



St. Alban's Episcopal Church
1308 Meadowbrook Drive
Syracuse, NY 13224-1718
Website: stalbansyracuse.org

The Rev. Julie E. Calhoun-Bryant, Rector
Email: julieatalban@gmail.com
Cell: 315-416-7133

September 14, 2021

Dear People of St. Alban's,

Sunday's events were a microcosm of parish ministry. While celebrating my 15 years at St. Alban's, Peter Volmes' daughter Pam called during coffee hour to let us know that he died unexpectedly that morning. She thoughtfully timed her call during coffee hour so that we could all find out together. The cycle of joy and sorrow, life and death continues. In a mere two month's time I will have commemorated the lives of seven people.

July 31	Marjorie Maynard
August 17	Tendai's mother Margaret
August 18	Barbara Stoetzel (Episcopalian from Florida)
August 21	Valerie Warfield's sister Darlene Hicks (attended the service in Endicott)
Sept. 10	Jane Talbot
Sept. 21	Peter Baxter Volmes
Sept. 30	Beverly Acker Tracy (long ago member of St. Alban's who moved out of state)

In the midst of the sadness it was especially wonderful to celebrate with you. The Wardens surprised me with a framed Certificate of Appreciation and a Willow Tree statue of a woman holding up her arm entitled "Shine." At coffee hour we feasted on Jan Bookhout's carrot cake (my favorite!) as we sat out in the sunshine. Bert, Margo, and Emera, thank you so very much for honoring my time among you. God willing, we will have many more years together.

And now, onto details for the celebration of Peter's life. Peter requested a wake and a church funeral. His wake will be held at Goddard-Crandall-Shepardson funeral home on 3111 James Street, Monday, Sept. 20 from 4-7 p.m. The funeral will be at St. Alban's and on Zoom on Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. Following the service and burial at Oakwood Cemetery there will be an indoor-outdoor light lunch at the church. If you can bring dessert, set up or clean up please let me know. (The Bishop is allowing us to eat indoors.) Those who don't go to the cemetery are welcome to wait at the church.

Here's to parish life. Here's to the joy of community. Here's to God, who created us in love and first loved us. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore.

With Love and Gratitude,

Mother Julie+

Martha's Kitchen

Due to Peter's funeral Martha's Kitchen has been moved from September 21 to September 23 at 10:00 a.m. Please let me know if you plan to be there. Thanks!

East Side Episcopalians Annual Holy Eucharist and Picnic

Sunday, September 19 at 11:00 a.m.

The service will be on Zoom after all! Dave Burgess from St. David's was able to get a good signal. There also will be the usual weekly service on our website.

Zoom Codes: 828 4137 7845 and 09192021

COVID Procedures

- We will wear masks for the service even though it's outdoors.
- We will wear masks and the gloves provided when serving ourselves food at the picnic.
- You are welcome to bring a lawn chair and sit outside the pavilion.

Offering

This year there will be two offering baskets, one for the Samaritan Center and one for Episcopal Relief & Development for hurricane victims. If you want to give by check, at the picnic or in the mail, please make it out to St. Alban's and write Samaritan Center or ER&D on the memo line. Thank you!

September 19 is National Pirate Day. Wear a bandana, eyepatch or Hawaiian shirt!



We Zoom on
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Link will be sent Tuesday.

Use your telephone for Zoom **Sunday, September 19 at 9:30 am**

Dial 1-646-558-8656

When prompted Enter **828 4137 7845#**

When prompted Enter **#**

When prompted Enter **09192021#**

That will put you in Zoom's waiting room
and you will be let in.

Thanks to Grace Joseph and
David Wiediger for delivering
food from Martha's Kitchen
yesterday.

Thanks to Bobbi Lombardo
and Kathleen Eckermann for
their work on Altar Guild

Thursday Book Study
on Zoom
885 9819 2410 & 103147



Use your telephone to join Peter Volmes' service on Zoom

Dial **1-646-558-8656**

When prompted Enter
878 2856 5973#

When prompted Enter **#**

When prompted Enter
407933#

That will put you in Zoom's waiting
room. Wait to be let in.



Caring for God's Creation: What, Why, and How?

3 Tuesday evening Zoom sessions hosted by the Climate Care Initiative
of the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York

What?

"The Theology of Creation"

The Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe

Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Central NY
Tuesday, Sept. 28, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Why?

"The Imperative of Faith Communities to Lead on Creation Care"

The Rev. Dr. Jim Antal

United Church of Christ's National Leader on the Climate Crisis
Author of *Climate Church*, *Climate World*
Tuesday, October 5, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

How?

"12 Steps to Sustainable Communities"

Keynote: Peter J. Arsenault, FAIA, NCARB, LEED-AP

Greening USA of Syracuse

Tuesday, October 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Panel Discussion

Frank Moses, Exec. Dir., Skaneateles Lake Assn., "Skaneateles Lake Ecosystems"

Lou Lego, Elderberry Pond, Auburn NY, "Regenerative Farming"

Chris Carrick, CNY Regional Development Commission, "Sustainable Energy"

To register for this Zoom series please visit

cnyepiscopal.org/caring-for-gods-creation or contact Mother Julie