JOYOUS NEWS

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We will glorify God by deepening the roots of our Anglican faith, and bringing people to new life in Jesus Christ.

WALLY'S GALLERY -

This month we celebrate this country's founding which occurred 244 years ago. While we hold July

4th as the day in which our country's founders signed the Declaration of Independence, that is not exactly true. The actual document while adopted on July 4, 1776 was not finalized in its legal form and signed until August 2nd according to the book "The Declaration of Independence and Other Great Documents of American History 1775-1865."



While this is an interesting note in our country's history, what is of more significance is that the Bible seems to have had the most influence on ideas the formed this country's earliest documents. Ideas that eventually were incorporated into the Declaration of Independence. According to the book "One Nation Under God" some 15,000 documents and several thousand books written between 1760 and 1805 contained more than 3,100 references, 34% of which came from the Bible. Other references cited came from the writings of such noted Christians as William Blackstone and John Locke.

It should not surprise us then that four times the Declaration mentions God: "The Laws of Nature and nature's God..."; "All Men are created equal, they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights..."; "Appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World for the Rectitude of our Intentions..."; and "With a firm Reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence..."

Some have argued that the Constitution does not mention God. The Constitution, however, is a continuation of the Declaration in the sense that it outlines the laws based on Biblical ideas carried forward from the Declaration. For instance quoting from "One Nation Under God:" "The Biblical understanding of the sinfulness of man was the guiding principal behind the United States Constitution." This principal was apparent from some 38 letters that revealed the beliefs of the founders as they crafted the Constitution. They are known as The Federalist Papers. Again quoting from the same book: "...in Federalist #47 (James) Madison explained why the governmental power had to be divided between competing forces: "The accumulation all powers, legislative, executive, and judiciary, in the same hands whether of one, a few, or many...may justly be pronounced the very definition of tyranny." Along the same concept it should be pointed out that the Constitution gives us a Republic and not a Democracy. The framers, especially John Adams, pointed out that a Republic is a government of laws and not mob rule once again highlighting their understanding of the Biblical principal of the sinfulness of man.

Unfortunately, nothing is without the possibility of corruption. The framers realized this was not a perfect form of government and its lasting would solely depend on a virtuous people. From "One Nation Under God:" John Adams "warned his countrymen We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion....Our

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Summer Book Study 9:00am in Blanz Hall Worship Service 10:00am	29	30	Men's Breakfast JW Filmore's 8:30am Book of Exodus Study 6:30pm via Zoom		3	Happy 4th of July
Summer Book Study 9:00am in Blanz Hall Worship Service 10:00am	Ladies Birthday Lunch Noon @ East Park - Bring your own lunch		Men's Breakfast JW Filmore's 8:30am Book of Exodus Study 6:30pm via Zoom		10	11
Summer Book Study 9:00am in Blanz Hall Worship Service 10:00am 19 Summer Book Study 9:00am in Blanz Hall Worship Service	20	July Vestry Meeting 5:15pm 21 Joyous News Joyous News Deadline Deadline	Men's Breakfast JW Filmore's 8:30am Book of Exodus Study 6:30pm via Zoom 22 Men's Breakfast JW Filmore's 8:30am Book of Exodus Study 6:30pm via	Morning Prayer 8:00am Men's Bible Study Noon @ The Davis' Women's Bible Study @ 6:30pm 23 Morning Prayer 8:00am Men's Bible Study Noon @ The Davis' Women's Bible Study @ 6:30pm Men's Group	24	25
10:00am 26 Summer Book Study 9:00am in Blanz Hall Worship Service 10:00am	27	28	Zoom 29 Men's Breakfast @ JW Filmore's 8:30am Book of Exodus Study 6:30pm via Zoom	@ The Ostranders 5:30 - 8pm 30 Morning Prayer 8:00am Men's Bible Study Noon @ The Davis' Women's Bible Study @ 6:30pm	31	

July 2020 Service Calendar

If you are unable to fulfill your service duties on the dates listed, please try to rearrange and find your own replacement.

	July	July	July	July	August	
	5	12	19	26	2	
ALTAR	Liz	Liz	Liz Li;		Karen	
GUILD	Ostrander	Ostrander	der Ostrander Ostra		Dielman	
SOUND/ MUSIC	Ferd & Wes	Ferd & Wes	Ferd & Wes	Ferd & Wes	Ferd & Wes	
USHER/	Ron D. /	Don L./	Cliff C. /	Dan Wandrie/	Ron D. /	
COUNTER/	Don L. /	Cliff C. /	Dan Wandrie/	Ron D. /	Don L. /	
GREETERS	The Flynns	Sally Stump	The Bowmans	The Careys	The Flynns	
LECTOR	Cliff	Ferd	Wally	Karen	Mary Jane	
	Carey	Dielman	Stansbury	Dielman	Zako	
LAY	Wally	Mary Jane	Erika	Karen	Wally	
MINISTER	Stansbury	Zako	Dielman	Dielman	Stansbury	



Joshua Bridge 7/2 Ferd Dielman 7/9 Gil Stump 7/20 Xavier Cavagnaro 7/25

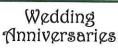




George & Carol
Bowman

July 3rd KC & Louise

KC & Louise McAlpin July 16th





Bill & Linda Knapp July 9th



Gil & Sally Stump July 20th

May the Lord richly bless you on your special day and all year!

Please let us know if we have missed your Birthday or Wedding Anniversary so that we may

celebrate with you and remember you in prayer.

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Constitution was made only for a moral and
religious people. it is wholly inadequate to the
government of any other." Shortly after the
Constitution was birthed Adams was asked
what type of government did we now have.
He replied, "A Republic if you can keep it."
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Now 244 years later our country is engaging in new cultural normal that attacks the very foundational Christian beliefs on which our government was founded. The reply given by John Adams now hangs heavy over us again: Can we keep it!

		Treasurer's	Report ~ J	une 30,2020		
	June			Year to Date		
	Actual	Budget	Difference	Actual	Budget	Difference
Offering	\$11,375.00	\$13,100.00	(\$1,725.00)	\$71,432.97	\$78,600.00	(\$7,167.03)
Other	\$1,388.03	\$3,207.00	(\$1,818.97)	\$15,943.70	\$17,238.00	(\$1,294.30)
Income	\$12,763.03	\$16,307.00	(\$3,543.97)	\$87,376.67	\$95,838.00	(\$8,461.33)
Expenses	(\$13,401.33)	(\$14,918.00)	\$1,516.67	(\$89,659.76)	(\$93,640.00)	\$3,980.24
Difference	(\$638.30)	\$1,389.00	(\$2,027.30)	(\$2,283.09)	\$2,198.00	(\$4,481.09)
Assets				\$553,683.65		

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We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

Romans 6:4

