

City of God: St. Augustine's - Parkland

NEWSLETTER

September 7th, 2021

We hope everyone had an enjoyable long weekend and had a chance to either attend or watch Sunday's service online! A huge thank you to all involved for another beautiful service!

Speaking of which, has anyone else noticed how many mistakes and mishaps happen during our services? How many times we, as readers, trip over our words or mispronounce some of the names in the old testament? Or the times when we have little glitches in our sound system? Or even the times when the slides don't advance in perfect time with the service?

No? That's not a big deal? It's nothing to worry about? It doesn't affect our spiritual experience or take away from the service?

Did you also know that "I could never do that, I'd mess it up" is the top reason for not signing up for any of our ministries? We all mess up, nothing ever goes absolutely perfectly, ever. A huge part of our services is only due to the wonderful volunteers we have and their willingness to share their perfectly imperfect gifts with the rest of us.

As you know, we are planning a Ministry Fair this coming Sunday where you can learn all about the roles our fabulous volunteers fill to make our services successful. If you have ever looked at one of these ministries and thought "maybe I could do that"; maybe that wasn't your thought but God's calling. Please do take some time and prayerfully consider what gifts you may have to share with the rest of us; just as you don't expect perfection from anyone else - it certainly won't be expected from you!

All ministries do come with training and most are incredibly easy and enjoyable. Detailed information will be available on September 12th.



Is anyone available to help with doing a dump run? We have this area of stuff ready to go! If no one is able to help with this, we will have to call in a dump bin to get it cleared out. Please let Michelle know if you can help!



A note of **tremendous** thanks to:

- Charlie Hand for doing our eco center run for us!
- Bill & Deb Courtis for doing our Thrift Store run for us!
- Bill Kesanko & his lovely assistant Judy for installing the handy handrails on either side of the church and a few other odd jobs around the building!
- Bob & Marion Coates for their ongoing commitment to helping keep our building & grounds looking its best!
- Everyone who contributed to our School Supply Drive on behalf of Neighborlink! It was a smashing success!



A reminder that we do have a wonderful Bible Study group meeting every week. Thus far we have been focusing on the readings for the following Sunday and enjoying some really great conversation. Come join us any Thursday at 10am at the church. Bible readings for next Sunday are: **PROVERBS 1: 20-33, 8-9, 22-23, JAMES 3: 1-12, and MARK 8: 27-38.**



We are still looking for volunteers to help with the Sunday School program. Those interested in teaching are asked to commit to a 6 week time block, those interested in being a helper can sign up for any week they like! Please contact either Jennifer, Brenda, Kathy (the core group), Michelle in the office, or sign your name to the sign up sheet located on the bulletin board to help.



Message from the ACW President & Secretary:

Ladies, please bring your own beverage and snack for a social meeting tomorrow. We are collecting ideas for a less work intensive bazaar.



Masks in Church:

Please be advised that Diocesan Policy currently dictates that we must wear masks in the church at this time.

Tabernacle Candle:

The candle is sponsored this week by Betty Squance in memory of Glen's birthday on the 9th and by Winnie Kennair in memory of her brother, Christopher.



If you would like to sponsor the candle for \$10 in memory of a loved one (perhaps on a birthday, anniversary or other important date), please do let us know! We are not limited to one sponsor per week.

Upcoming dates:

Sept. 12th	· Kathy Budd in memory of her parents
Sept. 19th	· Fran Peacock in memory of husband Jack's birthday
Sept. 26th	· Michelle Squance-Slade & family in celebration of daughter Taryn's 30th birthday on the 27th
Oct. 3rd	· Bill & Deb Courtis in celebration of their 12th Wedding Anniversary · David & Paula Dunbar in celebration of their 49th Wedding Anniversary
Oct. 10th	· Betty Squance to commemorate the first anniversary of Glen's passing on the 11th · Bill & Helen Steinburg in celebration of their 55th anniversary that was on the 8th
Oct. 17th	· open

Reminders:

- There are also quite a few boxes of envelopes in the mail slots that can be picked up!
- If you have any parish news or events you would like to share, please do contact Michelle in the office to have it included in our weekly newsletter!
- If you have any prayer requests for our weekly intercessions, let Michelle know that as well.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, September 8th - 1pm ACW meeting at the church

Wednesday, September 8th - 7pm Vestry Meeting

Thursday, September 9th - 10am Bible Study at the church

Sunday, September 12th - 10am Join us in person or via Youtube at

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkkzBUIHoFQyrqCg1GmTukw>

Sunday, September 12th - ministry/job fair and Sunday school starts!

Speaking of volunteering...

