July 29, 2012

**Worship Notes** ~ The Rev. Sue Reid will celebrate and preach at the 9:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist service in the church. The Rev. Fletcher Davis will officiate at the 1928 Prayerbook service in the Chapel at 10 AM.

**During August**, the 9:30 AM service will be a Rite I Holy Eucharist.

**Prayers of the People:** At the beginning of each month the prayers of the people are reviewed to remove any outdated requests. If someone is removed that is still in need of prayer, please advise the parish office.

**Adult Education** meets in Wilson Hall after the service. Please pick up refreshment at Coffee Hour and join us at 11 AM

- July 29 ~ Chaos Theory with John Burkhalter
- Aug. 5 ~ Funeral Planning with Pr. Rachel Endicott

**Nursery & Church School:** The Nursery is not staffed July & August. However, families may use the space to do-it-yourself (DIY) during the 9:30 service and the Church School is down the hall. Church school is on break too, but different groups and adults will lead summer projects.

**Children's Choir:** No rehearsal this Sunday. The third summer children's choir rehearsal is Sunday, August 5 at 8:30 AM. We'll be in the undercroft unless the piano gets moved by then.

### AROUND THE PARISH

The Outreach Committee will meet Sunday, July 29 at 11AM in the Library to discuss resolutions that need to be submitted to the vestry and other business.

The Monday Evening Bible Study is on hiatus until Monday, September 17. We'll be continuing with Mark for Everyone at that time and will send an update re location and scripture assignment in early September. For details talk with Pat Hyland or Frank Pollard.

**Contemplative Evening Prayer** is on hiatus until September 11.

### Staff Vacations ~

- Pr. Rachel Endicott will be gone through August 4th.
   Supply priests have been scheduled for the Sundays she is away, and clergy have been selected for backup pastoral care. If you have any pastoral emergencies during this time, please contact the parish office (206-633-1611 or office@christchurchseattle.org)
- Nancy Kern will be on vacation the first four Sundays of August.
- Marjorie Jodoin will take two weeks off August 6-19.
   A volunteer will be in the office M-W-F from 10AM-4PM. and Pr. Rachel will be available.

**Blood Drive** ~ Call or email the parish office (206-633-1611 or office@christchurchseattle) if you would like to sign up for a Blood Drive to be done at Christ Church. We need 25+ signatures of people who promise to donate to set a date. Mary Lou Hatcher has the details.

### AROUND THE DIOCESE & BEYOND

St. Paul's Homecoming Center in New Orleans, LA and Connie Uddo will be featured on ABC-TV's Secret Millionaire on Sunday, August 12 at 7:00 pm CDT. This hit show shines a well-deserved light on the efforts of non-profit organizations to provide for those in need. St. Paul's Center in New Orleans has worked to assist post-Katrina victims normalize their lives. The Diocese of Olympia has been a support partner in the effort.



The service for William James MacKenzie is this Sunday, July 29 at 1:30 PM at Christ Church.

Bill MacKenzie, father of Mary MacKenzie, passed away on Tuesday morning after a fall from a ladder, while cleaning his gutters. He was 88 years old.

A reception will follow the service hosted by the St. Faith's Guild. It would be appreciated if parishioners who are attending the service would bring additional coffee hour type finger foods.

Preliminary Report shows positive trends for the Episcopal Church ~ [June 22, 2012] Information based on preliminary data from the 2011 Parochial Reports show an increase in Episcopal Church revenue and a moderation of recent declines among Episcopal congregations. "Some churches are growing, fewer churches are seeing large declines in membership and attendance, and many dioceses are seeing gains rather than losses in gifts from their congregations and returns on investments," noted C. Kirk Hadaway, Ph.D., Officer for Congregational Research and author of the report. Among the key elements of the report indicate:

- While 2011 will witness a decline in membership, it is the lowest since 2002.
- Plate and Pledge giving is expected to rise by around \$12 million, or +0.9% in 2011.
- Gifts and assessments to dioceses by congregations suggest an increase of .04% in 2011.

"The last three years should not be considered the "new normal," Hadaway states. "This is not to minimize the declines in membership and attendance since 2002, nor the loss of income in the last several years...Still, there are signs of improvement in terms of membership, attendance and finances."



It's All Connected ~ Earth, justice & our Christian faith Saturday, August 18th, 9am-4pm, St Augustine's-in-the-Woods, 5217 S. Honeymoon Bay Rd., Freeland, Whidbey Island, Wa. In this annual retreat organized by the Bishop's Committee on

the Environment, we will affirm the inseparability of our faith equally from issues of justice and the environment. Cost: \$5 for food. Email Mike Seymour for registration: <mike@hol.edu> PLEASE REGISTER IN ADVANCE so we can know our food needs. We are thankful to St. Augustine's for kindly volunteering to host this retreat. Parishioners will provide a breakfast snack & refreshments as well as a "green" lunch. They will also provide overnight accommodations for those retreat participants who wish to arrive on the island Friday night. In addition, transportation to and from the ferry at Clinton will be available for those people who wish to leave their cars at Mukilteo and walk on the ferry.

21st Annual Celtic Prayer Retreat ~ The Mustard Seed Associates invite you to their 21st Annual Celtic Prayer Retreat on Saturday, August 18th from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. (or spend the weekend!) on Camano Island, WA. This year's theme is "Gratitude and Thanksgiving." The weekend will include time for meditation, prayer and solitude, the dedication of the first Mustard Seed Village building, fellowship and feasting with a potluck lunch and a BBQ dinner, a Selah service and Eucharist celebration with Celtic musician Jeff Johnson. For more information, click here or call MSA at 206.524.2111.

The Mission to Seafarers invites you to join us for our annual fundraising luncheon aboard the Golden Princess cruise ship docked at Pier 91 on Saturday, August 25, 2012. The cost of the luncheon is \$50 per person and all proceeds benefit The Mission to Seafarers. Further information and registration forms are available online at <a href="https://www.mts-seattle.org">www.mts-seattle.org</a> or by calling the Seattle Seafarers' Center at 206-935-3439.

### PEOPLE & PLACES

News on Doug Adams & Debra Lewis picked up from their website: In April, Deb & Doug moved to Hilo, HI and in May they attended daughter Emily's graduation at Tulane University. Doug & Deb are writing a DHATour book (the year long tour of all 50 states by bicycle and RV undertaken in 2010-11), and Deb is co-authoring a separate leadership book with CEO Deb Boelkes called "Unconventional Weapons for Infinite-WIN Leaders" (more info go to <a href="http://www.infinite-win.com/">http://www.infinite-win.com/</a>). They are also establishing their new sustainable business corporation kumuSource ("Helping Better"), as they pursue better ways to make a difference in the lives of others.

**Our condolences to Robin Noelle Gibbs** on the death of her mother, Dorothy Morgan Gibbs. No cards or flowers, please.

# Dear Friends of SHARE/WHEEL, The SHARE Shelters and Tent Cities,

Thank you for your past, present and future service to the participants of the Shelters, Tent City and SHARE/WHEEL. As you know Tent City is a well-organized, self-managed, roaming community of homeless people (Participants); many of whom have jobs, some going to college and most who someday hope to afford a place of their own to live.

Tent City 4, Tent City 3 and 15 other shelters are part of the non-profit organization SHARE. Like the Tent Cities, each of the Shelters are also self-managed, ensuring every participant has a role and responsibilities within their facility. This is why we refer to these homeless people as Participants; everyone Participates to help their Shelter and/or Tent City run smoothly.

For the past 2 years I have been blessed to serve beside many wonderful volunteers at Tent City 4. In the spring our group was informed that the major fundraising event (the Harvest Auction) was going to be canceled. My covolunteers and friends (Michele Wells and Melinda Creamer) and I decided to join The Shelter Board committee in order to work along other volunteers to ensure the Auction would indeed be held. FYI, the sole purpose of the Shelter Board committee is to assist in raising funds for SHARE.

As I said, the fundraiser we're currently working on is an auction, which will be held at 3pm on October 14th, at the Nile Country Club in Mount Lake Terrace. Our hope is that you are able to **attend this event**, inviting friends and family and helping to raise funds that will keep these shelters and tent cities opened.

By going to the new auction website you will soon be able to order tickets for the auction. For now we encourage you to **take a peek at the donations** received so far http://shareshelterboard.maestroweb.com/!

We would also greatly appreciate **your assistance in procuring fun and desirable items for the auction** or helping us find corporate sponsorships to help cover the cost of putting on the auction. Thank you in advance for being the hearts, hands and feet to serve the Participants.

Blessings,

Sharon Mattax, Melinda Creamer, Michele Wells



# Save the Date!!! 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Shelter Board Harvest Auction

Dinner and Live § Silent Auctions

Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 3pm
Nile Golf Center
Mountlake Terrace, WA
Featuring Master of Ceremonies:
Ken Schram
and

Keynote Speaker: Ron Sims Supporting 16 Homeless Shelters and 2 Tent Cities

> www.sharewheel.org share.shelter@gmail.com

# This Week at Christ Church: July 29 - August 5 TODAY, Sunday, July 29 ~ SUMMER SCHEDULE

9:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist, Church
9:30 AM EPIC/Youth Forum, Lounge
9:30 AM Church School, Lower Level
10 AM 1928 Prayer Book Service, Chapel
11 AM Adult Education, Wilson Hall
11:00 AM Coffee Hour, Undercroft
11:00 AM Outreach Cmte, Library
1:30 PM MacKenzie Service, Church
Reception following

**Tuesday, July 31** 7:00 PM Wisdom Group, Wilson Hall

Wednesday, August 1 11:30 AM Morning Prayer, Chapel

## Sunday, August 5

9:30 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist, Church 9:30 AM EPIC/Youth Forum, Lounge 9:30 AM Church School, Lower Level 10 AM 1928 Prayer Book Service, Chapel 11 AM Adult Education, Wilson Hall 11:00 AM Coffee Hour, Undercroft 11:00 AM Contemplative Community, Lounge diverse Christian traditions and prayer practices that deepen one's spiritual journey and personal faith life. It meets bi-monthly on Tuesday afternoons from 1-4pm and will begin again on September 11, 2012 and ends on May 28, 2013. \$1,000 for 18 sessions

Tending the Fire, Christian Spirituality and Prayer,

is a nine-month retreat program designed to explore

The Priory Spirituality Center's (in Lacey, WA) long

term programs ~ More information is on the website

under Spirituality Center Formation Programs.

www.stplacid.org

- Sketchbook to God will focus on learning about varying arts forms, creating our own art, using our sketchbook and praying with the art form. Julie Barrett Ziegler will present the 6 sessions on Wednesdays from 9am-noon in 2012-2013: October 3, "Icons/Praying with Icons," November 7, "Mandala/As Circle of Prayer;" January 2, "Golden Vessel of Aging/Vessels of Prayer Gesture;" February 6, "Soul Collage/Art Imagery," March 6, "Celtic Art/Celtic Prayer;" and "April 3, Marian Art/Marian Prayer." The cost (materials included) is \$360 for 6 sessions.
- Invisible Wounds: Are you discovering that your relationship with God and with your family members and some friends are becoming more and more uncertain and often frustrating? Then this series will open your eyes to the hidden causes of this dilemma. God is love and with the guidance of the indwelling Holy Spirit and some new insights you can change your life. Pastor Gayle Dickson will offer 6 sessions on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30pm from Sept. 25-October 30. The cost is \$180 for 6 sessions.

**SUMMER SCHEDULE, July 1 through Sept. 2,** we will follow a Summer Schedule for Sundays:

• 9:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist in the Church (combined 8 & 10 AM service)

We will use Rite I in August.

- 9:30 AM Nursery, Church School, EPIC (Youth Forum)
- 10:00 AM 1928 Prayerbook Service, Chapel
- 11:00 AM Adult Education , Wilson Hall
- 11:00 AM Coffee Hour, Undercroft

Other meetings will adjust accordingly.

U. District Food Bank Collection: In light of the economy and increased numbers of people seeking assistance, we are asking the parish to bring a can or box of NON-PERISHABLE food to

Sunday services. Small pull top cans are appreciated. Toiletries and pet food are also desired, as are paper and plastic bags. Please do not bring anything that requires refrigeration. Thank you.