

THE EVANGELIST

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COME...

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Wednesday Service

12:00 Noon

Holy Communion and Healing

Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. Service:

Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:00 a.m. Services:

1st - First Sunday Worship

2nd - Holy Eucharist Rite I

3rd - Holy Eucharist Rite II

4th - Choral Morning Prayer &
Holy Eucharist

5th - Holy Eucharist Rite II

OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



**Evangelist
Deadline**

February Issue / Jan. 20

March Issue / Feb. 19

All groups & individuals are
ENCOURAGED to submit news and
items of interest to the

The Evangelist.

E-mail, mail, or bring your fully written
and titled piece and/or photos to the
church office on or before the deadline
dates shown above. Thank you!

Barb Schaer-Mady, Editor

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FROM OUR INTERIM RECTOR

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A few years ago I received a New Year's card that continues to challenge me. The card is beginning to turn a bit yellow and the edges are frayed. That speaks for how long I've had it and how often I handle it. I share it with you as we begin another year.



This Year . . .

Mend a quarrel. Seek out a forgotten friend.

Dismiss suspicion, and replace it with trust.

Give a soft answer. Encourage youth.

Manifest your loyalty in word and deed.

Keep a promise. Find the time. Forgo a grudge.

Forgive an enemy. Listen. Apologize if you were wrong.

Try to understand. Examine your demands on others.

Think first of someone else. Appreciate. Be kind; be gentle.

Laugh a little. Laugh a little more.

Deserve confidence. Take up arms against malice.

Decry complacency. Express your gratitude. Have faith.

Welcome a stranger. Gladden the heart of a child.

Take pleasure in the beauty and wonder of the earth.

Speak your love. Speak it again.

Speak it still once again.

Author Unknown

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Paige Hagstrom, *Coffee Hour Coordinator*
Dusty Mairs, *Parish Coordinator*
Fred Myers, *Historian*
Diane Power, *Altar Guild*
George Power, *Columbarium*
Artaria String Quartet, *Artists in Residence*

CLERGY

The Rev. Peggy Tuttle, *Interim Rector*
The Rev. S. Grayson Clary, *Rector Emeritus*
The Rev. Keely Franke, *Assistant Rector*
The Rev. Barbara Mraz, *Deacon*

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Parallel Searches – Then and Now 1911-2011

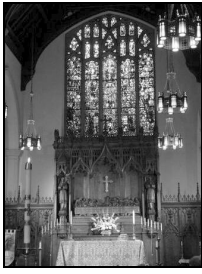


On January 3, 1911, the Rev. Theodore A. Sedgwick tendered his resignation to the Vestry of St. John the Evangelist, which set in motion a search for the 7th Rector of this parish in a process that bears many similarities to the one we are undertaking 100 years later. There are also some profound differences in how things are done now compared to a Century ago and from the extensive archives of the correspondence and notes from that search, we will be attempting to draw the parallels between these two searches while perhaps enlightening you to how things were right here on Portland and Kent in the early days of our parish.

Our primary method will be to let the correspondence between the aspirants and the vestry members and between the vestry members themselves tell the story, providing just enough narrative to keep it moving forward. The whole process lasted six months from the time Mr. Sedgwick announced his departure until the Rev. Julius A. Schaad was installed as the 7th Rector, but during that time there was no shortage of drama and intrigue. Thirty-one applicants either sought the job or were recommended and a number of them were seriously considered and vetted. Some were extremely keen to get the call and appeared to be very disappointed not to, while others looked askance at a posting so far from the country's cultural centers.

There is a modicum of politics in a Rector search and so we hear from Bishops who are promoting (or not) certain of their flock and from clergy anxious to move away from situations they have found uncomfortable. In all, it's a very human story and in the language of the early 20th century it has an historic feel that contrasts sharply with today's process despite the many similarities.

We hope you'll find the story interesting and entertaining and we also wish the best to our current search committee as they set forth to achieve the success their predecessors did 100 (and 10) years ago.



**Altar Flowers Given to the
Glory of God in Memory of:**

**Jan. 2 – 2nd Sun. After Christmas
Main Altar**

Newton B. and Sarah S. Frost,
Robin and Marguerite Baker Frost,
David R. and Elizabeth Frost

Little Sanctuary Altar
Ruth and Ralph Brooks

**Jan. 9 – 1st Sun. After Epiphany
Main Altar**

Dorothy and Adrian Drew

Little Sanctuary Altar

In thanksgiving for the members of
the bell choir from their director

**Jan. 16 – 2nd Sun. After Epiphany
Main Altar**

Phyllis and Edward C. Brown

Little Sanctuary Altar

Debbie Pilacinski, Tom Woelfel,
Bert Smith

**Jan. 23 – 3rd Sun. After Epiphany
Main Altar**

Nathaniel P. and Theodosia
Langford, Nathaniel P. and Mildred
Milton Langford, Joseph and Louise
Milton, Ted Lottsfeldt

Little Sanctuary Altar

Phyllis and Dickinson Stromenger

**Jan. 30 – 4th Sun. after Epiphany
Main Altar**

Audrey and Roger Olsen

Little Sanctuary Altar

Same as above

ALTAR FLOWERS 2011:

The memorial flowers on the Main and Little Sanctuary altars are given by parishioners on a perpetual calendar basis. For next year, 2011, there are a few Sundays available for donors to sign up to give the flowers for either of our altars. The cost is \$35 for the Main Altar and \$15 for the Little Sanctuary altar. If you are interested please contact **Dusty Mairs** or **Barb** in the office to find out the available dates for each altar.

January 1936 – 75 Years Ago
Parish Dinner and Annual Meeting

More and more our annual meetings are taking on the flavor of family parties. The reports of organizations which once consumed a large part of time at an annual meeting, no longer do so because they are now published in the Evangelist. This year arrangements have been made whereby there will be music for dancing after the meeting. It is hoped that the throng of St. John's people who attend the dinner meeting will feel inclined to stay afterwards and mingle with fellow-parishioners. Too few opportunities come for such family parties. The evening of January 20, we hope will provide not only a good meal and happy information but also a merry family party. Tickets for all of this will sell for 50 cents. The women of the Junior Guild are in charge of preparing and serving the meal. The Young People's Fellowship will be in charge of decorations and the sale of candy. The social features of the evening will be the responsibility of everyone.



January 1961 – 50 years ago

Fellowship Guild

The Fellowship Guild will meet on Tuesday, January 17, at 12 noon in the Fireside Room. Please bring your sandwiches. If you are an older woman in the parish, and do not belong to any guild, won't you come to this first meeting. We should be so happy to welcome you.



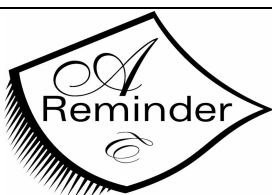
A dinner was held at the home of Kirsten and Frank Loiseau-Purcell on December 2 to welcome Jim and Lynn Ehmer and Susan Fisher to the St. John's community.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY ARTICLE
CONTINUED BELOW

As I experience this unexpected gift of a day - I'm writing - and listening for what I might do next - sitting and listening some more while I stare at below zero sunlight might be just the thing to build my inner self. An inner self composed of a balance teetering between letting go and engagement with the now. 2011 may be a year to give ourselves and others some time.

Practically speaking - Godly Play resumes on January 9. The schedule will be posted on the bulletin board by the office stairs, and it will be printed in the weekly service sheet. We still have a need for a couple of Godly Play storytellers and for an over-18 substitute for Nina in the nursery while she student teaches. Be in touch...

Ellen Harrington -
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651-699-4867



It's Annual Report Time!

Commissions and committees should submit their annual reports to the church office by Monday, January 10 (or before) to: church@stjohnsstpaul.org
Thanks!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- by Ellen Harrington, Director of Children's Ministry

Greetings to all - and my best hope for a 2011 filled with fun and well-being! Mind you it's mid-December and the third day of confinement by snow is upon me as I write. My mind though is mindless of cold, snow constraint. It wonders far and wide against the gray-white backdrop. When I am in the presence of the gift of time I may reread a chapter or an article that I didn't have time to sit with the first time through. The December editorial (by G. Wolff Pritchard) that came with our *Sunday Paper* for the kids is one such article. Too bad it didn't arrive before my December newsletter article. The editorial is about kids, toys, play, time and imagination - no surprise, adults can find themselves too. I'm quoting Pritchard:

"Without practice in this capacity of 'private speech' (self-regulating language that is highest during make-believe play and highly predicative of effective development in every domain) - children are bored and restless, passively waiting to be regimented or entertained: '*...the more structured the play, the more children's private speech declines. Essentially, because children's play (today) is so focused on (academic skills, organized sports and activities), and because kids' toys increasingly inhibit imaginative play, kids aren't getting a chance to practice policing themselves. When they have that opportunity, the results are clear: Self-regulations improves.*' Furthermore, open-ended imaginative play that is social rather than solitary teaches a whole additional repertoire of skills that are crucial for adult life. Children playing together learn from each other, more than from the supervising adult, how to negotiate disputes, share and take turns and tell stories to each other as well as to themselves.

Yes, most children are resilient enough, and hard-wired enough with the age-old impulse to play, to tell stories, to huddle with a friend or a group and bounce ideas and stories around, to run and jump and shout and have fun, that they will manage to do these things even if they are scheduled within an inch of their lives, waste much of their precious free time staring a screen, and have a room full of licensed TV knock-offs, rather than a backyard with a tree house and an empty lot next door.

...gifts we can give our children are a few well-chosen toys...good books and art supplies...a strong disciplinary structure that limits TV, computer and other electronic activities ...access to the outdoors...and the time and space to just mess around, apparently doing nothing at all but actually building their inner selves."

That last bit is a concise statement of the function of Godly Play. A story is told, kids mess around with the story materials, tell themselves a story - and another little window on Mystery opens in the back of their minds. Another little synapse of positive consciousness snaps into place. *(Continued in column on the left.)*



January Birthdays

- 1 Patrick Giese
- 2 Steve Kartak
Peggy Lemmon
Margaret Monette
Arla Savage
- 4 Daniel Brian Ropal
- 5 Keith Davis
Payton Kinkead
- 6 Michael Richards
- 7 Anne Orput
Dorothy Thompson
- 9 Rachel Braun
Anne Elsinger
Doug Lund
Joan Rudnik
- 10 Pat Brynteson
Jean Millin
George Power
- 11 Dorothy Ek
Vivian Scheel
- 12 Julia Ferguson
Josh Colton
- 13 Barbara Mraz
Megan Richards
- 14 Jessica Dybdahl
- 16 Ann Booth
Betty Griffith
Margery Jeddelloh
Perrin Lilly
Terry Williams
- 17 Dusty Mairs
- 18 Sandra Francis
- 19 Ray Frisby
Mary Soie Haberman
Andrew Husband
The Rev. Pat Markie
Shirley Sailors
Betsy Thompson
- 21 Cormac Graupman
Ashlyn Andrews
- 23 Beth Bowman
Katherine Meyer
- 24 Lauren Westerhaus
- 25 Colleen Wheeler
- 26 Harland Kern
- 27 Marilyn Conklin
- 29 Marty Brown, Jr.
Alexander Ramos
Gretchen August
Elizabeth Plummer
- 30 Diane Wittenberg

A Project Kathleen Update

- by Robbin Clamons

When we first met our third Project Kathleen mom, she was living in a tiny little house with her three teenagers who were working their way through high school. Mom was working out of and sleeping in the same basement space as her son. They have since moved to a "beautiful house", big enough so mom can have her own space, all three kids have graduated from high school, one has completed three years (of four) towards an American Sign Language interpreter license, and one is headed off to college. And our mom is about to become a grandmother!

Some of our Project Kat members got to help celebrate this important life passage with friends and relatives of the mom-to-be. Project Kat does truly mend our community - tying our lives together in love.

We are thrilled to have St. Mary's parish joining us in supporting working families in poverty as they seek to secure safe homes for the children of our community. Having another parish join with us is enlivening and heartening. Members from the St. Mary's community filled our library and our hearts to overflowing. Families who would probably never have met are brought together to share our wisdom, strength, and faith - binding our community together in love.

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"Chaplain" Molly Elliot and Neil Elliot who both talked about a dog's view of Advent at Adult Education on Sunday, December 5.

JANUARY

WEEKLY MEETINGS

Monday:

6:00 pm Men's St. John's Alanon

Tuesday:

8:30-Noon The Big Net
10:00 am Staff meeting
5:45 pm Bell Choir
6:30 pm Youth Basketball

Wednesday:

11:00 am Wed. Bible Study
Noon Communion Service
5:30 pm Youth Choir
6:00 pm Rector Search Comm. Mtg.
6:00 pm Youth Group Dinner & Mtg.
7:15 pm Adult Choir
7:30 pm Wed. Night Basketball

Thursday:

5:30 pm Job Seekers Mtg.
5:30-9:00 pm Toll Free Bells Practice
6:00 pm Stories AA Group
7:00 pm Men's Blue Book Group

Friday:

9:00 am Organ Practice

Saturday:

12-6:00 pm Artaria School

Sunday:

8 & 10 am Services
9:00 am Adult Ed.
9:00 am Youth Encounter
9:00 am Children's Choir
9:45 am Godly Play (except 1st Sun.)
6:30 pm Sun. Night Basketball

MONTHLY MEETINGS

(unless announced otherwise)

2nd Saturday:

9:00 am Men's Breakfast

3rd Monday:

4:30 pm Finance
6:00 pm Vestry

4th Monday:

6:00 pm Project Kathleen

2nd and 4th Tuesdays:

7:00 pm The Big Net Seminars

3rd Tuesday:

5:30 pm The Big Net Congregational Planning Mtg.

Save the Dates!

February 11 and 12: The Rev. Mary Ellen Ashcroft from Wind Cradle Retreat Center in Grand Marais will lead a retreat at St. John's on Transitions.

Tuesday evening April 12: Tim Ternes from St. John's University returns to speak more about the incredible St. John's Bible.

St. John's 2011 Calendar

Sun., Jan. 2 **First Sun. Eucharist: The 2nd Sun. after Christmas**
Bishop Brian Prior celebrates and preaches at the 10:00 a.m. service.

1:30 pm TEC Reunion

Sat., Jan. 8

9:00 am Men's Breakfast

1:30 pm Julie Titcomb Memorial Service

Sun., Jan. 9

Holy Eucharist Rite I: The 1st Sun. after the Epiphany & the Baptism of Our Lord

The Rev. Keely Franke celebrates at the 10:00 a.m. service and the Rev. Peggy Tuttle preaches.

1:00 pm

Confirmation Prep at Holy Apostles

Mon., Jan. 10

4:00 pm

Building Committee

Wed., Jan. 12

6:00 pm

Search Committee

Thurs., Jan. 13

7:00 pm

Contemplative Service

Sun., Jan. 16

Holy Eucharist Rite II:

The 2nd Sun. after the Epiphany

The Rev. Keely Franke celebrates. The Rev. Barbara Mraz preaches.

Mon., Jan. 17

4:30 pm

Finance Mtg.

6:00 pm

Vestry Mtg./Dinner

Wed., Jan. 19

6:00 pm

Search Committee

Fri., Jan. 21

Epiphany Youth Lock-in

Sat., Jan. 22

10:00 am

Meeting w/Holy Apostles

12:30 pm

Egg Roll Making w/Holy Apostles

Sun., Jan. 23

Choral Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist:

The 3rd Sun. after the Epiphany

The Rev. Peggy Tuttle celebrates and preaches. Annual Meeting and potluck follows the 10:00 a.m. service.

4:00 pm

Organ recital by Marcelyn Smale

Mon., Jan. 24

6:00 pm

Project Kathleen

Sun., Jan. 30

Holy Eucharist Rite II:

The 4th Sun. after the Epiphany

The Rev. Peggy Tuttle celebrates. The Rev. Keely Franke preaches.



Thank you to **Barbara Sommers (on the right)** for planning and preparing the Dec. 15 women's Christmas luncheon, and to **Sue Cadwell (on the left)** and **Patty Pfalz** for assisting on the day of the party. **Caroline Jaffray** donated many presents for the gift game, a regular part of this event.



THANK YOU to **Marcelyn Smale** for her generous contribution of MANY puppets which were sold to benefit Holy Apostles, our companion parish. Approximately \$1000 was raised and will be sent to them as a gift for Hmong New Year. Thank you to everyone who purchased puppets – we hope you're enjoying them

Please note: Marcelyn is giving an organ recital at St. John's on Sunday, January 23 at 4:00 p.m.

ECS thanks St. John's Adopt-a-Family coordinator **Sue Cadwell**, the Faith in Action Commission and all of the St. John's members who generously donated gifts and grocery cards for **Episcopal Community Services families** this past Christmas!

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION

IT'S TIME TO TALK ABOUT HOW WE WORSHIP

It's been decades since we have had any sustained education about or discussion of the way we worship at St. John's. Since liturgy is "the work of the people," it's important that you are involved.

So... you will be given many opportunities to do this in January:

The goals of these sessions are:

1. **To deepen** the worship experience for each of us by understanding the history, theology, language and options laid out for us in the Book of Common Prayer.
2. **To share** your ideas about how we worship.
3. **To listen** to each other speak about what we love and feel is missing in our worship services.

~All five of the January Sunday morning 9:00 adult education sessions will be devoted to liturgical topics (see below).

~After church every Sunday in January, there will be a discussion of what spoke to you and disappointed you in the liturgy for that day. These sessions will be in the choir stalls from 11:30-12:15 and be led by our Interim Rector, Peggy Tuttle.



How We Worship series in adult education – Sundays 9 a.m.:

January 2: Overview and introduction - The Amazing Book of Common Prayer

January 10: Morning Prayer

January 17 & 23: The Eucharistic Services – Rites I, II and III

January 30: Putting it All Together

Liturgy is about history and memories, the language we use to worship God, the theology this language reflects, the music that supports the service, and the emotional connection we have to it all. Please make time to be a part of these important discussions.

We are fortunate to have an Interim Rector who has an extensive liturgical background and avid interest in worship. She will facilitate these sessions.

- The Rev. Barbara Mraz



THE MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

All men are welcome!
We invite you to join us on
**Saturday, January 8, 9:00 a.m.
in the Gym Kitchen.**
Be prepared for good food, good
fellowship, and lively conversation.

Then, mark your calendars for
these dates in **2011 to meet in
the Gym kitchen!**

February 12
March 12

Julie Titcomb died Friday,
December 10. Her service is
planned for Saturday, January
8, 1:30 p.m. at St. John's. Our
prayers are with Julie's family
and may her soul, and the souls
of all the departed rest in God's
mercy and peace.

Lois Hagstrom King, mother of
Gary Hagstrom died Friday,
December 10. Her service is
planned for a future date next
year. Our prayers are with Gary
and Paige Hagstrom, and their
family. May her soul, and the
souls of all the departed rest in
God's mercy and peace.



BAPTIZED AT ST. JOHN'S

December 5, 2010

Grace Victoria Brown

Grace is the daughter of Daniel
and Melissa Brown.

December 19, 2010

Brooke Meredith Kinkead

Brooke is the daughter of Scott
and Elizabeth Kinkead.

PROJECT HOME

Help us to provide a shelter for the homeless
in the name of Jesus Christ!

Beginning Tuesday February 1, 2011 St. John the Evangelist
Episcopal Church will be providing homeless individuals and their
family members with: a place to sleep, some snacks and Hosts
with compassion for their present situation in life. As a Parish we
are combining our efforts with those of St Clements Episcopal
Church and our companion parish, Holy Apostles Episcopal
Church.

We are asking the members of these congregations to band
together and volunteer a small amount of their time to help us
provide an invaluable service to those greatly in need. We will need
four volunteers each day to provide these services.

The first two volunteers will volunteer from 5:30 pm – 8:30 p.m.
and help welcome our guests as they return from dinner and a
day's work, training or daycare. Duties may include preparing a
healthy evening snack, tidying up the kitchen facilities and eating
area after use, engaging children and youth in activities such as
reading, homework, games, videos, or lending a sympathetic ear to
those struggling with homelessness.

The overnight volunteers will arrive at 8:00 p.m. greet the families
and secure the building for guests to go to sleep. Guidelines for
bedtime are around 9:00 p.m. on weekdays and 10:00 pm on
weekends. Overnight volunteers will sleep at the church and wake
families around 6:00 a.m. on weekdays and 8:00 a.m. on
weekends. Project Home will provide breakfast items when
available. Donations are always appreciated. Overnight volunteers
should tidy the kitchen and have our guests ready to be picked up
at 7:00 a.m. on weekdays and 8:30 a.m. on weekends. Each
volunteer will be given information on responsibilities and Project
Home will provide training in January for those who request
training.

In addition we will need volunteers on February 1 to help set up
and organize sleeping arrangements for those people staying with
us. In total we have a need for over 125 people to serve in the
name of Jesus Christ during the month of February. Please be one
of them!

Bring your children or grandchildren. Partner with hosts from our
companion parish, Holy Apostles or St Clements. This exposure
can be an invaluable lesson to many who take housing and food
for granted and give each of us an opportunity to show
compassion for a very difficult time in people's lives. Most
importantly, support us in providing a caring, respectful and
friendly place for those who are struggling to make it in a time of
high unemployment and an economic downturn.

We have been blessed with a beautiful place to worship, a loving
and spiritual congregation and an opportunity to make a
difference in the lives of a few during the month of February.

To sign up or for more information please contact **John Edgerton**
651-214-0947 or **Gary Hagstrom** 651-492-2969 or see the church
website. We will also be available on Sundays after church.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST SERVICE SCHEDULE – JANUARY 2011

	READERS	ALTAR GUILD TEAMS	ACOLYTES	USHERS	GODLY PLAY GREETERS	COFFEE HOUR
January 2 – First Sunday Eucharist, the Second Sunday after Christmas Day						
8:00 am	Michael Garner	Ella Slade	* T.B.D.	Patty Byrne Pfalz; Lynn Hertz; Julia Ferguson & Rick Rinkoff	* T.B.D.	Godly Play Families: Barnes Rosendale Kinlead
10:00 am	(A) Keith Davis (B) Don Postema					
January 9 – Holy Eucharist Rite I, the First Sunday after the Epiphany						
8:00 am	Craig Lindeke	Diane Power	* T.B.D.	Mary & Peter Gilbertson; Jay Debertin; Rachel Page	* T.B.D.	Pat Brynteson and Lee Bradford
10:00 am	(A) Jay Debertin (B) Gary Gleason					
January 16 – Holy Eucharist Rite II, the Second Sunday after the Epiphany						
8:00 am	* T.B.D.	Dusty Mairs	* T.B.D.	Gary & Paige Hagstrom; Mary Ann Mason; Diane Power	* T.B.D.	OPEN
10:00 am	(A) Bill Smale (B) Rick Rinkoff					
January 23 – Choral Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist, the Third Sunday after the Epiphany						
8:00 am	Alden Drew	Pam Strom	* T.B.D.	Don Husband; Shirley Sailors; Cammie Beattie; Hank Snyder	* T.B.D.	Annual Meeting Potluck
10:00 am	(A) Greg Schaffner (B) Keith Davis					
January 30 – Holy Eucharist Rite II, the Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany						
8:00 am	David Aylesworth	Pat Brynteson	* T.B.D.	Helen Boyer; Ian Ball; Lee Bradford; Bob Baumann	* T.B.D.	Alden Drew & Mimie Pollard
10:00 am	(A) Jean Hansen (B) Peggy Lemmon					

*Please read the above schedule carefully. Remember that you are responsible for finding your own replacement.
* To be determined. Names were not available at the publishing deadline.*

An Exhibit of Pen and Ink Drawings



An ongoing exhibit of pen and ink drawings by parishioner Helen Boyer is available for viewing in the hallway leading to St. John's Fireside Room. The exhibit, *Journey Of A Soul*, presents a series of original pen and ink drawings [from two different perspectives] that reflect a visual exploration of one woman's spiritual journey and contemplation about life's key questions. During this time following the feast of Epiphany and beginning the season of Lent, you are invited to ponder these questions or others that arise within you as you view the drawings. The titles of the six drawings are: · Origins · Pathways · Crossroads · Soul Mates · Reflections · Connections.

VESTRY NOMINEE PROFILES

Kathy Brown – Membership Commission

After my first visit to St. John's 25 years ago, I knew I'd come home. I have served St. John's in numerous ways over the years; fellowship, Godly Play, spiritual life and altar guild. I am married to my dear husband, Marty. Our three children are married and we have three grandchildren. I love the spiritual journey, birding, cooking and grandmothering. I am thrilled to be working with the vestry and welcoming new-comers, one and all, to St. John's!



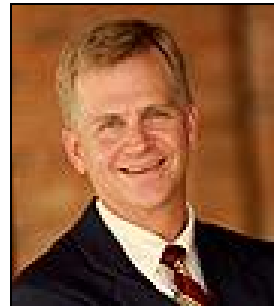
Anneke Krall – Youth Commission

Anneke Krall joined St. John's about six years ago, with her husband, Andrew, and four children, Tim, Caroline, Linnea and Sabine. A native of Philadelphia, Anneke was raised in the Unitarian church, and became an Episcopalian in her twenties as she and Andrew looked for a church community that would provide a religious foundation for their children. After nearly 15 years living in Minnesota, the last 13 at home raising children, Anneke enjoys her part time job at the Red Balloon Bookshop, knitting, reading, and cooking – she is especially looking forward to the upcoming gardening season!



Tony Grundhauser – Finance Commission

During the "war years" my grandmother Helen Smith and her sister Gen started attending St. John's after to moving to St. Paul from near Hastings, Minnesota. My mother and her sister were members of the children's choir growing up, and I am quite proud to now have two daughters following in their footsteps! Cathy and I have been formal members of St. John's for about nine years and we are quite proud to be part of this wonderful community. In daily life, I am the Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations at Hamline University and in my free time I love spending time with family and just about anything that involves being outdoors.



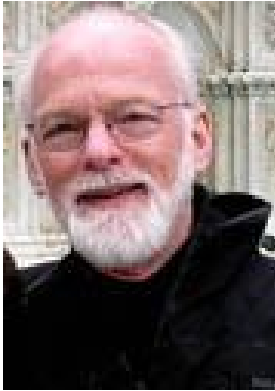
Jennifer Kinkead – Fellowship Commission

Hello! I have been a member of St. John's The Evangelist since 1989. My husband, George, and I were married at St. John's in 1990 and our three children, John, Payton and Mason were baptized at St. John's. Over the past 21 years St. John's has played a very important role in my life. During times of celebration and times of challenge the church community has been present and supportive in our lives. Our three kids have attended and benefited from the Godly Play program, my husband is on the Audit Committee and I have been involved in various outreach efforts at St. John's including working on the very first Project Home effort that St. John's participated in. I have most recently been very involved in the St. John's Clinic Kayoro project. The clinic is being funded by St. John's in partnership with Give Us Wings. I have been a volunteer for Give Us Wings for the past seven years and working to create a strong partnership between St. John The Evangelist and Give Us Wings has been extremely rewarding. I am going to Uganda and Kenya in January to visit the clinic that we have all played a role in supporting. I am looking forward to serving on the vestry so that I can give back to a community that I have loved being part of.



WHAT'S NEW FROM THE RECTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE?

- by Don Postema, Search Committee Co-Chair



Your Search Committee worked diligently in December in preparation for receiving the names of potential candidates from our Bishop. The Bishop and his staff screened all of the national and local applicants for our position and sent us a slate of candidates for our consideration on December 15. The first step in our selection process was to send these candidates a set of questions (on December 16) which we've asked them to respond to in writing by early January. Based on their written responses and our review of their application materials, we'll choose those whom we'll interview by phone in late January. We've formulated the questions for these interviews, and have developed a scoring system to help evaluate the written responses.

You may wonder how difficult the "exam questions" were which we sent to the initial slate of candidates. Reflecting on the Discovery Document, we carefully prepared questions which we think encourage the candidates to discern their "fit" with our parish, focusing on the four areas of rector responsibilities outlined by the Discovery Committee. The questions are neither weighted nor prioritized.

1. Pastoral Care

- a. What is the role of pastoral care in your ministry? How do you develop resources within a congregation to provide pastoral care?
- b. We value inclusiveness and diversity in our parish. How would you encourage both without generating discord?

2. Leadership

- a. How do you bring out the best in your staff? How do you anticipate and deal with divergence within your staff?
- b. What have you added to traditional understandings of stewardship that has been particularly effective in your ministry?

3. Worship Leader

- a. What is your favorite parable, and why? If you were preaching on this parable, what would you emphasize?
- b. How does worship build Christian community? In what ways have you encouraged the development of an age-inclusive community through various liturgical and worship experiences?

4. Christian Formation

- a. How do you understand the process of Christian formation on the individual and community levels? How have you advanced this process in your ministry? Please provide specific examples.
- b. What are your goals as a priest? How would you pursue them at St. John's?

While this may appear to be a return to college or seminary for an exam, we hope the candidates' responses will further reveal to us their character, vision, experience and gifts in the context of our hopes for a new rector.

We hope to visit the parishes of our most highly rated candidates in February to acquire first hand evidence of their ministry and congregations. With the knowledge and insight we gain, and led by God's Spirit, we will invite two or three finalists to visit St. John's in March for more extensive interactions with members of our parish. The goal of these visits is to allow more of us to know the final candidates while, at the same time, encouraging these candidates to accept our call if it is extended to them. In some ways this is like a courtship, with divine guidance!

As God wills, we will recommend a candidate to the Vestry in April, and an announcement of our new rector will be made on or by Easter, 2011. Please continue to include the Search Committee and its discernment process in your prayers – we rely on your support and trust to sustain us.

2010 Pageant Memories



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A DAY WITH HOLY APOSTLES - SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

- by the Rev. Keely Franke

The relationship with our companion parish, Holy Apostles, is really flourishing. In December several people from Holy Apostles joined us for our Christmas party and felt very welcomed in our midst. Unfortunately we were unable to attend their New Year's celebration the following weekend due to the unbelievable snowfall we had. However, coming up soon we will have the chance to spend the day together again. Feel free to come for only one event or for the whole day, whatever your interest and time allows.

Conversation Partners - 10-11:30am

On Saturday morning St. John's will be hosting a discussion around forming conversation partners. This is an opportunity for us to further develop relationships one-on-one with our companion parish Holy Apostles, while also helping to improve someone's language skills. The Rev. Anne Miner-Pearson who has been trained by the Minnesota Literacy Council in facilitating and teaching ESL skills will be leading this discussion. We will also hear from some of the people from Holy Apostles about their needs and why having a conversation partner might be of help in acquiring better language skills. If this is at all of interest to you we would welcome your presence and questions on how this might work. We will also be inviting other parishes in St. Paul to attend this meeting who might be interested in setting up conversation partners between their parishes.

Lunch - 11:30-12:30

Egg Roll Lessons - 12:30-3pm

Back by popular demand, members of Holy Apostle's will be coming over to *teach us* how to make egg rolls! This is a highly skilled process but for a few hours on Saturday afternoon we can all try our best at making them. There will surely be a lot of laughter and fun had no matter what the outcome. So no matter your skill level we hope you will join us. A \$25 donation is suggested to cover both the food and lessons, a portion of which will go to supporting Holy Apostle's seminarian Toua Vang. Please RSVP to Keely at keely.franke@stjohnsstpaul.org or 651-228-1172, ex 18 if you are planning on coming so we know how much food to buy.



St. John's Adopts the May House

St. John's has recently adopted the May House at the Episcopal Church Homes. The Episcopal Church Homes is conveniently located on University Ave and is made up of households with residents ranging from independent to assisted living. We will be doing activities quarterly with the May House which has around 15 residents. Residents from other households will be invited to attend these activities as well. This is a great way to give back to our local community and to make some new friends as well. Some of the residents are even members at St. John's and will be so happy to see familiar faces. On **Sunday, January 30th @ 2pm** we will be going over for our first "Meet and Greet" visit. We will bring treats and possibly start up a game of bingo. If you are interested in baking or picking up some treats please let either Keely Franke (651-228-1172, ex. 18) or Sarah Nowlin know. We'll look forward to seeing you there!



The Still Point –
A Prayerful Service
This Night...

Come as you are
Pray Sit quietly Reflect

Leave more calm & grounded

Thursday ☐ January 13, 2011 ☐ 7 pm

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THE STILL POINT – A PRAYERFUL SERVICE

In December, a group from St. John's started a contemplative service on the **second Thursday** of each month in the evening. This service is designed to provide an opportunity for reflection and prayer in the midst of our busy lives. You can expect to experience ancient ways of praying with modern texts, primal rhythms and simple music to chant, and a warm setting lit with candles offering a place to pray and be silent. The service is only 20-30 minutes and refreshments are provided afterwards. We hope you will consider taking a little time out of the evening to join us and invite a friend!

"KAYORO CLINIC DEDICATION"



The latter part of January, four members of St John's; **Jennifer Kinkead, Bob Horn (holding the official flag of Uganda), Cammie Beattie and Shirley Sailors**, are taking the long 26 hour flight to Kayoro, Uganda, Africa for the St Johns clinic dedication. We are traveling with the Give Us Wings group of 14. We will fly into Kampala/Entebbe Uganda and then travel by bus to Tororo where our Motel is for the first week. Kayoro is about 20 miles from Tororo but there are no Motels or restaurants in Kayoro. We will be doing a combination of sight seeing, and holding medical clinics in villages and a "stay with a family" day. The second week we will go to Nyagoa, Kenya and to Nairobi Kenya to do more missionary projects. Both countries border lake

Victoria, second largest lake in the world. We will fly out of Nairobi Kenya on Feb 2nd back through Amsterdam to MSP. Several people will stay a third week. We will be taking many extra suitcases packed with medical supplies for the clinic. Wish us God speed and save travel!



ADULT EDUCATION SCHEDULE Winter-Spring, 2011



**Note: Due to the many transitions occurring at St. John's, we have intentionally left some open dates on the calendar to accommodate developing events.*

January 2: **How We Worship: The Amazing Book of Common Prayer** (all sessions on liturgy facilitated by the Rev. Peggy Tuttle)

January 9: **How We Worship: Discussing Morning Prayer**

January 16: **How We Worship: Discussing Eucharistic Rites I, II, III**

January 23: **How We Worship: Discussing Eucharistic Rites I, II, III**

January 30: **How We Worship: Putting It All Together**

February 6: **Report on Palestinian Struggle**
Local community organizers (including parishioner Elizabeth Burr) give an interactive presentation about life in the occupied West Bank of Palestine.

February 13: **Kayoro Visitors Report**
St. John's parishioners who visited Uganda in January give us news of their visit and the clinic.

February 20: **What "free-time" activities (hobbies, talents, etc.) sustain your spirit?**
Discussion by a panel of parishioners.

February 27: **Youth Ministry**
Bronwyn Clark Skov, from the Office of Youth Ministry of the National Church, discusses her philosophy of youth ministry as well as a major youth event coming this summer in St. Paul

March 6: **Nature photographer, journalist and parishioner** Gus Axelson shows us examples of his work and highlights the spiritual dimension. Back by demand!

March 13: **Aging Gracefully**
A visit with the Rev. Kay Provine, chaplain at Episcopal Homes.

March 20: To be determined.

March 27: **Update on the Kayoro Clinic**
Give Us Wings will bring video of recent developments

April 3: **The Healing of Memories** (rescheduled from snowstorm date) The Rev. Margaret Fell will speak about her work with veterans and others in recovering from loss and trauma.

April 10: **"How a Congregation Can Help a New Rector"**
Speaker to be determined.

April 17: **"I Wish You Love"**
Parishioner Phyllis Goff presents background on this portrait of singer Nat King Cole playing at Penumbra Theater (St. John's members can buy tickets for our spring event -- the April 29 performance).

April 24: Easter Sunday

May 1: To be determined

May 8: **The Psalms**
The Rev. Barbara Mraz discusses some of the history, theology and literary aspects of this important part of the Hebrew Scriptures. Bring your favorite Psalm for our Top Ten List!

May 15: **Get Ready for Evensong**
Parishioner Mark Maronde explains the music that will be presented in the afternoon service. Listen to Mark and enhance your listening experience!

May 22: **The Psalms in Liturgy**
St. John's music director Jim Frazier explains the use of the psalms in liturgy and hymnody.

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Annual
Meeting

The **Annual Parish Meeting** will be held on
Sunday, January 23, 2011 following the 10:00 a.m. service.

We will give thanks for all that is part of our faith lives here and look to 2011 as we elect new vestry leadership, elect delegates to diocesan convention, and review our budget for the coming year.

Please bring a favorite dish to share!