GIDEON'S TRUMPET

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PASTOR'S POINTS

God has blessed the Church of Our Saviour with the long tradition of an open door to welcome all the faithful in our Lord. It is with pride I claim association with this church that has been open to all comers who love our Lord Jesus and want to worship Him.

It has been the long tradition of the church to be the beacon for those who seek to worship Christ.

Fr. Dugger

The newsletter deadline for the July/August issue will be

Sunday, June, 15th.

If you have any news to share, please send it to

Susan Darcy at susan@darcy-systems.com,

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or

leave a note in the "Trumpet" mailbox in the church office.

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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

14 – Elise Haley 16 – Louis Godfroy, III 24 – Dianne Spoto 25 – Cecile Best 27 – Darian Bates

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

14 - Phil and Jeanne Marriner

If you know of a birthday or anniversary that we haven't included in past newsletters, please

- call the church office at 794-8702,
- leave a note in the church secretary's mailbox in the office
- or email Kris Smith at pioneer03@aol.com

with your birthday or anniversary date so that we can update our list.

Thank you!

VESTRY'S VIEWS

I have been enjoying watching the trees and bushes turn from buds to leaves. My peony bushes are growing and buds are springing forth. They are my favorite flower and I rejoice that God has given us such visual and scent-filled beauty. The feeders near the computer room window are a flurry of activity. I have seen indigo buntings, scarlet tanagers, cardinals, finches, gross-beaks, and other wonderful feathered friends. Their songs fill the air and I stop to listen to an oriole in the pine tree. So many wonders that bless us every day. God is good...all the time.

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VESTRY

2014

Senior Warden	Elizabeth Sheffer	01/2016
Junior Warden	Mary Young	01/2015
Vestry Members	Richard Dauchy Eric May Susan Darcy	01/2015 01/2016 01/2017
Clerk	Eugenia Browning	
Diocesan Delegate	Eric May	

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Don't you just love early Spring views? All the different colors of green mixed with the bright yellow daffodils, the pinks and whites of magnolias, crabapple and soon the beautiful purples, lavenders, pinks and whites of lilacs. God shows us the miracles of Easter and the resurrection every day!

Of course with Spring and the new greens, we get to turn the heat off. For me, I can open the windows and freshen the house with all the wonderful Spring fragrances. At Church, we are fortunate to have an oil contract which we will be renewing in June. Hopefully the price of oil will drop some more. The vestry looks for many ways to save to make your wonderful contributions to the parish go as far as possible. With our programmable thermostat and buying our heating oil needs in advance, we pinch the dollars and cents as much as we can.

We are also looking to do some repairs to the parking lot bumps and holes as well as repairs to the signage for our services. Got some ideas to share with the vestry? Please let any of your vestry know your ideas – we really encourage you to contribute. After all, it is YOUR Church too!

Remember as Father Dugger says: "God is Good, All the Time! All the Time, God is Good!" We all know that and are so very thankful, God has brought us to Church of Our Saviour!

Thank you God for our parish family and all THEY do for Church of Our Saviour!

Susan Darcy

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Church Cleanup Day

Thank you to all that came out to help clean up the yard and set up the prayer garden. Please take a few moments and use the prayer garden this summer. It will be an excellent place to relax and cool off when we have August heat. The perennials are in bloom and the other gardens and pots will soon be planted. The prayer garden is still in need of rocks.

Beaver Cross Scholarship Fund Raiser

Thank you to all you joined in on the fun at Beaver Cross Day, Sunday, May 4th. Katie gave an excellent informational talk about Beaver Cross and the learning and fun that goes on there. We were able to give \$225 to the Deanery for scholarships and so far \$50 for Church of Our Saviour. The Vestry will let the congregation know when we have applicants, as I know many of you are waiting to donate.

Mary Young

Parking Lot Project

One of the projects the Vestry has investigated and obtained a bid is to repair/resurface our bumpy and 'holey' parking lot. Of course as we all know, stretching any budget just goes so far. Maybe you would like to donate toward this special project? I know money is tight but if you have an extra bit – maybe a dollar or two or even more to invest in improving the parking lot, it would be absolutely WONDERFUL! You can make a separate donation if you like or just include it with your regular donation with the amount you're giving towards this project. I appreciate anything you are able to do – I'm so fortunate to have you as my parish family!

Thank YOU and God Bless!

Susan Darcy

Community Bible Study

You are warmly invited to drop in to a gathering of the Community Bible study group. We meet on Thursday evenings in Fellowship Hall from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.. Our current topic is the book of Exodus, and although by now you have missed the burning bush and the plagues, there are still the Angel of Death and the Passover, the parting of the Red Sea, the giving of the Law on Sinai, the golden calf, and lots more. It turns out that even these familiar stories have a lot to say to us that we may only discover by listening to someone else's questions or ideas. Join us and see!

Note: there will not be Bible study on Thursday, May 29th, Ascension Day, because of the church service. For information, call Sally Langendorf or Randy Lukas.

Convention

The Diocesan Convention will be held at Camp of the Woods from June 6th through June 8th. There are 6 of our congregation going so far that I know of. It will be a wonderful spirit-filled time as well as educational. Katie and Nathanael will be a part of the Youth Service this year, always a highlight of Convention. Eric will give his report at our meeting in September but between now and then we will all share the excitement and joy from there.

Pentecost Sunday

June 8th marks the day of remembrance when the Holy Spirit anointed the disciples and they started to carry the "Good News of Jesus Christ" to the outside world of Jerusalem. We will have our regular service schedule at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.. Join us to celebrate the Holy Spirit.

Father's Day

Services are at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. on June 15th. Everyone from both services is welcome to come to the reception after the 10:00 a.m. service for ice cream Sundaes.

Graduation

MacKenzie Stone and Katie Gallucci are graduating from High School this year. We wish them great success in whatever and where ever the Lord leads them. Please keep them in your prayers as they start their lives as adults.

Summer Events

Any ideas about things you might like to do together this summer? Ideas that I have include: ice cream social, barbeque, movie afternoon, afternoon of games and iced tea. Let me know and we can get a date before summer is gone.

Mary Young

MONEY, POSSESSIONS AND ETERNITY

We are up to Chapter 17 in the book. Chapter title: Debt: Borrowing and Lending

The author speaks to the philosophy of Buy Now, Pay Later; I want what I want now; "Everything's alright so far." He talks about debt and how we get into it just because we follow the path of least resistance. Credit - the ability to have something now and pay for it later. Credit cards - how many do you have in your wallet? The author reports that over 75,000 people are approved for credit every day. The American Credit Counselors Corporation reported that in the year 2000, each American owed \$13,000 in debt on average. College students graduate from college with a minimum of \$7,500 credit card debt and most do not have a job yet. The catch to credit is the interest. If you use your card and then pay off the balance each month the interest does not affect you. You purchased items you budgeted for and then pay one bill at the end of the month. But if you bought something that you can't pay for, then interest accrues. The example the author uses is the consumer who purchased \$2,000 worth of goods with a credit card at 19.5% interest. He or she is allowed to pay off the card at \$75 per month, of that \$75, \$32.50 is interest. It will take approximately 47 months to pay off that \$2000 and you will pay about \$1500 more because of interest for those items. The author gives some suggestions for using credit cards:

Pay off your credit card every month

Never use your credit card for anything except budgeted items.

The first month you can't pay your card off, put it away or cut it up and don't use it.

This month's issue of the AARP magazine had an article about credit as well. Many of us have gone through or read articles saying to get rid of our credit cards and use only cash. This author, Jane Bryant Quinn, makes a case for having credit in order to buy a home, car or other big ticket items we purchase once in awhile. She states that without a credit score, which if you do not have or use a credit card you won't have, we will soon, if not already, not be able to get utilities, insurance, rent a car or get ourselves any credit for emergencies. She suggests having one credit card and using it once a month and paying off the balance each month. "This will be your door to good credit."

Next month "How to get Out of Debt"

Mary Young, Junior Warden

COMMUNITY EVENT

Benefit Show

On July 23rd, The Theater Barn will be presenting a musical comedy, "Guttenberg! the Musical!"

This show will be for the benefit of the Cemetery of the Evergreens and will be in the "Barn's" tradition of great theater.

Tickets are on sale for \$25.

If you would like to be entertained as you support this cause, please contact me.

Thank you for your attention,

Ed Wever

PSALM 23 The Divine Shepherd

A Psalm of David

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

> *I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff – they comfort me.*

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

JUNE CALENDAR

Sunday, June 1 -	
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
Thursday, June 5 –	
7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
Friday, June 6 -	
	Free dinner at the Congregational Church
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	on at Camp of the Woods
Sunday, June 8 -	Pentecost
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
Thursday, June 12 –	
7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
Friday, June 13 –	
	Free dinner at the Congregational Church
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Sunday, June 15 -	Fathers' Day
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, with reception for ice cream Sundaes
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
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Thursday, June 19 -	
7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
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Friday, June 20 -	Ence dimension at the Communicational Chunch
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Free dinner at the Congregational Church
Sunday, June 22 -	
9:00 a.m.	Combined Service, with Holy Eucharist
	Celebratory Brunch with our Graduates to follow
Thursday, June 26 –	
7:00 p.m.	Community Bible Study in Fellowship Hall
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Friday, June 27 -	
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Free dinner at the Congregational Church
Sunday, June 29 -	
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School