

# CrossRoads



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## Summer Sabbatical Update

Greetings Parishioners!

We've had a busy start to July already. A Family Fun Friday on July 1<sup>st</sup> and Mass in the Grass on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. We have had so much fun at the Family Fun Fridays, which starts with fellowship and a shared salad supper and then the fun begins. The first two Family Fun Fridays have had outdoor activities including a paper airplane contest, egg toss, a scavenger hunt, a three legged race and much more. Age is no barrier to participation.

Mass in the Grass was great. Everyone went with the flow, enjoyed the morning breeze and the interactive sermon. A special thanks to Ruben for his electronic piano. We had tiki torches with citronella, bottled water and hand fans, if you needed one. Watermelon between the services and a hotdog feast followed the late service.

The rest of July is also full of even more. I will also go ahead and add a last item for August.

### Family Fun Friday

There are two more Family Fun Fridays on July 15<sup>th</sup> and July 29<sup>th</sup>. July 15<sup>th</sup> will be a Family Movie Night with "Incredible Journey". On July 29<sup>th</sup> we will be preparing a very special craft for Claire that will be presented at her first Sunday back with us on August 14<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to sign up so we know how much lettuce to have for our salad supper.

### Grace Point Sunday - July 17<sup>th</sup>

Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup>, we will meet at Grace Point Camp & Retreat Center for church with one service at 10:00am. A ride will be available for anyone who wants one. Please sign up in the

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parish hall if you need a ride or if you have room to take someone. We will leave Resurrection at 9:00am to head to Grace Point. After the service, we will have a Picnic Potluck Lunch. Please bring a dish to share.

### Ice Cream Sundae Social Baby Shower - July 17<sup>th</sup>

There will be a baby shower for Aileen Twiggs-Degn beginning at 1:00pm. See the details on page 3.

### Parish Sabbatical Reading

I hope you have enjoyed reading "Living Jesus: Learning the Heart of the Gospel" this summer. Please join us in the Sunday discussions. We will be discussing chapters 7 & 8 on July 10<sup>th</sup> and chapters 9 & 10 on July 24<sup>th</sup>.

### Welcome Back Reception - August 14<sup>th</sup>

Between the services on Sunday August 14<sup>th</sup>, we will have a reception for Claire and Mike to welcome them back to Resurrection. Please bring finger foods to share.

See you soon,

Kelly Johnson  
Senior Warden

## Sabbatical Calendar

- Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>: Family Fun Fridays - 6:00pm. Church will provide lettuce & dressings. Bring veggies and/or toppings to share. Family Movie Night - "Incredible Journey"
- Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>: Grace Point Sunday - One Service at 10:00am, Join Us at Grace Point Camp & Retreat Center. Picnic Potluck Lunch following service.
- Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup>: Family Fun Fridays - 6:00pm. Church will provide lettuce & dressings. Bring veggies and/or toppings to share. Secret Craft for Claire's return.
- Every Sunday: Continue weekly classes between services for Parish Sabbatical Reading. Join our discussion of what we have read each week.
- Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>: "Welcome Back Reception" for Claire & Mike Keene. Reception will be in between the 8:00am & 10:00am services. Please bring finger foods to share



## The Loudon County Sheriff's Office is proud to bring Project Lifesaver to Loudon County

Project Lifesaver is an international program developed to help search and rescue teams locate missing individuals more quickly and more efficiently. The program is specifically designed for individuals with wandering conditions such as Alzheimer's or dementia, but has also been used by some school systems for students with autism, Down Syndrome, or other conditions associated with a risk of wandering.



Project Lifesaver includes a bracelet for the individual and a tracking device that is used by a law enforcement tracking team. The tracking device is activated ONLY if the individual is reported missing. With this device, the average search time can be cut from hours or days to an average of 30 minutes. This kind of time reduction can save lives and prevent serious injury! Project Lifesaver is a perfect opportunity to protect those at-risk BEFORE something happens.

With all community services and programs, there is a cost; however, the LCSO has already been awarded a grant from the Department of Justice to cover the start-up equipment and training for officers and volunteers. What is still needed are the funds to provide transmitter bracelets for the clients, uniforms for the officers, and supplies.

The Sheriff's Office is seeking these funds from private donations. Each bracelet costs \$300, and the LCSO would like to have at least 30 bracelets available for our Loudon County at-risk residents. Every donation counts, and moves the LCSO closer to its goal. Won't you help?

**\*\*\*YOU'RE INVITED\*\*\***

**ice cream SUNDAY SOCIAL baby shower**



**Aileen Twiggs-Degn is expecting!**  
David and Millie Twiggs are gonna be GRANDPARENTS!

Please join us to celebrate with a post-picnic "Sundae Social" at Grace Point, 1:00PM on July 17<sup>th</sup>.

(Aileen is sadly unable to fly due to pregnancy complications so Millie will stand in her place.)

RSVP to Callie Van Koughnett:  
callie.vank@gmail.com or 865-458-6000

**Gifts:** Please note that gifts will be sent across the pond to Denmark :)

**Registry:** Babies "R" Us, or you might consider gift cards to Ikea, Fabric.com, or Amazon.co.uk

**PS: Gender is a SECRET!**




## Postcard from Sabbatical #2: June 13, 2011

Minong, Wisconsin is not Lake Wobegone, but you might find it hard to tell the difference. Population, 587. A post office, one grocery store, a Ford dealer, one towing and repair service, several café-bars, one with miniature golf outside and a faltering Wi-Fi connection inside. A Catholic church, a Lutheran church. Twenty miles to the next town. Signs like this one near our driveway plot our location for volunteer firemen.

This is woods-and-lakes country, the sandy soil milled by glaciers of the last ice age. Birches and pines line the highways. Lakes from the size of your bathtub to the size of Ft. Loudon are flung everywhere, like water off a giant dog's back, some connected by rivers and marshes, some not. Almost every driveway or garage holds a fishing boat. The rivers flow north into Lake Superior.

From our screened-in porch we've seen deer, wild turkeys, black squirrels, raccoons, pileated woodpeckers, a porcupine, hummingbirds, bald eagles. Between the porch and the deck, the screen is reinforced with metal mesh where a black bear clawed to get in. Dragonflies warm themselves on the concrete walk from garage to deck.

It's cool here most days and every night. It's quiet here: bird calls, the wind through the pines, tree frogs, the constant burble of the river inform us. It's dark here at night: no streetlights or neighbor's lamps to dim the stars or the full moon.

*We're trying to pay attention.*

## Postcard from Sabbatical #3: June 28, 2011

"I've been asked to introduce the Most Reverend Katharine Jefferts-Schori, " I said, "not because I know her so intimately, but because I'm rooming with Maggie."

Last Friday, as the Rev. Maggie Zeller, Rector of St. Christopher's, Kingsport, and I were dressing for the day, she suddenly stopped in mid-motion as she pulled on her clergy shirt. "Oh, no!" she exclaimed. "What's wrong?" I asked. "I need someone to introduce the Presiding Bishop. " Silence. Time passes.

"Claire," she said worriedly, "would *you* introduce the Presiding Bishop to the clergy? I just realized I have to be in the other room introducing her husband." Dr. Richard Schori, husband of our Presiding Bishop, was to meet with the spouses of East Tennessee clergy in a classroom at Episcopal School of Knoxville while the Presiding Bishop spoke with clergy of the diocese in the school chapel. As Chair of the Transition Committee, making sure both guests were introduced was Maggie's responsibility, but she had forgotten that she wouldn't, *couldn't* be in both places. *Someone* needed to call the clergy session to order and introduce the PB.

"Okay . . ." I answered, a little panicked. How could I refuse? Maggie had graciously invited me to spend three nights as a guest in her room at the Crowne Plaza in Knoxville, convenient to the weekend's activities. She had picked me up at the airport, given me one of the guests' goody bags, including a quilted coaster made by our Resurrection ladies. She was including me in all the fun and none of the Transition responsibilities of the weekend other than occasionally helping her schlep things from pillar to post. She was giving me rides back and forth to Church of the Ascension and Episcopal School. She's a dear friend, comfortable roommate, Sewanee classmate, a chosen member of our unofficial family. Her beef bourguignon has saved my life on several frigid, frantic occasions. And who else would ask me—ever—to introduce our Presiding Bishop? "Okay. . . ." I answered, wondering what in the world I could say.

And then I remembered the three brief chats I



have had with Katharine, one at breakfast in Gatlinburg several years ago when she attended our Diocesan Convention and two at Kanuga when I attended the Preaching Excellence Conference in 2010. This is what I had to offer. So when I had called the clergy to order, I said, "I have been asked to introduce the Most Reverend Katharine Jefferts-Schori this morning, not because I know her so intimately but because I am rooming with Maggie." Laughter. I summarized my three brief encounters with Katharine and finished: "So asking again for her care, her blessing, and her leadership, I offer you Katharine, our sister." She delivered on all three counts.

How much less would we lay on God's altar if friends never looked our way and asked, "Would you . . .?" How much less would we trust the Spirit's buoyancy if we did not answer, however hesitantly, "Okay," and then ride the current to its final splash? How much less would we remember we are God's beloved ones if no one ever engaged in significant conversations with us? How much less encouraged would the world be if we did not pass these conversations on?

So what Katharine said to me in those three brief conversations, I pass on to you, "You have to take care of yourselves. . . . God bless you with the Spirit, who empowers you to do what is yours to do. . . . Serenity in the midst of chaos or controversy? It's called leadership."

Sabbatically yours,

*Claire+*

P.S.: Don't forget to check out the photos and video podcast of the Bishop's Ordination through links on our Diocesan website: [www.ETdiocese.net](http://www.ETdiocese.net). It was a powerful, glorious service.

## Ordination and Seating of the Rt. Rev. George Dibrell Young, III

The Holy Spirit rained down on those gathered at Church of the Ascension, Knoxville, on June 25 for the ordination of George Dibrell Young, III as fourth bishop of the Diocese of East Tennessee. “It was the most spectacular pageantry I’ve ever seen,” said a Presbyterian attending the service with his wife. Although the service was indeed beautiful, it wasn’t about pageantry - it was about Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, the ordination and consecration of a Shepherd in The Episcopal Church, and the succession of bishops in the Church. “I bet it would have looked almost the same 200-300 years ago,” the Presbyterian guest said. It might not have looked the same, but the same Spirit who was with James Hervey Otey, first bishop of the statewide Diocese of Tennessee in the 1800s, was palpable at Church of the Ascension in Knoxville on June 25.

- Read the article about the ordination and consecration at [http://www.episcopalchurch.org/80263\\_128862\\_ENG\\_HTM.htm](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/80263_128862_ENG_HTM.htm)
- Watch the full ordination and consecration service on video at <http://etdiocese.net>
- See pictures at the [diocesan Facebook page](#)

Bishop Young, in his sermon at his seating on Sunday, June 26 at St. John’s Cathedral, noted that the collect of the day was particularly appropriate to the occasion of the official beginning of his ministry as bishop in this diocese, “... grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit ...”

At the beginning of the service, Young had knocked three times at the closed front door of the cathedral, and the door had been opened for him. Bishop vonRosenberg asked those gathered in the cathedral, “Do you recognize and receive him? Will you uphold him in this ministry?” The congregation resoundingly responded “Yes,” and “We will.”

Young said “These are not just words - this is important; we are making a covenant with each other.”

-- Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee, *July 2 News and Information*



# July

**NOTE: Look for birthdays & anniversaries in bold!**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 9:00 am Prayers N Squares  7:00 pm AA (open)	2   <b>Jack &amp; Hannah Parten</b>
3 Holy Eucharist 8:00 Parish Reading Forum Discussion 9:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00  <b>Linda Amelse &amp; Keith Binkley Andy &amp; Judy Hadjian</b>	4 8:30 am Body Awareness for Healthier Living  7:00 pm AA (open)	5 1:30pm Bible Study  <b>Kain Mott Sara Sampeer</b>	6 10:00 am Holy Eucharist/Healing  11:00 am Bible Study	7 5:30 pm AA (women's group)	8 7:00 pm AA (open)  <b>Dick &amp; Norma Reardon</b>	9   <b>Tom &amp; Jan Hebble</b>
10 Holy Eucharist 8:00 Parish Reading Forum Discussion 9:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00  <b>Balie Todd</b>	11 8:30 am Body Awareness for Healthier Living  7:00pm AA (open)	12 1:30pm Bible Study	13 10:00 am Holy Eucharist/Healing  11:00 am Bible Study  6:30 pm Contemplative Prayer Group	14 5:30 pm AA (women's group)  6:00pm Prayers N Squares	15 9:00 am Prayers N Squares  <b>6:00 pm Family Fun Friday Movie Night</b>  7:00 pm AA (open)	16   <b>John Seitz Ginny Tolbert</b>
17 <b>Grace Point Sunday 10:00am Service At Grace Point Potluck Picnic Lunch</b> Bring a picnic to share Rides leave church at 9:00am  <b>Judy Hadjian Judith Kubesh</b>	18 8:30 am Body Awareness for Healthier Living  7:00 pm AA (open)	19 1:30pm Bible Study	20 10:00 am Holy Eucharist/Healing  11:00 am Bible Study  7:00 pm Vestry	21 5:30 pm AA (women's group)	22 7:00 pm AA (open)  <b>CrossRoads Deadline</b>	23
24 Holy Eucharist 8:00 Parish Reading Forum Discussion 9:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00  <b>LAMS Pet Food &amp; Supplies Collection</b>	25 8:30 am Body Awareness for Healthier Living  7:00 pm AA (open)  <b>Monty Ross</b>	26 1:30pm Bible Study  <b>Janey Coombes</b>	27 10:00 am Holy Eucharist/Healing  11:00 am Bible Study	28 5:30 pm AA (women's group)	29 <b>6:00 pm Family Fun Friday Secret Craft</b>  7:00 pm AA (open)  <b>Emily Rose Stephenson</b>	30
31 Holy Eucharist 8:00 Parish Reading Forum Discussion 9:00 Holy Eucharist 10:00						

# 2011

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE	3-July-11 Summer Schedule		10-July-11 Summer Schedule		17-July-11 Grace Point		24-July-11 Summer Schedule		31-July-11 Summer Schedule	
	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	8:00 AM	10:00AM	10:00AM		8:00 AM	10:00AM	8:00 AM	10:00AM
Acolyte	Vera Mosey	Monty Ross	Andrew Wilkinson	Jack Lefler	One Service Only at Grace Point	Lisa Amelse	Nancy Wart	Monty Ross	Kathleen Bailey	Kelly Johnson
Eucharistic Minister		Rame Coombes		Chip Parker		Jack Lefler		Kelly Johnson		Holly Pate
Lector	Jerry Ploeger	Donna Jackson	Peggy Rogers	Roger Phelps		Ronnie Doughty	Vera Mosey	Alice Anderson	Nancy Wart	Karen Walsh
Usher	Kathleen Bailey	Tom Griffith & Bob Haldi	Jerry Ploeger	Andy Hadjian & Bob Haldi		Tom & Nelda Griffith	Glenn Boyles	Rame & Janey Coombes	Tom Wart	Wayne Tolbert & Andy Hadjian
Coffee	Peggy Rogers	Ronnie Doughty	Pat Hinton	Ginny Tolbert	Picnic Potluck Lunch		Erllys Ploeger	Monty Ross	Jan Hebble	Marie Kinnear
Offering Counters	Jean Cardwell & Sarah Reynolds		Tom & Nelda Griffith		Frank Richardson & Monty Ross		Will Heathcote & Dick Reardon		Jean Cardwell & Sarah Reynolds	
	Jeanne Phelps		Donna Jackson		Dianna Stimpson		Judy Egan & Janey Coombes		Kathleen Bailey	
Flower Guild	Rosemary Kitts		Dianna Stimpson		Sara Sampeer		Hannah Parten		Hannah Parten	
Readings	Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 Psalm 45:11-18 Romans 7:15-25a Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30		Genesis 25:19-34 Psalm 119:105-112 Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23		Genesis 28:10-19a Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23 Romans 8:12-25 Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43		Genesis 29:15-28 Psalm 105:1-11, 45b Romans 8:26-39 Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52		Genesis 32:22-31 Psalm 17:1-7, 16 Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:13-21	

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**Thanksgivings And Concerns**

**CONTINUED CONCERNS:** Margie, Adyson, The people of Japan and the victims of recent storms, Betty, Pam & Roger, Mary Elizabeth, the Rev. Bill Hargett, C.V., Maria, Heidi, Ralph, Matthew, Rebecca, Sherri, Joseph & Yesenia, Sandy, the Butler family, Richard, Helen, Mary Levi, Claire, Jessie, Michelle, Sandy, David, Dan, Mary Lynn, Kristin, Herman, Brad, Chris, Peggy, Richard, Jeanne, Marty & Hayes & Phil, Ron

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**Financial Snapshot**

**May 2011**

<b>Operations</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Y-T-D</b>
Income	\$14,173.24	\$83,719.96
Expenses	<u>\$16,990.97</u>	<u>\$75,272.73</u>
Balance	(\$2,817.73)	\$8,447.23
<b>Pledges</b>		
Actual	\$12,454.00	\$71,768.00
Budgeted	<u>\$13,344.00</u>	<u>\$66,720.00</u>
Difference	(\$890.00)	\$5,048.00

## Mid-Year Contribution Statements

Mid-year contribution statements will be going out soon. Please check them and let Tom Sampeer or Amanda in the church office know of any discrepancies.

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