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Wednesday Service

12:00 Noon
Holy Communion and Healing

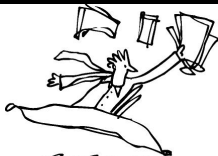
Sunday Services

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. 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



**Evangelist
Deadline**

**November Issue / Oct. 22
December Issue / Nov. 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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God's hand in creation is shown best in the beautiful fall season of Minnesota. A few moments in contemplation of maple leaves can put me in good spirits for the whole day! At St. John's, fall programs are underway with more to begin this month, thanks to the wonderful support of clergy, staff, vestry and many volunteers. It is such a sign of your health as a community that ministries continue strong even as rectors change. Rest assured that you will get through this transition in great shape.

As my time here with you winds down and I prepare to begin work on the bishop's staff in Oregon, I am reminded that everything we are and everything we have is a gift from God. God gives us the gift of life to live in this beautiful world. God endows us each with a unique personality and set of talents to use in the world to help accomplish God's dream for humanity. And so, in thanksgiving and joy to God, we use our gifts for our good and the good of others, to do our part to make God's dream for us come true.

Our annual fund drive, with the theme "Christ is calling us to make the dream come true", gets underway this month on Sunday, October 10th. We'll have some of our own people give special reflections on stewardship during worship beginning on that day, and see what a difference it has made in their lives to take part. Together we'll see how to take the gifts God has given us and share them with others through supporting our community. Then, Sunday, November 7th we'll have an ingathering of all our pledged gifts of time and talent and resources. With these pledges we can construct a budget for next year with confidence that our church will continue to grow in service and spiritual nurture for next year and for all the years to come.

When I think about all the people and all the varieties of gifts you have represented here at St John's, my heart swells. I know God will continue to develop the dream he has for you as you move forward! You are abundantly blessed in so many ways. You have what it takes to reach your goals in this year's fund drive and to use all your gifts to follow Christ's call to make the dream come true.

Be assured of my love and ongoing prayers for you,

VESTRY MEMBERS

Jay Debertin, *Senior Warden*
Libby Snelson, *Junior Warden*
Mary-Louise Clary, *Young Adult Ministry*
Rob Beattie, *Music*
Fred Berndt, *Stewardship*
Sue Cadwell, *Clerk of Vestry*
Gary Gleason, *Spiritual Life*
Pam Richards, *Children's Ministry*
Lynn Hertz, *Adult Education*
Jim Johnson, *Treasurer*
Kirsten Loiseaux-Purcell, *Membership*
Terri Fishel, *Communication*
Diane Norman, *Fellowship*
Don Postema, *Faith in Action*
John Thompson, *Finance*
Don Weinkauff, *Property*

ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

Kent Furois, *Head Usher*
Jill Thompson, *Lay Reader Coordinator*
Paige Hagstrom, *Coffee Hour Coordinator*
Margery Jeddelloh, *President, Women of St. John's*
Dusty Mairs, *Parish Coordinator*
Fred Myers, *Historian*
Diane Power, *Altar Guild*
George Power, *Columbarium*
Kevin Shaw, *Homelessness Committee Chair*
Artaria String Quartet, *Artists in Residence*

CLERGY

The Rev. Dr. Neysa Ellgren, *Interim Rector*
The Rev. S. Grayson Clary, *Rector Emeritus*
The Rev. Barbara Mraz, *Deacon*
The Rev. Keely Franke, *Assistant Priest*

STAFF

Lizza Berry, *Youth & Children Choirs Director*
Nina Costello, *Nursery Supervisor*
James Frazier, *Director of Music & Organist*
Curt Gagner, *Building Supervisor*
Kate Graber, *Handbell Choir Director*
Jean Hansen, *Youth and Family Minister*
Ellen Harrington, *Children's Minister*
Chris Henry, *Building Assistant*
John Oldfield, *Office of the Asst. Treasurer*
Barb Schaer-Mady, *Office Administrator*
Longkee Vang, *Youth Ministry Assistant*



A transition is a passage from one state
to another.

Transitions are inevitable.
Some of them we seek;
others are forced upon us.

It can be during transitions – when we are most adrift,
most fearful,
most excited --
that God draws closest.

ADULT EDUCATION SESSIONS FOR OCTOBER 2010

OCTOBER 3: TRANSITIONING THROUGH ILLNESS

A panel of parishioners discuss the experiences and spiritual insights they have gained.

OCTOBER 10: TRANSITIONS AND LITURGY

Repeat appearance by the Rev. Devon Anderson, former director of liturgy for the Diocese of Minnesota and a national expert on this topic.

OCTOBER 17: TRANSITIONING THROUGH ADDICTION

A panel of parishioners discuss the experiences, and spiritual insights they have gained.

OCTOBER 24: TRANSITIONING TO A MULTI-CULTURAL AMERICA

The Rev. Letha Wilson-Barnard and a group from our companion parish, Holy Apostles, will offer thoughts on Hmong history, and share personal stories and thoughts about the relationship with St. John's.

OCTOBER 31: A VILLAGE'S TRANSITION

Mary Steiner from our partner agency, "Give Us Wings," updates us on the progress at "The St. John's Kayoro Health Center" in Uganda. Video, too!



**Altar Flowers Given to the
Glory of God in Memory of:
October 3**

The 19th Sunday after Pentecost

MAIN ALTAR

Esther and Frank Snyder

LITTLE SANCTUARY ALTAR

To celebrate the anniversary of
Phyllis and Ray Frisby

October 10

The 20th Sun. after Pentecost

MAIN ALTAR

Herbert, Gladys and Cecil
Griffith

LITTLE SANCTUARY ALTAR

Elizabeth and John Stromenger

October 17

The 21st Sun. after Pentecost

MAIN ALTAR

T.B.D.

LITTLE SANCTUARY ALTAR

Ann Bruce Ashmun

October 24

The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

MAIN ALTAR

Mary Ann Horn
Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Horn

LITTLE SANCTUARY ALTAR

Margaret M. and William H.
Plummer

October 31

The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

MAIN ALTAR

Dorothy S. & Charles Robert
Beattie, Jr.
Silas Buck Foot II
Virginia H. Foot

LITTLE SANCTUARY ALTAR

Melissa Leigh Mosvick

ALTAR FLOWERS 2010/2011:

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 for flowers on the Little Sanctuary Altar. The cost is \$15 and you will be billed by Johnson Flowers. If you are interested please contact **Dusty Mairs** or **Barb** in the office to find out the available dates for each altar.



**Just Arrived!
New Addition to St. John's Library**

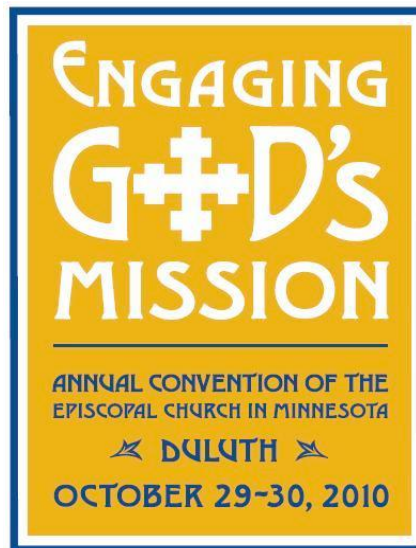
- by Helen Boyer

The Saint John's Bible is the first handwritten and illuminated Bible commissioned since the printing press was invented more than 500 years ago. It contains more than 160 stunning illuminations in seven distinct books: *Pentateuch, Historical Books, Psalms, Wisdom Books, Prophets, Gospels and Acts, and Letters and Revelation*. Begun more than ten years ago and expected to be completed in 2011, the Bible will be exhibited in the manuscript library on the St. John's University campus in Collegeville, Minnesota. The project, sponsored by St. John's Abbey and St. John's University, is a collaboration of artist-calligraphers, illuminators, scholars, and the monks of the Abbey. It employs ancient techniques to create a contemporary masterpiece intended to put us in communication with the Infinite.

The sixth of seven volumes – *Historical Books* -- has just been printed and issued. Parishioner Helen Boyer is exhibiting her copies of the six currently available volumes of *The Saint John's Bible* in the Library of St. John the Evangelist's Church – for review and contemplation by St. John's parishioners. Also on exhibit [on top of the book shelves in the library] is a series of art glass 'illuminated bible books' created by Helen Boyer, inspired by the St. John's Bible project.

More information about *The Saint John's Bible* is available at www.saintjohnsbible.org. An additional, special opportunity to hear and see more information about the project will be available on November 9, 2010 in St. John's Church.

Note from the Rev. Barbara Mraz: *Tim Tiernes of St. John's Abbey and University will talk about the new books of the St. John's Bible on Tuesday, Nov. 9, 2010. Save the date!*



**Annual Convention:
Episcopalians for
Global Reconciliation,
Episcopal Relief and
Development
to be featured**

On Saturday morning, the Executive Director for Episcopal Relief and Development, Robert Radtke, and the Executive Director for Episcopalians for Global Reconciliation, the Rev. Devon Anderson,

will make presentations on the Nets for Life program. This will be an exciting way to begin to live into our call to mission as the Episcopal Church in Minnesota.



October Birthdays

- 1 Tessa McLaren Johnson
Tinker Roe
Joshua Hammar
- 2 Lucy Brown
Caroline Lightner
- 3 Talulah Clamons
Kari Donnelly
Megan Edgerton
Kerry Hennessey
- 6 Todd Spainhower
Rex. E. Haberman
- 7 Catherine McKeehan
Roxy Markie
Tessa Milan Burrows
Skyler Rosendale
Isabella Avery
- 8 Nancy Langler
Cali Ann Kraemer
Richard Duncan
- 9 Jay Clark
- 10 Liz Collins
Julia Debertin
J. Bradner Smith
- 12 Madeleine Grills
Jack McDaniel
- 13 Cydney Hagstrom
- 14 Sarah Gemlo
Terri Fishel
- 15 Beverly Finley
Miranda Cygan
- 16 Jeremy Dorrell
Grayson Clary
- 17 Christina Avery
Nicole Cross
- 20 Ria Newell
- 21 Cooper Olson
Kasey Keeler
- 23 Brittany Olson
Charles Sand
- 24 Jeanne Grace
Lisa Henry
- 25 Douglas Lassey
Kirsten Loiseaux-Purcell
Thomas Rinkoff
- 27 Jim Langler
Andrew Schmitt
Bradner Smith
Sarah Thompson
- 29 Katherine Thomas
Laura Nicholson
- 31 Ian Cudworth
Ginny B. Parrish

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- by Ellen Harrington, Director of Children's Ministry

Fall is an odd time - I like the temperateness of fall weather, though a bit less damp would be appreciated this year by most Minnesotans - and some nice things have happened to me in the fall -



but the oddness has to do with the opposing forces of a new program year and the lure of dormancy. Perhaps fall and winter are seasons for the life of the mind - a kind of active hibernation - the body being buried by layers and walled in by threatening cold and ice. My mind fosters an image of books read by a fire and long, convivial chats. Cool and darkening days drive me onto paths of both escapism and the rockier roads that lead me to think big thoughts and form new, however passing, conclusions.

The Godly Play groups begin fall with the desert stories. They love to drag their fingers through the sand and think about the wonder and danger in the wildness of the desert with its ever-changing dunes, its hot days and cold nights. They follow the people of God as they endure hardship on their journey to the promised land and evolve into the Twelve Tribes of Israel. This usually results in someone asking the question, 'Well, if the People of God were so close to God, then what happens to the people who are not People of God?' A thorny question! I tell children, with my fingers crossed in the direction of theological correctness, that we are all People of God. The travelers and prophets in the stories just tried harder to discover what God wanted them to do, and how God wanted them to live.

What do these stories add up to? What's left after I slice out patriarchy and misogyny? After I do some cultural gymnastics in search of relevance? What are the story nuggets that might help me enlarge my consciousness about the Divine? I can see that the prophets and their people were prodigious askers and seekers as they waited for direction to reveal itself. As various influences and trends sorted themselves out. This is a bit like life during an Interim. We trust that our process, if we don't hold it too tight, will lead us toward someone who is looking for us.

The early adapters in the Emerging Church bunch suggest that the process and rituals of the church have always pointed toward consciousness of the Holy in the ordinary. Of grounding the timelessness of way that Jesus would have us live - leaving us with the idea that benevolence and 'good vibes' with their lighter density can invade the mass of humanity with world-saving results.

Godly Play is underway - the schedule is posted on the bulletin board by the Office and in the hall by the Godly Play rooms. We'll be in the Old Testament until it's time for Advent. If you'd like to know more about the Godly Play program - I love questions!

Contact me, Ellen Harrington, at godly.play@stjohnsstpaul.org or 651-699-4867.

HYMN-SING AT EPISCOPAL HOMES

- by Jim Frazier

The parish choir will join the folks at Episcopal Homes for a Hymn-Sing in the Chapel on Sunday, October 17 at 3 pm. Lots of old favorites will be on the day's menu.

Everyone is welcome to join us! Episcopal Homes is located at 1840 University Ave W (at Feronia Avenue) in St. Paul. For further information contact Jim Frazier at 651 228-1172 x38.

NEW PARISH PHONE DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE

You can pick up a September '10 phone directory in the parish office. Thanks!

Healing Prayers Added to Wednesday Noon Eucharist Service

- by the Rev. Dr. Neysa Ellgren

Healing prayers for body, mind and spirit is a practice given to us by Jesus. This fall we are adding a time of healing prayers once again to our Wednesday Holy Eucharist service. Everyone in need of prayer for themselves or for others is invited to come forward during the service just after the sign of the Peace and the priest will pray with you and anoint you. Such a simple thing to do and yet so profound.

Thanks from Project Kathleen

- by Mary Frances Palmer and Lyelle Palmer

Project Kathleen sends a heartfelt "thank you" to all who made the dinner drama fundraiser come to fruition last month. The list of talented contributors is long and typical of the lively volunteer spirit of this extraordinary congregation.

Kudos are due to: Robbin Clamons, for writing the play; the players including Johannah Frisby, Cameron Gemlo, Ashlyn Andrews, Vivian Scheel, Roan Weinkauff, Sophia Kaminski, Celie Talbott, Eli Weinkauff, Pash Clamons, Sabine Krall, Tallulah Clamons, Caroline Krall, Charlie Payne, Jackson Scheel, Anthony Payne, Imogen Clamons, Linnea Krall, Sabine Krall; the stage crew including Caroline Krall, Andrew Krall, Wade Scheel (great scenery!); the costumes and stage managers including Camille Scheel, Holly Weinkauff, and all the parents of our players.

Special thanks for music to Shirley Michienzi and Linda Zelig. Thanks for support from John Bailey, Kat Bourque and her friends, the Rev. Dr. Neysa Ellgren, Terri Fishel, the Rev. Keely Franke, Jim Frazier, Phyllis Frisby, Eva Gemlo, Curt Gagner, Ellen Harrington, Don Husband, the Rev. Barbara Mraz, Lyelle and Mary Palmer, Patty Pfalz, Barb Schaer-Mady, Libby Snelson, the Project Kathleen Committee, and especially all of our inimitable audience members.

Thanks to all who have donated to Project Kathleen. If you haven't had a chance, checks to St. John's are appreciated at all times (noting "Project Kathleen" in the subject line).

October 1910 - 100 Years Ago

The Sheltering Arms: It is not generally known, perhaps, just what the Sheltering Arms is, and yet every churchman in the diocese should know. The Sheltering Arms is a diocesan institution for orphan and destitute children. Recently the new home on Riverside Boulevard, Minneapolis, has been occupied and the children have much better quarters than heretofore.

Church Notes: The president of the Playground Association, Mr. Joseph Lee, says that the testimony of social workers proves that Sunday is largely a day of especial lawlessness for city children and that the prohibition of both work and legitimate play leaves the way open for the worst forms of mischief.

Advertisers in 1910: St. Paul Gas Fixture Co., Maurice Abrams Furs, T.E. King & Son (Sanitary Engineers), Western Automobile Co., Field-Schlick Tea Rooms, Schleh Bros. (Ice, Fuel and Feed), W. A. Frost & Co. Rasmussen School, and The Ashland Livery.

October 1960 - 50 Years Ago

Wild Rice: Indian Craft Episcopal Church in Minnesota again has top quality wild rice for sale at \$2.85 a pound, \$1.45 per half pound. All proceeds to help our Indian missions. If you want any for hunting dinners, gifts, etc., contact Mrs. Langford, Mrs. Drew, or Mrs. Heitmiller.

Hobart College: Anyone interested in talking to a representative from Hobart College, the oldest college of the Episcopal Church in the U.S., may do so by going to a meeting at Blake School, St. Paul Academy or Breck School.



MISSION



OCTOBER

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

Wednesday:

11:00 am Wed. Bible Study
Noon Communion Service
5:30 pm Youth Choir
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.
6:00 pm Stories AA Group
5:30-9:00 pm Toll Free Bells Practice

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.

Meeting date to be announced:

Spiritual Life

Meetings Announced in Bulletin

10:00 am Meditation Group

Quarterly Meetings (to be announced):

Faith in Action Next Mtg.:

Correction

The correct date for *Lessons and Carols* is December 19 at 4:00 p.m. It was incorrectly listed in the September Evangelist as scheduled for Dec. 1.

St. John's 2010 October Calendar

Sat., Oct. 2

9:00-1:00 pm HUGE Sale!

Sun., Oct. 3

First Sun. Eucharist:

The 19th Sun. after Pentecost

The Rev. Keely Franke celebrates. All clergy are preaching.

Mon., Oct. 4

9:00-11:00 am HUGE Bag Sale

Tues., Oct. 5

7:00 pm Region 7 Mtg.

5:00 pm

Sewing for Kayoro

Wed., Oct. 6

5:00 pm

Blessing of Animals

6:00 pm

Adult Sexual Harassment (Safe Church)

Sat., Oct. 9

9:00 am

Men's Breakfast

Sun., Oct. 10

Holy Eucharist Rite I:

The 20th Sun. after Pentecost - Gathering Sunday

The Rev. Dr. Neysa Ellgren celebrates and preaches. Tile Painting for Kayoro clinic at 11:15 a.m.

Tues., Oct. 12

7:00 pm

Big Net Seminar

Sun., Oct. 17

Holy Eucharist Rite II:

The 21st Sun. after Pentecost

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

Tues., Oct. 19

5:30 pm

Big Net Congregational Planning Mtg.

Sun., Oct. 24

Choral Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist:

The 22nd Sun. after Pentecost

The Rev. Dr. Neysa Ellgren celebrates. The Rev. Keely Franke preaches.

Mon., Oct. 25

6:00 pm

Vestry Mtg. & Dinner

6:00 pm

Project Kathleen

Tues., Oct. 26

7:00 pm

Big Net Seminar

Fri.-Sat., Oct. 29-30

Diocesan Convention in Duluth

Sun., Oct. 31

Holy Eucharist Rite II:

The 23rd Sun. after Pentecost

The Rev. Keely Franke celebrates. The Rev. Dr. Neysa Ellgren preaches.

THANK YOU DISCOVERY TEAM!

An extensive parish survey, focus groups, and dozen of meetings through the summer and early fall, the challenges of writing and rewriting, were all part of the work of this amazing group.

The document that will be presented to rector candidates and to the Bishop is completed! There will only be a limited number of copies printed due to expense, but you can view it on our website or ask one of three clergy to see a copy. It contains a touching history of our parish, colored photos taken especially for this document, and a summary of what the committee heard and read in the focus groups and survey.

When presenting their report to the Vestry, the group testified that they truly felt the presence of the Spirit in this work. Let's thank them. They have done us all a great service on our journey forward. Committee members:

Cammie Beattie
The Rev. Dr. Neysa Ellgren
Kent Furois
Christine Garner
Becky Garthofner
Rex Haberman (co-chair)
Paige Hagstrom
Jim Huber (Diocesan Consultant)
Laura Kochevar
Andrew Krall
Gabrielle Lawrence (co-chair)
Dick Lyman
Diane Norman
Joan Potter

CONFERENCE AT LUTHER SEMINARY

- by Elizabeth G. Burr

A Sabeel conference entitled "One Land, Two Peoples, Three Faiths—Time for Reconciliation and Peace" will be held at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota, from Friday October 29 at 1:00 p.m. until Saturday October 30 at 4:00 p.m. Co-sponsored by Friends of Sabeel North America (FOSNA) and several dozen church groups, the conference follows the vision of Sabeel, the prophetic peace movement launched about twenty years ago by Palestinian Christians. Among conference highlights are a keynote talk by Naim Ateek, Palestinian Israeli Anglican priest and founding president of the Sabeel Liberation Theology Center in Jerusalem, and plenary talks by Mark Braverman, Donald Wagner, Huwaida Arraf, Craig and Cindy Corrie, and Fouzi Slisli. At least seven workshops will also be offered on both the theology and the politics of Israel/Palestine peace-seeking.

For more information or to register for the conference, please visit:
<http://www.fosna.org/content/st-paul-mn-conference-oct-29-30>

TWIN CITIES MARATHON IS OCTOBER 3

A reminder that **Sunday, October 3** is also Twin Cities Marathon weekend. John Ireland Blvd. and Summit will be closed until 2:00 p.m., so alternate routes are advised.

PLEASE STEP UP!

- by the Rev. Barbara Mraz

We need help in many areas right now to keep St. John's moving ahead. The wardens, vestry and Discovery Committee have been working heroically, but we need more assistance. Please considered seriously and prayerfully one the following opportunities:

The Vestry will have several openings for the 2011 year. We will elect these people at the next annual meeting, but we are gathering names now! Talk to Jay Debertin or Libby Snelson to find out more.

Join one of our many **Commissions**--which are very under-peopled. Meetings are usually only once a month.

- *Faith in Action*: speak to Don Postema or Gabrielle Lawrence.
- *Spiritual Life*: speak to Gary Gleason.
- *Membership and Newcomers*: speak to Keely Franke or Kirsten Loiseaux-Purcell
- *Adult Education*: speak to Barbara Mraz

Consider becoming a **Diocesan Convention delegate in 2011**.

We will elect these people at the same time as we elect vestry members at our annual meeting. Being a delegate involves preparing for and attending the statewide convention in late October of each year. In 2011 it will probably be held in the southern part of the Diocese in Rochester. It is a terrific way to learn about the Diocese and all that is happening, share a Friday and Saturday with your fellow St John-ites, and even make some new friends – AND you get to vote on Diocesan matters like the Budget!



2009 Convention Delegates and Clergy

Being a delegate also means being the congregation's representative to the Region meetings, in our case Region 7. Region meetings are at 7:00 here at St. John's, usually in February, May and October.

You can join a Commission at any time; vestry and convention delegates are elected at the annual meeting in January, but we need to gather names now. Please help!



THE MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

All men are welcome!

We invite you to join us on
**Saturday October 9, 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 **2010 to meet in
the Gym kitchen!**

November 13

December 11

REMEMBER THE FOOD SHELF!

Suggested items: canned tuna,
mayo, juice, canned vegetables
and fruit, rice, noodles, pasta
sauce, cereal, peanut butter,
diapers, toothpaste, shampoo,
laundry detergent....Bring your
donations to the front of the
church, any Sunday! Donations
will be delivered to the
Neighborhood House, St. Paul
Council of Churches and
Keystone Community Services.

Jennifer Kinkead is the
September volunteer who will
deliver the food.

Episcopal Homes Art Affair 2010!

SAT., OCTOBER 2, 10:00 – 5:00

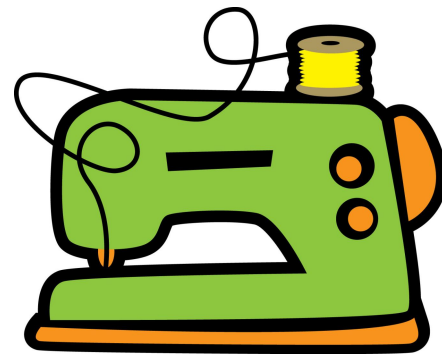
SUN., OCTOBER 3, 12:00 – 5:00

You're invited to see the work of
many quality Twin Cities area
artists in one place--paintings,
pottery, and some photography.
If you find a piece you can't
resist, a portion of the sales
proceeds will help support the
senior housing and services that
Episcopal Homes provides.
Come browse, and invite your
friends to join you! **Where: Our
campus in the Midway at 1840
University Avenue West, Saint
Paul (University and Fairview
Avenues) in Cornelia House
and Coventry Chapel.** Visit
our website at:

www.episcopalhomes.org for
additional information and a
directional map, or call 651-632-
8855. See you at the Affair!

Sewing for Kayoro!

Join us to sew clothes for the children
of Kayoro Village! **Tuesday
evening, October 5, 5:00-9:00 p.m.**
we will be in the Undercroft.
Members of Holy Apostles will also
be joining us!

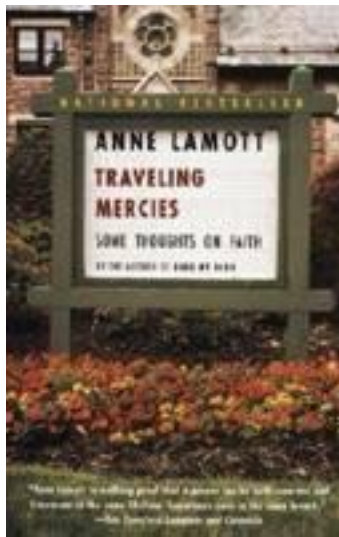


We need help with cutting, pinning, ironing as well as sewing. We
also need some people to help with food. So, you can see, there is
something for everyone to contribute. We are asking for
donations of good cotton fabric in appropriate prints,
checks, solids and batiks for children. Please contact Patty
Pfalz with any questions at 651-224-7784.



MISSION

“Why I Make Sam Go to Church”



Anne Lamott is a contemporary writer
who has lived through drug addiction,
single parenthood, and countless other
challenges. One of her most popular
books is *Traveling Mercies*.

This from Lamott via *Bookbrowse*:

In a poignant essay in *Traveling
Mercies* called "**Why I Make Sam Go
to Church,**" she writes, "The main
reason is to give him what I found in
the world, which is to say a path and a
little light to see by." She and Sam talk
about God and pray together every
night, but she is "giving him a lot of
space to find out who he is spiritually."
She hopes his confirmation classes will

give him "an experience of struggling with" the truths the church
is asking him to affirm. Lamott predicts that her son will leave the
church in a few years, when she starts letting him decide how to
spend his Sunday mornings. "But I believe he will almost certainly
come back," she says, "because life will do what life does, which is
to become incredibly hard and confusing. There will be losses he
barely survives. And at some point someone will say, "I found this
funny little church..."

You can read "Why I Make Sam Go to Church" online using that
title and then "Salon."

***If you're interested in a gathering to discuss "Traveling
Mercies," please call or e-mail me with what nights of the
week you are available and I'll try to set something up.***

Lamott has a lot to say, like "*There are only two prayers: "Please,
please, please,,," and "Thank you, thank you, thank you."*

- The Rev. Barbara Mraz



**THE FALL HUGE SALE IS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2
9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.**

**Bag Sale on Monday,
October 4, 9:00-11:00**

This is a great outreach opportunity for St. John's as well as a time of fellowship for all involved in helping with the sale.

Come join the fun! Your help is greatly needed the day of the sale (in sales or food) and to clean up on Monday, Oct. 4 (need muscles here) after the Bag Sale.

Be sure to contact Claire Eckley 651-552-4963 or Jim Johnson 651-698-5655 with times that you will be available to assist on October 2nd and 4th and also for packing up.

House of Prayer Cookbook Available

- Ward Bauman, Director

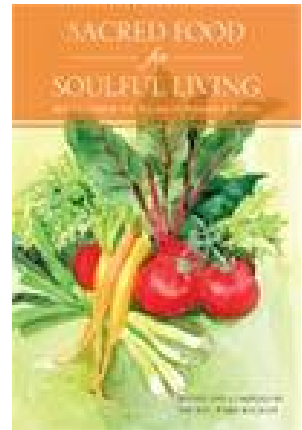
AT LAST we can announce that our five year effort to produce a cook book reflecting the House of Prayer retreat meals is AVAILABLE: ***Sacred Food for Soulful Living.***

If you want to see the cover and description check it out at our web site: **www.ehouseofprayer.org.**

You may also order and pay from there as well. We are delighted to promote this effort as a part of our greater mission.

Thanks to the MANY, many volunteers that made this possible, particularly our committee members: Maryjude Hoeffel, Mary Adams and Carole Baker. Thanks to Mary Lilja and Lilja press for an incredible effort and the hard work of keeping the rest of us within the time frame.

We must also mention that our dear friend, colleague and Minnesota artist extraordinaire, Nell Hillsley, has beautifully illustrated our recipes! We are proud to present this offering on our 20th anniversary.



Faith in Action Holds a Summit

Ever wonder in which social programs St. John's participates? Ever want to be more involved in your community but not know where or how to start? This is your chance to check out our opportunities for service and learn more about how St. John's is active in the church, the community, and in the world!



Please stop by:
Sunday, October 31st
In the Undercroft after both services

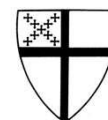
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST SERVICE SCHEDULE – OCTOBER 2010

	READERS	ALTAR GUILD TEAMS	ACOLYTES	USHERS	GODLY PLAY GREETERS	COFFEE HOUR
October 3 – First Sunday Eucharist, the 19th Sunday after Pentecost						
8:00 am						
10:00 am	(A) * (B) *	Dusty Mairs	Cooper Olson Tim Krall Alex Joyce	Julia Ferguson & Rick Rinkoff, Lynn Hertz, Shirley Sailors	No Godly Play – Families in Church	Godly Play Families: Weinkauff family M. Richards family Debertin family
October 10 – Holy Eucharist Rite I, the 20th Sunday after Pentecost						
8:00 am						
10:00 am	(A) * (B) *	Pam Strom	Charlie Olsen Eli Weinkauff Miranda Cygan	Jay Debertin, Rachel Page, Pat Brynteson	PreK-K: Roberts Gr 1-2: Olson, Jeff/Kim Gr 3-4: Richards, Pam	Don Husband & Joan Potter
October 17 – Holy Eucharist Rite II, the 21st Sunday after Pentecost						
8:00 am						
10:00 am	(A) * (B) *	Pat Brynteson	Eva Gemlo Ethan Furois Lucy Grundhauser	Kevin Shaw, Kelsey and Mac, Helen Boyer	PreK-K: Georgeson Gr 1-2: Brown Gr 3-4: Barnes	Gary & Paige Hagstrom
October 24 – Choral Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist, the 22nd Sunday after Pentecost						
8:00 am						
10:00 am	(A) * (B) *	Ella Slade	Emma Grundhauser Madeline Weinkauff Rachel Clark	Mary & Peter Gilbertson, Cammie Beattie, Hank Snyder	PreK-K: Cox Gr 1-2: Johnson, Paul/Sarah Gr 3-4: Docherty	Ella Slade
October 31 – Holy Eucharist Rite II, the 23rd Sunday after Pentecost						
8:00 am						
10:00 am	(A) * (B) *	Diane Power	Kelsey Shaw Samantha Rosendale Emily Brooks	Lee Bradford, Ian Ball, Patty Bryne Pfalz. Roger Bowman	PreK-K: Finkel, Michelle Gr 1-2: Weinkauff Gr 3-4: Page	Sally Sand/ Jennifer Durst and Rex Haberman

* Names not available in time for printing.

Please read the above schedule carefully. Remember that you are responsible for finding your own replacement.

Get to Know Your Church!



In October the New Member Commission will be hosting a series of discussions. These are aimed at newer members to St. John's but open to all who have any interest. So please consider joining us and bring your questions for discussion!

Sundays after Church

Fireside Room
11:30 – 12:30

Oct. 3 – Getting acquainted: How did you find St. John's? How long have you been an Episcopalian? What do you hope to get from these classes?

Oct. 10 – All about the Episcopal Church: Watch a short video on why some people are Episcopalian. Learn about how the Episcopal Church came to be. Crack open a Prayer Book and see what's inside.

Oct. 17 – Introduction to St. John's: Learn about how you can become involved. Take a tour of the building. Ask questions for going forward as a new member. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Please RSVP so we can plan accordingly:
keely.franke@stjohnsstpaul.org.

WHAT A CONTRIBUTION!

What have proceeds from the Huge Sale provided for St John's over past decades?

- by the Rev. Barbara Mraz

The Huge Sale has been a St. John's tradition for a long time. Conducted by "The Women of St. John's," the name of a group is currently finishing up some of their projects, the sale has averaged an \$8,000 a year profit! Claire Eckley is the parish chair of the event now, and everyone is welcome to be part of it.

Dusty Mairs sends along this list about past sales:

- A total of 10 folding 8 foot tables given in three different years
- Carriage lights at the Portland Ave entrance to the church
- Restored Bishop Keeler's oil painting and set up the display of his work
- Platform truck to use in hauling (rummage mostly)
- Choir robes – adult in 2001 and children in 2008
- Flatware, table cloths and dishes for Fireside Room
- Donated toward undercroft lighting
- Bell Choir red velvet cushions
- Replaced the floor of bathroom in restroom off the gym
- Carpet in the Chapel
- Renovate and furnish Fireside Room kitchen – new cabinets, stove, refrigerator, microwave and garbage disposal.
- 30 stack chairs and two dollies for use in Fireside Room
- 32 Choir folders for Adult Choir
- Freezer in gym kitchen
- Stained glass windows created, installed and protective covering on Narthex garden level windows on Portland
- 35 Prayer Books for Holy Apostles
- Stove in gym kitchen
- Stained glass windows in Narthex stairways
- Camera monitor for organ
- New sink in parish office
- Four wood frame tack boards for four offices in Undercroft
- Set of chimes for Bell Choir
- New faucets in restrooms along Fireside Hall
- Sconces and vases for Fireside Room
- Professional cleaning of gym kitchen
- Five entrance rugs for Kent Street and coat hanging area
- Rebuild Fireside Room fireplace – hearth, doors, logs, mantle
- Repair broken chairs in Fireside Room
- Cabinets in Music Room over the robe closet for music storage
- Music stands



All of this, in addition to countless contributions made to groups outside of St; John's, as well as scholarships, etc. Thank you, "Women of St. John's."

THE HUGE SALE IS OCTOBER 2, 2010!

Preparation and set up for the sale begins September 25th and ends Friday October 1st. Your assistance between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. will be appreciated. Be sure to contact Claire Eckley 651-552-4963 or Jim Johnson 651-698-5655 with times that you will be available to assist on October 2nd, and October 4th for The Sale and Bag Sale and also for packing up.

THE TILE PROJECT CONTINUES!
Messages for the people of Kayoro Village



In our meetings at St. John's, we have talked about ways that we can connect with the people of Kayoro Village. One way we are going to do this is for the people of St. John's to paint tiles with messages or images that will be embedded in one wall of the clinic.

More information:

- The tiles are 4" by 4" and plain white. Special paint is needed to paint on the tiles.
- You can purchase one tile for \$4 or four of them for \$16 (giving you 16 square inches available to decorate).
- You can get the tiles painted in one of two ways:
 1. **Come to the gym kitchen at 11:15 am on October 10.** Paint and brushes will be available as well as people to help you paint your tiles.
 2. **OR** you can fill out the form below and we will have someone paint your message on the tile or tiles you have purchased.

You can purchase these tiles by mail or after church, and include the message or image you want on the tile on the form (if you don't want to paint it yourself). Ideas for painting: A simple message of hope, health, peace, love (or even a single word).

An abstract or concrete image – a rainbow, heart, peace sign, dove flying, a cross, the sun, the moon, medical symbol, handprint, religious symbol.

A solid color – or several

A single sentence

Questions? Contact Jennifer Kinkead at 651-687-0675

THE TILE PROJECT: KAYORO CLINIC - Mail-in form

NAME _____

NUMBER OF TILES (\$4 per PIECE) _____

MESSAGE OR IMAGE YOU WANT PAINTED (If you can't think of something, we'll do it for you!):

Please enclose check made out to St. John's and mark it "clinic tiles"

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YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

- by Jean Hansen, Youth and Family Minister

Greetings!



Yay! Please join me in welcoming Longkee!

We are so fortunate to have Longkee working with the Youth Ministry here at St. John's. Longkee is a senior at the University of Minnesota, majoring in Elementary Education. He is the eldest of five children. Longkee is a member of Holy Apostles Episcopal Church in St. Paul, as well as a volunteer Sunday school teacher and youth leader. Longkee will also begin his first year as a Vestry member at Holy Apostles.

I first met Longkee when we were preparing to go on pilgrimage this past summer. After spending seven days alongside him; working, leading, praying, and having a lot of fun – I knew he would be the right person for this position. He is passionate about working with children and youth, and seems to have fit in here at St. John's from the very

beginning. Longkee is a very faithful man, with a deep longing to model his faith with young people. When asked about his role in youth ministry he expressed a need for young people to have a solid role model outside of their parents, who will model what it means to be a person of God in the world today. When watching him interact with the youth at St. John's there is a real sense of authenticity about him – and the youth can feel this. I believe that Longkee gets it. He gets that young people need to know you are genuine. He gets what being in relationship with these young people is all about. It's not about influencing them to do something; it's about being in relationship with them just for the sake of who they are – nothing else. I hope you have the good opportunity to get to know Longkee.

Confirmation

Confirmation is now beginning for youth in grades 9 through 10. Our first gathering is a retreat at St. John's October 8 – 9. If you or your child are interested in participating in the confirmation preparation, please let me know.

Acolyte Schedule for October:

October 3: Cooper Olson, Tim Krall, Alex Joyce
October 10: Charlie Olsen, Eli Weinkauff, Miranda Cygan
October 17: Eva Gemlo, Ethan Furios, Lucy Grundhauser
October 24: Emma Grundhauser, Madeline Weinkauff, Rachel Clark
October 31: Kelsey Shaw, Samantha Rosendale, Emily Brooks

Dinner Schedule for October:

October 6 Frisby Family
October 13 Gemlo Family
October 20 Olsen Family
October 27 Youth Group Makes Dinner Together

Did You Know? St. John's has Choir Scholars!

- by Jim Frazier and the Rev. Keely Franke

In 2009 the Music Commission decided to ask the vestry for funding for Choir Scholars. Starting this past February then we had four Choir Scholars join our St. John's choir. A Choral Scholar is a college-age music student who has studied voice and who serves as an intern in a choir. As Choral Scholars they develop their sight-reading skills, they learn what's involved in being a professional choral singer, they develop leadership skills, and they occasionally sing solos or in ensembles.

The parish and choir also benefit by having Choral Scholars. St. John's Adult Choir is mostly over 50 years in age, and the addition of young voices helps to bring a youthful focus to the choir's sound. Moreover, we hope that by having these four young singers in the choir, young adults from the congregation and the community will feel encouraged to join the choir as well. When the Choral Scholars joined the choir for their retreat at St. John's Abbey at the end of August, they brought a youthful vigor to the choir's camaraderie and greatly increased its vitality.

A short introduction to our four choir scholars:

- *Seth* is pursuing a career in art education and has two years left at Hamline University. If you are an artist in the congregation make sure to introduce yourself to Seth.
- *Sarah* graduated from Hamline University this past May, having double majored in criminal justice and psychology, and minored in legal studies. She considers herself to be "just your average dabbler in arts looking for a job in the real world." Sarah is happy to worship in such a beautiful church and sing with such wonderful people.
- *Athena* received her Bachelor of Arts in music performance from Northern State University in Aberdeen, SD. Currently she is a Master of Arts in Teaching student at Hamline University. Athena also recently got married and lives in Plymouth with her husband. Congratulations, Athena!
- *Josh* is a Music Major at the University of Wisconsin River Falls with one year to go. He is also the director of the successful show choir he started, UWRF-Glee. God has opened many doors for Josh and when he graduates The Air Force Music Department has accepted him into their program to sing professionally.



Choral Scholars - left to right: Sarah, Josh, Athena, Seth



EVENSONG FOR ALL SAINTS DAY NOVEMBER 7 AT 4 PM

Featuring the anthem:

At the Round Earth's Imagined Corners (text by John Donne)

by Lee Holby

After the service the choir will sing *Te Deum* by John Rutter
with brass choir and timpani

Guest Organist: Robert Vickery

A free-will offering will be received.

A festive reception will follow in the Fireside Room.



Gathering Sunday Ministry Fair 2010

- Photo by Kelly Kufahl

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for Our Annual
*Blessing of the Animals***

Wednesday, Oct 6th @ 5:00 p.m.
Outside in the North Garden
(Gym in case of rain)

Come. Sit. Stay. Pray.

