



The Lion's Pause

St. Mark's Episcopal Church
CANTON, OH



In view of COVID transmission rates in Stark Co. and CDC guidelines, we are requesting that all persons attending services at St. Mark's continue to wear a mask inside the building.

Rector's Ramblings

Near the back of the Book of Common Prayer 1979, there is a section titled Historical Documents that often goes unnoticed. One of the documents is titled Articles of Religion, which was adapted



from the 39 Articles of Religion from the English Prayer Book. It is well worth exploring this document to understand the theology of the English Reformation. Over the next few weeks, I will examine some of the articles that may be important to keep in mind in the present.

The first five articles are a combination and summary of the "Three Creeds, Nicene Creed, The Creed of Saint Athanasius, and the Apostles Creed." The Creed of Saint Athanasius is not used in any of our liturgies but can be found among the Historical Documents on page 864 in the Book of Common Prayer.

The first of the articles that separated the English Reformers from the Roman Catholic Church is Article VI. Of the Sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures for Salvation. It states:

Holy Scripture containeth all things necessary to salvation: so that whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any man, that it should be believed as an article of the Faith, or be thought requisite or necessary to salvation.

This article was a partial rejection of certain Roman Catholic doctrines which could not be proved from a plain reading of Holy Scripture. However, it is not a total rejection of some of those doctrines. For example, the doctrine of the Assumption of Mary cannot be plainly demonstrated from Holy Scripture. Neither does Holy Scripture disprove the doctrine. Therefore, those who follow the Anglican tradition are free to believe the doctrine, but cannot compel anyone else to believe it.

As various theological issues are debated in the church today, it is important to keep this broad tolerance in mind. There are points of theology that are not clearly defined in the Holy Scripture, and it is important that we do not try to force agreement on issues where Holy Scripture is either silent or ambiguous.

Fr. RJ



Sunday, September 26

Holy Eucharist in person at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Live Stream at 10 a.m. *(please share to your Facebook page, too!)*

Bible Study at 9 a.m. between services

Sunday School at 10 a.m.

[Lessons](#) (Track 2)

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Monday, September 27

Knitting, 1 p.m. in the Family Room

Tuesday, September 28

Lunch Bunch at [John's Bar](#), 1 p.m.

Wednesday, September 29

Evening Prayer, 4 p.m.

[Bulletin](#)

[Angels Doc](#)

[Zoom](#)

Upcoming: October 11, Book Club (Zoom) *The Gown* by Jennifer Robson

New Sanctuary Air Conditioning Update



Good news!

The new Sanctuary air conditioner installation is complete. If we have any more warm Sunday mornings, the Sanctuary will be cool.

Again, your Vestry, Finance Committee, and Building Team want to thank those who have contributed to the Sanctuary Air Conditioning project. More than **\$13,400** has been donated so far.

Want to donate to this project? You can use the link [here](#) and write in "AC Contribution" or use the offering plate on Sunday and leave a note in the memo line.

Outreach: Blessing Box at Hope Outreach Ministry

A reminder that we are still providing personal items for the area homeless, including toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap,

toilet paper, tissues, hand sanitizer, paper towels, deodorants, band-aids, and other personal care products. They are also in need of food items, such as cans of fruit, applesauce, tuna fish, crackers, and any ready-to-eat item, since can openers are not necessarily available. Please place items into the Hope Chest located across from the coatroom.



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Bob's Music Notes

I had no idea of all the details involved in building a house: room size, footprint on the property, size of rooms and garage, heating and cooling, phone location, and fixtures such as doorknobs, towel racks, and light switches.

Our builder, for some strange reason, only indicated an automated garage door opener for the single spot with no opener for the two-car spot (for our three-car garage). Kathleen observed this right away and said we needed an opener for both doors.



And the footprint he had selected had the back of the house facing traffic instead of the Timken farm and, of course, Kathleen picked up on that, too, and asked that the back of the house have us looking at farmland.

And since she had said she didn't want a house with a lot of little rooms, she questioned why he had made the Great Room so small. So he pushed out the west wall to its limit and did the same with the music room.

So then we were ready for construction to start, and winter was upon us.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

7 Linda Deuble

14 Maxine Kit

16 Bruce Hixon

17 Wayne Paradis

23 Alex Highman, Christopher Smith

27 John Highman

29 Emily Gordon

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

2 Tom and Sandy Turner

Prayer Concerns

Jim Weaver, Jane Schutrum, Ron Hill, Amelia Rowland, Ron Brookes, Jack and Pauline Briggs

Family and Friends: Rose (Fr. RJ's daughter); Yanette Pysher (Vonda Temelkoff's cousin); John Fortney (Cindy Brown's brother); Spc. Nicholas Gable & his Ohio National Guard unit in Louisiana (relative of Peg Hill); Sandy Snyder & Doug (friend of the Rands); Cricket Boyd, Diana, Carol & Lynnda Hoefler (friends of Sue Little); Sherry, Carson, Noah, Linda Kendrick & Gail (friends of the Kieslings); Hugh Clark (friend of the Hixons & Kieslings); Ray Slinger (friend of Bob Morrison); Janet Sheatzley Morgan (Barb Siegfried's sister); Chuck Schuerer and Beth Conley (friends of Cricket Boyd); Carol Jones (daughter of Buck & BJ Jones); Steve O'Krepki and Corinna

(family of Beth Crowl); Dr. Angela Peters & family (friends of the Kennedys); Terry L., Denny Schafer, Judy Evans & Bobby Guerin (friends of Pam McCarthy); Addelyn (friend of Judy Hixon); Jerry Burris (friend of the Thorleys); Lesley & Holly (friends of Paulette Frech); Jim Bellamy (friend of Marcia Tirpak); Marc Hostetler (brother of Susan Hostetler); Baby David (friend of the Schaub); Bob Patterson (friend of Diana Cornell); Camila Guzman family and Pastor Marilyn Roman (friends of the Mulls); Johnny Willoughby; Jim Mesko (friend of Jim Weaver).

For those who have died.

Herman Moore

For those in the armed forces.

PRAYER CHAIN:

St. Mark's has a group of prayer warriors who pray for the specific needs of those on the prayer chain. If you would like to place yourself or a loved one on the prayer chain, please contact Bobbi Gordon at ggordon24@sbcglobal.net

Prayer requests may be placed on the private Prayer Chain or on the Prayer Concerns list appearing in *The Lion's Pause* and Sunday bulletin or in both places. Please let Bobbi know your preference. Unless otherwise instructed, names will be listed as we receive them. Please update Bobbi or Katie on the status of your friends or family members as to when they may be removed from the prayer lists.



Need to update your directory listing, birthday, or anniversary? Update [here](#).



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