

# the Courier

THE NEWSLETTER OF CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, DEARBORN, MICHIGAN

## SATURDAY WORSHIP Blue Sky Masses

July 21 • August 18 at 4:30PM

Journey of Faith and Christ Church will host these Saturday afternoon services incorporating the music of Bob Dylan, Bruce Springsteen and others into a special opportunity for outdoor worship, followed by a community BBQ.

Come and enjoy these unique worship experiences. Also, note that because these services are meant to be our community's main worship experience on those weekends, both our 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services will be held in the Chapel on the Sundays that follow them (7/22 and 8/19). Come on those days and you will enjoy the air conditioning!

### Save the Date!

September 23, 2007 -- Sunday afternoon

We are holding a Jazz concert called "Joy, Jazz and Grace" for Grace Church Child Care Center in New Orleans. This concert is still in the planning stage, but we will be bringing in musicians of several different styles of Jazz for this benefit concert. Dinner will be included with the concert, so don't miss out! Interested in helping with the planning? Contact Margaret Green at 313.792.9839 or mlanegreen@aol.com.

### 2007 Dearborn Crop Walk

Christ Church will host the 2007 Dearborn CROP Walk on Sunday, October 7. Being a host congregation means that the Walk will start and end at Christ Church and involves a number of responsibilities that call for volunteers. They include:

1. Mapping three walking routes: a one-mile route, three-mile route, and a six-mile route;
2. Registering walkers before the walk;
3. Setting up and maintaining water stations at the half-way points of the routes;
4. Placing crossing and directional guards at key intersections;
5. Driving two vans around the routes to provide assistance when needed;
6. Making available wheelchair assistants;
7. Providing refreshments at the end of the Walk.

If you would like to volunteer for any of these tasks, please contact Bob Ryan, CROP Walk Coordinator for Christ Church at 313.846.1006 or rlyan99@ameritech.net.

### *New Member Coffee and Catch Up*

Please join us at our NEW LOCATION on July 17 and August 21, 7-8:30 p.m.: Au Bon Pain, located at 22219 Michigan Ave. These informal gatherings are for new members and visitors to Christ Church, as well as anyone who may just want to ask questions, make suggestions or get more involved with our faith community. There is no need to RSVP, but anyone with questions can call Lynn Borg at 313.633.1882.

### Martial Arts: Summer Changes

We are making a change in the children's Martial Arts class for the summer. Effective immediately, they will begin at 2:30pm, joining the last hour of the adult class. The adult class runs from 2:00-3:30pm. This schedule will be in effect during the months of July and August. Also note that there will be no children's class on July 8.

## JOIN US

### Lemonade on the Lawn

June 17-September 2, 11:10AM

Cool refreshments will be served outdoors after the 10 o'clock service through the summer months. Sign up to host a Sunday. The sheets are in the Narthex and across from the Church office. There are July and August dates still available.

## SERVICE

### OPPORTUNITY

#### Spirit of Hope Soup Kitchen

Saturday, September 1, 8:30AM-3PM

Join others at Spirit of Hope Church in Detroit where we'll prepare and serve lunch to the city's less fortunate. Meet in Christ Church's parking lot at 8:30am to carpool or meet at Spirit of Hope at 9:00am to prepare and serve lunch at 11:30am. For further information, contact Susan Ward.

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

#### Breakfast Bunch

Sundays, 9AM

Meets after the 8:00am service at Leon's Restaurant in Dearborn.

#### St. Mary's of Bethany

#### Prayer Group

Wednesdays at 10AM

Intercessory prayer offered for the needs of those on our current and sustaining prayer lists. All are welcome.

## Evangelism Meeting

The Evangelism Commission is meeting on Wednesday, July 11 at 7:00 PM at the Greens' house (22362 Morley Avenue). The primary topic will be evangelism opportunities in connection with Dearborn Homecoming weekend, August 3-5, 2007. All are welcome to attend and/or send their suggestions to me (kevin\_green@mascohq.com) prior to the meeting.

**Deadline for the September Courier is August 15th**

## CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

### Summer Prayer Room

Sundays, 10:05AM

Worship activities for children 3-7 years. Guest readers will be paired with experienced Prayer Room teachers. Interested in volunteering? contact Lynn Borg at 313.633.1882 or lynn\_borg@yahoo.com.

## MEETINGS

### Commissions/Committees

Outreach - First Tuesdays, 7:00PM

Vestry - Second Sundays, 12noon

Adult Formation - Second Tuesdays, 5:00PM

Property - Second Wednesdays, 7:00PM

Evangelism - to be announced

Stewardship - Second Sundays, 9:00AM

Library - Third Wednesdays, 1:00PM

Finance - Third Thursdays, 7:00PM

## MUSIC MINISTRY

Summer Arts Camp ran from June 25-29.

We had four fun-filled days at the church with 23 campers participating in the drama, art, music and recreational activities. Thanks again to everyone who made this camp a success. Our fieldtrip on the People Mover in Detroit with stops at the Detroit Opera House, Mariners' Church and The Ren Cen was full of lots of memorable sights and sounds.

Thanks to those of you who participated

in Open Choir on July 1st. The next dates are August 5 and September 2. Please meet in the choir room at 9 am on the Sundays listed.

Blue Sky Mass rehearsals continue throughout the summer months. We are looking forward to worship under the sky with a variety of music including folk classics and songs by Bob Dylan and Sufyan Stevens.

-Sean

For more information about the music program, contact Assistant Music Director, Sean Jackman, at seanmjackman@hotmail.com or 313.562.0136.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Dearborn Homecoming Parking Friday-Sunday, August 3-5

Call the church office if you can work a shift during this busy weekend. Planned activities include a band provided by Journey of Faith, a demonstration by our Martial Arts group, and a performance by the Blue Sky band.

### Baptism Labor Day Weekend

Preparation Class: September 1, 10AM-12PM; Baptism: September 2, 10AM

Baptism will be offered on the Sunday before Labor Day. Preparation class is required for parents and godparents of children being presented for Baptism the next day. Call the church office if you're interested.

The SUMMER READING ADVENTURE continues.

Earn FREE Books

Have Fun!



## FINANCIAL CORNER

Income & Expenses as of May 31, 2007

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Income		
(Pledges & Offerings)	\$147,319	\$156,678
Other	\$13,295	\$9,662
Total Operating Income	\$160,614	\$166,340
Less Operating Expenses	\$185,545	\$190,217
Surplus / Deficit	\$(24,931)	\$(23,877)
2006 Carry-over Cash	\$13,991	\$13,991

# DIOCESE NEWS

**The Second Diocesan Youth Summer Service Project is planned for August 5-11.** Called Compassion at Work: Detroit, the hands-on mission trip in Detroit will collaborate with Habitat for Humanity on a Blitz Build housing project. For more information or to take part, contact mission trip director The Rev. Geoffrey Piper or Beth Rowley at (313) 833-4421.

**Bound Together East**, an after school tutoring program and summer camp will be held August 6-23. Introduced by Church of the Messiah, Detroit and Christ Church Grosse Pointe. For more information, call (248) 334-3827.

## Diocesan Council approves proposed 2008 budget

The budget and plans for ministry will be discussed at two more budget hearings during the summer and will be revised and sent to Diocesan Convention delegates for final consideration at the Convention on October 27. The upcoming Budget hearings will be held on August 18 at St. Paul's Jackson at 9:30am and on September 11 at St. Christopher/St. Paul's Detroit at 7:00pm. All are welcome to attend.

### Bowlers Wanted!

I am looking for 4-6 people, all ages, to bowl in a non-sanctioned mixed league. The season runs from September to May, every other Saturday evening in Livonia. It is a fun league; good for families. For more details, contact Barb Hall (313) 274-4843 or leave a note at the church.

## OFF TO SCHOOL?

Are you or someone you know planning to attend the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor or Michigan State? If so, please contact the church office.

### RECENTLY DEPARTED

Ruth Buckenberger: June 8, 2007

Joseph Norat: June 12, 2007

Phyllis Potter: June 17, 2007

## UTO Update Spring 2007

Thanks to everyone who participated in our Spring UTO Ingathering. We received a record breaking amount of \$2,890.57 (previous high in recent years was \$2,736.14 in 2004.) The UTO is a great way to express tangible thanks to God for His Blessings.

Good job, Christ Church!

-Barb Hall

## SUMMER ARTS CAMP FIELD TRIP

I thought you might like to hear about our field trip. We had a wonderful trip and were blessed with a beautiful sunny day. (I did have to take a 2 1/2 hour nap when I got home.) All that walking and high energy little ones did me in! There were 29 of us including adults and we car pooled downtown. We had a great time on the People Mover where we viewed some beautiful mosaics at the different stations. Our first stop was the Detroit Opera House. We were able to go in some of the dressing rooms and actually stood on stage looking out at the audience. Our guide told us of the history of the renovation as well as the history of the theaters in Detroit. He explained how all the stuff backstage worked. The kids asked intelligent questions and were genuinely interested in all the workings. My favorite question was asked by the three year old boy in our group. "What does the fork life truck do on the stage?" We then went to Mariner's Church where we learned the history of the building. The church was said to be a Protestant church. Our guide tactfully avoided all references to the legal battle with diocese, etc. We enjoyed looking at all the stained glass and the organist played a number for us. Sean said the number of pipes were twice the number of Christ Church. Both the "old prayer books and hymnals" were in the pews. It is a beautiful building. Our final stop was the Renaissance Center. We ate lunch in the food court before our tour. I hadn't been in the building in years and was very impressed with the improvements GM has made. The atrium area and Winter garden is lovely. We went outside and saw a bit of the riverwalk. It was exciting just to be there and feel the atmosphere. We then went up the glass sided elevator to the 72nd floor. The view up there and on the way up was magnificent. We could look at the river with all the boats, Windsor, and could see the Pontiac stadium, the washer and dryer buildings in Dearborn as well as the stadiums and other downtown buildings. Again I had to give thanks for the great weather which put all of this at its best. We rode the People Mover back to the parking garage and headed home. What a super day! Special thanks to Sean and Tess who planned and organized all of this.

-Nancy Lehnert

# Blue Sky Mass

Open Worship  
Roots Music  
Shared Meal



Everyone is welcome...

July 21  
August 18  
2007

Christ Episcopal Church  
& Journey of Faith

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