

The Red Door

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

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What is the purpose of the Church? God could reach us anywhere He chooses, so why churches? In today's world of mobile, over-scheduled people, how can we find a place and time for church?

First we need to look at Sunday mornings. longer is Sunday a universal day of rest. Work schedules require that we have a round-the-clock workforce for seven days a week. So there is no universal day of rest. Church leaders are looking at new ways to reach people where they are and within their work schedules. But with a dense work schedule, we cannot expect to

pull large crowds that have the same day off!

So, what else hinders us? We know the Message is tried and true and it is as powerful today, and as needed as ever. Could it be the way we deliver the message that is the issue? Is reading scripture and preaching the Word no longer what the young people need? I think in order to serve the population today we need to look at what works today.

So, I'm asking you to come together and explore how St Mary's can redesign herself to be the church of tomorrow. To look at new ways, as well as tried and true ways, to

engage the people of today to join us in worship and study of our universal God.

A Word from Our Rector

In the next couple of weeks I will be researching reading materials, on-line resources and most importantly, face-to-face conversations about what is the purpose of the church in the world today. I'm guessing we still need her but she may look different. Join me in prayer as we reach out to God to make us all we are meant to be to all people. Then watch for a date of a gathering to share our thoughts.

Rev. Judi+

A WORD FROM WELL WISHERS

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

Romans 12:12-13





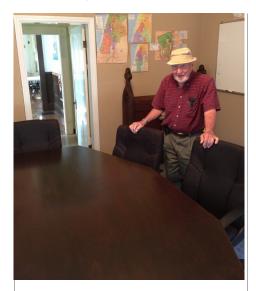
MUSIC AT ST. MARY'S 2013-2014 Series is now complete. It was a wonderful series as we tested the waters to see if the public would support a series of good music. While I would have preferred larger crowds during the first year, I have great faith that next year the attendance will grow.

How can you help? You can begin now talking the series up to all of your friends.

Tell them about this past series. Mention it at the barbershop or beauty parlor! If they are interested, get addresses to which we can send a brochure. Once we have the brochures ready, carry some with you and pass them out.

Remember that the first step to church growth is to get folks into the building in a relaxed and friendly environment.

EFM TABLE



Late in reporting, but this beautiful table was added to the CEC and placed in the EfM Room. It was crafted by Paul Orth (pictured above with his creation!)

Don't miss Rogation Sunday at the Harner Farm!

JUNIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

Sometimes there is work done at St. Mary's by a member of the congregation, and it goes unnoticed because we don't see it and don't walk past it when we are in church. I want to talk about Paul Orth who recently replaced the switch on the sump pump in the basement, and consequently saved St. Mary's a lot of money. To Paul it was a simple job that he could do. To someone like me that has no idea how to replace a switch, it was monumental! I want to thank Paul for using his time and talent to help his church.

The other thing I want to talk about is "negativity." Sometimes when there are changes at church—changes in music, changes in the bulletin, changes in the newsletter or scheduling, we feel our comfort zone is under attack. Often when changes are made, it gives those people making the changes an opportunity to use their creative skills, and instead of criticizing them or their efforts, we should be supporting them and embracing the change. All too often during coffee hour

or during other church social times, I hear people tearing someone down for something that was changed. And often the person that's being torn down is our priest!

Please, let's not spread negative thoughts throughout the church. Yes, change is hard on some of us, but let's try to embrace it and in no time you will find yourself comfortable once again. We want to attract new people to the church. What if someone overheard you criticizing the priest? What kind of an impression would that leave with a total stranger?

I have found Rev. Judi to be hard working, receptive, kind, caring, and very eager for St. Mary's to be the best Episcopal Church it can be. If you have something to say to Rev. Judi, I'm sure she would appreciate speaking with you personally. Don't tear down her or anyone else in the church. You don't know who may be listening.

Paulette Goerler

SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

I am looking forward to June and the beginning of the long "Green Season" after we celebrate Pentecost on June 8th. We welcome a slower pace in our church life during the summer months, a time of welcoming the sunshine and enjoying the wonders of Mother Nature as we see all the green grass, trees and flowers that make us feel renewed and reborn, just like the new calves on the farms.

Those of us who attended the recent concert performed by the Hillsboro High School Symphonic Choir conducted by David White realized

anew the wonderful acoustics of our beautiful sanctuary and made us proud to be able to provide space to the community for such a wonderful performance. Keep up the good work, John Glaze, and thank you very much for organizing such wonderful musical programs at St. Mary's for the community.

At our May vestry meeting a quarterly financial report was provided by KMR Bookkeeping which provided a good reflection of our finances for January thru the end of April. Thanks to everyone for keeping your pledges current and supporting the open plate giving as well as the Rector's Discretionary fund on the third Sunday of the month.

Paul Orth presented a written and pictorial report to the vestry of our

heating and cooling system which was the result of a recent meeting with Lance Ferneau, our furnace and AC expert. We will be spending around \$800.00 on repair to a leak in the big cooling tank and refilling with coolant and water soon. We were also advised that before the heating season begins this fall, we will probably be faced with replacing a boiler. I am providing this information to give everyone a "heads-up" and to let you know that your vestry is planning ahead and will be looking at our finances to plan for this major upcoming expense.

Ending on a happy note, it is wonderful to welcome back our snowbirds from Florida. See you in church.

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1 10:00am HEII SAN Sunday School CEC 4:00pm Rogation Sunday David & Andrea Harner's farm	2 10:00am Art Guild LH 5:00pm TOPS	3 1:30pm HCHS Board 5:30pm Rector's Study TR B: Lydia Dance	4 10:00am Well Wishers TR 12:00n HE & Healing Prayers SAN	5 2:00pm EfM CEC 6:00pm Women's AA TR B: Karen Rummer	6 6:30pm AA LH 8:00pm AA LH	7 9:30am Finance/ Endowment Committee CEC (EfM room) A: Paul & Phyllis Johnson
8 PENTECOST/ CELEBRATION SUNDAY 10:00am HEII SAN Sunday School CEC B: Susan Price	9 10:00am Art Guild LH 5:00pm TOPS	10 2:00pm Organ Tuning SAN 5:30pm Rector's Study TR	11 10:00am Well Wishers TR 12:00n HE & Healing Prayers SAN 4:00pm Youth Group CEC B: Nancy Orth	12 2:00pm EfM CEC 6:00pm Women's AA TR A: Larry & Peggy Adding- ton (50th!)	13 6:30pm AA LH 8:00pm AA LH B: Carlene Phillips (90th) B: Charlie Schneider	14 10:00am Episcopal Appa- Iachian Ministries (St. Paul's-Chillicothe) A: Jim & Susan Price (45th) B: Linda Roever
15 10:00am HEII SAN Sunday School CEC	16 10:00am Art Guild LH 5:00pm TOPS	17 5:30pm Rector's Study TR B: Betty Heathcote	18 10:00am Well Wishers TR 12:00n HE & Healing Prayers SAN B: Paul Johnson	19 2:00pm EfM CEC 6:00pm Women's AA TR	20 6:30pm AA LH 8:00pm AA LH B: Jane Turner B: Violet Schmidt	21 B: Henry Rotroff
22 10:00am HEII SAN Sunday School CEC HUNGER SUNDAY (special collection for Soup's Onl B: Clayton Roever	23 10:00am Art Guild LH 5:00pm TOPS	24 5:30pm Rector's Study TR	25 10:00am Well Wishers TR 12:00n HE & Healing Prayers SAN B: Jan Lederer	26 2:00pm EfM CEC 6:00pm Women's AA TR B: Matt Schneider	27 6:30pm AA LH 8:00pm AA LH	28 4:30pm Prayers & Praise 5:00pm Soup's On!
29 10:00am HEII SAN Sunday School CEC B: Judy Franklin B: Phyllis Johnson	30 10:00am Art Guild LH 5:00pm TOPS B: Clinton Hammonds B: Whitney Harner	5 lins, 3. Col. Wm. H. . Rives, 6. Harriet . Beecher	Answers to Quiz on page 5 1. Paul Hannaford, 2. Col. Wm. Oliver Collins, 3. Col. Trimble, 4. Frank Armstrong, 5. Marie T. Rives, 6. l Statzer, 7. J. M. Boyd, 8. George Beecher	Ar 1. Paul Hannaford, Trimble, 4. Frank Statzer, 7	KEY: CEC Christian Ed Center LH Lacy Hall MG Memorial Garden SAN Sanctuary TR Telfair Room	A: Anniversary B: Birthday

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IT'S GROWING SEASON

It's growing season! When Fred and I were members of a church in Bellbrook, our pastor took a call to Minneapolis. Our congregation was about the same size as we are here at St. Mary's. Before he left, Pastor Parrish said, "If I've done my job here, this church will continue to grow. You will take my place—you will invite your friends, neighbors, co-workers and relatives to church. You'll share meals, the Gospel, and God's love. You'll start up conversations at Little League, soccer

practice, the Dairy Shed, in the grocery line and at the post office. You'll invite everyone to church. And you will grow."

Pastor Parris was right. We did all those things. We did the work, and with the help of the Holy Spirit, that first year without a pastor, we took in 34 new members!

As Saint Francis of Assisi said, Preach the Gospel at all times and when necessary, use words." Because we are the hands and feet of God, we have an oppor-

Karen Vlaskamp

tunity to communicate, by our actions, who He is: God is love. Be revealing His love to others, we are revealing His very nature. People come to St. Mary's because they've been invited. They continue to come because they feel welcome. They are impressed with our witness and friendship of our members. (That's how Fred and I got here and stayed.) We show them that Jesus offers what they don't have.

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Serving Schedule for JUNE

Altar Guild: Carol & John Joy, Jan Vosper

JUNE	LECTOR	CHALICE	SUNDAY SCHOOL	NURSERY	ACOLYTES & CRUCIFER	USHERS	TORCH BEARERS	COFFEE HOUR	INTER- CESSOR
01	Jennie Harner	Jim Heathcote	Larry Wiley	Judy Franklin	Larry Wiley & Lizzy Zumwalde	John & Carol Joy	OPEN	OPEN	Betty Heathcote
08	Jan Vosper	Connie Reynolds	Nancymae Ogden	Andrea Harner	Larry Wiley & Bob Lowell	Paulette & Roy Goerler	OPEN	Lowell	Deanna Flinn
15	Paulette Goerler	Bob Lowell	Betsy Miller	BJ Gee	Larry Wiley & Lizzy Zumwalde	Paul & Nancy Orth	OPEN	OPEN	Jennie Harner
22	Jim Heathcote	Peggy Larkin	Paul & Phyllis Johnson	Deanna Flinn	Bob Lowell & Larry Wiley	Peggy & Larry Addington	OPEN	OPEN	Betty Heathcote
29	Paulette Goerler	Jim Heathcote	Andrea Harner	Jan Vosper	Lizzy Zumwalde & Bob Lowell	John & Carol Joy	OPEN	Zumwalde	Betty Heathcote

NEWS AT ST. MARYS

Rogation Sunday is June 1. We will bless the fields, the animals, the crops and the machines for all farmers. Join us for a meaningful prayer service and a great potluck. We will gather at 4:00 pm at the Harner farm, 11356 State Road 729, New Vienna, Ohio.

Pentecost/Celebration Sunday is June 8 following our worship service and Sunday School! So much fun! We will be celebrating the Birthday of our Christian Church as well as several banner-year events. Paul and Phyllis will celebrate 50 years of marriage, Carlene Phillips will celebrate her 90th birthday and Larry and

Peggy Addington will celebrate 50 years of marriage. This is going to be a BIG event. Come join us in wishing them all a happy, happy day! Lynn Lowell is making the food at coffee hour and we will have a special cake to share.

<u>WANTED</u>: Strings of clear/white Christmas tree lights to give away, please bring them to Rev Judi. Only clear/white please.

<u>Klassics</u> will be traveling to Chillicothe to have a meal and go to a movie. Sign-up sheet and information on hallway bulletin board. Come on, join the fun!

<u>Finance/Endowment Committee</u> will meet June 7 at 9:30am in the EfM room of the CEC.

St Mary's Youth Group meets June 11 @ 4:00 pm in the Youth Room in the CEC. Summer plans will be discussed plus information on city-wide youth event at the YMCA. Bring a friend!!!

Episcopal Appalachian Ministries will meet at St Paul's Church in Chillicothe Ohio on Saturday, June 14th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Rev Judi is the diocesan Committee chair and she will be offering information on Mountain Grace and convention presence. Our guest speaker will be Lynn Lowell, expert on Appalachian culture traits, behaviors and illnesses. Anyone is invited to attend. Call Rev Judi with questions.

OUR CHILDREN ARE LISTENING

Our children are listening to us.

I was not raised in the Episcopal Church. I was baptized at age fourteen in a very small and rural Church of Christ. Through my years of Sunday School, I remember one teacher standing up and saying "I'm going to teach you how to have joy in your life." She said "J" stands for Jesus. First, you think of Jesus. "O" stands for others. Next, you think of others. "Y" stands for you. Lastly, you think of yourself.

Then, she gave us a plaque that spelled JOY to paint . I still have that little piece of art with the bright yellow paint. As a young girl, I was listening.

The years went on and the faith of my childhood could not sustain me as an adult.

I saw a sign in front of an Episcopal Church. It said, "All Welcome". I thought to myself, "Well, that includes me." I went the next week and immediately fell in love with the service. I belonged. I could use my whole body to worship by kneeling, standing and bowing. It felt good.

This brings me to one of my most favorite memories. It's when I realized my own daughter was listening in the Episcopal Church. Lily was born with amazing energy. She could go and go and never nap. Lily was baptized at 10 months old on All Saints Day.

Lily had turned 2 years old. My aunt was driving her around back roads trying to bring on sleep. She called me to tell of her challenge and said, "Angie, this little girl won't sleep. I turned on classical music. I drove slowly. But, all she does is raise her hand and say Bread Wine, Bread Wine."

I was so proud. My little one had been listening all those Sundays, when I carried her to the altar for Communion.

Angie Martin

Inquirer's Class/Confirmation

The Inquirer's Class begins in June! We have (so far) 3 teens preparing to be confirmed. They are Lizzy Zumwalde, Lydia Dance and Tom Zumwalde. Begin praying for them as they learn how to be mature Christians in today's church.

June 18: 4-6 pm: What it means to be Episcopalian; count the cost!

July 2: 4-6 pm: From Jesus to King Henry VIII to now!

July 16: 2-4 pm: Who's the Boss?

July 30: 2-6 pm: Ministry, Mystery and Miracles!

Materials needed: Notebook, Bible (not King James Version), pencil/pen and a ready-to-learn attitude!

Anyone is invited to join this class who has a desire to learn more about the church, St Mary's and their own ministry. All classes will be held in the Adult Education Room in the Christian Education Center next to St Mary's Church. Contact Rev Judi to register.

WHO AM I? (answers on page 3)



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, Jarrod Jarrell, Philip Townsend.

These with special needs: Marion Carr, Mary Carson, Dorothy Elble, Shirley Gilliam, Paulette Goerler, Herschel Hook, Bunny Lewis, Nancy & Paul Orth, Cecil Robertson, Ginny Rogers, Esther Russell, Violet Schmidt, Ann Staffeld, Anne Stamps, Robbie Stone, Anne Tieman, Jane Turner, Mary Brown Turner, Marilyn Varvel, Fred & Karen Vlaskamp, Merry Jane Wunsch, an unspoken request, all Emmaus walks, the residents of Georgetown Veterans' Home, our ministries with Soup's On, the Highland County Homeless Shelter, Samaritan Outreach Services and the people these organizations serve.

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ROGATION SUNDAY

Rogation Sunday will be at Andrea & David's Farm on June 1st at 4pm, potluck dinner following. 11356 St. Rt. 729 New Vienna, OH 45159.

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Church office is staffed Thursdays from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

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The Rev. Judi Wiley, Rector

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SUNDAY WORSHIP and SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00 am

WEDNESDAY HOLY EUCHARIST with HEALING PRAYERS: 12:00 noon

IT'S GROWING SEASON (continued from page 4)

If this sounds like a tall order, it is. You can't do it by your-self! Call upon the Holy Spirit to fill you and go with you so you can, in His power, reveal God's love to others as you wander through your day.

Evangelism, then, does not depend primarily on the Rector. Certainly the sermon plays a vital role in the process. But it is a church effort. No one person has to bear the weight of this joyous, but formidable task. It is our duty and delight.

What's growing in your soul? The Bible says the fruit that God wants to grow in our lives, the thing the Spirit is cultivating, is a life of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness and self-control. (see Galatians 5:23) This is not a to-do list for you—it's God's intention for your life. These are all measures of growth. Will you share it with someone else? If you need more information, join the EFM class starting this fall. You'll feel empowered.!

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.