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Children's Liturgy of the Word; 10:10 Adult &

Children's Formation; 11:15 am HE or MP &

HC (3rd Sunday with healing) (Church on the Hill)

Wednesdays: 9:30 am HE (Chapel)

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ANNUAL MEETING 2005



Sunday's Annual Meeting offered abundant evidence of the health of Christ Church, from finances to people to programs. Departing from the usual format for summarizing the year's progress, the Rector described "a day in the life" of the parish, from the unlocking of the Parish House doors by Mario or Dominic at 8 a.m. to "lights out," with a cornucopia of tasks, crises, questions, volunteer and staff moments in between. The "slice of life" formed a picture of a parish with "enormous commitment in faith and service...faith that stretches us rather than constrains us." The full text of the Rector's Annual Report delivered on January 29 will be included on the parish website, www.christchurchwinnetka.org.

Also recommended reading is the 2005 Annual Reports booklet (copies in the Parish Office). The record of activities and programs undertaken—a choir trip to England, enormously successful outreach projects, a mission trip to establish ties with a diocese in Mexico, fellowship, Christian education, the 100th celebration of the building of the Church on the Hill, a task force recommendation for the West Building—only touches the surface.

Other business at the meeting included the election of four new Vestry persons and new Junior Warden **Jeremy Farmer**. Jeremy is readily identifiable as an Intercessor by his English accent and sonorous delivery. Growing up south of London and educated in the U.K., Jeremy moved to the U.S. with his wife, Gill, to work at First Chicago in 1987, taking up residence in Winnetka. They joined Christ Church directly, finding Christ Church both close in character to the Church of England and physically close to their new home. The association has been fortuitous for both the Farmers and the church.

All three of the Farmer's children, Sam, Thomas and Edward, went up through the choir and were confirmed at Christ Church and both Jeremy and Gill have been

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WORSHIP & CHRISTIAN FORMATION

“Anglicanism 101”

LIFE IN CHRIST
PARISH FORUM



Sundays
10:10 a.m.
(McClain Room)

Please join us on Sunday mornings from 10:10-11 for the Parish Forum as we explore the foundations of Anglicanism and its changing face in the 21st century.

February 5 *God's Desire for Wholeness in a Splintered World*

Our speaker will be the Rev. Chuck Ruehle, a minister in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, and a trainer for Cross-roads Ministry, an interfaith and community based anti-racism training organization. Chuck will facilitate a conversation that focuses on

Bible passages that speak to God's desire for wholeness and justice for God's people. In addition, parishioners who have attended the anti-racism workshop will be available to share their experiences and reflections.

February 12, 19 & 26 *The Role of the Bible in the Book of Common Prayer and in the Eucharist*

Nancy Threadgill, our seminarian this year, will be presenting this three part adult forum series. The first session will look at the first part of the Eucharistic Liturgy or the Liturgy of the Word. It will include a brief overview of the Lectionary or how the readings from the Bible are selected for each Sunday. The second and third sessions will study the second part of the Eucharistic liturgy which is the Liturgy of the Table. Particular attention will be spent on Eucharistic Prayer B which is used here at Christ Church during the school year and at the Eucharistic Prayers used in the summer months in the park. Come and find out how much of the Bible we are exposed to every Sunday just by using the Eucharistic liturgy in our Book of Common Prayer.

A SPECIAL
SUNDAY

FEB. 12

Only TWO morning services will be held on February 12:
7:45 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. At the 5th Annual Teddy Bear Sunday

that day, parishioners of all ages are asked to bring a new or gently used Teddy Bear to either of the services to receive a



blessing. The bears will go to abused or neglected children in the care of the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS). Over the past four years, 688 children have embraced the bears...and the love they represent... given by Christ Church.

Following the Forum presented by Seminarian Nancy Threadgill at 10:15, the whole parish is invited to a farewell reception in honor of Associate Rector George Smith and his family. George leaves to assume the post of Rector at St. Mark's, Glen Ellyn.

The Sunday is capped by a service of Taizé at 5 p.m. (see next page).



three children, Jon (17), Julia (14), and Peter (12). She served on the Winnetka Community Nursery School Board and filled countless room mother roles throughout Winnetka's public schools. She currently serves on the board of the Winnetka Alliance For Early Childhood and as the Conservation Chairman for the Winnetka Garden Club, which fulfills her love of gardening.

Liz has lived in the area and been an active member of Christ Church since 1989. She served on the Hospitality Committee and has been involved with Rummage for more than ten years—many of them as co-chair of Shoes. With her oldest heading to college in the fall and an acknowledgement that she is not “chairs anything big right now,” it seemed like a good time, she says, to “shift my focus from the schools to my church—a perfect time to join the vestry.”



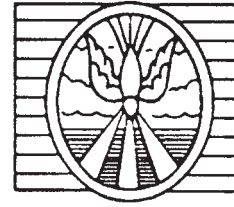
A native of Frankfurt, Germany, **Dietrich Knoer** at an early age envisioned his future life in an “English-speaking country.” In high school he spent several summers in the U.S. and later did “an internship or two” stateside. When he met Katy attending Tuck (Dartmouth) business school, his fate was sealed. Four children and numerous moves later—Chicago, London, Atlanta and back—the Knoers arrived in Glenview and at Christ Church.

The children, Reilly (8), Tristan (6), Casey (4) and Caleb (3) [girl-boy-girl-boy] are enthusiastic church school attenders, and the oldest two sing in the Primary Choir. For their parts, Katy and Dietrich have contributed immeasurably to the parish. Working in a commercial real estate development firm, Dietrich was a natural for the study committee making recommendations for the development of the West Building (see the summary in the Annual Reports). Dietrich remarks, “We think Christ Church is a wonderful community, with a superior staff and Ned as a gifted spiritual leader.”

Susie Sprowl has had three Christ Churches in her life: in Shorthills, N.J. as a child; in Cambridge when she earned her Masters of Arts in Teaching at Harvard; and, of course, in Winnetka. Susie graduated from Northwestern and taught English at New Trier High School; she married Jim, and had two children, Elizabeth and Bill. Elizabeth lives at home and commutes to Lambs Farm every weekday; Bill, like his father a U. of Michigan grad, is in graphic design.

The Sprowls moved to Winnetka in 1985. Both Susie and Jim sing in the adult choir, and Elizabeth is a regular acolyte at the 11:15 service. Susie is also on the Altar Guild and participates in Christian education offerings. A number of years ago, Susie says, she resumed writing short pieces, mostly about her summers in Maine (and her 52-year old wooden sailboat), as a result of exercises in a Christ Church course offering.

Susie is on the Woman's Board of Lambs Farm where she ran the all-volunteer thrift shop for a number of years and now keeps the library going. She looks forward to working with other Vestry members, saying that throughout her life “Christ Churches have been quite wonderful.”



Please Join Us As We Celebrate

Worship in the Style of Taizé

a contemplative liturgy of readings,
music, meditation, and reflection
an opportunity to become centered, refreshed,
and renewed in a space where silence fills the soul

Sunday, February 12, 2006 ✠ 5 pm



Ten years ago, Seminarian **Nancy Threadgill** could not have imagined that a decade later she would be living in Illinois, pursuing a vocation in the church. A senior at Seabury-Western, Nancy moved two and a half years ago from the Diocese of Central Gulf Coast (the Florida panhandle and parts of Alabama) to Evanston and began her field training at Christ Church on January 1.

Nancy earned a degree in medical technology from Michigan State, worked as a medical technologist and also taught the subject at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. She later earned a degree in nursing, moving to Florida to be near her mother and to work as a nurse in critical care. At that time, Nancy says, “I began getting hints that I was being called, but didn't believe it.” Eventually she came to recognize those early stirrings as a call, and she entered the process of discernment six or seven years ago.

Nancy is eager to learn as much as she can about being a clergy person. Although she has always been very active in the church, she wants to supplement the lay experience with a grounding in the administrative aspects of the church. Her time here will include working on the Parish Forum and the Lenten programs with Patti, preaching, and participating in other aspects of parish life. Nancy considers Christ Church a very “active, vital” place and is enthusiastic about the “wonderful things” the congregation does for the community.

Nancy lives at Seabury with her three Persian cats and has been attending Christ Church regularly since beginning at the Seminary. She likes to walk, do needlework and read. She has been attending fairly often the Thursday morning monthly breakfast held at Café Buon Giorno and will serve as hostess of the next get-together on the morning of Thursday, February 23.

CURRENTS & TIDINGS



Where LOVE means nothing at all!
Lob, Slice, Poach (you wouldn't?)

Christ Church Tennis Potluck

Service begins **February 11, 6 pm**
at the Nielsen Tennis Center. Potluck follows at the Walther's,
269 Locust Road, Winnetka. All are welcome.

\$20 per player or \$8 for the Gallery alone. Balls and beverages will be provided.
RSVP to Lindsay Gorman at 835-4232

OUTREACH



Drum Roll, Please ... The Numbers for our Living Gift Market for Heifer International are in ...!

Christ Church donated **\$19,780** to Heifer International as a result of our December Living Gift Markets! Jenny Keller and Coco Harris want to thank Melly Turner for always

dreaming big and choosing such a worthwhile organization for our Church to partner with.

We also want to thank our tireless Sunday School teachers for not only *thinking* big, but also being outstandingly creative and supportive of this fantastic project. We thank all of the children of Christ Church who donated their time, skill and artistic talent to creating fun, fabulous and informative booths to educate the parish about each animal for purchase. And lastly, this project would not have been nearly so successful as it was if it wasn't for our incredibly generous congregation. We thank each and every one of you who chose to honor a friend, family member, co-worker, teacher or loved one with the gift of a Heifer animal. Your generosity will change the lives of many needy and deserving families living in communities less fortunate than ours. Thank you!

Just How Many Animals Did We Sell???

Heifers - 6	Water Buffalo - 5	Llamas - 7	Goats - 23
Share of Joy - 3	Flock of Hope - 8	Honeybees - 54	Pigs - 8
Trio of Rabbits - 34	Flock of Chicks - 46	Flock of Ducks - 6	Sheep - 10
Milk Menagerie - 3	Tree Seedlings - 3		

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closely involved in social and outreach aspects of parish life, with Jeremy dishing at numerous functions served up by the men.

For the past three years, Jeremy has been the global head of HR for Aon. Lots of travel comes with the position, a built-in opportunity to visit Jeremy's or Gill's siblings in England or Australia. Jeremy also serves on the boards of Pathways Awareness, promoting early detection of problems in infants, and for the Association of Colleges of Illinois.

Jeremy stresses that he and Gill feel very strongly about their connection to Christ Church, and especially so since the death of their oldest son, Sam, in an accident three years ago. Support and caring from parishioners and clergy has accompanied the family through this time. It has remained a constant source of strength for the family, Jeremy says, and a testament to the powerful impact of Christ Church in both good and heart-rending times.

Beth Anaclerio has been an active presence in the life of Christ Church since she first set foot in the door twelve years ago. When pressed for the number of years that she has been teaching Church School, she replied "forever." Beth was born in Wadsworth, Ohio and raised in many towns throughout the Midwest. She graduated with a B.S. in marketing from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. She entered the Executive Training Program at Marshall Field's in Chicago in 1984 and worked there as a buyer until 1991.



Beth and her husband, Nick, have four children. Eleanor (15), Grace (12) and Nicholas (9) are members of the Treble Choir and Luke (5) fully expects to join his siblings in the choir when he is "of age." Beth has served on the Winnetka Community Nursery School board and served as Chairman of the Winnetka Children's Fair. She currently serves as the Director of Development on the Winnetka Historical Society's board of directors. When she isn't busy scheduling the lives of four children she is employed as the part time office manager and bookkeeper for Avenue Interiors, an interior design firm located in Northfield.

Born and raised in Rockford, **Elizabeth Lind**'s life was scattered with visits to Christ Church, Winnetka long before it would become her home. She attended Kenyon College in Ohio where she majored in Psychology and met her future husband, Bob, who was raised at Christ Church. Prior to coming to Winnetka to meet her future in-laws, Liz had already served as an attendant in two weddings and stood in as the godmother at ceremonies held at the Church on the Hill. Upon moving to Chicago Liz was hired as a paralegal for the firm of Schuyler, Roche & Zwirner by a young attorney, Craig Fowler—the threads continue.



Liz has always been an active volunteer in the school lives of her

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