

The Weekly Newsletter | June 9, 2022

SUNDAY'S SERMON

If you missed Rev. Carmen's sermon last week, watch it [here](#).

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Who is celebrating this upcoming [week](#)?

IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for these [people](#).

SERVER SIGN UP

Want to serve as an acolyte, lay Eucharistic minister, lector, usher, or on the Stream Team?

Sign up to serve [HERE](#).

Music Notes

from John Bailey

At times, the chaos and grief that seems to engulf the world and our lives can be overwhelming. The ongoing pandemic, wars, grieving at the deaths of friends and loved ones, senseless violence, worries about economic problems and threats to our way of life: all of these have taken, and continue to take a toll on our collective and individual psyches. One often wonders: what do I do next? Scripture instructs us repeatedly to give thanks, even when we're anxious about what the future, our future, might hold. Perhaps, we should give thanks that our future is in God's hands, and is not simply a matter of fate. Perhaps, the instruction to give thanks is actually for our benefit and formation as believers. After thanking God for his grace and love...

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2023 HOLY LAND TRIP: INFO SESSION THIS WEEK

Next summer, June 12-23, 2023, you are invited to join Rev. Carmen on a journey that will transform how you read and experience the Bible. Together, we will visit the places of Jesus' birth, life, ministry, death, and resurrection in

Israel/Palestine. We will explore ancient holy places, vibrant markets, and modern museums. We will stay in comfortable air-conditioned guest rooms with private baths and eat delicious local cuisine at St. George's Guest House on the beautiful grounds of the Anglican Cathedral in Jerusalem. We will pray, play, and learn together. We will travel with experienced local Christian guides who have led pilgrim groups from the Episcopal Church through the Holy Land for more than 20 years. The base cost is approximately \$2,800 per person (double occupancy) plus airfare and travel/medical insurance. A post-pilgrimage excursion to Jordan is also an option. Please email carmen@saintalbansdavidson.org by June 30 to sign up. **Rev. Carmen will hold a brief info session after the 10:30 service this Sunday, June 12 for those who want to learn more.**



NURSERY HELP NEEDED!



We've had lots of little ones in the 10:30 a.m. nursery recently and are hoping to continue over the summer months. Currently we have one college student working in the nursery and we are looking for a second nursery attendant. Please contact [Courtney](#) if you have a college student home over the summer that would be interested in working in the nursery from 10am-12pm Sundays, or know of any others interested.

JUNE 12, 3:00 PM: CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR NORM REID

All are welcome to attend a Celebration of Life for parishioner, Norm Reid. The service will be held at St. Alban's on Sunday, June 12 at 3:00 p.m. with a reception following in the narthex (lobby). Read Norm's obituary [here](#).

JUNE 12, 6:00 PM: CONCERT ON THE GREEN

The Ministry of Fun invites everyone to meet up at the Town of Davidson Concert on the Green on Sunday, June 12. The music starts at 6:00 p.m. but we suggest you come early to claim a spot for your camping chairs! Look for the St Alban's tent on the Davidson Green, along Main Street. There will be a table for any refreshments you would like to bring and share. Enjoy some free beach music from Band of Oz!



CAN WE REACH 100 PLEDGES THIS WEEK?



We are so grateful for the 91 St. Alban's households who have already made their three-year pledge toward our Grow, Gather, Serve Campaign to build a Parish Hall and kitchen! We hope to hear from all our active members soon, to help us reach, and possibly even exceed, our goal. To read more about the project or to make your pledge using our online pledge form, click [HERE](#). You can also fill out a paper pledge form and mail it to the church or put it in the offering plate on Sundays between now and June 22.

JUNE 16: MOMS CONNECT

Moms Connect is a group of women from St. Alban's Church and/or Preschool who are seeking connection in different phases of motherhood. We meet regularly for fun, reflection, mutual support, and prayer, usually on the third Thursday of the month—you are invited! The next gathering of Moms Connect will be Thursday, June 16 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Alban's, outside at the picnic tables out front if weather permits. We hope you will join us!



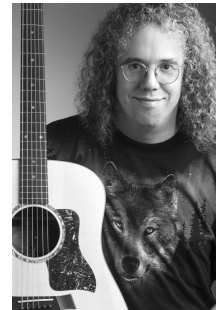
JUNE 26: SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR PARISH PICNIC



The Ministry of Fun has planned a picnic on June 26. Together we will gather outside after the 10:30 service to celebrate the Feast Day of Alban, our patron saint. Mark your calendar and stay tuned for details!

JUNE 26: MUSIC @ ST. ALBAN'S CONCERT

At 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 26, Music at St. Alban's (M@SA) will conclude its season with a performance by Robin Bullock, generally considered one of the preeminent acoustic masters of our time. He has been hailed as the "Celtic guitar god" who delights audiences with programs featuring Celtic and classical music for mandolin and guitar. With virtuosity he blends melodies of the Celtic lands, their American descendants, and masterworks of the Renaissance and Baroque eras into a persuasive musical vision. The concert will be preceded at 2:00 p.m. by an interview with the artist under the aegis of DavidsonLearns and followed by a meet-the-artist reception.



The concert will be available via live streaming. For information about that option and latest COVID protocols, visit M@SA's [website](#). This event is made possible, in part, with funding from the ASC and support from WDAV. M@SA is a 501[c]3 non-profit organization.

RESERVATIONS FOR LA ESCUELITA FIESTA FUNDRAISER DUE BY JUNE 11!

You are invited to a Fiesta Fundraiser for La Escuelita Bilingual Preschool on Sunday, June 26th from 5 to 7 PM at Ositos in Cornelius. \$50 per person. Proceeds will establish the Patrick Braxton-Andrew Scholarship Fund for La Escuelita Bilingual Preschool, Davidson. Please reserve and pay through venmo @lebp-day; show "Fiesta Fundraiser" on the Comments line, or by check payable to LEBP Davidson, c/o Ginger Knudson, 21817 Chapel Way, Cornelius 28031. Reservations are limited and due by June 11.



Menu

Fusion tacos (choice of 2):
Sweet Thai chili-fried shrimp, avocado, carrots, green onions
Smoked chicken, herbed slaw, Carolina barbecue sauce
Grilled jerk pork tenderloin, habanero slaw, plantains, pineapple crema

Fried Chicken Enchilada
Beans and Rice, Chips-Salsa-Queso Bar, Dessert
Beer and Wine available for purchase (\$5)



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL – Although Sunday School has ended for the summer, we are offering Children's Chapel for all ages weekly during the 10:30 service. Children will begin worship with their families. Then they will be invited to gather around the deacon for the Gospel reading. After hearing the Gospel up close, they will process out for a time of age-appropriate music, prayers, and a short lesson during the Sermon. Typically, they will return to the nave during the Passing of the Peace so families can be together for Holy Communion. We look forward to offering this beneficial learning over the summer for our children. We hope to see many of you in Children's Chapel over the summer!

NURSERY – We offer nursery for the 10:30 service. If any additional adults are available to help, please contact Courtney.

VBS SAVE THE DATES – VBS will be held this year Monday, Aug. 1st – Thursday, August 4th from 9-11am, ages 4 – 5th grade. Registration NOW OPEN [HERE!](#)

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Although Sunday School has ended for the summer, we hope to see many of you in a service over the summer. We will also be needing youth help with VBS from Aug. 1st – 4th from 9-11am. Please contact [Courtney](#) with interest.

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR – Our June event plan will be at the Carrigan Quarry on Sat., June 25 planned for 3:45pm-Sunset, please contact [Courtney](#) with interest soon, we have to make a reservation. Youth Group will have one event per month over the summer and then will Kick Off again for the Fall on Sunday, Sept. 11. The Summer and Fall schedule can be found [here](#).

ACOLYTES – Some of our youth currently serve as acolytes and we would love to have more youth (5th grade and up) get involved in this wonderful ministry. Please contact [Courtney](#) with interest. This amazing volunteer ministry is also service hours eligible.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION – We are thrilled to announce that we plan to have an in-person Confirmation course in the fall for youth who are in 9th grade or older! It will coincide with the beginning of the new school year, probably beginning on the last week of August. We will meet weekly on a weekday evening for 6-8 weeks. Those youth who participate in the course, and then decide they are ready, will be confirmed by Bishop Rodman during his scheduled visit to Saint Alban's on October 23rd. Further details about the course and the meeting schedule will be forthcoming. Questions may be directed to [Courtney Fossett](#) or [Rev. Kevin](#).

REMIND app! Parents and Youth, please sign up by going to this link or **text @stalbandsyo to 81010**. Event reminders and last minute changes in venue make this app essential for communication to our group!

MORNING PRAYER

Morning Prayer is offered in the chapel of our nave at 9:15 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Morning Prayer via [Zoom](#) is offered at 9:00 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

OFFICE HOURS

The office is open and staffed from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday - Thursday.

PRAYER LIST

Would you like to add a friend or loved one to the St. Alban's prayer list? Please email [Jessica](#) either their first name or their full name, depending on their preference. The name will appear on the parish prayer list for three weeks. If after that time they still need to be on the prayer list, then reach out to Jessica to renew for another three weeks.

PRAYER SHAWLS

If you or someone you know is sick or grieving, support might come from a "hug" in the form of a prayer shawl that has been blessed by our clergy. The shawls are knitted, crocheted, or woven by our prayer shawl ministry members who give of their time, talent, resources, and prayers. If you would like to receive a prayer shawl for yourself or someone you know, please contact [Jessica](#).

MEMBER DATABASE

Need to update personal info with St. Alban's? Check your pledge balance? Maybe look up another church member? ACS is our church database and it allows you to do all of this and more. Login with your church email and then [read more](#) for additional information.

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