP to Amanda Vance by June 25. 502-333-8773 or avance13@gmail.com

Recycling Medicine Bottles

As you may know, for the past few years we have been collecting empty prescription medicine bottles to be recycled by St. Mathews Ministries in Cincinnati, OH. This ministry cleaned and sorted the bottles and shipped them to missions around the world to be used for people in their areas in need.

We had a volunteer who would routinely collect the bottles and then drive up to Cincinnati to deliver them to the warehouse where St. Matthews stores and sorts the bottles.

Unfortunately, that volunteer has moved away and so we no longer are able to get the bottle up to Cincinnati. We will no longer be collecting the bottles unless we can find someone who is willing to make the round trip and deliver the bottles. We currently have five large bags full of bottles to be delivered.

If someone would be willing to deliver these bottles at some point, please let Lee Davis or Dana Berry know. 859-381-1830

Enjoy Tobit's Trace



Photo by Dina Mullins



Photo by Rose Conley



Photo by Tom Vance

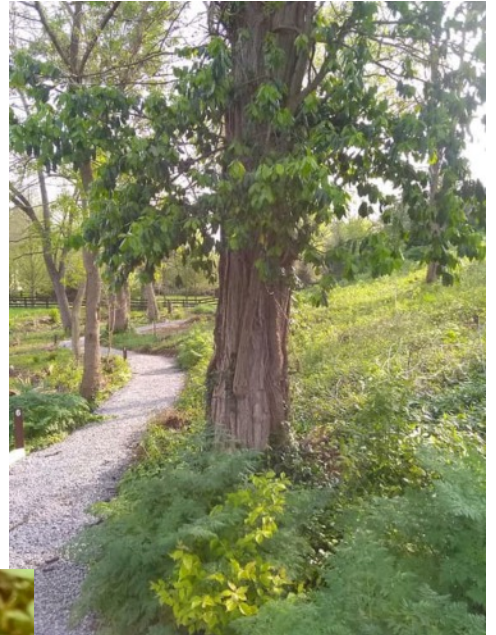


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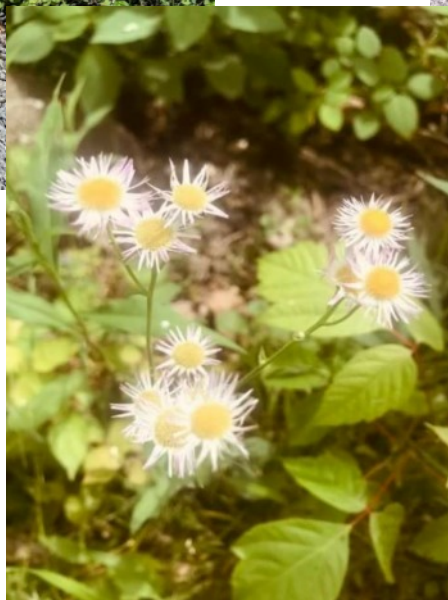


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Opportunities for our Children to learn about their Church and their Environment



Olivia Vance assists guest celebrant Rev. Jan Cottrell at the Eucharist

Saint Raphael's Episcopal Church and the Church of the Resurrection, Lexington invite you to something different...

Joining in with God's Life for the World

We invite you, your children, and their friends to celebrate the opening of Tobit's Trace, to connect nature to faith, the Eucharist, and the Bible with Rev. Helen Van Koevering.

What's Happening at VBS 2019?

Learning in Tobit's Trace

- Dr Tom Kimmerer will be teaching about nature & tree planting
- Come plant trees with us in Tobit's trace

Healthy Living

- Nancy Cristiano Matthews is connecting fun with veggies, healthy eating, and the (re)use of plastics

Music & Crafts

- Learn about music and its ability to heal
- Put your creativity and artistry to the test
- Enjoy some story-telling

When is VBS 2019?

Family VBS – June 11th: A Day in Tobit's Trace led by Dr Tom Kimmerer

- Tree planting
- Exploring the scents of nature
- Picnic lunch provided
- All ages, and families welcome

Young People's VBS (ages 5 – 16)

- August 5 – 9, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM daily
- Lunch provided

Summer 2019

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Articles and news information for September must be submitted by **Friday, June. 21, 2019** to Dana Berry at danabruceberry@gmail.com

Sunday Services

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I)

11am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Children are welcome during each service - there are activity sheets and coloring pages at the back of the church for their enjoyment.

Wednesday

10:30 am Book Club & Cookies

12 Noon Holy Eucharist with Unction

6:30 pm Evening Prayer with Unction (healing prayers)