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Introducing “Breakfast Church”

September isn't far off, and with it the start of new seasons. A new school year begins, football teams and marching bands head back onto the field, and we enter autumn. This September will also mark the start of a new season for St. Francis. A season of mission, where we focus our efforts on proclaiming by word and example the Good News of God in Christ to those outside our normal circle.

One way we will do this is by starting a new Sunday morning service, *Breakfast Church*. *Breakfast Church* is an avenue for us to invite our neighbors into a welcoming and accessible environment for busy families to worship alongside their children.

Breakfast Church draws on our Episcopal tradition to craft a new way of worshipping and being church. All are invited to a joyful, warm and engaging 30-minute Episcopal church service designed for children of all ages and their families, but open to anyone of any age. We will meet Sunday mornings at 9ish in the Commons to praise and worship God over breakfast. This liturgy (worship) is a service geared with families in mind, so come as you are in soccer uniforms or even pajamas to sing, share, and eat with us. Together we will express and encounter the deep truths of the Christian faith in language and action accessible to everyone, including scripture, a short conversational sermon, interactive communion and music both traditional and new.

The commons give us plenty of room for young ones to run and play in this perfection free zone. A generous breakfast of cereal, milk, bagels and fruit will be provided, including vegan and gluten free options, or bring your favorite cereal to share.

Breakfast Church launches on Sunday, September 12 with a special sneak preview for the St. Francis parish on Sunday, September 5th, when we will practice this worship during the 10:30 am service in place of our normal liturgy. September 5th will be a great chance for everyone at St. Francis to experience and understand the new service we are launching.

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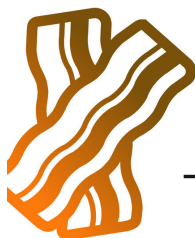
How can you be involved?

- Spread the word:
 - Share our Breakfast Church social media posts on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.
 - Join Fr. Jed and Mary Harris at Rotary Park during First Thursdays (8/5 & 9/2) on Main, where we will setup a tent and yard games, giveaway lemonade and handout fliers.
 - Invite your friends and family.
- Join the core group of our launch team by committing to regular attendance at 9:00 am from 9/12 – 12/26 to help us build a critical mass and welcome newcomers.
- Signup to be a monthly breakfast host in charge of setup and cleanup.
- Lead singing twice a month, no experience necessary. Learn to lead paperless church music by joining Jed and Kimmie to attend training.
- Pray that God blesses this ministry and grows our community.



Breakfast Church: Sneak Preview

Sunday, September 5th we will be participating in Breakfast Church together in place of our usual 10:30 am service. This will be a great opportunity for everyone in the church to experience the new service that we will be offering our community. This is a sort of dress rehearsal and an opportunity for each person at St. Francis to experience the service and gain an understanding of what's happening as we spread the word and invite people from our community to join us! Breakfast will be provided.



Breakfast Church

— A place for the hangry —

A Service of Prayer & Remembrance

Twentieth Anniversary of 9/11
Saturday, September 11: 9:00 am - 9:30 am

On September 11, 2001 our nation suffered devastating acts of terrorism and violence that resulted in the loss of 2,977 innocent lives and over 6,000 injuries in New York, Virginia and Pennsylvania. We will come together as people of faith to mark the twentieth anniversary of the September 11th attacks. We will remember all who died and the families who loved them. We will pray for peace for all still caught in the aftermath of violence and trauma.



On Saturday, September 11th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. There will be plenty of areas of work, whatever your physical capacity may be, from weeding to mulching to trimming, small repairs, and so much more. Bring your work gloves, yard tools to share, and positive spirit.

AUGUST 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II 10:30 am Summer Performing Arts	2 Jazzercise 4:45 pm	3 Zoom Morning Prayer 7:30 am Jazzercise 4:45 pm Boy Scouts 6 - 7:00 pm	4 Bible Study 10:30 am Jazzercise 4:45 pm	5 St. Francis at Food Truck Thursday 4:30 - 8:00 pm Barbershop Singers 7:00 pm Alanon 7:30 pm	6 Jazzercise 4:45 pm	7
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August Birthdays

Alex Catalan on August 2

Sue Starner on August 2

Fr. Jed Dearing on August 8

Walter Fedchenko on August 9

Don Parker on August 15

Zachary Hamilton on August 17

*If your name does not appear on our birthday or anniversary list,
please contact the church office.*

August Anniversaries

Augusto and Jenny Catalan
on August 6

Stephan and Diana Graham
on August 14

Praying the Daily Offices

Join together every Tuesday morning on Zoom to pray Rite II Morning Prayer. On days that include a commemoration we will remember the holy women and holy men who have gone before us in the faith.

All are welcome to join. The Zoom link is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85912344872>

Meeting ID: 859 1234 4872

Morning Prayer starts at 7:30 am and typically lasts thirty minutes. The Zoom Link is recurring and can be used weekly. Bulletins will be provided in the Zoom Chat Box but all services can be joined using a Book of Common Prayer.

8/3 W.E.B. DuBois

8/10 Laurence of Rome

8/17 Samuel Johnson, Timothy Cutler, & Thomas Bradbury Chandler

8/24 St. Bartholomew the Apostle

8/31 Aidan of Lindisfarne



Back to School Sunday and Parish Potluck

Sunday, August 15

Join us for this special service as we bless the school supply donations for Pennyroyal Elementary and send our students, teachers and staff back

to school with prayers. Children are invited to participate throughout the service that will feature a children's sermon.

Please bring food to share for a potluck lunch in the Commons after the service. Bring any school supplies you would like to donate for that day. We hope to see you there!

Holy Eucharist on the Feast of St. Mary the Virgin

Thursday, August 16 at 6:30 pm

Memorial Garden (Will hold indoor in the event of rain)

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a celebration of St. Mary the Virgin, the mother of Jesus.

Mary is central to our lives as Christians. She said "yes to God," allowing her life to be transformed by Jesus. What does it mean to follow her example? How does she strengthen our relationship with her son? Is Mary still active in the Church and in the world today?

And how can we bear Christ to our friends and neighbors?

Be there on Monday, August 16th at 6:30 pm for Holy Eucharist in the Memorial Garden. We will worship and give thanks to God together through a beautiful liturgy from the Church of England.

Parish Photos

All parishioners are invited to come photo ready on **August 8**, immediately following the service. A photographer will be taking photos for a St. Francis' updated photo board.



Digital copies can be provided for yourself, friends, and family upon request.

St. Francis at Food Truck Thursdays in Historic Springboro!

*Thursday, August 5 & Thursday, September 2
4:30 pm - 8:00 pm at Rotary Park on Main St.*

Join our outreach team for a fun night out with the Springboro community as we spread the word about the St. Francis 40th Anniversary Festival and our new 9:00 am Breakfast Church service that launches September 12th.

We will setup a large tent at Rotary Park, offering lemonade and ice water as well as two cornhole sets for the community to enjoy playing at. Grab some delicious dinner from the food trucks to enjoy at our tent, and the shops and bars will be open late for you to visit!





Don't Let Your Pledge Go on Vacation! As you enjoy warm temperatures and vacations, please consider keeping your pledge up to date. Summer is typically a downtime for receiving contributions, but an uptime for utility use, which means good cash flow is a must! Thank You!

Monthly Food Donations Drive

In August Jubilee Community Church will be holding a food drive for the Springboro Community Assistance Center who is desperately in need of donations.



If you would like to donate any food items you have to Jubilee Community Church, please drop them off at 11285 N Springboro Pike, Miamisburg, OH 45342. Please come and show your support!

Outreach Ministry Program

Each month for Ingathering Sunday, there will be certain items that need to be collected. Until **August 15** please collect any items for the **back to school supplies** and place them in the container in the Narthex.

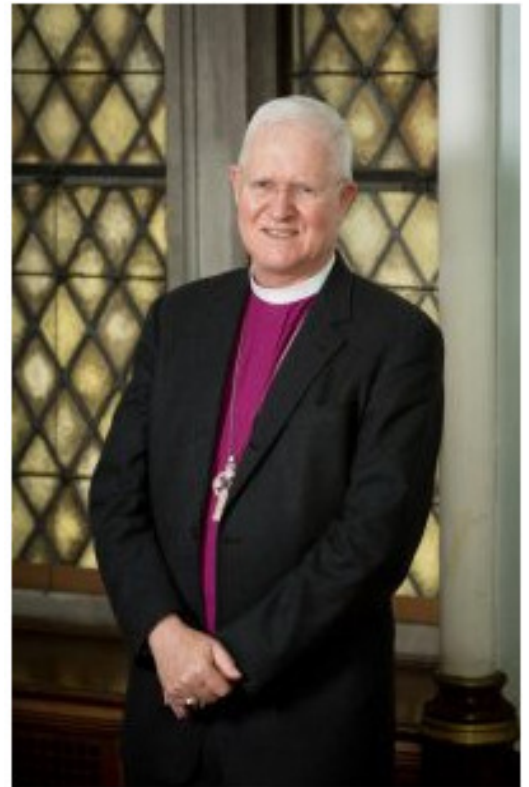
Outreach Ministry Jars

Please look for jars around the church to throw your loose change in. They will be located on the table in the Foyer, near the coffee pots in the kitchen, and on the table during coffee hour. The donations until **August 15** will help to pay for **back to school supplies**.

“It’s our connection to God and each other that gives meaning to our lives.”

The Rt. Reverend George Wayne Smith Elected as Provisional Bishop

The Rt. Rev. George Wayne Smith was elected as Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Ohio during a special session of the 146th convention (virtual) on July 17, 2021. Smith was placed in nomination for Provisional Bishop by the Standing Committee on June 8, 2021, and the special session of the convention was called on June 10, 2021. He was elected on the first ballot of both the lay and clergy orders. See the results at <https://vote.electionrunner.com/organization/S18r6QgJ>



Smith was elected Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Missouri in 2001 and ordained bishop in 2002. Later that year he was seated as the Tenth Bishop of the Diocese, where he served until 2020. He will begin his duties as Provisional Bishop on August 15, 2021.

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WORSHIP TIMES

SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM - HOLY EUCHARIST, NZBP

SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL

TUESDAYS AT 7:30 AM - MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM

WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30 AM - BIBLE STUDY

PRAYER FOR AUGUST

FATHER IN HEAVEN, WE THANK YOU THAT WE MAY FEEL YOUR LEADING, YOUR LORDSHIP, FOR YOU HAVE BLESSED US WITH EVERY SPIRITUAL AND HEAVENLY GIFT IN CHRIST. WE THANK YOU THAT WE MAY BE AMONG THOSE WHO RECEIVE TRUE LIFE ALWAYS ANEW, WHO PRAISE AND GLORIFY YOU. AMEN.

STAFF

Clergy Resident - The Rev. Jed J. Dearing

Senior Warden - Stephan Graham

Junior Warden - Joe Spangler

Vestry Clerk - Virginia Culp

Financial Secretary - Sue Starner

Parish Secretary - Alisha Minamyer

Organist - Diana Graham

Sunday School Director - Jenny Catalan

Vestry Members - Stephan Graham, Jenny Catalan, Barb Roy, Chuck Oduah, Jack Emerson, Mary Harris, Ron Thomas, Kimmie Patti, and Virginia Culp.

