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MARCH 2012

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4 Archbishop Duncan's visit 11:00 a.m. Notice change in time	5 Intercessory Prayer 6 p.m. Choir Practice p.m.	6 WNG Wednesday Night Group 6:30 p.m.	7	8 Chinese and Discipleship 6:30 p.m.	9	10
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Our Will verse God's Will

Part XII

Ambassadors for Christ

....we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; 15 and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. 2 Corinthians 5:14-15

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:17-19

....we are ambassadors for Christ... 2 Corinthians 5:20

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:18

I wonder...how many people have read along? I wonder...how many people read the above passages? I wonder...how many people care?

I hate to be so blunt, but I really do wonder these things. Not because I think poorly about anyone that happens to have read along or not, but because I know the condition most of us have been left in by The Church. Taught to sit in pews and never question authority; taught that we live in a Christian culture and that faith is a matter of private concern in any event; taught little about the whole word of God and even less about the living Christ and His instructions to His people and His Church – we are ill prepared to “read along” for all these months much less care enough to truly examine our own choices.

But I also wonder, is it possible for a Christian to read the above passages of Scripture and not be drawn to wonder about these words. Listen to them in your heart - “that **those who live** might no longer live for themselves but for Him”...”in Christ, a **new creation**”...”from God who through Christ **reconciled us** to Himself”...”**gave us** the ministry of reconciliation”... “**entrusting to us** the message of reconciliation”...”**ambassadors** for Christ”...”**we are** ambassadors for Christ”...”**go therefore and make disciples**”...”**I am with you always**”.

There is nothing for me to add. They speak to our new reality – new creations, reconciled to God through Jesus Christ. They speak to our call, His will for us – we are His ambassadors, called to be part of His ministry of eternal reconciliation with God. How I hope; no, how I pray that these words pierce to the heart all of us that read them.

There is only one thing left – how will each of us respond? Make no mistake, each of us will be tempted to put this question aside, to (conveniently?!) forget about it. To consider the above words and remain unchanged will not be comfortable for any of us (hopefully!), so our choices are to but them aside “for another time” or to be convicted by the Holy Spirit (because any Christian that honestly considers these words WILL be convicted by the Spirit, the Councilor of Truth).

How will we each respond? How I pray that each of us will be willing to be part of the same ministry that has reconciled you with God; that you will be willing to give to and trust God with your life.

It's very unlikely that God will call you to Rwanda like Arleen. It's unlikely He will call you to a new city like Karen and me. I do not expect He will call any of us to give “everything” like the Rich Young Ruler (Luke 18:22) much less your life like the apostles and countless Christians through out the ages, including today.

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It is certain He will ask for your heart – and in giving this, He will ask you to be part of His eternal work in a dying world. Are you willing?

Locally His work is being carried out through His Body that we know as All Saints Church. At the same time we seek to be part of His Great Commission He is also engaged in rebuilding AS for the long term. Are you willing to be part of what God is calling us to? Many in our congregation has said “yes” to this question. If you are willing but have not previously let me know, **please** drop me a note via e-mail or call me. If God called and asked you to be His Ambassador what would you say? He has asked. What will you say?

Blessings
David

Dear All Saints,

Greetings this Lords day Morning from Rwanda, Africa. I am thinking of you today and so I am sending you an email. I hope you enjoy the pictures of my little ones at play in the Nursery. The woman in the pictures is Nancy Ehriig. She is the person who came to my rescue when I needed to stay in the US for a longer time. She has been such a blessing. The toddlers are growing much too fast. They will soon all be in preschool and then we are thinking of a day care to add to the Urukundo Learning Center. This would be to benefit parents with small children who need a safe place for their babies to be taken care of while they work. This service is so needed in our area. This would be a source of income for Urukundo Foundation. We really want to help ourselves and are looking to the future.



It is Sunday morning here and time to prepare my body to go to worship with the children. Later today some of us will go visit the kids at King David Secondary School and take them necessary items to make life easier like Tooth Paste, deodorant, Body soap, soap to wash their cloths with etc. Then they also need some spending money. I remember doing this with my kids when they were going to college but doing it for 17 teens sure is different.

Have a good day my dear friends and remember me in your prayers.
The Lord loves you and so do I.
Arlene

EASTER FLOWERS

As in past years we will be taking orders for Easter flowers. Prices remain the same ---\$8 for a 6 ½ inch foil wrapped plant. Flower selection includes daffodils, tulips, mums and hyacinths. A sign up sheet is posted in the entry hall by the flower chart. When signing up please note how you would like the dedication to be listed in the bulletin. Deadline for orders is March 19th. Questions--- contact Carolyn Nunnally.



Woman's Choice Network

As many of you know, Carolyn Nunnally and I volunteer at Women's Choice Network (WCN), whose mission is to empower abortion vulnerable women to choose life. I want to share with you a few of the reasons we are in this ministry.

For 2011 being a year in which 210 babies were born to clients, 597 new clients were served, 169 clients who once considered abortion received a free sonogram, 1433 clients participated in ongoing support programs, 91 clients made use of newly added service of STD testing, and over 3500 teens heard the good news about sexual purity in their schools and churches.

In 2012, Women's Choice Network will reach more women by opening a new location on East Ohio Street on the North Side. This location joins those in Oakland, Wexford, Monroeville, Wilkinsburg, and McKeesport. Providentially, the new North Side site, dedicated to choosing life, is strategically located directly across the river from Planned Parenthood, a major abortion provider.

Women's Choice Network transforms the lives of women and saves the lives of their children. Being a part of this ministry transforms my life by being a place for showing the love of Christ to those in need.

Pat Serafini

The Hymnal

In recent months, some of you may have heard me talking about my new super hero, who boldly went where no one has gone before. The hero is none other than The Rev. John Wesley, who is credited with being one of the founders of the Methodist Church. He's my hero because he stepped out long before we did, disagreed with the church of England and left much like we did. A few months ago, Barb Harman and I had a conversation about the Red Methodist Hymnal and she showed me what Wesley wrote about how to sing hymns. I am sharing that information with you below in the hopes that we will all take these words to heart and next time you are singing a hymn you will remember his directions for singing.

DIRECTIONS FOR SINGING

Learn these tunes before you learn any others; afterwards learn as many as you please.

Sing them exactly as they are printed here, without altering or mending them at all; and if you have learned to sing them otherwise, unlearn it as soon as you can.

Sing all. See that you join with the congregation as frequently as you can. Let not a slight degree of weakness or weariness hinder you. If it is a cross to you, take it up, and you will find it a blessing.

Sing lustily and with a good courage. Beware of singing as if you were half dead, or half asleep; but lift up your voice with strength. Be no more afraid of your voice now, nor more ashamed of its being heard, than when you sang the songs of Satan.

Sing modestly, Do not bawl, so as to be heard above or distinct from the rest of the congregation, that you may destroy the harmony; but strive to unite your voices together, so as to make a clear melodious sound.

Sing in time. Whatever time is sung be sure to keep with it. Do not run before nor stay behind it; but attend close to the leading voices, and move therewith as exactly as you can; and take care not to sing too slow. This drawling way naturally steals on all who are lazy; and it is high time to drive it out from us, and sing all our tunes just as quick as we did at first.

Above all sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every work you sing. Aim at pleasing Him more than yourself, and any other creature. In order to do this attend strictly to the sense of what you sing, and see that your heart is not carried away with the sound, but offered to God continually; so shall your singing be such as the Lord will approve here, and reward you when He cometh in the clouds on heaven.

From John Wesley's Select Hymns, 1761

All Saints Prayer List

March 2012

Parish: Joanne Calderone, The McMarlin family, Barbara Slattery, The Keller family, The Tendick family, Karen Rucker and family, Shelby Rushmore, Kathy Swan and family.

For Moses's discernment process and Carolyn's ministry.

For All Saints, for our being open to God's vision for us, and for our leaders.

For our African students: Margaret Kiconco, Kennedy Gondwe, and Emmanuel Mukeshimana.

Mission in Africa: Gisele Umutoni, Arlene Brown's Ministry.

Friends of the Parish: Greg Jazwindki (Heidi's dad), Phoebe (Godline's mother), Charles (Godline's brother), Bobby Noga-ret (Pat's cousin), Rusty Colaianne and family, Frank Lusi, Kathy Lockhart, Mike Theiss and family (friend of Jes Lusi/cancer), Jack Miller, Connor and family (Dylan Arend's friend), Marge Colaianne (John C.'s sister-in-law/eye surgery), the Pivrotto family (death of family member), Jeff Freeman, Sarah Sydlik, Debbie Varrati, Jo Clapperton (Barb Harman's mother) and Debbie Ramsey (Barb Harman's friend), Dolores Oliver, Kathy Sozynski.

Armed Services: Pray for the safety of those in the armed services and the peace of mind of their families, especially those known by this congregation: Jason Biehl, Paul Burger, Dustin Churchel, Anthony Lusi, Marcus Levering, Jeff Muir

Friends of the parish will be listed for 1 month. If you would like to add a name, remove a name, or have a name stay on the prayer list longer than 1 month, please contact Pat Serafini at 412-247-0617 or serafinip@yahoo.com

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 Your Article
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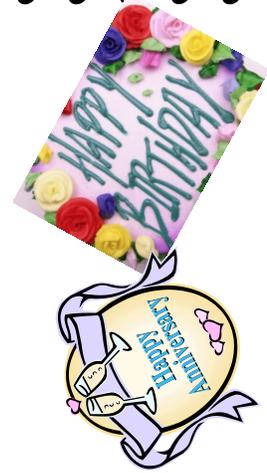
MARCH

- 5 Athena Tendick
- 9 Esther Hannan
- 10 Erica Hoover
- 14 Dick Hamilton
- 15 Stewart Hamilton
- 15 Barbara Slattery
- 16 Mark Tendick, Jr.
- 20 Carolyn Nunnally
- 27 Alyssa Drahusz
- 28 MaryLou Arend-Renner
- 29 Mike & Judy Kennedy
- 29 Ray and Ellie Brannigan
- 31 Joan Frederick

APRIL

- 9 Kim Arend
- 12 Kathy Burger
- 12 Loveline Nwachukwu
- 16 JoAnn Calderone
- 22 John Violando
- 26 Jim Alcorn
- 29 Lisa Santucci

Are you missing from our list, Please let
Donna Violando know. Thanks



Important Dates

Choir Practice, Monday Evenings, 7:00 pm

**Wednesday Night Group that meets on Tuesday
Every Tuesday 6:30pm**

Chinese and Discipleship every Thursday 6:30 p.m.

Newsletter Deadline, March 15th

**Healing Prayer in Boyd Hall Following the Service on
March 25th.**

Saturday Blessings March 31st 7:00 p.m.

Grace Anglican Church

WORSHIP

SERVICE SUNDAYS

9:00 A.M.

Holy Eucharist Rite II

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