



# THE LION'S TALE

*ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH*  
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## Dear Friends:



Beverly and I are going on a short vacation at the end of this week, so I will not be with you in church this Sunday, July 31. Our visiting Priest that day at both services will be the Rev. Heather Morgan. As a help to her, **please wear your name tags this Sunday!**



**Thursday, July 28**, the Rector Search Committee will receive training from the Rev. Canon Dr. Dan Smith on how to carry out a Rector Search Process. Canon Smith is the Transitional Ministry Officer of the diocese and assists congregations with the searches for new Pastors.



**Remember that Bishop Smith will be at St. Mark's on Sunday, September 11** for his pastoral visit to the congregation. He also will Confirm and Receive members into the Episcopal Church, and I know you will want to be present to offer your support to those being Confirmed and Received. **Note: there will be only one service at 10:00 a.m.** Last Sunday the Vestry voted to designate that Sunday as Home Coming Sunday, so there will be much to celebrate!

I look forward to being back with you Sunday, August 7!

Faithfully yours,

(The Rev. Dr.) Peter E. Van Horne



## WHAT'S COMING UP?

**FRI. AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>** – Hall Rental

**SUN. AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>**

~11:15 a.m. Prayer Service for Elaine Mickley  
~Confirmation Class

**SUN. AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>** Confirmation Class

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup>** Vestry Meeting

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28<sup>TH</sup>**

~Confirmation Class  
~St. Louis Fashion Doll Club  
~Trinity Lunch

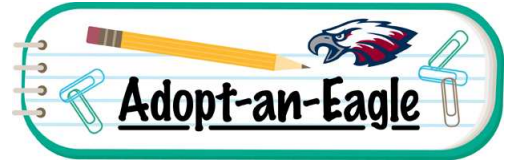


## ELAINE MICKLEY PRAYER SERVICE

On Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a short prayer service in the Memorial Garden after the 10:00 a.m. service, in memory of Elaine Mickley and thanks for her many years as recording treasurer. All are welcome.

**COFFEE AND ICED TEA** in the Parish Hall after the 10 a.m. service. Please sign up to host.

For the St. Mark's Calendar, please visit our website [www.saintmarks-stl.org](http://www.saintmarks-stl.org) and click on the calendar tab.



## HOW TO HELP THE STUDENTS OF JOPLIN MISSOURI

St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Joplin is collecting back-to-school items to distribute free of charge to Joplin kids.

Emmanuel Church in Webster Groves has found a trucking company to take collected items to St. Philip's for the event, and Emmanuel is offering to be a diocesan drop-off point.

Go to [www.saintmarks-stl.org/SchoolSuppliesforJoplin.pdf](http://www.saintmarks-stl.org/SchoolSuppliesforJoplin.pdf) for a list of items that are needed. You will see that some items are individual things, others are in groups. We invite you to purchase items of your choosing and bring them to church this Sunday, July 31 and leave them in the parish hall (on the tables by the kitchen). Sue Healey has volunteered to take them to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Webster Groves, on Monday for transportation to Joplin.

It's a fast turn around, but we still have time to gather some of the items requested by St. Philip's for the children of Joplin.

Thank you!

## NEW LINE THEATRE GROUP

They are back to use the parish hall for rehearsals. They will be here Mon, Tues and Thurs. evenings from 6-10.





## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE JULY 17, 2011 VESTRY MEETING

*Financial Report* - Balances as of the end of June are stable.

*Clergy Concerns:* The search committee will meet with Canon Smith on 7/28/11.

*Member Concerns:* Discussion of the parish communication process.

### *Old Business:*

- ~Memorial Garden clarification is still in process.
- ~Discussion of the Alcohol Policy & Rental Agreement as it pertains to renting the church hall.
- ~Committees to be formed: Jeff presented a "draft" of four proposed committees. The make up of those committees was discussed at length. Jeff will revise the proposal.
- ~Review of lawn care: Eirich Landscaping is cutting our grass and new bids are being considered.

### *New Business:*

- ~The purchase of a new lap-top computer for the treasurer was approved. The cost will come from the office budget.
- ~The Bishop's visit is 9/11. There will be confirmations and possibly some type of recognition of the tenth anniversary of 911. We will research the options of a proper remembrance.
- ~Painting of the church front doors: We have come to the conclusion that they need to be replaced. Sue informed us that there are monies in the Proehl funds that could be used. Kim will contact Barbara R. who knows of someone who could help.
- ~Plans for Rectory: We should have some idea by Sept. of how much should be done. Margaret suggested that an inspector should be hired to give us a list of what needs to be done. This will be researched.

### *Reports and Updates:*

- ~The search committee is complete. Ellen Jeffery, Chair, John Carroll, Barbara Raedeke, Kelly Borowiak, Catherine Fee, Matt Cashen, Rita Mauchenheimer and Tom Smith. They will meet with Canon Dan Smith on 7/28 for training.
- ~Parish Life: Opening Day will possibly be Sept. 11. Amanda Cashen will be contacted about plans.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Macke

## FEED MY PEOPLE

St Mark's continues to participate in Feed My People's Meal A Month program. Please check at the back of church for the shopping list, donation bags and/or donation envelopes.



### CONCERT IN FRANCIS PARK Friday, August 19th

Eagle Bank joins the St. Louis Hills Neighborhood Association, in sponsoring a concert with SAMURIOT (Nathan Golomski, Band Leader). The concert will be held by the tennis courts in Francis Park from 7 – 9 PM. Come enjoy with neighbors and friends. Bring your own chairs/blankets.

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED



Anne Constantine has been assigned to Ames Visual and Performing Arts magnet elementary school in the Old North St Louis area. She is inviting us to collect school supplies for Ames but also to help in particular with Art Supplies such as:

- Crayola Markers, thin and thick line
- Fiskars scissors
- Elmer's glue
- Glue sticks of any size
- Anything else – if the art department can't use it, then dance, music or classroom teachers will.

Thank you for thinking of us!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>  
Homecoming/Opening Day and  
Bishop's Visitation

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>  
"Art in the Park"



*Episcopal School for Ministry*  
DIOCESE OF MISSOURI

Invites you to the Making Disciples Conference 2011  
***“Love Heals: Rediscovering God’s Promises”***

8:30 am—3:00 pm

Saturday, August 27, 2011

Christ Church Cathedral, 1210 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri

Does a community help love heal? Does reading scripture in community change how we hear it? Can it change how we live in the world?

The morning session will be led by Becca Stevens, an Episcopal priest, author, and founder of Magdalene/Thistle Farms, communities for women who have survived lives of violence, prostitution, and addiction. Two graduates of Magdalene will join her to explore ways we can develop a context of community that allows love’s healing power to take root and grow.

The afternoon session will be led by Jeff Moore, D. Min., Ph.D., and Sr. Minister of Webster Groves Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), who has worked with Contextual Bible Study groups in the United States, Africa, Central America, and the Caribbean. Contextual Bible Study is a group process that takes seriously the history and complexity of Scripture while honoring the importance of who we are, when and where we live as readers and interpreters. Our afternoon time will include an introduction to Contextual Bible Study, and an opportunity to reflect upon the important issues raised by Becca Stevens and her colleagues during the morning session.

**Cost:** \$20 per person. Congregations may send a group of 10 persons for \$100

*To register, send the following registration form and a check for \$20 made payable to the Episcopal School for Ministry, to Debbie Wheeler, c/of the Cathedral Bookstore, 1210 Locust Street, St. Louis, MO 63103.*

*Questions? Contact Pamela Dolan (pdolan@emmanuelepiscopal.org) or Beverly Van Horne (beverly.vanhorne@gmail.com) for more information.*

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your parish \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian Lunch? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

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## GROWING IN GOD'S GARDEN



Hear Stories of

- The Garden of Eden
- The Mustard Seed
- The Garden of Gethsemane
- The Parable of the Sower
- The Workers in the Vineyard & More!
- PLUS Work in Our Own Garden of Eatin' Community Garden

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**JUNE 5-SEPTEMBER 4**

Join Us on Sundays During the 10:00 a.m. Service

Children over 10 years old can volunteer as helpers.