



The MOCKINGBIRD

All-Parish Newsletter | *January - February 2024*

THE CELEBRATORY EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR THE REV. JIM CLARK

February 25 will be the Rev. Jim Clark's final Sunday as he retires as Rector of our beloved church after twenty years of faithful service. We are eternally grateful for the impact that Jim has made on our community in so many ways.

He has taught us to be followers of Jesus and to create an environment where all are truly welcome. His leadership and spiritual guidance have made Saint Barnabas Episcopal Church a special place of worship and fellowship. We are forever in gratitude that Jim came into our lives and we wish him the best as he transitions to retirement.

Please join us in the coming weeks as we celebrate Jim's ministry and say thank you for all he has done for our community.

Jeff Bell

Chairman, Retirement Committee

Please look inside to see the schedule of planned events.

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The Celebratory Events for The Rev. Jim Clark

Save the Dates!



Luncheon | SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 12PM | HUTTON HALL
(RESERVATION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS EVENT)



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A buffet luncheon in Rev. Jim and Betsy's honor will be held on February 24 from 12pm to 1:30pm at our parish hall. Tickets are \$25 per person, with scholarships available (please contact **Kate Fimbres** at: kate@saintbarnabas.org for more information), and they must be purchased in advance. Reservations and payments can be made on-line at saintbarnabas.org/luncheon-music-tribute - or scan the QR code above. This promises to be a festive event with delicious food and wine, speakers, and special presentations. Please join us in celebrating Jim and Betsy!

Musical Tribute | SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2PM | SANCTUARY

A musical tribute to Rev. Jim and Betsy will be performed at 2:00 in the sanctuary on February 24. It will feature the Saint Barnabas choir and soloists, and the music will be an anthology of Jim and Betsy's favorite hymns, anthems, and songs. Anticipate some surprises! The concert will be live-streamed. Please plan to reserve a space in the sanctuary; the music will also be broadcast to Hutton Hall. There is no cost to attend.

Last Sundae | SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 11:30AM | HUTTON HALL

An ice cream social at 11:30am in Hutton Hall will mark Rev. Jim's last Sunday at Saint Barnabas on February 25. Handel's ice cream, graciously donated by Wynn and Mike Maxwell, and a tempting variety of toppings will be offered. This family event is open to all, and it will be a fun way to say our final good-byes to Jim and Betsy.

Missions

FOOD DRIVE | FEBRUARY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 8AM-10AM | PARKING LOT

Over 500,000 Arizonans have lost their jobs since the pandemic hit in March 2020, and Saint Barnabas is helping our fellow Children of God who are in need. We coordinate a monthly food drive and YOU can help! Drive-through donations at Saint Barnabas from 8am - 10am, in the main parking lot off Mockingbird Lane. We are hoping to see a long line of cars in our parking lot as a symbol of God's love. The food you donate will go to food banks that have Episcopal roots. More at saintbarnabas.org/fd-february

BLOOD DRIVE | FEBRUARY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 8AM-12PM | HUTTON HALL

Across the Valley, the critical need for blood continues. This is one very important way we can help our community friends and neighbors. See the link below for important information on Donor Eligibility, Donor Preparation, Parental Consent forms (for 16 - 17 year olds), general information concerning blood drives, and even a Self-Scheduling link. Appointments are required to participate in our blood drives.

Visit: saintbarnabas.org/bd-february for more or email **Hank Parker** at hank@sewfromtheheart.com

HABITAT BUILD DAY

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 6:30AM - 11AM | 1967 E. DON CARLOS, TEMPE, ARIZONA



We will continue to work on our project in Tempe on Don Carlos Avenue just down the street from the Tempe Townhouses we worked on a few years ago. This is a two-story house among five other Habitat homes being built on the same lot. Since we're starting our build so late, we won't do a spring house this year. This house will be our opportunity to live into Saint Barnabas' mission statement of "making disciples" and Habitat's mission statement of giving Arizona "a hand up". We will be working on installing doors and trim. As with all Habitat builds, you are welcome to sign up for any build day that has openings available on the Habitat volunteer website, habitatcaz.volunteerhub.com. To register, contact **Jay Harris** at jayharris_1@yahoo.com.

FAMILY PROMISE

FROM APRIL 28 TO MAY 5 | HUTTON HALL - SAINT BARNABAS



We are hosting homeless families on our campus through Family Promise. This program helps support families as they get on the path to a new job and home. Saint Barnabas hosts several families 3-4 times per year, for a week at a time. There are many ways to help and many hands are needed. You can help in lots of ways: plan and/or cook a meal, donate food, stay overnight as a contact in case any needs arise (we prepare you and give you separate sleeping quarters), serve and get to know families on their journey back to stability and homeFULLness. Learn more at saintbarnabas.org/fp. To sign up, contact **Jane Gharibian** at (602) 368-9138.

SAVE THE DATES! Summer Mission Trips

MEXICO MEDICAL MISSION
July 14 - 19, 2024
Learn More:
saintbarnabas.org/mexico

YOUTH MISSION TRIP
To Be Announced Soon!
Learn More:
saintbarnabas.org/youth-mission-trip

Yearly Celebration

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 28, 2024 - 11:30am | Hutton Hall & ZOOM

All are welcome to this joy-filled celebration of Jesus' Presence among the servant saints of Saint Barnabas over the past 12 months, when we will recognize and give thanks for our blessings from 2023 while envisioning our call to discipleship in 2024. The election of new Vestry and Convention delegates will help us to look forward with jubilant anticipation to our future. Read further to see who is nominated. Everyone is invited to celebrate what is to come in this vibrant parish community: **All are welcome.**

Questions? Please contact **the Rev. Robert Berra** at robert@saintbarnabas.org, or call the church office.

saintbarnabas.org/annual-meeting To Join Zoom Meeting go to zoom.us/join and type:

Meeting ID: 892 5595 1330 | **Passcode:** 666964

Meet our nominees for Vestry and Diocesan Convention

As prescribed by our bylaws, the Vestry Nominating Committee, led by Chair **Karen Steckler**, has produced a slate of nominations this fall, to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Episcopal Parish of Saint Barnabas on January 28, 2024 at 11:30am in Hutton Hall. We are blessed by the dedication of these parishioners to their church.

When you see them on our grounds, thank them for their service!

Ten parishioners are nominated to serve as 2024 Diocesan Convention delegates and alternates. Nominees to attend the 2024 convention as Delegates: Emily Krob, Brian Krob, Hank Parker, Erica Williams, and Scott Williams. Those nominated as alternates (voting in the event a Delegate is unable to serve) will be announced soon. In addition to these elected roles, Rector Jim Clark has named Don Henninger to continue as our Senior Warden.

PARISHIONERS NOMINATED FOR SERVICE ON THE SAINT BARNABAS VESTRY



Laurel Kimball | Junior Warden

I grew up in the Episcopal Church in Iowa, attended other Protestant churches for many years, and have been attending Saint Barnabas since about 2013. I was first attracted by Quiet Days and the Quiet Services and soon joined a TAEHS group that has been a source of much strength and spiritual growth for me. I served on the vestry last year, worked on the Welcoming the Neighborhood campaign, and participate in the Sunday morning forums and the Poetry Group, among other activities. Working together as a community of disciples who make disciples, I have faith that together we will face the challenges of the coming transition and become an even stronger community.



Margaret Beresford

Since 1971, Saint Barnabas has been my spiritual haven, offering a sense of God's presence through music, art, and community. My daughter, Megan, and I consider it our extended family and sanctuary from life's demands. Engaging in various church activities, from choir singing to serving on the vestry, we currently serve as greeters. Outside of church, Megan attends Arizona School for the Arts, while I, an LPC and Art Therapist, focus on adult mental wellness in private practice. Passionate about the healing effects of the arts, my life revolves around these pursuits.



Gretchen Kitchel

I have been attending Saint Barnabas since 1990. I have a passion for working with children and have been volunteering in children's ministry since 2004. More recently I have joined the LEM team, which I also thoroughly enjoy. I married Jon at Saint Barnabas, both our children, Heidi and Jaron, were baptized and confirmed at Saint Barnabas, and my father is interred in the Memorial Garden. Needless to say, Saint Barnabas is a big and important part of my life.



Charlie Stanton

I'm a proud cradle Episcopalian from Tucson, deeply rooted in the Episcopal Church. Chelsea and I joined Saint Barnabas in 2019, quickly embraced by the warm community. The thought-provoking sermons inspire and reflect, but what I cherish most are the friendships nurtured during family nights and Sunday services since then. As a Sunday morning greeter, it's a privilege to extend the warmth I first received to both familiar and new faces.



Ed Wimmer

My spouse, Judie, and I have been active at Saint Barnabas since 1993, relocating from Kansas City. Currently, I serve as a Lay Eucharistic Minister Team Leader, Lay Reader, Usher, Lay Chaplain, and on the Buildings and Grounds Committee. I've also held a leadership role as the Lay Pastoral Care Coordinator. At Saint Barnabas, we embrace Jesus' teachings, welcoming everyone sincerely, so no one suffers alone. Worship, study, and action, all rooted in compassion empowered by the Holy Spirit, make Saint Barnabas feel like home to me.

Saint Barnabas Arts Camp 2024

Register TODAY!



Saint Barnabas Arts Camp is an opportunity for kids ages 3 through those entering 6th grade to explore the world of fine arts and creativity with Saint Barnabas where all are welcome. Gently faith-based, this one-week camp is filled with fun and engaging activities focusing on the creative process. The theme for 2024 is *A Glitch in Time*. We'll travel through history as we learn more about how we value our time and what we do with it. Each camper will experience visual and performing arts as well as culinary arts every morning. *(More information at the next page)*

CAMP HOURS

Camp sessions are scheduled June 10–14 or June 17–21 with activities from 8:30–11:30am. Please choose one week only. Snack and t-shirt are included. Camper drop-off is between 8:15 and 8:30am and pick-up is at 11:30am each day.

Saint Barnabas Extended Day, organized by Saint Barnabas staff and volunteers, is an add-on that will end at 4pm. Extended-day campers will need to pack a lunch.

AGE GROUPS

Seeds is a self-contained group that meets in the Children's Center next to the playground. Seeds are 3 and 4 year olds and must be potty trained.

Campers entering kindergarten and beyond in fall 2024 participate in the main camp, which includes a daily lesson and small groups engaging in workshops related to food science, visual arts and crafts, and performing arts such as drama, singing, and dance.

Junior Counselors (grades 7–10) need to submit an application and complete a Zoom interview. Junior Counselors (JCs) will participate in a training program prior to camp. Applications for JC positions available, contact **Sarah Petersen** at sarahp@saintbarnabas.org for more information.

PRICING

Saint Barnabas Arts Camp (ages 3–12)

Registration: \$85 (8:30–11:30am)

Sibling Discount: –\$10 off

Saint Barnabas Extended Day (11:30am–4pm): +\$100

Contact **Sarah Petersen**, Camp Director and Director of Children's Ministries, with questions or to volunteer at: sarahp@saintbarnabas.org

To Register scan the QR code to the right or visit: saintbarnabas.org/camp



4th - 6th GRADE GROUP

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 11:30AM - 1PM
THE OTHER CUP

Calling all youth from 4th–6th grade! Join the fun of playing games, eating delicious food and more! Friends are welcome! We will meet from 11:30am – 1:30pm in The Other Cup. Email our Director of Youth Ministries, Kate Fimbres, at kate@saintbarnabas.org to find out more.

SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY, MARCH 17,
11:30AM - 1 PM

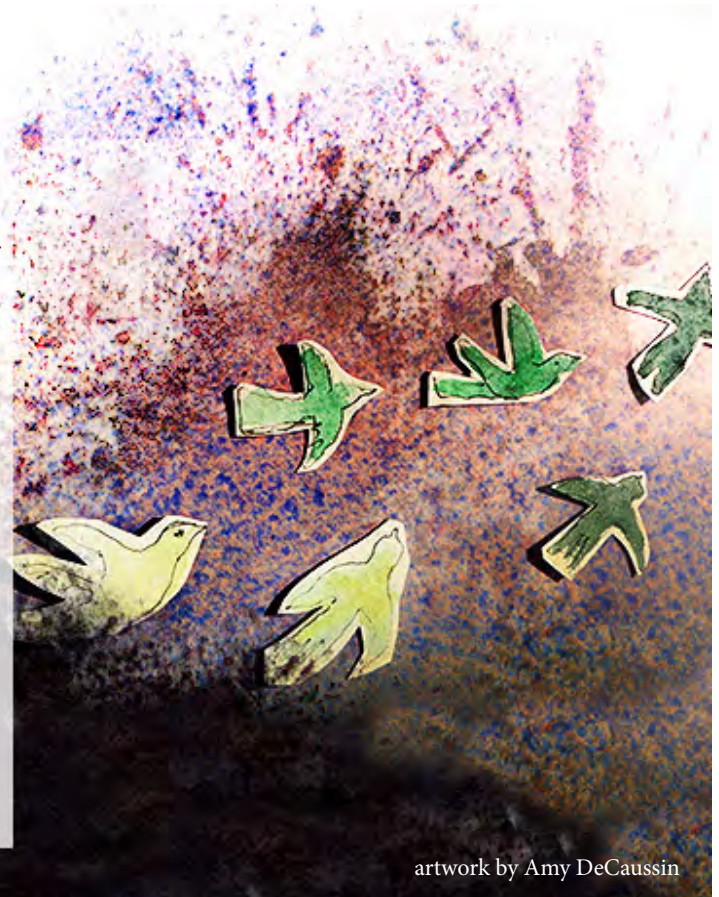


ASH WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Ash Wednesday begins the six-week season of Lent. In these services, we remember that we are dust and to dust we shall return by way of a cross of ashes being marked on our forehead. This reminder of our mortality sets us on our path through this subdued season in which we take a close look at ourselves and who God is calling us to be.

- 7 AM Traditional liturgy with ashes and communion in the Chapel.
- 12 PM Traditional liturgy with ashes, communion, and music in the Sanctuary.
- 6 PM Family-friendly liturgy with ashes and Children's Choir in the Music Center.
- 6:30 PM Family dinner open to all in Hutton Hall.
- 7 PM Traditional liturgy with ashes, communion, and music in the Sanctuary.



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rites of passage

Baptisms

Gwenyth Schumacher	March 12, 2023
Holden Schumacher	March 12, 2023
Meredith Williams	April 8, 2023
Rachel Williams	April 8, 2023
Derek DeMarco	April 16, 2023
Dylan DeMarco	April 16, 2023
Pearce Alfonso	May 21, 2023
Koah Heyde	May 21, 2023
Hunter MacMunn	May 21, 2023
Corbin Haught	August 20, 2023
Amelia Vance	August 20, 2023
Max Vance	August 20, 2023
James Charlton	December 25, 2023

Confirmations

Win Charles	April 23, 2023
Charles Colmark	April 23, 2023
Maren Herthel	April 23, 2023
Justin Horsman	April 23, 2023
Gavin Martin	April 23, 2023
Natasha Seaton	April 23, 2023
Hendrik Seeburg	April 23, 2023
James Tossberg	April 23, 2023
Rachel Williams	April 23, 2023
Jacob Wright	April 23, 2023
Sophia Wright	April 23, 2023

Received

Erica Williams	April 23, 2023
Scott Williams	April 23, 2023

CALENDAR | FEBRUARY 2024

FEB 1	Exploring Poetry as a Spiritual Practice	10am
FEB 3	Urban Nocturnes Concert	2:30pm
FEB 4	The ART of Engaging in Holy Scripture, Part 3	9am
FEB 11	United Thank Offering Ingathering	7:45am & 10:15am
	4th-6th Grade Group	11:30am
	Chapel Dedication	11:30am
FEB 14	Ash Wednesday worship services	7am, noon, 6pm, 7pm
FEB 15	Book Club	9:30 m
	Lunch & Speaker Series	12pm
FEB 17	Food Drive	8am
	Quiet Day	9:30am
FEB 18	Newcomer Lunch	11:20am
	Grief Circle	11:45m
FEB 19	Presidents Day - Parish office is closed	
FEB 21	Blood Drive	8am
FEB 24	The Rev. Jim and Betsy's Luncheon	12pm
	Musical Tribute	2pm
FEB 25	The Rev. Jim Clark's Last Sunday	7:45am & 10:15am
	The Last Sundae ice cream social	11:30am

Marriages

Ilsa Jones & Casey Bowman	March 10, 2023
Cynthia Volkmer & John Marszalek	October 7, 2023
Kelsie Cox & Jack Hutchison	October 7, 2023
Elizabeth Ursic & Frank Nightingale	November 18, 2023

Deaths

Hiram Scott Zee	January 13, 2023	Philip Carlson	September 4, 2023
Kim Loyd	March 7, 2023	Ruthanne Mulvihill	October 8, 2023
Edward (Jerry) Strass	March 18, 2023	Warren Welsh	November 10, 2023
Douglas Lyons	April 11, 2023	William (Bill) Ellis	November 11, 2023
Anne Allman	May 20, 2023	Joan Colton	November 17, 2023
Phyllis Adams	May 21, 2023	Sandra Day O'Connor	December 1, 2023
Shirley Adelmann	May 21, 2023	Judith Giffin	December 18, 2023
Nikola Zeniuk	June 1, 2023	Amy Casebolt	December 26, 2023
John Heaton	June 14, 2023	M. Elliot Riviere	January 9, 2024
Donald Coppin	August 4, 2023		

Episcopal Spirituality and The *ART* of Engaging Holy Scripture

SUNDAYS AT 9AM IN HUTTON HALL | JANUARY 21 – FEBRUARY 4

To join us on Zoom at our 9am forum, go to Zoom.us and type the following:
Meeting ID: 825 3083 3892 | Passcode 504615

In this **three-part series**, Rev. Jim will introduce us to the early roots of Episcopal spirituality. He will lead us from the example and teaching of Jesus to the sixth century Rule of Saint Benedict, which has influenced virtually all of western Christian spirituality; from the Rule of Saint Benedict to the first Book of Common Prayer in 1549; and from the first Book of Common Prayer to contemporary Episcopal spirituality and practice. Along the way, we will focus on praxis (combining theory and practice) and how taehs offers a unique Episcopal curriculum for modern Episcopalians.

Following these forums, we will start new taehs small groups the week of February 11. (You do not need to attend the forums to sign up for a group). Groups will meet on zoom and in person with weekday morning and evening groups planned. We're taking signups now. Please email our taehs coordinator, **Ann Hott**, at ann.hott9@gmail.com to register for one of our small groups.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT IF YOU JOIN A TAEHS SMALL GROUP:

- Bible study that leads to and prepares for prayer. Prior to coming to Saint Barnabas, Rev. Jim worked with members of his former parish for ten years to write a "Bible study curriculum for Episcopalians," with the goals of putting the Bible into the hands of the people, and letting the Bible be the starting place for conversations with God. This conversational approach makes all the difference.
- The curriculum consists of a method for reading, studying, and praying with the Bible, and a process for small groups (7 to 12 people). Each study includes commentary by Rev. Jim that makes the Bible passages more accessible and assists in the taehs method.
- Taehs has been used at Saint Barnabas for 19 years; it is also used in several other Episcopal churches.

From a participant:

“ I see the Bible in a different way than I had before. I love how my group shows me different ways of experiencing Jesus’ words along with my own. I sit with the words now where I just read them before, and often discover the possibility of totally new meanings. Often it is exciting, sometimes overwhelmingly moving, sometimes educational, and always a humbling gift. TAEHS makes me feel closer to God as well as closer to the members of my group as we share. ”



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“ It is particularly revealing that God speaks to each of us right where we are – thus many different answers from individuals. I have grown in an awareness of God’s love for us more than I ever knew before. ”

“ The sharing and insight I get from fellow group members really helps me see the readings with new eyes. I was apprehensive at first, thought I didn’t know “enough” to contribute. It has instead been very supportive and fruitful. It’s amazing. ”

To read more testimonials or for more information, please
visit: saintbarnabas.org/taehs.
You can also scan the QR code here:



COMING SOON

YOUNG ^{at} HEART

Broadway
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2024

APRIL 12 & 13

To be announced soon! **SAVE THE DATES!**
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