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St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Cary is home to an active, caring, and diverse congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina. Through corporate worship, spiritual development, fellowship, and service we continue to grow together in faith. We strive to be Christ's welcoming, reconciling and transforming presence in the world through our many and varied ministries.

Sunday

7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and
11:15 a.m.

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Letter From The Rev. George Adamik

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17,
2007 IS THE NEXT
NEWLETTER DEADLINE.**

Dear Friends,

Well, I'm back. My four month sabbatical was truly a gift. In my 28 years of ordained ministry, I've never taken a sabbatical, so this was a new experience for me. It came at a wonderful time in my life. My oldest daughter Elizabeth graduated from high school in June and began college in August. As my youngest daughter Rebecca, as well as Mary and I, adjusted to this change in our lives, it was wonderful to be in sabbatical mode.

During this time I was able to reflect, read and listen to the wisdom of some teachers I admire. Some of these teachers had an influence on my early spiritual development and it was great to revisit them, while others were new to me. I return to St. Paul's renewed, reinvigorated and refreshed. I realize that my greatest passion in ministry is preaching and teaching. So it is probably in those areas that any insights I received during my sabbatical will be most evident.

I want to thank St. Paul's Senior Warden, Dan Loughlin, and Junior Warden, Paul Gregg as well as the entire vestry for their leadership during my time away. I also want to thank the clergy and staff for their leadership during the last four months. Because of wonderful people like them I was able to withdraw with confidence that the vastness of ministry at St. Paul's would continue to flourish.

As Bishop Gregg recently shared with the vestry during his visit to St. Paul's, it is vital for clergy sabbaticals to occur every 5 years. He said that on average, clergy leave their parish after about 7 years to accept a new calling to another parish, when what is really needed is some time away on sabbatical in order to be renewed. I certainly agree and am committed to not waiting another 8 years to take my next sabbatical.

It is difficult to summarize my sabbatical and what I learned. But let me share one experience with you that was unexpectedly extremely spiritual for me. While visiting my parents, who live Westchester County, a suburb of New York City, my family and I took a tour of Yankee Stadium. In all my years of growing up in New York and attending Yankee games I never took a tour of the stadium. You may not know, but Yankee Stadium, the house that Ruth built, is going to be torn down sometime in 2009. The new stadium is being built right next door to the old one. After our tour, which included an opportunity to visit the monuments to the great Yankees, walk on the field, as well as sit in the dugout and visit the locker room, we walked over to see the early construction of the new Yankee Stadium and take some pictures. Standing with Yankee Stadium to my right, and the early stages of the new Yankee Stadium to my left, I almost had tears in my eyes. It may be difficult to imagine that George Steinbrenner gave me a spiritual insight, but he did.

It struck me very deeply at the core of my being, how difficult we find change. Transformation is so tough for us. Yet it is transformation that is the gospel message and how we resist it both on a personal, as well as institutional level. Over the weeks and months ahead that will be a theme weaving through much of my preaching and teaching.

Let's continue to walk this wonderful journey together. (And pray that I may find it in my heart to forgive George Steinbrenner for tearing down Yankee Stadium.)

George

YEAR-ROUND STEWARDSHIP



Year-Round
Stewardship

Background:

In February of this year, St. Paul's was invited to participate in a stewardship conference jointly sponsored by local Lutheran and Episcopal churches. The conference focused on the "best practices" of year-round stewardship and was attended by a small group of parishioners, vestry and clergy from St. Paul's and other local Episcopal and Lutheran churches. The conference met in February, April, and May and will meet again for a final wrap-up in October. After attending these first sessions, the attendees discussed what recommendations St. Paul's would want to incorporate. Two major recommendations seemed to keep coming up. As these recommendations were weighed and evaluated, the clergy, vestry, and the finance committee were consulted. George was involved with discussions before sabbatical. It became evident that it made sense to move forward with the recommendations.

- **Move the stewardship pledge campaign to the spring.**
- **Use the "gold star" one-on-one visit approach every few years.**

Why:

First, *why move stewardship to the spring?* We were given several reasons but one major reason is that fall is a very busy time. School begins, church school begins, fall sports are in full swing and everyone is thinking about the holiday season that is quickly approaching. One purpose in moving the campaign to spring is to divorce the pledge campaign from the budget process. *Why is that important?* It is important because we tend to focus so much on the budget that we lose sight of what stewardship is really about. ***But***

how can we do this? How can we budget without knowing exactly how much money we will have?

Well, we are told by the stewardship "expert" that it has been done by many churches and done successfully. Only 10-20% of the churches in America use annual pledges. Most churches operate completely off of variable plate offerings. ***So that must be small churches, right?*** No, not really. If you ever drive down Walnut Street to Tryon Rd., you may notice a very large campus. It is Colonial Baptist Church. They operate based on plate offerings with around a \$3.4 million budget.

Second, *why use the one-on-one visit approach?* The one-on-one visit approach while it is a very intensive effort yields so many benefits. It is called the "gold

star" approach because it is the most successful. We are a church community which is growing rapidly. The one-on-one visit approach, allows us to "connect" as a church community. It also provides us with a better "pulse" of the church when we are done. The last time St. Paul's used this approach was in 2000. So many new families have joined St. Paul's since then. We feel that it is opportune time to use this approach.

But I am not sure if I want a one-on-one visit. I can understand. I can only relate to my own personal experience at another church. The church was using the one-on-one visit approach which I feel certain I was completely ignorant of at the time. I just knew that a parishioner I did not know asked if he could spend some time with my husband and me to talk about stewardship. My response was that I was planning on pledging and handing the form in to church. He very kindly mentioned that he would still like to have an opportunity to talk with us. Well, I thought he just wanted to make sure I was going to fill out the form. I assured him we were going to complete the form and hand it in that I did not want to waste his time. at the time I thought I was doing him a favor. Honestly, now I am ashamed. I completely misunderstood the purpose of the one-on-one visit. I was so task-oriented that I thought it was about getting the task done. What I now understand is that I completely missed an opportunity to allow someone to share his faith journey with me. I also denied myself the chance to listen and be moved by his story. What I thought was an unselfish act at the time was really not unselfish at all.

I would ask as we move forward with this effort that you open your heart to allowing someone to share their story with you. Please also think about how your story of God's love could impact another. God wants us to share our stories. That is how we raise each other up. These visits are 10-15 minutes of your time. Please pray that this will be a positive experience for all who are involved.

When:

SAVE THE DATE, February 24th, 2008!

God Bless,
Mary Wood



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Get ready to put your smiles on! It is time for St. Paul's to issue a directory with a picture of each and every member — *and it won't be complete without YOU*. Photography sessions will be scheduled in November, with many dates and times available to accommodate busy schedules. Stay tuned for more information and watch for sign up sheets in the narthex. Contact Nancy O'Dowd at nancyodowd@nc.rr.com if you would like to help or would like more information.

PENICK VILLAGE

(CSM Outreach / Adult Education)

On Sunday morning October 7th, Jeff Hutchins, CEO of Penick Village, will be talking during the Adult Education hour about the Penick Village Continuing Care Retirement Community in Southern Pines. Penick Village is a non-profit ministry of the Episcopal Church, supported by the Diocese of North Carolina and also directly by St. Paul's Church through our Christian Social Ministries budget. Penick follows an innovative philosophy of retirement living: it offers a variety of living arrangements, provides a full spectrum of services including wellness programs, and fosters a vibrant and caring community through diverse social, cultural and recreational activities. As a Ministry of the Episcopal Church, it provides "a uniquely nurturing, spiritual setting" for its residents (see <http://www.penickvillage.org/>).

This is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners of all ages and stages of life to learn more about the Penick Village Retirement Community that St. Paul's outreach dollars support. We hope you will welcome Jeff Hutchins during his visit on October 7th, and can attend his presentation in the chapel from 10:10 to 11:00 a.m., titled "Aging in Faith: The Greenhouse Concept and Continuing Care."

Alison Arnold, Chair, CSM Committee
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PLAYGROUP



Come join us on the church playground (or in the nursery if the weather's bad) for a playgroup! We meet the 1st and 3rd Fridays from 10-11:30. There is no agenda, just come prepared to socialize and play! For more information contact Leah Dail at 233-0604 or LeahDail@nc.rr.com

WARDEN'S CORNER

There are many reasons why "newcomers" come to church, whether it's St. Paul's or any other place of worship. Some come because they are new to the area. Perhaps they came to Cary by choice, or perhaps not. Some come after finding some disappointment with another church or denomination, and are looking to give God "one more chance." Some come after years of separation from church and some event has occurred in their lives that has caused them to want to reconnect with God.

Whatever the case may be, the common theme in all the above scenarios is need. People who come to St. Paul's as newcomers are in need. They are in need of friends, of a church family, and a community of people who will support them in times of need. That is where the Newcomer's Ministry becomes so important.

People who work with the newcomers in any form find the work to be very rewarding. Helping people who are in need of discovering a church home is, to say the least, an important ministry. Whether it is organizing a newcomer's luncheon, serving on the bread ministry, calling newcomers to say "welcome to our church," or being a greeter on Sunday mornings, the impact of these activities on those who are seeking a church home is dramatic and deep.

If you would like find a way to make this ministry a part of your life, without too much commitment of time, please contact Ann Lockhart who is chairing the Newcomer Committee this year. There are very important yet simple things like greeting, delivering bread, and following up with visitors that can really make an impact on a person's faith journey.

It is a nice feeling when you see someone come to our church, become involved, and begin to really live into their journey and know you had a small part in making that happen. If you feel called to participate, call Ann. She would love to hear from you.

Paul Gregg
Junior Warden



Warden's Corner

COFFEE TALK

SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT!



During the summer we enjoyed talking about ourselves; but, our plans for the Fall/Winter are to dive into a spiritual journey. Beginning in October, Coffee Talk will focus on **VIA MEDIA**. For those of you St. Paul's women who are interested in the Via Media course but cannot make the time commitment, we will be viewing and discussing the Via Media interviews one dose at a time. You can attend any or all sessions. There is no time commitment, no class preparation – just a desire to know more about our Episcopalian view of life. The first three topics on the agenda: “Via Media: An Anglican Way of Being Christian” (10/10); “God and Creation: The Abundance of God’s Goodness” (10/24); and “God in Jesus: An Incarnational Faith” (11/14). Film starts rolling in the library at 7:00 p.m.; the session ends promptly at 9:00 p.m. Caffeine and sugar are served; childcare is provided. To ensure adequate room for participation, it would be best to RSVP for the week(s) you would like to attend. However, you can always take the chance we will have an empty chair and just drop in. For more information or to RSVP, contact Sherri Hubbard at 363-1845 or shubbard@ncdoi.net.

NEWCOMERS COMMITTEE

The Newcomer Ministry will host a luncheon in October. This will give us an opportunity to meet for the first time or get to know better our newest parishioners at St. Paul's. All are invited to remain after the 11:15 a.m. service on October 7, or come back to church at 12:30 p.m., to share food, fellowship, and friendly conversation with our Newcomers in the Parish Hall.

St. Paul's “old timers” are asked to bring a dish to share with our new friends. Please RSVP to Ann Lockhart at annlockhart@nc.rr.com or 678-1132.

The Newcomer ministry is considering some different activities, primarily to connect our new members to the community at St. Paul's quickly, yet warmly. Several ideas have been tossed about, and this is a great opportunity for you to step up to the Newcomer Ministry and let your thoughts be heard! You are encouraged to contact Ann Lockhart with any Newcomer concerns or ideas.

ADULT EDUCATION

Life Issues: Ages & Stages Series

Aging in Faith Part 1:

The Greenhouse Concept & Continuing Care

October 7, 10:10-11:00 a.m., Chapel

Guest speaker Jeff Hutchins, CEO of Penick Village, will discuss the “Greenhouse Concept,” an innovative philosophy of retirement living. Please refer to the Christian Social Ministries’ notice on Penick Village for more information about this exciting ministry.

Aging in Faith Part 2:

Panel Discussion

October 14, 10:10-11:00 a.m., Chapel

Is the faith that sustains us in later years the same faith we have when we were younger? Join facilitator Adelaide Siegl for a panel discussion to explore the development of our faith throughout our lives.

Why Choose the Episcopal Church?

October 14, 10:10-11:00 a.m., Library Education Building

Join members of the St. Paul's clergy for a revolving exploration of our Anglican, Episcopal, and sacramental identities. These are monthly gatherings where all are welcome, and every question is important.

Spiritual Practices

Mindfulness for Beginners

Oct. 21 to Nov 11, 10:10-11:00 a.m., Chapel

Join the Rev. Dr. Sally Harbold as she presents an overview of various spiritual and therapeutic disciplines that incorporate the skill of mindfulness. This class will give participants an opportunity to practice mindfulness exercises, and to explore the daily impact of such skills.

Adult Education Vision Luncheon

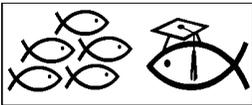
Date: Sunday Oct. 14

Time: Following the 11:15 a.m. service

Place: Youth Wing

The St. Paul's Adult Education Committee invites interested persons to attend a pot luck luncheon. We will discuss how Adult Education can support other ministries at St. Paul's and share its mission to “**Open, Integrate, Partner, and Transform.**” Please RSVP to Nita Byrd, peacewings@byrdlawcary.com.

For more detailed information regarding our programming, please obtain one of the Adult Education Brochures located in the narthex. We also encourage you to visit the two Adult Education pages at stpaulscary.org for book reviews and other information related to Adult



Sunday School Scribbles

"Let the little children come to me...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." - Matthew 10:14

Giving From Our Hearts

You may hear your children asking for opportunities to earn a little extra *giving* (not spending) money this fall. We are raising money to give a pig, a cow, some rabbits, even a water buffalo, to children and families through Heifer International. We've been talking during children's chapel about how the children can earn and contribute their own money to this wonderful cause, reminding ourselves that everything we have comes from God. Look for the special children's collection basket at the 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services.

Calling All Pumpkins!

Do you know a pumpkin that needs a face? Bring him and your favorite carving tools to the annual Pumpkin Carving and Chili Cook-off on October 28 in the Parish Hall starting at **5:00 p.m.**

WHAT: Any old pumpkin will do – but leave the seeds and pulp at home. Only "gutless" pumpkins are welcome! Candles will be provided to light your pumpkin creation with a ghostly glow.

WHAT ELSE: FOOD! Hotdogs will be served and we will be taste-testing chili recipes from you chili chefs out there. All chili entries will be judged...but not too harshly. Seasonal prizes will be awarded for the most palatable chili concoction. Those who do not appreciate the fine art of "chili fixin' " should bring a side dish (filled with food, of course) to share. YUM!

FURTHERMORE: Rumor has it that a truly haunted house (courtesy of St. Paul's Youth) will be opening its doors while the pumpkins are sliced and diced and the chili is bubbling in the cauldrons. So, join us for a good "share and scare."

Note: All parishioners are encouraged to come whether or not accompanied by a child.



Children's Ministries Calendar

Be sure to watch the bulletin and mark your calendars for these upcoming fall special events:

Oct.	7	Blessing of the Animals
	28	Pumpkin Carving
Nov.	4	All Saint's Sunday
	25	Intergenerational Event
Dec.	16	Christmas Pageant



And Away We Grow...

Our children are growing both in stature and in faith. Growth was evident last month when we kicked off a new Sunday School season. We started the year with full classrooms and a full roster of teachers for the Fall term. We welcome seven new teachers this year: Belindalea Barnhart, Heather Gates, Sheela George, Juli Kirby, Katy O'Brien, and Jeff and Julie Pedersen. Thanks to all of the teachers for the treasure they bring each Sunday to the classroom.

What is F F& F??

If you don't know what those initials stand for, then you missed our Children's Ministries' Fall kick-off event last month – FAITH, FAMILY & FROSTING. Not only did we have faithful families enjoying a lot of frosting, we also celebrated an entire year's worth of birthdays with lots of exciting party games.



Congratulations to the Thornton's, the Reid's and the Gregg's for their prize-winning cakes! And thanks to everyone who participated. We're going to have a great year of fun together.

Look Out!

Want to know more about Children's Ministries? Check out our main bulletin board for pictures and news of upcoming events and our VBS bulletin board with the many pictures of happy faces. Also, watch the Fruits of Our Faith display break out in apples as our children grow in spirit. Bulletin boards and apple display are located in the Education Building.

Your Children's Ministries Committee

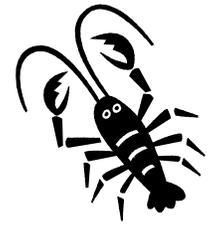
We pledge to serve:

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Clergy Liaison – B.J. Owens
Vestry Liaison – Carol Philips



LOBSTER FEST



Join us on Sunday, October 20, from 2:00-7:00 p.m. for the FIRST ANNUAL ST. PAUL'S LOBSTER FEST!

BY POPULAR DEMAND: Lobster Fest Men answer frequently asked questions.

Q. How can you sell fresh, live and cooked Maine lobsters at below Market prices, and still provide a profit benefiting St. Paul's youth related and outreach projects?

A. Buying through a large Maine broker, using volunteer labor, plus counting on volume created by parishioners purchasing for their own pleasure and selling to friends for theirs.

Q. What is included with the Lobster Meal selection?

A. In addition to a sweet, tenderly cooked lobster: tangy slaw, a pasta salad, rolls, drink, dessert. (No additional charge for the fellowship when you choose to dine in the Parish Hall.)

Q. What goes well with lobster?

A. Black seems to go well with just about anything (careful about certain shades of red).

Q. We aren't available to enjoy lobsters on October 20th...

A. Request partially cooked lobsters at pick-up, freeze, and finish cooking at a later date (instructions provided).

Q. How do you crack up a lobster?

A. Lobsters don't seem to respond well to lobster jokes, and we don't recommend tickling. (For information and tips on cooking and eating lobster, visit the St. Paul's web site, www.stpaulscary.org, and look for "Lobster Fest.")

Q. I can't eat shellfish.

A. We're sorry. Sell tickets to friends, and treat yourself to steak that night.

We need to pre-sell this catch. Pick up tickets to sell to others and/or purchase your own. (Return unsold tickets by October 14.) The cost is \$16 live; \$18 cooked; \$21 lobster meal; \$4 kid's meal (chicken nuggets and sides/)

Tickets available before and after every service up through October 14

Submitted by Ted Straub

ELDERBERRIES

The Elderberries will have a potluck luncheon on Wednesday, October 17. We will be planning our festive Christmas Dinner. Bring a dish to share and join us in the Youth Wing at 12:00 noon.

Contact the Rev. Lois Reardin at the church office 467-1477 or Mary Lee Anderson at 467-9977 for more information. Let us know if you need transportation.

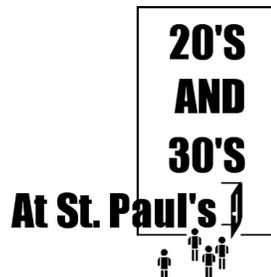
BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

A Blessing of the Animals service will be held in the courtyard of St. Paul's on Sunday, October 7 at 3:00 p.m. All parishioners, and your friends and neighbors are invited to bring pets of all kinds, appropriately leashed or crated, to receive a blessing. We will also have a chance to bring donations to be given to the Second Chance Pet Adoption Shelter. They are in need of hand sanitizer, towels, sheets, and blankets, cotton balls, canned cat food, paper towels, Kleenex and bleach, as well as gift cards to stores such as Kmart, Target and PetSmart. Please come enjoy the company of our furry, scaly and feathered friends!



20'S AND 30'S AT ST. PAUL'S

Get on the list! Our 20's and 30's population at St. Paul's is growing, and we are beginning to put together some events for the year. If you would like to be added to our email list, or if you would like to suggest or host an event, please contact B.J. Owens at bernard.owens@stpaulscary.org.



CURSILLO NEWS

Cursillo 97 scheduled to be held at Betsy Jeff-Penn Center, October 25 - 27, 2007 has been canceled. The reason was an insufficient number of participants. A minimum of 12 is necessary and only 6 signed to attend. The next Cursillo Weekend is currently planned for April 2008. Gordon Reynolds can provide additional information.



MUSICALLY SPEAKING

The music program has gotten off to a great start this fall with many new faces. We do welcome new singers in all of the choirs. Here is the schedule of choirs singing and ringing.

October 7

9:00 a.m. Junior Choir; robe and warm up at 8:00 am in the choir room.

11:15 a.m. Senior Choir and The Bells of St. Paul's

October 13, Saturday

Beginning Ringers Workshop

October 14

9:00 a.m. Jubilate Choir

11:15 a.m. Senior Choir

October 21 –

9:00 a.m. Proclamation Bells and Epiphany Choir

11:15 a.m. Senior Choir and Canterbury Handbells

October 28

9:00 am Jubilate Choir

11:15 am Senior Choir and The Bells of St. Paul's

The **Beginning Ringers Workshop** is **Saturday,**

October 13 and will

be held in two

separate sessions.

The Youth Session is

from 9:00 a.m. until

12 noon and the Adult (and older youth) Session is

from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. The workshop is

designed for people who have never rung handbells

before or for ringers having less than two years

experience. It will cover basic handbell techniques



with an opportunity to progress to participate in a mass ringing activity. It is very important that people who have never rung and would like to serve in the capacity of substitute ringer, participate in this instructional session. You may register by calling or emailing Olivia Ittoop, Music Assistant, at 469-0901 or OIittoop@aol.com. **The deadline for registration is October 4.**

The clinician for the Beginning Ringers Workshop is Greig Ashurst, who holds a Master of Music degree in instrumental conducting from Southern Methodist University. He has been a church musician and handbell conductor for 16 years. The workshop is sponsored by the Raleigh Ringers.

On Saturday, October 27 those who take piano lessons and are interested in learning about the pipe organ are invited to ***Pipes, Pedals and Pizza*** from 9:30 am until 12 noon at Jones Chapel on the campus of Meredith College, Raleigh. The cost is \$5.00 that will include a pizza lunch. For more information, please contact me at music@stpaulscary.org or at 467-6241.

The Bells of St. Paul's are preparing to attend the Mid-Carolinas Handbell Festival in Charlotte November 10. The Canterbury Handbell Choir is preparing to attend the Youth Handbell Festival in Richmond, VA November 16-17. Thanks to all of these committed ringers for their dedication.

Lee Harris
Minister of Music

Take some time to smell the roses and to look up at night into the splendor of God's creation. "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork." Psalm 19:1

THE CARYING PLACE NEEDS CLEANING SUPPLIES

CSM asks you to mark your calendars for October 7 and 14. The Caring Place families have very limited incomes and cleaning supplies can be a luxury that families cannot afford. Donations of any of the following items-mop, bucket, soft scrub, laundry detergent, sponges and plastic scrubber, toilet bowl cleaner, regular dishwashing detergent, window cleaner, and oven cleaner are requested. Please bring the donations to the narthex on Sunday, October 7 and Sunday, October 14.



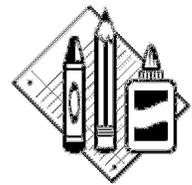
HAPPY OCTOBER FROM THE PRESCHOOL



Preschool is off to a fabulous start. The children are getting adjusted to their new classes and new teachers. Many have made new friends and are loving the day's activities. Some are still a little weepy but the teachers are seeing improvement each day. Parents are helping out with hard transitions by separating quickly. We work daily to make children feel safe and loved. Movement, Art and Spanish started at the end of September and the children seem to love each class. Father B.J. started Chapel on September 20th. The children love going into the Chapel to hear stories but are most excited about lighting and snuffing out the candles. Each child will have a turn through the year so keep reminding them to be patient. Preschool also had a

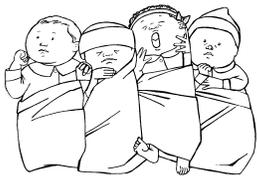
“Muffins for Moms” day. This time allowed the children to enjoy a little treat with Mom before starting their day. This also allowed Moms to connect with other Moms at Preschool. October will be a busy month with Picture Day, Donuts for Dads and the Museum of Natural Science coming to do an in-house field trip. The children will finish off the month with the cutest Halloween Parade. They love parading around for all to see. I hope you all have a great month and are ready for a busy year.

Love In Christ,
Mary Catherine Troxler
Preschool Director



ABOUT OUR CHURCH

We rejoice in the baptisms of Louise Caroline Craft, daughter of Wesley and Thea Craft and grand daughter of Steve and Dorothy Duke; of Jared Nathan Kirby, Lara Elise Kirby, Erik Nolan Kirby, and Meredith Nicole Kirby, children of Daniel and Julianne Kirby. We also rejoice in the baptism of Julianne Kirby.



Congratulations to Winston and Leslie Lloyd on the birth of their daughter, Kara Elizabeth Lloyd and to Amy and Rob Joyce on the birth of their son, Logan Ronald Joyce.

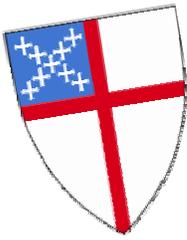
We express our sympathy to Richard Todd for the death of his sister-in-law, Julia Todd; to David Coulter for the death of his father; Jack Coulter; and to Lorraine Greco for the death of her uncle, Alfred Waddell.

We welcome to Linda Massey, from Coral Springs, FL who recently transferred her membership to St. Paul's.

We rejoice in the Confirmation of Ken Jackson Anderson; Roxanne Erin Brown; Kathryn Eileen Schenk Burdge; Debbie Lynn Minnix Carter;

Kathryn Ann Collins; Aiden Rebecca Crigger; Matthew John Erasmus; Christopher Thomas Franz; Jane Cathryn Goehrke; Anne Elizabeth Gray; Hayley Diane Hardenbrook; Antonette Holderied; William Lloyd Holmes; Charles Ronald Hubbard II; Christine Owens Ingram; Andrew Christopher Koch; Carol Diane Lewis; Matthew Auden Makansi; Nicholas Rayhan Makansi; Sam Hampton McClenney; Christopher Michael McInerney; Brett Robert Myers; Clay Randolph Parrish; Charles Edward Patisaul; Heather Marie Beaupre' Patisaul; Samantha Rose Pinney; Charles Douglass Riddle; Andrew Nicholas Scontsas; Shannon Brooks Smith; Elizabeth Ann Moore Stevenson; Alyssa Paige Stewart; Zachary Stikeleather Swann; Kelly Susan Tapson; Chelsea Rae Tessier; Amanda Fairlight Fletcher Waterman; Daniel Earl Waterman; T'Sani Rochelle Watson; Mark Alexander Womack; Sarah Arden Zemonek; and Kevin Richard Zeph and ***in the Reception*** of Mary Colleen McCarthy Conway; Sue Ellen Wanchock Lithgo; and Carol J Sullivan-Riddle.

We rejoice in the reaffirmation of Marcia Lynne Stevens Hardenbrook.



EYC

(Episcopal Youth Community)

Senior High Compline and Fellowship

Each Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m., all senior high students are invited to meet in back of the church for an hour together. This is a wonderful time to check in with each other in the middle of the week, to sing and play music, or just to experience the wonder of a simple candlelight service. Our first Tuesday of the year was September 11, and will continue throughout the school year. If you play an instrument, please think about joining the music team (even if you're just starting to learn how to play!) Come anytime, and friends are more than welcome.

Diocese of North Carolina Youth Events

The St. Paul's Youth Community has a rich tradition of participation in Diocesan Youth Conferences in Browns Summit, NC, and we are looking forward to getting even more folks involved this year! Fred Lowry has done a lot of work with conferences in the past and is enthusiastic about our involvement. Our own Rachel Friend and Zach Swann serve as adult and youth representatives, respectively, on the Diocesan Youth Committee (also known as the DYC), and a number of St. Paul's Youth have committed to be on the staff planning teams for these weekends. Youth conferences are weekend and week-long retreats. High school and middle school folks from throughout North Carolina come together for great music, thoughtful programs, and of course, ultimate Frisbee and dances. Fred, Rachel, Zach and B.J. are all people who can tell you more about youth conference, and of course you can also ask any of the youth participants who went last year.

Here's a schedule of conferences (at The Summit Conference Center) for 2007-08 year:

- November 16-18 **Happening #49**
- December 7-9 **Bishop's Ball**
- December 27-Jan 1 **Winterlight** (Kanuga Conference Center)
- February 1-2 **Winter Senior's Conference**
- March 7-9 **Happening #50**
- April 11-13 **Spring Youth Conference**
- July 4-12 **H.U.G.S. Camp**
- July 9-13 **Episcopal Youth Event (EYE)** (San Antonio, TX)

The EYC Kickoff was a huge success. We had an inspiring turnout of over 50 youth, and filled our wing of the church with food, fellowship and fun. Thank you to everyone who helped make it happen. After some introductions and reacquainting time, we turned the parking lot into two kickball fields and had what some would describe as the 1st annual St. Paul's Kickball Tournament. The teams played so hard they even kicked one ball flat. I encourage every youth of St. Paul's to come check out E.Y.C.

Peace,
Fred Lowry
Youth Coordinator
youth@stpaulscary.org

EYC Weekly Calendar

Sunday Nights

4:00-5:15 p.m. Middler's EYC

5:15-5:45 p.m. Shared Dinner

5:45-7:00 p.m. Senior EYC

Tuesday Nights

8:00 p.m. Senior High Compline & Fellowship (Church)

EYC Fall Calendar

- Oct. 7 **Youth Sunday Preparation**
- Oct. 12 (Fri.) **Middlers: Corn Maze**
Seniors: Senior High Lock-In
- Oct. 14 **No EYC**
- Oct. 21 **Youth Sunday during morning services**
DDR (Dance, Dance, Revolution) and Guitar Hero Tournament (Sunday evening)
- Oct. 28 **Haunted House** (everyone at 1:30 p.m.)
- Nov. 4 **Hike to Blue Jay Point**
(everyone 4:00-7:00 p.m.)
- Nov. 11 **Photo Scavenger Hunt**
- Nov. 18 **Game Night/Casino Night**
- Dec. 2 **Babysitting Fundraiser**
- Dec. 9 **Movie Night** (everyone 4:00-7:00 p.m.)
- Dec. 15 (Sat.) **EYC Advent Party**
- Dec. 16 **EYC Advent Eucharist**
- Dec. 23 **Christmas Break** (No EYC)
- Dec. 30 **Christmas Break** (No EYC)
- Jan. 6 **Mission Trip Preparations**
- Jan. 13 **Summit Sunday**

CARE AND SHARE MINISTRY



The Care and Share Ministry continues to be a vital ministry to St. Paul's parishioners. The ministry provides transportation, meals, child care, friendly phone calls or visits, prayer, running errands, light housework, and yard work.

So far this year, the ministry and its many volunteers have provided 63 meals to 7 different families, 42 rides for various parishioners to locations such as church, or doctor's appointments, and 1 volunteer has provided handyman services for a parishioner. The Care and Share Volunteers as well as many other members of our church family have supplied needed food for 3 memorial or funeral services. That is a total of 109 different instances where our church family and volunteers have reached out to help others within our church family. Way to go everyone. Thanks for all the help. In troubling times, don't forget that your church family and the many volunteers for the Care and Share Ministry are here to help. Please contact one of the Care and Share Ministry Core Committee Members if you are in need of assistance or would just like to volunteer.

Dee Barker 303-5581
Susan Coulter 362-4100
Larry Cupitt 387-7993
Harry Kincaid 387-3824

Margie Best 303-3830
Judy Crow 363-4421
Kristen Holmes 468-6046

URBAN MINISTRIES AND CSM THANK YOU

Urban Ministries and CSM send their thanks to St. Paul's for their contributions of food in the food drive in late August. The food contributed in those two weeks was valued at \$1100 by Urban Ministries. You can be sure that all food is put to use quickly, to benefit the clients who come to Urban Ministries for help. There will be another food drive in November.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY IMPORTANT PLANNING NOTE – SAVE THE DATE!

On Sunday, June 8, 2008, St. Paul's will mark the passage of 50 years since our founding. In lieu of our annual parish picnic, we will celebrate this Golden Anniversary on June 8. Plans are still in the forming stages – look for more information in the coming months.



FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE ~KIDS CLUB~



The renovations to Kids Club are moving along. The roof has been replaced, the plumbing moved, and the new HVAC system installed. The

installation of the new windows and doors is almost complete.

Recently a group of volunteers removed old insulation and gave the building a much needed cleaning. Thank you to Jim Speight, Sally Harbold, Terry Babb, Ricky Barker, Marsha Brooks, Lisa Brown, Chuck Hubbard, Larry Ray, Tad Richard, Peter Thornton, Tom Pitman, Glenn Neff, Ethan Lewis, Scott Lewis, Chris Lewis, and Alan Ray. Also thank you to Kevin Swann, who picked up and delivered the doors and windows and hauled away old building materials.

Another group of volunteers is scheduled to hang new insulation before this newsletter reaches you.

Next we will need volunteers to help with hanging, taping, and mudding drywall. If you do not know anything about hanging drywall, but are strong, we need you too! We have several volunteers who are experienced with the process but still need a crew to help hold the dry wall in place.

Please contact Chris Lewis at financial@stpaulscary.org or 467-1477 ext. 21 if you would like to help. Thanks to all the volunteers that came out in September. We can't do this without your help!

Submitted by Chris Lewis



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