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Afghan Women's Empowerment Project Update

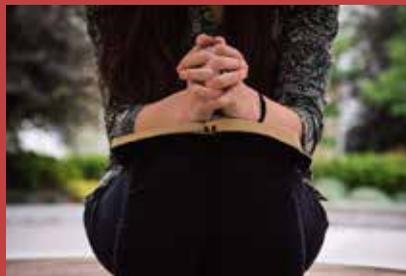
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It's not too late to find your summer read



Stop by the Book Sale outside of the Great Hall for your next summer read.

You can also stop by during the week from Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Donations are appreciated but are not required. All proceeds go to the Rector's Discretionary Fund, helping families and individuals in difficult circumstances.

The Flowers Today

The flowers in the Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

At the High Tables and Chapels:

Mimi Vlastic Radosevic given by Tatiana Banerjee

Adeline Alberta Mayers given by Imelda Price

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102
tailors are
receiving training



32
women attend
business start-up
training



50
students receive English
training from volunteer
English speakers



28
women attend
handicraft training



Last Christmas, as part of our Advent Ask, St. Paul's partnered with Operation Mercy to raise money for the Afghan refugee women who are in Teheran, Iran. Parishioners raised \$28,989 that went towards offering English, tailoring, and computer classes. Through business entrepreneurship, Operation Mercy brought together groups of refugees and helped them to organize a start-up business in handicrafts. This helped them break through the cycle of poverty and achieve some basic life goals.

When Fateme heard about the project she was not sure if it would be helpful to her. She was suffering from severe depression and did not leave her house without her pills. Her husband was not happy about the medical expenses. Fateme had to generate income to pay for her medication but she did not have the confidence to join a group and start a collective business.

After interviewing her, the project coordinator decided to give her a chance. Contrary to Fateme's assumption, she is gifted in handicraft making. She did such a good job the group selected her as a quality control officer of the group.

Fateme says, "Having interaction with other women and having the sense of belonging to a group where women care about each other helped me overcome my depression to some level. I have found out that I can have a role in society and I am not afraid of leaving my house and showing up in the community anymore. I also feel that I am a better wife and mother for my family."

What's Happening This Week

Sunday, August 5

Worship Services

8:15 a.m. | *Chapel Of The Good Shepherd*

9:30 a.m. **the bridge** | *Sanctuary*

11 a.m. | *Sanctuary*

Nursery - beginning at 9:15 a.m. | *2nd Floor*

Children's Ministry - 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. | *2nd Floor*

Prayer Time - 10:20 a.m. | *Room 7*

Prayer Time - 10:50 a.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*

Community Lunch - 12:15 p.m. | *Great Hall*

Monday to Friday - TCM Day Camp

Monday, August 6 - Facility Closed

Tuesday, August 7

Holy Communion - 12:10 p.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*

Sunday, August 12

Worship Services

8:15 a.m. | *Chapel Of The Good Shepherd*

9:30 a.m. **the bridge** | *Sanctuary*

11 a.m. | *Sanctuary*

Nursery - beginning at 9:15 a.m. | *2nd Floor*

Children's Ministry - 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. | *2nd Floor*

Youth Group - 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. | *Youth Room*

Prayer Time - 10:20 a.m. | *Room 7*

Prayer Time - 10:50 a.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*

Community Lunch - 12:15 p.m. | *Great Hall*

August 5 - This week we pray for:

- All who confess God's name to be united in His truth, love together in His love and reveal His glory to the world – especially remembering today those in the Anglican Dioceses of The Anglican Church of Kenya and National Indigenous Anglican Bishop Rt. Rev. Mark MacDonald.
- The ESL Café participants to experience the welcome and joy of His Kingdom; finding more here than simply a place to practice English.
- The leaders and members of our small groups and courses – we pray with gratitude for all who desire to be transformed to Jesus' likeness, may their seeking be met by your Holy Spirit; may their gatherings be places of rich community and deep friendship rooted in His love.
- The following members of our community: Brian, Cedric, Ena, Gillian, Stanly, Suja, Jeush, Francis, Anwar and Promila asking God to be present with them.



Next Sunday's Preaching Passage

Matthew 6: 25-34

Theme: "Don't Worry"

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