



St. Christopher's *e-Traveler*

A new way to get the WORD out

FROM THE RECTOR



THE REV. JOHN F. DWYER

RECTOR

Welcome to the new *e-Traveler*! St. Christopher's monthly newsletter will now appear in your email in-boxes at the beginning of each month. We have made this shift to enable this communication to have more current news and notes and reflections, as opposed to the nearly month old news the prior newsletter contained (due to off-site publication requirements). For those parishioners that do not have email (or who have not yet provided us with their email addresses) we will be sending the *e-Traveler* via mail on the day that it is sent through email. There will be printed hard copies of the *e-Traveler* placed around our facility as well.

We will also be producing a quarterly journal, entitled *The Traveler Journal*, which will be a publication offering theological, spiritual, ecclesiastical, and artistic avenues of expression to further enhance the experience of parishioners and friends of St. Christopher's. This publication will be produced in the manner of the prior version of the Traveler, being produced off-site and sent via regular mail. Please look for the first edition of this new journal to be in your "snail-mail" boxes the end of January/the beginning of February!

As we enter into 2012 we will be making some other shifts. One of those areas where there will be some changes is in liturgy. Some of those shifts are:

- On Sunday, February 12, we will begin offering an "alternative" Eucharistic service, at 5:30 in the evening, in addition to our two morning services. This will be a service loosely based on the Prayer Book, allowing for substantive flexibility in the style and format of the service. Different styles and forms of music will be utilized.
- On the months where there is a fifth Sunday, the 8:00 AM Sunday Eucharist will be a Rite I based service.
- The time of all weekday (Mon-Fri) evening services will be standardized to take place at 6:15 PM.
- In Lent this year, the 8:00 AM Sunday service will have Morning Prayer, Rite II, in place of the Service of the Word, followed by Holy Eucharist.

- Friday evenings in Lent will offer a service called “Way of the Cross and Holy Eucharist” where the Service of the Word portion of our Eucharist will be Stations of the Cross.
- Holy Week this year will offer a service each day of the week: Monday and Tuesday will have a Healing Eucharist, Wednesday, Tenebrae, and then the Triduum (The Great Three Days) of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and The Great Easter Vigil.

In the first edition of *The Traveler Journal*, the theological and thoughtful reasons for these shifts will be explored.

The Renewal Committee projects continue apace. Here is a brief update on the various projects.

- The exterior and stained glass window lighting project is nearing completion. Both the north and south towers and tower facade are now lit, as are all of our beautiful stained glass windows. The gooseneck lamps that will light the “red letters” on the west façade (facing Hamline) should arrive from the manufacturer in mid January, nearing completion of that project.
- The cantilevered balcony’s removal is to begin Monday, January 9th, and is scheduled for two weeks, without interruption to our Sunday Services in their usual place.
- The carpet replacement project is set to begin Monday, January 23rd, and will be accomplished in a staged/progressive manner throughout our complex.
- The power assist doors, for the North Narthex and for the south entrance, is in the final contract negotiation stages and we hope to have that project completed by the end of January.
- The painting of the Gathering Room and of the liturgical furniture should be completed by late January.
- The fund-raising for the Rieger Compact Organ is scheduled to begin this month and we are certain will proceed quickly and successfully.

And that is just the start of the dreaming and the renewal projects that are bubbling up here at St. Christopher’s. These projects are the leading edge of the exciting imaginings of what is to come.

2012 is going to be a year of both excitement and challenges for all of us here at Hamline and Highway 36. We find challenges in learning how to live into the change that is surrounding us on all sides in the perplexing economic times in which we find ourselves. Excitement also abounds *because of* that change and our living into being the change-agents we are called to be as the Body of Christ in the world today.

I am energized and excited by these challenges and opportunities and look forward to living into and embodying these changes with all of the St. Christopher’s community this coming year and beyond.

A blessed and happy New Year to all,

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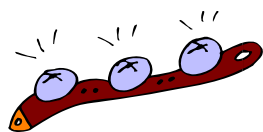
Music Notes



KARLA STANDRIDGE COLE

MUSIC DIRECTOR

In all the excitement of lighting and construction and carpeting, I don't want to forget our glorious Christmas celebration and those who worked so hard to help it happen. Many thanks to our choir, who performed beautifully at Lessons and Carols and at all our Christmas liturgies, and also managed the Fred Waring "Twas the Night Before Christmas" at the Over 55ers' Christmas bash. Also our thanks to Pippa Lindwright, Deacon Janet and the Cole kids for swelling our ranks during the holidays. The Archangels deserve a big thank you as well. They were indeed angelic as they sang the opening strains of "Once in Royal David's City" and led the Lessons and Carols procession into the church. They also sweetly sang an anthem of their own and accompanied violinists Joe and Katherine Brilowski with resonator bells. The handbell choir was another hit of the evening. They weren't quite sure they wanted to play downstairs in front of everyone, but I think you'll agree that they performed very well and were fun to watch - especially their postlude with all sorts of added percussion, thanks to Jocelyn Bayer, Emma Friend and Patrick Hunner. Who knew that sleigh bells could be used liturgically?!



The parish hall was transformed for the evening into a wonderland of stained glass and candlelight with scrumptious sweet treats, thanks to the magic of Darlene and Bill Cross and Karen and Bill Hanna, Elaine Norling, Barb Swanson, Barb Hovey, Tom Hove, Matt Cole, and anyone who set or cleaned a table or baked a batch of cookies. It was quite lovely. Thank you all.

Our Christmas Eve was accompanied by more angelic strains, this time the harp and the beautiful flute duets of Madisen and Jean Crow. Geneva Cole sang a familiar carol at the 4:30 service and the choir gathered for a choral

prelude before the 11:00 service. All that was missing was the snow. Pippa and mom, Jennifer Wright sang a gorgeous Vaughan Williams carol on Christmas Day, and between the three Christmas services and the one on New Year's Day, I think we managed to sing most of the familiar carols in our hymnal.

And without missing a beat, we are off into the new year with plenty of things in store. Our old electronic Allen organ has been decommissioned and taken down in advance of the balcony construction that will soon begin. Being in the balcony has long been a bit like being on a tightrope and is coming down for safety as well as aesthetic reasons. And as the organ was taken out, there were not a few sighs of relief that the overwhelming tangle of wiring never shorted and started a fire up there. Apparently, it was quite a hazard.

Now we will be without an organ for a while. The Music Instrument Committee has written an extensive report that you can read for yourself in the library. In a nutshell, they found a Rieger compact pipe organ, an Austrian-made instrument that was taken out of an Episcopal church in Ohio and restored by an instrument maker in Detroit. It is a lovely, historic organ that will accompany our hymns and support choirs and solo voices and instruments alike. The fact that it is compact means that it doesn't have to be built into the sanctuary, saving us thousands of dollars in construction cost. The Vestry approved the use of the present Organ Fund and gave permission to raise the balance. We hope that there will be wide participation in the fundraiser, so that this will be our organ that we have worked together to purchase, a point of pride for our parish. And we look forward with excitement to the day when this organ will lead us in musical prayer and praise!

Being without an organ for a while will not slow us down a bit. The choir is planning an evensong for February 5th at 4:00. Just because that is SuperBowl Sunday, please don't write us off. You'll be done in plenty of time to get to your party and see the big game. (Besides, the Vikes won't be playing.) Last year, you'll recall, we honored St. Cecilia and sang all sorts of lovely, traditional music. That was last year. This year, we'll be using a setting by African-American composer and Episcopal church musician, Carl MaultsBy. Dr. MaultsBy has

written and arranged music for the Episcopal Church in various styles from across the African diaspora. There's a nod to African harmonies and rhythms, the soulful spiritual, jazz, blues...and a whole lotta Gospel. Our fabulous new Hailun piano and our fabulous Gospel-singing Parish Choir. You gotta hear it to believe it! Please add February 5th to your calendar and join us!

Karla Cole =

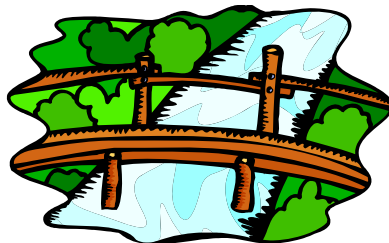
Jottings from the Junior Warden

Allison Jensen

Shall We Gather at the River

"You can't step in the same river twice." That bit of wisdom was passed on to me by my late father, a professor of philosophy.

If I look at our church community as a river—an analogy that seems to fit well with our St. Christopher's name—some things remain the same. Our building could be compared to the banks of a river. Yet it contains waters, our community of souls, that flow. Visitors arrive, newcomers decide to make this church their home, others move away, some decide it doesn't suit them, and, sadly, some folks pass away.



"There is a river whose streams make glad the City of God," (Psalm 46:4). Let us at St. Christopher's be that river. Let's invite others to our worship, share our joys and opportunities on our new Facebook page, greet visitors as old friends, newly met.

Those are just my ideas. Please share your thoughts about extending our hospitality and growing our parish with me, members of our Vestry or Father John.

January events for the 6-8 graders at St. Christopher's:

Wed. January 11: 7-8:15 in the kitchen

Dog Biscuit baking for the Humane society. We will also pack a bag for the church dogs upstairs! Delivery of the biscuits will be set up for a later date to be announced.

Wed. January 18: 7:00-8:30 In the Parish Hall

Join us at the Episcopal Church home to play with our friends, church and family members there. We will do an art project, or play games. Details to be planned later with them. We will leave St. Christopher's at 7 and be back to St. Christopher's by 8:30.

Sunday 1/22 Youth Blast (details to be determined)

Wed January 25 6:30-8:30. Sky Zone

Join us as we jump at the Sky Zone. It is a room full of trampoline fun. Cost is 12 dollars per person to jump one hour. **Parents need to either join us there to sign permission forms for their child to jump, or sign the forms on line before we go there that night.** It will be a jumping good time. We may need extra drivers to get there if lots of youth come so please plan to drive along if you can. It is a great night to bring along a friend or family member. Bring comfortable clothes and water to drink.

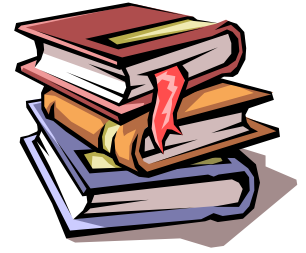
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From the Bookshelf

Cap Hanson

Two interesting as well as popular books have been donated to the library print collection. The titles of the gifts are ***What Dads Need to Know About Daughters*** and ***what Moms Need to Know About Sons***. Thank you to the Rajcic-Favazza family.



Recommended by Barb Danley is a series of four novels for light reading. The author is Karen Kingsberry, and the set is located on the Fiction shelf.

The obituary for the Rev. Dick Smith appears in the Winter edition of the Anglican Digest magazine. The Rev. Smith was a good friend and popular speaker at many social functions held at St. Christopher's.

Thank You

Our thanks for your prayers, flowers, many cards and your comfort and caring during Dick's hospitalization.

Dick's heart surgery went well; the complications did not. It has been a long haul with many hospital returns for numerous problems. He is now home recovering from all his unexpected problems, hopefully to stay. Dick hopes to be back in church soon, among his St. Christopher's friends.

Our thanks to each and every one of you.
Dick and Lois Zwieg

Notable dates in January

BIRTHDAYS

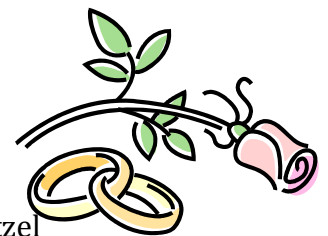
- 2 Carol Ammermann
Jean Hoover
- 6 Kathy Brown
- 8 John Brown
- 9 Madeline Drake
- 12 Mark Brilowski
- 13 Gesine Addyman
Miguel Dobon
- 15 Judy Welch
- 18 Lynne Ahmann
Robin Monahan
- 20 Darleen McLennon
- 21 Olivia Erickson
- 22 Jerry Patten
Lois Webb
- 23 Joan Nicol Hoium



- 24 Nancy Reinhardt
- 25 Martha Flanders
Samuel Humes
- 26 Ken Reinhardt
Makenah Roemer
- 27 Kevin Hartman
Simeon Morris
Cynthia Verhey
- 28 Mary Hebert

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Eugene & Delores Hartzel
- 16 Harry & Marjorie McCarty
- 19 Christopher & Ruth Mayr
- 28 Don & Ruby Harkcom





December Highlights:

Adopt A Family

St. Christopher's members generously supported 20 people in 4 families through the ECS Adopt A Family Program. We provided 2 gifts per person and one grocery gift card per family.

Lessons and Carols

We heard the sound of many voices, in reading, song and instruments, at the Festival of Lessons and Carols on December 18th. Thank you to all who participated in this glorious event.

Feed My Starving Children

Our group helped pack enough food to feed 39 children for a whole year. We also donated \$323 which was supplemented with \$200 from Children's Ministries, and \$500 from the rector's discretionary fund to cover the cost of all of the food that our volunteers packed.

What is the Jell-O Contest?

As part of our annual Barn Dance, this is a chance for the kids (PK—5th grade) at St. Christopher's to get creative! They start with a box of Jell-O—any flavor, any color—and turn into whatever they like. We have seen beach scenes, fish bowls, hockey rinks, volcanoes, gardens—the possibilities are endless! Everyone votes on their favorite, and the winner receives a certificate for their family to attend the Annual Hayride in October.

All Parish Barn Dance!

Sponsored by Children's Ministries and Community Life

Saturday, February 11th

5:30—6:30 pm Potluck dinner, Chili contest & Jell-O contest

6:30-8:30 pm Square dancing with Ardables Square Dance Club

\$5 per person / \$20 per family

Bishop's Family Day

Saturday, April 21st 9:30am - 3:00pm

Come to St. Marks Cathedral (Mpls) and enjoy a day of activities, music and fun while traveling around the Liturgical Calendar. This is an opportunity for children PK—5th grade and their parents/grandparents/godparents/ any adult who wants to impact the spiritual life of a child. The morning will be set up for whole family activities, while the afternoon will provide different opportunities for parents and their children. The day concludes with Holy Eucharist.

If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact Marion.



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Jennifer Wright*

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