

## A message about stewardship

*"You have not lived until you have done something for someone who can never repay you." — John Bunyan, English Puritan writer & preacher (1628-1688)*

It is the intention of the Stewardship Committee to give everyone at St. Paul's the gift of a life truly lived in the spirit of the quote above.

Stewardship is most often associated with money and the annual campaign. We will be talking about that in the coming months, but we also want to broaden the conversation.

We want to learn more about why you are here at St. Paul's and how we can enrich your spiritual life. We want stewardship to become associated with the care of our lives, both individual and collective.

We have such a wonderful opportunity at St. Paul's to continue our innovative mission for Christ in new and thoughtful ways. The Stewardship Committee is working hard to develop an approach that invites a discussion of stewardship in its largest sense. Finance is certainly a part of it, but so is the care of our mental, physical and spiritual well-being.

It is our hope that this committee's work will lead to new and exciting ideas for embracing our roles as stewards of this sacred place. We are excited about the journey ahead and look forward to sharing it with you!

Matthew Ellis & Jessica Moland  
Stewardship Committee Co-Chairs

## 2010 Ministries Fair

Sunday, September 12 • 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Come kick-off the 2010-2011 program year with food, fun and friends. Contact Melanie Sokhey, melaniesokhey@comcast.net or 271.8298, with questions.



## Ready to move forward

Mary Stanley & Wayne Turner, Search Committee Co-Chairs

**F**irst of all, many thanks to the nearly 250 of you who responded to the Search Committee's Parish Survey. Your responses were thoughtful and informative. Together with the input we received from parishioners at the Heritage Festival, your opinions and answers will be the foundation for our new Parish Profile, as well as an assessment of the key skills, experience and attributes of a Rector candidate that will best fit our needs.

Though we are Episcopalians, we have not taken the summer off! We are continuing to meet regularly. Members of our Committee are working to compile the results of the survey, and we will make the entire report on that work available to the parish, including online through a link on stpaulsindy.org. [Preview: An overwhelming number said we are more than ready to move forward in selecting a Rector.] On August 19, the Search Committee and the Vestry will hold a joint meeting to work on development of a concise statement of the important strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats we face in our Parish.

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### Parish Survey & Profile Information Session

Sunday, September 19 • 10:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall

All adults are asked to come review results from the survey and a draft of the Parish Profile, which will be used in our search for a stayed Rector.

# A message from our Rector



The Rev. Alan  
Champ Mead

St. Paul's is vibrant and alive with mission, formation and worship. Adult formation continues each Sunday with 25 to 40 people attending. There is mid-week Bible study and centering prayer. Many members of the choir are on a two-week mission to the United Kingdom. TOTS is organizing and hiring people to care for children

as their mothers gather in the Lilly Room to learn more about their faith.

The Search Committee continues to meet through the summer as they prepare a parish profile from the data that has been collected. The August Vestry meeting will begin with a joint Search Committee meeting. The Search Committee will tell all about this as appropriate; but I know how hard they are working and praying together and simply want to commend them to you. They have much to do as they continue this process. Please continue to keep them in your daily prayers. What a great time to be a part of this parish!

This newsletter is filled with accounts of these and other efforts for ministry and formation that people are working on over the summer. Individuals are working hard towards events that will be coming this fall. There will be a Ministry Fair September 12 to help everyone understand better the opportunities to serve that are available in and through St. Paul's.

Worship has continued throughout the summer with the same schedule as during the academic year. Doing this accomplishes two very important things: it maintains a consistent schedule so that visitors and newcomers will always find that at 7:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. the advertised worship service is occurring and, formation for all ages continues. Interestingly, attendance when we keep the "normal" schedule, when compared to summers when we change it, is higher.

Beginning on August 8 the 9:00 a.m. worship will return to a more contemporary format taken from "Enriching Our Worship," giving us four distinct and unique worship experiences at St. Paul's. The 7:45 a.m. is a traditional Rite I worship. The 9:00 a.m. is designed for families, youth and children. It explores the relatively contemporary setting provided by EOW and invites participation and exploration with children and youth participating at every level including writing prayers, reading lessons,

leading in Prayers of the People, and serving at virtually every level as choristers, readers and servers. The 11:15 a.m. is a traditional Rite II worship with adult choir and the 6:00 p.m. Archway service explores emerging liturgies that especially invite those who are not familiar with church to come and participate with us as we learn together about Christ.

Our worship is rich and varied. Each service is distinct from the others. Each is inviting and each has its own integrity. All are filled with a joyful opening of hearts and minds to the presence of Christ.

Blessings,

## Second Quarter Financial Statement

PLEDGES	Year-to-Date	Expected in 2010
	\$338,706	\$687,409
EXPENSES	Year-to-Date	Budgeted for 2010
Programs & Operations	\$ 965,135	\$2,032,171
Outreach	\$ 225,336	\$ 400,000
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 203,044	\$ 406,087
Capital or Fixed Assets	\$ 6,751	\$ 31,870
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,400,266</b>	<b>\$2,870,128</b>

### RENOVATION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>\$14,298,100</b>
Amount Pledged & Dedicated Gifts (1)	\$ 8,450,249
Amount Received	\$ 6,171,961
Bonds Payable (2)	\$ 8,055,000

(1) Includes \$1,557,000 of deferred pledges (such as bequests).

(2) This amount is lower than might be expected because several times Operations funded the bond interest, letter of credit and other fees, based on Budget rather than Actual. The excess of Budget over Actual is being used to reduce debt.

**NOTE:** Publishing this financial report is a direct result of feedback received by the Communications Strategy Team in the Fall 2009 Survey.



Encore presentation for all ages

## St. Paul's Through the Years

August 15, 10:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall

This creative vignette was performed by Diane Hayes, Zach Creviston and Charlie Lowe at the Heritage Festival in May. Rave reviews and the desire to videotape it spurred a second showing. Come enjoy popcorn, refreshments and this fun look at our 144-year history!

### Diocesan Young Adult Retreat

## Daad! Are we grown up yet?

Saturday-Sunday, August 28-29  
Waycross Camp & Conference Center

Join us for the second annual Diocesan Young Adult Retreat (20s-30s) at Waycross Camp in picturesque Brown County ([waycrosscenter.org](http://waycrosscenter.org)).

Meet new people, discover new perspectives, and make new friends in a fun and relaxed setting. We will enjoy team building, sharing thoughts and stories, and humorous games. Last year was a blast. Come help us make this year even better!

Due to limited space, please make your reservation ASAP. The participants' portion of the cost is \$20, which includes a room and four meals. Registration can be done online at [stpaulsindy.org/retreat](http://stpaulsindy.org/retreat), or by contacting the Rev. Les Carpenter ([lcarpenter@stpaulsindy.org](mailto:lcarpenter@stpaulsindy.org) or ext 15). If you write a check, please note "YA Retreat" in the memo line.

In order to keep the cost manageable we do ask that each room house two people for the night. If you have a preference as to who your roommate is, please let Les know in advance.

## Young organists visit St. Paul's

Robert Richter, Assistant Organist & Choir Master

**H**ave you ever wondered who will be your organist by 2030? Believe it or not, there is a shortage of these musicians who go into this field.

On June 24 approximately 40 young organists attending a summer music camp on the campus of Indiana University, entitled Pipe Organ Encounter (POE) visited St. Paul's. Following a brief demonstration of the organ by Robert Richter, two students performed in a master class workshop lead by POE faculty members Dr. Christopher Young, Professor of Organ, Indiana University, and Dr. Herdon Spillmann, Professor of Organ, Louisiana State University.

Pipe Organ Encounters are educational outreach programs sponsored by the American Guild of Organists to foster and encourage young people to study and play the organ. Each summer POE's are hosted in several locations around the U.S. The POE hosted by IU had one of the highest numbers of participants in the program's nearly twenty year history according to Dr. Janette Fishell, Professor of Organ, Indiana University.



Cody Mead, POE student and grandson of the Rev. Alan Mead, said, "I learned so much from this week, my passion for organ music has been reinforced, my technique has improved, my understanding of the music I love has expanded, I've made new friends and now have a better idea what being an organ major will be like."



Don't miss the Kenyan Culture Fest at St. Paul's Saturday, September 25 from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

## Mission in Mombasa Thanksgiving offered & prayers needed

Barbara MacDougall, Mission in Mombasa Committee

As in all of life, changes have occurred in the life of the Dickson Children's Centre and the Onesimus Boys' Centre. At Dickson, some unexpected good news: 6 year old Joram has been reunited with his parents! They had been in prison but were granted an early release. Please keep them in your prayers as they find their way through this time of change and adjustment.

At Onesimus, the neighbors have all received notice that they are to vacate their premises for government planned road improvements. As the Onesimus facility is rented, the staff expects to receive similar notice at any time. They will need to find a new location to rent, move and get past the concurrent upheaval. Your prayers are needed here, too, for the right opportunity to present itself, and also for the staff as they evaluate their whole program.

In addition, a new Kenyan Constitution is being adopted. This process has already elicited some violent protest earlier this summer (in Nairobi). The vote will occur on August 4. Please pray for a peaceful outcome and transition.

Finally, Ria, Matheka, and their children are away on their annual holiday, currently in Holland. Please pray for fruitful and positive meetings with their Dutch supporters as well as a refreshing, rejuvenating vacation and safe travels home.

We hope you have marked your calendars for the second annual Kenyan Culture Fest on Saturday, September 25, 4:00-7:00 p.m. in the Garth and Parish Hall. (Last month's column erroneously gave that date as the 26.) We hope you will join us for a great time!

# TOTS Group for parents

## 2010 MEETING DATES

September 8 & 22, October 13 & 27,  
November 10, December 8



Time Out to Socialize

TOTS is dedicated to the message that better moms make a better world and that moms of young children, birth through kindergarten, need encouragement during these critical early years. Moms take care of their children. Who takes care of moms? TOTS provides mothers a safe place to relate, relax and recharge with other moms. TOTS was formerly called MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers).

TATERS is the quality children's program where little ones are loved, encouraged, and nurtured while moms are meeting together. The children are provided opportunities to grow socially, spiritually and creatively.

Join us in the Lilly Room (Church Building) from 9:30-11:30 a.m., typically on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. Feel free to contact our TOTS leader, Dawn Auch, with questions at 842.9949 or dawn.auch@comcast.net.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Green Fair

Saturday, September 18 • 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

The Green Ministries from St Paul's, Christ Church and Trinity Episcopal are working

together to support a community project on the city's Near North Side. Neighbors in the area of Brookside and Spades Parks want to create a bird sanctuary. The sanctuary is seen not only as an attraction for birds but also for people seeking a place of quiet. Members of the churches have been meeting with the neighbors and Keep Indianapolis Beautiful to learn about the project and offer our support.



To raise funds for the Spades Park Sanctuary, and help us learn how to live "greener" lives, there will be a Green Fair on Saturday, September 18 from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in St. Paul's parking lot. Any items remaining will be offered for sale on Sunday, September 19, after the morning worship services.

In addition to educational materials there will be a number of things for sale, some "green" and some just fun. This includes a book table, plant table, homemade eats (pies, scones, sweet breads, cheese straws, tarts, etc.) and handmade items (bat houses, bird feeders, reusable bags, etc.). This is an event you won't want to miss!

Book and perennial plant donations are being accepted. Please contact Donna Zierdt (253.9418, dzierdt@indy.rr.com) or bring them to the collection boxes in the Parish Center. Thank you for your support!

# Adult Forum

Join us for this formation opportunity  
Sundays, 10:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall

## August 8

"Conclusion of An Imaginative Approach to Scripture," with the Rev. Bill Novak.

## August 15

"St. Paul's Through the Years," and all ages event presented by Diane Hayes, Zach Creviston and Charlie Lowe (see page 2).

## August 22 & 29

"Understanding Mormonism," with IUPUI professor Peter Thuesen. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, better known as the Mormon Church, has more than twice the membership of the Episcopal Church. Who are the Mormons and what are their basic beliefs and practices? Come to this series and find out!

## September 5

Labor Day, no Adult Forum

## September 12

Ministry Fair, no Adult Forum

## September 19:

"Parish Survey Results & Profile Information Session," with the Rector Search Committee. All adults are asked to come review results from the survey and a draft of the Parish Profile, which will be used in our search for a stayed Rector.

## September 26

"The Bible & Poverty," with Wilma Bailey from Christian Theological Seminary.

## Terrific Thursdays returns!

Program kicks-off September 9  
10:00-1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Terrific Thursdays seniors' group meets weekly for engaging programs and lunch for only \$6.

**Friends and visitors welcome!** If you have questions, or would like to volunteer to conduct a program for Terrific Thursdays, contact John Harkness (253.5136 or hark1629@gmail.com) or Barbara Schubert (705.0257 or baschubert36@yahoo.com).

## J2A Summer Poetry Readings

Sundays, August 22 & 29 • 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Group Room

What do John Donne, T. S. Eliot and Madeleine L'Engle have in common? They are all poets of great renown, and all members of the Anglican Communion like ourselves! In order to plumb the great depths of this heritage, the J2A classes will be covering some of these works. The faithful reflections of these literary giants can teach us about ourselves and the world around us in new and inspiring ways. If you've ever wanted to love like poets, have the faith of the saints, or listen to high school students ponder the fabric of the universe, please come!

## Auditions for St. Paul's Choir School

This free program for children is a unique offering in our city.

The Choir School is free and open to all children in the community, ages 8-14. It is the only youth program in Indianapolis offering choral scholarships and funding for private instrumental lessons. Scholars also have the opportunity to sing choral masterworks with a professional orchestra, and tour throughout the United States and United Kingdom. To learn more about this program for your child, contact Robert Richter, Assistant Organist and Choir Master, ext 29 or rrichter@stpaulsindy.org.

## New Pictorial Directory in progress

Make your appointment online or sign up at the Welcome Table

Olan Mills will be here to take photos for our directory September 21-25 and September 28-October 2. There is no cost to have your photo taken. Please participate! Online appointments can be made at [signup.olanmills.com](http://signup.olanmills.com). (You'll need to enter the church's phone number to access our account -- 317.253.1277.)

## Donations needed!

Collections being taken now through August 29  
Donation boxes are in the Parish Center Hallway

### Book donations for 1st, 2nd & 3rd graders

New and gently-used children's books are being collected. Donations will be divided among 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders at IPS 15. If you have questions or are interested in volunteering your time to help children at IPS 15, contact Woody Litz, 251.9100 or wlitz@comcast.net.

### New & gently-used school uniforms

IPS 15 serves 675 children in grades K-6. Many of them qualify for free or reduced-rate lunch program. Our Faith in Action committee is collecting new and gently-used uniforms for these students, in all sizes, including: **pants, bermuda shorts, skorts & belts in navy, black or khaki; and short & long-sleeved collared shirts in white, red, light blue or navy.** Donations will be accepted now through Sunday, August 29. If you have any questions, contact Amelia Rose, 475.9663 or asr62659@scbglobal.net.

# Where's Jean?

## Dear Friends,

Many of you know I received a grant for the Lilly Endowment Incorporated (LEI) for a sabbatical last year. My time away in the fall was indeed renewing, and I am most grateful for it. One problem: I didn't use all the money!

When I inquired as to what to do with the leftover money, I was told that the grant was good through June 2011, and that I really ought to use it. (How often does that happen in a person's life?)

In consultation with Alan Mead and others, I have made arrangements to travel again to Celtic lands, using vacation and unpaid time, to do further exploration. I expect to be closer to internet access than I was last year, and will continue my blog on Getting Renewed: [gettingrenewed.blogspot.com](http://gettingrenewed.blogspot.com). Below is a schedule of where I plan to be.

### August 15-22:

At St. Deiniol's Library in Hawarden, Wales for a course on Celtic Spirituality, including visits to holy wells in the northeastern part of the country.

### August 23-26:

In Lindesfarne, or Holy Isle, in England where St. Aiden, missionary from Iona, brought Christianity to the east coast of Britain.

### August 27-30:

On the Isle of Skye just to soak up the beauty.

### August 31-September 3:

In Glasgow with my sister

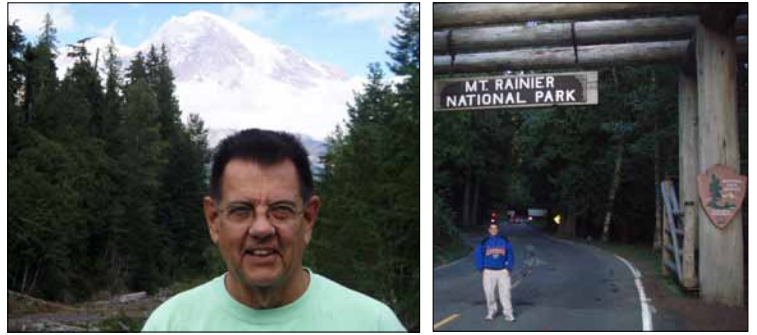
**September 4-12:** On retreat with J. Philip Newell, writer about Celtic Christianity, on Iona.

## In Peace,

The Rev. Jean Denton +

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Jean Denton in Turkey during her sabbatical.



Robin Myers during his first climb of Mt. Rainier in September 2009.

## Join the uphill climb

Consider making a donation to your favorite charity this month

**As some of you know, I made an attempt to climb Mt. Rainier last Labor Day weekend.** That attempt fell far short of the goal due to late summer snow storm that blew in with 50 mph sustained winds, a wind chill of 0 degrees, and blinding snow that reduced visibility to 25 ft. Last January, I began training again for another attempt that will take place August 10-12. I'm happy to say that with only three weeks to go, there's a reasonable and holy hope that I'll be in shape for the climb.

Before my climbing mentor, Ace Yakey, set off to climb Mt. Denali a few years ago, he hosted a fund raiser. I recall Ace's words as though he spoke them five minutes ago... "Mountain climbing is a selfish sport, it requires time to train, then time to climb, and it's expensive. It takes time away from your family and friends. I've been blessed with good health and the opportunity to make this climb. So, I've invited you here tonight to join me in giving back." Ace asked for donations to support research for those living with Rheumatoid Arthritis.

From my own experience, I can echo Ace's thoughts, and want to follow his example of giving back. That's why I'm writing, to ask that you join the climb in a very special way. I know that within the walls of St. Paul's we have a number of folks living with different stages of Cancer, Heart Disease, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Diabetes, to mention a few. The fight against these diseases and others is an uphill climb each of us can make. On the 10th of August I'll be climbing for my brother who's living with Stage Four Cancer and making my own donation to the America Cancer Society. I'm hoping that you'll join the climb by prayerfully considering giving a donation to a charity of your choosing, or making a gift to St. Paul's.

Last but not least, I would ask your prayers for those who climb this season.

**God's Peace & My Thanks,**

**The Rev. Robin Myers +**

# Ready to move forward

## Rector Search Committee update

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In the meantime, we have made very substantial progress on a draft of the Parish Profile. The 2010 version of this profile will definitely not be your father's Oldsmobile. It will be accessible both online and in hard copy, will include links to various other electronic resources, and will include embedded video clips - including one of the fabulous vignette presented by our own Diane Hayes, Zach Creviston and Charlie Lowe giving their humorous history of St. Paul's. (See it performed live on Sunday, August 15, 10:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall).

All of this work will be presented to the parish on September 19. At that time, we will seek your opinions and input before we send the Profile to Bishop Cate for approval.

Then the really exciting part begins—the actual search for the priest whom only God now knows will be called to ministry as our Rector. We continue to appreciate your prayers, your entries in the journal, your suggestions and your kind words as we move forward with this important work.

**P.S. Please take a look at the Labyrinth posted in Burrows Commons and follow along with our progress!**

## Leadership, Clergy, Mission & Support Staff

### VESTRY

The Rev. Alan Champ Mead, Interim Rector  
Mary Strange, *Senior Warden*, 2011  
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Michael Jack, *Treasurer*  
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### Connections

#### Submissions for the September 2010 issue are due August 19

This print newsletter is a monthly publication compiled and printed in-house by St. Paul's. It is prepared for the post office with the help of volunteers and sent bulk mail. In lieu of a paper copy, *Connections* recipients are invited to receive the newsletter electronically as a pdf. The current issue, as well as 12 months of back issues, can also be found on our website, [www.stpaulsindy.org](http://www.stpaulsindy.org).

#### e-Connections Submission deadline: Tuesdays, 12 noon

This weekly e-newsletter acts as a supplement to the monthly *Connections*. It is designed to be a quick read and features timely news and announcements, St. Paul's-related links and photos, intercessions, member news and more.

#### Announcements Submission deadline: Tuesdays 12 noon

This weekly printed news supplement accompanies Sunday's worship bulletin. Features typically include the day's news/events, a calendar for the coming week, announcements for approximately the next 30 days, intercessions, and a leadership and staff list.



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## Worship Services at St. Paul's

### Wednesday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Healing Service

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### Sunday Worship & Formation

**7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist** (approximately 45 minutes) This spoken Eucharist uses traditional language from The Book of Common Prayer.

**9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist** (approximately 1 hour) This sung Eucharist features our Intergenerational Choir.\* Many children and youth attend this service, and its pace and energy help keep them engaged. For children ages 3-8, **Kids' Word** is offered as an alternative to the sermon. Sunday School and Adult Formation classes begin shortly afterward at 10:15 a.m. *\*Note: During the summer there is no choir at this service.*

**10:15 a.m. Christian Formation for all ages**  
(45 minutes) All classes are held in the Parish Center.

**11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist** (just over 1 hour) This sung Eucharist is led by St. Paul's Adult Choir.\*\* The liturgy has a contemplative quality and reflects the tradition of fine choral singing. Sunday School and Adult Formation classes are held prior, from 10:15-11:00 a.m. *\*\*Note: During the summer there is smaller, intergenerational choir at this service.*

**6:00 p.m. Archway** (approximately 45 minutes)  
This new evening Holy Eucharist is an experiential worship service, highlights of which include a conversational sermon and individual time for reflection. For more information, contact the Rev. Les Carpenter, ext. 15 or [lcarpenter@stpaulsindy.org](mailto:lcarpenter@stpaulsindy.org).

