#### ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH Wichita, Kansas



# St. John's Parish Visitor

August 2015

## **Parish Notes**

- Highlights of the General Convention, presented by Mike Morrow, on Sunday, August 9, at 9:15 a.m. in the library.
- Family Game Night, Saturday, August 29, from 6 to 8 p.m.
- Monthly Parish Breakfast on Sunday, August 30, from 9:15 -10:30 a.m. in the parlor.

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## 💟 Rector's Journal...

This summer the Doorstep ministry has stayed active and busy. We've helped many people keep their electricity, water, or gas from being disconnected. For those of us who are fortunate enough to not have to worry about such things, one can only imagine the relief of the single mother of three, living on child support and disability payments, to learn that she and her children will still have these basic necessities of modern life, at least for another month or so.

Thank you, St. John's Church! Your generosity through Third Sunday offerings to Doorstep, as well as the funds we receive from Dillon's when you designate St. John's to be your chosen recipient of Dillon's charitable giving program, makes this all possible. By the way, if you're not yet signed up for the Dillon's program, please call the church office and we can assist you in getting signed up and designating St. John's.

The Living Stones building project is coming along smoothly. I'm so proud of all that we've accomplished! We're nearing the end of construction hopefully by mid- September, and hope to have the bishop join us for a blessing celebration sometime this fall. New financial gifts to the Living Stones Campaign continue to materialize, three-year pledges continue to roll in, and all of it helping to bring us that much closer to completion.

I'm often asked what St. John's plans to use the newly renovated space for. My answer is, besides the obvious (parish meals, gatherings, and celebrations), **anything and everything.** My hope is that we will use the space boldly and creatively, willing to try new forms of ministry and activities that support existing ministries. In short, when we experiment, a bold form of leadership to be sure, we discover new things about ourselves as a community, we learn what works and what does not, but most of all we continue to find new ways to do the hard but rewarding work of discipleship ministry, being good stewards of the ministry of St. John's that's been handed down to us over one hundred forty five years, every work of our hands, every dollar of our treasure, every brick, stone, glass, and beam that undergirds this temple of praise and thanksgiving.

"Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." - I Peter 2:4-5

In Peace,

Fr. Earl Mahan

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# FALL. FUN. FEST. at St. James Wichita, Saturday & Sunday, September 12-13

Invite a friend to this awesome weekend for youth in grades 6-12. Sumo suits, games, discussion, a movie and great food are all a part of the fun. Cost is \$40 per person, \$55 after August 28th. Register at edok.formstack.com/forms/fallfunfest2015.



This summer's final **FAMILY GAME NIGHT** is on Saturday, August 29th, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the library. Everyone welcome! Bring a friend!



# Wichita CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, October 4, 2015, at Sedgwick County Park Registration starts at 1 pm; Walk begins at 2 pm. Anyone interested in walking or supporting a walker please contact Thomas Hill at 316-833-2181.

# SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

Congratulations to **Cora Olson**, who will receive a scholarship for 2015-2016 from the St. John's Scholarship Fund. Cora is working on a Master's degree in Public Health at KU School of Medicine-Wichita, and plans to pursue a PhD. She was part of the K2K medical team on this summer's Kenya trip.

# "Explore Your Call" Weekend Conference, August 14-15

Those who feel they might be called to a specialized lay ministry, or into ordained ministry, are encouraged to attend this weekend conference at Grace Cathedral in Topeka on Friday, 6:00 p.m. through Saturday, 4:00 p.m., August 14-15. Learn about discerning and recognizing your call, the ordination process, and classes offered at the Bishop Kemper School for Ministry. Discussions will also include full-time and bi-vocational ministry, and what to expect as a clergy spouse. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required at edok.formstack.com/forms/exploring\_your\_call.

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			June 2015	hance			
-	Actual June 2015	Budget June 2015	Actual vs Budget June 2015	Actual Jan - June 2015	Budget Jan - June 2015	Actual vs Budget Jan - June 2015	2015 Annual Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense							
Income							
Pledges	9,357.70	12,256.76	-2,899.06	70,117.78	71,602.00	-1,484.22	155,000.00
Contributions	1,902.00	2,192.52	-290.52	17,614.26	15,784.97	1,829.29	35,150.00
Investments	8,139.16	6,500.00	1,639.16	47,516.58	37,950.00	9,566.58	82,000.00
Additional Income	1,140.00	1,090.00	50.00	18,923.39	19,640.00	-716.61	37,180.00
Total Income	20,538.86	22,039.28	-1,500.42	154,172.01	144,976.97	9,195.04	309,330.00
Expense							
Worship Ministry & Altar Guild	380.93	270.84	110.09	1,891.21	1,824.96	66.25	3,450.00
Outreach Ministry	5,947.00	5,640.00	307.00	34,783.30	34,140.00	643.30	67,980.00
<b>Christian Formation Ministry</b>	6.97	154.17	-147.20	1,808.33	2,324.98	-516.65	3,250.00
Parish Life & Fellowship	225.00	145.83	79.17	1,960.54	1,075.02	885.52	3,750.00
Building & Grounds	1,148.30	1,050.00	98.30	16,094.73	16,400.00	-305.27	31,345.00
Utilities	1,674.59	1,411.66	262.93	11,882.39	11,970.04	-87.65	23,600.00
Office	383.44	305.00	78.44	3,851.14	2,820.00	1,031.14	5,100.00
Personnel	20,689.84	21,299.47	-609.63	138,436.38	141,212.70	-2,776.32	282,418.00
Professional Fees & Accounting	2,334.05	2,000.00	334.05	14,381.99	14,000.00	381.99	30,000.00
Total Expense	32,790.12	32,276.97	513.15	225,090.01	225,767.70	-677.69	450,893.00
Net Ordinary Income	-12,251.26	-10,237.69	-2,013.57	-70,918.00	-80,790.73	9,872.73	-141,563.00

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# **NEW ARRIVAL!**

Marissa Emily McCoy was born to Pam & Dusty McCoy on June 12, weighing 5 lbs., 10 oz., and is now, with all her good care, gotten to 8 lbs., 13 oz. Grandparents Jim & Kathy McCoy are so proud!

## **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

- 01 Lucy Hadley
- 04 Tish Seely
- 07 Vern Herrman
- I4 Cass Charlton
- 14 Phil Dietrich
- 14 Dana Castor
- 18 Judy Morris
- 19 Darlene Herrman
- 19 Kelley Davidson

# WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 03 Brian & Jennifer Westhoff
- 21 Larry & Pat Heeren
- 31 Charles & Sara Lloyd

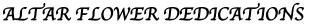
# Judy Nelson

20 Iola Crandall

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- 23 Jessica Bitler
- 23 Alex Morris
- 25 Ron Mueller
- 29 Dustin Schwart
- BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES
  - Tim Phares
- 07 Tom Pott

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Dedications may be made to the Altar Flower Fund in memory of loved ones, or in thanksgiving for blessings. A minimum donation of \$25 is requested. Sign in the book on the back table or call the parish office at 262-0897.



& Birthdays Anniversaries

<b>08/02/15</b> Pentecost 10 Proper 13	Carol Hadley	In thanksgiving for Lucy's birthday.
<b>08/09/15</b> Pentecost 11 Proper 14	Jean Wikle	In loving memory of her father, Ernest E. Johnson, on his birthday, August 11th.
<b>08/16/15</b> Pentecost 12 Proper 15	Nancy Dietrich	In thanksgiving for Phil's 71st birthday, and the birthday of their great- granddaughter Toni.
<b>08/23/15</b> Pentecost 13 Proper 16		
<b>08/30/15</b> Pentecost 14 Proper 17	Tom & Katie Pott	In loving and grateful memory of their parents, John & Lelia Pott and Carl & Myretta Eisenbise on the anniversary of their weddings.



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# St. John's History

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**311 years ago** Solving the problem of low church attendance, plus more directions.

Col. Caleb Heathcote's letter to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in Foreign parts, [The Anglican Church], 1704:

"When I first arrived in the Province, [1692] I found it [Westchester, N.Y.] the most rude and heathenish country I ever saw in my whole life, which called themselves Christians; there being not so much as the least marks or footsteps of religion of any sort; Sundays being the only time set apart by them for all manner of vain sports and lewd diversions, and they were grown to such a degree of rudeness that it was intolerable, and having then the command of the militia, I sent an order to all the Captains requiring them to call their men under arms, and to acquaint them that in case they would not in every town agree among themselves to appoint readers, and pass the Sabbath in the best manner they could, till such times as they could be better provided, that they should, every Sunday, call their companies under arms, and spend the day in exercise, whereupon it was unanimously agreed on through the country to make choice of readers, which they accordingly did, and continued in those methods some time."

## 105 years ago

The Rev. Dr. Percy T. Fenn's 1910 Handbook of St. John's Parish: A Few Plain Directions.

At Burials. As the procession enters the Church everybody should rise. Have your Prayer Book with you and make the responses. The casket ought never to be opened in the Church. The friends and relatives should do their leavetaking at the home, and before the service in the Church.

At a Marriage. As the bridal party enters the Church, the congregation should rise and remain standing throughout the service. The Bride and Groom kneel for Benediction. It is the custom of the Church not to solemnize marriages during Advent and Lent, and she will not solemnize marriages during Advent and Lent, and she will not solemnize a marriage between persons who have been divorced contrary to canon law. A wedding is no exception to the rule that women must wear head-coverings in Church.

At Holy Baptism. Except in case of sickness, all baptisms are administered in the Church. The Godparents must be baptized persons, and they ought to be communicants of the Church. The congregation stand throughout the service, kneeling only for the prayers and the Thanksgiving after the baptism.

At Confirmation. The congregation stand until the Lord's Prayer, after all the candidates have been confirmed. Thank Offerings. If you feel thankful to God, the Giver of all you possess, for any special blessings during the year, such as a baptism, a confirmation, recovery from illness, etc., it is not only a beautiful, but a practical plan to make a special thank offering for something needed in the Church. If in doubt as to the nature of your gift, consult the clergy who will very gladly offer suggestions in the matter.

Silence in Church. We come to the House of God to meet Him and worship Him. As we enter the Church we should realize this and leave behind us all worldly thoughts and plans and give ourselves over entirely to the divine services for which we come. There should be no conversation on ordinary topics while in the Church. Reserve the things of the world for other places. ~ All this does not interfere in any way with the hospitable practice of assisting strangers in finding the places in the Prayer Book, or greeting them after the service.

# 96 years ago

The Rev. Percy T. Fenn's 1919 Handbook: Suggestions for Communicants.

I. Take the first vacant place to the right as you advance to the altar rails.

2. Receive the Consecrated Bread in the palm of the ungloved right hand, resting upon the left, and convey it to the mouth without waiting for the Priest to say the whole sentence.

3. Grasp the Chalice with both hands, in any way that seems convenient, and guide it to your lips. Do not wipe the lips with a handkerchief.

4. At services where several railfuls receive, those at the right will retire as soon as the Priest has administered the wine to half of those kneeling. This is to enable that portion of the rail to be refilled while he is administering the Wine to the second half of the rail.

5. Do not retire from the church before the conclusion of the service. The sacramental presence of our Lord is on the altar, and leaving before the benediction, without great and urgent reason, is to be guilty of irreverence to our Blessed Lord.

6. At the early service, it is not necessary to arise when the Priest enters or leaves the chancel. You are supposed to be on your knees. Do not leave the church at the close of the service, till the candles have been extinguished.

Caleb Heathcote, 1665-1721; mayor of

New York, 1711-1713.

# By Parish Historian, Katie Pott

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# Serving the Lord

	August 2 Pentecost 10	August 9 Pentecost 11	August 16 Pentecost 12	August 23 Pentecost 13	August 30 Pentecost 14
8:00 a.m. Service	RITE I	RITE I	RITE I	RITE I	RITE I
Acolyte	Cathy Harris	Cathy Harris	C. Olson	Cathy Harris	Mike Morrow
Lector / Intercessor	Charles Lloyd	Cathy Harris	Cora Olson	Cathy Harris	Mike Morrow
10:30 a.m. Service	RITE II	RITE II	RITE II	RITE II	
Organist	Ken Breeden	Ken Breeden	Bro. Guadalupe	Ken Breeden	Dean Roush
	Lanelle McKernan	Leslie Dunlap	Mike Morrow	Kelley Davidson	Lanelle McKernan
Altar Guild	~~~~~~~~~	Racine Zackula	Ben Kittrell	~~~~~~	~~~~~~~
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<u>Acolytes</u> Server	Trevor Mahan	Ben Kittrell	Mike Morrow	Jack Burkholder	Rob Songer
Crucifer	Jack Burkholder	Paul Steele	Gracyn Ross	Emerson Ross	Mikayla Mahan
Torch	~~~~~~	Emerson Ross	~~~~~~~	~~~~~~	~~~~~~
Torch	~~~~~~~~	Gracyn Ross	~~~~~~~	~~~~~~	~~~~~~~
Lector / Intercessor	Tammy Breeden	Katie Pott	Judy Nelson	Mike Morrow	Roger Carvalho
LEMs	Tom Pott	Ben Kittrell	Katie Pott	Mike Morrow	Tish Seely
Lay Eucharistic Minis- ters	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy	Clergy
Childcare Nursery &	Jazmin Montes	Jazmin Montes	Jazmin Montes	Jazmin Montes	Jazmin Montes
Summer Sunday	Cathy Harris	Cathy Harris	Phyllis McCabe	Kelley Davidson	Cathy Harris
Teen Minister	~~~~~~~~~	Racine Zackula	~~~~~~~~~	Racine Zackula	~~~~~~~~
Daughters of the King	Tish Seely	Judy Morris	Jean Wikle	Lura Unger	Nancy Dietrich
Refreshments	Dietrichs	Potts	Need volunteer	Need volunteer	Parish Breakfast
Lay Eucharistic Visitor	Charles Lloyd	Paul Massaria	~~~~~~~	~~~~~~~	~~~~~~~



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
It was you who set all the boundaries of the	oundaries of	the earth; yo	earth; you made both summer and winter <i>Psalm 74:17</i>	and winter	Psalm 74:17	I 11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Hope Mennonite
<ol> <li>2 Pentecost 10 / Proper 13</li> <li>8:00 AM Rite I Eucharist</li> <li>8:15 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in parlor</li> <li>9:15 AM Adult Bible Study in library</li> <li>10:20 AM Children's Sunday School</li> <li>10:30 AM Rite II Eucharist</li> <li>11:45 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor</li> </ol>	£	4	5 4:00 PM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Evening Prayer	5	7	8 11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Riverwalk Church
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<ul> <li>16 Pentecost 12 / Proper 15 THIRD SUNDAY FOR DOORSTEP</li> <li>8:00 AM Rite I Eucharist</li> <li>9:00 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor</li> <li>9:15 AM Adult Bible Study in library</li> <li>10:20 AM Children's Sunday School</li> <li>10:30 AM Rite II Eucharist</li> <li>11:45 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor</li> </ul>	11	18	19 4:00 PM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Evening Prayer 6:15 PM Small Group Study: Praying the Scriptures	20 4:00-6:00 PM Finance Meeting in the library 6:00-7:30 PM Vestry Meeting in library	21	<b>22</b> 11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Lutheran Synod
<ul> <li>23 Pentecost 13 / Proper 16</li> <li>8:00 AM Rite I Eucharist</li> <li>9:00 AM Coffee &amp; Conversation in the Parlor</li> <li>9:15 AM Adult Bible Study in library</li> <li>10:20 AM Children's Sunday School</li> <li>10:30 AM Rite II Eucharist</li> <li>11:45 AM Teen Ministry Meeting &amp; Lunch</li> </ul>	24	25	26 4:00 PM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Rite II Holy Eucharist 6:15 PM Small Group Study: Praying the Scriptures	27	28	29 11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Aldersgate UMC 6:00—8:00 PM Family Game Night in the library
<ul> <li>30 Pentecost 14 / Proper 17</li> <li>8:00 AM Rite I Eucharist</li> <li>8:15 AM Parish Breakfast in the parlor</li> <li>9:15 AM Acolyte and Server practice</li> <li>10:20 AM Children's Sunday School</li> <li>10:20 AM Rite II Eucharist</li> <li>11:45 AM Teen Ministry Meeting &amp; Lunch</li> </ul>	31					

# A Loving Family of Faith, United in Christ, and Equipped for a Ministry of Service

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# Sundays 8:00 am Rite I Holy Eucharist 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:20 am Children's Summer Sunday 10:30 am Rite II Holy Eucharist (Nursery available from 9:15—11:45 am) Wednesdays Noonday Prayer & Bible Study is on summer hiatus 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Service, or Rite II Holy Eucharist on the 4th Wednesday

# Staff and Vestry

We welcome you!

#### <u>Staff</u>

The Rev. C. Earl Mahan—Rector The Rev. Dr. J. Ted Blakley—Curate Cathy Harris—Parish Administrator & Bookkeeper Connie Shawver—Parish Communications Ken Breeden—Choir Director James Adams—Sexton / Security Jazmin Montes—Nursery Coordinator

6:15 pm

#### **Vestry**

Nicki Soice—Senior Warden Mike McFerren—Junior Warden Pete McKernan—Treasurer Erica Gaither—Clerk Members—Tracy Anderson, Iola Crandall, Bob Guenthner, Shari May, Mike McFerren, Pete McKernan, Mike Morrow, Mary Ohlemeier, Scott Orr, Tish Seely, Nicki Soice,

Delegates: Shari May, Lura Unger

Alternates: Paul Massaria, Racine Zackula

#### <u>E-mail</u>

**Small Group Study: Praying the Scriptures** 

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