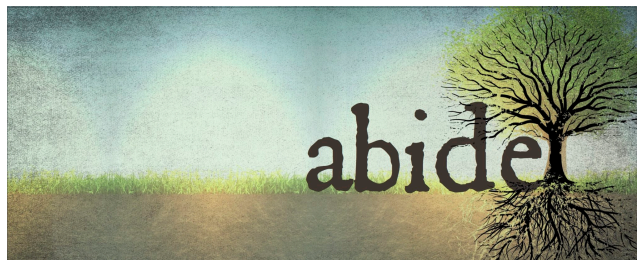


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St. Francis Episcopal Church



September 2, 2020

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If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples . . .

John 8:31

The Bottom Line

The goal, destination, and bottom line for the church is to make disciples. It is the assignment Jesus has given to us. It is the purpose of our work. It is the lifestyle to which we are called. It is important for us to learn how to live a life of discipleship and continue to grow in it. It is also important for us to learn how to

encourage others to live a life of discipleship. We can describe the Christian life as a life of discipleship. We can describe the way of love as the way of discipleship.

Practicing Discipleship

To take to heart the words of Jesus cited above we would see that discipleship, being a disciple of Jesus, means to abide in his word. It is important to take the idea of abiding in the word of Jesus beyond getting to know the Bible better. The point is to hear what Jesus is saying to you. Listening to it, meditating on it, following what Jesus is getting across to you in your life is the practice of truly being a disciple of Jesus. We can receive the prompting of Jesus, the word of Jesus, about worship, our relationship with other Christians, and the outreach we practice. For each area of our lives Jesus reaches out to us. We can hold onto his word for each of those areas as we receive it treasuring his word in our hearts. That is the path of discipleship.

Coming Attractions

Sunday, September 6, 2020 - Diocesan Worship Service

Centerville Circle of Prayer

Bundle of Joy Child Development Center, Niki Stone, director, that children and staff would be safe and healthy

The Diocese of Virginia

For Altar and Flower Guilds and Choirs that they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Anglican Communion

For the people of the Diocese of Ontario(Canada) The Rt Revd Michael Oulton Calcutta(North India) The Rt Revd Probal Kanto Dutta that they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Grace and Peace,

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