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New Idea - Chicago Lunch Club

Do you work in Chicago? We hope you will take a break and join us for lunch on Thursday, November 15. Responding to parishioner interest in having a lunchtime gathering in the city, we would like to get together and determine the interest in an ongoing group. Are you interested in a structured format with a presentation or an unstructured format for fellowship? Are you interested in meeting monthly or perhaps quarterly? Come and let us know your interest and preferences.

Thursday, November 15
12 noon - 1 pm

Carol Schroeder, hosting
Bank of America
231 S. LaSalle St.
2 floor (up the escalator)

Please RSVP to Jeanne Stewart (847-446-2850) by Monday, November 12th.

Don't Forget To Set Your Clocks back on Nov. 4



St. Francis Would Have Been Proud

Our Assistant Rector, Josh Walters, is an animal lover and proud owner of two dogs - Murphy (adopted from a pound in NYC) and Wendell (a Katrina victim). Josh realized that there were many other pet lovers among our parish and that there had not been a formal Pet Blessing at Christ Church in over sixteen years. This year October 4 marked the official St. Francis Day when many parishes chose to honor the patron saint of animals. However, Oct. 4 was also our 83rd annual Rummage Sale. Josh, clearly having his priorities straight, wisely scheduled this special service for Sunday, October 14 at 2 pm. At 1:59 on the 14th Josh and Darlene McKinney, representing the Hospitality Committee and displaying her never-ending creativity - details to follow - were the only two waiting on the patio at Church House. Then dogs (and owners) came from all corners of the property until the gathering was fortified by 31 dogs, 1 cat, 50 to 60 people and 2 very important stuffed animals - equally important pets.



Everyone patiently waits their turn at the Pet Blessing service.

A word about Darlene and her creativity. Not only did she provide snacks for the owners, she went to Noah's Ark in Winnetka and got them to donate dog biscuits (two sizes to meet all doggie needs) for the service. How cool is that?

Attendee Molly Ethridge observed that "Before the service started the dogs were doing their sniffing-doggie thing but as soon as Josh said 'The Lord be with you...' they all sat down and paid attention." Josh blessed some holy water, used a sprig of boxwood to sprinkle water on both pet and owner and blessed each pet by name with the laying on of hands. It was "the best of all worship services: brief, poignant and fun. And each pet (alive and stuffed) received a medal with St. Francis on one side and St. Anthony, the patron saint of lost objects, on the other so that if your pet becomes lost, he will be protected by St. Anthony." (Josh has extra medals in his office if you would like one and were unable to attend the service.) Next year's service is already being planned for October 19, 2008.

Adult Forum Update

Christmas Angels....and so much more! The ministry of **Cathedral Shelter**, one of our Episcopal Charities, includes residential and outpatient addiction treatment, food distribution and social services and will be the focus of the **December 2 Forum**.

Continuing with our current Forum theme, "Empowering Us to Do God's Work", learn more about Cathedral Shelter—its programs and the impact of our Christmas Angels-when Executive Director, The Rev. Glenn Chalmers, speaks at the Forum in the McClain Room, after the 9 am service.

You Too Can Become A Christmas Angel

Doesn't this sound like something that would make you happy? It will. Guaranteed! We are all bombarded with ways to give during the holiday season. What makes our Christmas Angel program unique is that you will be purchasing gifts for a specific family. You will get names, ages and actual gift suggestions. And you will be bringing Christmas to a family who would otherwise go without.

Please contact parishioner, Julie Flood, at jwflood@comcast.net or 847-920-1006 to adopt a family or to join the committee. There is a lot to do and we always have a great time. Why not pick up the phone today?

Spotlight On:

Youth Group Activities

By Libby Hambleton

Episcopalooza started the season off with a big bang and the active planning of more Christ Church youth group events promises to carry the excitement all throughout the year. This creatively titled barbeque at Maple Street Beach hosted 30 north shore high school students from five different Episcopal parishes, providing an opportunity for the area's religious adolescents to get to know one another.

Because this community get-together was such a success, we are planning more events with our sister parishes. With the upcoming holiday season, an idea to have all five churches participate in a Christmas tree trimming competition has been proposed. Members of each parish will try to hang the most hats, mittens, and scarves for the needy during the frigid winter on their respective trees.

This year the youth group is also looking at exploring other religions. We would like to go to a gospel service, see a charcoal artist and experiment with other unique types of services in the Chicago area. In addition to these Christian traditions, we are looking at exploring Judaism by attending a Seder event with a neighboring Jewish youth group.

In order to relax and get to know each other we are also discussing a paintball trip, movie night in the Great Hall and a theater night.

Already, youth group members attended Wilmette's 5K Crop Walk on October 21 to raise money to reduce poverty both locally and internationally. A senior high lock-in also attracted teenagers to Church house for a full night of games, movies, food, prayer and fellowship.

So, Christ Church high school students: get involved! A group of teenagers will be attending a Blackhawks game on January 11. Tickets are \$12 – hurry to sign up before December 9. An overnight prayer vigil for Maundy Thursday on March 20 with all North Shore Episcopal communities is in the planning stages. If you'd like to join or have other brilliant ideas, you can always find the Christ Church Youth Group after the 9 am service on Sundays in the Lea Room, with coffee and snacks, for fellowship and prayer.

Regular Meetings & Events:
 Families Anonymous: Weds., 7:30 pm
 Soup Kitchen: 2nd Tues. (5:30 pm)
 Adult Sch. (7 pm)
 Mens' Group: 1st and 3rd Fridays
 Boy Scout Troop 18: Tues. pm

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November 2007**

All church services are at the Church on the Hill, 784 Sheridan Road, Winnetka, unless otherwise noted

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	7:45 am - HE 9 am - HE & Chorale 10:15 - Church School & Parish Forum 11:15 am - HE 5 pm- Evensong	9-9:45 Prayer Group Guild Room 10-11 am Book Discussion (Lib)	6	7 9:30 am - HE (Chapel)	8 9:30 am - Rector's Study Group on the Koran & Islam (Library)	9	10
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25	8 am - HE 10 am - HE No Church School	26 9-9:45 Prayer Group Guild Room 10-11 am Book Discussion Library	27	28 9:30 am - HE (Chapel) 10:30 - Senior Men's Group - (Library)	29	30 St. Nicholas Ball - Chicago Hilton & Tower	

November 2007 - Lay Ministry Schedule

Date	Acolytes	Lectors & Intercensors	Chalice Bearers	Ushers	Vestry Ushers	Flower Guild
Sunday, Nov. 4						
7:45 AM	H. Missner	J. Carton P. Mohling		M. Powell	C. Voges	K. Koepfgen MJ LaViolette
9:00 AM	R. Voges F. Coladarci J. Coladarci L. Hambledon E. Russell	J. Canfield, Sr. J. McGee	R. Voges J. Clevenger N. Challenger B. Koepfgen K. Koepfgen T. Kuhns	J. Challenger Family	B. Ervin	K. Koepfgen MJ LaViolette
11:15 AM	L. Sprowl	J. Whitesides Bob Spencer		B. Spencer	J. MacRitchie	K. Koepfgen MJ LaViolette
Sunday, Nov. 11						
7:45 AM	M. Peregrine	M. Lien G. Packer		P. Mohling	L. Gorman	M. Ward
9:00 AM	W. Sido L. Peterson P. Lind C. Montgomery A. Ryan	G. Chalmers M. Millar	B. Prevost C. Harris G. Martin P. Pendry A. Ryan	T. Gorman Family	J. Farmer	M. Ward
11:15 AM	L. Sprowl	J. McClure S. Sprowl		G. Connell	B. Anaclerio	M. Ward
Sunday, Nov. 18						
7:45 AM	J. Henderson	H. Missner M. Peregrine		J. McClure	S. Hudson	A. Snyder M. Valentine
9:00 AM	L. McGuiggan S. Peregrine W. Rosenbloom M. Findlay S. Findlay	J. Coladarci D. Clevenger	L. McGuiggan C. Healey A. McKinney L. Whitesides S. Canfield J. Challenger	A. Parkinson Family	D. Knoer	A. Snyder M. Valentine
11:15 AM	L. Sprowl	S. Sprowl E. Covey		N. Forsberg	D. Russell	A. Snyder M. Valentine
Thursday, Nov 22 - Thanksgiving Day						
10:00 AM	M. Gorman	E. Clemmitt A. Sido MJ LaViolette		W. Imberman	G. Walther	J. Whitesides J. Garcia
Sunday, Nov. 25						
8:00 AM	M. Peregrine	M. Peregrine J. Carton		M. Pyle	E. Lind	L. Crowe
10:00 AM	P. Martin B. Hickey, Jr. C. Hickey A. Ryan C. Myefski	K. Dougherty J. Richards	P. Martin J. Clevenger N. Challenger A. Clevenger M. Cody K. Dougherty	C. Davis, Jr.	G. Harmon	L. Crowe

If you are not able to meet your commitment, please switch with someone on the schedule. Please call the Parish Office (847-446-2850) to advise of the change.

***** Rummage News *****

1) The **fall 2007** 83rd annual Rummage Sale was a great success - **\$205,240** and counting - thanks to many dedicated volunteers. You are a group that's hard to beat. Our collection efforts were put on hold for five months while the West Building was renovated. The results were well worth waiting for as the new space was well received by shoppers and workers alike.

2) Our efforts continue ... Come one, come all to this year's **Gingerbread House Party** fund raiser on **Saturday, November 24, 9 am** in the great Hall. Reservations should be made by November 10. Call or e-mail Irene Maniewski at (847) 446-2850 ext.35 or rummage@christchurchwinnetka.org. Each house costs \$35 to decorate and all proceeds will go to rummage. Build a special relationship with your loved one. An activity the children (ages 8 to 80) will cherish from year to year.

3) Be sure to check out the **new Rummage Slide Show** on our web site. Go to <http://www.christchurchwinnetka.org/PhotoCollections.htm> and click on the picture of the church. It will make you smile.

All Saints Sunday Offers Two Great Music Opportunities

Christ Church Chorale and Youth Choir will be singing on All Saints Sunday morning, **November 4** at the **9 am service**, presenting three anthems by Handel, sung together with strings, organ, and trumpets.

That afternoon at **5 pm**, our Youth and Adult Choirs will sing an **Evensong service** featuring music by Glenn Rudolph, Craig Phillips, and Richard Nicolson.

Two opportunities in one day to feed your soul.

You are cordially invited to an Admissions Reception for Episcopal High School

on Monday, November 19 at 7 pm

at the home of
Stuart & Susan Miller,
parents of Austin '09,
515 Abbotsford
Kenilworth, IL

Please join Assistant Director
of Admissions, Scott Conklin

for an informative evening,
video presentation
and refreshments.

RSVP: Stuart and Susan Miller
(847) 251-4621

Annual Stocking Stuffing Party

On the **4th of December 4-5 pm AND 7-8:30 pm** please join us in the Guild Room for this great Christ Church tradition. Due to popular request we have scheduled **TWO** sessions this year. We will be wrapping fifty individual stockings (actually bags) for 50 home-less people in Chicago. This effort benefits both the Cathedral Shelter and the city of Chicago. The gifts will include: food, clothing and personal hygiene items with a gift card from Christ Church. Parishioners of all age ranges (last year's span was 3 to 91) will gather together and enjoy a warm fire, hot cider, homemade goodies and Christmas carols while completing this wonderful effort. Please join us (and bring your favorite pair of scissors.)

Come to the St. Nicholas Ball for Episcopal Charities

Please save the date, November 30, and plan to enjoy dinner, dancing, a silent and live auction and an opportunity to meet our Bishop-elect. Best of all, you will be supporting men, women and children in our Diocese who need it most. The goal is \$175,000 for organizations such as Lawrence Hall Youth Services, the Cathedral Shelter, Bishop Anderson House, St. Leonard's Ministries and St. Gregory's Episcopal School.

Last year Christ Church almost filled four tables of ten at what was then known as the Bishop's Ball. It's a new venue this year – the Hilton Chicago on Michigan Ave. – and it's on the Friday eve after Thanksgiving. The St. Nicholas Ball is a wonderful way to welcome Christmas!

For more information and/or invitations, please contact Molly Ethridge in the parish office or one of us. We'll be there! Thank you, Bob & Barbara Spencer, (847)441-7578, WinnSpem@aol.com.

Your Support For our Christmas Flowers and Music is Greatly Appreciated

Please use the enclosed envelope to make your Christmas flower and music offering. For inclusion in the Christmas program it must be received by the office by December 5.

Church School Conference Provides Insight

A conference entitled "Whose Church Is It Anyway?" was held in Mundelein, IL from August 24-25. Our Rector, Ned Prevost, our Director of Childrens and Youth Ministries, Missy Harrison and parishioner and long-time teacher, Sherry Gormanous were in attendance with many other adults who work with children of all ages. Sherry shares her reflections with us.

"We arrived at 12:30 and attended an opening session called 'Worship.' It was followed by a Forum of other church educators who expressed their impressions on a variety of church issues. Everyone participated in a 'Time Line' by writing down years and events that changed their lives. It was a very moving experience to read each one."

"The discussion groups or 'learning experiences' were held in segments of an hour and a half. I attended the 'Rotation Model Basics' for children five years and older. I learned what other teachers do with their classes to keep their programs energized and memorable. The afternoon group was called 'Small-sized Sunday Schools Can Do Great Christian Formation Programs.' Each teacher was asked what his or her concerns were in their classrooms. It was almost unanimous that they wanted to keep class attendance consistent from Sunday to Sunday. They discussed the problem of having nine one week and two the next. Possible solutions were to increase parent participation and to recruit middle and high school students to help in the classrooms. It was a very worthwhile conference and I invite each and every current, and future, church school teacher to join us next August for this annual conference."

Don't Be Left Out In The Cold

Please book your appointment NOW! to be included in our **new pictorial Parish Directory**. It has been four years since our last effort and we have added many new families since then. Please help us reach our goal of %100 participation by making your appointment today. It's really EASY.

1) Choose from the following times:

Fri, Nov 23, 3-9:30 pm or Sat. Nov. 24, 10 am - 5 pm or
Mon. Nov. 26, 3-9:30 pm or Tues. Nov. 27, 3-9:30 pm or
Wed. Nov. 28, 3-9:30 pm

2) Choose one of the following methods:

- a) Go online to <http://signup.olanmills.com> or
- b) Sign up on the poster in the Cloister at the Church On The Hill (until Nov. 12 when the poster will disappear).
- c) Call Emily Blecksmith at 847-859-2131

Our parish directory won't be complete without you.

Sign Up For "People Look East" - our 2007 Christmas Pageant Sunday, December 16, at 10 am

Everyone from three-year-olds through high school is invited to participate.

Older children and youth with strong expressive reading skills are encouraged to sign up for Narrator/Reader parts.

CHORISTERS – Mr. Clemmitt is happy to have you participate in the Pageant and join the choir at the Offertory.

There are as many angel, sheep and shepherd folk roles for younger children as needed.

Primary Choir let Mrs. Clemmitt know that you will be participating. **ALSO, you must complete a sign-up form and return to Missy Harrison.**

Narrators and older children with **principal roles** will **rehearse 10-11 am on December 2 and 9**. Also other rehearsals will be scheduled for principals on weekdays after school beginning Dec. 3rd.

Final dress rehearsal is Saturday afternoon December 15, 2 – 5:30 pm. Please note the time change this year. Saturday morning will be spent at the Ordination of our own Jeanne Stewart. You will receive a detailed schedule along with the cast list. **It is very important that you attend this rehearsal.**

Return sign up form NO LATER THAN SUNDAY November 18 to the box marked PAGEANT on the children's table in the church or mail to me at the parish house. It is very important that you return this form ASAP.

Complete and return no later than Sun. Nov. 18, 2007.

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ email: _____

Primary Choir Member? _____

This is the pageant with Adam and Eve, Serpent Angel of the Lord, Gabriel, Mary, Joseph, etc. No Innkeepers in this one. Roles are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Older children (third grade and up) please list three parts you would like to play:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Parents: This will be my first pageant at Christ Church. I would love for those who have volunteered in the past to help me through this exciting experience. I would also like to invite new people to help put on this wonderful pageant. I need several of you to help both mornings. Please indicate below.

I (name) _____ will help on:

_____ Saturday December 15 (2-5-30 pm)
_____ Sunday December 16 (9 am – until the end of the service)

I also need help pulling and hanging costumes: **Yes, I will help with this.** _____

_____ (mutually agreeable time)

Many thanks in advance for your support.

Missy Harrison, Director of Children's & Youth Ministries