



St. Paul's ePistle from McHenry

July 29, 2015

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St. Paul's
Episcopal Church

McHenry Rotary Benefit Event Fourth Annual Blues, Brews, and BBQ

From the Rector

The McHenry Rotary Club is holding its annual BB&B at Petersen Park this weekend: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 31, August 1 & 2. Proceeds from this event are invested in charitable causes in our community. Tickets are \$10 (per day) at the gate; \$5 in advance until this Thursday. [Sorry, I meant to make them available last Sunday...]

If you'd like to stop by the office between 9am and 1pm Wednesday or Thursday, advance price tickets will be available. Or you can call me (706-957-2446) and I'll arrange to get them to you. Let's all of us from St. Paul's meet under the big tent at, say, 5pm on Saturday. Hope to see you then!



Giving Thanks for New Life!

Congratulations to Nan and John Patnaude, proud grandparents, for the birth of their newborn grandson, Simeon David Oliver, born on Monday,

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July 27th by emergency C-section. Baby Simeon weighed just 3lbs 15oz and is 17 1/2 inches long. His parents are Heather and Joel Oliver. Heather and baby are being closely monitored. Do keep them in your prayers!

Congratulations also go to proud grandmother Terry Jaworski and Uncle Donald for the birth of Quincy Alanis Schrack, daughter of Rebecca (Jaworski) and Stewart Schrack. Baby Quincy was born on July 24th weighing 6lbs 11oz and 20 inches long. Mother and baby are home and doing well.



Thoughts from Lori

Today is the Feast of Mary and Martha of Bethany. You remember them: Martha is the one who was working herself to a frazzle in the kitchen while Mary sat listening to Jesus, presumably with the menfolk. It's also the date forty-one years ago that eleven women were ordained in Philadelphia; the first women priests in the Anglican Communion. They are known as "the Philadelphia Eleven."

It was a story that made national and international headlines. It made the cover of Look Magazine. The Presiding Bishop, John Allen, called an emergency meeting of the House of Bishops. It was a scandal to some and a cause for celebration to others. In any case, it was certainly historic. And although there are still people and places opposed to the ordination of women, I venture to say that most folks now take it for granted; most look back and wonder what all the fuss was about. Even the Church of England, slower at these things in general, ordained its first women bishops this past Monday.

It's like that with many things, don't you think? Change, I mean. Something that seemed radical at the time now seems natural and right. The Civil Rights movement. Voting rights. Interracial marriage. The

Americans with Disabilities Act. Environmental protections. Treatment for addiction. What else? Openness about everything from breast cancer to depression. Things that once seemed fixed and unchangeable, now seen differently.

Obviously we still have far to go to combat racism. That's a tough one. And LGBT rights along with marriage equality - which I predict that in a few years people will look back on and wonder what the fuss was about. Change is hard, but when it is about inclusion, protection, freedom, and justice, we will be the better for it. The proof will be in the fruits of it, as St. Paul says. Love, peace, kindness, joy.

Meanwhile, I give thanks for those brave women and the bishops who ordained them on July 29, 1974, and I remember them in my prayers:

Merrill Bittner
Alison Creek
Alla Bozarth-Campbell
Emily Hewitt
Carter Hayward
Suzanne Hiatt
Marie Moorefield Fleisher
Jeanette Piccard
Betty Bone Schiess
Katrina Martha Swanson
Nancy Hatch Wittig
The Rt. Rev. Daniel Corrigan
The Rt. Rev. Robert DeWitt
The Rt. Rev. Edward Welles
The Rt. Rev. Antonio Ramos, attending
And my friend, Pat Merchant (Parks), who served as the deacon for the event.

Thanks be to God for the prophets and pioneers among us!

Faithfully,
Lorí t



Please join us for our annual church picnic on
Sunday, August 9 at 4:00 pm!

We'll be grilling hotdogs, brats, and hamburgers with all the trimmings. Bring a lawn chair and your favorite dish to share. Do you have a canopy we can use?

We'll help put it up.

*Remember - Feed ourselves, feed others -
bring a donation for the food pantry!*

CPR Training

In the interest of preparing an Emergency Response Team (ERT)* here at St. Paul's, we will be scheduling a CPR class for anyone (not just those willing to be on the ERT) who wishes to be certified or renew their certification. Please email or call the church office to indicate your interest in this class and/or the ERT.

Email: stpaulmchenry@sbcglobal.com

Call: 815-385-0390.

*The purpose of an ERT is to be prepared to assist until medical help arrives if someone faints or appears to be in a physical crisis during a church event. The team will have a plan for keeping the person safe, calling for an ambulance, and administering CPR only if urgency is evident.

Diaper Drive in August

During the month of August we are having a diaper drive for the Diaper Bank. They are in particular need of newborn and sizes 2 and 6, and they are always in need of adult diapers.



Annual Parish Picnic - Sunday, August 9, 4:00 pm
(Feed ourselves, feed others.

Bring canned or dry goods to donate.)

Holy Eucharist - Wednesday, August 19, 6:30 pm

Vestry - Wednesday, August 19, 7:15 pm

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Vestry - Wednesday, Sept. 16, 7:15 pm

Informal Fall Parish Meeting - Sunday, Sept. 20

(Feed ourselves, feed others.

Bring canned or dry goods to donate.)

Lessons and Hymns

Sunday, August 2nd

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 13 - Year B

by the Rev. William McLemore

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

The First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4,9-15. Exodus tells of the feeding by God of the hungry Israelites in the desert with manna from heaven.

The Psalm: Psalm 78 tells of God's "raining down manna upon them to eat."

The Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-16. Paul insists the each person has a unique gift that can help build up "the Body of Christ."

The Gospel: John 6:24-35. Jesus tells the people that Moses didn't give his bread, but God's bread, and adds, "I am the bread of life."

THE HYMNS:

Processional Hymn: No. 524. "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord." This hymn was authored by Dr. Timothy Dwight (1725-1817) when he was president of Yale College. It is based on Psalm 137 and has been in the Episcopal hymnals since 1826. The tune, "St. Thomas," was composed by Aaron Williams (1731-1776) and later harmonized by Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

Sequence Hymn: No. 408. "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above." This hymn was penned by Johann Jakob Schutz (1640-1690), a German lawyer and also a man of deep faith and piety. It was translated into English by Elizabeth Cos. However, later in life, Schutz became a Separatist and ceased to attend his Lutheran church. Each verse ends with the triumphant "to God all praise and glory." The tune is an ancient German pastoral melody of 1529.

Presentation Hymn: No. 440. "Blessed Jesus at Thy Word." This hymn was written in German by Tobias Clausnitzer (1619-1684) and translated by Catherine Winkworth who was a very notable English song writer and translator. She is also known for her passionate and ardent support of women in higher education. The tune, "Leibster Jesu" is a melody by Johann Rudolph Ahle (1625-1673) and later harmonized by George Herbert Palmer in the early 20th century.

Communion Hymn: No. 178. "Jesus Is Lord of All the Earth." This hymn was written by Donald Fishel, born in 1950, a graduate of the University of Michigan, and a consummate musician. In a biographical sketch he writes that after college, "I then embarked on a career in music publishing and began writing the Christian songs for which I am best known. My songs *Alleluia No. 1* and *The Light of Christ* can be found in the hymnals of the Episcopal, Lutheran, Methodist, and Roman Catholic Churches." The tune name is the "Alleluia No. 1" and was composed by him and arranged by Betty Carr Pulkingham (b. 1928) the wife of the Rev. William Graham Pulkingham, an Episcopal priest who lived from 1926-1993. (This will be sung during the month of August as a communion hymn.)

Processional Hymn: No. 539. "O Zion Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling." The author of this hymn, Mary Ann Thomson, was born in London, December 5, 1834 and became the wife of a librarian in Philadelphia, John Thomson. She wrote many poems and hymns published and used widely in the Episcopal Church. She died in Philadelphia, March 11, 1923. She says the hymn came to her while tending to one of her children, sick with typhoid fever, but it was three years before she could come up with a suitable refrain: "Publish glad tidings: tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release." James Walch wrote the tune especially for this hymn.

August 2nd Servants

Usher: Bill Lang
Lector: Rick Carlstedt
Intercessor: Judy Robel
Eucharistic Ministers: Al Robel, Pam Dietmeyer
Vestry Person of the Day: Kathy Biggerstaff

From the cartoons created by
the Rev. William P. McLemore



“Actually, I’m not staying after service
to pray... My knee is stuck in some bubble gum!”

100 Ways to Save the Environment
Number 89

*Reuse items like bags and
containers when possible.*