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July 2014



HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY AMERICA!

### **BIRTHDAYS**



4 Merle McFarland, George Morawski; 9 Jeanenne Silleck, Jack Gesualdi; 10 Richard Cavender; 11 Barbara Beckemeyer, Don Oster; 13 Katy Carnahan, Nnamezie Orizu; 17 Heather Cavender; 21 Robert

Wilkerson, Miah Cyrus; 26 Ann Siehr, Evan Barth, Jim Felts; 31 Monroe Free

### Salisbury and Prayer Book <u>The Bishop's Column for July 2014</u>

The liturgical adaptations of the Latin rite at Salisbury (Sarum) Cathedral provided a primary source for the first Book of Common Prayer (1549). These materials, in use from the eleventh century, prevailed through most the English kingdom until the Reformation, so they were a well-known and logical choice for shaping the Prayer Book.

Through the wonders of technology I have been reading the Sarum Missal in translation and have noted points of familiarity with and difference from our own Prayer Book (1979).

Many collects for Sundays and Holy Days, for example, are practically the same. The Collect for Purity ("Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known...") comes directly from the Missal, although there it stands as the priest's prayer in the sacristy before Mass; in the Prayer Book it has always been a prayer for priest and people.

The liturgies for Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Great Vigil of Easter are recognizable. On the other hand, among endless ceremonial details about Advent, Sarum makes no mention of an Advent wreath, a devotion developed in nineteenth-century Germany and thus unknown in sixteenth-century England. (It's interesting to note that despite its use in almost all Episcopal Churches, there is no mention of the devotion in the Prayer Book.) Two overarching themes, however, stand out in any comparison of Sarum to the Prayer Book.

First, the whole Prayer Book tradition, from 1549 to the present preserves the dignity of language, gesture, and movement from the Sarum usages. The similarity of spirit is remarkable, and the genius of those who devised the first Prayer Book, primarily Archbishop Thomas Cranmer, shines through. This is a noble heritage.

Second, and paradoxically, the Prayer Book is much simpler to use, more direct in its description of the ritual, than Sarum. To paraphrase the Preface of BCP 1549, in Sarum it could take longer to untangle the intricacies of instructions than to complete the liturgy to which the instructions refer! The Prayer Book tradition tends to strip away unnecessary complexity precisely to uncover the liturgy's dignity. Much of what is attractive about the contemporary "Emerging-Church" movement is its method of recovering what is very old in order to do something very new.

Dare I say it: in our heritage, this has been our method from the outset. Often we forget what a very good thing we have, and how attractive others might find it.

Bishop Wayne Smith

#### **AS WE CELEBRATE OUR COUNTRY'S INDEPENDENCE DAY**

Prayer to be prayed for the <u>National Day of Prayer</u> by Pastor Greg Laurie, honorary chairman for the NDOP in Washington, DC, May 2nd, 2013:

Father, we come to You to pray for our nation, the United States of America.

How You have blessed us through the years, Lord! We rightly sing, "America, America, God shed His grace on thee." Yet we see trouble in our culture today. We see the breakdown of the family, crippling addictions, and random acts of horrific violence.

Lord, we need Your help in America. In recent days, we have done our best to remove Your Word and Your counsel from our courtrooms, classrooms, and culture. It seems, as President Lincoln once said, that we have "forgotten God." But Lord, You have not forgotten us! You can bless and help and revive our country again.

Scripture tells us that "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people" (Proverbs 14:34). Lord, in Your mercy, we ask that You would exalt our country again. We have had a number of great awakenings in America. We have experienced times of refreshing, and revivals that changed not only the spiritual but also the moral landscape. As the psalmist said, "Will You not revive us again, so that Your people may rejoice in You?" (Psalm 85:6).

That is our prayer for America today, Lord. Send a mighty spiritual awakening that will turn the hearts of men and women, boys and girls, back to you. You have told us if we will humble ourselves and pray, and seek Your face and turn from our wicked ways, that You will forgive our sins and heal our land (2 Chronicles7:14).

Forgive us today, Lord, and heal this troubled land that we love so much.

We ask all of this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen



### **GOODBYE TO KENT DAVIS**

Some of you may already be aware that parishioner, Kent Davis, will be moving to Nixa, Missouri in early July to be nearer his father. Kent recently retired as director of plant operations at the Phelps County Regional Medical Center where he worked 18 years. He always kept us informed of upcoming blood drives at that location.

Kent sang in the Christ Church choir until work obligations kept him from attending choir practice. He has a wonderful singing voice. He was the first person to be confirmed in the new church sanctuary when confirmands were no longer required to go to the Cathedral in Saint Louis.

Christ Church shall miss Kent and we all wish him the very best in the future. When he has a new mailing address, he has promised to let the church know. He also said that he would welcome Christ Church parishioners if you come his way.



### <u>Hearth and Home Picnic</u>

Christ Church will have **a pool party picnic** at the home of Joan and Tom Schuman on **Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4 p.m**. If you wish, wear a swimming suit and bring a cover-up to enjoy a dip in the pool. Pulled pork will be furnished or you may bring a meat of your choice to grill (large gas grill available to use). Bring a covered dish to share. Lemonade, water, and iced tea will be furnished along with coolers and ice. Feel free to bring another beverage of your choice.

Address: 10435 Stoltz Drive

Directions: Go east on 10<sup>th</sup> Street to Rolla City limits; turn left on Stoltz Drive (Social Security office is on the corner). The Schuman's is the 4<sup>th</sup> house on the left; a brown cedar sided home with circular drive.



### Vacation Bible School

### **Methodist Family Life Center**

Sunday July 13—Thursday July 17 6 pm—8:30 pm

For children 4 years old through completed 6th graders Family Dinner at 5:30 pm (cost : donations)

**Questions? Contact: Suzanna at office@firstumcrolla.org or 573-364-3980 ext 10** 



### **SUMMER SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**

This event is going to be REALLY fun and the youth involved will get lots of input in planning their part of it. Make sure that if you or your group is interested you get in touch with Jillian ASAP! "Summer Service Opportunity

This summer, our diocesan youth service project will be to assist with Episcopal City Mission's "Summer Celebration." Episcopal City Mission is a ministry in St. Louis that provides chaplaincy and support to youth in detention centers. The "Summer Celebration" is their big summer fundraiser. Our diocesan youth have the opportunity to help put on a carnival for the "Summer Celebration." This is being coordinated by Jillian Smith. Any youth in grades 6-12 who want to participate should contact Jillian at jillian.smith57@gmail.com or call the ECM office at 314-436-3545. "

> Danielle Bianca Dowd Youth Missioner Episcopal Diocese of Missouri Making Disciples - Building Congregations - For the Life of the World

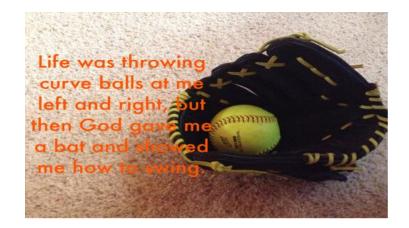
> > Cell: <u>(314) 665-4123</u> Office: <u>(314) 255-1383</u> Email: <u>ddowd@diocesemo.org</u>

### **BLESSED BY OUR CHILDREN**

Do you sometimes wonder if children get the messages we are trying to give them? Do they seem inattentive?

On Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> the message board at Christ Church read: "Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised. Psalm 8:2"

Recently, Katelyn Meyer told your Editor about something she had designed on her iPad and it caught MY attention. I asked her to send it to me and am including it below.



Thank you, God, for the blessings of children and for the wisdom they convey to us!

#### **REMINDER**

<u>Christ Church Pictorial Directory:</u> Jennifer Erst is the new editor of our church pictorial directory. Jenni is a photo professional who owns her own business. Please submit updates, corrections and new photographs to <u>Jennifer.erst@gmail.com</u>

#### ALTAR FLOWERS 2014

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date on Which You Wish To Give Flowers: \_\_\_\_\_

Message to be placed in the bulletin \_\_\_\_\_

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The cost of Sunday altar flowers is **\$25.** Flowers may be given for a special occasion such as a birthday, anniversary or to remember a loved one. The form above should be included with your check. The following dates are open:

July 6, September 14, 28, October 19, 26, November 2, 9, and 16.

Please consider this special way of giving to the church and to special events in your life.

### **REMINDERS**



#### PLEASE HELP US CONSERVE ENERGY

Don't forget to help us keep our utility costs down. If you turn it on, please turn it off! While lights are a big concern so are heat and A/C costs. If you adjust the thermostat PLEASE set it back! Many of the

thermostats do not automatically reset! We all appreciate your help!

#### THE PRAYER LIST

To place a name on the prayer list, please contact Renee at 364-1499 or email <u>christch@fidnet.com</u> Please DO ask your friend or loved one for permission to put them on the public bulletin prayer list before adding their name. Names are removed after a period of time unless otherwise directed. If a name is removed and still needs to be on the prayer list, simply let the church office know.

#### Church Office Hours

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday closed 10 am – 2 pm 9 am – 2 pm 9 am – 2 pm 9 am – 1 pm

Renee Cook, Parish Administrative Assistant 364-1499 <u>christch@fidnet.com</u>

#### <u>Mother Aune's New Cell Phone Number – 573-202-4999</u>