

St. Anne's Episcopal Church
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The Day of Pentecost

Service of Holy Eucharist



June 5, 2022
9:00 am

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St. Anne's Mission Statement

*We seek to be led by the spirit to understand God's purpose for the world
with our mission being to respond through Christ
in worship, education, fellowship and service.*

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

We have relaxed mask wearing, have removed physical distance requirements, and are now walking up to the altar rail for Communion. Please turn to page 12-13 for further instructions.

Prelude

“Allegro”

John Stanley

If today is your first visit with us, welcome. We hope you will find peace and joy here.

Please join us for coffee hour after the service. If you are a child, we offer in-person class once a month on Thursday afternoons, and take-home materials at the beginning of every month. Email bkomarinski@gmail.com or speak to Brenda, who is often our acolyte and crucifer. If you are an adult or young person, speak to anyone or to Mother Jennifer. All are welcome here.

Please stand for the procession; then you may be seated.

Welcome & Announcements

June Birthday, Anniversary, and Graduation Blessings

The Word of God

Standing, as you are able

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity

Song of Praise

Hymnal S280

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The Lessons

The people sit. The lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from the Book of Acts of the Apostles (2:1-21).

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs~ in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

‘ In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

*After each Reading, the Reader may say
The Word of the Lord.*

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 104:25-35, 37 (BCP p. 736-7)

- 25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.
- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; *
may the LORD rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the LORD.
- 37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

The Gospel

*Then, all standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John (14:8-17, 25-27).*

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will

do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

After the Gospel, the Reader says
The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rev'd Jennifer D. Beal

The Nicene Creed

All standing, say

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People from Rite One (BCP p. 328-30)

The Deacon or other person appointed says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world, especially remembering in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer the parishes of the Merrimack Valley Deanery: Brooks School Chapel, North Andover; St. Anne's Church, (North) Billerica; All Saints' Church, West Newbury; St. Mark's Church, Westford; Episcopal City Mission.

After each paragraph of this prayer, the People may make an appropriate response, as directed.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all persons: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all clergy and ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, we may learn to serve thee with gladness, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Especially, we pray for our parishioners Barbara Rogers, Bob MacKenzie, Chick Meech, Cyndi, Donald Fudge, Donald Sutton, Sr., Elaine McLaughlin, George Squires, Sr., Helen, Janet Lyna, Jean Flight, José Soreso, José Torres, Sr., Joshua Young, Kathy Chang, Kevin Senna, Lee Conley, Linda E., Marie Horgan, Mary Lander & her daughter Christine, Norm & MJ Zarella, Paul Hamner, Sally DiRocco, Sue Kennedy, Tammy, Tom, Vicki Mahoney, Yvonne Hopkins. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially Edward Barnes, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Anne and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin (BCP p. 330-32)

A Confession of Sin is said here if it has not been said earlier. On occasion, the Confession may be omitted.

The Deacon or Celebrant says the following,

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

or this

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Minister may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1:15

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord, remaining in your pew as you signal a gesture of peace to one another.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

We have placed offering plates in both the front and rear of the church. We are very grateful for your gifts and offerings. You may leave them in the plates as you enter or leave our service of worship.

All who seek God are welcome at this table. May God find you here.

Offertory hymn

“Ev’ry time I feel the spirit”

LEVAS 114 (v. 1,2)

Harmony

Ev' - ry time I feel the spir - it, mov - ing

in my heart, I will pray. Ev' - ry time I feel the

spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray. **Fine**

unison

1. Up - on the moun - tain my___ Lord spoke, out of his
 2. Jor - dan ri - ver chil - ly and cold, chills___ the

1. mouth came___ fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so
 2. bod - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this

1. fine, asked___ my Lord if all was mine._____
 2. track, runs to heav - en and runs right back._____

D.C.

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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP p. 361

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says
 The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be said

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

***People* Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Please come forward to the altar rail to receive Holy Communion when an usher indicates.

You may cross your arms to receive a blessing if you wish. A gluten-free wafer is available.

Holy Communion will be distributed in both kinds: distribution of the wafer by the priest from the paten to be followed by receiving wine from the Lay Eucharistic Minister's common Communion chalice. Intinction (by dipping one's own wafer and hand into the cup) will not

be offered. HOWEVER, distribution of the single serve kits (container with wafer and wine) will continue. The communicant can choose to only drink wine from the single-serve kit while leaving the host in the container. Our altar guild will reverently and properly dispose of the uneaten wafer. The communicant will consume the wafer and wine at the altar rail, and when returning to their pew an usher will be at the bottom of the stairs to collect the empty container and napkin.

Communion hymn “Oh, let the Son of God enfold you” LEVAS 118 (v. 1,2)

1. Oh, let the Son of God enfold you,
with His Spirit and His love,
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
Oh, let Him have the things that hold you,
and His Spirit like a dove,
will descend upon your life,
and make you whole.

2. Oh, come and sing this song with gladness,
as your hearts are filled with joy,
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name.
Oh, give Him all your tears and sadness,
give Him all your years of pain,
and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

Jesus, Oh, Jesus, come and fill your lambs.
Jesus, Oh, Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

Jesus, Oh, Jesus, come and fill your lambs.
Jesus, Oh, Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

Communion instrumental “Send Down the Fire” Marty Haugen

After Communion, please stand as the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Priest may bless the people.

The Celebrant dismisses them with these words

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

“He Is Exalted”

Twila Paris

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After the procession retires, you may sit quietly until the end of the postlude.

We have placed offering plates in both the front and rear of the church. We are very grateful for your gifts and offerings. You may leave them in the plates as you enter or leave our service of worship.

Physical distancing between households, and mask wearing in the church building, are now optional. We continue to encourage mask wearing while singing. Those who would like to continue to observe physical distancing of six feet between households may choose to sit in the Alcove area.

Our service is taken from the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer; the Hymnal 1982; Lift Every Voice and Sing II (LEVAS); Wonder, Love, and Praise (WLP); and the Book of Occasional Services. We begin Holy Baptism at p. 299 in the Book of Common Prayer and continue with Holy Eucharist at p. 372.

Ministers today

Priest-in-charge

Lector-in-chief

Lector

Prayers of the People

Director of Music and Organist

Singer

Acolyte

Lay Eucharistic Minister

Ushers

Film Crew (Video)

Film Crew (Audio)

Film Crew (Assistant)

The Rev'd Jennifer D. Beal

Mr. Edward Giroux

Mr. Ken Kinser

Ms. Michele O'Shea

Mr. Peter Morelli

Ms. Maria Martin

Mr. Michael Hopkins, Co-Warden

Ms. Kathy Brewster

Mr. Russell Bent

Ms. Marguerite Massey

Ms. Sandra Giroux

Mr. Mark Komarinski

Mr. Michael Hopkins, Co-Warden

Mr. Eli Baldwin

Meetings in our parish this week

Sunday (Today)	10:15 am	Practicing Reading for Worship Leading
	10:30 am	Social Conscience Book Group Meeting
Tuesday	10 am	Bible Study at St. Anne's
	11:15 am	Conversation and Teaching on Leading Morning Prayer and Practicing Lectern Reading
Thursday	4 pm	Clergy and Wardens Meeting
Sunday (6/12)	11 am	Social Justice Committee Meeting and Workshop with Co-Chair of Diocesan Racial Justice Commission
	5 pm	Celebration of Life of Bishop Barbara C. Harris (Cathedral Church of St. Paul)

Priest's office hours

Tuesday 12 – 5

Thursday 2 – 5

Parish office hours

Thursday 2 – 5

June Birthdays and Anniversaries

Cyndi Hopkins 6/3
Jonathan & Carol MacKenzie 6/3
Jamie Stockton 6/8
John Geen 6/26
John & Linda Kusnierz 6/29

If you would like your birthday or anniversary to be listed here, so we can pray for you during worship on the first Sunday of that month, please send it in if you think we might not have it!
Send to stannesbillerica@gmail.com.

Prayer for Graduates, especially Kayla Lavoie (BCP p. 829)

47. For Young Persons

God our Father, you see your young people growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayers for the Day of Pentecost

June 5, 2022

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Parishes of the Merrimack Valley Deanery

Brooks School Chapel, North Andover; St. Anne's Church, (North) Billerica;
All Saints' Church, West Newbury; St. Mark's Church, Westford; Episcopal City Mission;
Our Presiding Bishop, Michael; Our Bishops, Alan, Gayle, and Carol; Our Priest, Jennifer

St. Anne's Prayer List

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others

Barbara Rogers, Bob MacKenzie, Chick Meech, Cyndi, Donald Fudge,
Donald Sutton, Sr., Elaine McLaughlin, George Squires, Sr., Helen, Janet Lyna, Jean Flight,
José Soreso, José Torres, Sr., Joshua Young, Kathy Chang, Kevin Senna, Lee Conley, Linda E.,
Marie Horgan, Mary Lander & her daughter Christine, Norm & MJ Zarella, Paul Hamner,
Sally DiRocco, Sue Kennedy, Tammy, Tom, Vicki Mahoney, Yvonne Hopkins

All who are ill with Covid-19

All who are affected by the war in Ukraine

All who died by violence these past weeks, especially those in Uvalde, TX, and Buffalo, NY

Those who have died, especially Edward Barnes

Announcements for June 5, 2022

Masks are now optional in the church building, but are still a good idea when singing.

Please join us for Coffee Hour after this morning's service.

Time to think about your upcoming summer vacation plans. Stop by the Thrift Shop for some extra clothes, games, books, outdoor dishes, and so much more.

Shop open 10AM until 2PM Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

The Social Conscience Book Group will be meeting on June 5th (today) and June 19th, after the morning service (10:30 am). We will continue to discuss *Disability Visibility* (edited by Alice Wong) on these dates. We plan to finish the book during the month of June. We are planning to pick our next book for the fall. If you have any ideas for a book please join us.

All are welcome to join the discussion, even if you have not read the book.

Are you interested in leading a service of Morning Prayer on a Sunday when we have no clergy leadership? Are you interested in practicing reading a lesson? If you would like to learn more, please come to a conversation and teaching session.

The next session will be held on June 7th at 11:15 am in the Rector's Office. Further offerings will be on the first Sundays in June, July, and August. Come if you would like to practice reading from our lectern.

There will be a Diocesan Memorial Service in Celebration of the Life of the Rt. Rev. Barbara C. Harris on Sunday, June 12, at 5 p.m., at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Boston, with a reception following. Because seating is limited, in-person attendance is designated for members of the diocesan community. All in the wider church community are warmly invited to join via the livestream on the Cathedral's website (www.stpaulboston.org). Further details and a registration link are available here: www.diomass.org/event/barbara-c-harris-memorial.

In honor of Juneteenth, you are invited to a viewing of the local documentary "Contradictory Place: Cotton Mills Alongside Anti-Slavery Efforts in Lowell, Massachusetts," followed by a discussion with UMass Lowell Professor Robert Farrant. Tuesday, June 21 at 7pm, First Parish, 7 Concord Road, Billerica. Sponsored by the Billerica Interfaith Association.

The Buildings and Grounds committee is looking to get a group of people together to clean up and reline the church parking lot on June 25 at 8 am (rain day: July 9). Volunteers are encouraged to bring leaf blowers, rakes, clippers, pole saws or anything that might help.

Attention students and parents: watch for updated 2022 St. Anne's scholarship forms within the next few weeks! These forms will be made available in the next newsletter as well as in upcoming Sunday bulletins. There will also be copies in the church office and in the narthex. All students of any age are eligible for assistance with their continuing education.

Leading Morning Prayer is only one of the ministries that St. Anne's needs! Our Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts offers training and other formation resources for a parishioner to receive a license from Bishop Gates as a Lay Eucharistic Visitor, a Lay Worship Leader or a Lay Preacher. Those who wish to be licensed in one of these ministries should seek sponsorship from their congregation, complete the necessary training and submit an application (links below, or go to <https://www.diomass.org/inside/docs/licensed-lay-ministries>).

- [Lay Eucharistic Visitor license application](#)
- [Lay Worship Leader license application](#)
- [Lay Preacher license application](#)

The license you receive is valid as long as you continue to be a member of good standing in the congregation that sponsors you and have the permission of the priest in charge of that congregation to exercise this ministry. For more information about trainings, including the Safe Church training that is required for these licenses, please contact Mother Jennifer, or Martha Gardner, Missioner for Networking and Formation, at mgardner@diomass.org or 617-482-4826, ext. 403.

From our Social Justice Committee (Thank you, Russell.)

Prayer for Peace, BCP p. 815

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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