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St. Francis Episcopal Church



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Lose Something?

**But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and
straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on
toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of
God in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3:13+14**

Change Is Always Here

The one thing that remains constant is change. It is always here. I find I am not always opposed to change. Some changes are very welcome. Some changes I resist. The reason I resist those particular changes is because I am afraid of losing something. I do not want to lose what I already have. None-the-less, change is always here. These days we have the huge changes brought on by a pandemic and rapidly developing changes coming from community/police relations and conflict and tension over our racial history. Our resistance to any of these changes comes out a fear of losing what we already have.

What Is Coming?

Just as change is always here, so there is always more on its way. There is more for us to receive. There is more than we have imagined coming our way. There are things in the mind of God we have yet to perceive. Some of those things are showing up now in various ways in our lives, personally as well as culturally. One of the things we can do is ask God for the capacity to perceive what is being provided. What is coming our way from the Spirit of God? I believe what is coming will far outshine what we may lose along the way. What are you afraid of losing right now? What is God beginning to provide to you?

Coming Attractions

Sunday, June 21 , 2020 - Worship on *zoom* at 10:00am

Centerville Circle of Prayer

The Sunset Grille, that employees and customers would be safe as the business reopens

The Diocese of Virginia

For the people of Aquia, Stafford; Pohick, Lorton; St. David's, Ashburn; St. Gabriel's. Leesburg; All Souls, Atlee that they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Anglican Communion

For the people of the Diocese of Niassa (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Vicente Msossa Aotearoa (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia) The Most Revd Don Tamihere that

they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Grace and Peace,

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