

All Are Welcome at St. Alban's Episcopal Church
10:30 am Sunday June 7, 2026
The Second Sunday after Pentecost

St. Alban's seeks to be an open and welcoming, Christ-centered community committed to sharing Christ's love, empowering all people to grow spiritually, deepening our relationship with Christ, and living out our faith in our community and the world.

St. Alban's Episcopal Church

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Sunday Worship 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

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*Flowers are given to the glory of God by the people of St. Alban's
in thanksgiving for the many blessings to our community and in our lives.*

Weekly Sunday Outreach Basket Offerings

1st week—Food Bank

2nd week—Discretionary Fund

3rd week—Quarterly Outreach Offering

4th week—International Relief Offering

5th Week—Indigenous Women's Offering



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Scripture Readings for June 14th

Exodus 19:2-8a; Psalm 100; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8 [9-23]

Prelude

Opening Hymn:

Praise to the Lord

Hymn 390

Priest: Welcome to St. Alban's Episcopal Church. We're here in Edmonds, WA, and wherever you are in the world, we're honored that you have welcomed us into your home this morning, as together we worship the God of all creation incarnate in Jesus of Nazareth. Whether you're with us for an hour or a lifetime, we hope and trust that you will find this a refuge that nourishes the Holy Spirit within you.

As we begin, we acknowledge that we are blessed to be situated on traditional and ancestral Snohomish, Coast Salish land. They cared for this land for millennia before it was taken from them. We honor them, and pray for the wisdom to care for it as well as they. We recognize that we are living among them still, so we are seeking ways of building relationships so that, working together, we can be better stewards of this place and all its people.

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Gloria

Mothering God

Bulletin p. 4

1 Moth - er - ing God, you gave me birth
 2 Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form,
 3 Moth - er - ing Spi - rit, nur - turing one,

in the bright morn - ing of this world. Cre -
 of - fer - ing me your food of light, the
 in arms of pa - tience hold me close, so

a - tor, source of ev - 'ry breath,
 grain of life, and grape of love,
 that in faith I root and grow

1. 2.
 you are my rain, my wind, my sun.
 your ve - ry bo - dy for my peace.
 un - til I flow'r, un - til I (know.)

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The Collect of the Day

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading

Because the people have trusted in military powers and not God, God decides to withdraw from the scene until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face.

The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.

A Reading from Hosea chapter 5 beginning with the 15th verse

Hosea 5:15-6:6

[Thus says the LORD:]¹⁵ “I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.
In their distress they will beg my favor:
^{6:1} ‘Come, let us return to the LORD;
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.
² After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
³ Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,
like the spring rains that water the earth.’
⁴ What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?
What shall I do with you, O Judah?
Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.
⁵ Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.
⁶ For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.”

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s People.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

⁷Hear, O my people, and I will speak:

“O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.

⁸*I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me.*

⁹I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, *
nor he-goats out of your pens;

¹⁰*For all the beasts of the forest are mine, *
the herds in their thousands upon the hills.*

¹¹I know every bird in the sky, *
and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.

¹²*If I were hungry, I would not tell you, *
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.*

¹³Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, *
or drink the blood of goats?

¹⁴*Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and make good your vows to the Most High.*

¹⁵Call upon me in the day of trouble; *
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.”

The Second Reading

Paul presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God’s promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.

A Reading from Romans chapter 4 beginning with the 13th verse

Romans 4:13-25

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ²³Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s People.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: There Was Jesus by the Water Bulletin pp. 8-9

1 There was Je - sus by the wa - ter speak - ing
 2 As the Sa - vior healed an - oth - er, news was
 3 Je - sus went back with the ru - ler where they
 4 Je - sus touched the lit - tle daugh - ter say - ing

to the press - ing crowd, when, be - hold, there came a
 brought that she was dead. "Do not trou - ble Je - sus
 heard the mourn - ers weep. Je - sus said un - to the
 "Lit - tle girl a - rise!" And she rose to see her

ru - ler from the syn - a - gogue, who bowed, say - ing
 fur - ther." Je - sus heard the news and said, "I will
 wail - ers, "Why this tu - mult she's a - sleep. I will
 fa - ther and her mo - ther's stunned sur - prise. They then

"Come and heal my daugh - ter, lay your heal - ing hands up -
 come and see your daugh - ter, I will lay my hands up -
 go un - to his daugh - ter, and will lay my hands up -
 held their lit - tle daugh - ter and they laid their hands up -

on her, heal her, Lord, that she may live."
 on her, do not fear, she yet may live."
 on her, do not laugh, on - ly be - lieve."
 on her, trust - ing how he made her live.

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The Gospel

Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹²But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, “Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.*

*On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven*

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.*

*With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

Prayers of the People: A Litany for the Mission of the Church

Priest: Holy, holy, holy God,
in calling forth creation from the void,
revealing yourself in human flesh,
and pouring forth your wisdom to guide us,
you manifest your concern for your whole universe.
You invite us, as your people,
to gather the world's needs into our hearts
and bring them before you.

Holy God, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being,
Have mercy on us.

Jesus the Christ, through whom the world is reconciled to the Father,
Have mercy on us.

Holy Spirit, whose glory fills the world and searches the depths of God,
Have mercy on us.

Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity,
Have mercy on us.

From blind hearts and petty spirits, that refuse to see the need of all
humankind for your love,
Savior, deliver us.

From pride, self-sufficiency and the unwillingness to admit our own need
of your compassion,
Savior, deliver us.

From discouragement in the face of pain and disappointment, and from
lack of persistence and thoroughness,
Savior, deliver us.

From ignorance, apathy, and complacency that prevent us from spreading
the Gospel,
Savior, deliver us.

O God, we pray for the gifts of ministry.
Remembering our Bishops, Sally, Sean, and Phil; Templo Emanuel; and
all who minister through your Body, the Church, inspire our minds with a
vision of your kingdom in this time and place.
Holy Spirit, renew us.

In thanksgiving for John and Linda Rowan and all the members of our
congregation, touch our eyes, that we may see your glory in all creation.
Holy Spirit, renew us.

Remembering Robin, Kären, Dee, Barbara H., Howard, Bob Chaffee,
John P., Shirley C., Gretchen, touch our ears, that we may hear from every
mouth the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.
Holy Spirit, renew us.

Ministering with the other churches of our Diocese, especially Christ
Church and Holy Family, both in Tacoma, touch our lips, that we may tell
in every tongue and dialect the wonderful works of God.
Holy Spirit, renew us.

Enlighten the ministries of our Congregation, especially our Worship Ministries, and touch our hearts, that we may discern the mission to which you call us.

Holy Spirit, renew us.

In companionship the staff and families of Chase Lake Community School, West Edmonds Cooperative Preschool, Domestic Violence Services, Scout Troop 300, Girl Scout Troop 46254, and the AA Groups that meet here, touch our feet, that with them we may take your Good News into our neighborhoods, communities, and all parts of the world.

Holy Spirit, renew us.

Through the Blessing Pantry, the Edmonds Food Bank, Washington Kids in Transition, World Vision, and Women's Spirit Coalition, touch our hands, that we may each accomplish the work you give us to do.

Holy Spirit, renew us.

Remembering the Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East (ministering in Palestine, Israel, and Iran), the Anglican churches in Ukraine and Russia, the Scottish Episcopal Church; strengthen and encourage all who minister in your name in lonely, dangerous and unresponsive places.

Holy Spirit, renew us.

Led by our Vestry and Legacy Society, especially Raylene and Dan Mulene open the hearts and hands of many to support your Church in this and every place.

Holy Spirit, renew us.

Priest: Holy, holy, holy God,
fill us with strength and courage,
with discernment and compassion,

that we may be your instruments of justice and love in this world, that it may be on earth as it is in heaven. *Amen.*

Confession and Absolution

from Enriching Our Worship

Deacon or Priest: Let us confess our sins to God.

*God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.*

The Absolution

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

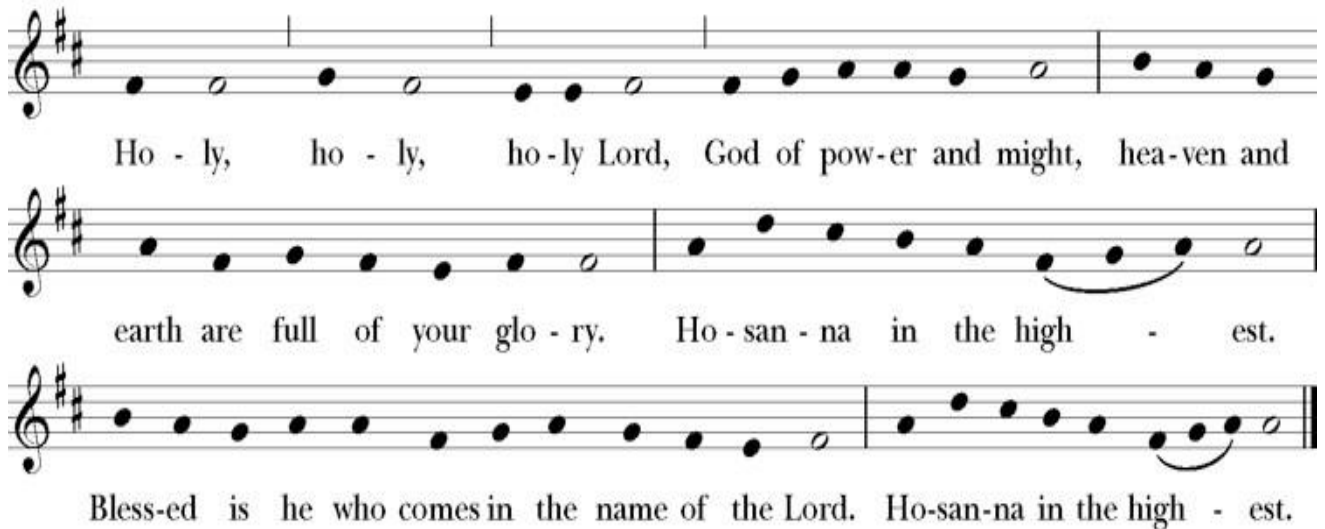
The Peace

Celebrant: Please stand as you are able.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who

believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

***We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.***

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed

by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Joseph her husband, with matriarchs, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Alban patron of this house, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.


Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*


The Breaking of the Bread

Antiphon
Cantor; then All




The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor




1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,




is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Cantor



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died and is risen for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Prayer of Spiritual Communion

For those who unable to attend worship in person

*Beloved Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the
Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.*



1. Heal me, hands of Je-sus, and search out all my pain: re -
 2. Cleanse me, blood of Je-sus, take bit - ter-ness a - way; let
 3. Know me, mind of Je-sus, and show me all my sin; dis -
 4. Fill me, joy of Je-sus: anx - i - e - ty shall cease and

store my hope, re - move my fear and bring me peace a - gain.
 me for - give as one for - given and bring me peace to - day.
 pel the mem - o - ries of guilt, and bring me peace with - in.
 heaven's se - ren - i - ty be mine, for Je - sus brings me peace!

Text: Michael Perry
 Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *Tunes for Grace*

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Announcements

Adult Bible Study Sundays at 9:30am: Join us for Adult Christian Education class (Bible Study) led by Robin McClelland on Sundays at 9:30am in the Annex and also on Zoom (see link below).

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83625063228?pwd=bcgNjSKTjQaV8OTcwoeaNgIbbx30Er.1>

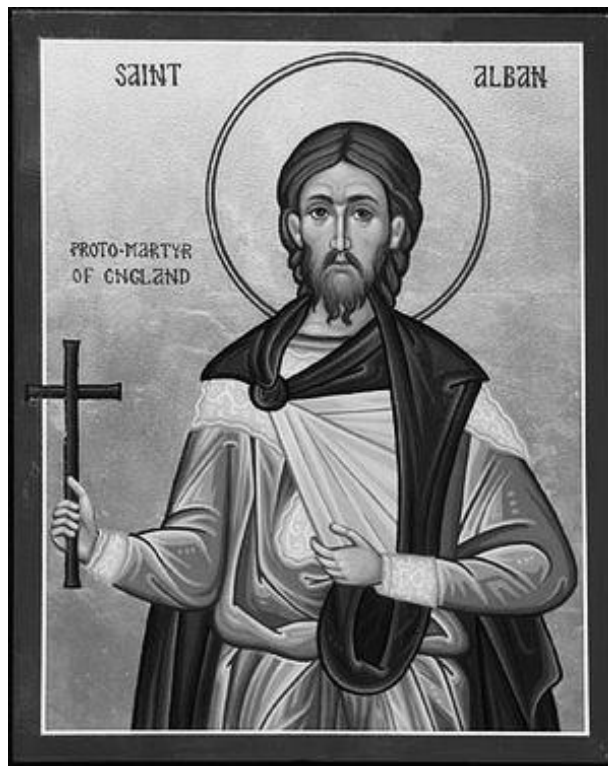
Donations Needed for Blessing Pantry and Refrigerator: St. Alban's Blessing Pantry & Refrigerator needs regular food donations. We have plenty of Mac & Cheese, but most other foods are welcome; both fresh and frozen vegetables/fruits, for example, are welcome, as well as packaged foods, including cans of food. In addition, the church now maintains a Hygiene Pantry of basic items, like toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, brushes, toilet paper, and other bathroom items, but NO medications/pills. Thanks to all for your continued generosity of "Do unto others as you would have them do to you" (Matthew 7:12, Luke 6:31).

Men's Circle Meeting Saturday June 13th: ALL ARE WELCOME, female and male. Recently Anna and Nick Sharpe traveled to Taiwan. On Saturday, June 13 at 10:30 am, the Men's Circle is sponsoring a travel log presentation by Anna and Nick in St. Alban's Parish Hall. It's FREE, and no doubt a presentation that may very well rival Rick Steves. Everyone is invited. And did I mention FOOD.

Root Beer Floats Celebrating Dads on June 14th: We're celebrating dads at St. Alban's a week early this year. Since Father's Day is on the same days as St. Alban's Legacy Sunday Celebration (June 21st) we decided to celebrate dads a week early. Please join us on Sunday June 14th when we'll enjoy root beer floats in honor of Dad.

Soup Supper Wednesday June 17th: Join us for our final soup supper before summer break. We begin with Evening Prayer at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary. We'll enjoy a social soup supper (no program) following at 6:30pm. If you are able to bring something to contribute, look for the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. Join us for the time of prayer, fellowship, and great food!

See p. 24 for Celebration of St. Alban's



Celebration of St. Alban's June 20th and Silent Auction

Save the date for the annual Celebration of St. Alban's on Saturday, June 20, from 5:00-7:00pm, in the Parish Hall. You won't want to miss our annual Appetizer and Wine Party. Appetizers, wine, beer and non-alcoholic beverages are being provided by the Endowment Board and the Vestry. Everyone is welcome to attend and join in the fellowship.

In addition, the Vestry is sponsoring a Silent Auction in conjunction with our traditional Celebration of St. Alban's. We hope you will participate by attending this event and by considering donations of gift item(s) for the auction, and by bidding on items provided. Every donation, big or small, will help to make our silent auction a success – and it should be a lot of fun! Please advise Linda Rowan by June 14th of your donations.

Legacy Sunday June 21st

On Sunday, June 21st we will have our annual strawberry shortcake coffee hour in celebration of our patron saint St. Alban and in recognition of our Legacy Society members.