

# On the Mark

July 25, 2010  
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

## Get Set... GO!

### Sunday, July 25, 2010

8:00 Cell  
8:45 First Service & Nursery  
10:00 Fellowship  
10:30 Second Service & Sunday School up to age five  
12:15 Prophetic Teams & Youth Group lunch together at the Rectory

### Monday, July 26, 2010

8:30 Camp Mighty Minds

### Tuesday, July 27, 2010

8:30 Camp Mighty Minds  
9:30 Art Group *room 1*  
10:00 Holy Eucharist & Healing  
*Under the tent*  
12:00 Agape Luncheon  
*Under the tent*  
1:00 Cell *living room*  
6:00 Band Rehearsal

### Wednesday, July 28, 2010

8:30 Camp Mighty Minds

### Thursday, July 29, 2010

8:30 Camp Mighty Minds  
9:30 MOPS Bible Study *Chapel*  
7:00 Healing & Intercession Prayer Time

### Friday, July 30, 2010

8:30 Camp Mighty Minds  
10:00 SP Art Cell *room 1*  
7:00 Christian 12 Step

### Saturday, July 31, 2010

7:30 Men's CBS

### Sunday, August 1, 2010

8:00 Cell  
8:45 First Service & Nursery  
10:00 Fellowship  
10:30 Second Service & Sunday School up to age five  
12:15 Prophetic Team

#### THIS WEEK'S LESSONS

Genesis 18:20-33 (p. 16)  
Revelation 2:8-11 (p. 1192)  
Luke 11:1-13 (p.1007)

#### NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS

Ecclesiastes 1:12-14, 2:18-23 (p. 647)  
Revelation 2:12-17 (p. 1192)  
Luke 12:13-21 (p.1009)

## Camp Mighty Minds

begins tomorrow, July 26, at St. Paul's from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

We ask your patience and understanding: we *think* we have covered all the bases but there is always that bloop single...In particular, however, we ask your prayers for these children who find themselves struggling and frustrated with tasks their peers master with ease. Pray that they will come to know love and acceptance through St. Paul's during these three weeks!

## Until Something Better Comes Along

No doubt you have started out at the supermarket, filling a cart, when you come to the realization that before you is a preferred product and you will now need to dispose of the other. So you put the no-longer-needed thing in a wrong place on the shelf or hidden out of the cashier's sight off the rolling belt at the checkout.

How much of life is lived "until something better comes along"?

- I'll go to the party until something better comes along
- I'm at this job until something better comes along
- I'm with this person until something better comes along
- I'm in this church until something better comes along.

Is it conceivable that I'm with this god until something better comes along?

There is a critical juncture in Jesus' ministry when many turn away and leave Him. At this point He turns to the Twelve and asks "Do you want to leave, too?" Peter answers, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." [John 6:67-68.]

The 12 disciples had committed to Jesus and there was no turning back. As a follower of Christ we realize that our tendency to drift along and to dabble now must end or we will not be following Him.

Your brother in Christ,

### Christopher

The Rev. Christopher P. Leighton  
Rector



This is local participation by Darien churches, non-profits and others in a national effort to provide nutritious meals for hungry children in other countries. Fund-raising has begun to prepare, pack and ship the meals.

In the narthex is a basket with our share of tubes filled with M&Ms. When the M&Ms are gone, the tubes will each hold \$14 in quarters. May God bless our well-fed children with His heart to be a part of this...to save their quarters and turn in the tubes by SEPTEMBER 15.

Of course, adults can participate in this too...giving quarters, bills, or a check. If you use a check FMSC will provide a tax donation receipt. The check should be payable to "Feed My Starving Children" and this number should appear on the memo line: #1010-42. There's a basket in the narthex for your contribution.

If you know of a business owner in Darien who may want to donate (with public acknowledgement, please let Deacon Roberta know. E-mail [ks.sent@yahoo.com](mailto:ks.sent@yahoo.com)).

Being a greater part of this effort also means participating in the packing event, the first weekend in October. Save the date!

Week Ending 7/18/10	7/11/10	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	+/- Budget
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,840	\$307,332	\$362,500	(\$55,168)
Expenses		\$350,200	\$363,500	12,300
		Weekly Goal 12,500		Shortfall: (42,868)

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.

## BLOCK BASH

Pivot Ministries is having a party! On Saturday, August 14, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at 485 Jane Street in Bridgeport CT. There will be fun! Music! Food! Give-Aways! Face Painting! Giant Basketball! Pony Rides! A Raffle! The City of Bridgeport, WDJZ 1530 AM, and New Creation Hair Stylists are all lending their support to what looks to be a huge and happy event! Come lend *your* support.

### The Oratory of the Little Way

Always has interesting and enriching programs on tap. The August offerings are listed below, but you can find out about any (or all) of these, costs, directions and registrations, by calling the Oratory at 1-860-354-8294 or e-mailing them at [oratory1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:oratory1@sbcglobal.net).

**Sat. August 7:** "More Use of Gifts" (Effectively helping others).

**Tues., August 10** "What Does That Mean?" (Significance).

**Mon., August 16** "Healing"

**Sat., August 21** "More from Less" (Sufferings of Good People).

Find Out About **FINANCIAL SERVICES Careers** at the next meeting of the **DARIEN PROFESSIONALS NETWORKING GROUP**, Tuesday, July 27, 2010. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 1864 Post Road, Darien. Admission is free and all are invited. The Darien Professionals Network holds monthly meetings. It provides timely career-development information and networking opportunities for executives from all industries and job functions who are

- underemployed – and curious;
- employed and seeking to stay "networked" just in case;
- employed but willing and able to help those Seeking career guidance; and
- in a job transition.

### VOLUNTEER at Connecticut Hospice Inc.

If you or someone you know is looking for an opportunity to serve others in your community, call Pat Corradino, Director of Volunteer Services at 1-800 8 HOSPICE ext. 510 or e-mail [pnowak@hospice.com](mailto:pnowak@hospice.com). As a **Connecticut Hospice Volunteer**, you can assist in an administrative capacity or by offering direct care as a friendly visitor, provide pastoral or bereavement care, help in the arts or meet transportation needs. Volunteers are needed for weekdays, evenings, or weekends.



## God's Great Get-together

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

We have just about reached our quota for Vacation School attendees this year, so if your child is interested but is not registered, grab a registration form from the Welcome Center and fill it out now!

Kids four years old and up are welcome. And it's a bargain: \$45 for the first child, \$40 for the second, \$35 for the third, \$30 for the fourth, etc. And scholarship funds are available. Talk to us!

Join us Monday through Friday, August 16 through 20 from 9:30 to 12:30 AND on Friday evening August 20 from 5:30 for a "harambi", a joyful feast to which everyone is invited.

*Did you know that in some places the Baobab is known as the "Upside Down Tree"? Those leafless branches look like roots; as if someone had pulled up the tree and stuffed it back in the ground upside down!*



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