ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH Wichita, Kansas



St. John's Parish Visitor

August 2016

Parish Notes

- First Communion & Confirmation Celebration on Sunday, August 7, at 10:30 am. Dual language service.
- Celebration Potluck
 Dinner Sunday, August 7,
 11:45 am.
- Episcopal Social Services Sunday, August 21, with speaker The Rev. Barbara Gibson
- Education for Ministry
 Organizational Meeting,
 Tuesday, August 31st, 6:30 pm.
- ESS Kindness Moves Me 5K Walk at Sedgwick Co. Park. Registration at 8am.

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"Our Father"

It was a fitting Gospel for an important day in the life of St. John's. Before us stood Father Ted Curtis from Albuquerque, New Mexico – our soon-to-be Interim Priest. The Gospel became the basis for his first sermon with us – the meaning of the prayer Jesus taught us to pray.

It was such a familiar story: They were faithful men these disciples. They spent their days visiting, praying and working alongside Jesus. Town to town, village to village. And they watched as He spent time praying to His Father. And so it was that one of them said, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples." And the Our Father prayer unfolded.

Father Ted challenged us to consider how this prayer was put together, as well as the **WORDS** Jesus gave us to pray. Taught this prayer as children, we memorized it, we've said it hundreds of times. We do it without effort, with little thought to what we're *really* saying. As Ted said, "it can roll off the tongue without much thought about it, a kind of Zombie recitation." These are words so powerful they are worthy of our *full attention*, so he shared another way of viewing this prayer by turning it inside out.

May we once again hear these words so that we might truly live them.

I Cannot Pray

I cannot say "Our" if I have no room in my life for others and their needs.

I cannot say "Father" if I do not demonstrate this relationship in my daily living.

I cannot say "Who art in Heaven" if all my interests and pursuits are in earthly things.

I cannot say "Hallowed be thy name" if I, who am called to bear His name, am not Holy.

I cannot say "Thy Kingdom come" if I am unwilling to accept God's rule in my life.

I cannot say "Thy will be done" if I am unwilling or resentful of having God's will in my life.

I cannot say "On earth as it is in Heaven" unless I am truly ready to give myself to His service here and now.

I cannot say "Give us this day our daily bread" without expending honest effort for it, or by ignoring the genuine needs of others.

I cannot say "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us" if I continue to harbor a grudge against anyone.

I cannot say "Lead us not into temptation" if I deliberately choose to remain in a situation where I am likely to be tempted.

I cannot say $\it "Deliver us from evil"$ if I am not prepared to fight with my life and my prayer.

I cannot say "Thine is the Kingdom" if I am unwilling to obey the King.

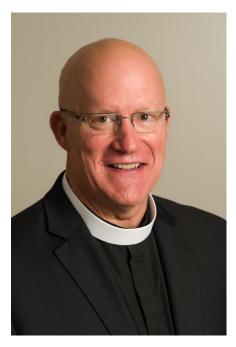
I cannot say "Thine is the Power and the Glory" if I fear what my neighbors may say or do.

I cannot say "Forever" if I am too anxious about each day's events.

I cannot say "Amen" unless I can honestly say, "Not MY will, but THINE be done."

Author Unknown

Please Welcome into Our St. John's Family The Rev. Ted Curtis!



Sometimes the best way to introduce someone is to let them do it themselves. That is just what happened when **Father Ted Curtis** came to visit St. John's during the weekend of July 24. Father Ted along with his husband Al Papillon visited with our neighbors during Sandwich Saturday, spent time with the vestry, conducted Sunday services, tried out our undercroft during lunch, and attended our 1 p.m. service. How did it go? The Vestry voted to ask Bishop Dean Wolfe to call Father Ted to St. John's. Bishop did. And Father accepted. It's OFFICIAL!

We welcome Father Ted Curtis as our *part-time Interim Priest;* he will be joining our St. John's family beginning September 1. Father Ted spent *almost 25 years* at Grace Church in Chicago, Illinois, an inner-city church that hosted breakfasts for about 150 every Saturday morning. He served a three-year term on the Executive Council of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship; was a reader of the General Ordination Exams; and was president of a housing corporation that helped secure HUD funding for the working poor in Chicago. He got his doctorate from Seabury Seminary. Father Ted had taken early retirement and moved

to Albuquerque but felt called to continue his ministry.

What does "part-time" mean? Father, who says he prefers to be called "just Ted," will be with us 3 consecutive Sundays and then off about 2 weeks. During his time away he will remain active by phone, Internet and Skype. He will live in the new apartments just to the east of St. John's and anticipates commuting by train. His passion became obvious during his time with us – it is people. Talking to people. Listening to people. Tending His sheep.

In his own words: "Pastoral care is really just attending to another person – being able to get your own stuff out of the way enough to be with this person. Pointing out – or celebrating – the presence and action of God in a person's life is a true celebratory blessing."

We also welcome Ted's husband **Al Papillon**. He too introduced himself - following the 8 a.m. service Al left his seat, bowed deeply and immediately went to assist the Altar Guild in setting up for the 10:30 service. Al is employed at Kohl's in Albuquerque as a lead. He worked with CME Group, Inc. in Chicago for almost 20 years – CME is four exchanges: Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Chicago Board of Trade, COMEX and NYMEX - as a telecommunications manager. Al served on the Altar Guild at Grace Church, is a certified EFM Mentor, and served in multiple capacities on the Diocesan Council.

We look forward to our next year with Father Ted - "just Ted" - and Al. Welcome to you both!

Church Endowment Seminar to be Offered, August 13

Episcopal Church Foundation will present "The Promise and Perils of Church Endowments & the Blessings of Planned Giving" at St. James' Episcopal Church on Saturday, August 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, with lunch included. The information presented is intended to help parishes examine their endowment and long-range planning. If you are interested in representing St. John's, please contact the parish office at 262-0897.



Education for Ministry: An Opportunity and Challenge

Lay persons face the difficult and often subtle task of interpreting the richness of the church's faith in a complex and confusing world. They need a theological education which supports their faith and also teaches them to express that faith in day to day events. As the emphasis on lay

ministry has grown, EfM has come to play an important role by providing a program that develops an informed and knowledgeable laity.

Many people think that one must be ordained in order to be "a minister." The fact is that all baptized Christians are called to be active participants in the church's total ministry. The EfM program is preparation for the ministry to which we all are called. It is that vocation for which we pray at the end of the Eucharist: "And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord."

EfM is a four-year program. The seminar group is the nucleus of the Education for Ministry program. A group consists of six to twelve participants and a trained mentor who meet weekly over the course of a nine-month academic year. These meetings are usually from two and a half to three hours in length.

Participants are given weekly assignments to study with the help of resource guides (Year One participants study the Old Testament. Year Two participants study the New Testament. Year Three participants study church history. Year Four participants study theology). They spend between two and four hours in study and preparation each week. In the seminars members have an opportunity to share their insights and discoveries as well as to discuss questions which the study materials raise for them.

Through discussion and guided reflection, the seminars furnish an opportunity to deepen understanding of the reading materials.

More important is the development of skills in theological reflection. The goal is to learn to think theologically. By examining their own beliefs and their relationship to our culture and the tradition of our Christian faith, participants can learn what it means to be effective ministers in the world. In coming to terms with the notion that everything we do has potential for manifesting the love of Christ, we discover that our ministry is at hand wherever we turn.

The seminar is supported by a life of prayer and regular worship. EfM groups are encouraged to develop a pattern of worship appropriate to their situations. Liturgical materials are furnished with the course materials.

The Diocese of Kansas has many active EfM groups across the Diocese. Tuition for the program is \$350 a year (because the Diocese of Kansas is a sponsoring diocese, we pay \$110 less than a participant in a non-sponsoring diocese).

If you are interested in more information about an EfM program in the Wichita area, please contact Deacon Bob Hirst at lovesymphony98@mac.com or Tish Seely at tiashaseely@gmailcom. Our group will meet on Tuesday evenings. The first organizational meeting will be on Tuesday, August 30, at 6:30 p.m. in St. John's library, with Deacon Bob Hirst and Tish Seely as co-mentors. Regular meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. on September 6.

"Knit With Knowledge" to Begin New Testament Study

Knit with Knowledge will finish our course on the Old
Testament on Tues., August 2nd. We will begin our next
study on The New Testament on Tues., August 9th, 6:30 p.m.
in the parlor. The New Testament course will be taught by
Dr. Bart Ehrman, Distinguished Professor of Theology at the
University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Please remember that these are
video lectures, not merely audio, so there are excellent visuals included.
Everyone is welcome whether you knit or crochet. Please join us!

Thanks to Mike Morrow

We want to thank Mike Morrow for spending the last five weeks leading Prayer and Bible Study focused on the Book of James. We had a good group gather Wednesday evenings. We all know that it takes time to prepare lessons that are instructive and we are appreciative of all of the time he spent. Thank you, Mike!

Our own Ruby: It was a beautiful Spring morning, April 10th. Our indomitable Ruby Kaelson-Pike came to church, went out for lunch, then drove to Valley Center to attend a program at the historical museum. The first doors she found were locked; she found another door, turned the knob and entered. The wind blew the door shut and Miss Ruby found herself at the bottom of the steps. When her friends left the meeting they noticed Ruby's car and went in search of her. It

would be more than 5 hours later before someone finally turned the same door knob and found her at the bottom of the steps. Ruby suffered a large gash to her head, and broke her back. Fast forward though we're sure it didn't seem fast to Ruby - and in late June Ruby returned to services at St. John's. She wrote this poem to honor her friends who continued to search for her. Valley Center's Ark Valley News ran it and with Ruby's permission we are reprinting it. On that beautiful Spring day God looked down with favor on Ruby.

I was late, I was late For a very important date! I found two doors locked But one door opened with a knock. Caught by the wind the door slammed shut Imprisoned me with no way out. In the dark my feet found four steps down In vain my feet searched for more around. No wings had I to reach the floor. So I ricocheted from wall to wall. Horror! My head bleeding, my back smashed Till I landed on concrete at last. I called for help. Dogs answered with a yelp. Hours later, appeared at the top of the stairs Three angels—Pat, Al and Brent. They saw my car parked nearby

Called the police and said, "Find Ruby."

So ends my tale of woe

The rescue by angels three.

- Ruby Kaelson-Pike



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Lucy Hadley
- 04 Tish Seely
- 07 Vern Herrman
- 09 Curtis Downing
- 13 Gail Davis
- 14 Cass Charlton
- 14 Phil Dietrich
- 14 Dana Castor
- 18 Judy Morris
- 19 Darlene Herrman
- 19 Kelley Davidson
- 19 Judy Nelson
- 20 Iola Crandall
- 23 lessica Bitler
- 23 Alex Morris
- 25 Ron Mueller

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 21 Pat & Larry Heeren
- 31 Charles & Sara Lloyd

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

- 01 Tim Phares
- 07 Tom Pott

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

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.

| 08/07/16 12th Sunday after Pentecost | Carroll Hadley | In thanksgiving for daughter Lucy, whose birthday is August 1st. |
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| 08/14/16 13th Sunday after Pentecost | | |
| 08/21/16 14th Sunday after Pentecost | Peggy Karr | In thanksgiving for family and friends, past and present |
| 08/28/16 15th Sunday after Pentecost | Charles & Sara Lloyd | In thanksgiving for their wedding anniversary on August 31st. |

St. John's Scholarships Awarded to Three Young People

The life of a church is dependent on the growth of its youth. St. John's is very proud to announce that three of our young people - **Elizabeth Carvalho, Morgan McFerren, and Joel Montes** - have each been awarded scholarships for the 2016 – 2017 school year.

We have all watched Elizabeth grow up among us. She began serving as an acolyte at the age of 7 and continued for 10 years. Elizabeth will be attending Butler County Community College in the Fall and wants to major in Criminal Justice. She hopes to become a lawyer. Elizabeth is the daughter of Roger Carvalho.

Morgan McFerren was baptized and confirmed at St. John's and has assisted Altar Guild, helps cook Sunday breakfasts, and participates in cleanup days. She has decided to attend Eric Fisher Academy to become certified in Esthetics. She wants a career in a dermatology clinic or office. Morgan is the daughter of Mike and Nikki McFerren.

Joel Montes is completing his undergraduate degree at Wichita State University in Music Performance with an emphasis in percussion. While you may not recognize his name, you would recognize Joel – he was part of the Latin Band of WSU and they performed at the fundraiser dinner in our undercroft in April. Joel has been an active member at both St. Bart's and St. John's and was instrumental in getting the Hispanic service started at St. John's. Joel is the son of Jose and The Rev. Elizabeth Montes.

St. John's Episcopal Church Profit & Loss Budget Proformance June 2016

| | | | | | | Actual vs | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| | | | Actual vs | Actual | Budget | Budget | 2016 |
| | Actual | Budget | Budget | Jan -June | Jan - June | Jan - June | Annual |
| | June 2016 | June 2016 | June 2016 | 2016 | 2016 | 2016 | Budget |
| Ordinary Income/Expense | | | | | | | |
| Income | | | | | | | |
| Pledges | 9,959.70 | 12,960.00 | -3,000.30 | 77,365.73 | 75,070.80 | 2,294.93 | 162,000.00 |
| Contributions | 1,549.00 | 2,252.00 | -703.00 | 13,834.56 | 15,544.73 | -1,710.17 | 36,150.00 |
| Investments | 4,352.49 | 5,460.00 | -1,107.51 | 33,686.34 | 31,627.07 | 2,059.27 | 68,250.00 |
| Additional Income | 1,220.00 | 700.00 | 520.00 | 6,596.33 | 4,200.00 | 2,396.33 | 8,400.00 |
| Latino/Hispanic Ministry Income | 122.00 | 200.00 | -78.00 | 2,281.25 | 1,158.50 | 1,122.75 | 2,500.00 |
| Total Income | 17,203.19 | 21,572.00 | -4,368.81 | 133,764.21 | 127,601.10 | 6,163.11 | 277,300.00 |
| Expense | | | | | | | |
| Latino/Hispanic Expense | 1,086.42 | 868.83 | 217.59 | 6,355.60 | 4,786.86 | 1,568.74 | 10,000.00 |
| Worship Ministry & Altar Guild | 181.23 | 233.34 | -52.11 | 2,091.27 | 1,690.04 | 401.23 | 3,090.00 |
| Outreach Ministry | 5,726.35 | 6,101.50 | -375.15 | 33,986.78 | 36,609.00 | -2,622.22 | 73,218.00 |
| Christian Formation Ministry | 0.00 | 127.09 | -127.09 | 347.18 | 762.50 | -415.32 | 1,525.00 |
| Parish Life & Fellowship | 198.16 | 270.83 | -72.67 | 1,548.46 | 1,625.02 | -76.56 | 3,250.00 |
| Building & Grounds | 3,631.37 | 1,291.67 | 2,339.70 | 13,251.89 | 14,241.24 | -989.35 | 31,014.00 |
| Utilities | 1,856.22 | 1,551.67 | 304.55 | 11,356.99 | 11,209.98 | 147.01 | 21,400.00 |
| Office | 379.00 | 479.00 | -100.00 | 3,191.50 | 3,526.00 | -334.50 | 6,400.00 |
| Personnel | 19,512.82 | 19,300.16 | 212.66 | 109,317.58 | 108,616.18 | 701.40 | 215,901.00 |
| Professional Fees & Accounting | 1,781.70 | 1,687.50 | 94.20 | 10,549.75 | 10,125.00 | 424.75 | 23,450.00 |
| Total Expense | 34,353.27 | 31,911.59 | 2,441.68 | 191,997.00 | 193,191.82 | -1,194.82 | 389,248.00 |
| Net Ordinary Income | -17,150.08 | -10,339.59 | -6,810.49 | -58,232.79 | -65,590.72 | 7,357.93 | -111,948.00 |

Attendance for July 2016

July 3, 10, 17, 24

8:00 a.m. 55 total 10:30 a.m. 164 total

1:00 p.m. 27 total (no service 7/3)

Wednesday Bible Study: 40 total Lay Eucharistic Visits: 6 people took communion

| Transfer from Grant Fund for Latino/Hispanic Payroll | 10,000.00 |
|--|-------------|
| Approved 2016 Budget | -101,948.00 |
| Beginning 2016 Operations Checking | 4,080.76 |
| Actual vs Budget Adjustment | 7,357.93 |
| Estimated Deficit | -90,509.31 |
| 1/21/16 Vestry approved borrow from Trust | 32,000.00 |
| 5/19/16 Vestry approved borrow from Trust | 25,000.00 |
| Adjusted Deficit with Trust Funds | -33,509.31 |

Even More Summer Fun at St. John's:

Colorado Camp Construction, National G.F.S. Conferences and Bar-B-Q Book Studies by Parish Historian, Katie Pott

August 30, 1949: A letter from The Rev. James C. Hofmann: My dear People, As you know, I have just returned from Colorado where I have been working on our project there making preparations for the construction of our camping facilities next spring. Every one who has gone from St. John's and has seen our property is highly enthusiastic about it. ~ We have almost \$5,000 in cash in the bank towards building these buildings, but will need about \$10,000. And we hope that the other \$5,000 will be raised by the project now in hand connected with the Plymouth automobile. ~ Bill Matchette, chairman of the campaign has done a fine job during the past month. Enough tickets have been sold to pay for the car which has already been bought and which may be seen at the "54" Drive-In Theater. In addition, he reports that there is already about \$1,000 left in the bank. So the point is this: every dollar you collect or give from this time on is for the camp! ~ But since there are only a few days left before the car is given away on Labor Day and our campaign will be ended, you will want to get as many dollars clear as you possibly can. We are still far from our goal of \$5,000, and it will take the utmost effort of all of us to meet it—so keep working and working—as hard as you can these few remaining days. . . . This camp will mean a great deal to St. John's and I am anxious for every one of us to have a part in it.

May 19, 1951, The Eagle of St. John's: Each three years the Girl's Friendly Society has a conference dealing with the program and purpose of the organization, and the St. John's Chapter has tried to have representatives present. The conference is to meet in New London, Con. the week of June 20th, and the local chapter plans to have three members attend. Those to go are Miss Sandra Staunton, Miss Karmelita Kee, and Miss Letha McCorkle. Mrs. Stanley Spurrier, Chapter adviser will also be present at the conference, as will Miss Pauline Lyman, associate. Mrs. Dick Garreton is also an associate. [Our archives have photos of the 1929 Conference as well as the 1951 delegates, soon to be displayed on the history bulletin board.]



June 13, 1971, Parish Visitor: LIKE BAR-B-Q? THE SUNDAY EVENING BAR-B-Q is a new entree on the menu of St. John's. The fare is food for thought rather than for the palate; thus the action is in the Parlor rather in the kitchen. The recipe for those in attendance begins with a few raw (or half-baked) ideas to be broiled with the



heat of gentle discussion. The sauce of humor is applied liberally from time to time and the Episcopal brand of good sense is the seasoning. When garnished with pleasant informality, an unlimited number can be served. ~ Whether your appetite is for inquiry into the past, understanding of the present or faith in the future, schedule into your diet the SUNDAY EVENING BAR-B-Q. The only prerequisites are that you be quiet or outspoken, young or not-so-young, married or single, male or female. ~ The SUNDAY EVENING BAR-B-Q is a forum and an opportunity to examine the words of important authors, especially those who have written the Good News. Thus far no heretofore wholly unknown truths have been discovered, but those involved have achieved a fresh understanding of some of the established ones. With the aid of C.S. Lewis and his Mere Christianity, the practical nature of Christianity has been examined. The nature, kinds, and attributes of LOVE are now the subject of discussion. Disagreement is not infrequent but always with gentility. Each person is left to draw his/her own conclusions, but there is an abundance of help along the way.

Serving the LORD with Gladness

AUGUST 2016 (Year C)

Morning Prayer w/ESS

| 8:00 a.m. Service Acolyte/Chalice Lector / Intercessor | August 7 Pentecost 14 RITE I Cathy Harris Charles Lloyd | August 14 Pentecost 15 RITE I No Communion | August 21 Pentecost 16 RITE I | August 28 Pentecost 17 |
|--|---|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Acolyte/Chalice | Cathy Harris | | RITE I | DITE II |
| | | No Communion | l l | RITE II |
| Lector / Intercessor | Charles Lloyd | | No Communion | Cathy Harris |
| | Charles Lloyd | Racine Zackula | Charles Lloyd | Cathy Harris |
| | | | | |
| 10:30 a.m. Service RITI | E II—Dual Language | RITE II | RITE II | RITE II |
| Organist Br | other Guadalupe | Brother Guadalupe | Brother Guadalupe | Brother Guadalupe |
| Altar Guild La | anelle McKernan | Racine Zackula | Leslie Dunlap | Kelley Davidson |
| <u>Acolytes</u> Server | Emerson Ross | No Communion | No Communion | Jack Burkholder |
| Crucifer | Paul Steele | | | Tish Seely |
| Lector / Intercessor | Judy Nelson | Tammy Breeden | Katie Pott | Roger Carvalho |
| Chalice Bearers | Tom Pott Dcn. Arland | No Communion | No Communion | Tish Seely Dcn. Arland |
| Daughters of the King | Judy Morris | Jean Wikle | Tish Seely | Nancy Dietrich |
| Ratrochmonts | st Communion & nfirmation Potluck | | | Parish Breakfast |
| Lay Eucharistic Visitor | Charles Lloyd | Paul Massaria | Charles Lloyd | ~~~~~~ |
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| fecha | 7 de agosto | 14 de agosot | 21 de agosto | 28 de agosto |
| dia | 14 Pentecostés | 15 Pentecostés | 16 Pentecostés | 17 Pentecostés |
| servicio de 13:00 | RITO II | RITO II | RITO II | RITO II |
| sacerdote No | 1:00 p.m. service | The Rev. Elizabeth Montes | The Rev. Elizabeth Montes | The Rev. Elizabeth Montes |
| organista | today | Brother Guadalupe | Brother Guadalupe | Brother Guadalupe |

If not able to serve as scheduled, please find a substitute and notify the parish office of the change.



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--------|--|-----------|---|--------|--|
| | _ | 3:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Knit with Knowledge, parlor | m | 4 | ın | 6 11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Hope Mennonite Church |
| 7 Pentecost 12 / Proper 14 The Rev. Elizabeth Montes 8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist 9:00 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 10:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist & First Communion-Confirmation (bi-lingual) 11:45 AM 1st Communion—Confirmation Potluck dinner in the undercroft No Spanish-Language service today | 8 | 9 3:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Knit with Knowledge, parlor | 01 | = | 12 | 13 11:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Riverwalk Church of Christ |
| 14 Pentecost 13 / Proper 15 The Rev. Arland Wallace 8:00 AM Rite I Morning Prayer 9:00 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 10:30 AM Rite II Morning Prayer 11:45 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 1:00 PM Spanish-Language Eucharist | 2 | 16 3:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Knit with Knowledge, parlor | 71 | 18 5:00 PM Finance Meeting in the library 6:00 PM Vestry Meeting in the library | 6_ | 20 I 1:00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Pathway Church |
| 21 Pentecost 14 / Proper 16 ESS Sunday: The Rev. Barbara Gibson & The Rev. Arland Wallace 8:00 AM Rite I Morning Prayer 9:00 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 10:30 AM Rite II Morning Prayer 11:45 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 1:00 PM Spanish-Language Eucharist | 22 | 23 3:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Knit with Knowledge, parlor | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 11: 00 AM Sandwich Ministry/ Lutheran Synod |
| 28 Pentecost 15 / Proper 17 8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist 9:15 AM Parish Breakfast in the undercroft 10:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist 11:45 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 1:00 PM Spanish-Language Eucharist | 29 | 3:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Knit with Knowledge, parlor 6:30 PM EFM Class in the library | 31 | | | |

Outreach Opportunities

How Does Kindness Move You?

AUGUST 27 Episcopal Social Services is sponsoring a 1-mile walk to support the programs of Venture House and Breakthrough Club at the Plum Shelter at the Sedgwick County Park. Walkers will follow a scenic path and will end back at the shelter where you're invited to eat pancakes. Registration is \$35 and begins at 8am with the walk to begin at 8:30. You could also choose to be a Late Riser Sponsor – for those who want to sleep in but are kind enough to sponsor someone else.



ESS reminds us that \$30 provides lunch for 12 people who are homeless; \$75 teaches one at-risk teen to control their anger and make positive life choice; \$75 provides 1 day of life skills and job preparedness training for an unemployed parent; and \$100 provides a Breakthrough member with social and wellness activities for this year. Spread the Kindness. Let Kindness move you to walk.

Children Want to Adopt Your Books



We have CHILDREN who regularly come to Sandwich Saturday – last weekend there were about 10 - and they visit our library book cart hoping to find something of their own – comic books, picture books, chapter books. We like to be able to help them find something they can take as their very own.

If you have adoptable books you can bring them to church and leave them in the red wagon at the back, or leave them at the downstairs entry.

Episcopal Migant Ministries in Need of Crock Pots, Lawn Care Volunteers

Episcopal Migration Ministries, formerly EWARM, is in need of CROCK POTS – new or used. There has been an increase in the number of individuals and families coming to Wichita. The crock pots are used to prepare FIRST MEALS for new arrivals; they are given the crock pot to keep. You may take them to EMM or bring them to church and leave them in the red wagon. Other items recently requested are couches, dressers, twin & double bed frames, mattress sets, blankets & sheets, kitchen & bath towels, baby clothes & diapers, maternity dresses, laundry & hand soap.

EMM is also in need of people who would be willing to mow for the refugees; these individuals have little or no experience with outdoor equipment, nor do they have a place to safely store these items.

Thinking of cooler weather? Last fall, St. John's won the Wichita CROP Hunger Walk thanks to an energetic contest between Father Earl and Father Ted. The CROP Walk is a program of Church World Service. Twenty-five percent of funds raised support local organizations fighting hunger, the rest goes around the world. Be thinking of joining us on October 2 at 2:00 p.m.

Rivercrest Free Methodist Requests Food Donations for Pantry

Rivercrest Free Methodist at 126 N. Emporia, is requesting food for their pantry. Rivercrest provides food for families in need and that need continues to grow. They are open the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. They report that in the month of June they ministered to 97 individuals – a record number for them. They are in need of canned goods. Donations can be taken to their office.

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

We welcome you!

Sundays 8:00 am Rite I Holy Eucharist or Morning Prayer

> 10:30 am Rite II Holy Eucharist or Morning Prayer

1:00 pm Holy Eucharist in Spanish

ST. JOHN'S **EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

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Staff and Vestry

Staff

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Cathy Harris—Parish Administrator & Bookkeeper Connie Shawver—Parish Communications

Ken Breeden—Choir Director

Joel Brejda—Organist

Brother Guadalupe—Music, Latino/Hispanic Ministry

James Adams—Sexton / Security

Vestry

Nicki Soice—Senior Warden Mike McFerren—Junior Warden Pete McKernan—Treasurer

Erica Gaither—Clerk

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