

ST. PAUL'S LETTER

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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, June 15 begins
Summer Schedule
Church Services**
7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,
10:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Letter From The Rector

The Rev. George Adamik

Sunday, June 1, 2008
Church Services
7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and
11:15 a.m.

Sunday, June 8, 2008
Church Services
7:30 a.m. and at
**10:00 a.m. ST. PAUL'S
50TH ANNIVERSARY**

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Dear Friends:

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, has invited more than 800 bishops to gather this summer in England, July 16 to August 3, for the Lambeth Conference. Held about every 10 years since 1867, the Lambeth Conference is an occasion for the bishops of the Anglican Communion to meet each other and strengthen their sense of Anglican identity, as well as equip them for their role as leaders in mission.

The Lambeth Conference Design Group has prepared the gathering and the bishops will address such issues as the Millennium Development Goals, HIV/AIDS, ethical/green living, Anglican identity, the Anglican Covenant, the Listening Process, and ecumenical and interfaith relations. The Archbishop of Canterbury has stated that the conference "will not resemble a parliamentary debating chamber with a string of resolutions but will aim to provide time and space for spiritual reflection, learning, sharing and discerning." Each day will be divided into four sections including group Bible study, expanded group meetings, self-selecting groups, and what are referred to as optional "fringe" events.

During the last few years of conflict, particularly around issues of human sexuality, the Anglican Communion has called itself to a process of listening. Some American bishops have observed that in their conversations with bishops, and church leaders from around the world, conversations that foster listening have not been occurring within some dioceses.

As a result, some Episcopal bishops from the United States, in order to foster a process of conversation and listening among bishops of different countries and cultures, have invited members of their diocese to accompany them to Lambeth in order to be a part of the optional "fringe" events. I personally believe this can be a wonderful opportunity in two ways. First, bishops of other countries, not familiar with the Episcopal Church in the United States, can meet and interact with members of the Episcopal Church. Secondly, those attending from the Episcopal Church can listen to the experience of these bishops and bring back what they hear to the United States.

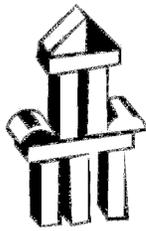
I am delighted to inform you that Bishop Curry has invited The Rev. Sally Harbold to accompany him to Lambeth. Over the years, particularly as a leader of one of the Bishop's diocesan committees, Sally has proven herself to be someone with the gift of being with, and listening to people in conflict and pain over issues in the Church. What an honor for a priest of our faith community to be called to such a ministry within the larger church. I know you will join me in praying for Sally as she journeys to Lambeth on July 18. We will look forward to her return on August 4.

George

**Next Newsletter
Deadline
August 13, 2008
at 10:00 a.m.**

**YEAR ROUND
STEWARDSHIP STATUS
2008**

"Guide us in Sharing"



**YEAR ROUND
STEWARDSHIP**

The 2008 stewardship effort was full of big ideas and big risks. We moved stewardship from the more traditional and familiar Fall timeframe to the new and untested Spring. We asked parishioners to visit others, and tell their faith stories—something that was new and frightening to many. We asked parishioners to stand up in front of the church and tell their own faith stories. We focused entirely on faith and not numbers. All of this felt risky. But, when big ideas are founded in big faith, maybe risk is the wrong word. Maybe *risk* is what *faith* actually feels like. We are so pleased to be able to report to you what God has done for our church this year.

As of April 30th, we have had:

- A record number of total pledges (324), 36 more than last year.
- 43% of returning pledges increased their pledge.
- A record number of new pledges (80), 43% more new pledges than in 2007.
- A record total pledge amount (\$849,428), the largest pledge amount we have had at St. Paul's ever.

In December 2007, the vestry approved a budget with an estimated pledge total of \$866,000 and God has provided us a record total of \$849,428 thus far. The Finance Committee has met to make the recommendations it thinks necessary. Based on the current situation, it has been reported to us, "With the successful campaign there is no need to adjust the budget." Pledges still trickle in, and some have even mentioned looking at their pledge again, thinking they may feel called to do even more.

There are too many people who deserve recognition to mention in this space. Certainly a dedicated Stewardship Committee (Steve Smith, Chuck Hubbard, Glenda Swann, Nancy Fierke, Tad Richard, Melissa Zeph, Maria Dickey), and over 70 people who volunteered to make home visits contributed greatly to the success we had in stewardship for 2008. Suffice it to say that we thank you all for *everything* you do.

What *does* faith feel like? Maybe having faith means acting on big ideas, taking big risks, and being humbled by big rewards.

In Christ,
Paul Gregg, Senior Warden
Mary Wood, Junior Warden

**SUMMER SUNDAY EVENING
EUCCHARIST**

Want to sleep in on a Sunday morning? Away for the weekend? Well, you can still come to church. During the summer, beginning on Sunday, June 15 and continuing through August 24, St. Paul's will offer a Sunday evening celebration of the Eucharist at 5:00 p.m. This service will be simple in its design. There will be a few hymns, the regular Sunday scripture readings, along with a homily, followed by the celebration of the Eucharist. Come on by and join us. Bring a friend.

Submitted by The Rev. George Adamik

ELDERBERRIES

Summer is a great time to be a St. Paul' Elderberry. On July 9, which is the **SECOND** Wednesday in July, the group will visit the North Carolina Museum of Art to view the exhibition, "Far From Home." (That is a departure from our regular meeting date, which ordinarily is on the third Wednesday of each month.) We will also enjoy lunch together there.

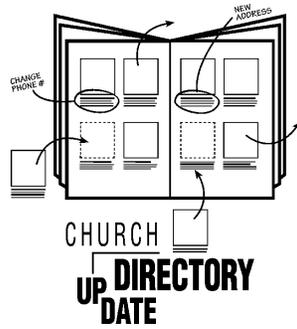
The Elderberry Life Writers will continue to meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month, and several members plan to participate in a "Brain Fitness Program." Who says the days of summer are lazy?

Questions? Speak to The Rev. Lois Reardin.

**ADULTS WHO WORK WITH
YOUTH: MORE
OPPORTUNITIES THAN EVER!**

Our youth program continues to grow and thrive, and I am very excited about next year's many offerings. These include, but are not limited to: high school youth group, middle school youth group, pre-EYC youth group, Sunday school classes for all, high school Compline, mission trips, service projects, fundraisers, Youth Council retreat, Diocesan Youth activities, Youth Sunday, Acolyte trainings, and lots more. The St. Paul's youth community has much to celebrate!

ST. PAUL'S PICTORIAL DIRECTORY



As I write this, St. Paul's much-awaited pictorial directory is in the final stages of proof reading and will

soon be on its way to print. This project could not have been accomplished without the contributions and special expertise of the members of the Pictorial Directory Committee: Jane Affifi, Mary Jane Pugh, Laurie Morgan-Ross, Katie Robinson, Eddie Szigethy and Melissa Zeph. Thanks also go to the volunteers who helped by hosting photo sessions: Mary Marshall, Jane Speight, Jackie Straub, Kay Lindquist, Karen Holmes, Mike O'Dowd, Mildred Bartlett, Elaine Hunt, Ann Koehler and Anne Pilgrim. (Please forgive me, as I have undoubtedly left someone out.)

A common misconception about church directories is that the company that takes the family portraits and prints the directory also creates the final product. In fact, it is the church that determines the content of the directory, cover to cover. In our case, the beautiful directory you see – or soon will see – was designed by Eddie Szigethy, of course with extensive input of clergy, staff and other directory committee members. A very special thanks goes to Eddie for his design and layout of the directory. Kudos also go to Laurie Morgan-Ross for her design of the beautiful 50th anniversary logo, and to Melissa Zeph who provided invaluable expertise with publicity and communications. Jane Affifi, Mary Jane Pugh and Katie Robinson each contributed in multiple ways, including proof reading, input on content, gathering photographs and hosting photo sessions, to name just a few.

On behalf of the entire directory committee, thanks to all who took the time to be photographed for this directory, helping to make it a useful tool for strengthening and building our connections as a church family at this 50th anniversary milestone in St. Paul's history.

Submitted by Nancy O'Dowd

ADULT EDUCATION

Summer 2008

Adult Education Committee Meeting: Monday, June 2, 2008, 7:00 p.m., Library Education Building
The Adult Education Committee welcomes new members. Please join us and share your ideas for the fall programs.

Dr. Mickey Efirm Bible Mini-Study Video Series:

June 17 – July 8, 7:00 p.m., Youth Wing

Join us this summer for a new Efirm Wisdom Literature Bible mini-study. This study will begin with an introduction to Wisdom Literature, and cover the books of Ruth and Jonah. Dr. Efirm will captivate you as he explains how the Hebrews understood Wisdom Literature, while also helping us to apply this wisdom to our current lives. Please contact Carl Gipson cbgeist@nc.rr.com for more information.

Fall 2008

The Abiding Spirit – A Day for Spiritual Renewal

Saturday, September 20, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Youth Wing

In John 14, Jesus informs the disciples that the Holy Spirit abides in them and will teach them everything. In the 5th chapter of Romans, Paul assures us that God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. Our Christian faith rests in part on the belief that these words are true. During this day set apart from our busy lives, we reflect on prayers prayed for us at our baptism, share parts of our personal journeys, and engage in some simple art so that we may come to know more of God's abiding spirit that dwells within our hearts.

This day of spiritual renewal will be led by Carolyn Edge, who has served as a spiritual director for over 19 years, receiving her certification from the Guild for Spiritual Guidance, Ossining, NY. Since 1992, she has directed the Spiritual Formation Program for men and women in the process to ordination in this diocese. She is a parishioner at St. Marks, Raleigh.

The fee for this day of renewal is \$20.00. The Adult Education Committee has scholarship money available to enable all interested persons to attend. Space is limited to 25 participants, so please register soon.

Submitted by Nita Byrd



OFFERING OF LETTERS FOR THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The Millennium Development Goals subcommittee of the Global Missions Ministry for the Diocese of North Carolina "encourages all congregations in the Diocese of North Carolina to take part in the Bread for the World 2008 Offering of Letters."

[Disciple, April 2008]

Please join us in the parish hall on Sunday, June 1 between the 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services.

There will be a 9 minute video highlighting *Bread for the World* as well as an opportunity to write a letter or two. Sample letters and writing materials will be supplied.

Bread for the World is an ecumenical organization which presents a collective voice urging our nation's decision makers to implement policies which will end national and global hunger. Each year Bread for the World invites faith communities and other organizations to engage in advocacy and participate in a nationwide Offering of Letters. The 2008 campaign focuses on the Global Poverty Act (S. 2433) and poverty focused development assistance, both directly impacting the Millennium Development Goals. Please visit www.stpaulscary.org for more information on the June 1 offering of letters and the bill before the Senate which will impact hungry people around the world.

Submitted by the Rev. Sally Harbold and Nita Byrd



URBAN MINISTRIES

There will be a collection of food for Urban Ministries the last week of July and the first week of August. The dates are July 27 and August 3.

Non-perishable food items that are most needed at the food pantry include rice, dry beans, canned fruits and vegetables (especially tomatoes and carrots), canned tuna, dry pasta, canned meals like chili and spaghetti, peanut butter, tuna fish, and cereal (oatmeal, grits, or dry cereal). Anything you can contribute will be appreciated and put to use. The need is greatest in the summer and the pantry shelves get pretty bare.

Thank you from CSM and Urban Ministries.



*The Rector, Vestry and Parish Community
of
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Request the Honor of your presence at the
50th Anniversary of the Parish*

*on
Sunday the Eighth of June
Two Thousand and Eight
10:00 a.m. Service*

*St. Paul's Episcopal Church
221 Union Street
Cary, North Carolina*

RSVP

467-1477, stpauls@stpaulscary.org,

Or sign up in the Narthex

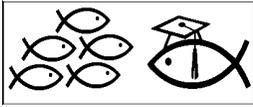
Reception immediately following service.

Light lunch. Informal dress. Outdoor children's activities.

The 50th Anniversary Celebration will begin immediately following the 10:00 a.m. service, which will be officiated by Bishop Michael Curry. The event will be outside and we may have warm weather so please dress appropriately. We will have a light lunch, cake cutting, many activities for the children (moon bounce, clowns, tasty treats and more!) and lots of fellowship. In addition, all of the historical displays will be presented in the Youth Wing. Please be sure to RSVP by signing up in the Narthex.

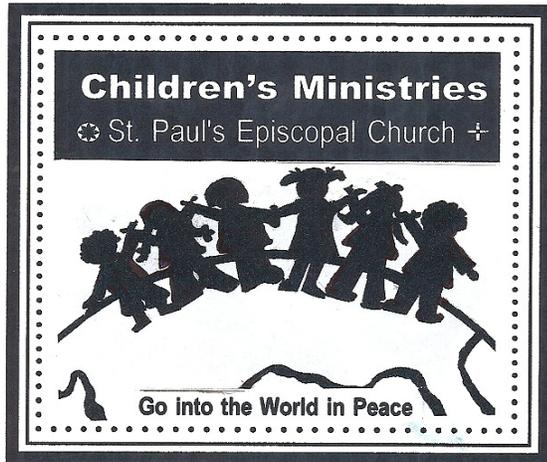
20s & 30s AT ST. PAUL'S

Exciting news... This summer and fall St. Paul's will be offering a variety of programs for 20s and 30s...so keep an eye to the bulletin, the website, and to St. Paul's e-News! We will also be in communication via email, so if you wish to be placed on the list, or wish to suggest or host an event, please contact Amy and Rob Joyce at amyandrob424@yahoo.com, or Sara and Mike Concini at sara.concini@gmail.com.



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



Logo

Many thanks to Linda Cozzolino for the time and effort she put into designing a new logo for the Children's Ministries at St. Paul's. We're looking forward to using it in a variety of places and are grateful to Linda for sharing her talents with us. We are blessed to have willing volunteers in so many different areas. Your help keeps the program growing stronger all the time.

Fun for the Family

On June 25, the Children's Ministries Committee will host its first Family Fun Night. This is an opportunity for our church families to spend some time together in informal fellowship. Our first event will include an evening of BINGO (with prizes!) and pizza for \$1/slice. You can't beat this deal! Mark your calendars for Wednesday, June 25 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Dates to Remember

June 7	Godly Play Training
June 8	50 th Anniversary Parish Celebration
June 25	Family Fun Night
July 20	VBS Kick-Off Potluck
July 21	VBS Week Begins – SonWorld Adventure Park
Sept. 7	Sunday School Begins (Fall Semester)

Summer Spirituality

Our spiritual connection with God doesn't take a vacation during the summer, and neither does spiritual education at St. Paul's. Children's Chapel and VBS will provide your children with ample opportunities to maintain their spiritual connection during the summer months.

At VBS, SonWorld Adventure Park will open the park gates during the week of July 21-25. Register your child now for a week of fun and spiritual growth! Please note that if your child is attending year-round school during the summer, many neighboring churches are offering evening VBS programs. Your child will not have to miss out on this spiritual adventure. Check the Children's Ministries bulletin board in the Education Building for a listing of churches and their VBS schedules.

Children's Chapel will also continue during the summer at both the 9:00 and 10:45 a.m. services. Our summer curriculum theme will be Heroes and Villains, and we are looking for storytellers and activity providers to assist with the summer program.

We are looking forward to seeing St. Paul's children at VBS and/or Children's Chapel this summer.

Children's Ministries Committee

The Children's Ministries Committee wishes you a great summer!

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Vestry Liaison – Ann Lockhart

WE WISH ALL OF OUR ST. PAUL'S FAMILIES A HAPPY SUMMER!

Thoughts on Worship

In my weekly routine of planning worship, on occasion I will question myself about the significance of music in worship. Why are we singing? Is all this music necessary? Is it proper to use church resources for music? In response to these questions I have about music in worship, I encountered this interesting statistical excerpt from *The Power of Praise*: Music is mentioned in the Bible over 800 times. It would do every believer good to notice the emphasis that Scripture places on the ways we are to respond to God and compare it to the fundamental doctrines outlined in Scripture.

- The virgin birth is mentioned twice in the Bible,
- dancing five times,
- missions is mentioned 12 times,
- shouting [praise] is commanded 65 times,
- justification is mentioned 70 times,
- thanksgiving 135 times,
- sanctification is mentioned 72 times,
- singing 287 times.
- Baptism is mentioned 80 times,
- rejoicing commanded 288 times,
- repentance 110 times,
- playing musical instruments 317 times.
- Praise is mentioned and commanded 332 times.

This does not mean that the fundamental doctrines are not important; they give structure to our faith that is absolutely necessary. **However, the predominance of Scripture describes our response to God, not our doctrinal belief.** It is only natural to assume by this that God places great store in our response to Him, and music is one of the ways that God commanded us to respond.

Psalm 100:2 says, "Come before His presence with singing." That is protocol. If we're going to come before the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, we're to come singing. Music is important, the Father loves it.

So, however you can, come to worship, and make a joyful noise. God, the Father loves it.
Peace,
Jason Pace

A Telegram for ... ASP

An entourage of singers, dressed in evening gowns, rhinestones and black tuxedos dropped in on one of St. Paul's parishioners last month. They sang *Love is Here to Stay* and *It Had to Be You*, for the couple's anniversary celebration. The recipient was delighted (and who could have imagined the Senior Choir could have so much fun singing jazz tunes!).

St. Paul's Senior Choir Singing Telegram fund raiser for Appalachian Service Project was a great success. This year's singing telegrams are sold-out. However, we hope to offer this service again next year. Maybe you have someone you would like to charm with delivery of a singing telegram?

A special thank you to those folks who made the Singing Telegram fund raiser a success.

An Invitation to Join a Choir

This month's featured music ensemble is Jubilate Choir

Do you enjoy music and are you looking to expand your group of friends? Then consider singing or playing an instrument in a choir. The Jubilate Choir combines voices, keyboard, guitars, percussion, and other instruments to offer a selection of songs and hymns from the diverse spectrum of modern and traditional worship music. This choir leads the worship music at the 9:00 a.m. service every Sunday.

The Jubilate Choir is open to adult vocalists and instrumentalists, and rehearses year round on Thursday evenings from 7:15 p.m. until 8:45 p.m. The choir gathers in the choir room at 7:00 p.m. A commitment to weekly rehearsals is requested. Please note that the rehearsal schedule will be slightly more relaxed during the summer. New members are always welcome. Join us as we make a joyful sound to the Lord. Please contact Gaylene Henry at iplaypiano@earthlink.net for more information.

Choir Camp for Youth

(for rising 4th through 9th graders)
August 22-24, 2008



Church Music Conference

(for Adults)
August 21-24, 2008
in Salter Path, NC at



TRINITY CENTER

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& fun with friends at the beach*

**SEND IN YOUR REGISTRATION NOW BEFORE THESE
CONFERENCES FILL UP**

See Jason Pace, Gaylene Henry or Olivia Ittoop for information

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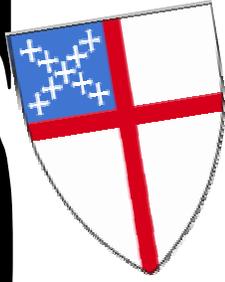
Music Service Schedule for Adult Choirs

Most Choirs and Ensembles are taking a break for the summer. I am thankful for the Jubilate Choir, directed by Gaylene Henry, and the Senior Choir for their singing and faithful service through the summer season. The Jubilate Choir will sing on their regular schedule at the 9:00 a.m. service. The Senior Choir will sing on a schedule of alternate weeks for the 10:45 a.m. service as indicated below. Warm-up time for the Senior Choir is at 10:15 a.m. on the following Sundays (with the exception of June 8):

Senior Choir Summer Schedule:

Wednesday Rehearsal	Sunday Warm-up	Service
June 4 7:30-9:00 p.m.	June 8 9:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
June 18 7:30-8:30 p.m.	June 22 10:15 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
July 9 7:30-8:30 p.m.	July 13 10:15 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
July 23 7:30-8:30 p.m.	July 27 10:15 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
July 30 7:30-8:30 p.m.	Aug 3 10:15 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
Aug 13 7:30-8:30 p.m.	Aug 17 10:15 a.m.	10:45 a.m.

EYC UPDATES



Episcopal Youth Community

ASP Fundraisers Huge Successes!!

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the ASP mission trip. We have exceeded our fundraising goals. Our Spaghetti Dinner Auction was only \$120 short of the \$4,000 fundraising goal, and we had several other fundraisers. St. Paul's has supported this trip completely, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to be a part of this mission. Please keep us in your prayers.

Looking back at my first year at St. Paul's, I have to laugh. From waking up before 4 a.m. to go skiing, to staying up til 4 a.m. at a lock in playing capture the flag, it has been an interesting year. We played condiment twister, bowled with turkeys, filled a conference room full of balloons we even had time for some serious stuff. If I could personally thank everyone that has made me feel welcome here, summer would already be ending. You all have helped me come to love this community, and for that I am deeply grateful. This summer I will be working with BJ, the Youth Committee, the Youth Council, and three summer Interns to make the youth program at St Paul's even better.

Fred Lowry

Congratulations Graduates

St Paul's youth program is proud to announce its graduates. Congratulations to Shelley Cernel, Wendy Cernel, Austin Clark, David Enichen, Lizzie Herman, Jay Hughey, William Kager, Will Kerner, Philip Price, Alyssa Riddle, Christian Roach, Kimberly Rusin, Lauren Schaubach, Erica Seaton, T'Sani Watson, Whitney Weigold, and Erin Wiedenman. We are proud of your accomplishments and wish you all the best in your future endeavors.



On April 26th at 10:00 a.m., 59 teams gathered at Panther Creek High School to complete a Relay for Life event. Each team committed to walk for 24 hours nonstop to symbolize that the fight against cancer is a constant

battle. Through rain and the threat of worse weather, many of the teams went home, but the group at St. Paul's was determined. At 10:00 a.m. on the 27th, there was one team doing its victory lap, and that was St. Paul's EYC. Our team demonstrated commitment to the cause and the people who sponsored us. The youth who participated should be proud of their accomplishment.

ASP



During the time leading up to ASP we will be collecting school supplies for the children of Tennessee. There will be a collection box in the narthex. Please help us out with pencils, pens, binders, paper, glue, etc. For questions contact Sheila Reilly 919-303-6248.

Fred Lowry, Youth Director
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Have ideas for the Youth Program at St. Paul's?
Don't be a stranger, contact me today.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL MINISTRIES (CSM)

St Paul's is a very giving church. Here's how St. Paul's has reached out to others in need, just in April and May of 2008:

- 98,500 meals were packaged at the Stop Hunger Now event on May 17th at St. Paul's. Glenda Swann led this event, which included participants from 3 Cary Rotary Clubs and the Raleigh Sertoma Club with over 300 volunteers. Stop Hunger Now is a non-profit, international hunger-relief organization that coordinates the distribution of food and other aid to crisis areas across the globe.
- 24 pints of blood were collected – enough to help save 72 lives - at the May 10th Blood Drive at St. Paul's. Mary Marshall led this event. The next Blood Drive is August 23. Please mark your calendar.
- 400 dozen cookies were baked at St. Paul's on April 12 and delivered as part of the Kairos Prison Ministry. An interdenominational organization, the mission of the Kairos Prison Ministry is to bring Christ's love and forgiveness to all incarcerated individuals, their families and those who work with them, and to assist in the transition of becoming productive citizens. Participants from St. Paul's are by Mary Kay Gobris, Martha Waters, and Georgie Gracie.
- Cyclone victims in Burma were helped with cash donations via a special offering during church services.
- One van was packed full with clothes and bedding, estimated to be worth thousands of dollars for our annual Hermano Day, on April 6th. These items were distributed to 30 labor camps served by the Episcopal Farmworker Ministry in Newton Grove, NC. Additionally, \$760 was donated to this organization.

This ministry serves hundreds of migrant favorers in North Carolina, and is led by Gale Herrmann. 350 pounds of food for Urban Ministries was collected in April, valued at \$660. Anne Pilgrim leads this ministry, as well as St. Paul's Homeless Ministry, part of the Wake interfaith Hospitality Network. Please watch for active volunteer opportunities for the fall project.

Here are some upcoming outreach activities:

- Urban Ministries Food Collections: Jul 27—Aug 3, and Oct 26— Nov 2.
- Blood Drives: Aug 23, Oct 25.
- Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network, Ministry to the Homeless: Sep 28-Oct 5 – at White Plains United Methodist Church in Cary.
- Summer meal-packaging events at the Stop Hunger Now warehouse in Raleigh – watch for more information.

CSM Committee Meeting – Sunday, June 1st – 10:10 a.m. We are delighted to welcome several new members, who bring new energy and ideas for exciting opportunities for St. Paul's to reach out to the community. Please check the St. Paul's website (“bookmark” it and visit regularly!) for updates on CSM projects, and parish-wide information.

Thank you, St. Paul's; you can be proud of how well you serve.

Submitted by Gordon Werner

STOP HUNGER NOW SUBMITTED BY GLENDA SWANN

Here is **Your** Chance to **Reach Out**....Stop Hunger Now Summer Trips

You can make a positive impact on Global Starvation and education of children less fortunate than ours. St. Paul's will be sending teams to the Stop Hunger Now warehouse on the following dates: **June 21st, July 12th, and August 2nd**. We will meet at the church around 9:00 a.m., leave promptly at 9:15 a.m. and pack meals at the warehouse from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. This is a fantastic family outreach ministry as children from ages 5 and up can participate. We will be able to take 20 - 30 folks per date. Donations are encouraged as we will need to purchase the food ingredients that we package and each meal costs \$0.20. Please consider this opportunity to help feed children in living in severe poverty and also to help educate our own children about this global crisis. Please be on the lookout for more information regarding these dates in the church bulletin and sign-up sheets in the narthex.



Together, we truly can make a difference!

FELLOWSHIP EVENTS TEAM

Working to promote Fellowship within our community as a whole

Mark your calendars. Here is the schedule of our summer events:

June 8

The Fellowship Events Team kicks off the making of the "**St Paul's 50th Anniversary Cookbook.**" Look for recipe submission cards during the celebration. Take a few and send in some of your fabulous creations...and don't forget to add something about how you or your family came to St. Paul's or maybe even a special memory you had at St. Paul's. All are welcome to submit: newcomers, old timers and anyone in between! Contact Susan Hawkins or Jennifer King for more information or if you would like to help with publishing the cookbook.

June 26

Movies by Moonlight at the Koka Booth Amphitheatre-**Gremlins**, rated PG. Gates open at 7:00 p.m., movie starts at dusk. Tickets \$3 adults/ Kids 12 and under Free.

August 7

Movies at Moonlight at the Koka Booth Amphitheatre-**Breakfast at Tiffany's**, not rated. Gates open at 7:00 p.m., movie starts at dusk. Tickets \$3 adults/Kids 12 and under Free.

August 17

Fellowship Events Team is hosting **Ice Cream "Sundae"** in the Youth Wing during coffee hour. Please stop by as we celebrate summer!

We hope to see you at some of these events!

A Note From Our Fellowship Team:

The SIFA Africa Children's Choir entered into the

youth wing with wide eyes, fixed on the smiling St. Paul's faces and the colorful bags and balloons adorning the room!

Our St. Paul's Fellowship Team put together 20 goodie bags for the kids...filled with basketball cards, packages of crackers, pens, sidewalk chalk, pads of paper, bubbles, gum, silly string and beanie babies! Each bag was carefully wrapped with colorful tissue as well! Five goodie bags with various items in them were also given to the adults. A leather bound bible was given to the choir director so that he may share it with the kids.

All eyes quickly made it to the table of food that we had laid out for them to enjoy! There was an assortment for them to choose from! Fruits, dips, crackers, chips, mini cheese pizzas, etc. Needless to say, they enjoyed it all!

The kids then went outside to have some free time on the playground...while their host families received important information. They chased each other around the playground with the silly string. I was told they had never before seen balloons!

So, I just want to thank you for sharing your gifts with others. It has indeed had an impact on these kids that they will not soon forget! A special thank you goes out to each of the families who hosted these children and their chaperones. Without you, we would have never had a chance to hear such wonderful sounds!

Thank you!
Jennifer King
Fellowship Events Team

NEW TO ST. PAUL'S?

New to St. Paul's or the Episcopal Church? Please join the clergy this summer for a monthly rotating session on the Episcopal Church, St. Paul's, and The Anglican Communion. The class is held in Room 10 on the last Sunday of each month, during the Education hour. While this class is geared towards newcomers, all are welcome to come and "brush-up" on all things Episcopal!



YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS

This fall the clergy of St. Paul's will offer a youth confirmation class to those who wish to be confirmed when the Bishop visits February 1, 2009. Confirmation is an important part of church life, in which we make a mature affirmation of the promises that were made, for most of us, on our behalf at our baptism. Confirmation is also the means by which we assume our roles as lay leaders within the church. Youth who prepare for confirmation are given a chance to explore, in conversation with clergy and other youth, what it means to grow into and claim the life of faith, and to learn about their own potential as leaders in the Episcopal Church. The only prerequisite is baptism!



All high school students who have not yet been confirmed are invited and encouraged to participate in the class, which will be offered for most of the fall semester during the Education hour. Please note that full participation in this class is asked of those who wish to be confirmed.

The class will be led by George Adamik, Sally Harbold and B.J. Owens. If you have questions, or wish to enroll, please contact B.J. at the church office.

The Rev. Bernard J. Owens

PRE-EYC FOR 4th, 5th AND 6th GRADERS

This spring we kicked off a new program for 4th, 5th and 6th graders called "pre-EYC," and it was a hit! Carla Traudt, who has quite a bit of experience building and nurturing youth groups of various ages, designed and ran a fabulous program that had 18 youth participants.

We are thrilled to continue this program in the fall. We will resume pre-EYC in mid October, and follow a biweekly schedule of 1st and 3rd Sundays. If your child will be in the 4th, 5th or 6th grade, we hope he or she will participate in these events that include games, a shared meal, and a closing prayer service. 6th graders will have the opportunity to choose between Middler's EYC and this pre-EYC group.

Finally, we are in need of several people who can offer some support to Carla on these evenings... assisting with the meal, helping the program to go smoothly, etc. If you would like to join us for the occasional Sunday evening, please contact Carla or me.

The Rev. Bernard J. Owens



BLOOD DRIVE

Submitted by Mary Marshall

St. Paul's will be having its quarterly Blood Drive on Saturday, August 23rd from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please sign up to receive a donation time as soon as possible. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex or you may contact Mary Marshall at daisymae5061@nc.rr.com, or by phone at 388-1856. We will be able to accommodate 3 people every 15 minutes.

Some facts about donating:

- Anyone who is in good health, at least 17 years old and weighs at least 110 pounds may donate blood every 56 days (our last drive was September 8).
- Donors should eat breakfast/lunch and drink plenty of fluids before a donation.
- Donors can resume normal activity after donating; however, avoid lifting heavy objects or strenuous exercise for 24 hours.
- Most people feel great after donating. If you have abnormal symptoms, let a staff person know.
- Travel outside the U.S. may be a cause for deferral. Check with a staff member about any overseas destinations.

- Donors must not be taking antibiotics. Symptoms and medication should cease for at least 24 hours.
- There is no longer a 12-month deferral for having had a tattoo applied, if it was administered in a licensed U.S. facility.
- Bring a photo ID or blood donor card and a list of medications that you are taking.

Consider these statistics for the Triangle area:

- Fewer than 5% of the population of those that are eligible to give blood do.
- 70% of those who do donate only do it once a year when they could donate 4 times a year.
- 95% of the population will receive a blood product by the age 72.
- With the benefits of good health care the blood supply will exceed availability by 2007.

PLEASE GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE! Rex Blood Services needs all blood types, and by donating one pint of blood, you can save 3 lives.

NEWCOMERS



Take a break from your busy summer and bring your favorite picnic dish to share at a Newcomer Luncheon on June 22 right after the 10:45 service. Newcomers will be our guests and we ask our “veteran” parishioners to bring some food to share (anything from fried chicken to pizza will do) and to meet for the first time or get to know better our newest friends at St. Paul’s. Stay after the 10:45 service or come back to the Parish Hall at noon, to share food, fellowship, and friendly conversation with our Newcomers. Let Ann Lockhart know that you are coming, if you need childcare, and what you would like to bring. Help with set up is always appreciated! annlockhart@nc.rr.com or 678-1132.

Several greeters and bread bakers were recruited at the recent Ministry Fair in April. If you missed the opportunity to sign up for either of these rewarding activities, please contact us and let us know how you would like to help. Susan Hawkins schedules our bread bakers and Ann Lockhart schedules the greeters. We have a special need for greeters at our later service, (10:45 during the summer months.)

Finally, the Newcomer Ministry kindly asks that you remember to wear your name badge to church! This important, yet subtle message lets our newcomers and visitors know who we are and that we don’t want to remain anonymous. Your name is important; wear it with joy!

Submitted by Ann Lockhart



ABOUT OUR CHURCH



Congratulations to Emily and Ryan Wike for the birth of their son,

Benjamin Charles Wike; to Laura and Erik Kutina on the birth of their daughter, Penelope Esmee Kutina; and to Tara and Danny Muller on the birth of their son Daniel Alexander Muller.



We rejoice in the baptisms of Kayla

Elisabeth Childers daughter of Keith and Katie Childers; Thomas Baker Cole, son of Brad and Jill Cole; Sarah Nicole and Connor Michael Hayes, daughter and son of Michael and Amy Hayes; Caiden William Lee, son of Chad and Victoria Lee; Emily Ann and Andrew Lee Schertz, daughter and son of Richard Schertz and Leah Dail, and Madison Elizabeth Uhrig, daughter of William and Cheryl Uhrig.

We express our sympathy to Adelaide Siegl for the death of her mother, Adelaide Louse Rice Moran; to Dave Mackie for the death of his mother, Carol

Mackie; to Glenn and Karen Coates and family on the death of their friend, Paul Jones; to Annette Smith for the death of her mother, Marie Asmar; to BelindaLea Barnhart for the death of her mother Sherry Spellman; to David Buchanan, Jr. for the death of his father, David Buchanan, Sr.; to Mary Kintz for the death of her friend, Wanda Garvin; to Vickie Johnson for the death of her mother, Jean Titchenell; to Winston Lloyd for the death of his father, Henry Lloyd; and to Glenaire Retirement Community for the death of their friend, Bonnie Stone.



We celebrate the upcoming graduation of our High School Seniors: Shelley Erin Cernel, Wendy Nicole Cernel, Austin Bruce Clark, David Charles Enichen, Lizzie Anne Herman, William Jeffrey Kager, Drew Pace, Phillip Andrew Price, Alyssa Jean Riddle, Christian John Roach, Kimberly Yvonne Rusin, Laura Alexandra Schaubach, Erica Nicole Seaton, Whitney Nicole Weigold, and T’Sani Rochelle Watson.

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