



# The Red Door

## St. Mary's Episcopal Church

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### A Word from Our Rector

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Hillsboro, OH 45133



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information on  
this new CD!

You may not know this but I am a Disney fan. I lived in Orlando. I was at Walt Disney World two weeks before it opened to “test” the rides, food and employees. It was so much fun! We went in the park around 2 pm in the afternoon and wandered around as a real guest would do. The florists were still putting flowers in the ground and topiaries around the gardens. Did you know the flowers are in the ground in pots and at night, when the guests leave, the flowers are checked and if a pot was wilting or brown, out it went and a new fresh pot was put in. Nothing is imperfect at Disney. I rode several rides and it

was thrilling to be the first on the Dumbo ride, and the Carousel. I love Disney!!!

As I was walking around, I passed a woman with a T-shirt that read, **I'D rather be a Tigger than an Eyore.** It made me think and I always remembered that saying.

An Eyore is a blue donkey in the Winney the Pooh stories, with long saggy ears and a buttoned-on tail. He walks around and sighs and moans, “Oh My! Oh, dear!” He never smiles and cannot see the good in anyone or anything. Some people are like that!

A Tigger, on the other hand, is bouncy and giggly and full of pep! He smiles and giggles

and sees the best in everything! Fewer people are like that! I want to be like Tigger! (I worked for Disney later on and was asked to don the Tigger costume one hot summer day and walked around the park as Tigger. I worked at the Contemporary Hotel and was asked to help out in characters. Fun job!)

So, when I wake up each morning, I often ask myself, “Do I want to be a Tigger or an Eyore today?” I get to choose and you do too. The day may change how you feel, but at least you can start out the way you want!

*Rev. Judi+*

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How much do you know about the history of the Episcopal Church in the USA? How about the history of the founding of St. Mary's? Class is in session! Turn to page 5 and 6 to begin your reading assignment!

## PARISH NEWS

### New Beginnings

I'm glad to see the end of 2017! New beginnings are good. The best new beginning I ever had was on October 6, 1983 when I invited Jesus into my life to be my Lord and Savior. He changed everything!

This past year was difficult. I lost Fred, had two surgeries and was wheelchair-bound and had a lot on my mind. But just knowing that I could turn to God in prayer anytime, any place for guidance, solace and comfort was a blessing. I believe in resurrections, life everlasting and peace. So, you see, all problems are temporary. I'll be with Fred again, my foot is healing nicely and I already have peace of mind because Jesus made that supreme sacrifice on the cross for me over two thousand years ago. God always keeps His promises. I can face anything. Happy New Year!

*Karen Vlaskamp*

**Well Wishers begins again!** Your prayer team will resume the Wednesday morning gathering for Bible Study and prayer. New members are always welcome! Starts at 10 am in the Conference Room.

**A Course in Miracles begins again on January 8th!** "What is that?" you say. Could you use a miracle in your life? God is waiting to grant you one, today and tomorrow! Join us and discover the joy of receiving miracles from God to enhance your life today! Mondays @

2 pm in Conference Room. Other classes are waiting to open. Let Rev Judi know when you are available and we will start another class!

**New Testament Bible Study Class.** Are you interested in joining us for an interesting tour through the New Testament, especially the Gospels and the Letters from Paul? We are looking for those who would be willing to travel without leaving town! Please let Rev Judi know if you are interested to join us. Day and time are negotiable at this point!

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*In the confrontation between the stream and the rock, the stream always wins—not through strength, but by perseverance.*

- H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

### Serving Schedule for JANUARY

DEC	LECTOR	CHALICE	ACOLYTES & CRUCIFER	TORCHES	USHERS	INTERCESSOR
7	Sandy Ferrell	Larry Wiley	Bob Lowell Dallas Harner	Robby Harner Tyler Harner	Larry & Peggy Ad- dington	Lynn Lowell
14	Connie Reynolds	Carolinn Shibley	Larry Wiley Robby Harner	Tyler Harner Royal Baker	John & Carol Joy	Deanna Flinn
21	Sandy Ferrell	Bob Lowell	Larry Wiley Connie Reynolds	Royal Baker Olivia Baker	Deanna Flinn Shirley Gilliam	Karen Vlaskamp
28	Jim Heathcote	Sandy Ferrell	Larry Wiley Dallas Harner	Robby Harner Tyler Harner	John & Carol Joy	Betty Heathcote

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

Sun	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6
	2:00pm Rector's Study CR 5:00pm TOPS LH	10:00am Well Wishers TR 12:00n Healing Service	7:00pm Women's AA TR	7:00pm AA LH	
7	8	9	10	11	12
10:00am HEI  SAN	2:00pm Rector's Study CR 5:00pm TOPS LH	10:00am Well Wishers TR 12:00n Healing Service	7:00pm Women's AA TR	7:00pm AA LH	
14	15	16	17	18	19
10:00am HEI  SAN	2:00pm Rector's Study CR 5:00pm TOPS LH	6:00pm Daiseys	10:00am Well Wishers TR 12:00n Healing Service	7:00pm Women's AA TR	7:00pm AA LH
					1:00pm Baby Shower LH
21	22	23	24	25	26
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					5:00pm Soup's On LH
28	29	30	31		
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Unlike most Protestant churches, the Episcopal Church does not trace its beginning to any one person or movement. On the contrary, as a member of the Anglican Communion (churches throughout the world which are “descended” from The Church of England) the Episcopal Church continues the unbroken succession of bishops which dates back to the earliest days of the Church. Both Catholic and Protestant influences, as well as cultural, political and geographical elements have combined to give us the Episcopal Church as we know it today. Brief highlights of this history: (all dates are A.D.)

Christian Church “begins” with Pentecost, the “birthday of the Church.” Earliest records of the Church are in the Bible. See the book of Acts and the Epistles (letters to young churches). Era of persecution. Christians meet in secret, many are martyred.

312 Emperor Constantine recognizes Christianity. End of persecution.

314 Council (meeting of Christians from all of known world) or Arles. English bishops present and honored.

325 Council of Nicea. Nicene Creed written to state belief held in common by all Christians.

380 Emperor Theodosius rules that all his subjects must be Christians.

410 The sacking of Rome. Decline of Church follows.

554 Beginning of schism between Eastern and Western Christians. Two persons claim to be Holy Roman Emperor. Eastern Church rejects political agreement that Bishop of Rome will rule entire Church.

596 Pope Gregory sends St. Augustine to England to introduce Christianity, but he finds Church already flourishing there.

Middle Ages or “Dark Ages.” Europe is fragmented. The Church acquires secular power.

1054 First major separation of Christians. Those in the East will hereafter look to Constantinople for leadership, those in the West, to Rome.

1215 Signing of Magna Carta which stated that Church in England should be free from alien influence of autocratic political authority. Archbishop of Canterbury refuses to publish excommunication of barons who signed.

1351-53 Acts of Parliament forbade outside power (Pope) from appointing clergy in England and forbade English subjects from appealing rulings of English courts to an outside (Papal) tribunal.

1366 Act of Parliament ended payment of feudal dues to Pope.

1382-84 First translation of Bible into English.

1517 Luther’s “Theses” precipitates Reformation in Europe

1534 King Henry VIII asks for annulment and, partly because of military situation, the Pope takes no action. Henry invokes previously enacted laws, and the Church in England becomes The Church of England, independent of Rome.

1553 Mary becomes Queen of England and submits English Church, once again, to the authority of the Pope.

1558 Elizabeth I succeeds Mary and renounces her actions in regard to Church. The Church of England never again will recognize the authority of the Pope.

1570 Papal secretary writes to Queen Elizabeth excommunicating her and all her subjects if she doesn’t recognize the Pope. She doesn’t.

1607 Settlers in Jamestown bring The Church of England to the New World.

1776 Declaration of Independence poses problem for Church of England clergy in the colonies whose ordination vows included support of English monarch.

1784 Samuel Seabury, first American bishop, is consecrated in Scotland.

1789 First General Convention of the Church in the United States is held in Philadelphia. Constitution of the Church drawn up, and the American Book of Common Prayer adopted.

1819 Philander Chase consecrated first Bishop of Ohio.

1855 St. Mary’s Church, Hillsboro, consecrated by Bishop Charles P. McIlvaine, second Bishop of Ohio.

1875 State of Ohio divided into Diocese of Ohio (Northern half of state) and Diocese of Southern Ohio.

*(found in information provided by Jane Turner)*

In the Parish Register of St. Mary's there is a list of parishioners dated Nov. 1853, written in the handwriting of the Rev. Noah H. Schenck. It can be assumed that these persons are those who made up the "Association for the Organization of a Protestant Episcopal Church at this place." Included on this list are the following names: **Isaac Sams\***, Mary Sams, Charlotte Knowlden, **C. C. Sams, M.D., Alex. B. Sams,** Marianne Sams, Eliza Steward, **John Milton**

**Boyd,** William H. Woodrow, John Bowles, **William H. Bayard,** Rachel D. Bayard, Henry Weir, John Dawson, Mary Dawson, Arthur Parker, Mary Ann Parker, Rebecca Parker, John Mitchell, Rebecca Mitchell, Ann Mitchell, James. M. Keys, Catherine B. Keys, George W. Lawrence, Susannah Lawrence, Sarah R. Kerr, Thomas Gray, Mary Gray, Henry C. Holden, Ann N. Young, Chauncey H. Smith, Margaret N. Smith, **William O. Collins,** Sarah W. Thayer, Sarah A. Fox, Samuel P. Shrope, Miss Hubbell, Anna P. Schenck, Virginia D. Coryell. The names of Benjamin H. Johnson, Sr. and Benjamin H. Johnson, Jr. and two "Cadwaladers" are listed later, following a list of 13 names dated Jan. 1854. The Johnsons' names are beside the date "Jan. 1853", and the Cadwaladers are listed with the notation "Jan. 1853" omitted. Since "Jan. 1853" doesn't make any sense in this context, we assume this should be "Nov. 1853."

Prof. Isaac Sams' reminiscences report that "An Association was formed for the organization of a Protestant Episcopal Church in Hillsborough, whose proceedings were duly filed in the office of the County Auditor, the title of the parish being St. Mary's." Sams gives no date for the meeting of the "association," but other sources indicate that the organization of St. Mary's was Dec. 9, 1853. The Vestry record book begins with a report dated "Hillsborough Dec. 19th, 1853" stating:

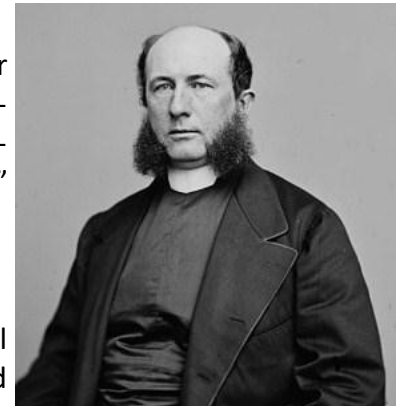
At a meeting of the association for the organization of a Protestant Episcopal Church at this place after prayer by the Rev. Mr. Schenck, Isaac Sams was called to the chair and S. Cadwalader chosen Secretary. On motion of Mr. Schenck the association proceeded to ballot for the election of two Wardens and eight Vestrymen, which resulted as follows: Isaac Sams, Senior Warden; J. Milton Boyd, Junior Warden; B. H. Johnson Sr., Nelson Barrere, J. W. Price, Wm. H. Woodrow, Wm. H. Bayard, C. H. Smith, G. W. Lawrence, John Dawson. At a subsequent meeting of the Vestry W. H. Woodrow was chosen Secretary. At the suggestion of Isaac Sams the name of the parish was styled St. Mary's Parish. It was also resolved that J. Milton Boyd, J. W. Price, Wm. H. Bayard be appointed a committee to solicit subscriptions for the purpose of erecting a Church. The meeting adjourned Dec. 31st. Wm. H. Woodrow Secty.

The next Vestry meeting was held Dec. 31, 1853 to begin the process of building a place of worship for St. Mary's. Minutes of that meeting are brief and can also be quoted in full:

Vestry met pursuant to adjournment. Present Isaac Sams, President of Vestry, J. M. Boyd, Rev. Mr. Schenck, Wm. H. Bayard, G. W. Lawrence, John Dawson, C. H. Smith and Wm. H. Woodrow. On motion Isaac Sams and J. Milton Boyd were appointed a committee to negotiate for a lot on which to erect a church. Vestry adjourned to meet on Saturday evening Jany. 14th, 1854. Wm. H. Woodrow Secty.

\* **names in bold indicates founders of St. Mary's**

**Inquirers class:** Are wondering why we "bless" certain things and people? Or, why the Priest "washes her fingers" before communion? Or, what does the Episcopal Church teach about God, Jesus and the bible? Maybe you need an Inquirers Class about the Episcopal Church? Or, a refresher course? We are putting together an opportunity to attend as few as 3 class times to learn what will enhance your worship time with us. Join us Saturday, February 10 for class one. Meet in the Conference Room. Let Rev Judi know you are interested.



The Rev. Noah Hunt Schenk

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Jooyoung Kim's new CD is available on Amazon and other places. On this recording are 3 of the pieces which she played on her September Concert at St. Mary's!

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SUNDAY WORSHIP and SUNDAY  
SCHOOL 10:00 am

WEDNESDAY HOLY EUCHARIST with  
HEALING PRAYERS: 12:00 noon