



The Eagle

April 2013

10 Rules for Respect **By Bradley Pace**

The following are “10 Rules for Respect” recommended by a colleague of mine named Heidi Haverkamp. They find their expression in various places in Scripture such as Paul’s 1st letter to the Corinthians (6:1-11) or Matthew’s Gospel (18:15-20). This particular list comes from another pastor named Charles Christian. If followed, these rules can help us maintain a healthy relationship. It can help us maintain a healthy respect for one another in our roles and as Christian sisters and brothers.

I will try to follow these rules in my interaction and communication with each of you. I ask that you also follow them with each other and with me.

1. If you have a problem with me, come to me (privately).
2. If I have a problem with you, I will come to you (privately).
3. If someone has a problem with me and comes to you, send them to me. I promise to the same for you.
4. If someone consistently will not come to me, say, “Let’s go to Bradley together. I am sure he will see us about this.” I promise to do the same for you.
5. Be careful how you interpret me. On matters that are unclear, do not feel pressured to interpret my feelings or thoughts. It is easy for us to misrepresent one another. Please, give me the benefit of the doubt and/or ask me about it.
6. I will be careful how I interpret you, give you the benefit of the doubt, and/or ask you about it.
7. If it’s confidential, don’t tell. If you or anyone comes to me in confidence, I won’t tell unless a) the person is going to harm himself/herself, b) the person is going to physically harm someone else, c) a child has been physically or sexually abused. I will expect the same from you.
8. I will not read or respond to unsigned letters or notes.
9. I do not manipulate. I will not be manipulated. Do not let others manipulate you. Do not let others manipulate me through you.
10. When in doubt, just say it. The only dumb questions are those that don’t get asked. If you have a concern, pray about it, and then (if led) speak up. If I can answer your question without misrepresenting something, someone, or breaking confidence, I will.*

As always, please don’t hesitate to come to me with any concerns. I cannot promise that I will always agree with you or give your concern the attention you desire. But I will always listen to your concerns, and I will greatly appreciate your honesty.

*Adapted from Heidi Haverkamp. “10 Rules for Respect”. The Episcopal Church of St. Benedict. Accessed 14 March 2013. <<http://www.stbenedict.ws/10-rules-for-respect/>>

The Rector's Thoughts

By Bradley Pace

Sisters and brothers, I have good news for you. Christ is risen! The Lord is risen, indeed! By the time you are reading this, we will have celebrated Holy Week, the Great Vigil of Easter, and Easter Sunday. The Easter egg hunts will be over, and, even though there is still candy to be found, the parents will have already pilfered the good stuff. At least that's what happens at my house. Cadbury eggs are too good to be wasted on children.

But Easter is a season and not just a day. Christ was raised, and Christ is risen. We remember the event some 2000 years ago, but we also live into the experience of Christ's resurrection. We remember what it meant for those closest to Jesus when they saw the empty tomb, but we also live into the possibilities that empty tomb offers to us.

Since that experience is open to us, since those possibilities are open to us, we ought to take this Easter season as an opportunity to share that good news with those around us. It is not difficult to see that the world is hurting. It is not difficult to see that our friends and neighbors are hurting. And yet the good news of Easter is that resurrection is possible. The good news of Easter is that new life is possible. The good news of Easter is that the powers of death and Hell are defeated. This is good news for all of humanity. "But how," St. Paul asks, "are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him?" (Romans 10:14f.).

In a world so desperately in need of good news, we are called to proclaim the good news of the resurrection. In a world so desperately in need of good news, we are called to witness to the empty tomb. In a world so desperately in need of good news, we are called to show others the new life that is possible.

May the good news of Easter shine in your lives. May you proclaim that good news not only with your lips, but also in your lives.

Celebrate National Poetry Month **By Amy Paget**

Join fellow St. John's parishioners when they explore poetry to celebrate National Poetry Month on Wednesday evening, April 24 at 6:30 pm in the Commons. Inaugurated by the Academy of American Poets in 1996, (www.poets.org), National Poetry Month is now held every April as publishers, booksellers, literary organizations, libraries schools and poets around the country band together to celebrate poetry and its vital place in American Culture.

This year we are suggesting that attendees 'bring a poem new to you'. How might you do that? "Let me count the ways!" (Sonnet 43, Elizabeth Barrett Browning).

1. Visit your local library or a bookstore and select a book of poems that you like.
2. Ask a friend or family member for their favorite poet. Go to #1.
3. Grab a poem from the St. John's Poetry bag which will be on the Commons credenza from April 1 onwards.
4. Browse online (see suggestions below)

The Poetry Foundation (www.poetryfoundation.org) has a very robust website where you can read, view and listen to poetry.

The Academy of American Poets (www.poets.org/). Explore their site and/or sign up for Poem-a-day and then bring your favorite!

Go to Episcopal Café (www.episcopalcafe.org) select Poetry from the left hand subject list. Read and bring your favorite.

Search Episcopalian poetry and see what you find!

I'll leave more suggestions right near The Poetry Bag. Do come join us!



St. John's own David Moore was clothed in the full habit of an Episcopal Benedictine monk on March 12th at St. Gregory's Abbey in Three Rivers, Michigan. He has taken the new name of Brother Mark. He is pictured here after the ceremony with his parents, John and Roz Moore. Please keep Brother Mark, his family, and the abbey in your prayers

The continuing existence of Saint Gregory's Abbey is made possible by the support of those who believe that the contemplative vocation within the Episcopal Church finds valid expression there. Donations can be made at saintgregorysthreerivers.org.



Spring Work Day **By Tony Bailey**

Help maintain our Church home! The Spring Work Day will be held on Saturday, April 27 starting at 9:00 a.m. and ending at noon. We will be doing fix its, gardening, cleaning and other maintenance projects - ALL skill levels are welcome. The mulch will also be delivered for the Gardens. You don't need to stay the whole time - stop in as your schedule allows. Watch future Bulletins and for a sign-up sheet in the Commons for more details. We'll have donuts, drinks and probably lunch. Please contact Tony Bailey (463-7263 or tktbaily@earthlink.net) if you want to volunteer and / or know of projects that need attention. Hope to see you there!

Episcopal Women's Ministries By Charlene Watson

Have you registered for the Spring Luncheon at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Indianapolis taking place on 13 April 2013? I hope to see you there. This Luncheon is one of the two major events EWM hosts for the women in the Diocese of Indianapolis. The other event is the Fall Retreat at Waycross, and it will be held the weekend of 27 September 2013. Please set aside this weekend for a time of spiritual growth, relaxation, and meeting new and "old" friends.

Amy Paget from our St. John's has joined with Janet Higbie to work on the EWM Facebook, Twitter and website accounts. Please see Amy for contact information. Welcome, Amy, and thanks for your contributions.

Look for the poster in the Commons displaying the several entities under the EWM umbrella for the Diocese of Indianapolis. At the diocesan level (EWM Council) Lisa Matucheski and Charlene Watson serve as co-chairs for EWM; Janet Higbie is the liaison for United Thank Offering; Sonja Hurley is the liaison for Daughters of the King (DOK); Pam Saenz is the liaison for Episcopal Church Women (ECW), Carolyn Tungate is the liaison for National Episcopal Health Ministries (NEHM), and Bev Ruebeck is the liaison for The Episcopal Community (TEC).

Two women serve as connecting persons between St. John's and EWM. These ladies are Mary Lou Davis with UTO and Pequita Behrndt with NEHM. Are there other women at St. John's who would like to serve in some capacity with EWM? Please contact Charlene Watson (474-9101 or cel.watson@comcast.net) if you are interested and/or have questions. You may find a particular interest/concern after viewing the EWM poster.

Some upcoming events: Several women on the EWM Council will be attending the Province V ECW Annual Gathering April 5-7, 2013, in St. Louis, Missouri. The Spring issue of The Communicator from EWM will be coming out soon. Please contact Charlene by email (address above) to be placed on the EWM database – a wonderful way to keep abreast of EWM news. And, don't forget the Fall Retreat this September.

Next Eagle Deadline

The deadline for submissions for the May *Eagle* will be Monday, April 15. Email to eagle@stjohns-laf.org or place items in *The Eagle* mailbox on the porch.

LUM Fundraiser By Kaye Kleine-Ahlbrandt

The Lafayette Urban Ministry is inviting you to the Second Annual Good Samaritan Fund Follies on Friday, April 12, at St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 4703 North 50th west. This lighthearted evening of food, fun and fellowship will benefit the children and families served each day at LUM through the Good Samaritan Fund. Reservations are \$41, \$21 of which is tax deductible as a charitable contribution. The silent auction and reception start at 5:30, dinner is at 6:30, and the Fun Follies start at 7:30. Invitations and additional information may be found on the credenza in the Common Room, or at LUM's website, www.lafayetteurbanministry.org. In order to be seated at the table reserved for St. John's, please write this on your application, or speak with Kaye Kleine-Ahlbrandt.

**United Thank Offering
By Mary Lou Davis**

Do you often feel challenged? The large and small decisions and choices to be made in every day life can be hard and easy, life enhancing or threatening. Yet we can give thanks for the opportunity to make choices to enrich our lives. The thorns of life as well as the roses are part and parcel of living in this challenging world.

Are you aware of the many opportunities to help people and projects through our United Thank Offering gifts and prayers?

In 2012 there were 51 grants awarded to expand projects, renew help to 37 states, provinces and many countries all within our Episcopal Church world-wide.

On the credenza by the kitchen you can find a fascinating presentation of all the 2012 grants given by the UTO listed on a poster board.

There will be a May 5 Ingathering of gifts from our St. John's congregation to support new grants to be chosen in 2013. November 10 will be the date of our Fall Ingathering at St. John's, Lafayette.

**January Financial Report
By George Moore**

**OPERATING BUDGET INCOME AND EXPENSES^a
MONTH ENDING January 31 2013**

A. Income	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Total 2013</u>	<u>% of</u>
<u>Budget</u>			
1. Pledge Income	\$ 26,885.00	\$ 26,885.00	8.86%
2. Operating Income	\$ 1,721.00	\$ 1,721.00	4.57%
3. Non-Operating Income	\$ 916.67	\$ 916.67	3.06%
4. Transfer Income	\$ 0.00	\$	%
TOTAL INCOME^b	\$ 29,522.67	\$ 29,522.67	6.98%
B. EXPENSES			
1. Outreach	\$ 4,694.50	\$ 4,694.50	5.81%
2. Program	\$ 319.10	\$ 319.10	1.42%
3. Administration	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	0.00%
4. Personnel	\$ 18,078.59	\$ 18,078.59	8.12%
5. Office	\$ 864.32	\$ 864.32	3.50%
6. Property	\$ 4,240.39	\$ 4,240.39	6.10%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 28,196.90	\$ 28,196.90	6.67%
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 1,325.77	\$ 1,325.77	

Notes:

(a) This is a summary report of the operating income and expenses for the indicated reporting period. Detailed descriptions of these items are available for review from members of the Finance Committee.

(b) This operating summary does not include \$ 10.00 received for our Extraordinary Stewardship Effort.

Free LUM Income Tax Preparation until April 13

This tax season LUM tax volunteers will have completed 1,700 joint and individual tax returns returning more than \$3 million dollars to families and individuals in our community. If your household income is less than \$50,000 and you are a resident of Tippecanoe County LUM can prepare your return for free at our 420 N. 4th St. office. Call 423-2691 for an appointment.

If your household income is \$57,000 or less, you may do your federal and state returns for free by logging onto LUM's website www.LafayetteUrbanMinistry.org. Click the "My Free Tax Return" button.



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We celebrate the life of

Milo Smith

who died February 24, 2013

Father of Mike Smith



