



Weekly e-Epistle
from
St. James' Mill Creek
Wilmington, Delaware
Issued: September 5, 2018

This Week: 16th Sunday after Pentecost

RETURN TO REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS THIS SUNDAY

NOTE THE SERVICE TIMES BELOW

Sunday Service Times

8:00am & 10:15am

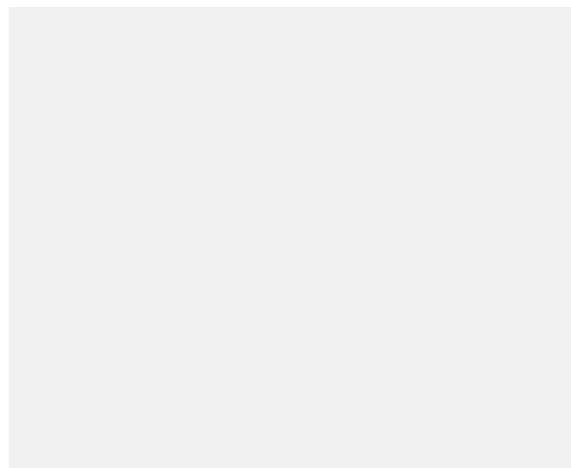
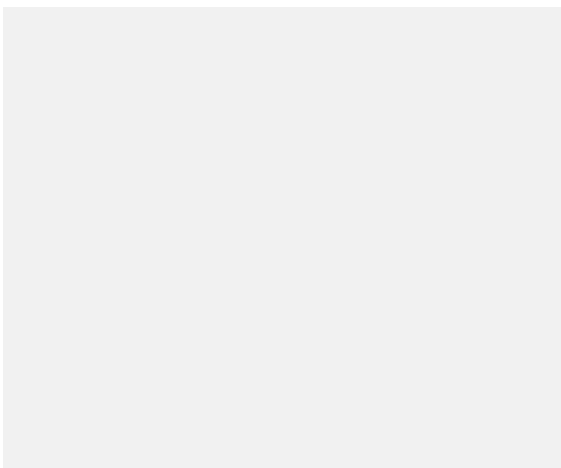
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A Word from Fr. Jim: "Ephphatha"

This Aramaic word, **ephphatha**, appears in a section of the Gospel reading for this Sunday ([Mark 7:31-37](#)), and is one of those instances where Mark, who was actually writing in Greek, thought it important to preserve the word as it would have come from the lips of Jesus. Aramaic, not Hebrew, was the sole popular language of Palestine during the time of Christ, and when we hear **ephphatha** we hear the recollection of an eye witness account. The word means, "be opened", and was spoken by Jesus as he healed a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech.

When the man's encounter with Jesus was over, 'his ears were opened, his tongue released, and he spoke plainly.' A memorable episode, indeed. **Ephphatha** - to be opened by an encounter with Jesus Christ. We might not be deaf or lack the ability to speak, but we are in no less need of Jesus to loosen up or crack apart areas of our lives so to allow God's grace, healing, or renewal to enter in.





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Thursday, Sept 6, is Primary Election Day in Delaware.

If you are registered and eligible to vote in your political party's primary, be sure to get out and cast your ballot. For more info check out this [article](#) from the News Journal.



THE PATH

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE

The Path is the story of the Bible, excerpted from the New Revised Standard Version so that it is clear and easy to read. Follow the path of God's love all the way from the beginning to the end, from Adam's creation to John's revelation. Be looking for details about study opportunities to be offered this fall by Fr. Jim.

An Evangelism Conference

Sponsored by the Episcopal Church in Delaware

Saturday, October 20, 2018

9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Christ Church Christiana Hundred,
host parish

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Bishop Brown

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Benefit to help END Alzheimer's

"Russ's Angels" to host 5th Annual Fund Raiser THIS SATURDAY

- **What:** Flap Jack Breakfast (with eggs)
- **When:** Saturday September 8 -- 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- **Where:** Applebee's Neighborhood Bar & Grill
4301 Kirkwood HWY

Wilmington, DE 19808

- **Tickets:** \$13 a person (payment in cash or check)

There will also be a Basket Raffle and 50/50 Raffle

For more information contact:

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Upcoming Services and Events

Click on a month below for the appropriate Servers' Schedules

SEPTEMBER OCTOBER

Saturday, September 8 through Friday, September 14

- Fr. Jim out-of-town

Sunday, September 9 - 16th Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:00 a.m. - HOLY EUCHARIST in Church
- 10:15 a.m. - HOLY EUCHARIST with music in Church
- 11:30 a.m. - Hospitality in Parish House

Monday, September 10

- 6:30 p.m. - Vestry Meeting in Parish House lounge

Tuesday, September 11

- 9:00 a.m. - Weekly Bazaar Workshop

Wednesday, September 12

- 9:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer Service in Church
- 10:15 a.m. - Bible Study in Parish House lounge

WELCOME BACK Sunday, September 16 - 17th Sunday after Pentecost

- 8:00 a.m. - HOLY EUCHARIST in Church
- 9:00 a.m. - Continental Breakfast & Ministry Fair in Parish House
- 9:00 a.m. - Nursery reopens in Parish House
- 10:15 a.m. - HOLY EUCHARIST with music in Church
- 11:30 a.m. - Hospitality in Parish House

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