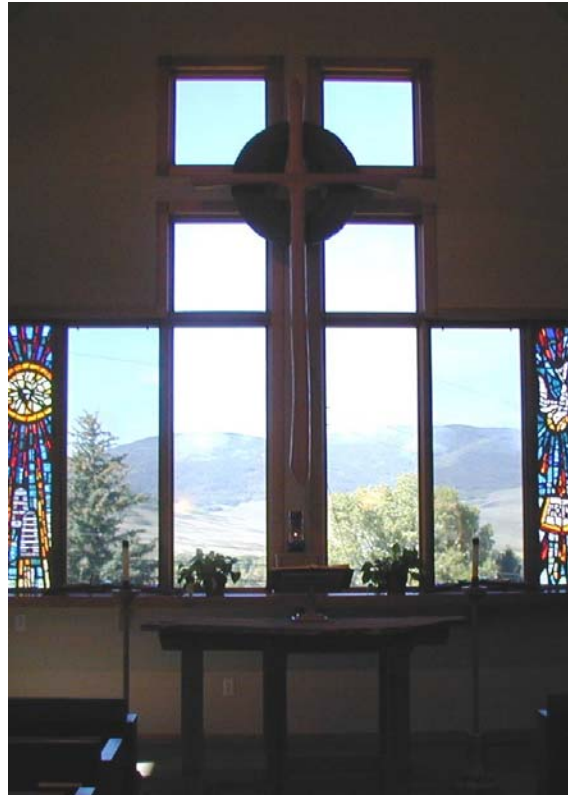


A Voice in the Wilderness

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



JUNE 2009

We had a wonderful Newcomers Brunch last month! Our thanks to Deacon Diane, Cyndi Karnisak & crew.

Rev. Michele Danson is preaching and challenging us this month. Do come & meet her; she will also be sharing Holy Eucharist at the Cranmer Chapel, Saturday's @ 5:00PM. Do check the Calendar as we continue most of our monthly activities with a few new ones added. A heads up for July ~ Compline on the Lake and High Tea at Cranmer Chapel will be happening so watch for them.

HAPPY FATHERS DAY!

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A Word from the Warden

Sr. Warden ~ Kathe Morck

Still paddling

As we approach the midpoint of Spencer's sabbatical, I am still paddling like crazy, but my head is above water and I can see the edge of the pool. Thanks to all of you who have offered many life rings. We have had some incredibly insightful and entertaining "supply priests" in the last several weeks and I look forward to the next month with Rev. Michelle Danson whose energy was contaminating her first Sunday. I've enjoyed the many activities that our members have planned and look forward to a busy June. What really strikes me at this point is the reassuring realization that a "church" is not defined by its clergy leader, but by its members. Although we have all stepped out of our "comfort zones" a bit during Spencer's absence, the journey has in no way stopped. Psychologists would tell us the only way to really grow is to test ourselves by moving out of that comfort zone. To me, at this halfway point, we are passing with flying colors. I am honored to be associated with such a special group of people. Blessings to you all.

Next vestry meeting Sunday June 21.

Our Jr. Warden invites you:

What: A Summer Picnic

When: Saturday, June 13, from 12noon to 4PM

Where: Double A Barn @ end of CR 66 on the Colorado River
below Shadow Mountain Dam

Bring: chips or salad or dessert or any special drink you
desire.

Church will provide brats, hamburgers, lemonade & water.

Bring Frisbees, balls and mitts, fishing rods, comfortable camp chairs, (picnic tables are provided, but you may wish to sit in something more comfortable for socializing & enjoying) and a desire to have a great time.

Needed: a gas grill if you have a means to transport it.

Call Stu @ 627-6481

Notes about Ministries

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IN THE COMMUNITY

Last summer, during the Parish Retreat, ministry to children in the community was identified as an area of interest among the members of St. John's. As a first step in that direction we matched appeals from Grand County's schools with volunteers willing to share their gifts and skills with students. The 2008-2009 school year is drawing to a close and it's time to celebrate the ministry of the following volunteers who helped out in a variety of ways:

Fraser Valley Elementary

Reading Buddies: Gene and Sally Ackley, and Deacon Diane Nicole Robinson (aka "Super-Mom"): Home-room Mom, Classroom Volunteer, Assistant Soccer Coach, Parent Advisory Committee. AND in her spare time she initiated a recycling program for juice boxes at the school!

Granby Elementary

Reading Tutor: Betty Cranmer
Career Day Presentation: Walt Wilson

East Grand Middle School

Tutors: Jeanie Kemp and Lisa VonderHaar

Behind every achiever, is a believer. Through your belief that every student can grow academically with just a little extra time, support, and attention from you, a child can come to believe that he/she can be an achiever. Thank you all for taking the time to nurture children in such an important way. You made a difference!

Outreach Committee Update

As we approach the mid-point of 2009, we, the Outreach Committee, would like to provide an update on how we receive from all of you is disbursed. As background the Outreach Committee receives five percent of plate and pledge.

We have disbursed money locally and internationally. Locally we have donated to Habitat for Humanity (\$400.00), Middle Park School District Food Program to supply two students (\$152.50), Mountain Family Center (\$250.00), Samaritan Ministries (\$200.00), and The National Sports Center for the Disabled to cover a therapeutic riding session for a child (\$170.00).

Support was also given to international organizations. Contributions were sent to American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem (\$200.00) and Cross Link (\$375.00) to support our own Cyndi Karnosak's mission work.

We would like to invite and newcomers to St. John's (old timers also) to join the Outreach Committee. If you have an interest or questions, please contact Terry McFee (627-9812)

Reminder: There is an excellent library downstairs in the Group Room. The books are categorized - very loosely - according to subject. For example, Prayer and Spirituality, Healing, History of the Bible etc. There are even a few fiction items. Go down and see if there is a book on some religious thought or question about which you would like more information. You might find it there!

Let me know if you have any questions or suggestions.
Eleanor Holley

For a Father

The longer we live,
The more of your presence
We find laid down,
Weave upon weave
Within our lives.

The quiet constancy of your gentleness
Drew no attention to itself,
Yet filled our home
With a climate of kindness
Where each mind felt free
To seek its own direction.

As the fields of distance
Opened inside childhood,
Your presence was a sheltering tree
Where our fledging hearts could rest.

The warmth and wonder of your prayer
Whenever, silently, in off moments,
The beauty of the whole thing overcame
you, The beauty of the whole thing
overcame us,
You would gaze quietly out upon us,
You would gaze quietly out upon us,
The look from your eyes
The look from you eyes
Like a kiss alighting on skin.
Like a kiss alighting on skin.

From To Bless the Space Between Us by
John O'Donohue.

Mark Your Calendars

Baccalaureate: Friday, June 5th at 7 PM at Middle Park High School. All graduating seniors, their families, and friends are invited to celebrate this important milestone in the life of Middle Park High School's graduating seniors. Please RSVP: Deacon Diane 970-887-2692.

Ministries' Fair: After the service on Sunday, June 7th, representatives from Grand County non-profits will be on hand to share information about their agencies as well as provide volunteer opportunities.

Habitat Hobble-June 13: Habitat for Humanity of Grand County believes that all families need safe, decent homes in which to live and raise their children. Mark your calendar for June 13th and plan on joining a team of Hobblers from St. John's to help raise funds to build Grand County's 8th Habitat for Humanity house in Hot Sulphur Springs. The team that brings in the most contributions wins the Habitat Hobble Team Spirit trophy.

The 5K Hobble begins at the Fraser Visitor Center/Destinations West, 120 Zerex in Fraser and follows along the Fraser River to the Finish Line Party at Cooper Creek Square in downtown Winter Park. The party includes live music from The Pan with Altitude Steel Band, food, silent auction, drawings for door prizes, tickets for drawing for a hand made quilt, and awarding of the Team Spirit trophy. Join the fun!

Men's Bible Study: meets every Saturday morning @ 8am ~ ALL men welcome!

Trinity Women's Group-June 19: At noon on the third Friday (12:00 noon) of the month all women of St. John's are invited to gather at church for a brown bag lunch and stimulating conversation on a topic of interest.

Socks and Skivvies Sunday- June 21: St. Francis Center, a ministry of the Diocese of Colorado, is a day shelter for the homeless in Denver. While they were blessed with sufficient clothing during the winter, they are now in need of white tube socks (most urgent need) and underwear (sizes 30-36). Please pick up socks and skivvies while you're shopping and help the homeless have new items for summertime.

Worship Committee: under the direction of Loretta McLaughlin, needs additional people to be Acolytes & Lay Readers. You are asked to serve approx. once every 6 weeks with sign up each quarter. Contact her @ 726-4738

ECW Annual Gathering: Oct. 16-18. Rev. Nina Stasser presenter. Theme: "Instruments of God". Further info to follow. Contact Betty Clark

June 2009

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
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						8 AM MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST * 5 PM HOLY EUCARIST AT CRANMER CHAPEL
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9 AM HOLY EUCARIST 10:30 COMMUNITY MINISTRIES FAIR						8 AM MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST * NOON – 4PM SUMMER PICNIC * 5 PM HOLY EUCARIST AT CRANMER CHAPEL
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