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## A word cloud of church-related terms. The words are arranged in a circular pattern, with some words being larger and more prominent than others. The colors of the words vary, including shades of blue, green, yellow, and red. The words include: Family, peace, growth, joyful, good, traditional, beautiful, services, grow, seeking, works, inquiring, new, stability, service, fun, change, tradition, theology, inclusion, youth, coming, just, teaching, continue, congregation, diversity, helping, fellowship, great, care, vibrant, young, led, warm, change, fun, hope, faith, outreach, keep, now, generosity, love, ministry, others, one, people, God, love, community, music, worship, building, strong, going, supportive, ways, giving, part, capacity, words, pastoral, beauty, growing, diverse, John, faithful, members, needs, history, and John.

Our Strategic Planning team would like to hear more from you in the coming months. Please consider reaching out to our co-chairs Gabrielle Lawrence, [gabriellelawrence@gmail.com](mailto:gabriellelawrence@gmail.com), and Phyllis Goff, [phyllisgoff@msn.com](mailto:phyllisgoff@msn.com), for ways to provide more input on your hopes for our future.

COME...

JOIN US IN WORSHIP

SUNDAY

8:00 am Service:

Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:00 am Services:

October 6 -

First Sunday

Holy Eucharist Rite II

October 13 -

Holy Eucharist Rite I

October 20 -

Holy Eucharist Rite II

October 27 -

Morning Prayer

Holy Eucharist Rite I



**November Issue  
October 15 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,



In a culture that values autonomy and individualism, where success is measured in the size of your bank account and the power of your position, it is a very hard thing to speak of, let alone value servanthood. I remember in my undergraduate experience that my professors and college made a big deal about a concept they called "servant leadership." Knowing full well that many of us entered the classroom with a sense of entitlement indicative of our generation and the wider culture, my professors challenged us to consider how our greatest achievements and legacy might be wrapped up in serving others.

Tony Campollo spoke at our convocation chapel my freshman year, inviting us to consider not getting a job after college (much to the horror of our parents and alumni board), but instead taking a year to offer our lives in service to the least and the hurting in the world around us. In a way that only a Baptist can, Tony adjured us to let go of our sense of entitlement and our striving for success, and to consider being a leader, a servant leader, following in the footsteps of Jesus—to serve instead of being served. During that freshman year I was introduced to the work of Henri Nouwen through his short book, *In the Name of Jesus*. In it Nouwen writes about this notion of leadership and service coming together in our lives modeled on the life of Jesus.

"The world says . . . 'when you grow old you will be able to make your own decisions, go your own way, and control your own destiny.' But Jesus has a different vision of maturity: It is the ability and willingness to be led where you would not rather go."

I have been challenged by this vision of the servant leader. It is a vision that I have tried to live, usually falling short, in my life, at home, and at work. It is a challenge because my ego tells me to worry about what I want, to take care of number 1, to serve myself. So what if the clothes need folding? I need to unplug and watch a show. Yet, this is not what we are called to. From the global to the local, Christians are challenged to live in such a way that we put the needs of others ahead of ourselves—we are to serve and not to be served.

Again, as Nouwen writes:

"The way of the Christian leader is not the way of upward mobility in which our world has invested so much, but the way of downward mobility ending on the cross . . . It is not a leadership of power and control, but a leadership of powerlessness and humility in which the suffering servant of God, Jesus Christ, is made manifest."

In our worship and our study, in our private prayers, our bible study, and the groups where we socialize and practice our faith here at St. John's, this is the goal we might all aspire to, to become leaders as Christ was a leader—serving the least, the lost, the little and the lonely in all that we do, and in this way, serving Christ himself.

See you in church!

Faithfully,

## A Letter from Kate

Dear People of St. John's,

Thank you so much for your enthusiastic welcome in the last few weeks! My wife Louisa and I are excited to be a part of this community, and look forward to introducing our babies after they are born.

As I hear from so many about your love and commitment to St. John's, I feel blessed to be called to serve with you. My responsibilities include sharing priestly duties and pastoral care with Jered, as well as building a core of congregants who are interested in pastoral support. I am also your resource for welcoming new members, the Spiritual and Community Life groups and the Faith in Action ministries.

I look forward to many conversations about the role of our faith in each activity we undertake, as we talk about whom and how we serve. I feel privileged to have the opportunity to listen and support each of you as you share how your beliefs and experiences deepen your and our community's understanding of God. I believe strongly that we learn about God from one another and from every part of our lives.

Steven Charleston wrote, "Sometimes, on the spiritual path, it is more fun to walk beside a seeker than a true believer. I have no quarrel with those who are certain they know exactly where they are going on the path of faith, but often their questions are few and their stories familiar. It is when you listen to the seeker's vision that things can come alive. Questions and doubts, longings and hopes, experiences both difficult and transcendent: it sounds very honest to me, and very human. If you are a seeker, I will be proud to walk beside you, discovering life as we go."

As I join St. John's, I am proud to walk beside each of you, discovering life and God as we go.

Faithfully yours,

Kate

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## VESTRY MEMBERS

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

## 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*  
Jim Johnson, *Planned Gift Chair*  
Artaria String Quartet, *Artists in Residence*

## CLERGY

The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson, *Rector*  
The Reverend Katharine Bradtmiller, *Associate Rector*  
The Reverend S. Grayson Clary, *Rector Emeritus*  
The Reverend Barbara Mraz, *Deacon*

## STAFF

Jayson Engquist, *Director of Music and Organist*  
Kate Graber, *Handbell Choir Director*  
Lizza Berry, *Youth and Children Choirs Director*  
Jean Hansen, *Youth and Family Minister*  
Longkee Vang, *Youth Ministry Assistant*  
Chelsea Olson, *Nursery Supervisor*  
John Oldfield, *Office of the Treasurer*  
Sarah Dull, *Office Administrator*  
Chris Tegeler, *Building Manager*  
Dunfa Weretti, *Building Assistant*



# Who's Who at St. John's

We have been fortunate, in the past several months, to welcome some wonderful new staff and clergy at St. John the Evangelist. Below are the names, faces, and brief information about your current St. John's clergy and staff. To contact any of them, visit us online at [www.stjohnsstpaul.org](http://www.stjohnsstpaul.org), click on the About tab, and then click on staff.

## Clergy

The **Reverend Jared Weber-Johnson**, as St. John's Rector, is responsible for:

- Leadership – of congregational worship as celebrant and preacher, and of our staff and vestry.
- Pastoral Care – he is called upon to meet with members at moments of pain and joy and deep discernment, and to offer guidance, comfort, and counseling.
- Spiritual Formation – as the spiritual guide for this congregation, Jared ensures that all our programming and worship is working together in concert for the formation of Christian disciples



The **Reverend Kate Bradtmiller**, our Associate Rector, oversees:



- Pastoral care (with Jared and Barbara)
- Community and Spiritual Life groups
- Faith in Action
- New Member ministries

As Deacon, **The Reverend Barbara Mraz**:

- Assists at liturgies and preaches monthly
- Coordinates Faith Formation by helping to plan Sunday Forum programs, scheduling evening classes, retreats, and other events,
- Contributes to our online blog, "Epistles and Epiphanies."



## Staff

**Lizza Berry**, Youth and Children Choirs Director:

- Directs the Children's and Youth Choirs and prepares them for select services and special occasions.
- Provides youth with music, as well as Christian and liturgical education.



**Sarah Dull**, Office Administrator:



- Communications - to, from, and between vestry, parishioners, staff, and outside groups. Including bulletin announcements, newsletters, websites, bulletin boards, and local newspapers.
- Planning - support and serve programmatic needs of the staff and vestry, coordinate the parish calendar, and assist with scheduling needs.
- Clerical - maintain canonical register and membership database, complete parish and diocesan reports, prepare sacramental certificates, manage supplies, equipment and mail, maintain filing system, assist with memorials and stewardship.

Organist and Director of Music, **Jayson Engquist**:

- Coordinates our various music programs with the other music staff.
- Schedules and rehearses the Shepherd Band, the adult choir of St. John the Evangelist, and the annual Evensongs, Lessons, and Carols, and special concerts.
- Works with the Artaria String School and schedules some of their musicians to play at some services.



### **Judy Stack-Nelson:**

- Assists Kate with new member ministry and welcoming, and will take over those duties while Kate is on maternity leave
- Works with the formation committee and various groups to develop ways to nurture spiritual formation in a more unified and purposeful way
- Assists, in concert with Barbara Mraz, with adult and other education opportunities

### **Jean Hansen, Children, Youth, and Family Minister:**

- Oversees faith formation programming for children, youth, and families.
- Ensures safe church standards and provide safe church training as required for all leaders.
- Participates in Diocesan ministries to provide opportunities for our youth to participate in the larger diocesan church.



### **Chris Tegeler, Building Manager, with the help of the night Sextons, Dunfa and Grant:**



- Take care of the building and grounds at St. John's.
- Set-up for meetings and events.

### **Longkee Vang, Assistant Youth Minister:**

- Lead Wednesday night youth gatherings.
- Schedule the acolytes for Sunday.
- Youth Minister at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church.



## **New Member Information**



### **Kolu and Ray**

Kolu and Ray, along with a baby daughter they welcomed this month (Piper Augusta), came to St. John's through a path no one else has taken: a temp agency. Kolu worked for St. John's for five months during 2012—at about the time she started dating Ray. Both Kolu and Ray had grown up in the Episcopal faith tradition, and together they found a church where they could start their marriage and begin a family. Both are enthusiastic about athletics, but Ray has taken it to the next level with his newfound interest in triathlons. Kolu and Ray grew up in Brooklyn Park and Brooklyn Center, both in Liberian families, and also attended college in Minnesota. They are looking forward to meeting more people in the St. John's community and learning more about their faith.

Welcome, Kolu and Ray!

## Vestry Musings *by Don Postema*

Contrary to stereotypical Episcopalian summer practices, your Vestry did **not** take a vacation this summer. Meeting in both August and September, the Vestry actively reviewed recent staffing changes, our financial outlook, and the future of St. John's.

On September 17 we welcomed the Rev. Kate Bradtmiller as Associate Rector and Mr. Jayson Enquist as Director of Music. Duly impressed by their respective credentials, we were encouraged to hear their creative plans for their dynamic ministries at St. John's. With the addition of a new Nursery Coordinator, Ms. Lia Hanson, we are now fully staffed for the first time in almost a year. Our rector, the Rev. Jered Weber-Johnson, was even more ecstatic given that he can now revert to only full-time. We are grateful to all those who stepped in to carry us through the past months, especially to Nancy Wellington who so ably led the Music program in the hiatus.

One of the pluses of not having all budgeted staff positions filled is that we have a surplus as of September 1<sup>st</sup>. Lest the rejoicing begin prematurely, we noted that full staffing will now match budgeted amounts the rest of the year. In addition, relocation expenses, probable repair expenses for the vault and sidewalk on the west side of the church (ask for a tour of the vault if you're interested!), and increased utilities costs will consume part of the current surplus. The good news is that it is likely we will not have to borrow to fund the costs of renovations for the Crocus Hill Preschool project.

The Crocus Hill Preschool is now ensconced in the second floor of our Education wing, occupying the

classrooms and what used to be the sexton's apartment (a relic of an earlier era). They have nearly reached their licensed maximum enrollment (50 children), and are thrilled to be in residence at St. John's. Coordination with the Godly Play program, which uses the classrooms on Sunday, has proceeded relatively smoothly. In one fell swoop, we've reached out into our community by housing the Preschool in space that was unused during the week, secured an additional source of future revenue for the church, and made the acquaintance of many families who would have never entered our doors otherwise.

The future includes our fall Stewardship Campaign, beginning on October 20. Tony Grundhauser (Director of Development at Hamline University when he's not serving on the Vestry at St. John's) is our Stewardship Chair. His expertise coupled with the dedication of the Vestry and Finance Committee should make this a season to rejoice in, and complete by the beginning of Advent. You might begin to reflect on how you can support St. John's with your generous gifts for 2014.

Our Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) co-chairs, Phyllis Goff and Gabrielle Lawrence, joined us at our August meeting to solicit Vestry members' sense of the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats we currently face (some of you have done such a SWOT analysis elsewhere). The SPC will be meeting with the Vestry during our Fall Retreat, November 1 and 2, to refine their report and recommendations for future directions at St. John's.

Staff, finances, and the future. These are your Vestry's responsibilities. Now you know why we did not take a vacation!

### Welcome Sunday

The church was abuzz with activity and life again this year at our annual ingathering Sunday. This year, the day was styled as "Welcome Sunday," an opportunity to welcome back those who had been away for the summer and a chance to invite and welcome in new guests and visitors.

At the ministry fair and potluck in the gymnasium parishioners and visitors mingled and took in the diverse array of ministry opportunities available to families and individuals of all ages and walks of

life. Tours of the newly opened Crocus Hill Preschool were available in the education wing, and egg rolls from our companion parish Holy Apostle's annual egg roll fundraiser were available to be picked up or purchased.

All over the church the sights and sounds (and delicious smells) of a vibrant community reuniting mixed in the air as we were indeed welcomed back to St. John's.





# Faith In Action



## Hearts To Homes

It is Fall and our thoughts turn to school and chili!

### Family Updates

Mentor Phyllis Merrill says her mom is doing well at

work, but still looking for the job to move to permanency. Her son is attending Lutheran Central and received a partial scholarship. He is looking forward to joining a sports team and is settling in very well.

Mentor Paige Hagstrom's family is moving ahead very well. The three daughters are all in school (Westview Summit, Cherokee, and Head Start) and enjoying their starts. The mom was taken on fulltime for a school bus route and the entire family now has health benefits! As you may know, this step is critical for any family trying to move off of assistance programs. We are so happy for them! Dad is still looking for work, but it is good for him to be there when the girls come home from school.

Through the Y, we have been able to help families with items such as uniforms and school supplies. This has taken some of the school start-up strain off of the families financially.

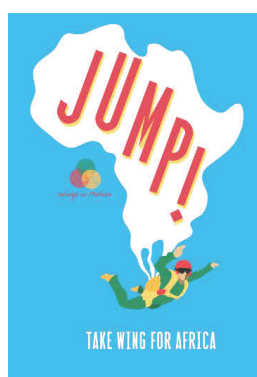
### H2H Second Annual Chili Cook-Off

This year's Chili Cook-off will take place on **Sunday November 10th, right after the 10:00 a.m. service until 1:00 p.m.** We will have two competitions this year, a white chili category and a red category. You can vote for your top three in each group, and then enjoy lunch. Additional sides and beverages will be provided by Hearts to Homes.

As of Welcome Sunday we have five chili makers signed up! If you want to join in the fun, please contact Alice Johnson ([aklightner@aol.com](mailto:aklightner@aol.com)) or Holly Weinkauff ([betterwein@yahoo.com](mailto:betterwein@yahoo.com)) to sign up. Leave your name, email, phone number and if you are working on a red or a white chili recipe.

Again, this year we are asking for an 'admission' fee of household items that current and future fam-

ilies can use: kitchen or bath linens, cleaning products, food storage containers (bags and lidded), paper products, light bulbs (60 or 75 watts), drinking glasses, mixing/serving bowls, etc. We will have a sign up sheet at our table on Welcome Sunday. Please stop by and sign up to show off your best chili!



## **JUMP! for Africa Team Raises More Than \$6,600 for St. John's Clinic Kayoro**

On Saturday, September 14, St. John's JUMPERS!—Gary Hagstrom, John Kinkead, Jennifer Kinkead, Therese Anderson, Mary Klauda, and

Don Husband (who did not jump) jumped out of a plane going 125 miles per hours at 13,000 feet. For their bravery, the team raised more than \$6,600 for St. John's Clinic in Kayoro, Uganda. Many spectators were at the jump site to cheer on our jumpers and celebrate the event. Even people from St John's community who are not directly connected to St. John the Evangelist donated to help the clinic become self sufficient.

Since 2008, St. John The Evangelist has partnered with the nonprofit *Give Us Wings* to build and support St. John's Clinic Kayoro in Kayoro, Uganda. Clinic doors opened January 2012 and life for people around Kayoro will never be the same.

To donate, visit the RAZOO site ([www.razoo.com/team/St-John-S-Jumpers-2013](http://www.razoo.com/team/St-John-S-Jumpers-2013)) and select the jumper you want to sponsor. You can also donate by putting a check (write JUMP in the memo line) in the Sunday collection.



Thank you for supporting this amazing project!

## Fall Huge Sale

Saturday, October 5 - 9:00 am – 1:00 pm - Gym

### Bag Sale Monday

October 6 - 9:00 am – 11:00 am

St. John's holds the **Huge Sale** twice a year, in fall and spring. In the church tradition of rummage sales we sell an assortment of secondhand objects contributed by donors to raise money for our various ministries. The Huge Sale is a significant source of funding for St. John's with great potential.

High quality, desirable goods are essential to the success of the Huge Sale. As you prepare your home for fall, please consider donating to the Huge Sale. Donations can be left at the bottom of the stairs just inside the 60 Kent Street entrance. We are grateful for your contributions, but, please note the Huge Sale *cannot* accept:

- Appliances containing hazardous waste parts: TVs, VCR's, Computers, Stereos, turntables, speakers, phones, answering machines
- Items needing cleaning or repair
- Hazardous waste items
- Children's equipment: car seats, cribs, etc.
- Furniture with cloth and stuffing
- Large appliances
- Mattresses or box springs
- Microwave ovens
- Carpeting
- Curtain rods
- Unsellable items

It can be expensive for us to dispose of items we cannot accept for the sale, so your understanding is greatly appreciated.



## St. Francis Day Celebration

Bring your pets, your dogs, cats, guinea pigs, hamsters, lizards, birds and sea monkeys – appropriately caged, kenneled, leashed, or otherwise contained – to an animal blessing at our observance of the feast of St. Francis.

In honor of St. Francis, who loved all creatures great and small, we will be blessing the animals on

**Wednesday, October 9th at 6:15 pm**

**Southern end of the Parking Lot**

We will also give thanks for the second season of our Holy Apostles and St. John's Farmers Market.

Treats for animals and humans alike will be available after the service

## October Meetings

**Hearts to Homes** - Monday, October 28 at 6:00 pm in the Fireside Room. We would love to have you join us. Contact Colleen Swope (ccswope50@gmail.com) or Patty Byrne Pflaz (pflaz@macalester.edu) for more information.

**Faith in Action** - Tuesday, October 22 at 6:00 pm in the Undercroft. Contact Jennifer Kinkad (khunterlane@aol.com) to learn more.



# Musical Notes



## Welcoming Music for a New Season



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHOIRS (adults, youth, children, Shepherd Band, and Handbells) are looking for new members. If you are interested in joining one or more of the groups, contact

the directors by visiting our website staff listing at: [www.stjohnsstpaul.org](http://www.stjohnsstpaul.org) and clicking on the e-mail link or calling the number.

Our Shepherd Band will play on Sunday morning, October 6, 2013. A 20-minute rehearsal will take place at 9:30 a.m. Anyone of any age who plays an instrument is welcome to attend the rehearsal. We meet in

the Chapel, and music will be provided. If you would like your music ahead of time, please contact Jayson Engquist at [Jayson.Engquist@stjohnsstpaul.org](mailto:Jayson.Engquist@stjohnsstpaul.org) or call: 651-228-1172 [x38]. This is an intergenerational ensemble. Shepherd Band plays on the first Sundays of each month from October through May.

PLAN AHEAD . . . our first EVENSONG (for All Saints') will take place in the Sanctuary on Sunday, November 3, 2013 at 4 p.m. Make plans to attend, and invite a neighbor or friend to this historic and

beautiful service. If you would like to contribute to the special Bean Evensong Fund, please contact Marilyn Conklin (Music Liaison) or John Oldfield (Assistant Treasurer) in the office.

COMPLINE SERVICE continues on October 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This meditative service is the perfect end to a stressful days.. The music is lovely and the darkened church and candlelight add to the ambiance of the space. Incense is also used. The compline service, an evening "office" from the monastic and convent traditions contains many sung portions and is scheduled on most second Thursday evenings from September through the Spring. Watch for details.

LESSONS & CAROLS will take place on December 22, 2013 at 4 p.m. and be followed by a reception.

Blessings!

Jayson

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# Youth Ministry

## Exploring God's "Other" Book

In the middle of Whitefish Lake, our guide, Mary Ellen Ashcroft, stopped us in our canoes and told us to look around. She told us to notice the trees and the water and the untamed land around us. "God left two books for His people to read and explore," she said, "one is the Bible and the other is nature." And with that statement, a group of youth from St. Johns and Holy Apostles began their four-day excursion into the wilderness.

The youth camped in the woods, canoed and portaging, and experienced the all too famous 'throne' on this trip. Without a doubt, the best experience was being able to watch two groups of young people from different backgrounds work together. They each brought their own unique and personal experiences with the outdoors to the table and made it work. It was more than a camping trip in the eyes of the chaperones, it was a cross-cultural meeting. It was a sliver of what God has planned for His people.

Thank you to Mary Ellen Ashcroft, Letha Wilson Barnard, Jered Weber-Johnson, and Jean Hansen for organizing and making this trip possible. Thanks to all the members of St. John and Holy Apostles for supporting the youth through prayers and financial support. It is through this community that so many opportunities have been made possible for all.



## Thanks for Your Role in Our Rolls

Thank you, St. John's parishioners, for supporting the Holy Apostles Youth Group during our egg roll fundraiser. It was a success and sold more than 1,600 egg rolls!

Some people noticed that the egg rolls were not all uniform this year. There is a simple explanation for that: This was the first time the youth had almost complete control over making the egg rolls. In years past, the mothers or women's group would handle the preparation and cooking. This year they decided it was important for the youth to show their commitment to this event by doing the work themselves. In short, if you want it, you gotta earn it!

Again, thank you to all who came out and supported the egg roll fundraiser.

## Building a Dwelling Place for God: Confirmation Date Set

When we are baptized, we are reborn in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. We are stones in the foundation of faith, living members of the church, and part of the body of Christ. On Sunday, October 6, Timothy Krall, Payton Kinkead, Lucy Grundhauser, Michaela Allen, Elliott Allen, Matthew Richards, Caroline Krall and Madeline Weinkauff will begin a program of formation for confirmation. Each will begin by washing a stone, giving his or her baptized name, and placing the stone on a central table lit by a candle. In the next months, confirmands will meet to challenge themselves to know the baptismal vows made on their behalf and confirm that, yes, they do believe and do promise to walk in a life of Christ. They will meet with their mentors and they will explore what it means to be a child of God, a Christian, and an Episcopalian. Let us together make room in our daily prayers for the confirmands that they continue to be strengthened and renewed by the Holy Spirit, and as living stones together, they build a dwelling place for God.



# Godly Play

## Register Your Child for Godly Play Now!

Because we had only two Godly Play storytellers at the beginning of the program year, we decided to postpone the start of Godly Play. Under the revised schedule, **Godly Play officially begins on Sunday, October 13 at 10 am.**

- PreK/K classroom meets in the room next to the nursery.
- Grades 1-6 meet in the second floor classrooms.

**Please note:** For all of the children to be ready to enter, and listen to the sacred story, we must maintain the integrity of the Godly Play circle. This means we need to provide enough time for our children to slow down and prepare their hearts and minds to listen for God. Please bring your child to Godly Play early – **arrival begins at 9:45 am.** The door will shut at 10 am, but children will still be welcomed quietly with the help of the classroom assistant/co-teacher.

## Our Children Need Our Help!

I am actively recruiting volunteers for the Godly Play ministry! In order for this ministry to be successful we still need many volunteers:

- *Storytellers:* 2 hours per week, including preparation and classroom time for telling stories, arts, feast, and prayers.



- *Classroom Assistants:* 1.5 hours per week; greet families, keep attendance, help children to get ready, and support storyteller with classroom management.
- *Greeters:* 30 minutes per week; greet families, find classrooms, and answer questions.
- *Classroom Set-up:* 30-45 minutes per week; arrive by 9am to Godly Play classrooms, turn bookcases, arrange stories, stock art supplies.
- *Classroom break-down:* 30-45 minutes per week; after church – clean up stories and materials and turn bookcases

Training, stories, and supplies are all provided. We would like a commitment for the program year: 26 Sundays, September through May. No classes are held on the First Sunday of each month. There is also an option of co-teaching alternate weeks, so that would require a commitment of only 13 weeks per year. For more information, please contact Jean Hansen, 952 -201-0424.

When you register your child for Godly Play, we will ask you to indicate the Godly Play role for which you would like to volunteer.

## Godly Play Core Training

St. Clement's Episcopal Church

901 Portland Avenue St. Paul, MN 55105

Thursday, October 3rd, 12:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Friday, October 4th, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday, October 5th, 8:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Susan Mallison and The Reverend Suzanne Burke,  
*Godly Play Foundation Trainers.*



# Faith Formation

## For Adults 2013 - 2014

### SUNDAY FORUMS

9:00 am Fireside Room:

#### PASSION, SPIRITUALITY, and RELIGION

*October 6 Passion for a Faith* - Cheryl Hornstein, member of Shir Tikvah, a Reform Jewish synagogue in Minneapolis, speaks and sings about the gifts of her faith.

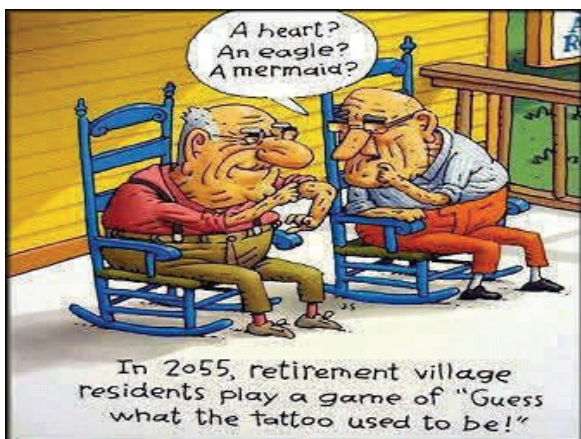
*October 13 Passion for a Spiritual Life* - Ward Bauman, director of the House of Prayer in Collegeville, Minnesota, will discuss the gifts of a spiritual life – and how to get one.

*October 20 The Drawing Room and the Battlefield: Spiritual Reflections from "Downton Abbey"*

*October 27 The Drawing Room and the Battlefield* continues

*November 3, 10, and 17 ANIMATE!*

An open-ended series which asks us to look at faith, the church, the Bible and ourselves in some new ways. The series is anchored in DVD excerpts, graphics and discussion and will be moderated by Judy-Stack Nelson, a new parishioner who has a PhD from Princeton Seminary and has taught at Augsburg College, St. Olaf, and worked as a consultant and trainer for church innovation.



## A Retreat for Those Past 50

### *Finding Meaning in the Second Half of Life*

November 8 and 9, 2013

Friday 7-9 pm; Saturday 9 am to 3 pm

Fireside Room

Retreat Leader Bill Alexander



Currently 71, Bill is the author of several books, a self-described "free-lance storyteller," former paratrooper, trained actor, one-time comedian, and world traveler. He is also an active member of Ascension Episcopal Church, and was ordained as a monk in 1995 by Zen Buddhist teacher Thich Nhat Hanh. He is on the staff at Hazelden.

To register: email [barbara.mraz@ymail.com](mailto:barbara.mraz@ymail.com)  
or call 651 228-1172 x12

### From Barbara...

"It's all about families and kids now. I feel ignored."

I've heard this more than once at St John's, and while we have come a long way in improving programming for children and youth, we are mindful that various age groups can have different needs.

If you are over 50, *please* come to the retreat November 8 and 9. We have an excellent speaker lined up and the focus will be on the joys and challenges of being in our prime. We promise humor, insight, conversation, community, and a renewed awareness of where God may be found in our lives.

"You're not wrong for getting older" ....but don't make this one of the occasions where you say later, "Shoot, I wish I'd gone to that."



# Community Life

## October Meetings

**Prayer Shawl Group** - Wednesday, October 2 at 10:00 am in the Library. For more information, contact Anneke Krall, 651-690-0579.

**October Book Club - Cancelled.** We will review *Plainsong* by Kent Haruf at our next meeting on Saturday, November 2 at 9:30 am in the Fireside Room. For more information contact Mary Ellen Elliott, 651-426-4146. You do not need to have read the book to join the conversation. All are welcome!

**Men's Group** - Tuesday, October 8 at 7:30 pm in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact Josh Colton, 612-275-6004.

**Men's Breakfast** - Saturday, October 12 at 9:00 am in the Gym Kitchen. For more information, contact Jim Johnson, 952-476-4585.

**Down Syndrome Support Group** - Tuesday, October 15 at 6:00 pm in the Undercroft. For more information, contact Lindsay Radford, LRadford@kstp.com.

**Young Women's Group** - Thursday, October 24 at 7:30 pm at Annette Krall's home, 401 Cleveland Avenue South in St. Paul. For more information, contact Erin Weber-Johnson, eweberjohnson@gmail.com.

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## Next Baptism Sunday Is November 3, All Saints Sunday

If you have been waiting for a chance to get yourself or your child baptized, our next baptism Sunday will take place on All Saints Sunday, November 3, 2013. Please contact a member of the clergy if you are interested. They like to meet with families prior to baptism.

All Saints Sunday will be the last opportunity for getting baptized this year. Our first two baptism Sundays in 2014 will take place on January 12 and April 19.

## Some St. John's History Pre-History

Facts gleaned from *The History of the City of St. Paul to 1875* by J. Fletcher Williams, Minnesota Historical Society Press, 1983.

In 1849 James M. Goodhue founded the first newspaper in St. Paul, called *The Minnesota Pioneer*. Goodhue originally intended to name this forerunner of today's *Pioneer-Press*, ***The Epistle of Saint Paul***. He was dissuaded "at the advice of some friends who objected to its irreligious tone."

From the *Pioneer* in 1850:

"Rev. Mr. Breck respectfully invites the attendance of the citizens of Saint Paul at the house of H. A. Lambert, Esq. on Friday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, to take into consideration the erecting of an Episcopal Church in St. Paul."

The result of this conference was that a society was organized and the corner-stone of "Christ church" on Cedar street, laid on September 5<sup>th</sup> following.

(This predates the founding of St. John's by 32 years.)

From the *Democrat*, Sept 30, 1851:

"Never was a city laid out so badly as Saint Paul. The plat looks as if some accident had knocked all of the streets into *pi*. Measures should be taken to straighten them."

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## Safe Church Training

Saturday, October 26 at 9:00 am in the Fireside Room. For more information please contact Dusty Mairs, 612-419-7989.



Turning over a new leaf this fall?  
Make it a page from the Bible.

**Bible Study** - Wednesdays at  
11:00 am in the Library.

# Happy Birthday to...

## October\*

1	Tessa McLaren Johnson	11	Frank Loiseaux-Purcell		Judy Southwick
2	Lucy Brown	12	Madeleine Grills	24	Lisa Henry
	Caroline Lightner		Jack McDaniel	25	Douglas Lassey
3	Talulah Clamons	13	Cydney Hagstrom		Jessica Berry
	Megan Edgerton		Linda Stack-Nelson		Kirsten Loiseaux-Purcell
	Kerry Hennessey	14	Sarah Gemlo		Thomas Rinkoff
6	Todd Spainhower		Grace Brown	27	Jim Langler
	Rex. E. Haberman		Terri Fishel		Michaela Allen
7	Catherine Olsen	15	Beverly Finley		Andrew Schmitt
	Roxy Markie	16	Jeremy Dorrell		Bradner Smith
	Skyler Rosendale		Grayson Clary		Sarah Thompson
	Isabella Avery	17	Peter Sullivan	28	Aidan Schmidt
8	Nancy Langler		Christina Avery	29	Katherine Thomas
	Cali Ann Kraemer		Nicole Cross		Laura Nicholson
	Erin Sunder	19	David Aylesworth	31	Ian Cudworth
9	Jay Clark	20	Ria Newell		Ginny B. Parrish
10	Liz Collins	21	Cooper Olson		Louis Suarez
	Andrew Aldridge		Kasey Keeler		
	Julia Debertin	23	Brittany Olson		
	J. Bradner Smith		Junie Davis		
			Charles Sand		

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

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

### October 6 - The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

#### Main Altar

Art MacDonald

#### Small Altar

Herbert, Gladys, Cecil Griffith

### October 13 - The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

#### Main Altar

Debbie Pilacinski, Tom Woelfel,  
Bert Smith

#### Small Altar

Ann Bruce Ashmun

### October 20 - The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

#### Main Altar

Mary Ann Horn,  
Mr. & Mrs. H.E. Horn

#### Small Altar

Margaret M. & William H. Plummer

### October 27 - The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

#### Main Altar

Bob Martin

#### Small Altar

Melissa Leigh Mosvick



## 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. 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 OCTOBER SERVICE SCHEDULE 2013

TIME	READERS*	ALTAR GUILD TEAMS	USHERS	GREETERS	COFFEE HOUR
October 6, 2013 - The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost First Sunday Holy Eucharist Rite II					
8:00 am	David Aylesworth	Pam Strom's Team			
10:00 am	A - Mark McInroy B - Cammie Beattie				
October 13, 2013 - The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist Rite I					
8:00 am	Joan McCanna	Pat Brynteson's Team			Carole Selin
10:00 am	A - Judy Southwick B - Jill Thompson				
October 20, 2013 - The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist Rite II					
8:00 am	Craig Lindeke	Diane Power's Team			Barb Lindeke
10:00 am	A - Joan Potter B - Alden Drew				
October 27, 2013 - The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost Morning Prayer Holy Eucharist Rite I					
8:00 am	Brad McCanna	Dusty Mairs' Team			Terri Fishel
10:00 am	A - John Docherty B - Rick Rinkoff				

### October Acolyte Schedule

<b>October 6</b>	<b>October 13</b>	<b>October 20</b>	<b>October 27</b>
Matt Richards	Johanna Frisby	Madeline Weinkauff	Tim Krall
Eli Weinkauff	Emily Brooks	Rachel Clark	Caroline Krall
Mason Kinkad	Maura Lynch	Will Rinkoff	Linnea Krall
Ailsa Schmidt	Logan Finkel	Matt Brooks	Samantha Rosendale
			Helen Baxter

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## Become a Member of St. John the Evangelist

It is easy to become a member of St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church. If you are already an Episcopalian, you can simply request to have your membership records transferred from your previous parish. Other potential members can be formally received or confirmed into the Episcopal Church.

Membership classes, held just a few times each year, give new members a chance to meet the clergy and parish leaders as well as other new members. During the four-week series, prospective members will explore spiritual and faith backgrounds and traditions, and learn more about the tenets of the Episcopal Church.

Want to become a member? Sign up for the **October membership classes**. The three classes, on October 6, 13, and 20, will be held in the Meditation Room during the Sunday Education Hour (9:00 to 9:45 am). On the fourth Sunday, October 27, new members will be officially welcomed during the 8:00 and 10:00 am services. Learn more from Judy Stack-Nelson (call 651-225-1628, or write to [judy.stacknelson@stjohnsstpaul.org](mailto:judy.stacknelson@stjohnsstpaul.org)).

