



The mission of St. Paul's Episcopal Church is to worship God and to bring all into a loving relationship with Jesus Christ

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Discovering the Episcopal Church
PILGRIMAGE

Monday evening, September 15, marks the beginning of another Pilgrimage season at St. Paul's. It's an exciting time when newcomers—to the Episcopal Church, St. Paul's, or Christianity—gather with long-term members to explore our faith and our traditions. All this takes place in a cordial setting, evening gatherings from 6:30-8:00 at which pilgrims and sponsors learn together and share their experience and their questions.

The Pilgrimage kicks off with an eight-week series called "Discovering the Episcopal Church." We will explore our historical roots—how and why Anglicanism developed, our distinctive way of living Christian lives shaped by that history, and how St. Paul's fits into that story. It's also a time when each person asks the big question, "What does this have to do with me?" Learning includes reading and discussing a short book, Welcome to the Episcopal Church, and receiving instruction from our leaders. But most important are the small group discussions that builds friendships and church bonds.

In January the Pilgrimage will reconvene for ten weeks to consider the Christian life—the Bible, the sacraments, prayer life, and ministry. Our journey together will culminate in a workshop the two days before Confirmation Sunday where we explore the baptismal covenant and what it means to belong here at St. Paul's.

The Pilgrimage is for anyone with questions about their faith, adults seeking to be baptized and/or confirmed, and people who would like to get to know others in the church. A registration form is available on the bulletin

board in the Parish Hall as well as a form to sponsor a pilgrim. Please get those to us no later than Sunday, September 10 so we will know how many sets of materials to prepare. Of course, we will welcome any and all into the program even if you just show up on the 15th, and child care is provided as needed for the sessions. We hope you will join us to answer the questions you have, discover what "this family" is all about, and consider whether you would like to journey with us. We already know we want to journey with you.

If you have questions please talk to our clergy, to David Rowe (drowe@bellsouth.net), or to Joyce Adkins (joyce1010@bellsouth.net).

St. Paul's Choristers
Royal School of Church Music
Training Day

St. Paul's will be hosting its first annual Royal School of Church Music Chorister Training Day on Saturday, September 27, 2008, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The program is open to all children ages six to 15 who are interested in singing in the RSCM program, regardless of church affiliation.

Our guest director for the day is Robert Nicholls, Dean of the RSCM choir school in Evansville, Indiana. He is a noted organist,

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The next Cursillo weekend (# 65) is October 23-26, 2008 (see page 3)

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PRIEST IN CHARGE



St. Paul's is on the verge of something very new—a new rector, a new leader, and a new vision for its future. The really great thing about this transition is the opportunity it gives us to look at ourselves with new eyes. These are the eyes that see the things we've done well and even the

possibilities for improving them—the possibilities of how those things might evolve and grow. These eyes see the potential for growth that you and I have a hard time seeing because we've gotten so used to the way things are.

These new eyes will also challenge us out of our comfortableness. These new eyes are the eyes of someone who doesn't really know "how we've always done it." They belong to a person who sees possibilities we might not have even considered or think we can't do. Isn't that exciting?

All of this reminded me of a story I read a few years ago.

Early on a Sunday morning before church, a young woman was helping her mother prepare their family's dinner. She helped chop the vegetables and peel the potatoes and now stood watching as her mother got the beautiful roast ready. As always, her mother placed it on a cutting board, sharpened her knife, and then removed the few inches from the end of the roast before putting it in the roasting pan and placing it in the oven. Curious, the daughter asked her why she did this.

"Well, to be honest, I do it because that's what my mother always does. That's just the way we've always done it," the mother answered. "I'm sure she had a good reason."

That afternoon when the rest of the family arrived after church, the young woman and her grandmother were helping to bring the food from the kitchen to the dining room. The granddaughter carefully carried the juicy, perfectly-browned roast to its spot at the center of the table, and remembered her mother's comment. The young woman asked her grandmother, "Grandmother, why do you always chop the end off of the roast before you cook it?"

"Well, to be honest, I do it because that's the way my mother always did. I guess it's just part of the recipe," the grandmother answered. "I'm sure she had a good reason."

Later that week, the curious woman was visiting with her nearly 90 year-old great-grandmother. The subject of Sunday's dinner came up, and the young woman

remembered the roast. She told her great-grandmother about watching her mother remove the end of the roast before cooking it. She asked the older woman why that was part of the recipe.

"Hmph!" replied the great-grandmother. "I don't know why your mother and grandmother do that. I did it because my roasting pan was too small!"

St. Paul's has a lot of recipes for our success. Most of them have deep roots that go back generations—traditions that deserved to be honored and continued. The really great thing is that there are others that we just do because "we've always done it that way." My experience tells me that a lot of these things, these ways of being, will get looked at with new eyes. The new rector God has planned for St. Paul's will be a wise one—a rector caring and sensitive enough to help us see the potential at St. Paul's that God sees. That person will be able to tell us that we have a bigger pan than we thought. Over time, this new rector will guide with us love and grace into the vision God has for us.

God really does have big plans for St. Paul's—plans bigger than you and I can see right now. Isn't it great that God's going to send us the right person to show us the way? Please pray for that person—the one God has been preparing to be the rector of St. Paul's for longer than we can imagine.

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TREASURER'S REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

(as of July 31, 2008)

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL
Pledges MTD	\$ 60,022	\$ 42,262
Pledges YTD	\$420,156	\$370,369
Total Revenues MTD	\$ 80,772	\$ 62,094
Total Revenues YTD	\$534,907	\$484,644
Total Expenses MTD	\$ 69,762	\$ 98,730
Total Expenses YTD	\$442,605	\$472,327

Notes:

Expenses do not include scheduled principal payments on the new sanctuary loan that average \$5,850 monthly.

July expenses include major repair costs for new roof to St. Margaret's Hall and electrical work in the amount of \$29,037.

CURSILLO

*Our Diocese is getting ready for another fantastic
Cursillo weekend!*

Cursillo is a weekend retreat and workshop for developing a Christ-centered life within the Episcopal Church. Cursillo has been a part of the Episcopal Church since the early 70s. Here at St. Paul's, the Cursillo movement has been very active for many years, and in no small way has contributed to our strength as a parish.

Tennessee Episcopal Cursillo #65 will take place at Dubose Conference Center in Monteagle from Thursday evening, Oct. 23, through Sunday afternoon, Oct. 26.

What do we do?

**We talk. We sing. We eat. We pray.
We learn. We eat.**

Did I mention the eating part?

If you'd like to know more about the Church, "why we do what we do," and how to better Christianize your life, the Cursillo weekend might be the perfect next step for you to take. And if you have already "made your Cursillo," please consider sponsoring a candidate for this fall's weekend!

I made my Cursillo only a few years ago. Since then I have served on two Cursillo teams, and will do so again this fall. If you have any questions about Cursillo, please feel free to call me at 494-3786, or email will@catefamily.net. You can also visit our website, www.tnepiscursillo.org, for more information. - Will Cate



Adult Christian Ed for the Fall

We have exciting plans for the Fall in Adult Christian Education. Beginning Sunday, September 7, Ron Messier will lead a six-week program titled "Christian History: Early Church and the Middle Ages." Then, beginning October 19, Don Clayton will lead a six-week program focusing on Stewardship and titled "Living a Life That Counts." Our Advent program, "A Savior for All People", will begin on Sunday November 30 and will be led by Ron Messier.

All of these sessions will meet from 9:55 am – 10:50 am in the Parish Hall. Please plan on joining us, and making study a part of your Christian discipleship. We look forward to seeing you!

ADVENTURES IN LEARNING

The 18th annual "Adventures in Learning" program will be held at First United Methodist Church, on Sept. 8, 15, 22, & 29. It's designed for persons 50 and older who are interested in sharing knowledge, talents and skills for lifelong learning and personal growth. Twelve classes will be offered in two class periods. The first hour topics are Courtship, Love and Marriage in Exotic Places, Hidden Secrets of Maps, Poetry, Politics 2008, Spirituality & Space...for Rest, Silence, & Healing, and The Civil War in Middle Tenn. Second hour topics are Archaeopolitics: The Interplay between Archaeology and Intercultural Relations, Dig, Dabble, and Discover (genealogy), From the Bookshelf (book reviews), the Natchez Trace and Old Southwest, The Home Front: WWII in Middle Tenn., and Bridge: Beginning and Intermediate. The cost is \$8 for the entire program until Sept. 2 and \$10 after that. The classes are followed by lunch and a forum speaker. The lunches are \$8. Brochures and registration are available in a folder on the Parish Hall bulletin board. For more information, please contact Emily Messier at 273-2474.

Stephen Ministry



A Stephen minister allows Christ to work through them to bring hope and healing to another person. Stephen Ministry is about providing pastoral care to hurting people, including those experiencing divorce, grief, hospitalization, discouragement, and other life difficulties.

Interested lay persons from the congregation are welcome to apply to the program, after which time each applicant is interviewed. Those asked to serve as Stephen Ministers are then provided with fifty hours of classroom training in Christian care giving, so commitment is a must.

A Stephen Ministry training class will commence on Thursday, September 11th, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Holy Cross, 1140 Cason Lane, and will meet every Thursday at the same time and place.

Should you feel called to this ministry or if you would like more information, please contact Ralph Smith at 355-0666 or rsmithone@comcast.net.



Search Committee

At the end of August, the rector search committee completed its work and recommended several candidates to the vestry. During the next few weeks, the candidates will meet with the vestry and Bishop Bauerschmidt. After those interviews are completed, the vestry has the task for discerning which candidate to call as the next rector for St. Paul's.

Here, in their own words, are the reflections of some committee members as we bring our work to a close.

Newton Molloy, committee chairman - Our St. Paul's Search Committee has been on a long journey together. We have learned a great deal about ourselves and our committee, but most importantly we have learned much about St. Paul's, all the while being careful to always listen for God to speak so that we could listen with discerning ears. Our long journey is coming to a close and the end of this particular journey brings a great deal of excitement and a little sadness in some respects as our committee will disband. Of course, our Lord is always opening new windows as others begin to close so that brings hopefulness and excitement in its own way.

I have been particularly aware of the superb talent of each of our committee members and the breadth of talent across the committee. Whenever the committee came to a particular point in our work where unique talents were required they always appeared at exactly the right time to accomplish the task at hand. This occurred time after time with different committee members contributing in their own unique ways. God has truly blessed St. Paul's and our committee and it has been a joy to serve St. Paul's in this way.

Ed Arning - The search committee can, and has, reminded me how diverse we are, but also how common our bonds are. After countless meetings, I know that every perspective at St. Paul's has had a voice in the process. You have been heard and represented well. I also continue to love the way that the Episcopal Church goes about its search process. I love the length of time; I love the time for reflection; I love the time for dreaming; I love where we are and where we are heading. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Don Clayton - It has been a real privilege to serve on the search committee. Our work together made me appreciate the different gifts of everyone on the committee and was a living example of how, when we faithfully use these

different gifts, God can and will accomplish His purposes. I am very excited about our future at St. Paul's, and look forward to the day when the entire parish can see the fruit of our labors.

Dan Felciano - I would like to take the opportunity to thank the parish members for their prayers, positive thoughts and completion of the parish survey. The parish profile, the end result of the survey, was the document that described who we are as a parish and what our visions and dreams are for the future. I am humbled and grateful that I was given the opportunity to be a part of the search committee.

St. Paul's Choristers *Continued from page 1*

improviser, composer/arranger, and conductor, who began his own musical career as a Chorister at Westminster Abbey in London.

On the 27th, the program will include Morning Prayer, sectional training, ear training, music theory, theology/liturgy, and rehearsal. The day will culminate with Holy Eucharist, sung by course participants, at 4:00. Parents, parishioners, and the public are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Course fee is \$10.00, which includes lunch and snacks, and scholarships are available. Contact our church office for more information, 893-3780.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish to host an event that so invites children to experience the joy of music and liturgy.

Aimee Spurlock, Choirmaster for RSCM at St. Paul's, is a dedicated and talented teacher. Her love of children and RSCM is contagious. Please consider if you have a child, or know of a child, who might benefit from this great offering.

Registration forms are available in the Parish Hall and in the Narthex, or you may call the church office. Make checks payable to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, and indicate the RSCM Training Day in the memo line.

The children will be blessed, and we will, once again, find a new way to live into our mission statement at St. Paul's, to worship God and bring all into a living relationship with Jesus Christ.

The internationally acclaimed

Walk Through the Bible Seminar September 20

Looking for an easy and fun way to learn the books of the Old Testament? Looking for an easy and fun way to teach it? Have you tried reading books and attending lectures but they just didn't work for you? If your answer to these questions is "Yes," then the Walk Thru the Bible seminar is meant for you.

On September 20, from 9:00am to 4:00 pm, a team of presenters from this internationally-acclaimed organization will be at St. George's Episcopal Church to guide adults and children through a day of interactive, fun learning. Says one pastor about his experience, "It is not often that a church has the opportunity to enjoy such fun, bathed in spiritual depth. The Walk Thru the Bible was positively one of the best sessions I have ever enjoyed." A video on their web page (www.walkthru.org <<http://www.walkthru.org>>) shows the excitement that fills the church as participants revisit and learn both the structure of the Bible and the message of salvation.

Beyond simply learning, the seminars have strengthened spiritual lives. Participants often report that after attending a session they pray more often and more deeply and read the Bible more regularly and with greater understanding.



**WALK
THROUGH
THE BIBLE**

Our Nashville seminar will explore the Old Testament (a seminar on the New Testament is also available and is a future possibility). At the seminar adults and children will enjoy individual programs, geared to their age and learning experience. Volunteer assistants will help the presenter in the children's seminar by working with small groups to enrich the learning process.

The Diocese of Tennessee's Commission for Christian Education invites all Episcopalians to attend—adults and children, laity and clergy, teachers and students, young and younging. The costs are \$25 for each person from 5th grade to adult and \$15 for each child from kindergarten through the 4th grade. The fee includes a study book and lunch. There will also be a nursery for pre-school children at a cost of \$5 per family for those who need it (parents should bring lunch for their nursery children). Scholarship assistance is available.

To register go to <http://episcopaldiocese-tn-ce.org/>, download and complete the registration form, and mail it to the address indicated by September 12. The registration fee after that and at the door will be somewhat higher. For additional information contact the Rev. William Martin, Grace Church, Springfield, at 615-354-1064 or at docmartin56@gmail.com.

ATTENTION GOLFERS

Calling all parishioners who enjoy an occasional walk in the park to hit the little white ball at scattered targets... we are please to invite you to our tenth gathering some might call a tournament!

Date: Saturday, October 4th
Time: Registration, 12 noon
 Tee Times, 1pm Shotgun Start
Place: Champions Run Golf Club
Cost: \$55 per player- *Check payable to St. Paul's on site*
Deadline: Sunday, September 28th

We would ask for one additional condition of you with your registration, and that would be to consider donating a door prize for the raffle afterward if possible. For those who have participated in previous years, this portion of the day has

been one of the highlights! We have already received many donations from many area businesses, and for that, we are most thankful!

The Sign-up Sheet is in the Parish Hall. We need your average score or handicap. You may also call Mike Becker at 890-5253 or email Mike, becker2@bellsouth.net.

All golfers, men and women of all skill levels are welcome. We will be using a scramble format with 4-man teams with everyone getting a chance to contribute. Our purpose is to have fun, meet new friends, score well, and not get hurt!

After the action, we will gather in the clubhouse for fellowship, along with telling tall tales from the day's event! Awards will be given to remember the good, the bad, and the ugly! Call Mike Becker for details at 890-5253 or 294-8147.



FALL KICKOFF CELEBRATION

Join us for a huge celebration as we kick off the new season of Xperience!
We'll have inflatables, games, giveaways, drawings, a concert featuring a rap/free style artist,
worship and... food!!!

The cost: free!

The place: St. Paul's Student Center

The date: Sunday, September 7th

The time: 5:00 to 8:00 pm

Bring a friend...actually, bring a couple of friends...better yet...bring all of your friends!!!



MUSIC BUILDS Concert

Third Day and Switchfoot are performing at the Sommet Center on Sunday, September 21st.
Tickets are on sale now for \$20. Hurry, the number of tickets is very, very limited!
Go to www.stpaulsyouthonline.com to register for this event and to purchase tickets.

D-groups

Wanna go deeper?

D-groups meet on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm beginning September 10th
in the St. Paul's Student Center!

Dive in!!!

~ Mark Your Calendars ~

2008 St. Paul's Student Ministries Fall Retreat is November 14th – 16th.



Rutherford County
**Habitat
 for Humanity**

“Work Day”

In October, Habitat for Humanity will “Blitz Build” a couple of houses in the Murfreesboro area. We have been asked to place a work crew on site for one of these houses on Saturday, the 25th of October.

Workers of all skill levels, 16 years of age and up, are needed on that day. This will come near the end of the project, so lots of finishing up details will be scheduled: hardware, paint, fixtures, landscaping, site clean-up, etc.

We will also need a lunch crew to provide and deliver a mid-day meal for the hungry workers.

Look for more details in the October Evangel. Habitat for Humanity appreciates all volunteers to help make affordable housing a reality in Rutherford County.

Bambini Village Montessori Preschool

At The Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross
 1140 Cason Lane, Murfreesboro, TN

Opening September 2008
 ~ Ages: 3-5 ~

The Episcopal Community will receive priority enrollment!

Directress: Reanna Sarieh

615-405-4778 or bambinivillage@yahoo.com

Masters Degree in Teaching, American Montessori Society (AMS), Tennessee teaching license for preK - 3rd grade

Catechist: Susan Gaither

615-896-6705 orwgaither@bellsouth.net

Masters Degree in Educational Psychology,
 Tennessee teaching license 1st - 8th grade

“Hilltoppers”

Dinner/Theatre Social

Plans are currently being made for another “dinner/theatre social”, **Thursday, 18 September 2008**. We will use the same format as last time.

Dinner at the “Maple Street Grill” at 6:00 PM.

Walk to the “Center for the Arts”

on 110 West College Street
 (one block North of the Square)
 to attend the musical

“Fiddler on the Roof” at 7:30 PM.

Please call the theatre at 904-2787

to make your ticket purchase for the above date.

All theater seats are good and comfortable.

Tickets for Seniors are \$10.00 each.

If you plan to join the group for dinner prior to attending the theatre performance please call Glenn King at 893-6486 so he can make table reservations for our group at the “Maple Street Grill”.

St. Paul's Birthday Club Luncheon

Mark your calendars for Thursday, September 18 at 11:30 for the next Birthday Luncheon celebration. If you would like to be added to the list for an invitation and you are seventy or older, please call the Church Office or Peggy Seneker (893-8033). Once you are on the list, you will receive a written invitation that will need an RSVP. The food is delicious, but the fellowship is even better.
Please come share a few laughs with your friends.



“I'm going to be a chorus member in the Christmas pageant. I was going to be a shepherd 'til I found out I'd have to wear my bathrobe and count sheep.”

OUTREACH Means: *Compassion!*

Matthew 14:13-20

When Jesus went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled...

As we've been talking and listening together as a parish, trying to rediscover who we are and who we will be, it has become clear that many of us are excited about the idea of reaching out to help our brothers and sisters in need. It is what Jesus tells the disciples, and us, to do: "you give them something to eat."

Jesus took what his disciples had brought with them, blessed it, and, inadequate as the human offering was to the task, through His love that suffused that offering and the disciples as they served, the thousands were fed, with plenty left over. And that is good news for us, for the community—as we gather information about your activities in the community and your dreams for what St. Paul's can do in the community, it is obvious that you are already offering yourselves in service to God's people. (THANK YOU for the nearly 70 survey responses!)

You are feeding the hungry—some of you work for local hunger relief agencies or volunteer for them. Many of you bring your offerings of cans and boxes of food for our food baskets. Some of you are helping people learn to read so that the learners will have job and educational opportunities opened up for them that will allow them to feed themselves and their families. Some of you are visiting the sick, sitting and praying with them, bringing them the Body and Blood for spiritual feeding and healing, or humbly washing the sink full of dishes the overburdened caregivers have been unable to get to. Many of you are performing simple, humble acts of service in multiple ways to fill various needs in the community. Thank you again for all that you are already giving and doing.

In addition to learning about the sacrificial gifts of time and energy that you are already offering to serve the community, we have also been given some very clear direction about where you want St. Paul's to focus our outreach efforts: providing for basic needs such as food, housing and clothing, as well as contributing to community efforts to help educate everyone adequately and comprehensively.

In honor of the evident compassion you have for the poor, the hungry and the needy, your Outreach Committee has committed to being focused on Basic Needs, with an emphasis

on feeding the hungry. We are exploring several different venues for doing that feeding, and very soon we will have a couple of specific places lined up where you can participate.

We will also continue our relationships with Habitat for Humanity and Operation In As Much. In October, we will have a workday with Habitat, for which we will need as many helping hands as we can muster. We will also need folks to help provide lunch for the work crew, so there will be plenty of opportunities to serve on that day. The exact date will be announced as soon as Habitat gets their October schedule set. The next Operation In As Much ministry blitz will occur in the spring of 2009.

You will hear more details about all of those opportunities very shortly. When we are ready for that next step, we'll all present our offering of ourselves in service, like the loaves and fishes from the Gospel Story, and we'll ask God to bless it and make it adequate to the need. It may not be exactly a miracle, but it will be a sign of God's love working in us. In the meantime, please keep bringing food for the baskets in the Narthex! God will bless those offerings also. After all, it is for His glory and the building of His Kingdom that we serve.

Coming November 19 at 6:00--St. Paul's Outreach Ministry Fair! Food, fellowship and opportunities to talk to representatives of area agencies and ministries about how you can help transform our community!

SHARING OUR FAITH

September 6, 2008 - 9:00 am to 2:30 pm, St. George's, Nashville
Registration: 8:30 am • \$15 before 9-1, \$20 afterward

The Diocesan Evangelism Committee presents a one day workshop on...

- What is the Good News?
- What is evangelism? Why do we do it?
- How we can share our faith without being afraid?
- How to tell the Gospel story and your own story?
- How to practice evangelism as a parish?
- Ideas for Parish Outreach and Mission.

SACRED SPACE FOR THE CITY SERIES

~ At Christ Church Cathedral ~

As the Cathedral for the whole Diocese of Tennessee, we are pleased to invite you and your congregation to share with us in the **Sacred Space for the City Series** events during the month of September.

First Friday: Sacred Soul Space, September 5, at 6:00 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral, 900 Broadway,

Nashville, is the Episcopal answer to the turbulent trend of contemporary worship in American religious life. The service is grounded in the Book of Common Prayer and offers a varied format of different genres and styles of music provided by the Gallery Musicians, along with original liturgical dance performed by the Epiphany Dancers. This month we are delighted to welcome special guest storyteller, writer and Methodist minister, The Rev. Michael Williams, featuring "Tell Me A Story." Childcare is provided with a reception following.

Fall Spiritual Retreat, September 12-13 at Christ Church Cathedral, 900 Broadway, Nashville.

Sister Macrina Wiederkehr from Fort Smith, Arkansas, will lead a reflection on Seven Sacred Pauses: Living Mindfully Through the Hours. The retreat begins on Friday with a Reception at 5:15 p.m., Dinner at 5:45 p.m. and the Program from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. The Saturday schedule is 9:00 a.m. – noon. Cost, including dinner, is \$25 general or \$15 for students. ***Please make your reservation and childcare request by noon on Tuesday, September 9.*** Reservation forms available online at www.christcathedral.org, or by calling 615-255-7729.

Sunday, September 19, 2008, 7:30 p.m. Christ Church Cathedral Sacred Space for the City Arts Series and the Blair School of Music present Chris Teal, first violinist of Vanderbilt University's Blair String Quartet performing a

concert of J.S. Bach Sonatas and Partitas for Unaccompanied Violin. Cost is \$10 general, \$5 students. Tickets are available at the door or in advance by calling 255-7729 or email to mlawson@christcathedral.org.

September 24, 2008, Wednesday Evenings at Christ Church Cathedral, features an original performance of Harriet Beecher Stow: A Literary Soldier, written and performed by Elizabeth Davidson. The play is based on the controversy stirred by Ms. Beecher-Stowe's book, Uncle Tom's Cabin, in 1853. The audience takes on the character of critic, the Rev. Joel Parker, who thinks the book is far-fetched and untruthful, exaggerating the evils of slavery. The two meet to iron out the facts behind the book. The program runs 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. with a discussion following the play. Dinner is also served at 5:30 p.m., \$5.00 general \$3.00 children. Dinner reservations required by noon on Monday, September 22 by calling 255-7729 or mlawson@christcathedral.org.

Please call 255-7729 x233, if you have any questions. Thanks for your interest.

Karen Williams

Media Relations Coordinator
Christ Church Cathedral

Weight Watchers Back to School Special!!

9 weeks for \$99.00

for new/rejoining/continuing members;
lifetime members pay \$90.00.

Please feel free to join our Weight Watchers group any Wednesday through September 10th (prorated fees at current rate to be paid the evening you join) - we meet from 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Wednesday, September 17th will be the last night of our current Weight Watchers series. It will be an open meeting; all are welcome. It is a great opportunity to see if you like our meetings. If you do, you may join our group the next Wednesday, September 24th. The series will run for 9 weeks. You can bring one check on the 24th for the full amount, two checks (one dated 9/24 and the other dated 10/24) or you can charge it to a credit card. For more information, contact Libby Willis, 898-0317, willis2010@bellsouth.net.

EVANGELISM IOI

Register Online at:

www.regonline.com/sharingourfaiththevangelism101



Speaker: Carrie Boren,
*Diocesan Missioner
for Evangelism in Dallas, TX.*

Questions - Contact:
*Rev. Cynthia Seeliger,
615.661-0890 ext24
CynthiaSeeliger@aol.com*

Lunches and Child Care Provided.

SEPTEMBER 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED 5:30 pm Alanon 6 pm Girl Scouts 7 pm AA	2 4 pm RSCM Rehearsal 6:30 pm Boy Scouts/Bears 7 pm AA	3 10 am Dreams 7 am & 5:30 pm HE 9 am Bible Study 5 pm Weight Watchers 7 pm AA 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	4 8 am Dreams 6 pm Got a Stamp Club 6 pm Ladies Night Out 6 pm Men's Club 7 pm AA	5 5 pm Wedding Rehearsal 7 pm AA	6 7 pm AA
7 PENTECOST 17 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BEGINS 7:30, 8:45 & 11:00 am HE 8:45 am Children's Church 9:55 am Christian Education 4 pm A Family Wedding Party 5 pm Dream Group 5 pm Xperience (Youth) Fall Kickoff Celebration 7 pm AA	8 11:30 am Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Alanon 6 pm Girl Scouts 7 pm AA 7 pm EIM	9 4 pm RSCM Rehearsal 6 pm VESTRY MEETING 6:15 pm Dream Group 7 pm AA	10 7 am & 5:30 pm HE 9 am Bible Study 5 pm Weight Watchers 6:30 pm D-Groups (Youth) 7 pm AA 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	11 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Training at Holy Cross, Murfreesboro 7 pm AA 7 pm Cub Scout Pack 108 Committee Meeting	12 5 pm Parent Group Kickoff 6 pm AA Potluck 7 pm AA	13 7 pm AA
14 PENTECOST 18 7:30, 8:45 & 11:00 am HE 8:45 am Children's Church 9:55 am Christian Education 5 pm Dream Group 5 pm Xperience (Youth) 7 pm AA	15 11:30 am Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Alanon 6 pm Girl Scouts 6 pm The Pilgrimage 7 pm AA 7 pm EIM	16 12 noon SPWFBC Delivery 4 pm RSCM Rehearsal 6:30 pm Boy Scouts/Bears 7 pm AA	17 7 am & 5:30 pm HE 9 am Bible Study 5 pm Weight Watchers 6 pm Outreach Committee 6:30 pm D-Groups (Youth) 7 pm AA 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	18 11:30 am Senior Birthday Luncheon 6 pm Hilltoppers Activity 6:30 pm Cub Scout Den Leaders 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Training at Holy Cross, Murfreesboro 7 pm AA	19 5 pm Wedding Rehearsal/Dinner 7 pm AA	20 9 am DOK Meeting 9 am "Walk Through the Bible" Seminar at St. George's, Nashville 2 pm Wedding/Reception 7 pm AA
21 PENTECOST 19 7:30, 8:45 & 11:00 am HE 8:45 am Children's Church 9:55 am Christian Education 10 am Coffee with the Clergy 5 pm Dream Group 5 pm Music Builds Concert (Youth) 7 pm AA	22 11:30 am Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Alanon 6 pm The Pilgrimage 7 pm AA 7 pm EIM	23 4 pm RSCM Rehearsal 6:15 pm Dream Group 7 pm AA	24 7 am & 5:30 pm HE 9 am Bible Study 5 pm Weight Watchers 6:30 pm D-Groups (Youth) 7 pm AA 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	25 6:30 pm Cub Scout Pack 108 Meeting 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Training at Holy Cross, Murfreesboro 7 pm AA	26 5 pm Choristers Parent's Night Out 7 pm AA	27 RSCM CHORISTER CAMP 10 am—5 pm 10 am St. Paul's Whole Foods Buying Club 7 pm AA
28 PENTECOST 20 CHORISTERS SING AT ST. PAUL'S 7:30, 8:45 & 11:00 am HE 8:45 am Children's Church 9:55 am Christian Education 5 pm Dream Group 5 pm Xperience (Youth) 7 pm AA	29 11:15 am Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Alanon 6 pm Girl Scouts 6 pm The Pilgrimage 7 pm AA 7 pm EIM	30 4 pm RSCM Rehearsal 7 pm AA				

Parent Group Kickoff

6 pm, Friday, September 12





Mary Greathouse 09/01	Molly Becker 09/15
Carley Hatcliff 09/01	Martha Canada 09/15
Shirley Ikard 09/01	Claire Davis 09/15
Connie Pimentel 09/01	Annette Gracia 09/16
Gregory Raffo 09/01	Catherine Penn 09/16
Benjamin Burgess 09/02	Shawn Phipps 09/16
Christopher Crowell 09/02	Frank Sutton 09/16
Shannon Hofferbert 09/03	Robert Arning 09/17
Alan Luboniecki 09/03	William Cate III 09/17
Howard Wall 09/03	Dale Boyd 09/18
Julia Pifer 09/04	Rodney George 09/19
Michael Brito 09/07	Fred Koechlein 09/19
Ken Halliburton 09/07	Doris Dalby 09/20
Mary Cash 09/08	Margaret Abernathy 09/21
Margaret Castelli 09/09	Morgan Elrod-Erickson .. 09/22
Manuel Camara 09/09	Leslee Karl 09/24
John Gassler 09/09	Andrew McGuire 09/25
Marilyn Kugel 09/09	Mary Lou Reynolds 09/25
Greg Tidwell 09/09	Jane Strobel 09/25
William Cate Jr..... 09/10	Morgan James 09/28
Kathy Warlick 09/10	Douglas Rude 09/28
Eric Warren 09/10	Sally Stahley 09/28
Ann Hollis 09/11	Phil Young 09/28
Victoria Teet 09/11	Marlene Sellers 09/29
Martha Whitmore 09/12	Kristi Hay 09/30
Stephen Smith 09/13	Sarah Sutton 09/30
Sandra Clemmons 09/14	

MEMBERSHIP RECORDS UPDATE

If you have moved, changed your home or cell phone numbers, or have had a change in your e-mail address, please contact the church office to update your records.

PUBLICATION DEADLINES

Announcements for the Sunday bulletin are due in the church office by Wednesday, 12:00 noon, each week.

Articles for the monthly Evangel newsletter are due in the church office by the 15th of each month.

The deadline for the October Evangel is Monday September 15, 2008. Please e-mail all information to evangel@stpaulsmboro.org.

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Older friends help each other when they need:

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We are eager to know of any parishioner who may have these needs OR if you are willing to provide some of these services.

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Church-wide Fall Family Picnic at Oaklands, October 18th, 11:00 to 3:00

Watch for more details in the days to come!

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He saith unto him, Yea Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He (Jesus) saith unto him, “Feed my sheep.”
□ **– John 21:16**

Chuck tends to be profane when excited and has been known to get deep in the wine bottle on occasion but he's good hearted and he sent along this report on an August visit to Wal-Mart.

“The temp was 100 on the parking lot. In the car I luxuriated in the AC waiting for traffic to clear. I park at the back of the lot. Twenty feet away, out on the access road a city bus stopped and a big, blond guy debarked and walked straight into one of the little trees. He was about to step into traffic when a car honked. Then I saw his white cane.

“From his face you could tell he didn't know where he was. How terrifying that would be--blind in a strange land. Someone will pick him up, I thought. When no one did I eased to his side. ‘Want to go up to the store?’ He did and said the bus usually lets him off at the Rover sign, 100 feet south of where it discharged him. Said he knew the way from there. It would be daunting even so.

“At the store, he got out and said, ‘I turn right?’ No, left. He ran into one of the traffic stanchions, found the door and disappeared into the store where he said he shopped for groceries.”

There are a lot of Christians out in the world, especially where we live, but sometimes there is just one person for a particular job.

Only one.

Jesus trusts us to find those jobs.