



The Eagle

August 2013

The People of
St. John's Episcopal Church
Lafayette, Indiana

invite your prayers and presence for
a Celebration of Ministry and institution of our new
Rector

The Rev. Dr. Bradley Pace

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The Rt. Rev. Catherine Waynick

Bishop of Indianapolis, Presiding

The Rev. Heidi Haverkamp

Vicar of the Episcopal Church of St. Benedict
Bolingbrook, Illinois, Preaching

Sunday, September 8, 2013

5:00 PM

St. John's Episcopal Church
reception following liturgy

From the Rector By Bradley Pace

I am sure many of you know of St. John's mission statement. If not, you can always find it on our website in the "More About Us" menu. The mission statement says:

St. John's Episcopal Church is a worshipping body called by Christ to grow spiritually and to nurture that growth in others, to strive for justice and peace among all people and to respect the dignity of every human being, to share our lives and reach out to our community, and to make known Christ's love through word and deed.

It is, to my mind, an exceptionally good statement of what we're about based as it is on the Baptismal Covenant—the promises each person makes at her baptism or the promises made on her behalf by her parents. However, the mission statement is a bit unruly for everyday use. As I was working on a couple of things recently, I wanted a way to sum up the mission statement in a nugget—a talking point or catch phrase, if you will. So, I played around with the vowels in the mission statement (and one of the gerunds, if we're being technical). "Worship | strive | make Christ known" rolled off the tongue better than any of the other options. I also think it allows us to explain what we're about very easily.

Worship: we worship God. We make beautiful music. We celebrate and pray and give thanks. We break bread together. We baptize and marry and remember our loved ones all in the name of Christ.

Share: we share the love of God by welcoming all people. We share the bread and wine made holy at the Christ's table, at the altar of the Lord. We share food with those in need through the food pantry. We share the faith of our forebears with the next generation. We share the faith by striving for justice, by respecting the dignity of all people, and by reaching out to our community.

Make Christ known: and in all of this, we strive to serve God and to make Christ known to all people in our words and in our actions.

Worship | Share | Make Christ Known

When I was in seminary, our theology professor asked us for an elevator speech. "You've got three floors," she said, "to explain your faith to someone." You will likely see this new slogan—"Worship | Share | Make Christ Known"—in the bulletin, on the letterhead, on the website, that sort of thing. I hope it will roll off of your tongue when you talk about St. John's. What kind of church is St. John's? What's an Episcopalian? "We're a people who **worship** God, **share** God's love, and strive to **make Christ known**." I think that about sums it up.

Reminder

The Summer Worship Schedule began on Sunday, May 26 and continues through Sunday, September 8 with one service at 9:00 am each Sunday. We will return to two services on Sunday, September 15. The parish offices will also close at noon on Fridays through August 30.

Sabbatical Musings By Hilary Cooke

I write this article from our back porch here in beautiful West Lafayette, Indiana. There's a gentle breeze blowing, bright sun shining, and high humidity. Greg is busy working in the yard and the boys are playing with their trains; everything feels comfortable and "right." We are definitely "back home, again, in Indiana."

And yet. And yet, part of my heart is still very much in France. I miss the pastries. I miss the bread. I miss the CHEESE! Most of all, I miss our friends and French "family."

There are no words in the English language (nor French, as far as I know) that can adequately express my thanks to the wonderful community of St. John's for the wonderful gift of sabbatical. It truly was a time of rest, renewal, and refreshment. I know many of you kept up with our activities through my blog (meditatingpriest.wordpress.com), but to update those of you who didn't have opportunity to go on-line, allow me to share some highlights.

I am most grateful for the time we had to spend together as a family. After four years of commuting to Indianapolis for my Doctoral program, it was a blessing to eat dinner together as a family every night (not that we always made especially exciting food, but just having the space to enjoy [or not] our time in each other's company was a gift to me). It was a special opportunity to explore a foreign culture with the boys and help them begin to understand that the world is a bigger place than they had imagined. The boys gave me the gift of seeing France through the eyes of children—with renewed interest and excitement.

Another blessing was spending Holy Week in Taizé. It has been about twenty years since I first learned of the Taizé community and dreamed of going there. I'm very glad I made the effort because it was not just a time of rest, but also a time of spiritual renewal. I did miss my family during that week, but God spoke to me while I was there in ways I had never imagined... in ways that likely would not have been possible if I had been there with the kids. So, I look forward to returning some day in the future with the rest of the family but continue to give thanks for my time there during such a sacred week.

Another spot I have long wanted to visit is the Cathedral in Chartres (home to the Labyrinth). Chartres is something akin to a Mecca for me with my meditation practice. Long before I was able to sit in silence and say my mantra, I was walking Labyrinths and connecting with God through the movement of my body. I enjoyed imagining all the pilgrims who have gone before me and found pleasure in watching the boys make the connection between the labyrinth on the floor of that nave, with the labyrinth at St. John's and the one at our house in Indiana.

We very much enjoyed our time in France. Yes, we would love to go back in the future. And, we are very glad to be back home, again, in Indiana. I am especially glad to be back at St. John's—this wonderful spiritual home that I treasure so much. You have given me a wonderful gift—thank you!

New Representative to LUM Board Announced By Barbara Powell

Nolie Parnell will serve as St. John's representative to the Lafayette Urban Ministry board of directors beginning with the organization's September meeting. She replaces Kaye Kleine-Ahlbrandt who has served in this capacity for 13 years. Both Nolie and Kaye were present at the May Vestry meeting when this change was approved and a three-year time period for the position was established.

Nolie has served on the vestry of St. John's and was People's Warden. She and her husband, Dan Hogan, co-coordinate St. John's involvement in the Community Lunch Ministry at Trinity Methodist Church. She said that she and her family hold the work of LUM in high regard and she is pleased to be able to serve the parish in this capacity.

Kaye has been a faithful representative to the LUM board. She said that she has enjoyed serving as St. John's liaison to LUM and, after 13 years, is happy to welcome Nolie to the position.

Fr. Bradley Pace thanked Kaye for her longtime commitment to the LUM Board and welcomed Nolie to the position. "St. John's is grateful for Kaye's loyal service as our representative to the LUM Board of Directors. Nolie's strong belief in LUM's mission will further enhance St. John's meaningful relationship with this important community organization," he said.

News from Episcopal Women's Ministries By Charlene Watson

Women who are in the 2012 Church Directory are now listed in the EWM database in the Diocese of Indianapolis. This will help get information out to you as to the happenings of women in our diocese. It is hoped to eventually be updated with the 2013 Directory. These past few weeks you have received a "Save the Date" flyer regarding the Fall Retreat at Waycross and the EWM 2013 Summer Newsletter from EWM. I maintain the database from my computer so please direct questions to me. You can get the previous newsletters on the website www.ecw.indydio.org or www.ewm.indydio.org. There are copies of "Save the Date" flyers and EWM 2013 Summer Newsletter on the credenza with EWM information. These copies are for the ladies who do not have access to a computer. If you did not receive your Summer Newsletter in your email, please let me know. Thank you. Charlene Watson (765-474-9101 and/or cel.watson@comcast.net)

Exciting news from Amy Paget:

Women, we are UP on the web as of Monday July 15. Please visit our new website...and let your friends know about it too! We would love to have many women writing for us and posting news of events. If you have something to share, email Amy Paget at pagets@gmail.com.

Here's the new Episcopal Womens' Ministries of the Diocese of Indianapolis website link: www.ewm.indydio.org/

August Book Discussion By Mary Campbell

We start off our 2013-1014 season with our annual mystery/detective selection. Of course, all of our selections are terrific, but this has got to be one of the best!

We are featuring the works of Louise Penny, a contemporary Canadian writer. Born and educated in Ontario, she now resides south of Montreal. Her books include both English-speaking and French-speaking characters, with glimpses into the ways these two groups work well together (and sometimes not). We will focus on *Still Life*, the first of the series, published in 2005.

All of Penny's eight novels feature Armand Gamache, Chief Inspector of the homicide division of the Sûreté du Québec, Inspector Jean-Guy Beauvoir, and various inhabitants of the village of Three Pines. A great deal of the charm and power of this series resides in the way Penny draws her characters and their relationships. I have been stunned, in re-reading *Still Life*, by her portrayal of their strengths and weaknesses and how these play out both in this first novel and in all of the following seven. She also manages to deal with significant issues in all our lives – change, forgiveness, love, anger – you name it – in ways that enhance the flow of the plot and keep us riveted until we find out "whodunit."

I strongly encourage you to start with *Still Life*, as you will have an introduction to Three Pines and its inhabitants. Reading her subsequent novels is greatly facilitated by this backstory.

We will meet on Wednesday, August 28, at 6:30 pm in the Commons. Enter through the garden gate, and join in! Questions? Call Mary Campbell at 426-5541.

Tippecanoe Taize Services for Fall 2013

By Marilyn Howland Ross

The Taizé community is an ecumenical monastic order with a strong devotion to peace and justice through prayer and meditation. The 100-strong community of Roman Catholic and Protestant monks is drawn from 30 countries across the world. It was founded in 1940 by Roger Louis Schutz-Marsauche (known as 'Brother Roger').

Today Taizé is one of the world's most important sites of Christian pilgrimage. Each year tens of thousands of young pilgrims flock to the small village of Taizé in central France to share in the community's way of life. You can find out more about this community/movement by visiting the Taize website, www.taize.fr.

Prayer and silence are at the heart of the Taizé experience. Young people from every corner of the globe are encouraged to live out the Christian gospel in a spirit of joy, simplicity and reconciliation.

An informal organization called Tippecanoe Taize has been holding monthly Taize services at various churches throughout Tippecanoe County. Here are the times and locations for the balance of 2013:

Tuesday September 17, 7:00 pm at St. John's Episcopal Church, that's us!

Tuesday October 22, 7:00 pm at Our Savior Lutheran Church

Tuesday November 19, 7:00 pm at Trinity and Congress St. United Methodist Church

Hilary Cooke, Heidi Kauffman and I are planning this simple service in September and are seeking 1-2 more volunteers to work with us. Our current need is for musicians and those who enjoy choral singing. If you are curious and/or if you have enjoyed the Taize services, please join us so we can continue this interchurch initiative at St. John's. Contact Marylin Howland Ross at marylin_howland_435@comcast.net

United Thank Offering

By Mary Lou Davis

Fall is soon upon us with new challenges and choices! It's an exciting time of year, that's for sure. But the glory, rest and pleasure of summer is yet with us a little while. Enjoy it.

Daily we all have much to give thanks to God for- his care, love, beauty of the season, the harvest of fruits and vegetables, trips for some of us, family gatherings and reunions. This list is almost endless.

There is much trouble in this country and others around the world, but we have so much for which to be grateful! May we share our resources of time, energy, money and talent as needed in our communities.

Drop some coins of thanks in your family UTO box. Need a box? They are near the kitchen on the credenza. Encourage your children and grandchildren to contribute coins of gratitude to help others around the world in supporting UTO grants.

Christian Education Meetings

Adult Education/Formation Brainstorming

An organizing and brainstorming meeting for those interested in St. John's Adult Education/Formation opportunities will be held on **Wednesday, August 14 from 6-8 pm** at St. John's. If you have suggestions for education programs or events, please attend this meeting. For more information, please contact Bradley Pace at bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org or 742-4079.

Godly Play Organizing Meeting

An organizing meeting for those interested in serving in the Godly Play classrooms at St. John's will be held on **Tuesday, August 20 from 6-8 pm** at St. John's. Parents are also invited to attend. **Childcare will be available.** For more information, please contact Hilary Cooke at hilary@stjohns-laf.org or 742-4079.

Book Discussion- Great News!

We've just learned that Von's Books in West Lafayette offers a 20% discount on new books purchased for book clubs! The manager has been given our Fall list, and he said he would make sure he has a few extra copies on hand.

Next Eagle Deadline

The deadline for submissions for the September *Eagle* will be Monday, August 19. Email to eagle@stjohns-laf.org or place items in *The Eagle* mailbox on the porch.

**Strawberry Shortcake Success
by Michael Bennett**

I wish to thank everyone in the parish who donated their time towards the strawberry shortcake booth at this year's 'Round the Fountain Art Fair. More than 50 people volunteered setting up, serving, and tearing down the booth, mixing and baking 800 shortcakes, and cutting 300lbs of strawberries. This is my ninth year managing the booth and it was one of the most successful (3rd highest profit in that time). Despite the cooler than average temperature, the booth netted \$2,325.94. Since the parish budgeted a profit of \$2,000 for 2013, this is a great success. Thank you!

Birth

Anthony James Hershberger

July 10, 2013

Son of Erin Hershberger

Great Grandson of Byron and Elaine Parvis

Wedding

Leah Moss and Zachary Brooks will be married August 3 at Church of the Redeemer in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts. Leah and Zach met at St. John's and were active in many St. John's ministries.


**April Financial Report
By George Moore**

**OPERATING BUDGET INCOME AND EXPENSES^a
MONTH ENDING April 30 2013**

A. Income	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Total 2013</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
1. Pledge Income	\$ 23,370.00	\$ 93,168.50	30.71%
2. Operating Income	\$ 6,062.41	\$ 15,650.98	41.56%
3. Non-Operating Income	\$ 916.67	\$ 3,666.68	12.22%
4. Transfer Income	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	38.46%
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 50,349.08	\$ 132,486.16	31.32%
B. EXPENSES			
1. Outreach	\$ 4,683.50	\$ 19,283.91	23.87%
2. Program	\$ 1,136.41	\$ 9,268.06	41.14%
3. Administration	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	0.00%
4. Personnel	\$ 31,232.52 ^b	\$ 79,364.31	35.63%
5. Office	\$ 837.36	\$ 5,080.95	20.60%
6. Property	\$ 6,724.83	\$ 30,470.69	43.83%
7. Miscellaneous (Non-Budget)	\$ 0.00	\$ 374.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 44,614.62	\$ 143,841.92	34.00%
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 5,734.46	\$ -11,355.76	

Notes:

- (a) This is a summary report of the operating income and expenses for the indicated reporting period. Detailed description of these items are available for review from members of the Finance Committee.
- (b) Personnel Expenses include Rector's relocation expenses of \$10,000.00.



We Know You're Out There

By Michael Bennett

We hear you, we see you, and we want you! This year's longer summer service schedule provides an opportunity for anyone who is interested in joining the St. John's Choir. "How so," you may be asking? Even though the two-service worship schedule doesn't resume until September 15, the choir is returning on August 18. For four Sundays the choir will gather in the rehearsal room at 8:15am for warm up and preparation. We may or may not sing an anthem. If you'd like to come and see what it's like singing with a structured group, then please do so – just show up! What's to lose? It's only 45 minutes extra out of your day and will prove to be something worthwhile. We promise to make you feel at home



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 Alissa Goudswaard, Bill McInerney,
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We Celebrate the lives of

Ann Elaine Shook
 died June 14, 2013
 Wife of Wes Shook

Marcia Jean Jones
 died July 6, 2013

Nell Guinnup
 died July 15, 2013



