



# The Red Door

## St. Mary's Episcopal Church

August 2017

### A Word from Our Rector

234 N High St  
Hillsboro, OH 45133

## OLD FASHION DAY

New Hope Baptist Church

On September 10, following morning worship, New Hope Baptist will have a special presentation as they recognize the MARCHING MOTHERS, Joyce Clemons Kittell, Phillip Partridge (descendents) and Mrs. Hackney (descendents). They also plan to do a partial reenactment of the 1954-56 walk lead by Joyce Kittrell from New Hope to the site of the old Webster School building and back to New Hope. Following the walk there will be a fellowship dinner in the dining room of the church. The purpose is to promote diversity, inclusiveness and racial harmony. The community is invited to attend. Morning worship starts at 11:00 am. Please meet no later than 12:30pm.

If you have questions, contact Bro. Lee Smith at 937-393-5111.

What are we teaching the next generation?

If you wonder what the church will look like five to ten years from now, study the millennials! They are those born from 1980 to the 2000! That happens to be one of the biggest generational groups alive so far. And, many are not coming to church on a regular basis.

When I was growing up, I went to church with my mother. Dad rarely went. I sat through the hour and a half liturgy, sitting on hard pews and trying not to snuffle. I don't remember making the choice. Mom got us up, told me what was appropriate to wear, and expected me to get up and be ready when she was. If I made her late I was in big trouble. What would happen, I never found out, but it was BIG trouble and I wanted none of it! I was not late!

I was expected to serve on the altar when I turned 13. I was an acolyte with a big white blouse, huge red bow (starched and tied before pinning it under my chin) and a long red skirt. And, I had to sit up in front where everyone could see me! No shenanigans or fidgeting because my mother was watching me! That dreaded punishment, whatever that was, loomed over my head!

But somehow, I remember the details of the church service, the prayers, the music and the stories about Jesus, soaring from the pulpit. I remember the shape of Pastor Zinn's head, his slight lisp and the way he sometimes laughed at his own jokes! He cried sometimes too. He was very passionate about the Word, and even though I didn't always understand it, I knew it touched his heart. I wanted it to touch mine too!

Turn the clock to 2017, I want that for our children, too. I know it can be a little distracting to have small children moving around, but remember that our Lord, Jesus Christ, gathered the child on his lap and taught the masses! Our plan is to have church begin at 10 am, with our children experiencing the pageantry of the liturgy in the Episcopal Church. I plan to call them forward with a lesson before the regular sermon. I bet everyone will enjoy the 'cuteness' of the Word! The children will sit down and remain with their parents in church until after communion. Then the teachers will take them into the classrooms for their own coffee hour and Sunday School. That way, the adults will stay until the end of the service

and move on to coffee hour and an occasional adult Sunday School forum or fellowship until the kids come over. I've run this past several parents and this is not a problem.

My hope is that we can involve our children at a different level and invite them to be torch bearers or even Acolytes. Also, they will get first-hand experience on the seasons of the Church, the rhythm of the bulletin and the grace of the music.

Our Sunday School curriculum will change also to more Lectionary-based lessons. We hope to divide the classes between the younger children (ages 4-11) in one classroom and the older (ages 12-16) in a separate class. This way we can design the lesson for a more age-appropriate approach. This means you, the parents, will be responsible to get your children into church on Sunday. Ultimately, my hope is that our children will **want** to come and learn! Let's all encourage our children to be with us as we teach them, you and I, all that we love about the church. There just might be a future Priest, or two, in our mist.

*Rev. Judi+*

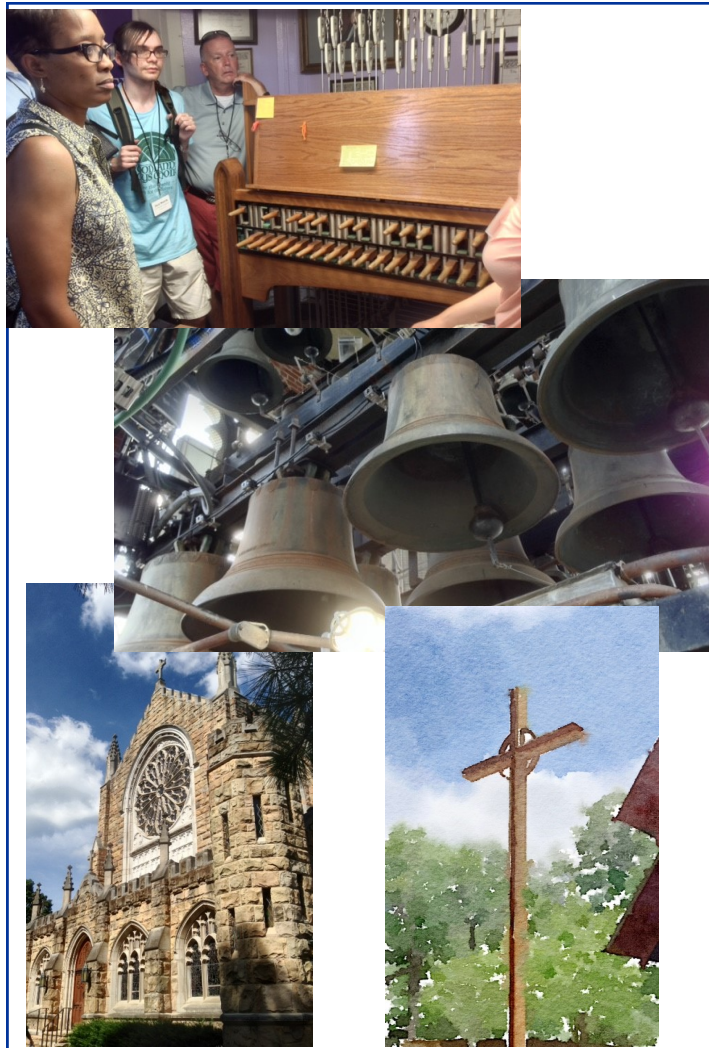
**The Academy:** Our Pre-school opens on September 5 at 9 am and our staff, teacher/director and aide, will be busy getting ready for the children’s arrival. During the month of August, and before school begins, both staff members will be working. Please tell anyone interested to get a registration form from Maggie in the church office or check in with Molly in the pre-school. We still have openings as of this writing.

**Vacation:** Rev Judi and Larry will be resting and rehabbing at a resort timeshare in Helen Georgia from Friday, August 11 until Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. She will take cell phone emergency calls. The Wardens will be available to answer questions.

**Wedding:** August 19<sup>th</sup> will find Lorine Harner and Jason Tibbets heading down the aisle in wedded bliss! The wedding party will be decorating the church on Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. Reception held in Fire Station in New Vienna.

**SAFE CHURCH TRAINING:** A Safe church training will be held at Procter Conference Center on Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9:30 am. Rev Judi will be attending. Registration is required. If you head up a ministry at St Mary’s, find yourself alone with venerable adults at church, teach children or just want to be trained in what to look for as signs of abuse or harassment, please attend this training. If you are not sure if you need to train for this, you probably do! See Rev Judi. No cost, all day, one day training includes lunch.

**HOMECOMING SUNDAY:** Mark your calendars! Welcome back Sunday will be **September 10<sup>th</sup>**! New Sunday School schedule begins for children.



## Serving Schedule for AUGUST

**ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Ferrell & Lynn Lowell**

AUG	LECTOR	CHALICE	SUNDAY SCHOOL	ACOLYTES & CRUCIFER	USHERS	COFFEE HOUR	INTERCESSOR
6	Sandy Ferrell	Connie Reynolds	Debby Shuler	Carolinn Shibley Larry Wiley	Carol & John Joy	Open	Lynn Lowell
13	Connie Reynolds	n/a	Karen Vlaskamp	Shannon Eaton Noah Eaton	Peggy & Larry Addington	Open	Sandy Ferrell
20	Lynn Lowell	Shannon Eaton	Debby Shuler	Sandy Ferrell Larry Wiley	BJ & Jim Gee	Open	Karen Vlaskamp
27	Connie Reynolds	Larry Wiley	Andrea Harner Betsy Miller	Open	Carolinn Shibley Larry Addington	Open	Shannon Eaton

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San = Sanctuary  
 LH = Lacy Hall  
 TR = Telfair Room  
 CR = Conference Room

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 10:00am Well Wishers TR 12:00pm Healing Service	3 6:00pm Women's AA TR	4 7:00pm AA LH	5
6 10:00am HEIL SAN	7 3:00pm Rector's Study CR 5:00pm TOPS LH	8 10:00am Well Wishers TR 12:00pm Healing Service	9 6:00pm Women's AA TR	10 7:00pm AA LH	11	12
13 10:00am HEIL SAN	14 3:00pm Rector's Study CR 5:00pm TOPS LH	15 6:00pm Women's AA TR	16 7:00pm AA LH	17	18	19
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27 10:00am HEIL SAN	28 3:00pm Rector's Study CR 5:00pm TOPS LH	29	30 6:00pm Women's AA TR	31		

## SENIOR WARDEN REPORT

Carolinn Shibley has been named our Treasurer. Carolinn has spent hours upon hours bringing our books up to date. She will handle church bills and give us monthly and year-to-date accounting.

The Vestry has taken a look at our spending and had re-budgeted some accounts to cover expenses. For example, we do not need to budget for repairs for the heating and A/C as they are covered in warranty in the new installations for twelve years.

Karen and Carolinn are forming a Stewardship Committee. If you would care to join them, please contact either. We want to have another positive campaign this year.

Pledges for this year are not up-to-date. With many families vacationing, the summer months are always behind. The bills keep coming even if you are away. All that we have is from God. God keeps His promises year round, have you?

The Vestry is in need of two new members to finish out the year in the absence of Phyllis and Kim. Please consider serving. Contact Karen to offer, or say "yes" if asked.

The TAB is happy to announce that The Academy has

passed all inspections and the license is forthcoming. Molly, our director, held a root beer float give-away during FOB and gave tours to interested families. Spread the word to friends and neighbors that The Academy will begin classes this fall. TAB is interviewing for an aide to assist Molly.

The Vestry approved plans to put a sidewalk from the north side of the church to the front door to make it easier to get in for us all.

We are called to stand out.

Recently, my son, Nelson, called me to tell me about feeling out of place. He had used the word esoteric in a discussion and none of the people he was with understood what he was saying. He felt isolated from that point on. We never talked baby talk when he was growing up. He talked in complete sentences when he was a ten months old. He has always stood out in class. His preschool teachers usually had him in their car on field trips. I asked if he had misbehaved. "Oh, no! We just love to hear him talk," was their reply.

In today's worth-seeking world being "liked" and "wanted" is something for which we all yearn. Whether we admit it or not, it's how our culture forces us or advises us to feel. God doesn't care how many likes you have racked up, nor how many friends you have on Facebook. The purpose of the Gospel is not to fit in, but to stand out. God has called us to be different.

We are to be the city on the hilltop, the lamp shining His light. We are to be the change in a world without hope.

Realizing you don't fit in is a good thing. You were made to fulfill your calling in Christ. So stand tall and press on!

*Karen Vlaskamp*



### **Music At St. Mary's**

In the spring of 2018, one of our Music At St. Mary's Concerts will feature the **CINCINNATI DULCIMER SOCIETY!** They will play for us and then spend part of the time allowing attendees at the concert to come and experience playing a dulcimer! If you've always wanted to try, this is your chance! They will have a mini-lesson geared just for this purpose.

This month, I'll give you my impressions of SCMC of 2017. Next month, Jennie Harner will take her turn sharing her Sewanee experience.

I have attended the conference every year (save one) since 2007 and I found this to be the best, by far! Previous to last year, we split our conference time between DuBose Conference Center, located in Monteagle, TN, and The University of the South, located about 6 miles down the road in Sewanee. Due to various reasons, the conference decided to move to the university last year and the results have been wonderful. This year, we were able to take over two dormitories, one of which went through major renovations last summer. It is conveniently located right next to the Chapel of the Apostles, which is located close to the School of Theology. (See photo of the Chapel below.) Many of our classes and rehearsals were held at this chapel. The interior is wood and much of the walls are glass. It is very modern, but yet has a serene feeling and the atmosphere changes with the changing light of day,

evening and night.

We traveled on Monday, leaving at 6:00 am and arriving in Sewanee after 1:00 pm CDT. Rehearsals started late afternoon and were followed by supper in McClurg Hall, which is their cafeteria. The building looks like something straight out of *HARRY POTTER'S HOGWARTS SCHOOL!* Here is a photo of part



of the building. It is quite large and arranged into food stations. Some serve general "meat & potatoes" type fare; then there are stations for pizza, sandwiches and wraps, vegan, oriental, Italian pastas, etc., items such as hamburgers & fries (alternating in the morning, this station provides grilled eggs, hash browns, omelets, etc., all made to order), a dessert station (in the morning, pastries/scones), a soup, salad and fruit station, a breakfast station for cereals, toast, English muffins, etc., and two beverage stations. If all of this sounds a bit overwhelming, you get the idea! IT IS!

Our first evening in Sewanee was celebrated with a beautiful Compline Service. One of the board members contacted several of his friends prior to

the week at Sewanee and arranged for them to come in early on Monday and they practiced several pieces as a choir to sing for Compline. It was a marvelous way to begin our week.

Some of our special events during the week: Tuesday, we enjoyed a group of singers from Birmingham, AL, who sang a concert of early music in All Saints Chapel. Wednesday evening was the Gerre Hancock Memorial Concert and featured our faculty of the week: Todd Wilson, who is on the faculty of Cleveland Institute of Music and Peter Richard Conte, who plays the Wanamaker Organ at Macy's (formerly Wanamaker's) in Philadelphia. Both men also have church jobs. This was the finest organ recital I have ever heard. Absolutely incredible! Friday night was and Evensong Service featuring the SCMC attendees, Saturday we had a wonderful end-of-the-week banquet, followed by "FROLIC" which is an annual fête of crazy acts presented by those with enough guts to get up in front of the group and perform!

Our clergy for the week was the amazing BARBARA CAWTHORNE CRAFTON. I think of her as "The Garrison Keillor of the Clergy Set" - she can spin a story and her sermons and lectures were amazing. Some years, chapel attendance dropped as the week progressed, but not with Barbara!



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## Sewanee Report *(continued from page 5)*

Our Sunday morning Eucharist was the finale to the marvelous week. ALL SAINTS CHAPEL is the setting for this service and it was extremely well attended for a summer morning. In this photo, you can see the tower on the oth-



er side of the chapel. 124 steps up into that tower, one can see the carillon bells, as well as the beautiful views from the catwalk around the outside of the tower. See page two for more photos!

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SUNDAY WORSHIP and SUNDAY  
SCHOOL 10:00 am

WEDNESDAY HOLY EUCHARIST with  
HEALING PRAYERS: 12:00 noon