

**CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR-  
PO Box 827 Lebanon Springs, NY 12125**

**GIDEON'S TRUMPET AUGUST 2020 VOLUME 12 #7**

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**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry  
Daniel Herzog  
Deacon Leslie Groneman  
Rev. Randolph Lukas  
Father John  
Missionaries  
Bishops of Lutheran Synods

The Right Rev. William Love, Bishop  
Rev. Frank Lockwood  
  
Pope Francis  
Deacon Peter  
Metropolitans of Eastern Orthodox Church  
Archbishop of Canterbury

US Government

President Trump  
Senator Kirsten Gillibrand  
Senator Charles Schumer  
Assemblyman Jake Ashby  
Supervisor Tistrya Houghtling- and her family Stephen Julian Kaitlyn Harley

Governor Cuomo  
Senator Daphne Jordan  
Congressman Anthony Delgado

John & Teri Koeppe  
Richard Jones  
Debbie McLaughlin  
Levi Guimarra  
Nathaniel  
Kyle  
Heather Kromer  
James Hudson  
Rose G  
Terry  
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Martin  
Ralph  
Mary Ann H  
St Mark's Church Philmont  
Michael  
Sue H  
Theresa Hoffman  
Martin  
Karen McKeon

Kristen Thompson  
Lois Johnson  
Marie  
Michael D  
Deanne & Rachel McCann  
Louis Godfroy III  
Family Of Neil Haley  
Katrina  
Janis  
Angela B  
Margaret  
Al & Jeanne Mayer  
Eddie  
Storm Riders  
Janice C  
Cliff Myers  
Jamie  
Carol & Beth  
Scott Larabee

Gail S  
Rich D  
Dave F

John  
Kenneth Duchazme  
David Curran

Special prayers for the family of Rev Clinton Dugger  
US Military  
Vestries & Ministries of Christ Church Coxsackie and Church of Our Saviour

**Special Prayers for all who are suffering from the COVID19 virus & Those essential workers who are putting so much at risk for all of our sakes**

### **From Father Frank**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As many of you have heard, I am going through some personal changes. These have been, in some ways, a long time coming. I won't be going into details but I will say thank you for the support that the Church has provided.

Instead, please allow me to introduce you to the call of a priest to his/her vocation. I felt a call to being ordained a priest at the age of 12. At the time, I argued with God and stated that there is no way this could be correct.

Throughout my life, I had often felt that tug. When I became an ordained deacon, I knew that it would never be enough. Why? Part of the call to a priest is the desire to share the sacraments with others. The desire to extend God's blessings through the means he gives us in this world. I love the celebration of communion and passing that to others. I especially love providing individuals with the sacrament of reconciliation, otherwise known as confession and absolution of sins. Baptisms are often a fun filled time as we welcome a "new member to the family".

Although not listed as a sacrament, teaching and sharing the faith is another way in which a priest shares their faith and experiences God's presence.

All this being said, please know that I greatly enjoy the time I am able to share with each of you, whether corporately or individually. It is truly a pleasure for me to share faith with you, encourage you, offered whatever wisdom God may have as you struggle and to come alongside you in times when there are no words to share but only tears to shed.

There are times when it is lonely. There are also times when it is frustrating. There are times when the weight of the faith feels like it is going to crush and there are times when one just wants to cry in a pillow. Then there are the other times. The times when you see God pull a miracle as a couple recover from a horrific accident. There are times when I have seen the joy of someone who experiences inner healing and even the blessing of seeing someone whose spirit comes alive and they are set free from whatever bonds they may have been under.

Ultimately, there is one important thing that I would ask of you. Please, keep me in prayer, for I am no better than you. I am nothing more than a servant, broken by nature, healed by grace and encouraged by God's love.

Fr Frank

## **FROM SENIOR WARDEN**

Summer is in full bloom with more birds, bees, butterflies, and other nature in abundance in our yard. This year in particular there has been more activity in the yard than I can remember. It's a good thing and I enjoy watching nature unfold. The Boston crew visited a few weeks ago and Tony and I loved spending the time with the kids - both adult and little.

Along with all the abundance of nature and visits with family, our family at Our Saviour is again meeting face-to-face. COVID-19 protocols are in place. As we worship together, I hope you will join us, if not in Friendship Hall, then via Zoom. Enjoy the summer.

## **CALENDAR- AUGUST& SEPTEMBER 2020**

Father Frank will be on vacation for the next 3 weeks- He also obligations in September

SERVICES HELD IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL @ 8 AM

AUGUST 2 – MORNING PRAYER

AUGUST 9- DEACON MASS- DEACON LESLIE

AUGUST 16- MORNING PRAYER

AUGUST 23- HOLY EUCHARIST- FATHER FRANK

AUGUST 30- DEACON MASS- DEACON LESLIE

SEPTEMBER 6- HOLY EUCHARIST- FATHER FRANK

SEPTEMBER 13- HOLY EUCHARIST- FATHER FRANK

SEPTEMBER 20- MORNING PRAYER

SEPTEMBER 27- HOLY EUCHARIST- FATHER FRANK

BIBLE STUDY RESUMES ON SEPTEMBER 26

ZOOM INFORMATION TO FOLLOW