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From Pastor Sue's Pen . . .

What differentiates Episcopalians from other denominations? someone recently asked me. In five paragraphs or less:

Back in the mid-1500s, Martin Luther challenged and was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church. Thus began the re-formation of many national churches, also driven by the fact that the crowned heads of Europe disliked taking orders from the Pope. In the case of King Henry VIII of England, the split from Rome was exacerbated by the Pope's refusal to grant him a divorce.

Thomas Cranmer, the Archbishop of Canterbury, was the will and wit behind the first Book of Common Prayer, the King Edward Prayer Book. Richard Hooker, our first mighty theologian, differentiated the beliefs of the Church of England from those of the churches of Scotland, Switzerland, and Germany.

One of those big differences is the importance given to Holy Eucharist. Unlike the Calvinists and Zwinglians, who gave it a minor role, the Church of England gave it an equal part in the service, following the Liturgy of the Word (lessons & preaching). Unlike the Roman Catholics, who believe in the physical change of the elements to the actual body and blood, and the Lutherans, who believe in consubstantiation, Hooker established the Doctrine of the Real Presence. This doctrine maintains that Jesus Christ is truly present in Holy Communion but it isn't up to us to say how that's true.

Queen Elizabeth I set another foundation stone when she said, "I will not make windows into men's souls" [regarding what each one believes]. "But if they do not worship from the Book of Common Prayer, I will harry them out of England!" Thus we find an unusual degree of independent thought in our modern Episcopal Church.

Our denomination has also been a leader in social action and in taking risks by leading social changes. In addition, whatever you believe, there's at least one other Episcopalian to agree with you!

MANY THANKS TO:

Savannah, Murray, and Julie for lending their musical talents to our worship.

Susan for hosting the Canapés & Conversation evening in July.

SAINT DAVID'S OFFICE CLOSED

Saint David's office will be closed August 1st – 5th. In case of emergency, contact The Rev. Linda Green.

PRAYER SHAWL GROUP

The Prayer Shawl Group meets at the rectory on first and third Thursday evenings of the month from 7 – 9 p.m.

REMOTE CONTROL PLANE CONTEST

Come see some of the best pilots in the Midwest fly 12' wingspan planes August 6 and 7. Come any time between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Location is south of Naperville, near Route 30 and 111 St. No charge to enter. Bring water, food, and sun block. No flying if raining or winds more than 20 mph.

McCLEERY SCHOOL SUPPLIES

This year McCleery school supplies will be purchased in conjunction with Aurora's Back to School Fair, benefiting both by reduced prices. We would like to raise \$500, so any amount you give will be gratefully accepted. Please make your check payable to Communities in Schools or use a white envelope for cash (designate envelope as "McCleery Supplies") and place it in the offering plate.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR

If you can help assemble back to school kits during the week beginning Monday, August 1st or help at the Back to School Fair at the John Harkness Center on Saturday, August 6, please contact Denise.

LADIES' NIGHT OUT

The next Ladies' Night Out will be on Tuesday, August 9th, at 6:00 p.m. We will be meeting for wonderful Mexican food at La Quinta de los Reyes, located at 36 E. New York St., in Aurora. There is convenient parking located across the street from the restaurant on E. New York St. (just East of Hollywood Casino).

They offer a large menu with appetizers, salads, traditional Mexican fare and house specialties.

Please mark your calendars to join us for a great evening of food and fun! Any questions, please contact Evelyn.

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

We will bless students and teachers on Sunday, August 21.

COFFEE HOUR SIGN UP

Volunteers are still needed to serve at coffee hour on August 21 and 28. If you can help, the sign up sheet is on the counter in the undercroft. Thanks!

FALL SCHEDULE RESUMES

The fall schedule will resume on Sunday, September 11th. Worship services with Holy Eucharist will be at 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Christian Education will meet at 9:00 a.m.

CANAPES & CONVERSATION

If you are interested in opening your home to host a Canapés & Conversation evening please contact Susan. You only need to provide the place, the food, drinks and fun will come with your fellow Saint Davidians. This traditional get together for adults takes place on a Saturday evening of your choice between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Everyone brings an appetizer and a drink of choice; the conversation takes care of itself.

KNOW OF A PRAYER NEED?

"If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer" Matthew 21:22. Do you or someone you know need prayer? The Prayer Chain of Saint David's responds to all prayer requests. Please call Rogera or the church office to place your request.

DAN'S HOUSE OF HOPE

Dan's House of Hope is a nonprofit corporation created as a legacy to Dan Kenneavy. DHOH is dedicated to reducing the financial burden of young adult cancer patients and their families who must travel lengthy distances from home to receive medical treatment. All donations and gifts made to DHOH, Inc. are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. For more information look at danshouseofhope.org

FLOWER & CANDLE SIGN UP

Flower and candle sign up sheets are on the bulletin board in the parlor. Upcoming open dates are listed below. Please sign up for any of these dates you would like reserved.

Flowers: August 7, 14, 28, September 11, 18, October 2.

Sanctuary Candle: August 14, 28, September 18, 25, October 2, 9.

The cost for donating flowers is \$25, the candle is \$6. Payments may be placed in the offering plate in an envelope addressed to the Altar Guild or mailed to Saint David's, 701 N. Randall Road, Aurora, IL 60506. Checks should be made payable to the Altar Guild with a note in the byline to indicate the check represents payment for flowers, candle, or a donation to the Altar Guild. It is greatly appreciated if payment is made in advance.

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SERVER SCHEDULE

The server schedule may be obtained online at stdavidsofaurora.com. Click on calendar and then on servers on the individual dates.

SUNDAYS

Holy Eucharist 9:00 a.m. (Summer Months)
Coffee Hour Following Service

LAYING ON OF HANDS

Usually the first Sunday of the month during service

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

August

Aug. 1 – 5, Mon.-Fri.		Saint David's office closed
Aug. 4, Thursday	7 – 9 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry Group
Aug. 6, Saturday		Back to School Fair, Harkness Center
Aug. 6 & 7, Sat. & Sun.	10 a.m.-3p.m.	Remote Control Plane Contest, Naperville
Aug. 7, Sunday		Laying on of Hands
Aug. 9, Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Ladies' Night Out
Aug. 12, Friday	12 – 2 p.m.	Women's Prayer / Bible Time (First Baptist)
Aug. 15, Monday		September Leek articles due
Aug. 16, Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Vestry
Aug. 18, Thursday	7 – 9 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry Group
Aug. 21, Sunday		Blessing of students and teachers

September

Sept. 11, Sunday		FALL SCHEDULE RESUMES
	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service with Holy Eucharist
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service with Holy Eucharist

