

On the Mark

June 2, 2010
The Second Sunday after Pentecost

Get Set...GO!

Sunday, June 6, 2010

8:00 Cell
8:45 First Service & Nursery
10:00 Fellowship
10:30 Second Service & Sunday School
12:15 Prophetic Teams
12:15 Prayer Ministry Meeting
5:30 Art Show Reception
6:30 First Sunday

Monday, June 7, 2010

Tuesday, June 8, 2010

9:30 MOPS Steering
10:00 Holy Eucharist & Healing Service
11:30 Art Group
12:00 Agape Luncheon
12:30 Staff Meeting
1:00 Cell
6:00 Band Rehearsal
7:00 Vestry

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Thursday, June 10, 2010

7:00 Healing & Intercession Prayer Time

Friday, June 11, 2010

10:00 SP Art Cell
7:00 Christian 12 Step

Saturday, June 12, 2010

7:30 Men's CBS
11:00 "Let the Choice Be Mine"
1:30 "Coping with Grief"

Sunday, June 13, 2010

8:00 Cell
8:45 First Service & Nursery
10:00 Fellowship
10:30 Second Service & Sunday School
12:15 Prophetic Teams

THIS WEEK'S LESSONS

I Kings 17:17-24 (p. 346)
Galatians 1:11-24 (p. 1128)
Luke 7:11-17 (p. 1000)

NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS

Psalm 32 (p. 542)
Galatians 2:11-21 (p. 1129)
Luke 7:36-50 (p.1001)

Prayer Ministry Members

There will be a Prayer Ministries meeting today, June 6, immediately after the 10:30 service. A light lunch will be served. We are looking forward to a time of fellowship and re-connecting.

Newcomers and guests at St. Paul's are invited to come to the Prayer Room after the service for a personal word of encouragement from the Lord. Our prophetic prayer team is ready to listen to God and ask Him to speak to you.

Expressions

When you look around the nave of St. Paul's, you witness the visual creations of highly expressive individuals! Some thirty (30!) artists have painted/photographed/expressed their thoughts and these thoughts have been hung on the wall.

My experience of expressing myself in art goes a long way back to being the son of an artist and musician. My mother was highly expressive! I remember fondly seeing her paint, watching her sculpt, listening to her play music. I never thought much about expressing myself in such ways. Sports seemed like a better fit for me.

Yet my parents brought me to a Christian Camp where being creative was encouraged. It set me free to express myself. Once I became a believer in the Creator, creativity flowed.

I had a high school teacher who thought I could write very good poetry and she helped me get it out of myself. More recently, my daughter Susannah has believed that there is visual art inside me and she has helped me get it out.

There is creativity in every one of us. It is just a matter of discovering it and releasing it. Knowing the Creator and beholding his work also helps! So, my question to you is, "What is in you?" and "How can you express it?"

Your Brother in Christ,

Christopher

The Rev. Christopher P. Leighton
Rector

By the way: A good scripture for reflection these days is the following:

¹ *The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.*

² *Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they display knowledge.*
Psalm 19:1-2 (NIV)

St. Paul's Darien ART SHOW

Featuring paintings, photography, and other work by members and friends of St. Paul's

Opening **June 6, 2010**

5:30 p.m. – Reception

6:30 p.m. – First Sunday Service

with meditation on art & worship:

remarks and reflections from artists and others,
worship, Holy Eucharist, healing prayer

Fathers + Food + Fellowship = FUN!!

June 20th, following the 10:30 service, we will celebrate Father's Day with our traditional start-of-the-summer Barbeque! St. Paul's will supply the meat, paper goods and drink; **you** supply a salad, side dish or dessert to share – and the fellowship! We'll hang out under the big tent and enjoy each other!



Week ending	5/30/10	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	+ (-) than budget
Tithes & Offerings	7,308	238,379	275,000	(36,621)
Expenses	2,500	305,500	275,000	(30,500)
	Weekly Goal	12,500	Shortfall	(67,121)

LAST CHANCE!

If you have been considering signing up for one of the two seminars being offered by Deacon Novella Lawrence on **Saturday, June 12, 2010**, stop hesitating and do it!

From 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm: **Let the Choice Be Mine.** We plan and prepare for most important events in our lifetime (think wedding or the birth of a child) but few of us prepare for the final event – our funeral. The family is left to guess at our wishes, while dealing with their own grief. This seminar - back by popular acclaim! – will help you plan in advance, which is probably the best gift you can leave your family. This is true *regardless of your age or state of health!* There is a \$10 charge for this seminar to cover the cost of materials.

Then from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., **“Coping with Grief”.** The pain of losing a loved one can have physical, emotional, and spiritual effects which impact us for years. Understanding the stages of grief and their manifestations in our lives can be the first step to acceptance.

If you want to participate in either of these seminars, please call the Parish Office at 203 655-8773 or e-mail info@stpaulsdarien.org



God's Great Get-together

V.B.S.
August 16-20,
2010

Registration for **Baobab Blast** our 2010 VBS is now open! All kids four years old and up are invited to join **God's Great Get Together.** [Those entering the 6th grade or higher – or adults! - are welcome to sign on as Gamekeepers.

From 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, **August 16 through 20**, we'll learn about the African savannah while we also learn to share the Good News of Jesus, to care for others, and to live as part of a community! And we will end on Friday evening at 5:30 with a “harambi”, a feast, a party, to which *everyone* is invited.

And it is still a bargain. \$45 for the first child in a family; \$40 for the second child; \$35 for the third; \$30 for the fourth, etc. (Scholarships are available; talk to us!) Forms are available at the Welcome Center – or call 203 655-8773 during working hours.

By the way, if you saw Disney's The Lion King you already know some Swahili...“Hakuna matata” really does mean “no problem”; “rafiki” is “friend.”

There's Still (a little) Time

You can still submit a page for the “Memory Book” Donna Bruno is assembling for the Morgan's. Put together a 12x12 album page. You can include photos, words, keepsake items, stories, etc. You can print, paste, glue, tape, write on paper and physically drop your page off at the church OR you can create the page digitally and e-mail it directly to donna.bruno@einstein.yu.edu.

Each Thursday evening at 7:00 a group meets in the Prayer Room to pray. It's an open group: if you would like to join them, please come!

PRAY For the CHILDREN

Join us as we unite in prayer for “Feed My Starving Children”. This is a Darien church-wide, community-wide, packing event in the fall and we want to be fully engaged in it. Let united prayer be our preparation. Join with people from other churches in the Chapel at St. Luke's, 1864 Post Road, Darien. We'll be hosted by Fr. Paul Carling on Monday, June 7 from 8:00 – 9:00 p.m.

World Vision Update on Haiti

It has been over three months since the 7.0 magnitude earthquake hit Haiti. World Vision's response to date has included providing food aid to 1.5 million people (that's 11,000 metric tons of food distributed!) and life-saving supplies – temporary shelters, cooking sets, blankets and more – to over 100,000. They have set up 19 “Child-Friendly Spaces” where children can be children again, where they can play, learn, and heal from emotional trauma. They are also working with the UN Shelter Cluster which is determining where transitional housing should be built, how the infrastructure can be provided to those area, and which materials are durable enough to withstand hurricane season.

With new crises hitting the headlines daily, it is good to remember that those in Haiti still need our prayers – and our support.



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**Go Know Christ
And to Make Him
Known**