



The Red Door

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

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A Word from Our Rector

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Exploring our time together in Worship

Each Sunday we gather to become a community of worshipers, connected by our belief in God and our love for each other. It is a special time, a sacred time that draws us closer to our Creator. It's important and it really means a lot toward our spiritual growth.

Let's have a look at our time together. We gather in the sanctuary for peaceful quiet, getting ready to worship. This is an important time for many people. The quiet centers our mind on our Godly thoughts. Sit quietly and relax.

Then we open with a song of praise that causes us to stand (if you are able, it's OK not to stand) and welcome those who are with us in this

journey of worship and praise. Sing if you can, the Lord loves happy voices, but if you can't sing, close your eyes and listen to the surrounding voices lifting you up in joy.

Next, we pray. We ask for open hearts, for God's presence to fill the room, our hearts and our minds. We then end with a glorious song of praise, the *Gloria*. Again, sing if you can, close your eyes and enjoy if you want. There is a sense that God is near and we are part of something much bigger than we are!

Next, to confirm our time together, we hear the Word of God. You may not realize this but we are reading more scripture every Sunday than most churches; an Old Testament reading, a Psalm, an

epistle and the Gospel lesson. You can follow along in your insert in the bulletin or you can just listen to the reader. Either way it is mindful. Then, as God places the Words of today in the heart of our preacher, we hear what is meant to be our actions of the Spirit. My sermons are short, to the point, and I always give you something to take with you to ponder each week. This makes our time together in worship extend throughout the week. You might question or not agree, but at least you can think about it!

Then as we digest the scripture and the sermon, we come together in Holy Communion. Each week, we Episcopalians process up to the altar to consecrate our *(continued on page 2)*

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

Would you like to meet once a month; be part of a women's organization in the Episcopal Church and St Mary's? There has been a lot of discussion about beginning ECW (Episcopal Church Women) again at St Mary's. ECW is a national organization with a presence at the diocesan level.

ECW, has officers, meetings, and they keep minutes. They raise money for different things in the church. One group I read about does crafts all year to be sold at their yearly bizarre. They have field trips. Some groups keep the church clean. I was reading about

Episcopal Churches throughout the U.S. I really like the idea about the crafts and the yearly sale! I would love to get together, as Paulette and I do, for making cards to sell. Even the homemade cakes, jellies and cookbooks can be sold at a sale.

Some of you make beautiful jewelry, sweaters, hats, all kinds of crafts. Our ECW could manage the little sale area that I want to set up in Lacy Hall to sell Episcopal Gift items. It's time to unite and work together for a common ministry, ladies. Join ECW. Call Rev Judi to join or for questions.

Sock Hop
is
coming!

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beliefs in God by immersing our souls in the body and blood of Jesus. This confirms our commitment to following Christ in all we do and it encourages us to live a life grounded in scripture.

We close with a song of praise and I will give you words of encouragement to send you out into the world in peace, asking you to love and serve the Lord in your everyday life.

There is no right or wrong way to do this. It is not a program that you need to memorize every word to get a gold star! Our worship together is personal and collective at the same time. I hope you all find time each day to personally praise and worship God. If you get lost in the bulletin, just stop, close your eyes and listen. Let those around you lift you up. It is not helpful to spend your time searching the prayer book or the hymnal when you can truly reach God in your silence.

Let it flow! Let your heart be open and try less to follow the bulletin and more on spending collective time with your brothers and sisters at St Mary's in a miraculous moment with God.
Rev. Judi+

LOOKING AHEAD

Sock Hop is coming! September 20th will have us "Rockin' 'Round the Clock" with the Klassics. A fun dance and party which will transport us back to the 50s and 60s with a disk jockey playing our favorite tunes, Coke in bottles, a photo booth, a model car show, and a limbo contest. These are just a few of the activities we will enjoy. Mark your calendars! You won't want to miss this dance! Cost is \$25.00 per couple or \$15.00 for singles! The even will be held in Lacy Hall! Contact Rev Judi with questions. Proceeds will go to supporting the activities of the Klassics.

This year's **Diocesan Convention** will be held in Chillicothe, with area churches, including St Mary's, in supporting roles. As the weeks get closer to the November 14 & 15 dates, we will be asked to help. We need volunteers for to help with registration, child care, and other tasks! Keep your ears open to hear where you can help!

Inquirer's Classes for adults will begin on September 17th at 6 pm and run for 4 Wednesday's. We will meet in the EfM

Room in the CEC building. We will be using the book by Chris Yaw called, "Jesus was an Episcopalian (and you can be one too!)" This book has been provided by the Diocese, and was found to be a very entertaining way to understand the Episcopal Church. Register with Rev Judi and pick up your book. There is no cost for this class. A special ceremony on October 12 will officially anoint you as a member of St Mary's. Anyone is invited to attend.

Confirmation classes will begin Wednesday, October 15th @ 4 pm in the EfM Room. We have three teens registered to be part of this class; Tom Zumwalde, Lydia Dance and Lizzy Zumwalde. There is no cost for this class. See Rev Judi to register.

The Wiley's will be on vacation the weeks of August 25-September 10th. We ask your prayers for safe travel. Jim Heathcote will lead you in a Morning Prayer on Sunday, August 31st and Rev Paul Daggett will be your celebrant on September 7th. Rev Paul is from St Paul's Episcopal Church in Chillicothe.

SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

Your vestry met July 20th, the day before this article was due to John Glaze for publication. I have my seven year old great-grandson with me this week, so I have a legitimate excuse for being a little tardy. But, the actual truth is that I wanted to write about a couple of the actions taken by your vestry that I feel you, the congregation, need to know.

Rev. Judi asked that the vestry approve the expenditure of \$2100.00 to fund the 2014-15 Education for Ministry (EfM) class. As was explained to us, the vestry, the funds need to be made available to early August for the registration fee for approximately seven individuals that have signed up for this year's class. We were asked to consider these funds as a scholarship for education. The rea-

son given was that the people attending are on fixed incomes and could only afford to pay \$50.00 of the \$350.00 registration fee.

After much discussion and debate among the vestry members, a motion was made and seconded that the vestry approve the funding as a scholarship of \$2100.00 for the 2014-15 EfM class. The motion was approved with one abstention. I am reporting this information to you in the hope that we might receive donations to help defray this expense that was not part of our 2014 budget.

I would like to recognize and thank Judy Franklin, who, at our last vestry meeting, volunteered to purchase a new handicap toilet for the ladies' restroom if we could provide a plumber to install it. The Junior Warden met with

WOW Plumbing and secured an estimate for that installation as well as to remove and replace the cracked sink in the men's restroom. A replacement sink had been donated some time ago, so the only expense involved is the installation. The vestry approved the estimate of approximately \$285.

I hope that these vestry actions will meet with your approval and I would appreciate any comments or feedback, negative or positive.

Best wishes to all for a happy and enjoyable August. Maybe August will finally be the beginning of summer.

Jan

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31	KEY: CEC Christian Ed Center LH Lacy Hall MG Memorial Garden SAN Sanctuary TR Telfair Room					
10:00am HE II SAN Hunger Sunday Collec. B: Larry Addington	A: Anniversary B: Birthday					

SPREAD THE WORD

When Luis Palau was growing up in Argentina he didn't feel he was an evangelist. He was just doing what the others in his church were doing. But when he was 18, he heard Billy Graham on the radio and prayed that he would be an evangelist. Luis felt that evangelism is the number one priority for every church.

"We Christians forget that if we don't evangelize America, we have lost the nation. We have lost our children and

grandchildren. Conversion is seldom talked about today. We are being so careful, so proper, we forget that, unless people are converted, they will not enter the kingdom of God."

Discipleship is obviously a strong ongoing church priority. Without evangelism, there will be no one to disciple! Remember Christ's utmost command on His mind was "Go to all nations and make disciples." The church exists for the glory of God. Evangelism should always be on our

minds as it's our great commission! We are only one generation away from extinction. Why do you worship? Because God rescued you through the work of someone who evangelized you!

We need to mingle with the masses. That's why we have Soup's On, contribute to the Highland County Homeless Shelter, donate to food pantries and clothes closets. We are the hands and feet of Christ on earth and we witness *(continued on page 6)*

Karen Vlaskamp

Serving Schedule for AUGUST Altar Guild: Vosper & Joys Kitchen - M. May & C. Reynolds

AUG	LECTOR	CHALICE	SUNDAY SCHOOL	NURSERY	ACOLYTES & CRUCIFER	USHERS	TORCH BEARERS	COFFEE HOUR	INTERCESSOR
03	Jan Vosper	Jim Heathcote	Karen Vlaskamp	Deanna Flinn	Larry Wiley Bob Lowell	Paul & Nancy Orth		open	Betty Heathcote
10	Jennie Harner	Nancy Orth	Larry Wiley	Andrea Harner	Lizzy Zumwalde Bob Lowell	Paul & Phyllis Johnson		open	Deanna Flinn
17	Paulette Goerler	Jan Vosper	Andrea Harner	B J Gee	Connie Reynolds Larry Wiley	Paul & Phyllis Johnson		open	Deanna Flinn
24	Peggy Larkin	Nancy Orth	Paul & Phyllis Johnson	Deanna Flinn	Lizzy Zumwalde Larry Wiley	Larry & Peggy Addington		Price/Hook	Jan Vosper
31	Paulette Goerler	Jan Vosper	Betsy Miller	Judy Franklin	Larry Wiley Bob Lowell	Paul & Phyllis Johnson		Leftovers from Soup's On	Jennie Harner

NEWS AT ST. MARYS

There is a **Prayer List** on the Bulletin Board in Lacy Hall. Please include the names of those you know who need prayer.

Please sign up for **Coffee Hour**. This is an important ministry for all our members. Each of us should take a time to serve. Sign up sheet in Lacy Hall. Please note! RECYCLING CONTAINERS are for recyclable items only. Please use trash cans for disposal of garbage (food items, etc).

Jan Vosper has a new email address: janjv122@gmail.com

More Acolytes needed! If you are interested in being trained to be an Acolyte, the Crucifer or a Chalice Bearer, please let Rev Judi know. This is a sacred way to serve Jesus Christ and just a Sunday morning commitment!

Lectors and Intercessors needed! Lectors read the Old Testament, Psalm and the Epistle on Sunday morning. There is little training and this serves the Lord in the Church. The Intercessor reads the Prayers of the People. Everything is written out for you and all you have to do is lead the prayers. Let Rev Judi know if this is something you would like to do.

First Annual Sock Hop at St Mary's! Believe it or not; we are gonna' shake to Chubby Checker and Elvis Presley on September 20, 2014 in Lacy Hall! Don't shake it anymore? Come and listen and enjoy!!! We have several dance contests planned, a "Model" car show (with a trophy for the Best in Show) Hoop-Hoop contest, DJs, and lots of 50's and 60's music. Enjoy a Coke, a hot dog and chips! Lots of fun. We are inviting the community! *Rock-around-the-Clock!* Begins at 7pm in Lacy Hall. \$10.00 fee goes to "Christmas gifts for the Needy" ministry at St Mary's.

JUNIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

After having some beautiful days and some unseasonably cooler weather, it looks like we're finally getting our regular August. I guess we'll have to weed around the church when we can. A huge "THANK YOU" to those of you to have been weeding and cleaning up around the church and the Christian Education Center! I don't know who all of you all but, you have been doing a great job.

We had an emergency a couple of weekends ago with a broken hose on the boiler in the basement. Larry Wiley came to the rescue and fixed it, once again saving the church money for not having to pay for a service call. Thank you so much, Larry!

Very soon we'll be having a new toilet installed in the lady's restroom, and the sink will be replaced in the men's restroom. The toilet and sink were donated by members of the church, so we only have to pay a plumber for the installation. "Thank you" to Judy Franklin for donating the new addition to the lady's restroom, and "thank you" to the Wileys for the sink.

Jan says we'll have to be scheduling a cleaning day inside the church very soon. Please watch for emails (or possibly phone calls) regarding the scheduling of that project.

As always, if you see something around the church building or Christian Education Center that needs attention, please let me know. And certainly if you think it's an emergency, call me immediately. (937-393-9040)

Paulette Goerler

PRAYER LIST

Please remember the following members and friends of St. Mary's. Our Father knows their needs.

All persons serving in our Armed Forces, especially Darrell & Kelly Easler, Eric Hopper, Rick & Deb Sansone, Adam Strawmyer.

These with special needs: Georgetown Veterans' Home Residents and Staff, Paulette Goerler, Adam Kretchek, Danny Lawwell, Frank Lowe, Brenda O'Cull, Cecil Robertson, Jane Turner, Mary Brown Turner, Katrina Vlaskamp, Pearl Wiley, Paul Johnson, Margaret Lyons, Nancy Ogden, Robert Shuler, Marilyn Varvel, Jackie Tucker, Tyler Dance, Bill Kirby, Barbara Bot, Steve Grove, Barbara Turpin, All Emmaus Walks, our ministries with Soup's On, the Highland County Homeless Shelter, Samaritan Outreach Services and the people these organizations serve. Always keep the youth of St. Mary's in your prayers.

VBS PHOTOS



St. Mary's Statement of Purpose

The mission of St. Mary's Episcopal Church is to share the joy of a loving God through worship in the Anglican tradition, fellowship and service.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP and SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 am

WEDNESDAY HOLY EUCHARIST with
HEALING PRAYERS: 12:00 noon

SPREAD THE WORD *(continued from page 4)*

by our being there, inviting others to join us and welcoming them to our activities and church functions. Your smiles and friendliness cause people to question why you are the way you are. If they ask, tell them how God has enriched your life!

At VBS, we encourage the children to invite their friends to Sunday School and VBS. We need to endlessly seek open doors, pushing the doors that seem to be open, taking advantage of opportunities, asking the Holy Spirit to embolden and empower us and speak through us. True, you are a witness through your living, but people cannot guess why you are a good neighbor unless you openly tell them about Jesus and how He has worked in your life.

Think you can't do that? Trust in the Lord! Several years ago I was in a Women's Prayer Group that met once a week. Many of them had never spoken a prayer out loud. After four weeks, they all felt comfortable doing so. They saw the power of prayer changing their lives and those of their loved ones for the better. All expressed a new feeling of God's presence and His power working through them. We've got to spread the love, the joy, the very Kingdom of God!

(Luis Palau is an evangelist, author and columnist for Christianity Today, from "Whatever Happened to Evangelism?")
