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#### June Birthdays

4–Teddy DeMings
14–Joe Pieczynski
22–Trisha O-Brien Briere
23–Joe DiSalvatore
28–Chris Bolte



# JUNE TIDINGS

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A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

It is an odd paradox that the "season of recreation" and the season of "the hard slog in the harsh sun and dry soil" are the same season.

And, this is the season of growth, against all odds. The season that brings harvests and reward after the planning and positioning.

The Risen Christ is an agent for "fruitfulness." We are fed by the sustaining connections that keep us in the way built in love. The "root system" is there, built over many years of prayer

and worship. Keep throwing some water on that soil by making time to rest and to offer prayers found in the Book of Common Prayer. Look at the many that address concerns for the strength of our national and local social cohesiveness (see pages 814 to 835); prayers for use with those who are ill (pages 453 to 451); and the glorious Psalms (pages 585 to 808) which give voice to every spiritual yearning and inner-disposition of soul. Process out each day to your garden, reading to

yourself Psalm 116:1-11, or your favorite Psalm, or Canticle (pages 83 to 96).

Spend your summer drinking from the well that is Christ; and grow roots down to the living water. God will bless every moment.

I remain,

Your friend and Rector, (The Reverend) Richard S. Signore



#### Communion Wafer Distribution

We are happy to have the opportunity to return to in-person Sunday Eucharist for those who are comfortable with our Covid 19 safety protocols. We recognize that a few prefer to continue worshipping through our Facebook Live broadcast, and so, begin



worshipping through our Facebook Live broadcast, and so, beginning in June, we will make packaged wafers available on the table in the foyer near the kitchenette. At any time that the church is open, please feel free to pick up as many packages as your family will need. You may want to call to be sure that Chris is in the office on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

#### Mission & Outreach

The Mission Plate funds for the month of June will continue to go to "Trees, Water and People." Trees, Water, and People's mission is to improve lives by helping indigenous communities to protect, conserve and manage their natural resources.

Our church funding supports all these programs which develop sustainable, self-sufficient communities for these indigenous people.

Susan L. Grant, member of the Outreach and Missions Committee

#### Adult Social Studies Class



The Social Studies group continues our study of the "White Privilege" curriculum. This month we began reading Part 4: How To Be An Ally. While most of us want to find ways to support those experiencing discrimination, it is often difficult to know how to do this. The reading emphasizes the importance of showing up and listening to those experiencing the discrimination, rather than feeling like we need to provide suggestions or strategies.

Our next meeting will be on June 16 at 7:00 via Zoom. We are continuing our discussion of Part 4: How To Be An Ally. We would love to have you join us!

If you would like to check it out, this link will take you to the website http://privilege.uccpages.org

For any questions about the class, please free to contact Lynn Garland, 508-801-4638 <a href="mailto:lynn24gar@gmail.com">lynn24gar@gmail.com</a>
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### Prayer List

If anyone is in need of prayers, email or contact anyone below from the Daughters of the King.

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- \*Robin Yates twoturns@charter.net 508-347-2279
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- \*Susan Howland—howlands@charter.net 508-248-6112
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#### HTC Pandemic Cookbook

Now that we are back worshiping in person, the "Holy Trinity Pandemic Cookbook" is available! It is attached to the Tidings email, is available on our website, and will be sent in an E-News. If you would like a printed copy please let us know and we will print one for you.



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Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. \*unless otherwise noted\*

## The Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts

The Rt. Reverend Douglas Fisher

Sunday Services
9:30 a.m. Rite II Choral Holy Eucharist

**Celebrant and Preacher The Rev. Richard Signore** 

#### **Save These Dates**

**Tuesdays—8:00 p.m**.—Service of Compline **Thursdays—8:00 p.m**.—Zoom Fellowship Hour

**Wednesday, June 16—7:00 p.m.**—Adult Social Studies Group via Zoom







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