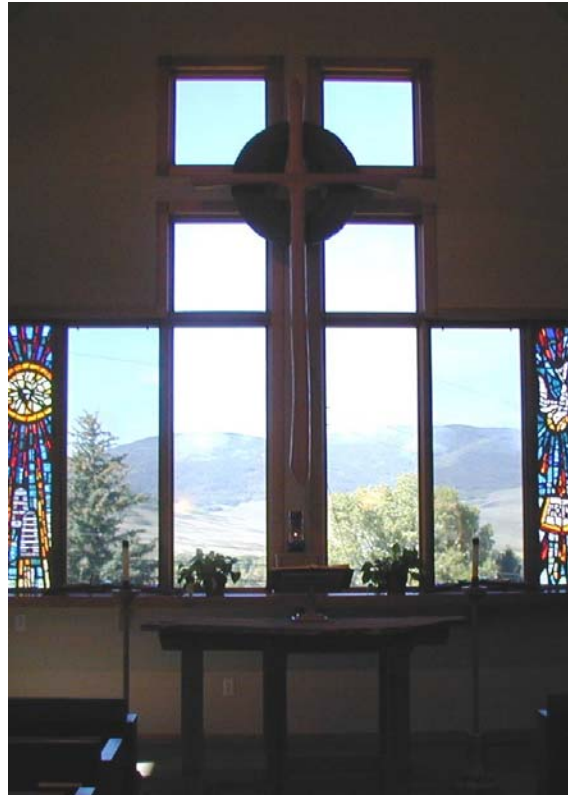


# A Voice in the Wilderness

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



## JULY 2009

Friday the 3rd of July Deacon Diane has planned a beautiful 4th of July service to which all are welcome. We have 2 more Sundays before Fr. Spencer returns. The Rev. Larry Donoghue will be with us the 5th & 12th. The Saturday Services at Cranmer Chapel will be handle by Deacon Diane with reserved sacrament. We will have a welcoming reception for Fr. Spencer & Karla on the 19th, so mark your calendars. Should be a wonderful day of sharing. It is High Tea time at the Cranmer Chapel ~ both Saturday & Sunday of the Winter Park Art Affair.

YOU ARE INVITED.....

To: an Evening of Patriotic Songs and Readings

When: Friday, July 3rd

Time: 6:30 PM

Where: St. John's Episcopal Church

Emergency Numbers:

Sr. Warden: Kathe Morck 887-3231 Deacon Diane 887-2692

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### A Word from the Sr. Warden

The end is near! Or should I say the side of the pool is almost within reach! We are planning a potluck after Sunday Service on July 19th to officially welcome Spencer and Karla back into the fold following sabbatical. Rev. Michelle stated last Sunday she is sure Spencer has changed and challenged us to reflect on how we have changed in the past three months. At the potluck, we hope Spencer will briefly share his experiences and insights, and I am asking that each of our "team" and "committee" leaders will briefly share how they have moved forward in the last three months. And certainly if any of you has any reflections you would like to share during that time, please feel free to do so. I look forward to not only finding out how Spencer changed, but also how we as a congregation have changed. We can catch up, reconnect, and fall back into step with renewed energy and confidence. Of course, I'm going to be a bit tired after all that dog paddling, but look forward to the thrill of another high jump in the near future. Peace.

Next Vestry Mtg: Aug. 9, 2009

### A Word from the Jr. Warden

We had a great turn out & wonderful time at the Church Picnic. Thanks to all who came and enjoyed the event.

We have secured three dates for this summer's Compline on Grand Lake. It was not possible to reserve a date in June due to conflicts in schedules. The first compline will be on Sunday, July 12. We will meet at Grand Lake Marina at 5:00 p.m. As in past years, anyone who would like to share in an evening meal may bring a picnic lunch or purchase one at a local business and join us for a meal on the beach. We have been asked to pay \$1.00/person (or whatever you may feel appropriate) to cover liability for the marina and a tip for the boat captain.

July 26 and August 23 have also been reserved.

Hope to see you all at Compline!

## Notes about Ministries

God and Country Service on July 3rd at 6:30 PM- Kickoff your July 4th festivities by attending our church service on July 3rd to give thanks for this wonderful country in which we are privileged to live. Patriotic spirits will soar as we hear the immortal words of the men and women who made America great! Everyone is invited so bring your whole family, friends, and neighbors, too! And show your American pride by wearing something red, white, and blue.

Trinity Women's Group-July 19: At noon on the third Friday 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-Thank you for providing much needed items for the homeless who are served at St. Francis Center. We decorated the parish hall with St. John's clothesline for the homeless and were amazed at what was collected. 3 T-shirts, pairs of skivvies, and pairs of socks. Thank you for your generosity.

One More Incredible Servant Heart-Last month's article on ministry to the students in Grand County missed a volunteer. Leah Lietzke has been tutoring at Middle Park Middle School during the school year and ran the bike helmet safety event! Many thanks, Leah!

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

## **LOAVES AND FISHES SUNDAY-July 26, 2009-THE MIRACLE CONTINUES....**

Jesus said to His Disciples, "You give them something to eat." In the story of the feeding of the 5,000, Jesus took what was on hand, a couple of fish and some small loaves of bread, and after blessing the food, distributed it to feed the multitude of hungry people who had spent the day listening to His teachings.

Each summer, supplies of food hit a low point at food banks just when children are out of school and families who normally struggle to make ends meet face the dilemma of filling hungry bellies. In response to this need, the Diocese of Colorado sponsors Loaves and Fishes Sunday, a day when churches throughout the diocese are invited to replenish food supplies at their local food banks.

Here at St. John's we can play an important part in the food chain by providing emergency food for a family of three. Each family can feed one family by bringing all of the following items to church on Sunday, July 26th.

2 boxes of macaroni and cheese 1 box of cereal  
2 lbs. or rice or dried beans 1 can of fruit  
1 jar of peanut butter 1 box of crackers  
1 jar of jelly  
1 box of dry milk  
2 cans of "quick meals" (stew, ravioli/chili/or Spaghettios)  
2 cans of tuna  
1 box of pancake or baking mix 2 cans of vegetables  
1 box of Hamburger or Tuna Helper 1 jar of spaghetti sauce  
1 can of tomatoes 1 box of pasta

Thank you being a blessing to hungry people in Grand County!

## I Am Old Glory

For more than ten score years I have been the banner of hope and freedom for generation after generation of Americans.

Born amid the first flames of America's fight for freedom, I am the symbol of a country that has grown from a little group of thirteen colonies to a united nation of fifty sovereign states.

Planted firmly on the high pinnacle of American Faith my gently fluttering folds have proved an inspiration to untold millions.

Men have followed me into battle with unwavering courage.

They have looked upon me as a symbol of national unity.

They have prayed that they and their fellow citizens might continue to enjoy the life, liberty and pursuit of happiness, which have been granted to every American as the heritage of free men.

So long as men love liberty more than life itself, so long as they treasure the priceless privileges bought with the blood of our forefathers, so long as the principles of truth, justice and charity for all remain deeply rooted in human hearts, I shall continue to be the enduring banner of the United States of America.

Originally written by Master Sergeant  
Percy Webb, USMC

## THE RESPONSE

I listen to the sounds around me,  
The better to prepare myself  
to listen to the gospel.

I now hear Jesus say to me  
some of the sentences he said  
to people in the gospels.  
He says, "Who do you say that I am?"

I do not reply to those words at first.  
I let them echo and re-echo in my ears  
for quite some time,  
observing how my heart reacts to them.

And only when I can restrain myself no longer  
do I react to them  
-in just one word  
or silence.

I do the same with the other gospel phrases:

"Do you love me?"

"Come follow me."

"So long a time have I been with you  
and you do not know me?"

"Do you believe?  
Everything is possible to one who believes."

From Wellsprings by Anthony de Mello, S.J.

## July 2009

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
			1	2	3	4
					6:30 PM GOD & COUNTRY SERVICE	8 AM MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST * 5 PM HOLY EUCHARIST AT CRANMER CHAPEL
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
9 AM HOLY EUCHARIST						8 AM MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST * 2 PM KEN & JOAN VAN DER HEIDEN RENEW VOWS-ALL INVITED * 5 PM HOLY EUCHARIST AT CRANMER CHAPEL
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
9 AM HOLY EUCHARIST					WOMEN'S GROUP @ ST. JOHNS NOON	8 AM MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST * 5 PM HOLY EUCHARIST AT CRANMER CHAPEL
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
9 AM HOLY EUCHARIST * WELCOME HOME BRUNCH FOR FR. SPENCER & KARLA						8 AM MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST * 11:30 – 3 HIGH TEA @ CRANMER CHAPEL * 5 PM HOLY EUCHARIST AT CRANMER CHAPEL
26	27	28	29	30	31	
9 AM HOLY EUCHARIST * 11:30 – 3 HIGH TEA @ CRANMER CHAPEL * 5 PM COMPLINE ON THE LAKE						