



E-Messenger May 30, 2024

*Come and worship
Rejoice in fellowship
Love and serve the Lord!*



Scaffolding

If you look closely you can see the two painters seated atop the scaffolding. Quite a view of the church up there! It is a good thing that the work will be completed soon. The summer heat would not be kind to the painters at interior roof level.

That being said, I am sorry to see the painters and scaffolding go. I can hear the dismantling and packing up of the scaffolding upstairs as I write. I have much appreciated the gathering of our congregation in the center pews during our worship because of the scaffolding. A congregation gathered more closely becomes a more visibly connected Body from my perch on the altar. I can hear the congregation singing! The Peace is

becoming more extended and enthusiastic with increased closeness following the long Covid pause.

Scaffolding has been around for ages. I read that scaffolding was used over 17,000 years ago for the Paleolithic cave paintings at Lascaux. In ancient times, Nubians, Egyptians, and Chinese used scaffolding of wood and ropes for building being done in hard-to-reach places.

In our times scaffolding is used for construction purposes, and scaffolding is a popular educational tool used to help students learn new information. Scaffolding in education involves first establishing foundational knowledge and then gradually building on that framework for the learning of new information.

Those two uses of scaffolding - building and education - made me reflect on us as a congregation. I wonder if there something we can glean from the scaffolding that has been sitting in the church for the last two months. What kind of building has been happening within the congregation? What new information arrived with that scaffolding?

Maybe the painters' scaffolding has helped us in a surprising way with "hard-to-reach" seating hopes. And those musings lead to the following question: *What if we continue to sit together in the center pews once the scaffolding has been removed?*



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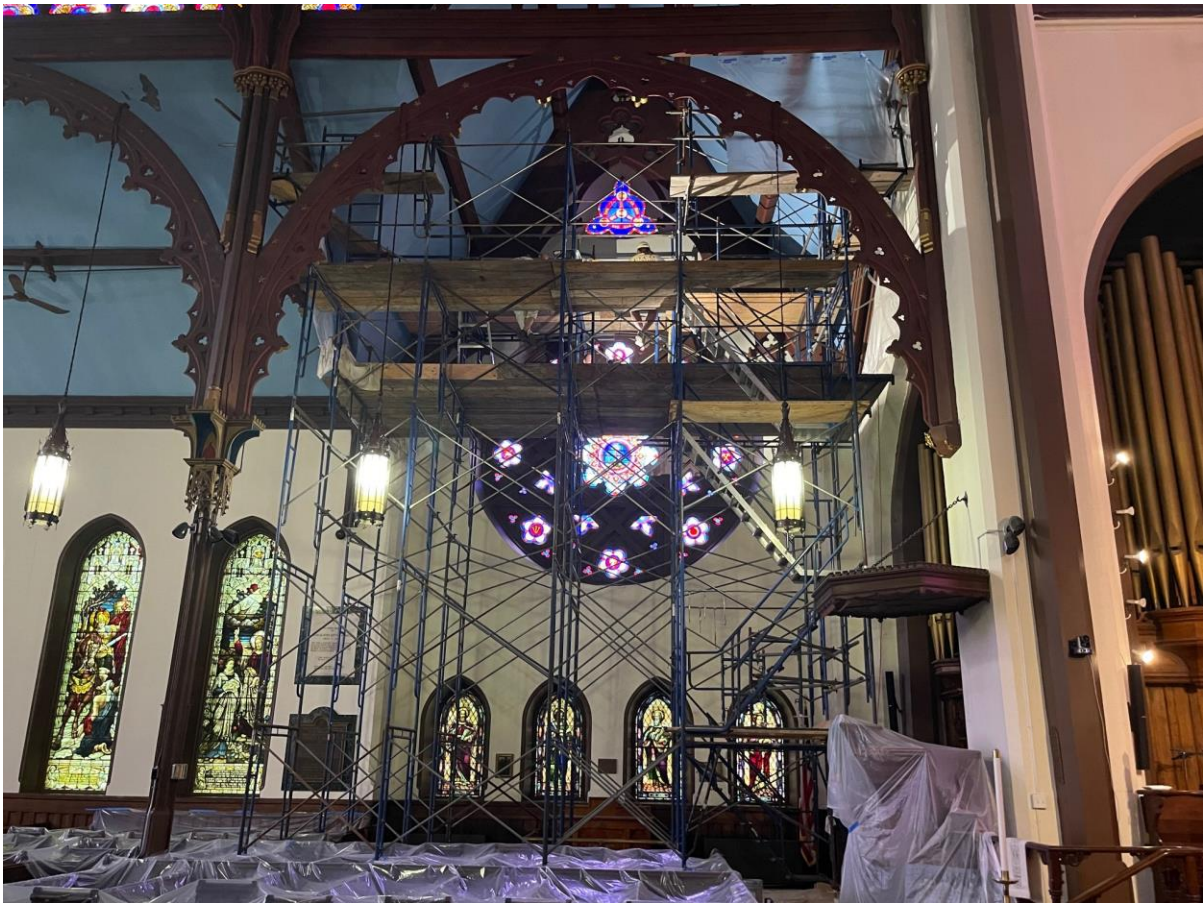
The choir begins a richly deserved summer break this week. We have been greatly blessed with their gifts, Rich's leadership, and the considerable preparation for each service. Just one example of this blessing is the prelude last Sunday: [go to our facebook page](#) and click on the short May 26th video (5:38). Ryan was able to make it a separate video. A warm thanks to our choir.

A Prayer for Oneness

We rest in you Spirit of Life. We place in you our feet, torso, arms, shoulders, and head and allow you to support all that we are. We rest in you, Spirit of Life, and give to you our worries, fears, doubts, hope, joys, pains, anger, love, hate and allow you to take in all that we are. And as we give all that we are, we find the place of truth, stillness, eternal, where you and we are one. We breathe in deep, deeply, down, up, all that we are, in oneness. And all that we are expands, until forever. Amen

(Adapted from a prayer written by Karen Barratt)

Yours in the Spirit,
Julie

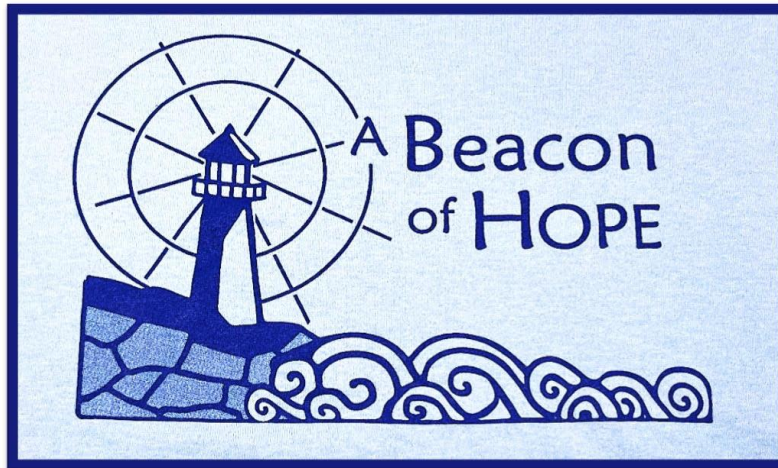


All are warmly welcome to join our Sunday Service of Holy Eucharist in-person, on Facebook, or via zoom at 9:30 am.

Here is the Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKek0rMGVzMFFEc1FiUT09>

The Service program may be found [here](#).



Outreach News

Next Outreach Meeting: Sunday, June 2 following the Service

Monthly Food Collection: This month we are collecting cold cereal although any non-perishable food items are most welcome. Thank you for your generosity!



*First Wednesday Healing Service with Eucharist
June 5 at Noon*

All are welcome to join us in the church at 12:00pm on Wednesday for our monthly Healing Service with Holy Eucharist in the church.

Worship Ministry

June 2

First Reading: Deuteronomy 5:12-15 Neb Amaechina

Response: Psalm 81:1-10 Marybeth Hanavan

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 Susan

Goodnough

Gospel: Mark 2:23-3;6

Prayers of the People: Gigi Fahnbulleh

Chalice: Marybeth Hanavan

Acolyte: Eric Hirsch

Altar Guild: Felicia and Patricia

Upcoming Events

June 1: ECC Homecoming Event, 3:00 pm

June 2: Outreach Meeting following the Service

June 5: Healing Service with Eucharist, Noon, in the church

June 9: Facilities Meeting following the Service

June 15: Garden Work Morning, 9-10:30

Prayers

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Gus, Victor, Gloria, and Wilmar, and Mary; and for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Naida Thomas, Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Rachael, Eva McBorrough, Jennifer, Carla, Sawyer L., Elizabeth Pacek, Calie, Ivy, John Dunning, Clara Hutchins, Andrew, Karen, and Billy.

We pray for those who work for peace in the armed forces especially Hannah Makuch.

We pray for those who celebrate birthdays this week especially Telly H. Hennessey.

We pray for young adults in our congregation – Willcia, Victor, Roma, Kojo, Anne Marie, Sarah, Fatima, Raheem, and Sommie; we pray for Derrick and Natalya who are soon to graduate from high school. May they know the Lord's steadfast presence and love in all that they do.

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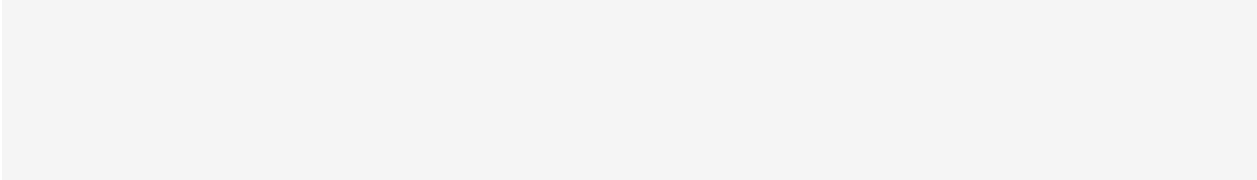
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