RECTOR'S REFLECTION

Fulfilling Our Mission

We strive to make disciples...and to be disciples. It's not easy to be a disciple and it's not any easier to make disciples. Tyler Edwards, in an article for Relevant magazine noted the difference between making converts and making disciples.

Edwards noted that converts are new to the faith and we all start there. Disciples go further. He said,

"Converts go to church. Disciples are the church.

Converts are involved in the mission of Jesus. Disciples are committed to it.

Converts cheer from the sidelines. Disciples are in the game.

Converts hear the word of God. Disciples live it.

Converts follow the rules. Disciples follow Jesus.

Converts are all about believing. Disciples are all about being.

Converts are comfortable. Disciples make sacrifices.

Converts talk. Disciples make more disciples."

Saint Barnabas is filled with people on a journey into discipleship and filled with disciples encouraging others on their journey. What a source of energy, service, and hope!

As people on that journey, we are called to do God's work. And we are given the opportunity to support that work with our whole selves in gratitude for all God has given to us.

Please join us on Sunday, November 6 at all worship services. Together, we will honor All Saints' Day: when we celebrate the lives of all those who have gone before us into eternal life with special music, prayers, and the reading of names. And we will also celebrate God's goodness in our lives and at Saint Barnabas by making a pledge to support God's work at, with, and through Saint Barnabas in the year to come. See you there.



The Rev. Jim Clark Rector/Senior Pastor



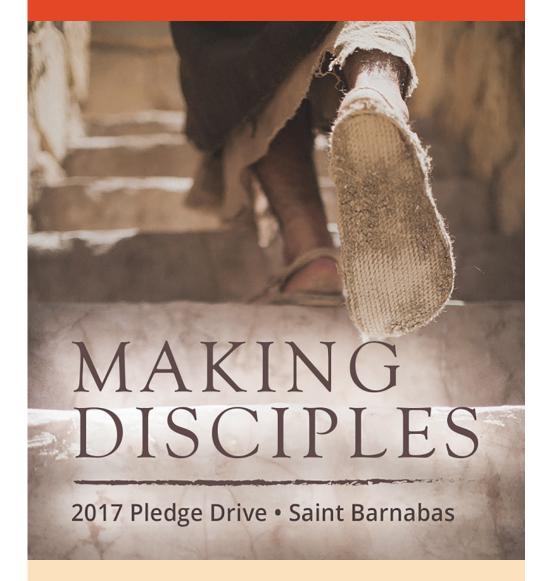


Sundays: Nov. 6 & 13 and Dec. 11 & 18 12pm-1:15pm

This four week program offers grief support for those who have experienced the death of a loved one within the last two years. The sessions will focus on recovery and support in all areas of our being: physical, emotional, spiritual, and social, with a special focus on coping with the holidays while grieving.



SAINT BARNABAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Gratitude Sunday, November 6

Join your friends at Saint Barnabas to celebrate All Saints' Sunday and show your gratitude for God's abundance in your life. This Gratitude Sunday is the opportunity for all members of Saint Barnabas to make their pledge of financial support for 2017. Those pledges will be honored and blessed in the Sunday services to help Saint Barnabas do God's work here in the Valley and throughout the world.

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Introduction to Centering Prayer

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 9:30AM

Join us to explore a way to be more aware of God's presence within. Our rector Jim Clark and parishioner Liza Bell will present an Introduction to Centering Prayer from 9:30am-3:00pm in the Chapel. Following the Saturday program are five Tuesday evening classes from 7:00 to 8:30pm.

The program is ecumenical and free of charge, but registration is required. Contact Liza Bell at (602) 527-6161 or lizabell@cox.net.

Walk with Bridging AZ in the Mesa Veterans Day Parade

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 10AM

Show your support for veterans and walk with our very own Saint Barnabasinspired ministry: Bridging AZ Furniture Bank. A short 1.5 mile walk in downtown Mesa. Jim and Donna Piscopo will introduce the opening of the Veterans Furniture Project at the parade: a full wood workshop at Bridging's warehouse where they will train disabled veterans to design and build furniture. To learn more, contact Jim@bridgingaz.org

Quiet Day

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 9:30AM – 1PM

Discover the peaceful rhythm of Quiet Day on Saturday, November 12! Together we will continue exploring the theme of Progress in Prayer in the third part of a new series that offers practical insight for the practice of prayer and relationship with God. Reflections by Jim Clark. In the sanctuary.





SAGES

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 11:30AM

Join us to hear from parishioner Don Henninger, former editor-in-chief of the *Phoenix Business Journal* and before that, a journalist and managing editor of the *Arizona Republic* about "The Future of Newspapers." In this age of digital communication, what is the role of traditional journalism? Join us for this engaging talk and a great lunch of pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, and oven roasted potatoes. And don't miss pumpkin spice cupcakes for dessert!

Family Promise: Serving Families with Children

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27-DEC 3

Saint Barnabas hosts families who are transitioning out of homelessness for a week at a time, 3-4 times per year, right here at the church. We need lots of help to make their visit pleasant and comfortable! There are many opportunities: bring food, prepare/serve meals, stay overnight, or just provide good fellowship. Sign up on the patio during November and join us! Call Jane Gharibian at (602) 368-9138 with questions.

Rides Ministry

There are a number of parishioners in need of a ride to church on Sunday. Thus, our Rides Ministry is in need of more drivers! You can set your own driving schedule to work with your worship service. Contact Pat Waugh: (602) 989-1048 or Larry Brainard: (602) 482-0112 for more information.

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NOV 1	All Saints Remembrance Walk	6:00pm
NOV 5	Intro to Centering Prayer Parents' Night Out	9:30am 4:00pm
NOV 6	Gratitude Sunday	
NOV 12	Quiet Day	9:30am
NOV 13	Newcomer Welcome Dinner	5:00pm
NOV 17	SAGES	11:30am
NOV 19	JAM Overnight	4:00pm
NOV 20	Serving Phoenix	11:30am
NOV 24	Thanksgiving Worship Thanksgiving Dinner	10:15am 2:00pm
NOV 27	First Sunday of Advent	
NOV 27-DEC 3	Family Promise	
DEC 3	Advent Lessons and Carols	4:00pm
DEC 4	New Member Sunday Dinner with St. Nick	10:15am 4:00pm
DEC 4-10	Sandwich Making for EVMC	7:15am
DEC 8	SAGES Christmas	11:30am
DEC 10	Quiet Day	9:30am
DEC 11	Campus Tour	11:30am



second annual DINNER WITH SAINT NICK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 4PM

Come and join us for our second annual Dinner with Saint Nick. Hear the story of the real Saint Nick and listen to the Saint Barnabas Children's Choir perform. Take time to make some memorable crafts and then take a photo with Saint Nick and with Santa Claus. Dine with your friends new and old!

All are welcome. Invite friends, get your photo to take home with you, and avoid all those lines at the mall!



Staff Updates

Call her "Canon Kate"!

Our own Kate Fimbres, Director of Youth Ministries for the past 17 years, was named an Honorary Canon of the Diocese of Arizona by Bishop Kirk Smith during Diocesan Convention on October 20.

Bishop Smith honors outstanding service at both a parish and diocesan level. Kate has been crucial to Diocesan Youth Programming all throughout her tenure at Saint Barnabas and we couldn't be more thrilled for Kate and we congratulate her on this well deserved recognition. We are grateful for her many years of incredible ministry here at Saint Barnabas and in the Church at large!



Continued Prayers for Willard Hayes

Our beloved Business Manager, Willard Hayes, has asked for your continued prayers. His doctors have discovered cancer near his esophagus and he is currently undergoing radiation and chemotherapy in preparation for surgery this month. Willard is working hard to keep his strength up and his doctors are impressed with his determination! The Saint Barnabas church office continues to collect cards and well-wishes to deliver to Willard as he is not receiving visitors at this time.

Please note: In Willard's absence, we are trying to take care of you as well as he did. If Willard knew that you needed communion in your pew or if he knew you had any other special need during worship, please alert one of our other weekly ushers to those needs and we will be happy to accommodate you. Willard was very dedicated in his role of taking care of our congregations' needs, often in many ways that we are only now discovering. Please help us by reminding one of the ushers of your needs. Thank you!

Communications at Saint Barnabas

Our Communications Manager of 2.5 years, Nicole Moore, has left our employ to pursue her own small business. We are delighted she remains a parishioner though, and we seek your help during our time of transition to a new Communications Manager!

In order to help make our ongoing communications transition as smooth as possible, please submit all publicity requests for our publications online: www.saintbarnabas.org/submit

If you have questions or needs, Rev. Erika is happy to provide assistance: erika@saintbarnabas.org.

