

September Newsletter 2018

“Come to me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

—Matthew 11:28

The summer is almost over, which means children are returning to school, traffic will start picking up, and we’re starting up Sunday School and the Kids First service soon! Sunday school will be held the first and third Sunday of each month starting September 16, and our Kids First service will resume October 7. But before the lazy days of summer end and we resume a busier schedule at church and in the world around us, we get another chance to rest from our labors—Labor Day!

Though Labor Day is a secular holiday, there is a lesson we Christians can learn by observing it. When God created the universe, God labored for six days creating land and sea; sun, moon, and stars; plants and all types of living creatures; and finally, humankind. But on the seventh day, God rested. Even God the Almighty took time to rest. In our society which values being “busy” and encourages us to constantly be on the move, it is important to remember to take time for rest and relaxation—to make time for leisure in the midst of the cares and concerns of the world.

So however you spend this Labor Day, remember the seventh day, and make time to recuperate from the stresses of daily life—not just on Labor Day, but regularly throughout every week—and give thanks to the God who taught us that labor is good, but so is rest!

Peace,

Megan

The Rev. Canon Kevin Nichols

The ordination and consecration of the Rev. Canon Kevin Nichols as the IX Bishop of Bethlehem will take place on September 15 at 11:00am at First Presbyterian Church in Allentown. If you would like to take a bus from St. Alban’s to attend the service, please contact The Rev. Dennis Reid at rector@stalbansepiscope.org

The bus leaves at 9am. The cost to ride is \$20.

Forum on the Fourth

Our next Forum on the Fourth will take place Sunday, Sept. 23 after the service.

Please come with an open mind and a discerning heart.

September Birthdays

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| 5 Ken Harclerode | 15 Dennis Goodling |
| 6 Bret Beebe | 17 Jim Hathaway/John Bergandino |
| 9 Joe Krawlzik | 19 Gavan Foster |
| 12 Jill Weise | 22 Ken Olenginski |

September 2

Reader.....Pat Mast
Intercessor.....Jackie Laverty
Chalice.....Evans & Barbara Goodling
Ushers.....Terry McEwen/D.D. Krawlzik
Refreshments.....Mast/McEwen
Healing.....Barbara Goodling
Counters.....D.D. Krawlzik/Terry McEwen

September 9

Reader.....Evans Goodling
Intercessor.....Barbara Goodling
Chalice.....Stan & Sally Stalnaker
Ushers.....Jim & Arlene Hathaway
Refreshments.....Cook/McEwen
Healing.....Barbara Goodling
Counters.....Bob & Peg Cook

September 16

Sunday School starts! 9am.

Reader.....Amy Smith
Intercessor.....D.D. Krawlzik
Chalice.....Pat Mast/Jackie Laverty
Ushers.....Stan & Sally Stalnaker
Refreshments.....Price/Cunningham
Counters.....Sally Stalnaker/Jen Cunningham
Healing.....Barbara Goodling

September 23

Forum on the Fourth after the service

Reader.....Barbara Goodling
Intercessor.....Arlene Hathaway
Chalice.....Evans & Barbara Goodling
Ushers.....Jim & Arlene Hathaway
Refreshments.....Stalnaker
Counters.....D.D. Krawlzik/Terry McEwen
Healing.....Barbara Goodling

September 30

Reader.....Pat Mast
Intercessor.....D.D. Krawlzik
Chalice.....D.D. Krawlzik/Stan Stalnaker
Ushers.....Evans & Barbara Goodling
Refreshments.....Stillman/Moore
Counters.....Bob & Peg Cook
Healing.....Barbara Goodling

**SEPTEMBER
2018**

Thurs., Sept. 13—Dinner Out at
Mimmo’s on Route 10
6:00pm