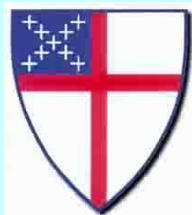


September
2010

The Anchor



Office Hours

**Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday**

**9:30 a.m.
to
12:30 p.m.**

Look inside for:

Service Time
Blood Drive
Auction & Dinner
Reflections

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The ANCHOR of our soul is Jesus - Hebrews 6:19

From the Pastor's Pen

When it was clear that Good Shepherd's plan to move to back to Bear-Glasgow had been approved by Bishop and Council, the Vestry decided to poll parishioners about each person's preferred service time. It was to be done by e-mail, in person after worship, and by phone, if needed. 48 surveys were returned and 2 people responded to phone calls. The results were 56% for 10 a.m., 40% for 9:30 a.m. and 4% did not care.

These results mean that our worship service will move back to 10 a.m. We talked about when it would be best to make the change and decided that September 12, the Sunday after Labor Day, would be best. It will be announced at worship services and in an additional e-mail will be sent just before the change.

We are grateful for your willingness to participate in the survey, and we hope you will continue to participate in the life and ministry here at St. Nicholas'.

Faithfully,
Nick Simons, Sr. Warden
Elizabeth+, Rector

Be Someone's Hero. Give Blood.

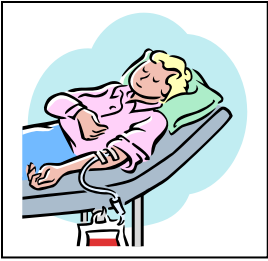
Every 2 seconds someone needs blood.

The Blood Bank of Delmarva is in the midst of its' summer blood drive. This year, we are hoping that Episcopalians will rise to the challenge by donating at one of the local sites.

In addition, just as when you bring a friend to church, bring a friend to the Blood Bank. When you donate, please be sure to tell them you are part of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware.

Here are some important facts to know:

The Blood Bank needs 350 people to donate each day. And, they are actively looking for new younger members.



You can donate every 56 days and in doing so you become a Life Saver.

It only takes an hour to donate and at the end you and your friend can talk over juice and cookies.

Red blood cells only last 42 days outside your body.

The Episcopal Diocese of Delaware is a group sponsor.

There are three fixed donor sites in Delaware -

Newark - 100 Hygeia Drive ; Dover - 221 Saulsbury Road; Wilmington - 913 Market St.

Visit the Blood Bank of Delmarva website at www.delmarvablood.org.

Call for an appointment or information at: (302) 737-8400 or toll free (888) 825-6638

Parish Life

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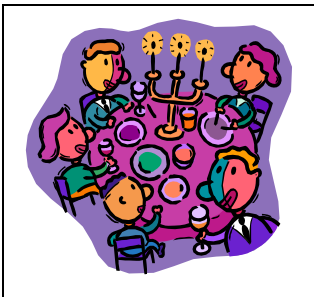
Plans are underway for another “TIME, TALENT, TREASURE” dinner and auction on Saturday, October 16. Last year’s event raised a generous amount for our outreach, and we hope to equal or better that amount this year with your creative donations.

Do consider what you might be able to give for the silent and/or live auction: offers of your TIME to help someone else in the parish (yard work, housecleaning, babysitting, driving to appointments, etc.), your TALENT (cooking a meal or special food, singing at a party, giving dance lessons...), and/or your TREASURE (a decorative item from your home, an antique, a rare coin, tickets to an event...). Donation forms and a basket to hold them and the items will be available at coffee hour by mid-September.

We hope that many of you will want to attend and bid often and generously!

Last year’s dinner was catered Chinese. Would you like to repeat that or have something different? See Wanda or Nick Simons to offer up your opinions and suggestions and/or your help. More details will follow in the October Anchor. And do put October 16 on your calendar for an evening of fun and good food!

Wanda Simons, Auction Chair



NEWSLETTER DEADLINES - The 20th of each month, regardless of which day of the week this falls on, will be the contribution deadline. Please forward your monthly schedules to the office via hard copy or email st.nicholas.newark@gmail.com and to Wayne Buchanan at wab@udel.edu

THE PENTECOST SAGA CONTINUES - WHEN WE PRAY, DO WE WORSHIP?

When I pray, I desire for it also to include worship, but don't always succeed to make it happen. Many times I am also distracted by thoughts of other things. I wonder if the apostles also had that challenge as they followed Jesus. We read stories of their arguments about who was closer to Jesus and who would sit next to him in heaven. Were they so different from us?

I have an easier time of prayer and worship in church—the environment helps me to focus without too many distractions, except for some fidgeting and talking around me. I feel sad when someone is missing the opportunity to put the world aside and focus on God's extraordinary love that invites our spirits to be joined with his.

I find that, as with everything else in life, it takes practice and involvement to stay focused on God in Jesus, and to find the joy and peace that lead to the confidence of holding on to Godliness in the world where we live. All through the Bible readings and church services, we are called to serve God in the world, and to bring others to want to know Jesus and worship him.

I pray that I can grow spiritually with our congregation to be able to have this kind of close relationship with God without worry about the rest of our worldly life. Amen. Shalom,

Jean Grieten



Blessings on your . . .

Birthdays

2 Elliot Salinas
4 Charles Greenplate
9 Sue DeGraff
10 Wanda Simons
15 Sherry Palease
15 Dakarai Judah King
15 David Chandler
16 Jim Bowman
24 Quie Shuhart
24 Jalen Davis
25 Desyiney Rash
30 Elizabeth Masterson+

Baptisms

7 Elliot Salanis
9 Jim Bowman

Marriages

3 Jim & Carolyn Bowman
10 Steve & Liz Hankins
20 Don & Sue DeGraff
27 John & Chimene Grieten



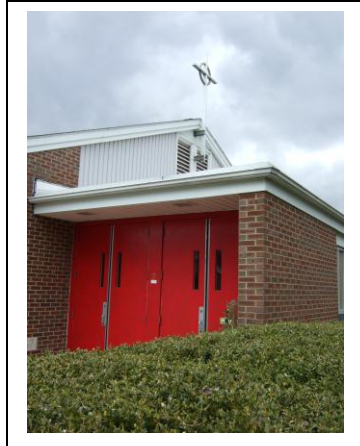
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**The Rev. Elizabeth Masterson,
Rector**

We are on the web...

See us at—

<http://www.dioceseofdelaware.net/churches/stnich.html>

Sunday

Worship - Eucharist
9:30 a.m. 9/5
10:00 a.m. 9/12 & forward
Childcare Provided.

Christian Education
for Youth & Children
1st & 3rd Sundays

Thursdays

Bible Study @ 11 a.m.
Eucharist @ 12:15 p.m.
Begins 9/16



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