



E-Pistle

August 4, 2026

News & Announcements

> **Save the date** - Join us at 10:00 a.m., August 23, as we gather with other Episcopal churches to celebrate Green Hill Sunday. This has been a tradition that started over 150 years ago when the local Episcopal churches in Wicomico County made an annual pilgrimage to their mother church for a joint service. A picnic on the grounds will be held after the service. There will be one service at St. Alban's at 8:00 a.m., Rite I.

> **Ushers needed** for the Green Hill Service! We have been asked to provide 2 ushers for this special service. If you are available, please contact Sandy Grim (sandongrim@verizon.net) or Mother Sheila (mothersheila@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

> **Gleaning Update** - We have an opportunity to glean cherry tomatoes on August 5 from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. at a farm near Princess Anne, MD. We would love it if you could join us, as we work to save good produce and get it to folks in our community who lack access to it. Register Below.

<https://mobilize.us/s/W7dgMG>

We will be Corn Gleanings in Seaford, DE for the next few Thursdays, plan ahead and invite your group. We will meet at 8:00-10 a.m. Everything gleaned goes directly to local feeding agencies. This corn is beautiful and hand harvested.

<https://mobilize.us/s/vM9ZVx>

> **Summer Sunday Fellowship** - During our summer schedule, we would like to continue getting together between services. Sign up to provide beverages (juice and / or lemonade) and treats, each Sunday from 8:50 - 9:30 a.m. - see sheet in the breezeway. Set up would be around 8:30 a.m. and clean up after 9:30 a.m. ***Please wear your nametags!***

> **New summer service music** - In your bulletin you will find a sheet of the NEW service that we will using for the rest of the summer at the 9:30 a.m. service. Please refer to it as needed. The new service music comes from Missa Appalachia by Jonathon Dimmock, and is from Enriching Our Music vol. 1. At the end of the service, please leave this sheet in the pew rack OR place it in the bulletin and leave on the table in the breezeway.

> **It's time to gather at the Red Roost!** ❤️ 🦀 Join us on August 5th at 5:30 p.m. for a wonderful evening filled with great fellowship, laughter, delicious food. If you are interested in attending, please contact Maggie O'Grady (maggieiscool2018@yahoo.com) / 443-944-6897 and or Kim O'Grady (pkograde3@yahoo.com) / 410-251-2786). RSVP by August 2nd - see you there!!!

> > **Litany for the Nation** will take place at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, August 10 in the nave. Come and bring a friend to pray and join us for soup.

> **St. Philips invites you** to their Guest Lecture Series at the parish hall at St. Philip's Episcopal Church (6457 Quantico Road, Quantico, MD 21856). This is a community outreach program, free to the public. Radio Shack once advertised, "If you have questions, we have answers." Now, St.

Philip's offers Laura Vodak-Reid to take over that motto. On August 10, at 1:00 p.m., she will be answering questions submitted to her in advance about anything and everything. Please register if you plan to attend at ewallingford2004@yahoo.com using GLS in the subject line or call 410-742-1837.

> **Fall Auction News** - Next Auction meeting will be Sunday, August 16, after the 9:30 a.m. service. Please bring suggestions for beneficiaries and/or come if you want to learn more about the auction and help. Questions: Cristina at cmachin@matice.com.

> **Blessing of the Backpacks** - During services on August 30, we will continue our tradition of the "Blessing of the Backpacks." This is yet another opportunity for us to support our Faith-partner school, Wi Hi, and help their students be ready to learn. Beginning Sunday, July 26, there will be receptacles on the table in the parish hall to collect backpacks, notebooks, pencils, pens, markers, glue, post-it notes - anything that the students might need to help them be successful. *Please note that backpacks for Wicomico middle and high schools must be clear, under a new safety program. Straps can be different colors.* FYI - Maryland tax-free shopping week is August 9-15.

> **Save the date** - St. Paul's, Worcester Parish in Berlin, Maryland is inviting you to join them on a trip to the Washington National Cathedral on Tuesday, September 29, 2026 (**please note change of date**). The bus leaves at 11:00 a.m. from the St. Paul's Church Parking Lot (across from the church in Berlin) and includes a tour of the Cathedral, attendance at Evensong, and a box dinner for the ride home. Arrival time back in Berlin is approximately 9:30 p.m. The cost for the trip is \$100 per person. Reservations must be received NO LATER THAN August 28, 2026. See the registration form on the table in the breezeway.

Weekly Schedule

Wednesday, August 5 > **5:30 p.m. - dinner at The Red Roost (see announcement)**

Sunday, August 9 > **8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I**
CELEBRANT: The Reverend Dr. Sheila McJilton
LECTOR: Kristen Spicer
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Germaine Marshall
VESTRY PERSON: Germaine Marshall
ACOLYTE: Toby Porter
TECH TEAM: Donna Parks

> **8:50 - 9:30 a.m. Summer Fellowship:**

> **9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II**
CELEBRANT: The Reverend Dr. Sheila McJilton
PARISH MUSICIAN: Veronica Tomanek
LECTORS: Arlene White, Stephanie Shultz
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Megan Pomeroy
ACOLYTE: Maggie O'Grady
VESTRY PERSON: Sandy Grim
ALTAR GUILD: Linda Torbert
TECH TEAM: Mary Doak
GREETERS/USHERS: Linda Torbert, Sandy Grim



CELEBRATIONS!!!

Maggie O'Grady - August 7
Chris Howard - August 8
Paulette Primus - August 11



Naomi & Clay Raab - August 5
Pam & Dean Dedicatoria - August 8

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