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Where do you fit in? - Stewardship 2011

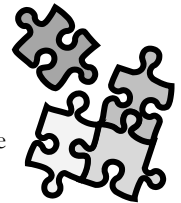
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Join us on October 2nd, between morning services, for our annual Town Hall meeting and Stewardship campaign kickoff. This year's theme, *Where do you fit in?*, challenges all of us to prayerfully consider our role at Church of the Holy Apostles for the coming year and beyond.

Over the next few weeks, we will highlight some of the wonderful ministries we support here. Whether they are within the walls of our church building or in the greater community, there is a place for you.

Look for your Stewardship packet which will be arriving in your mail soon. In it you will find a brochure outlining Holy Apostles goals for 2012 and a pledge card. Open your hearts and minds to all the possible ways you may share your gifts and blessings, to ensure that Holy Apostles is always a place "Where true charity and love dwell."



Feast of St. Francis: Blessing of the Pets, October 2nd, 6:00 p.m.

All praise to you, Oh Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures." From The Canticle of Creatures, by St. Francis of Assisi

At 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 2nd, Holy Apostles parishioners are invited to gather with their four-legged friends (and other pets) at the church for the Blessing of the Pets, in honor of the Feast of St. Francis. The Blessing of the Pets is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures. Any and all animals are welcome to be blessed.



Mark Your Calendar:

- Oct. 2: Town Hall Meeting
- Oct. 2: Blessing of the Pets
- Oct. 6: Manly Movie Night
- Oct. 13: ECW Out to Dinner
- Oct. 28: EYC Lock-In w/ St. Philip
- Oct. 29: ECW to Oxford, MS
- Oct. 30: Club 56 Trick or Treat Outreach

More pipes to play!

Great work is going on above and behind you in the nave. The organ project is humming right along. Pipework was removed from Trinity Episcopal Church in Mobile, AL this summer. It was reconfigured in the Capra Organ Shop in Rossville, TN, and brought to Holy Apostles the week of September 18th. A crew of men including Rod Fauser, Phil Irish, Ed Moore, Billy O'Bar, Edward Robert, and Lydel Turner helped Bob Capra's assistants, Steve Hedstrom and Marvin Kirtz, to load the chests and pipework in the choir division. Using a hoist, and front loading them through the chambers, allowed for an efficient move. Completion of the project is scheduled for the end of this month.



RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS**The Rev. John P. Leach****What to do about Uncertainty**

As I write this, my dog is sick. He doesn't feel well, and the tests thus far, indicate that something is not quite right. Seeing him ill is a helpless and miserable feeling. He is normally cheerful, loving and amazingly loyal. For the past couple of days, he has tried to reassure us that he loves us, but it takes lots of energy, energy he just does not have. Until we know what is wrong, I have this terrible feeling of uncertainty and of unknowing.

I do not want to watch the news because reporters keep telling me that uncertainty abounds in our world, especially in the economy. We are told about uncertainty in global markets, the banking sector, the stock market, and the financial unhealthiness of various institutions. I am on "uncertainty" overload and from my conversations with many folks of various professions and perspectives, so are you.

Uncertainty is nothing new. It has always existed and been a part of our lives, and it has always had the potential to leave us feeling less than great, less than comfortable and even fearful. These feeling often lead us to hunker down and to feel out of sorts as well as out of touch.

As children of God, our uncertainty can be fertile ground for faith. Faith in God, faith in the love and redeeming power of Jesus, and faith in the guiding presence of the Holy Spirit allow us to let go of our fears. Faith does not necessarily exclude practical concerns, but it means that pragmatism does not dominate our decisions or eliminate risks altogether. To be a follower of Christ comes with inherent risks – the risk of loving someone, including a sick dog, the risk of losing someone we love, the risk of changing behaviors and attitudes and the risk of not knowing how God will use each of us.

During October, we are asking you, "Where do you fit in?" This question invites you to consider the ways in which you express your faith in the midst of uncertainty through your participation in the ministries of Holy Apostles. The truth is that there are never times when our lives are set, certain and unchanging. The one constant we can proclaim is the presence of God in our lives and in our community of faith. Where do you fit in bearing witness to the world that faith is reassuring in the best of times and the most challenging? Where do you fit in using your gifts and your time to offer hope and healing? All of us have a vital part to play, and all of us "fit in" in some way, that is certain.

Peace, John+

NOTES FROM THE CHOIRMASTER**Kristin Lensch****Music this Month**

In addition to more color added to our wonderful pipe organ this month (see article on Page 1), more voices and instruments will be added to our services in October. The Boys and Girls Choir will sing on October 9th and 23rd, and Lisa Klesges will join the two choirs on flute on October 23rd. On October 9th and 30th, at the 11:15 a.m. service, guest instrumentalists and singers will offer music.

Save the Date: Choral Evensong, Sunday November 6th, 5:30 p.m.

Our Adult Choir is going "on the road!" We will combine with the Coventry Choir of St. George's, Germantown, to commemorate the Feast of All Saints with a service of Choral Evensong at St. George's (2425 S. Germantown Road). Linked with Rhodes College's Symposium on the 400th Anniversary of the King James Bible, the music of the service dates back to the 16th and 17th centuries. Come enjoy the exquisite nature of Choral Evensong - a beautiful environment in which to say your prayers at the end of the day. For more information on the symposium, see www.rhodes.edu/shakespeare/19894.asp



Saying Goodbye to Jay

We give thanks for the ministry of Jay Biedenharn who has served at Holy Apostles for the last 13 months. The youth group and all of us appreciate all that Jay has shared and done at Holy Apostles. Jay will continue his formation and discernment as he pursues ordained ministry at St. John's, Memphis. We wish Jay and Louise all the best.

Letter from Jay

Dearest in Christ,

I cannot adequately express the love and esteem that I have for you. I want to thank you for the last year during which I have had the distinct pleasure of getting to know you. I've watched you grow in relationship with Christ and each other. This year has been one of the most important years of my life. You have formed me. You have helped me to see the world more clearly. I go from your midst carrying the many lessons that you have taught me in our time together. It is my sincere hope that you continue to journey in faith together. I pray that you will strengthen each other. Though we will no longer be on that daily journey together, know that we are united as Christ's body. Know that I will keep you in my heart and pray for you continually.

Humbly,
Jay

Jr. and Sr. EYC Lock-In with St. Philip, October 28th

Friday, October 28th we will meet at St. Philip Episcopal Church (9380 Davies Plantation Road) for a night of fun and fellowship! Have a game that night? Don't worry, you can come after you are done! Keep an eye out in the weekly Youth email and regular mail for a registration form and waiver. As always, friends are welcome.

Club 56 Trick or Treat Outreach, October 30th

On October 30th, Club 56 will have their 2nd Annual Trick or Treat Outreach, where we canvas the nearby neighborhoods collecting cans for the Collierville Food Pantry. Bring a wagon, bring friends and costumes are not required but definitely encouraged!

Children's Christian Formation

There is a lot happening this month in our Children's Christian Education classes. We are continuing our work on our Old Testament lessons. This month we will discuss the people of Israel crossing the Red Sea towards the Promised Land, through the Middle Eastern wilderness. They eventually stop at Mount Sinai, where Moses receives the Ten Commandments. We move into the death of Moses at the

edge of the Promised Land and learn about Joshua, their new leader. We will also learn about Rahab and the spies and the Battle of Jericho. From there we learn about King David and his son Solomon and the Temple where God's people will worship. We finish off the month with 1st and 2nd Kings and the life of Elijah. Phew! See, there is a lot happening! Remember, friends are always welcome to join us!

Children's Chapel Leaders Needed

This wonderful ministry serves our Kindergarten age and younger children during the 9:00 a.m. service. They leave during the Gospel hymn and return at the Peace. If you have time once every six weeks and would like to help lead this fun and easy group, please contact Penny Goldberg.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

EYC October Calendar:

- 2nd: Blessing of the Pets (Jr. & Sr. at 6:00 p.m.)
- 9th: Movie Night (Jr. & Sr. from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.)
- 16th: Would You Rather... (Jr. from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Sr. from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.)
- 23rd: Progressive Dinner (Jr. & Sr. from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)
- 28th: Lock-In with St. Philip (time TBA)
- 30th: No EYC

Club 56 October Event:

- 30th: Trick or Treat Outreach (2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.)



For more information on any of these Youth and Children's programs, contact Penny Goldberg
penny@holypostlestn.net.



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**ADULT CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION****The Episcopal Bookshop
Annual Open House**

Tuesday, October 18 &
Wednesday, October 19

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

(901) 527-5684
ebook@bellsouth.net

672 Poplar Avenue,
Memphis, TN 38105

Just across the parking lot from
St. Mary's Cathedral

FELLOWSHIP**Rector's Forum in October**

Each Sunday, October 9th through 30th, we will explore, *The Theology of Economics*

What does the Bible tell us about economic theory and policy? How do our decisions in the marketplace reflect our religious values and understandings? This discussion will include guest speakers including our very own, Dr. Cyril Chang, Professor of Economics and Director of the Methodist Le Bonheur Center for Healthcare Economics at the Fogelman College of Business & Economics, The University of Memphis. Joining Dr. Chang will be the Rector, as well as fellow University of Memphis faculty members, Dr. Ruth Rubin and Dr. David Kemme.

Introducing Holy Apostles Explorer's Class, begins November 9th

In November, we are beginning an Explorer's Class for all those who are seeking to learn more about the Episcopal Church, Holy Apostles, and the Christian life. The Rector will be leading this class for eight weeks. At the conclusion of the classes, you may wish to join the Episcopal Church formally through Confirmation. Others may use this opportunity to learn more about the church, the life of faith, and deepen their relationship with God, while not desiring Confirmation. Whatever your background and previous faith tradition, we hope you will take part in this class. Additionally, the class offers a small group setting in which you may get to know others who are new to Holy Apostles. Nursery is available. The class meets Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please email The Rev. John Leach to register, john@holypostlestin.net.

Episcopal Church Women (ECW)

We are finalizing our plans for ECW events in October and November. On Saturday, October 29th, we will tour William Faulkner's home, Rowan Oak, in Oxford, Mississippi. After the tour, we will have lunch at City Grocery, on Court Square. All women of Holy Apostles and their guests are invited. We want to include everyone! Please let me know if you and a guest will join us on October 29th. ECW also has

Feasting on the Word

You have two opportunities for Bible Study each Wednesday: join Fr. John at 11:30 a.m. or Tom Carpenter at 5:30 p.m. *Feasting on the Word* is an easily accessible offering which engages adults in a deeper exploration of the biblical texts assigned. Each week participants will find the discussion meaningful and relevant to their everyday lives.

New Testament Bible Class

The New Testament Bible Class is studying the Book of Galatians. They meet during the Christian Education hour in the Parlor.

plans for service projects in October and November. We will coordinate these projects with Outreach. More details will follow soon! Please contact me (Ellen Joyce Barry) at 309-0306, or at EJBSandy@aol.com, if you have any questions or suggestions, and please send me your email addresses if you would like for me to notify you of our plans via email.

ECW Out to Dinner group, Thursday, October 13th

This month the Out to Dinner group of the ECW will meet at Brooklyn Bridge Restaurant (1779 Kirby Pkwy, Suite 5 at Poplar Ave., Memphis) on Thursday, October 13th, at 6:00 p.m. Please let Bonnie Barnes know, by October 9th, if you plan to attend, so she can have an accurate count. You can email her at bonnie.barnes@musowls.org or call her at 831-5029.

Men's Group Movie Night, Monthly beginning October 6th

We will be instituting a "Manly Movie Night" for the Men's Group. This will take place on the first Thursday of each month at the Malco Theater in Collierville. One week prior to the designated night, I will email all of the men with the movie title and start time. If I do not have your correct email address, please forward it to me at glennhopper@bellsouth.net or call me at 461-5152. We will begin on Thursday, October 6th.

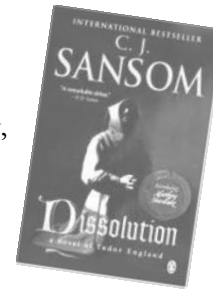
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Reading with the Rector

Dissolution, by C.J. Sansom, is a mystery set in 16th Century Tudor England. Using recognizable characters from church history, this fictional account is filled with intrigue from cover to cover. Reading with the Rector will meet on Tuesday, October 18th at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to participate, even if you do not have time to read the book; the themes have a universal appeal. This is also a wonderful opportunity to meet new people. Participants are welcome to bring light snacks and beverages of your choosing.



Troop Support

After delivering and packing items for Mississippi Project Package back in June, our group from Holy Apostles wanted the opportunity to participate more than just once a year. This time, instead of collecting items, Holy Apostle volunteers will be going to Southaven to help pack items donated by other groups and then ready the packages for mailing. The Mississippi chairman has requested our help on either Thursday, October 20th, or Thursday, October 27th, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Last June's

group included Frank and Judy Potter, Gaylann Hicks, Ellen Barry, Bryce Smith, and Marty Kruchten, each of whom would be glad to answer your questions regarding this outreach endeavor. As always with our hands-on outreach, you will definitely feel good about this time well-spent. Sign-up lists will be on the credenza in the narthex and on the usher's table in the hall to the nave. Please indicate the preferred date when signing the list. For more information contact Bryce Smith at bsmith5@bellsouth.net.

OUTREACH



PACK IT UP

Holy Apostles Welcomes Jan and Cliff Ewing

Please welcome Jan and Cliff Ewing to Holy Apostles! They have transferred here from St. George's Episcopal. Cliff and Jan were both born and raised in Atlanta, Georgia. They lived in Denver, Houston, Memphis, and Chattanooga while Cliff was working. Married 54 years, they raised three sons. Their son David and his wife Elaine live in Houston, Texas. Their son Brad, his wife Susan and grandchildren, Carson and Cameron, live in Cordova, TN. Their son Glenn Ewing is deceased (1992).

In the eighties the Ewings lived in Germantown and belonged to St. George's Episcopal and re-joined there when they moved back to the area in 2007. They have now transferred to Holy Apostles and are very happy. Hobbies include traveling to destinations such as Alaska and Italy; reading; spectator sports; playing bridge; and working in yard (hobby or work?!).



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grief Group

We are planning a Grief Group at Holy Apostles to begin in November. This group is open to anyone, especially those who have lost a family member or loved one, who is looking for a comfortable place to discover ways to face feelings of loss, grief and loneliness. The group will have a facilitator who helps lead the conversation and will offer compassion and guidance. If you are interested, please contact the church office so that we can have enough materials for everyone.

(Announcements continued on page 6...)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Don't Miss the Exuberant Theatrical Adaptation of THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS, coming to the Orpheum Theatre, November 5th! C.S. Lewis' brilliant novel The Screwtape Letters, reveals spiritual warfare from a demon's point of view. Group discounts available.



Baptism: November 6th

The next date for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism at Holy Apostles will be on All Saints' Sunday, November 6th. If you are interested in being baptized or having a child baptized, please contact the church office, 937-3830 or The Rev. John P. Leach at john@holypostlestn.net.

Save the Date: All Saints' Tennis Tournament, Sunday, November 6th

Spend the afternoon playing in friendly tournament (all skills are welcome and expected) with the proceeds to benefit the Emmanuel Episcopal Center. We will play at the Michael A. Lightman Tennis Center at the St. George's Independent School, Collierville Campus. Stay tuned for details.

Holy Home Cookin' - Sunday, November 13th

It's time for the annual ECW "Holy Home Cookin'!! Parishioners, do you have a favorite dish that you like to make? Well now is the time to share it, while making money for a worthy cause. Sunday, November 13th will be our food sale date, between morning services and after the 11:15 a.m. service. All fresh baked goods are welcome, along with frozen casseroles, appetizers, soups, breads, you name it! Food must be packaged in containers that will not be returned. Collection dates and times will be announced closer to the sale date. Please look for our signup sheet on the usher's table in the hallway. For more information please contact Lee Carpenter at c_tomlee@bellsouth.net. Thank you for your support!

We bid nursery staff member Christy Fontenot a fond farewell...

We would like to thank former staff member Christy Fontenot for all of the love and care she showed on our little ones in the church nursery. In Christy's professional occupation as a counselor in the Shelby County School system, she has recently been required to take on additional responsibilities thus making it more difficult for her to share her time with us. Christy will be sorely missed and we wish her only the best in her professional endeavors.

FINANCIAL



Financial Update: July 2011

	Month	Year-to-Date	Budget Y-T-D
Pledge:	\$35,481	\$295,333	\$330,000
Prepaid Pledge:		1,500	
Plate:	6,828	42,414	40,000
Church Home Grant:	<u>1,836</u>	<u>27,881</u>	<u>25,596</u>
Revenue Total:	\$44,145	\$367,128	\$395,596
Operating Expenses:	\$45,139	\$361,758	\$397,319

Grocery Card Fund Balance

The balance for the grocery card program is \$5,107.33. Don't forget to use your Kroger grocery cards!

The vestry and staff thank you for your generosity and giving toward the mission and ministry of Holy Apostles.

Get Your Kroger Reloadable Gift Card and benefit Holy Apostles

Did you know that Holy Apostles can earn a 5% rebate for all of your Kroger grocery store purchases? A Kroger reloadable gift card is easy to use. Just "load" the card using cash or credit, and use it just as you would any other gift card. The card can be reloaded as often as you would like, and every time you reload, Holy Apostles earns a 5% rebate. The funds generated are used for up-keep and improvements to our playground.

Due to the closing of all area Schnucks grocery stores we have lost the use and revenue from our Schnucks Card Program. If you would like to begin using a Kroger Card for Holy Apostles, please contact Linda in the parish office at 937-3836 or linda@holypostlestn.net.





October 2011 Bulletin

Prayer List

The Bigger Family
 Jeffery Browndyke
 Mary Cauley
 Sue Cliner
 Bob Cole
 Evan Culpepper
 MaryBess Cunningham
 Gayle Dethloff
 Ed Gonyea
 Harshitha
 Greer Haynes
 Marcia Hora
 Kate Lawless
 The McCarroll Family
 Emilie McCarroll
 Joyce McCown
 Teresa McDaniel
 Harrison Middlecoff
 Etta Morris
 Phillip Newman
 Jordan Ramsey
 Elizabeth Rinker
 Chuck Sertich
 Alyssa Smith
 Susan Suviseshamuthu
 Sandy Tutsie
 Edwynia Walker
 McKindree Walker

As Christians in a faith community, we invite you to share names of those who are in need of prayer. We offer these concerns in weekly worship, in individual times of prayer and through the Intercessory Prayer group. We also do our best to maintain the prayer list and ask for your cooperation in doing so. Typically, we will keep someone on the list for one month unless otherwise requested. You may call the office, or email Linda at linda@holypostle.net. If you need to speak with Fr. John about any pastoral concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email him.

Remembered

In memory of Betty Harrison

given by Wade Harrison to the EYC and Youth Fund and to the Friends of Music Fund

Birthdays

Cyril Chang October 1
 Jim Boals October 2
 Larry Wilson October 2
 Donna Abney October 2
 Taylor Beasley October 2
 Lauren Edwards October 3
 Michael Moran October 4
 Kate Scott Loftin October 4
 Diana Kelly October 5
 Frank Mayfield October 5
 Laura Adkins October 6
 Henry Simanson October 6
 Buck Brown October 7
 Marilyn Faithful October 8
 Ronnie Kelly October 8
 Tracey McDaniel October 8
 Helen Tarjan October 8
 Katharine Terry October 9
 Gretchen Moran October 10
 Eddie Moran October 10
 Erika Zurburg October 11
 Ginny McCarroll October 11
 Zoe Marshall October 12
 Karen McKenna October 12
 Tim Huebner October 13
 Maya Risch October 13
 Barbara Fenner October 14
 Jim Hatley October 14
 James Long October 14
 Ed Moore October 15
 Cael Allen October 15
 Pat Papachristou October 16
 Ann Long October 16
 Jane Hornor October 17
 Martha Ferguson October 18
 Hayes Leslie October 18
 Sarah Hunter Simanson October 18
 Spencer Scofield October 18
 David Thompson October 19
 Parker Mayfield October 19
 Ray Fenner October 20
 Maury Leslie October 20
 Ken Balogh October 21
 Trey Jordan October 21
 Richard Moran October 24
 Elizabeth Harris October 25
 Elly McEntee October 26
 Elizabeth Ferguson October 27
 Luke Georgi October 27
 Marianne Waszilycsak October 28
 Bob Bennett October 28

...Birthdays continued

Betsy Schwindt October 29
 Susan O'Bar October 31
 Oliver Tate October 31

Anniversaries

Sally & Dan Barron October 1
 Jenny & Jim Boals October 8
 Leslie Thomas October 10
 & Jerry Golebiewski
 Donna & Chris Kotara October 14
 Pat & Louis Britt October 14
 Mary Jane & Jim Hatley October 14
 Ann & Chris Long October 17
 Courtney & Whitt Dukes October 19
 Lee & Tom Carpenter October 26

Altar Flowers & Outreach

When you purchase altar flowers for a particular occasion, you not only beautify the church for worship, but you also are helping the Altar Guild outreach, Our Little Roses, a home for children. If you would like to honor someone or remember a special event, you may order flowers by completing the order envelope in the hallway.

Transitions

Births: Sarah Elizabeth Allen to Cindy and Robert Allen and brother Craig.


Elise Claire Fang to Phuong and David Fang, sister Lauren and brother Daniel.

Kaitlyn Noelle London to Anita and Lee London

Burial: Hudson Adkins
 Chet Felts
 Tully Hornor

Attendance

August 26	Pentecost 11	226
September 4	Pentecost 12	179
September 11	Pentecost 13	230
September 18	Pentecost 14	234
September 25	Pentecost 15	213



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To provide a welcoming community
in which all can, with open hearts
and open minds, receive God's
grace through worship, fellowship,
learning and outreach to others.



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Franny Kavin
Mac McCarroll

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