



**Christ Church**  
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Clarksburg, WV

# The Good News Weekly

## Christ Episcopal Church ~ St. Barnabas Chapel

### June 21, 2020



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### Upcoming Events

All events with person to person contact at our church sites are cancelled indefinitely. Please watch for updates by email, on Facebook, and on the Christ Church and St. Barnabas websites.

### Anti-Racism Collect for June For justice in the criminal system:

“Lord, you suffered at human hands the pain of false arrest, torture, and unjust punishment, and you commanded us to comfort those in prison. Build a fire in your people, Lord, that we may never learn patience with prejudice or make peace with oppression, but that we may burn with zeal for justice, proportion, and equal protections under law for all people. In the Name of him who died condemned.” **Amen.**

This is one of the 12 prayers provided for our use by the WV Diocesan Commission to End Racism. A new prayer will be printed each month.

### Gratitude for Dick Clovis

Dick has faithfully gone to Christ Church each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. since sometime back in March. He rings the bell for five minutes and then goes home. Thanks, Dick, for keeping the bell ringing.



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Morning Prayer with Zoom  
at 10:00 AM  
Evening Prayer with Zoom  
At 5:30 PM

### INFORMATION FOR UPCOMING ZOOM SERVICES

Join Zoom Meetings by clicking on this link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5245181878>

(If this doesn't work, copy and paste the link into the address line on your computer or phone.)

Meeting ID: 524 518 1878

Another option is to dial in: (646) 558-8656

Please note this is the same link & ID for every week.

**Instructions:** Five to ten minutes before the service time, click on the link above. When the Zoom program appears on your screen, click on the button that says you want to join using video, and click on the button that says you want to join using audio. **Then wait** for someone to open the meeting. When this happens, any background noise or anything you say will be heard by everyone on the screen. To prevent this, you can click on the speaker icon to mute the speaker, but remember if you wish to speak, you will need to unmute the speaker.

### Sunday Virtual Eucharists

You are invited to join Bishop Klusmeyer on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. on zoom, telephone or Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/EpisDioWV/>

The National Cathedral continues to offer Sunday Eucharist online. Music begins at 11:00 a.m. with the service starting at 11:15 a.m. EDT.

<https://cathedral.org/worship>

This service can also be viewed on the Cathedral's [Facebook page](#).

### E-Giving Is Available to Churches Without Fees

Parishioners are encouraged to use e-giving at:

<http://www.wvdiocese.org/pages/aa-egiving.html>

Just scroll down and click on the donate button located by Bridgeport-St. Barnabas or Clarksburg – Christ Church.

### Checks can also be mailed directly to the church

at Christ Episcopal Church

PO Box 1492, Clarksburg, WV 26302

## Habits of Grace By Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

During this month of June, we find ourselves in the midst of great titanic struggles, hardships, and difficulties. When important things are at stake, when the lives of God's children, and the life of the world in many respects is at stake. Even as I speak, protestors march through our streets, protesting the way we have been. Protesting for the way we could be. Black Lives Matter, protesting in our city streets that we might learn to live the ways of justice, and mercy that reflects the heart of God's love. And even as I speak, this month of June is Pride Month when our LGBTQ siblings remember and recall, and continue their struggle for equality and mutual respect, and human dignity in our society, in our church and throughout the world.

And even as I speak, the COVID-19 pandemic continues in strange and unanticipated ways, but it continues. This is the month of June. These are some hard times. Hard times for all, but really hard times for so many. Sometimes it's helpful to go back and look how others navigated hard times. I went and picked up a small book. There's a book of sermons by Harry Emerson Fosdick. It was published in the mid 1940s, in 1944 I believe. It was a collection of sermons that he preached as the pastor of Riverside Church in New York City, during the Second World War when the entire world was in an apocalyptic struggle between good and evil. One of the sermons he titled, "In such a time as this, no dry-as-dust religion will do."

He pleaded with people of God to draw closer to God for strength and energy. To live lives of love, of faith, of hope. In that same period of time, he composed the hymn that's found in many of our hymnals, and I would offer it for us this week in this month of June.

*God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thy ancient churches' story,  
bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the facing of this hour . . .*

*Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the gift of thy salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore.*

(Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930)

God love you. God bless you. May God hold us all in those Almighty hands of love.

Reference: "No Dry as Dust Religion Will Do," *A Great Time to Be Alive: Sermons on Christianity in War Time*, Harpers & Brothers, 1944