



Iona-Hope Episcopal Church

The Ninth Weekend after Pentecost

August 6th & 7th



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CALENDAR

Week of August 6th & 7th

Saturday 08/06

8:00 a.m. Steps to Awakening (Closed)
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist & Healing Service (In person & online)

Sunday 08/07

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I (In person)
9:30 a.m. Family Eucharist & Sunday School (In person & online)

Monday 08/08

12:00 noon Noonday Prayer (online)

Tuesday 08/09

10:00 am Sacred Ground (Gathering Place)
6:30 p.m. AA Meeting
6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer (online only)

Wednesday 08/10

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Healing Service (In person & online)

Thursday 08/11

8:30 a.m. Men's & Women's Breakfast (Sunflower Café)
6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer (online)

Friday 08/12

12:00 noon Noonday Prayer (online)
6:00 p.m. Eye on Hope (AA-Open)

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The ministry of the people at Iona-Hope is supported by the church staff:

- The Rev. Ray Buchanan, *Rector*
- The Rev. Suzy Post, *Associate Priest*
- Mr. Loren J. Strickland, *Music Director*
- Ms. Linda Babcock, *Financial Administrator*
- Ms. Kelly Reynolds, *Office Administrator*
- Ms. Margaret Carr, *Media Director*
- Ms. Christine Shirley, *Musician*

IONA-HOPE ATTENDANCE July 30th & 31st

	In Person	Online
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	30	*
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	9	
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	58	*

* We are improving our method of reporting online attendance. Watch for our updated numbers soon.

- Ms. Paula Paquette – Senior Warden
- Ms. Alison Kinch - Junior Warden
- Mr. Bob Earl, Ms. Kathy Ulm, Ms. Paula Paquette, Mr. Rob Ricca, Ms. Kathie Hart, Ms. Alison Kinch and Mr. Ray Zentis—

Vestry Members

- Mr. Joe Mulino - Treasurer.
- Bella Tousignant – Assistant to the Treasurer.



Ninth Weekend of Pentecost

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The Collect of The Day

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the Lord;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.

When you come to appear before me,
who asked this from your hand?
Trample my courts no more;

bringing offerings is futile;
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

Your new moons and your appointed festivals
my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me,
I am weary of bearing them.

When you stretch out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;

even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove the evil of your doings
from before my eyes;

cease to do evil,
learn to do good;

seek justice,
rescue the oppressed,
defend the orphan,
plead for the widow.
Come now, let us argue it out,
says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be like snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.
If you are willing and obedient,

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Noah, warned by God about events as yet unseen, respected the warning and built an ark to save his household. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Luke 12:32-40

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE August 6th & 7th

We pray for all the ministries at Iona Hope especially the Prayer Group Ministry.

We offer our thanksgivings for the many blessings of this day and all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries.

We pray for peace and unity in our country and the world.

We pray for all those in our world who are in harm's way, especially for the people in the Ukraine, the men and women serving in the military and all those who are vulnerable, afraid, and alone.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Willie Hall, Natalie Hart, Jack Ganoe, brother of Evelyn Reynolds

We pray for those who are committed to our daily prayers, especially:

Rhonda, Rob, Mariann, Margaret, Mindy, David, Alan, James, Lee, Amanda, Tom, Bob, Elisha, Maggie, Donna, Sheryl, Ray, Janet, Mike, Sandra, John, Jim, Michael, Susan, Ardis, Miriam, Kay, Gary, Maureen, Jill, and Jack.

And we pray for our pets: Piper, Poppy, Penelope, Bently, Honey, Toby, Arlo, and Maggie

In our congregation we pray for:

The Swift Family, The Szala Family, The Tanner Family, The Terry Family, The Thomas Family, and The Thomson Family

BIRTHDAYS

August 8

Michael Hanson



Just a reminder that Father Ray is out on vacation and will not be returning until Monday August 15th.

All administrative questions or concerns should be forwarded to our Senior Warden Paula Paquette at paulapaquette@aol.com. Mother Suzy will be handling all spiritual and prayer requests and can be reached at suzypost@ionahope.org.

MEN'S & WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Thursday Mornings 8:30 am

Sunflower Café

JOIN US FOR
COFFEE!

Following the 9:30 service in The Gathering Place

