

# *THE EVANGELIST*

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## **A Conversation on the Back Porch**



St. John's has been learning a lot lately – most especially in our recent “Episcopal 101” classes. Three Wednesday nights this Spring we gathered and listened and learned about the history and liturgy and theology of the Episcopal Church, led by The Reverend Neil Elliott. The classes were insightful and long-time parishioners (and clergy) as well as new parishioners (and clergy) learned something new. And, we learned we don't collectively know as much about “what we do”, or, more importantly, “why we do what we do” as many of us had previously assumed.

Which prompted those of us charged with teaching theology, worship, and church tradition to begin thinking of ways we could deepen our collective understanding of these things, and grow together in our knowledge and love of the Lord. In the fall we hope to introduce Episcopal 102, a series of 3 classes focusing on Episcopal worship and the theology that undergirds the liturgy of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer.

Ultimately we'd like to use this exploration of our liturgy, as a whole congregation, to begin making concrete choices in how we change and shape our liturgy at St. John's for the future. We hope you want to be a part of that process. In preparation for Episcopal 102, we've schedule some more casual gatherings this summer on the back porches of Jered's and Barbara's houses. (details on page 12)

**COME...  
JOIN US IN WORSHIP**

**SUNDAY**

8:00 am Service:

Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:00 am Services:

June 2 - First Sunday

Holy Eucharist Rite II

June 9 -

Holy Eucharist Rite I

June 16 -

Holy Eucharist Rite II

June 23 - Morning Prayer

Holy Eucharist Rite I

June 30 -

Holy Eucharist Rite II



**July Issue**

**June 12 at 4pm**

All groups & individuals are ENCOURAGED to submit news and items of interest to *The Evangelist*. E-mail, mail, or bring your fully written and titled piece and/or photos to the church office before the deadline date shown above.

Thank you!

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## FROM THE REVEREND JERED WEBER-JOHNSON



Dear Friends in Christ,

As I write this, I am sitting thousands of feet above sea level, high up in the Rockies at a YMCA camp and conference center. I'm here to lead a conference with some of my nearest and dearest colleagues, the smartest and brightest and wisest priests a person could know, and I am aware that I am privileged and blessed to be among them as a friend and leader. Such an awareness heightens my sense of excitement of all that will come next, and deepens my sense of gratitude to be a part of this community of colleagues. You might say I am preparing for a mountain top experience - it feels like a gift to be here.

It is a strange thing to be preparing for a mountain top experience so close on the heels of a previous one. But, this past Sunday, the celebration of the feast of Pentecost at St. John the Evangelist was one of the great highlights of my time in ministry. It was a real treat to sit in the pews, and to be both a leader and a participant, a dad and a priest, in the midst of such a gifted community. The captivating rhythm of the drums, the effervescent joy of the African mass, the youth on the piano, the beauty of our space remade for our Pentecost liturgy, the ceramic shells made for each baptismal candidate lovingly made for the occasion, all of it spoke of a community rich in gifts of talent. What a gift for me to share that moment with my family, to watch as Simon was baptized, to watch as our friends and the families of our baptismal families and new members were so thoroughly welcomed.

Pentecost and the long season that follows it is a time when the church celebrates the presence of the Holy Spirit. And the many gifts bestowed by that spirit. There are many ways in which the community at St. John's has been living into our giftedness. We celebrated many gifts with our choir and fellowship committee leading us through a cabaret and roast celebration of Jim Frazier. There are gifted leaders discerning our next music director and the application process for that is now closed and interviews will be commencing shortly. Thanks to the gifts of several committed members we are wrapping up a long but fruitful associate rector search. An announcement may be out by the time you are reading this. A new formation commission is up and running and it will be discerning where the gifts of this congregation can be put to best use in furthering the St. John's mission to help build each member up in the knowledge and love of the Lord.

There are so many gifts to celebrate and we each have some. Together our gifts help us to realize our particular mission and ministry in this corner of God's world, in St. Paul. Our task and calling is to pay attention to how we've been gifted, and then, as so many of you are already doing in our church and in the wider world, to celebrate those gifts by putting them to good use.

I challenge you this month to consider answering, to someone at St. John's, the question, how have I been gifted for service?

See you in church.

*Keep your eyes on the stars, and your feet on the ground.*

Theodore Roosevelt

## **FROM BARBARA...**

My eyes will still be on the stars this spring and early summer but my feet – or at least foot—will not be on the ground.

The Left Foot will be air-borne (as in not bearing weight) for five or six weeks following surgery with fusions and pins sticking out of my toes (yes, they DO that to you) on May 21. I will be home for awhile – whizzing around in a small wheelchair and reading in a recliner – and then by mid-June, I hope, back at St. John's – still on wheels until the end of June. Makes me very grateful for the "handicapped accessibility" of this building that we usually take for granted.

I will be learning a lot about humility, patience, dependence, keeping my temper, and not swearing at inanimate objects or small pets. I'm afraid that "the fur children," as Phillip Baird calls them, are in for it. His fur children are dogs but mine are a more-complicated and less-forgiving species: cats. They don't like change. At all. I'm worried about the pins. And the cats. Together.

See you in church.



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## **Card Received from Susan Moss...**

Dear People of St. John's:

Thank you for the warm send-off on my last Sunday as your Interim Assistant Rector. The pink roses were gorgeous and the beautiful green plant has a new home in my living room window.

You are generous, gracious, and faithful people. I am confident the Spirit will guide you in these coming weeks as you make new choices that increase God's presence both within - and without in the wider community.

Faithfully, Susan Moss



## **Update from Keely Franke...**

Hello friends! My chaplain position at the hospital is going very well. I love it there, I love all the people I come across, the stories, and the learning that happens at such a deep level.

I also wanted to let you all know that I have been hired at the Episcopal Homes! I will be starting November 4th as the Director of Spiritual Life. This position feels like the perfect combination of Episcopal priest/chaplaincy work. It will also allow me to develop my leadership skills as the head of the department. As many of you know, the Episcopal Homes is building on and will open a large new facility in 2014. There is a lot of growth and visioning going on which is very exciting. I am most looking forward to working with the residents, however, and coming to know them, their families, and the staff on a deeper level.

As I continue in my studies and contemplate the future, I remain grateful for your support that has allowed me to refine my skills as a priest and discern where God is truly calling me to be in this world. I can only pray that you continue to find where your true passion is and that you will reside there, because life is really good when you do. Many blessings to you all. I hope to see you soon. Keely



## **Stewardship Reflection** by Tony Grundhauser

On Sunday May 5th anyone attending the 10am service saw the best of St. John's on display. We blessed the volunteers working on the Hearts to Homes partnership with the YWCA; we celebrated another successful Huge Sale, an event supported by youth and adults alike; we gathered around the Peace Pole as part of our yearly tradition to pray for peace in the world; our Strategic Planning team hosted a morning session with the Reverend Dr. Neil Elliot where many of us learned new things about the history and missional identity of the Episcopal church. Our youth promoted their pilgrimage to Alaska, and our children paid tribute to the wonderful Jim Frazier.

In his essay "The Round River", conservationist Aldo Leopold described the marvel of a river flowing "into itself...the stream of energy which flows out of the soil into plants, thence into animals, thence back into the soil in a never ending circuit of life." On a Sunday like May 5, it is easy to imagine St. John's as a round river, with one person nourishing another and that person nourishing another, through acts of service, prayer, devotion, and yes, financial support. Leopold would have agreed, I think, that the round river is akin to the idea of Stewardship: recognition that through our gifts, we nourish ourselves, our community, and the generations to come.

In the Episcopal church we believe that stewardship is about being grateful and responsible stewards for the many gifts we receive from God. The Vestry and the Stewardship Committee wish to show appreciation for your support of the annual stewardship campaign by saying thank you every chance we see. The results of your acts of stewardship can be seen every day at St. John's, and for that, we are thankful for your support.

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## **Strategic Planning Commission Update** by Phyllis Goff

The Strategic Planning Commission is continuing to carry out its charge to research, develop and recommend a strategic plan that will provide a three to five-year blueprint for achieving the vision for Saint John's as a faith community. The focus in April and May has been on data gathering and engaging the congregation to ensure that all voices are heard and captured in this process. The commission believes strongly that it is critical that we all feel ownership in what will become our vision for the future and a focused direction for the next three to five years.

In addition to updates through The Evangelist, commission members have conducted informal interviews during the coffee hour after the church service, and they invited everyone to attend and participate in the May 5th presentation entitled "The State of the Faith" by noted theologian and Biblical scholar, The Reverend Dr. Neil Elliott (also a Saint John's member). Neil talked about the history and theology of the Episcopal faith in the United States, and the relationship between contemporary culture and the church, and how that specifically affects the Episcopal Church in Minnesota. It was an engaging presentation and provoked lots of discussion and greater insights about who we are as a faith and as a congregation in the broader community.

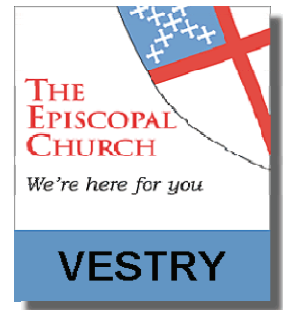
In the next few weeks, the strategic planning team will be meeting with the different commissions and departments of the church to gain a deeper understanding of our programs and initiatives. This data gathering is a part of the internal environmental assessment phase of strategic planning, and will help to also focus our approach in conducting the external environment assessment. Understanding our environment, knowing what we do well today, and knowing what our opportunities are in the future, will help to guide the team to create an informed and strategic guide and focus for the next few years. Finally, the foundation for all of our work will be grounded in our mission (Saint John's Collect) and our overall goal to discern what God is calling to do and become.

Again, we welcome all ideas and questions, and very much appreciate everyone's support in this process.





## Vestry Musings by Don Postema



Your Vestry met in March and considered personnel searches, welcoming programs and a policy addendum, all rumored to be routine Vestry business. The search for an Associate Rector is proceeding apace. Many applicants have been considered in a process designed to identify and call the person best fitted to our ministry needs by the middle of June. The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson is guiding that process, along with the Executive Committee and a group representing those who will work most closely with the Associate Rector. Vestry member Marilyn Conklin is heading up the Committee charged with identifying a new Music Director for St. John's. They have already "broadcast" a position description, and hope to follow with interviews by the end of May and a final selection soon after. It is our plan that these two searches will be complete and our new staff members in place in plenty of time for fall program planning.

The Reverend Phil Rose, our newest deacon, presented an overview of a "Radical Welcoming" program for congregations (not a program to welcome radicals). He emphasized the need for an intentional, sustained program which is centered on its Christian identity and committed to hospitality. We intend to more fully implement such a program at St. John's, being open to the possibility of being changed by those we see as the "Other," those who would bring diversity and enrichment to our congregation while maintaining our core identity. A welcoming congregation attempts to live out the example and teaching of Christ who invited all to follow without dissimulation.

The implications of such a radical welcome were then tested as the Vestry considered an Addendum to our Safe Church policy regarding safeguards as we welcome registered sex offenders or those facing legal allegations of sexual offenses. Religion and sexuality is always a volatile mix, as is evidenced in recent events in Roman Catholic and Episcopalian churches and schools. Our concern was how to safeguard all persons including those who are identified publicly as actual or accused sex offenders. This policy requires that any legal conditions imposed on a person be honored while at St. John's, and that a St. John's sponsor be present with a person so identified whenever at St. John's. This is intended for the protection and safety of all, and provides guidelines for welcoming all regardless of their background. It also lays out notification procedures for staff and parishioners, relying on discretion and a genuine need to know. This policy was adopted by the Vestry as an addendum to our Safe Church policy specifying the general conditions for maintaining the safety and well-being of all based on appropriate limits and vigilance. We also will review how we currently implement the Safe Church policy and train leaders and teachers in its implications.

In April, the Vestry meeting was folded into a meeting of the East Metro Mission Area (EMMA), hosted by St. John's. Bishop Prior spoke to attendees from several parishes, and then we brainstormed how the parishes in this area could network with and support one other. It was a beginning, and we hope to do effective grassroots organizing in the future.

Monitoring personnel searches, enriching church programs, developing policies, and connecting with other parishes are all work of your Vestry as together we seek to follow Christ's example in our time.

<b>VESTRY MEMBERS</b>		
Libby Snelson, <i>Senior Warden</i>	Tony Grundhauser, <i>Stewardship</i>	Jerry Woelfel, <i>Personnel</i>
Don Postema, <i>Junior Warden</i>	Jennifer Kinkead, <i>Faith in Action</i>	Tricia Durst, <i>Fellowship</i>
Bob Baumann, <i>Clerk of Vestry</i>	Anneke Krall, <i>Formation</i>	Mary Gilbertson, <i>At Large</i>
Rick Rinkoff, <i>Treasurer</i>	Marilyn Conklin, <i>Music</i>	Gary Hagstrom, <i>At Large</i>
Kathy Brown, <i>Membership</i>	Phyllis Goff, <i>At Large</i>	Suzanne McInroy, <i>At Large</i>
	Rex Haberman, <i>At Large</i>	

# Faith In Action



## Ready, Set, Build!

Join Faith Builders For This Summer's Twin Cities  
Habitat For Humanity Project

St. John's is a charter member of Faith Builders, a coalition of St. Paul churches organized in the fall of 2002 to participate in the Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity Workcamp program. Faith Builders consists of five area congregations: Assumption Catholic Church, the Cathedral of St. Paul, House of Hope Presbyterian, St. John's Episcopal, and Unity Unitarian. Committed to putting their faith into action, the members of Faith Builders work to meet the need for affordable housing in the Twin Cities. Our Faith in Action Commission supports Faith Builders financially (over \$2,000 to Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity) and with volunteers.

This year, the 2013 Workcamp will be the weeks of June 24-28 and July 8-12 (Monday through Friday each week). Construction takes place from 8:20 to 4:00 each day. We'll be working on a new Habitat cluster homes project on 99th Street in Cottage Grove, about 10 miles south and east of St. Paul. It will be an important addition to the stock of affordable housing for those with limited means. This is the 11th Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity summer project Faith Builders and St. John's volunteers have participated in!

Plan ahead to join us for one or more days working in general construction or on the food crew. Each day there will be a work crew of 14-16 volunteers, and 2 volunteers preparing and serving snacks and lunch. All skill levels are welcome – you'll be provided with tools and friendly instructions, if you need them. You'll work with like-minded folk, people of faith from other local congregations, and you'll be addressing the need for affordable housing in a concrete way. For information on St. John's role in Faith Builders and volunteering, contact Don Postema, 651-483-3062, [postema@comcast.net](mailto:postema@comcast.net). To view available volunteer days and to sign up, visit the website, <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E4EA4A92AA20-faithbuilders>, or contact Don.

When you see the smiles on the faces of the new owners of these homes at the dedication open house next fall, you'll know you shared in the work of faith building!

## Hearts to Homes Annual Pot Luck Picnic

When: Sunday, June 2 at noon

Where: Boyd Park on Selby Avenue east of Western Avenue North

All of the St. John's community is invited.





A day center for families living  
without permanent housing

### Letter from The Family Place...

Dear Friends of The Family Place,

The numbers are in and 2012 was another great year for volunteerism at The Family Place! Approximately 1700 volunteers provided over 5700 hours of service in our weekend meal program or during the week playing games and reading to the children.

Volunteers are a critical component in The Family Place's ability to serve the children and parents who are participating in our programs. Volunteers enable The Family Place to focus more of our scarce resources on serving the families. Therefore, everyone who volunteers makes a significant contribution to our mission in the community.

We want to thank you and all your team members for your help and support. We could not do what we do without you!

Bob Fallat

Director of Volunteer Programming

Thanks to all who have helped, in any way, this past year with serving dinner at The Family Place. Please note that our next serving dates are **Sunday, June 30** and **Sunday, August 11**. If you'd like to help on either, or both, of those dates, please contact Sue Cadwell at 651-489-1741 or at [marvin1947@live.com](mailto:marvin1947@live.com). We do the preparation at our homes, then transport the food to The Family Place for serving followed by clean-up. We meet around 4:00pm and we finish by 6:30pm.

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### Huge Sale Thank You by Mary Gilbertson

The Huge Sale Committee SALUTES SJE Youth, their families and Jean Hansen during May's Huge Sale. All those hands helped lessen the load in staging this event. The guests who shopped Saturday enjoyed the fresh faces, and the benefit of your Saturday sacrifice earned dollars for Alaska! Jobs Well Done! (PS: Team Krall wins kudos on shifts filled plus Donuts!)



We had a very successful Huge Sale and raised \$6,000 for St. John's Ministries - Thanks to all involved!

### June Meetings

**Hearts to Homes** - Monday, June 24 at 6:00 pm in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact Colleen Swope, 651-246-4292.



# Youth Ministry

## May 11 Confirmation

Senior Youth member Lauren Debertin was confirmed Saturday, May 11 at St. Mark's Cathedral.

Lauren Debertin lives in Mendota Heights with her parents, Jay and Becky, her sisters, Anne and Julia and her two cats, Sam and Neko. Lauren is a sophomore honor roll student at Visitation High School. She is an avid volleyball player, playing at Visitation for the past two years alongside her sister Anne and for Kokoro Volleyball Club during the winter and spring. She has been playing the viola for eight years and plays in the Visitation/St. Thomas Academy orchestra. Last summer, Lauren traveled to France for two weeks with her French class and in the summer of 2014 she hopes to travel to Costa Rica with the Visitation science department in conjunction with the Seeds of Change research project. In her spare time, Lauren plays the piano and especially enjoys playing duets with her sister Julia. She also volunteers in the emergency room of United Hospital with a goal of logging 250 volunteer hours this year.



## Summer Stretch

Mark your calendars for our third year of Summer Stretch. Summer Stretch is a service and recreational program, based on Gospel values. We will meet for four Thursdays during the summer.

Who: All youth entering grade 6 in the fall through grade 12.

When: July 11, 18, 25 and August 1.

Time: 9am – 5pm

Cost: Covers recreational entrance fees and miscellaneous supplies. The cost for each date is \$10 per youth. Along with paying the fee, we need parents to drive one Thursday out of the schedule to ensure we have enough drivers.

This program is designed for those who will be entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade this fall through those who will be graduating from high school. Friends of our youth are also welcome to register and participate. So, talk it up among your friends and neighbors.

Registration begins Sunday, May 19th. You can find the registration form on St. John's website at or you may pick one up from your Youth Minister, contact Jean at [rjhansen3128@aol.com](mailto:rjhansen3128@aol.com) or 952-201-0424.



## Grand Old Days

Just a friendly reminder: the Senior Youth will be selling parking spots in our parking lot on Sunday, June 2 for Grand Old Day. Parking is definitely available for all of the parishioners. Please enter without feeling like you have to pay.

Donations of bottled water and ice would be greatly appreciated, contact Jean at [rjhansen3128@aol.com](mailto:rjhansen3128@aol.com) or 952-201-0424.



## **Congratulate our Graduates**

On Sunday, June 2 we will recognize and honor our graduates at the 10am worship service. Following are short bios and pictures of three of our graduates.

### **Charlie Olsen**

I will be graduating from Mounds View High School and will be continuing my education at Yeonsei University in Seoul, South Korea. I will be continuing my studies of the Korean language and culture and will be there for six months.



### **Anne Debertin**

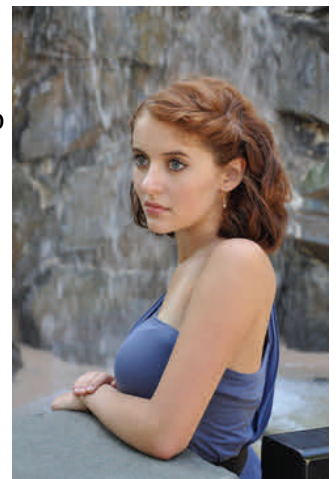
Anne Debertin will graduate from Visitation High School on June 2nd. Anne is the oldest daughter of Jay and Becky and has two sisters, Lauren and Julia. While at Visitation, Anne has been a four-year starter on both the varsity volleyball and softball teams; serving as softball captain for her junior and senior years and as volleyball captain her senior year. She has been a Peer Mentor at Visitation for two years; receiving training to discuss stress, friendships, gossip, and managing the workload at Vis for grades 6-12. Through Peer Mentors, she created and led a final exam study skills class for freshman. She has also been a Visitation Red Cross Blood Mobile Coordinator for the past two years. Anne volunteered over 100 hours during her senior year at Clare Housing, a hospice care facility for AIDS/HIV patients. Anne has been a member at St. John's for 9 years and has always felt welcomed and supported by the St. John's community. In the fall, Anne will attend Northwestern University in Evanston, IL. She intends to study biology and go on to dental school.



Anne is also the winner of the 2013 Athena Award for Visitation School. The award is given annually to a senior for outstanding athletic achievement in varsity level competition during her years at Visitation School. The school selection committee noted that Debertin is a quiet leader and great teammate, and while being very competitive, she has always played the game "above the line." "She is the best athlete I have ever worked with," is a comment made by one of her varsity coaches. The St. Paul Area Athena Awards program honors female high school seniors for their athletic achievements.

### **Cooper Olson (not pictured)**

My name is Cooper Olson and I have been a member of Saint John's all of my life. I was baptized here and I thank the congregation for all of the support and opportunities you have given me over the years. I joined the Saint John's Youth Group first in 7th grade and have loved participating in Wednesday gatherings and summer mission trips. I hope this final pilgrimage to Alaska this summer will be a great farewell to a youth group that I have enjoyed being apart of for 6 years. Next year I will be going to the University of Minnesota Twin Cities where I will be studying finance and accounting. In the years to come I will ensure my connections with the church stay-in-tact and will continue to stay affiliated with the church.



### **Eva Gemlo**

Eva Gemlo will attend Luther College in Decorah Iowa, pursuing her dream of becoming a choir director.

## Congratulate our Graduates (Continued)

### Emma Grundhauser

I'm proud to be graduating from St. Paul Central Senior High School this spring as a candidate in the International Baccalaureate diploma program. Throughout high school, I've been involved with the alpine ski team, the drama department, and Central Young Democrats. However, I'm also proud to say that my most constant sense of community has come from my church. I've been attending St. John's since 2002, singing in the children's and later the youth choir and participating in youth group. The encouragement and spiritual guidance I've received from adults at St. John's has led me to pursue more involvement with the greater Episcopal church, and I attended our triennial convention last summer as one of eighteen Official Youth Presence. I look forward to continuing my involvement with the Episcopal church next year as a student at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., where I plan to study political science and French. St. John's has meant so much to me over the last 11 years, and I can't wait to see what new things may be on the horizon for this community!



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## Pilgrimage Update

Please join us on June 9 at the 10am worship service in sending the Senior Youth off on their pilgrimage to Juneau, Alaska. We ask also that you pray for our encounter with the living God. The pilgrims traveling to Juneau are:

### Youth:

Emma Grundhauser  
Lucy Grundhauser  
Tim Krall  
Caroline Krall  
Elliott Allen

Michaela Allen  
Madeline Weinkauff  
Eli Weinkauff  
Payton Kinkead  
Johannah Frisby  
Matt Richards

Cooper Olson  
Rachel Clark

### Leaders:

Longkee Vang  
Jean Hansen



from Elliott and Michaela Allen

*"Pilgrimage - A journey made to some sacred place as an act of devotion."* (dictionary.com)

This summer, the St. John's youth group will be traveling to Alaska for a pilgrimage. We have decided on Alaska because of the majesty and serenity in the surrounding wilderness. We are hoping this pilgrimage allows us to enhance our relationship with God and understand our spiritual life. It is important for us as maturing youth to have a solid foundation on which to continue as successful children of God.

Our main focus this year has been personal responsibility. We have learned that growing up also means becoming independent and taking more initiative in how we think about God. During the season of Lent, we had a movie series where we watched films based on the characters' abilities to take on the responsibility of their situations. We are making the transfer into adulthood and would like to be guided on that path by our spirituality. We, as Christians, think that a pilgrimage is one of the best ways to reflect on what God means to us, and how we can bring him into our lives ahead of us.

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## Acolyte Schedule

June 2:	Rachel Clark, Will Rinkoff, Logan Finkel, Alex Joyce
June 9:	Tim Krall, Caroline Krall, Linnea Krall, Samantha Rosendale
June 16:	Emily Brooks, Matt Brooks, Mason Kinkead, Tessa Johson
June 23:	Johannah Frisby, Madeline Weinkauff, Eli Weinkauff, Vivian Scheel
June 30:	Matt Richards, Lucy Grundhauser, Cooper Olson, Will Rinkoff

# Musical Notes

## Interim Music Director

Nancy Wellington has graciously agreed to be our Interim Music Director. Nancy is a parishioner and member of the choir and has provided substitute coverage for Jim and Lizza in the past. She's very familiar with St. John's, knows our musical repertoire well, and is an excellent organist and choral director. We hope to have a short interim period and Nancy will do a great job of keeping our music program moving along.

by Marilyn Conklin



## An Invitation to Summer Choir

During the summer months, the St. John's Adult Choir takes a break from weekly evening rehearsals and meets only on Sunday mornings. This summer choir is open to anyone in the parish who would like to join in leading the music for that Sunday. Come to the choir stalls at 9:15 am on Sunday morning, when we learn an easy anthem and go over the hymns and liturgical music for the service.

Singing in the choir will add a whole new dimension to your worship experience. If you're a singer, summer is the perfect time to take part in this ministry without a major time commitment. Welcome!

- Nancy Wellington (Interim Music Director)



## Sung Compline

Thursday, June 13 at 7:00 pm in the choir stalls. Come and be nourished by the beauty of quiet, meditative liturgy, and reflect on the mysteries of life.

Compline is the last of the daily offices. In keeping with the earliest practices of the monastic communities, Compline is offered by candlelight at a time when the work of the day is finished and the quietness of evening begins to settle over the hearts and minds of those gathered in prayer. This is a short service of prayers, psalms, chanting, and short passages from Scripture. Incense will be present at this service as well as the Holy Spirit so be prepared!

For more information contact Craig Lemming, [clemming@hotmail.com](mailto:clemming@hotmail.com).



## Jim's Farewell Cabaret

Thank you to everyone who attended and who helped with Jim's Cabaret,. By all accounts everyone had a fabulous evening. If you missed it or would like to relive your favorite moment we have posted a slideshow on the website, <http://stjohnsstpaul.org/whats-happening/slideshow-of-jims-cabaret> .

# Faith Formation



**Bible Study: Does continue all “Summer” long!**

**Every Wednesday at 11:00 am**

**in the Library.**

## **A Conversation on the Back Porch (Continued from front page)**

The series of three casual gatherings is called:

**“SO, WHY DO WE DO THAT? *Questions and Discussion about the Way We Worship*”**

**When:** 5:00 - 6:30 pm

**Where:** Jefferson Avenue (1765 – Jered and 1666 - Barbara).

June 12 - Jered's / June 19 - Jered's / June 26 - Barbara's

**What:** Exploring *your* questions and topics about the Eucharist, Prayers, Creeds, Hymns, the Episcopal Church

Such as: *“Does Communion wine have to be red (for blood)?”*

*“My best friend is Jewish. When I say a prayer around her, do I have to end it ‘In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord’?”*

*“What if I cross my fingers while saying the Nicene Creed because I don't believe some of the words?”*

*“Some of the words in the services don't sound like they're from the Bible. Why is that?”*

*“We'd like to have our baby baptized at home in our pool by one of the clergy. How do I schedule this?”*

*“Why do the clergy wear white dresses?”*

Of course, you can come up with better questions than these, so bring them.



### **VOLUNTEER POSITIONS**

Kent Furois, *Head Usher*

Jill Thompson, *Lay Reader Coordinator*

Paige Hagstrom, *Coffee Hour Coordinator*

Dusty Mairs, *Parish Coordinator*

Alden Drew, *Historian/Archivist*

Diane Power, *Altar Guild*

George Power, *Columbarium*

Artaria String Quartet, *Artists in Residence*

### **CLERGY**

The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson, *Rector*

The Reverend S. Grayson Clary, *Rector Emeritus*

The Reverend Susan Moss, *Interim Assistant Rector*

The Reverend Barbara Mraz, *Deacon*

The Reverend Philip Rose, *Deacon*

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Dunfa Weretti, *Building Assistant*



# Community Life



## OWLs (Older, Wise Laity)

The clergy and staff of St. John The Evangelist Church cordially invite you to join us on

**Wednesday, June 19**

for Noonday Prayer in the Chapel at 12 noon and for a

summer luncheon, conversation, entertainment and company at 12:30 pm in the Fireside Room.

Please respond to the church office by Thursday, June 13. Let us know if you need a ride.

Call 651-228-1172, extension 10.

## Summer Plans

Not going on the road this summer? Take a test drive with the altar guild. Church goes on and members of the altar guild will be working Saturday and Sunday mornings. Consider working with us some weekend this summer to see what we do. Contact Diane Power at 651-222-1031 or dianepower@comcast.net to find a Saturday or Sunday that will work for you.



## ~ Ladies ~

Thank you for a wonderful year!

It has been a great start to our first season and to all who have participated, a heart felt thanks!

We have learned a lot, adjusted a lot, prayed a lot, enjoyed new friendships and reinforced the longstanding ones.

We will take a bit of a breather over the summer. In July, we will recap what has worked and what has not.

In August, we will meet to plan.

And, after September's Ministry Fair, we'll start all over again!

Continuing through out the summer will be our Prayer Shawl group, monthly, on the 1st Wednesday at 10am, in the Library and the 3rd Friday, at 7pm in the Fireside Room.

Book Club will meet at 9:30am Saturday, June 1 in the Fireside Room to read *What's the Matter with Kansas?* By Thomas Frank  
(NOTE! NEW DAY AND TIME!)

God Bless!

## June Meetings

**Women's Book Club** - Saturday, June 1 at 9:30 am in the Fireside Room. Book of the month: *What's the Matter With Kansas?* by Thomas Frank. For more information, contact Mary Ellen Elliott, 651-426-4146.

**Prayer Shawl Group** - Wednesday, June 5 at 10:00 am in the Library and on Friday, June 21 at 7:00 pm in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact Anneke Krall, 651-690-0579.

**Men's Breakfast** - Saturday, June 8 at 9:00 am in the Gym Kitchen. For more information, contact Jim Johnson, 952-476-4585.

**Men's Group** - Tuesday, June 11 at 7:30 pm in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact Josh Colton, 612-275-6004.

**Down Syndrome Support Group** - Tuesday, June 18 at 6:00 pm in the Undercroft. For more information, contact Lindsay Radford, LRadford@kstp.com.

# Happy Birthday to...

## June\*

3	Linda Zelig
5	Dick Diedrich
	Kathleen Hanson
	Mary Johnson
	Barbara Sommers
6	Jamie Wood
7	Oliver McInroy
	Jonas Rutherford Grill
8	Patrick Schmidt
9	Betty Myers
	Benoni Grimes
	Joe Vangsgard
10	Donald Husband
	Phyllis Goff
11	Sue MacIntosh
	Edward Pfeiffer
12	Justin Gourlie
	Richard Neuner
	Hannah Ross
13	Craig Lindeke
	Shirley Michienzi
	Delilah Page
15	John Trerotola
17	Clifford Brown
18	Ed Cook
19	Bill Sherfey
20	Lara Strom
	Charles Foote
22	Theodore O'Brien
23	Pash Clamons
	Eva Gemlo
	Laura Kinhead
	Jeff Olsen
26	Sharon Kleckner
27	Caroline Jaffray
29	Whit Morley
	John Kinhead
30	Cindy Bachman
	Dean Ramos

\*If your birthday was missed, please call or email the church office so our records can be updated.

## Altar Decor Given to the Glory of God in Memory of:

### June 2 The Second Sunday after Pentecost

#### Main Altar

Dr. Charles E. and Esther E. Smith,  
Charles E. III Ingrid O. Smith

#### Small Altar

Open

### June 9 The Third Sunday after Pentecost

#### Main Altar

Raymond and Florence Merrill

#### Small Altar

Neilson Seabury, William Nesbitt, Jerome Buser

### June 16 The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

#### Main Altar

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Ask,  
Charles and Elizabeth Jackson

#### Small Altar

Theodore and Genevieve Pilacinski

### June 23 The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

#### Main Altar

Frank Bacon Sears and Sarah Patterson Spence

#### Small Altar

Stuart M. Baker

### June 30 The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

#### Main Altar

Judy McDonald

#### Small Altar

Open



## Altar Flowers 2013

The memorial flowers on the Main and Little Sanctuary altars are given by parishioners on a perpetual calendar basis. There are a few Sundays available for donors to sign up to give the flowers for either of our altars. The cost is \$40 for the Main Altar and \$10 for the Little Sanctuary altar. If you are interested, please contact **Dusty Mairs** or the **Church Office** to find out the available dates for each altar.

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST JUNE SERVICE SCHEDULE 2013

TIME	READERS*	ALTAR GUILD TEAMS	USHERS	GREETERS	COFFEE HOUR
June 2, 2013 - The Second Sunday after Pentecost First Sunday Holy Eucharist Rite II					
8:00 am	David Aylesworth	Diane Power Team			Kathy Brown
10:00 am	A - Alden Drew B - Jeff Olsen				
June 9, 2013 - The Third Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist Rite I					
8:00 am	Joan McCanna	Dusty Mairs Team			Ian Brown
10:00 am	A - Joan Potter B - Greg Schaffner				
June 16, 2013 - The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist Rite II					
8:00 am	Alden Drew	Pam Strom Team			Joanne and Rod MacDonald
10:00 am	A - Shirley Sailors B - Mark McInroy				
June 23, 2013 - The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Morning Prayer Holy Eucharist Rite I					
8:00 am	Craig Lindeke	Pat Brynteson Team			Phyllis and Ray Frisby, and friends
10:00 am	A - Jay Debertin B - Jeff Olson				
June 30, 2013 - The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist Rite II					
8:00 am	Brad McCanna	Diane Power Team			Jill and John Thompson
10:00 am	A - Gary Gleason B - Jill Thomp- son				

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## HOLY APOSTLES AND ST. JOHN'S FARMERS MARKET

**Sundays 9 am - 12 noon and**

**Wednesdays 3 pm - 6 pm**

The Holy Apostles and St. John's Farmer's Market is returning in June in the south side of our parking lot. Throughout the summer, as weather permits, we will be enjoying our Sunday coffee hour outside at the market as an opportunity to meet our neighbors and to spend time together as a congregation. We are still recruiting greeters to work the table on both Wednesdays and Sundays and other volunteers to help deliver food to the food shelves in the area. Please sign up with The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson 651-228-1172 x17.

This Farmer's Market is a collaboration between Hmong farmers attending Holy Apostles Episcopal Church and St. John the Evangelist in St. Paul. It also supports Fields to Families, a project providing fresh, local produce to area food shelves. Please invite your friends and neighbors to come!