

# *The Church of Our Saviour*

Weekly eNews: 4/28/23



## *Sunday Service Schedule*

- 8:00 a.m. - Holy Communion
  - 9:15 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
  - 10:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer
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## *Bridal Shower for Natalie Clarke*

Women of the Church, we will be gathering this Saturday 4/29 (2:00 - 4:00 p.m.) in the Cottage for a Bridal Shower for Natalie Clarke. Please RSVP and sign up to bring some food by [clicking this link](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Rachael Holmes  
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## *Annual Parish Meeting*

The Annual Parish Meeting is set for Sunday, May 7 following the 10:30 service. Make plans to join us. In addition to hear reports on the state of the parish, elections will be held for vestry and delegates to the Diocesan Synod. There are two vacancies on the Vestry. The four nominees are Bob Dryden, Andy Kuniholm, Steve Mouton and Steve Price. Two delegates need to be elected for the Diocesan Synod. The nominees are Karla & Rick Denney.

If you will not be in attendance and are a voting member, you can complete a proxy forms and give it to a voting member who will be present. Proxy forms will be available in the narthex. Please note a voting member be a proxy for more than three other members.

According to the Canons of the Reformed Episcopal Church and the By-Laws of the Church of Our Saviour, a voting member is:

1. A baptized person who has been confirmed in this parish or who has been confirmed and received in this parish.
2. is over 16 years of age.
3. has faithfully attended worship over the past 12 months (unless for good cause prevented)
4. and has been faithful in working, praying and giving for the support of this parish.

If you have questions about your eligibility to vote, please contact Jack Curtis or Jonathan+.

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### *REC Ladies Luncheon*

The REC Ladies luncheon is an annual gathering of the women of the Church. The Church of Our Saviour will be pairing up with Holy Trinity REC, Fairfax. This year, the women of the Church will be gathering to discuss and raise funds for the Deaconess program. The Luncheon will be held on Saturday, May 13th (10:00 a.m.) at Joann Mansour's home. [14980 Stream Valley Court, Haymarket 20169](https://www.google.com/maps/place/14980+Stream+Valley+Court,+Haymarket,+VA+20169). **Please contact Annie Kell for more information and to RSVP.**

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### *Senior Warden's Corner, April 2023*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Praise God for his faithfulness as we grow together in Him. What a blessing to have 33 new members received or confirmed last Sunday. This is a record for us. Thank you for your patience as we get more prayer books and kneelers for our services, and for being such a warm and loving congregation, reflecting His goodness.

I would like to offer a brief personal perspective on the decision that the Vestry is considering next week: whether to develop plans for a new parish hall, as recommended by the most recent building committee, for the Vestry and congregation to consider, or to add a room onto the existing cottage and modify it internally to meet commercial codes.

In 2020, the Vestry asked me to lead a committee exploring the feasibility of adding onto the cottage. In 2021, I reported that the committee could not recommend it due to the estimated cost, modifications required, and that it would not meet our needs. The Vestry wanted more information though, and tasked a second committee led by Fr. Jonathan to continue to pursue the cottage option, working with an architect to produce construction drawings for the addition and modifications. That committee delivered architectural documents and a general cost structure.

Last September, reflecting on our growing Parish needs, the Vestry commissioned a new building committee so that we could consider a second option—a purpose built parish hall. The Vestry asked me to lead the new committee, tasked with exploring the feasibility and estimated costs. The committee worked with parishioners and outside professionals who provided input at no cost to prepare its proposal, presented to the Vestry last week. It includes:

- updated requirements such as a larger main hall, kitchen, nursery, classrooms, and offices;
- a concept design to meet those needs;
- estimated costs for construction.

We are at the proverbial fork in the road. The Vestry will hold a special meeting on May 6 to assess our needs, resources, and determine which path to pursue. As we have not yet spent any money on the second option, the committee recommends that the Vestry solicit the services of the architect to refine our design and develop plans and renderings for the Vestry and congregation's consideration. And now that we have rough cost estimates, the committee recommends that the Vestry explore the finances for construction.

Whatever path the Vestry chooses, a decision to build anything will need to be made by the congregation, and will require much prayer and a funding campaign. Please pray for wisdom, unity, and God's guidance for us all, and that we will remain focused on His mission.

Your Brother in Christ,  
Steve Mouton

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### *Sunday school*

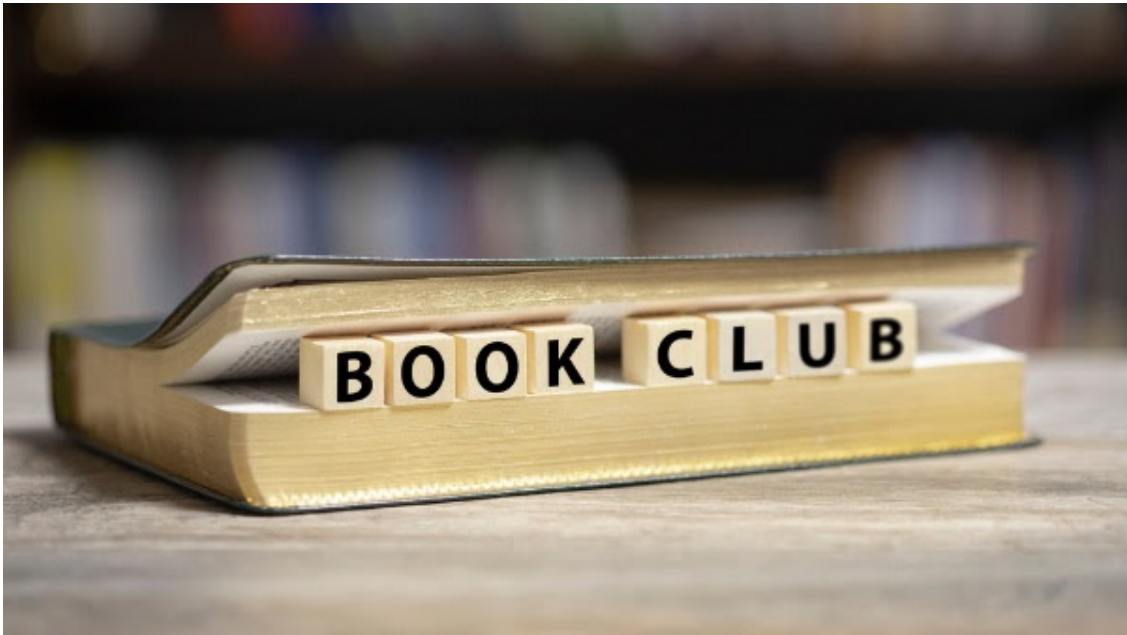
Sunday school for all ages will be held this week (9:15-ff). Children meet in the Cottage and Adults gather in the Nave.

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## *Wednesday Evening Fellowship*

The Wednesday Evening Fellowship will gather this Wednesday (5/3) at 6:00 p.m. for a time of prayer, study and fellowship. Following Evening Prayer, Children are dismissed to the Cottage for Catechesis and Choir Practice.

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## *Book Club*

**Current Book:** A Canticle for Leibowitz

A Canticle for Leibowitz is a post-apocalyptic social science fiction novel by American writer Walter M. Miller Jr., first published in 1959 and winner of the 1961 Hugo Award. Set in a Catholic monastery in the desert of the southwestern United States after a devastating nuclear war, the book spans thousands of years as civilization rebuilds itself. The monks of the Albertian Order of Leibowitz preserve the surviving remnants of man's scientific knowledge until the world is again ready for it.

Please join us in reading this speculative fiction classic, which explores culture, knowledge, and the particular role Christianity has had in preserving both through the bright and dark years of history.

If you are interested in participating in book club generally, getting updates on future books, and keeping up to date on discussions, please email Virginia Phillips at [vrheap@gmail.com](mailto:vrheap@gmail.com).

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### *Host Coffee Hour*

Coffee hour is a vital way in which the Church builds the bonds of community. Consider signing up to host. [Click this link](#) or copy the following url and paste it in your web browser for more information and to schedule a date to host. <https://signup.com/go/QtdmVXX>



### **Loudoun Hunger Relief**

Please consider donating nonperishable foods, toiletries, or cleaning supplies to those in our community who are less fortunate. Donations may be left in the narthex. If you have questions, feel free to speak with Robbie Thompson, Our Saviour's organist.



*Sally's Lambs*

Sally's Lambs is an outreach of The Radiance Foundation, a non-profit, life-

affirming organization based in Purcellville, VA. Sally's Lambs purpose is to celebrate birth-moms and adoption. One of the ways we show support is by providing Birth Mom Baskets. Every basket contains a Bible and devotional as well as other items to encourage the women in their choice for life. We work with pregnancy resource centers, adoption agencies and with birth-moms directly. A bin will be located in the narthex for donations at any time throughout the year. All items must be brand new. We cannot accept any type of clothing (slippers included) or used items.

Donation Ideas:

Women's Bibles

Devotionals

Journals

Mugs

Nail Polish

Jewelry

Beauty Products

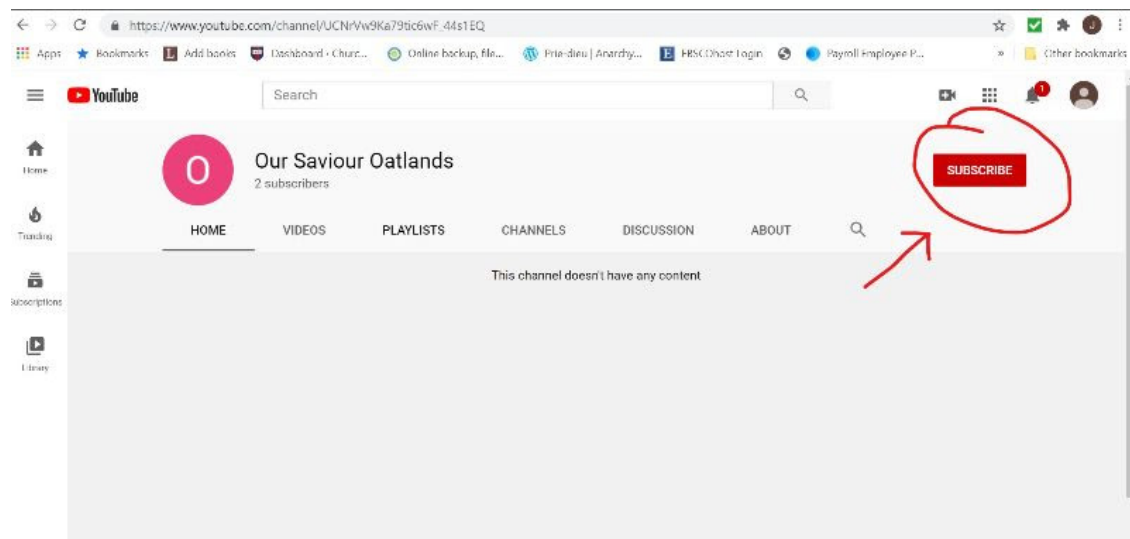
Chocolates/Sweets

Quality Body Lotions

Scented Candles

Gift Cards

For more information please visit [radiancefoundation.org](http://radiancefoundation.org). If you have any questions, please speak with Joby Mitchell.




### *Live Stream Sunday Service*

If you are not able to be with us in person this Sunday and cannot attend another



Church, you can watch the service via the Church of Our Saviour's YouTube livestream. To watch the livestream at 10:30 a.m. this Sunday, [Click on this link](#) and click subscribe in the upper right hand corner. You will then be notified when the stream goes live.



Once Weekly Biweekly Monthly

\$ General Fund

\$ Building Fund

\$ REC 100

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## *Give Online*

The Church of Our Saviour has the capability of receiving online donations through the website. Simply open the website at [oursaviouroatlands.org](http://oursaviouroatlands.org) and click the *Donate* button on the top right hand side. This will open a secure donation portal.

**Consider setting up your tithes on a reoccurring basis. You even have the option to cover the processing fees Our Saviour would incur.**


This can be a convenient way to support the ministry of Our Saviour.

## Daily Morning Prayer

The Church will be open Monday - Friday at 7:00 a.m. for Morning Prayer.

If you can't join us in the Church, consider taking a few minutes to listen to Daily Morning & Evening Prayer on [Cradle of Prayer](#). Or you could read Morning & Evening Prayer by [clicking this link](#).





## Prayer Requests

Please Remember the following in your prayers

- For the Vestry of the Church of Our Saviour
- Grace
- For all Pregnant Women
- Locke
- John Evans
- The Rev'd Jim Basinger
- Mary
- Susan
- Brian
- Mosaic Pregnancy Resource Center online ads to reach women are being suppressed by big tech; please pray against this so that women can have options other than abortion and hear the Gospel.
- Sue Pailing
- David
- The family of Angela Covey
- Katherine Knowlton who underwent hip surgery
- Criselda as she recovers from surgery
- Gretchen & her family
- Lori Perrault
- Natalie Williams
- Robert Andres
- Tory Cardiel
- Zarifeh Razick
- Janet Worrall
- John Evans

If you would like to have an individual included in this list, please contact



## *Altar Servers & Lectors*

- 4/30 - Sean Reeves (A), Ralph Davis (L)

\*Please note (8) indicates the altar server at 8:00 a.m. (A) indicates altar server and (L) indicates lector for the 10:30 service.

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## *Ushers*

- 4/30 - Steve Price, Mark Mitchell



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