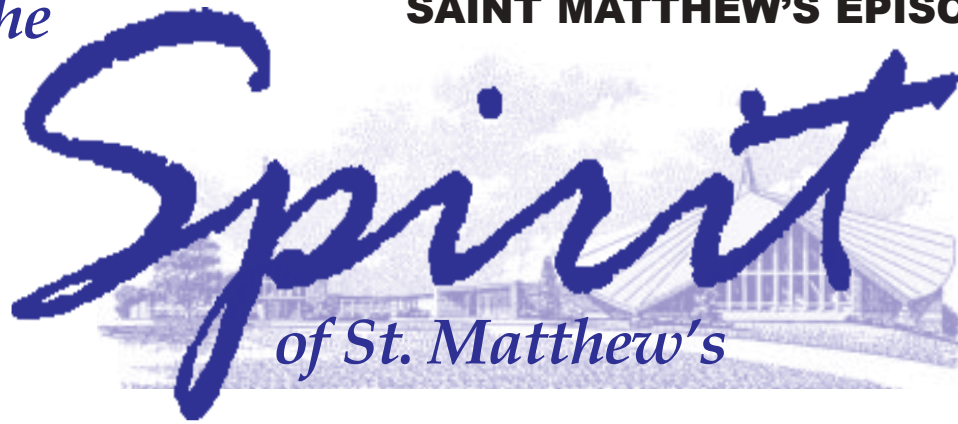


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SAINT MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# Spirit

of St. Matthew's



August 2011

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## Parish Mission Statement

*Our mission is to be a caring, inclusive community, centered in the Eucharist and grounded in the Gospel, so that we can reach out as Christ's hands to the world.*

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## Coming Up in August at St. Matthew's

### The Annual Parish Breakfast

Sunday, August 21, 9:00 a.m.

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## Ministry Fair

*with lunch*

Sunday, August 28,

*(in Saints Hall, following the 10:00 service)*

### Why bother to attend?

**Come for you!** Wondering what God is calling you to do? Come and learn about ministries that are right for you! Along the way, you will discover and use your special gifts as you represent Christ's hands in the world, and know the joy that comes from being an instrument of change for others.

**Come for our Community!** Do you want to become more involved in the mission and ministry of St. Matthew's, but you're not sure where to begin, what to do, or how to apply your unique gifts and talents? Begin by coming to the Fair to learn about the wonderful ministries at St. Matthew's as well as many other outreach opportunities where our parishioners are involved.

Representatives are available for these ministry opportunities and many more!

- Habitat for Humanity "Raise the Roof" – September 9-10
- Touched Twice Clinic – October 8
- St. Matthew's Food Pantry – September 17 and the 3rd Saturday of each month
- Every1Reads
- Our Kenya Kids at Rongo
- Inside the parish: worship, children and youth, small groups and others

# PARISH NEWS



## Lunch and a Movie

August 7

Make plans to stay after the 10:00 service on Sunday, August 7 for lunch and the movie *Up*. *Up* is a delightful animated comedy adventure about a 78 year-old man

who ties balloons to his house and flies away with an 8-year-old stowaway. Nominated for an Academy Award in 2009, it's a movie all ages will enjoy.

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## AED/CPR Training

August 20

Additional places are available in a training class for Cardiopulmonary Response and the Automated External Defibrillator. The 90 minute class will be held in Clingman Chapel on **August 20 at 9:00 am**. There is no fee for the class, unless you would like a certificate (available for a small charge). Class size is limited, so please contact **Karen Hill** (khill@stmatt-ky.org, 895-3485) to reserve a spot. We must know by August 18 if you need the certificate.

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## Represent Your Ministry at the Ministry Fair

August 28

This year's **MINISTRY FAIR** on August 28 will focus on one of our parish's greatest strengths: Outreach Ministries. There will be representatives from, and information about, the many ways we do outreach in and from the parish.

We'd like to present outreach opportunities from outside St. Matthew's as well. Do you volunteer in the community? Would you like to tell others about how you are "reaching out as Christ's hands in the world" and invite them to join you? We want you to participate in the Fair too!

All other St. Matthew's ministries (education, worship, small groups, etc.) are also invited to participate in the Ministry Fair. It's a great opportunity to present your plans for this fall and encourage broader participation.

Reserve table space now! To do so, or if you have questions, please contact **Karen Hill** (khill@stmatt-ky.org or 895-3485).

## New Ministry Opportunity: Touched Twice Clinic

October 8

Did you know that 45 million Americans live without healthcare insurance? **Touched Twice United** (www.touchedtwiceunited.org.) is an organization that is growing across the country to address the needs of this group. Volunteers from local churches host free clinics – all on a budget of zero dollars!

Several St. Matthews area churches will come together on Saturday, October 8, to participate in The Touched Twice Clinic being held at St. Matthews Methodist Church on Browns Lane. This is a one-time volunteer opportunity for the day or just a few hours. The clinic will provide free medical services, cancer screenings, dental services, a food pantry, a clothes closet, hot meals and much more. Services will be determined by what services are volunteered. There is also a need for volunteers who can assist with children's activities, music/entertainment, greeters/traffic flow, and registration, as well as advocates who help steer families through the clinic, spa services (haircuts, photos, etc.) and many other areas.

If you are able to provide clinic services or would like to volunteer contact **Kathy Bryant**, (kbryant@insightbb.com, 475-4175) or **Dennis Shaw**, (dennisshaw32@msn.com, 339-2202). For questions contact **Bob Dangremond** (rkd99@msn.com, 741-6187) or **Marie Koelsch** (Mkoel630@msn.com, 891-2590), chairpersons of Social Concerns, **Emily Crouch** (ecrouch@stmatt-ky.org) or **Karen Hill** (khill@stmatt-ky.org).

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**John and Alice Tiano** are making a trek to visit our **Kenya Kids at Rongo**, leaving September 1. It is an opportunity for St. Matthew's representatives to visit with Daniel and the children. They would like to have input from children and adults concerning questions to ask in Rongo.

Questions may be emailed to atiano@insightbb.com, put in the Kenya box in the narthex coat room (far right — tippy top), or put in the offering plate. Pictures of St. Matthew's children and activities to show the Rongo children would also be nice.



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## Please give a big round of applause to ...

**Cindy Diedenhofen, Sue Jones, Dottie Rohrer, Chris Thorn, Kevin and Linda Wardell, John and Alice Willingham, and Ann Yates** for setting up and scooping ice cream at the recent band concert. This first rate team not only prepared the ice cream, they cleaned up as well. It was a grand night!

## RECTOR'S COLUMN



Dear People of St. Matthew's,

Last month I saw a friend of mine whom I had not seen since college. He had tracked me down on Facebook, which delighted me, and since I was going to be fairly close by during part of my vacation, we arranged to have lunch.

I had often thought of Harry\* in the intervening years. We met doing theater and wound up in several plays together. We had a lot of fun, giggled a lot, shared stories of woe, did some pretty crazy things, and dreamed some dreams together about what we would do with our lives after college.

If you see someone on a regular basis over 30 years, you don't really notice how they change, at least in looks. Certainly, I figured I hadn't changed all that much. But when Harry walked into the little outdoor café where we met, I didn't recognize him. Gone was the young boy with the flowing long hair and teasing eyes and in his place was a middle-aged man who had lost most of his hair. It was only when he opened his mouth and Harry's voice came out that I knew him. And he didn't look too sure about me, either.

(Harry did point out, rather acerbically, that it was a lot easier for women, who could color their hair and tended not to lose it, than for men.)

We had a long lunch and shared stories, first of people we had known. Some of our friends had done really interesting things. Others seemed to have disappeared. Harry told me about two who had died.

Finally we talked about our own lives, and all that had happened in 30 years. Back in college, neither of us could have imagined being where we are today. Harry had gone through some very difficult times. I ached for him, but primarily I was struck by how he had reacted to crisis and sorrow. He had not become bitter or angry, but had opened up to others, and gone deeper inside himself. He had become a person of real depth.

When I got home, I pulled out pictures from college. There we were: young and hopeful, full of energy and dreams (and lots of hair). For a moment I yearned to be that young girl again, giggling with Harry about all the things we might do. It was all in front of us and anything was possible.

Then I thought about the friends who had died, and said a prayer for them. It seemed unbelievable that their lives were over. I thought about Harry, and who he had become, and I thought about what the intervening years had brought me.

I looked outside the window. The sun was shining. I gave thanks for life, for hope, for friends, for God's presence in all things. I gave thanks for the redemption of all the pieces of our lives – joy and sorrow, failure and success, hope and even despair. God filled them all, and transformed them all, so that nothing should be lost.

The silence around me seemed filled with the presence of the holy.

*He also showed me a little thing, the size of a hazelnut, lying in the palm of my hand. It seemed to me as round as a ball. I gazed at it and thought, "What can this be?" The answer came thus, "It is everything that is made." I marveled how this could be, for it was so small it seemed it might fall suddenly into nothingness. Then I heard the answer, "It lasts, and ever shall last, because God loves it. All things have their being in this way by the grace of God."*

Revelations of Divine Love, by Julian of Norwich

*Lucinda*\*

\* not his real name

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**THANK YOU** to the anonymous donor who made a special gift to support our budget!



## Cake Decorating Class

St. Matthew's parishioner **Sara Woodford** is a pastry chef and owner of the former *Sweet Tooth Café* on Frankfort Avenue. Many have complemented her on the Lenten dinners other meals she has made for us. Sara has offered to teach the popular cake decorating class that she taught at her shop. As Sara says, "You will learn new and traditional ideas for amazing designs. You will be astounded by how much you learn, and how quickly! You may have never decorated a cake before, but at the conclusion of this class you'll build your very own two-tier masterpiece!" No experience is required to be successful, but many who have attended other cake decoration classes say Sara's is the best!

To prepare for each class after the first, each student will be required to bake two 8" round cakes and mix butter cream icing. A recipe for the icing will be handed out and demonstrated on the first night of class. The cakes may be made from scratch or from a mix. In each class following the first, students will take home a fully decorated cake!

The class will be held on six Thursday evenings (September 22 through October 27), 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The class fee is **\$175 per student** which includes a decorating supply kit valued at \$65 that each student will keep at the end of class. Your check (payable to **The Sweet Tooth**) is your reservation. The class is limited to 8 participants and will not be held unless there are 4 signed up. Registration deadline is September 11. Send in your checks to **Karen Hill**. For more information, email **Sara** at sarawoodford@hotmail.com or call 645-8708.

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## The Men's Breakfast Group

We meet at 8:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of every month, at the **Denny's** on Dutchman's Lane across from Norton Suburban Hospital. Everyone is invited!

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## The Ladies' Lunch Bunch

The Ladies' Lunch Bunch group gets together the third Thursday of each month, 11:30 a.m., at various restaurants throughout the city. All are welcome! Reservations are needed in advance so please remember to RSVP each month with **Betty Triplett**, 384-0244, and let her know if you need to carpool.

Thursday, August 18 - Bombay Grill, on Hurstbourne Lane at Shelbyville Road.

## Your Trash, Their Treasure

"Junk Pick-Up" day was last month, but now you have a big old ceiling fixture you just replaced. It works, but you don't want it anymore. Throw it in the trash? Keep it in the basement till next Junk Pick-Up day?

No — Freecycle it!

I've gotten rid of... a rusty barbecue grill, out-of-style plastic file boxes, garden plants, plastic potting containers, office paper, fluorescent fixtures, even old railroad ties! — all through Freecycle. I haven't had to haul anything away or pay anyone to cart anything off, or have a yard sale. Freecycling is easy, quick — and free.

Freecycle Louisville is one of nearly 5,000 groups worldwide — with 8 million members — whose motto is "one person's trash is truly another person's treasure". Their goal? primarily to keep things out of landfills. But the more immediate payoff is that you can get rid of things you no longer want — with very little effort.

Here's how it works: You join the Freecycle Louisville group on Yahoo -- it's free, of course — and start reading the messages of things being offered, free, to whoever responds and says they'll come pick them up. You can see the kinds of things being offered and get a feel for the group. (Sometimes people will list an item that they WANT — something you might just need to get rid of!) Once you join, you can post a message offering your items for pickup.

It's simple to join. Just go to <http://groups.freecycle.org/freecyclelouisville/> and click on "join this group."

—Mary Johnson

*(This short article was provided as a service of the Creation Relations Committee.)*

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## Red Cross Blood Drive



Many thanks to all who helped to make our blood drive on Wednesday, July 13 a success! From 45 presenting donors, the Red Cross collected 38 units of blood. Many thanks to the wonderful group of volunteers who made the drive run so smoothly- **Saxonia** and **Sunny Eicholtz, Dottie Rohrer, Jean Wacker, Bob Bower, Jody Fletcher, Robert Taylor, Peggy Enriquez, Mary Jo Gillim, Bobbie Stone** and **Marilyn Swain** (who donated as well!!) We plan to have another blood drive in November- Veterans' Day- **11-11-11!!** Please plan to participate in some way. This is such a vital service to Louisville and the surrounding counties, and a very special way to make an important difference to someone in need.

—Ellen Robertson

*(Thank you to Ellen for leading this ministry and helping it to be a beautifully organized Blood Drive!)*

# PARISH NEWS

## **The Rev. Dr. Helen Jones selected as the 2011 Wayne Oates Award Recipient!**

This award honors the distinguished ministry of our own Helen Jones which includes contributions in leadership, education and personal service in the field of Pastoral Care. "It is Dr. Jones' work with individuals and their families that most distinguishes her ministry, leadership, and personal service," proclaimed the person nominating her for the award. "Her work for 30 years has been characterized by attention, presence, thoughtful listening, compassion and a deep understanding of God's enfolding sustenance."

A graduate of Vassar College, Helen received her Master of Divinity degree from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Following her graduation, she served as a chaplain at Baptist Hospital and Norton Hospital in Louisville. From 1982-89, Helen was the Director of Pastoral Care at the Brown Cancer Center. With a heart for listening and a passion for service, she has focused on listening to and caring for those with grave illnesses and the dying. In 1994, she received her Doctor of Ministry degree with distinction from LPTS; the focus of her doctoral work was in the field of medical ethics. Later, she completed a two-year Spiritual Direction Practicum with The Archdiocese of Louisville. Helen has worked in various clinical settings while remaining deeply connected to parish ministry. Ordained deacon in 1987, she served at Christ Church Cathedral and Our Merciful Savior. In 2007, she was ordained as priest and since then has served in the roles of priest, pastoral associate and spiritual director here at St. Matthew's.

Helen's leadership in the field of pastoral care has manifested itself in service on numerous community boards and committees, including the Jefferson County Medical Society Ethics Committee, Louisville/Jefferson County AIDS Task Force, Louisville Council on Peacemaking, and the St. Matthews Baptist Church Board for Parish-based Clinical Pastoral Education. She was a founding member of the board of Hospice of Louisville, and Fellow and State Education Chairperson for 12 years for the Association of Professional Chaplains. She was also a charter member of the Norton Church and Health Ministries Committee. She has led many seminars and retreats on end-of-life issues for both medical and lay audiences including seminars on "A Good Death" for the Oates Institute. In 2006, She completed a Master of Fine Arts in writing at Spalding University. She has written numerous articles and sermons; an article she wrote on "waiting" was recently published in the book, *Waiting and Being* (Fons Vitae.)

Dr. Jones is married to Thomas Pike, the retired headmaster of St. Francis High School. They have seven children and eleven grandchildren.

The Wayne Oates Award was established in 1989 by the Long Run Baptist Association in Louisville, Kentucky and has continued as an annual recognition. In 2003, the Oates Institute became a joint sponsor of this award. The Wayne Oates Award is given to a person who has demonstrated exceptional qualities in the field of Pastoral Care and Counseling through: ministry (demonstration of the healing, sustaining, guiding, and reconciling aspects of Pastoral Care in both personal and professional roles), leadership (contributions to the field of Pastoral Care through education, creation of programs, and writing), and personal service (longevity, excellence and faithfulness in the field of Pastoral Care to individuals, institutions, faith groups and professional organizations; demonstration of personal integrity in his or her lifestyle.)

Dr. Jones will receive the award at the annual Oates Institute Award Dinner which will be held October 6, 2011. Mark your calendars and watch for more information.



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## **Habitat for Humanity's "Raise The Roof"**




**Friday, September 9 and Saturday, September 10**

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church and Holy Trinity Church will "Raise The Roof" on our 2011 Habitat House. Look for the sign up sheets coming soon on the bulletin board.


# CHILDREN'S PROGRAM NEWS

*Debbi Rodahaffer, Director of Christian Education*

## August in the Children's Program!

- ❖ **Friday, August 5**      **Former 4th & 5th Graders Lock-In**  
(new 5th & 6th Graders!)  
*When?* 6:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.    RSVP to Debbi  
**FUN! GAMES! FOOD!**      
  
- ❖ **Sunday, August 7**      **Worship, Lunch and a Movie**  
*When?* 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.      
  
- ❖ **Saturday, August 13**      **Dioceses of Lexington and Louisville Christian Formation Conference** for those who work with Children, Youth & Adults  
Talk with Debbi if you will attend!  
*Where?* Christ Church Cathedral – Lexington  
*When?* 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
  
- ❖ **Sunday, August 14**      **Brian Sellers-Peterson** will be the guest preacher at 8 & 10.  
Brian, a dynamic speaker, is with Episcopal Relief and Development.
  
- ❖ **Sunday, August 14**      **Prayers and Blessings** for all returning to school  
*When?* 10:00 a.m. Eucharist      
  
- ❖ **Sunday, August 21**      **Parish Breakfast**  
*When?* 9:00 a.m.      
  
- ❖ **Sunday, August 28**      **Ministry Fair** with a focus on Outreach  
Register your children for Sunday School  
and find out what will be new this year!      

### **AND COMING SOON.....**

- ❖ **Sunday, September 11**      **Education for All Ages** begins!      
  
- ❖ **Sunday, October 9**      **Bret Witter**, co-author of the “Dewey the Library Cat” books, will visit the St. Matthew’s Library to talk with our 1st through 5th graders.



## St. Matt's Youth

youth@stmatt-ky.org

Web site: [www.stmatt-ky.org/youth.htm](http://www.stmatt-ky.org/youth.htm)

(502) 895-3485

Lynn Miller, Ministry with Youth

## August 2011

*We wish love and best wishes to our rising college Freshmen-*

- **Rachel Niel** - Western Kentucky University
- **Matt Pardue** - Appalachian State University
- **Charlie Rhea** - Western Kentucky University
- **Sarah Tucker** - University of Kentucky

### AND

Love and Godspeed to **Brandon Brones**, who is moving to Chicago. Brandon has been a wonderful addition to the youth program, and St. Matthew's, for the last several years. We will miss him very much! Come visit soon, Brandon!

### Parish lunch and a movie

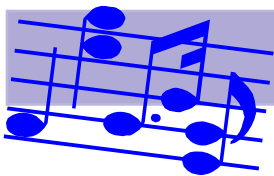
**Sunday, August 7**

at **11:15 a.m.**, after the 10:00 service.  
Showing: the movie "Up"

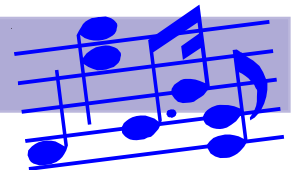
### Trip to the Louisville BATS

**Monday, August 8**

We will meet at St. Matt's at **6:30 p.m.**, carpool to the game, and return by **10:00 p.m.** Tickets were donated. Bring money for concessions.



## MUSIC NOTES



*Barbara Ellis, Choir Director / Organist*

## ***A new programming year is just around the corner! Come sing with us!***

Choir rehearsals resume Wednesday, August 24, 7:45 p.m. in the Rehearsal Hall. We would love to welcome some additional voices to the choir. High school students are especially invited to join the choir. "Consumer Reports On Health" said in their January 2011 issue, "Humor, music, and spirituality can obviously boost your mood, but growing evidence suggests that they offer physical benefits, too—without co-payments or side effects. Reading music and singing might boost your brain's auditory and language processing functions. Other research has linked choral singing with good physical and emotional health. In addition, music might improve symptoms of several health problems....." If Consumer Reports says it – it must be true! I can't promise you good health but I can promise a community of fellowship and an opportunity to add a new dimension to your worship. Read the text of hymn 420 in our hymnal and come add your alleluias this new year!

When in our music God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride,  
It is as though the whole creation cried, Alleluia!

(Hymnal #420, text by F. Pratt Green)

## GUEST PREACHER



We look forward to welcoming **Brian Sellers-Petersen** as our guest preacher at the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Eucharists on August 14.

Brian has been on the staff of Episcopal Relief & Development since October 2000. His current role at ER-D is as Director of Church Engagement.

Working in partnership with the Anglican Communion, ecumenical agencies and local organizations, **Episcopal Relief & Development** saves lives and strengthens communities around the world. Their programs work toward achieving the Millennium Development Goals, which aim to cut extreme poverty in half by 2015. Their programs focus on the following areas:

- Alleviating Hunger and Improving Food Supply
- Creating Economic Opportunities and Strengthening Communities
- Promoting Health and Fighting Disease
- Responding to Disasters and Rebuilding Communities

Brian is a graduate of the University of Minnesota and Fuller Theological Seminary. He is married and father of a college sophomore and a recent college graduate. His hobbies are centered around the family kitchen and wine cellar.

## DIMENSIONS OF FAITH

### *Are you reading Marcus Borg this month?*



Bible expert and Jesus scholar **Marcus J. Borg** will be here at St. Matthew's in just three months, and we're already getting excited about this nationally known scholar and author's visit in our *Dimensions of Faith* speaker series on October 21-23.

Watch *The Spirit* and parish bulletins in coming weeks for more details about Dr. Borg's visit.

It's not too early to think about reading one of his informative and readable books, many of which are available in the church library. His latest book, *Speaking Christian, Why Christian Words Have Lost Their Meaning and Power - And How They Can Be Restored*, was published in April and is now available. You may also want to browse some of his other 18 books, including the popular *The God We Never Knew*, *Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time* and *Reading the Bible Again for the First Time*.

*Dimensions of Faith* brings noted writers, teachers, preachers and activists to St. Matthew's to challenge and inform our church and our community as we seek to understand how to live as Christians in the 21st Century.

Challenge your mind. Renew your spirit.

# REFLECTIONS ON FAITH & LIFE

## Thoughts on a Hot Summer Night

*from Bob Nesmith*

*"Faith is a knowledge within the heart, beyond the reach of proof."*

Kahlil Gibran

At the monthly Saturday morning Food Pantry our custom is to have a prayer with all the volunteer workers before opening up for guests to select their food. Last month, after I had said the prayer, a young girl came up and asked, "Can I say the prayer next month?" "Of course you may," I answered before tears came to my eyes. This girl has been coming with her sister for months, initially to receive food, but now to volunteer to set up and serve others. She is now as much a part of St. Matthew's as those with whom I worship on Sundays.

I have wrestled with the "Why and what?" for years. What do I really believe? Why is it important to me to be here on Sunday mornings when what I want to do is sleep later or watch my favorite TV show, "Sunday Morning"? What does being a Christian really have to do with living in the 21st century?

The best answers I can come up with to those questions are that what I believe is less important than what I do. Jesus and the Prophets have shown me what to do but I still need a community of faith to encourage me, support me and renew my spirit. The more I doubt and question and wonder, the more I am convinced that the most complete expression of faith is found in community with others, not in what we believe, or how we worship, or who we exclude.

So, I get up earlier than I want on Sundays, record "Sunday Morning" which I then usually forget to watch, and come to St. Matthew's because this is my faith community, the people I need to be with. And on the third Saturday morning of each month the Food Pantry is my faith family, people with whom I have come to know God in my heart, beyond the reach of proof.

To respond or comment, e-mail the writer at [bnsmith@mindspring.com](mailto:bnsmith@mindspring.com)

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## Off to Holy Trinity, Brandenburg

*The Rev. Moray Peoples*

Bishop White has appointed me for one year as the Vicar of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Brandenburg, and I am honored by his confidence. Mission congregations (different from parishes) are financially supported by the Diocese, hence the Bishop is the recognized Rector and appoints the priest.

Holy Trinity is a small and vital mission congregation of the Diocese, established in the 1950's. It is located in the center of Brandenburg in a charming frame structure on a corner, less than ¼ mile from the river...on high ground! The congregation and I have agreed that discerning and implementing a community outreach goal is a high priority, along with the day-to-day activities of congregational life. It is a very good congregation. Both their energy and commitment to ministry is lively, thus I expect to be a busy fellow.

Judith and I will continue to live in Louisville and I will commute two or three days each week. She plans to continue her affiliation with St. Matthew's and you will often see me for occasional mid-week activities.

**Education for Ministry (E/M)** continues on as usual [here](#) at St. Matthew's. Take note, please! I will mentor both the Monday evening and Wednesday morning groups - both of which have openings for this fall; if you are ready to begin, please telephone me at 836-1278 or email [mpeoples@bellsouth.net](mailto:mpeoples@bellsouth.net).

Please include Holy Trinity and me in your prayers every now and then. St. Matthew's will certainly be in mine.

May God in Christ Jesus continue to be our abiding companion and guide.

# HEARTS4KENYA 2011 TRIP

*John Willingham*

**HeartsforKenya's** annual trip to Oyugis, Kenya was in two parts this year. A group of fourteen – 5 doctors, a nurse, and 8 volunteers – departed on June 4. A group of nine – 5 students and 4 adults – departed with me on June 11.

The doctors and nurse, along with the other volunteers, were able to see and treat hundreds of adults and children during their 2 week stay. They worked at the Wire Clinic and were able to go to 5 schools and treat the students. They treated everything from cuts and worms to AIDS and leprosy.

They also visited a few farmers and schools supported by HeartsforKenya, helped many people, and made many new friends during their stay.

My group of students and adults spent a good deal of time visiting the farmers and 20 schools supported by HeartsforKenya. The students spent a good amount of time talking to the high school students they visited and playing with the primary and preschool students. One of the projects the students completed was fencing in a vegetable garden for the Special Needs School in the Wire community. (The chicken was eating the vegetables!) In the 20 schools HeartsforKenya supports there are 8,062 students. Because of the farm program in the schools the students are able to have one meal a day in school.

The farmers in our co-op will be harvesting their crops, corn, beans, sweet potatoes among others, in July. The rains have been good this season and they are expecting an excellent harvest.

The group also repaired a swing set for the 200 students at the preschool at Amani. The swing set was first built in 2001. It needed help after 10 years of hard play. The group painted the outside eating area at Amani. They also spent time on a farm learning how beans are threshed and how to milk cows and goats.

The group also visited the **St. Matthew's Kids at Rongo**. Many songs were sung and soccer balls kicked. The new hall and kitchen look great. They were cooking for the orphans on their new stove. The cook told me it really was better than the open fire they had been cooking on. The orphans looked good and healthy. We enjoyed our time with them.

The group did an excellent job on the projects they worked on and learned a great deal about life in Kenya. The greatest thing they did was to meet Kenya people and build new friendships.

Because of you, the 2 groups that went this year, and the many others that have gone over the years, are changing the lives of the people of Oyugis, Kenya.



## Dewey the Library Cat

St. Matthew's Episcopal will be hosting a visit by Bret Witter, the co-author of *Dewey*, the true story of the cat that was almost frozen when he was dropped in the book return of Iowa's Spencer County Public Library. It tells of the impact this cat had around the world. Mr. Witter will be at our church on Sunday, October 9. He will be meeting with students in grades K-5 and autographing books for both children and adults. More information will be forthcoming in next month's newsletter.

## Marcus Borg Bibliographies

Marcus Borg will be speaking at St. Matthew's October 21-23. He will be the 9th lecturer of the *Dimensions of Faith* series. Bibliographies of the library's holdings for Marcus Borg are available. The library currently has twelve of the books that he has written, edited or co-authored.

Other bibliographies are also available. These include audio books, DVDs and large type books.

## St. Matthew's Oral History Project

The St. Matthew's Oral History Project is beginning its third year.

The purpose of the project is to gather information about, and insight into, the history of St. Matthew's Church.

This undertaking grew out of the recognition that there are lessons to be learned from knowledge of the past. Volunteer interviewers and videographers are recording the memories and reflections of parishioners whose association with St. Matthew's has continued over a period of years, and who have witnessed its growth and development during this time.

The recordings become part of the St. Matthew's Archives in the library, and are available to view in the parish library.

We would like more interviewers. If you would like to be a part of this program, contact **Lee Fletcher** at 693-4145. A training session will be held on August 11.

## "I didn't know"

This comment has been made to me several times in regards to various library materials.

Examples include "I didn't know the library has DVDs." "I didn't know the library has compact discs." "I didn't know the library has large print books". Alternatively, some parishioners may have the wrong impression about the type of books and media that the library does have. We are not attempting to duplicate a public, academic or school library.

We are trying to select and purchase items that will stimulate your mind and renew your spirit in regards to your faith. You won't know what you are missing unless you check the library out. Please do!

## Library Hours:

Monday through Thursday: 11:30-12:30 p.m. • Sundays after the 8:00 and 10:00 services.

# Volunteer Opportunities

## *Habitat for Humanity*

Saturday, August 6

Work 9:00 a.m. to Noon  
for a half day or  
9:00 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
for a full day.

We welcome newcomers.

No special skills required.  
On the job training is available.  
(carpool from church, 8:30 a.m.)

## *Calvary / St. George's Food Collection*

Sunday, August 7

Please bring non-perishable  
items to the narthex coat closet  
anytime.

Hunger never takes  
a vacation.

Please remember those in  
need and bring several items  
on our Food Collection  
Sundays.

## *Serve lunch at Wayside*

Sunday, August 14

12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m.

For more information, please  
call **Sarah Weston**, 426-6678.

## *Food Pantry*

Saturday, August 20

The St. Matthew's Food Pantry  
is the 3rd Saturday of every  
month starting at 11:00 a.m.

This is a wonderful opportunity  
to help people who  
really need it.

For more information,  
please call **Brian Good**,  
899-9390.

# SOCIAL CONCERNS

*Bob Dangremond and Marie Koelsch,  
co-chairs of Social Concerns*

## Cornerstone returns in September

St. Matthew's volunteers will once again be cooking for the teenage mothers from Home of the Innocents and their children in 2011-2012. While the mothers meet in a support group environment, our volunteers will baby sit their children.

Because of the increased number of participants in the program, the group was divided in half with some meeting on Tuesdays and some on Thursdays. This year the group will combine as one and meet once a week, most likely on Tuesdays. Cornerstone will change the location of their meetings from the Cathedral to the Home of the Innocents. This will provide more appropriate activity space for the children and ease concern for their safety.

We usually cook and baby sit the first week of the month. Please watch the bulletin for dates and times and join us in this very meaningful ministry.

## Hard Times – Kenya Kids @ Rongo

*Greetings in Christ,*

*It is long since we heard from you, we are doing ok here in the Lord looking forward to meeting John, and the team on Monday God willing, tomorrow we will be having the day of the African child Celebration and our children will be playing a key role, with Mildred Akinyi being the Master of the Ceremony, and others will be singing.*

*On Saturday we will be having a wedding for one of our Youths, so we will meet the team on Monday, thank for all the things that you have sent to us.*

*I hope you have heard on the news we are having hard times in Kenya. Some people have died because of the famine, many widows and orphans are going for days without food, a tin of maize now is selling at 150 Kenya shilling from 50, and as you know many work for less than a dollar a day and now the cost of 2 kg maize is more than some people's wages for a day.*

*At our center we are not left out, we have ran out of food, and funds kindly see how to help us, what we have will hardly be enough for us next week.*

*Thanks for your love and prayers  
Kenya Kids @ Rongo Committee*

The letter above is from Daniel Ochieng, director of the orphanage in Rongo, Kenya where St. Matthew's Parish supports more than 60 children. His letter highlights the dire situation in Kenya resulting from the famine. St. Matthew's Kenya Kids donors have wired money to "tide them over" but this is a worsening situation that we need to address for our Rongo children. **If you wish to help, please make your checks to St. Matthew's and designate Kenya Kids.**

*Good people of St. Matthew's, thank you so much for your efforts on behalf of SMEC's African Children.*



# What's happening at *St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in August?*

Morning Prayer: 9 a.m., Mon.-Fri. • Holy Eucharist: 7 a.m., Tues. • Evening Prayer: 5:30 p.m., Wed.

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>
	<b>1</b> St. Matthew's Day Committee Meeting, 10a	<b>2</b> Holy Eucharist, 7a The Adult Forum Committee Meeting, 6p AA & Alanon, 8p	<b>3</b> Umbrella Meeting & Dinner, 6p	<b>4</b> Daughters of the King, 7p SOS, 7:30p	<b>5</b> Ladies AA, 11:30a Rising 5th & 6th grade lock-in, 6-10:30p AA & Newcomers, 6:45 & 7:30p	<b>6</b> Cursillo, 8a Habitat, 8:30a Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 8:30a
<b>7</b> Food Collection Sunday Holy Eucharist, 8a, 10a & 5p Lunch & a movie, 11:15a Grief Group, 3:30p	<b>8</b> Preschool Training - Continuing Ed, 9a-4p Book Group, 1:30p	<b>9</b> Holy Eucharist, 7a Preschool Training - Continuing Ed, 9a-4p Soc. Concerns, 6:30p AA & Alanon, 8p	<b>10</b> Preschool Training - Continuing Ed, 9a-4p	<b>11</b> Preschool Training - Continuing Ed, 9a-4p Oral History Training, 4p	<b>12</b> Preschool Training - Continuing Ed, 9a-4p Ladies AA, 11:30a Afternoon Bridge, 1:30p AA & Newcomers, 6:45 & 7:30p	<b>13</b> Cursillo, 8a
<b>14</b> Holy Eucharist, 8a, 10a & 5p Parent Ed Series Committee Mtg., 11:15a Coffee Committee Mtg., 11:15a	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Holy Eucharist, 7a Men's Breakfast Group, 8:30a Vestry Dinner & Meeting, 5:15p AA & Alanon, 8p	<b>17</b> Music Department Picnic, 6:30p	<b>18</b> Ladies' Lunch Bunch, 11:30a SOS, 7:30p	<b>19</b> Ladies AA, 11:30a AA & Newcomers, 6:45 & 7:30p	<b>20</b> Cursillo, 8a CPR Class, 9a Food Pantry, 11a
<b>21</b> Holy Eucharist, 8a, 10a & 5p Parish Breakfast, 9a Creation Relations, 11:15a Grief Group, 3:30p	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Holy Eucharist, 7a AA & Alanon, 8p	<b>24</b> Choir practice, 7:45p	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Ladies AA, 11:30a AA & Newcomers, 6:45 & 7:30p	<b>27</b> Cursillo, 8a
<b>28</b> Holy Eucharist, 8a, 10a & 5p Adult Ed Series Committee Meeting, 11:15a	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 6p AA & Alanon, 8p	<b>31</b> Choir practice, 7:45p	<b>Sept. 1</b> Daughters of the King, 7p SOS, 7:30p	<b>2</b> Ladies AA, 11:30a AA & Newcomers, 6:45 & 7:30p	<b>3</b> Cursillo, 8a Habitat, 8:30a Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 8:30a

# DAILY PRAYER LIST

**Note:** At Morning Prayer each weekday, members of St. Matthew's congregation are prayed for by name. As members of the Christian community, we are advised to hold each other in prayer. As part of your prayers, please remember all of the St. Matthew's parish family.

## Week of August 1

Vowels: *Aaron, Carrie Bohnert, Ivy Vowels*  
 Wacker: *Jean*  
 Walker: *Johnny, Ruth*  
 Wall: *Louise*  
 Wallingford: *Martha*  
 Wardell: *Kevin, Linda*  
 Waterfill: *Steve, Sarah*  
 Waters: *Holly, Madison Von Deylen, Savannah Von Deylen*  
 Watson: *Dwayne, Vicki Danahy*  
 Weinberg: *Bill*

## Week of August 8

Weis: *Natalie*  
 Weis: *Russ, Bev, Julia*  
 Weston: *Sarah*  
 Wheeler: *George, Pat*  
 White: *Ethel, Galen*  
 Wiedeman: *Varley*  
 Willingham: *John, Alice, John, Hollie, Griffin*  
 Wilson: *Jack, Virginia*  
 Wood: *Linda*  
 Woodford: *William, Sara*

## Week of August 15

Worley: *Daniel, O'Bryan, Taylor*  
 Worthington: *Jim, Anna Lee, Jay, Clarissa*  
 Wright: *Neally*  
 Wright: *Mike, Kathy*  
 Yann: *Sally*  
 Yates: *Ann*  
 Yeager: *Michelle, Milton Turner*  
 Yule: *Sheila*  
 Adam: *Nathan, Jenny, Lydia*  
 Ahern: *Kevin, Ali, Eden, Levi*

## Week of August 22

Anderson: *Ib*  
 Ardery: *Phil, Anne*  
 Bach: *Sue*  
 Bailor: *Jean*  
 Ballerstedt: *Mary Pat*  
 Bannister: *Ken, Denee*  
 Bardenwerper: *Dottie*  
 Barrett: *Melissa, Mitch Shirrell*  
 Bartholomew: *Chris, Elizabeth, Annabel, Lizzie*  
 Beck: *Joe, Michael Hassett, Kathryn Hassett*

## Week of August 29

Becker: <i>Lauren</i>	Bell: <i>Donald, Joy</i>	Beury: <i>George, Barbara</i>
Beggs: <i>Tim</i>	Bell: <i>Peter, Heather, Emma</i>	Biasioli: <i>Gerry, Sue</i>
Behr: <i>Jodi, Peter, Laura, Adam</i>	Benson-Jones: <i>Laura, Michael Jones,</i>	Bingham: <i>Edie</i>
Bell: <i>Connie</i>	<i>Henry Putney, Afton Putney, William Jones</i>	

### We pray for members of the parish family serving in the Armed Forces

Chuck DeHoag, Steven Sadler, Marc Grigsby, Mark Jones, Christopher Jones, Casey Carmichael, Jay Dosker, Major Adrian Wheeler, Adam Warren, Ryan Campbell, Lance Lawfer, Kevin Smith, Billy Cundiff, The Rev. Steve Pike, and Michael Nicholas; and Jamie Ogles, who is serving in the **Peace Corps**.

Do you have a family member serving in the Armed Forces or in some form of relief work in a dangerous area? Please let us know so that we can put them on our prayer list.

Heavenly Father, We ask you to make the door of St. Matthew's Church a gateway to your eternal kingdom; and grant that all who worship in this house may also witness for you in the world outside, to your honor and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Weekday Services in the Chapel

**Monday-Friday:** 9:00 a.m., Morning Prayer    **Tuesdays:** 7:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist    **Wednesdays:** 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

# PARISH FAMILY

## Births

**Alexandra Francis Conway**, on July 4, daughter of **Elizabeth and Jack Conway**

**Lydia Grace Gardner**, on July 9, daughter of **Jennifer and David Gardner**

## We extend congratulations to

**David and Francis Campbell** on the birth of their grandson

## Deaths

## We are sorry to hear about the death of

**Rhody Streeter's mother-in-law**

**Sandra Patterson-Randles' brother-in-law**

**Sarah Honaker's father**

**Candis Crocker's father**

**Jay Crocker's grandfather**

**Cathy Sutton's mother**

+++ *May light perpetual shine upon them* +++

*Would you rather receive your copy of the monthly newsletter by email?*

*Do you want to continue to be on the mailing/emailing list?*

Please email **Mardi Galvin**, Parish Administrator ([mgalvin@stmatt-ky.org](mailto:mgalvin@stmatt-ky.org))  
and let her know - either way!

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## **Summer Office Hours:**

Monday-Thursday:  
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Friday & Saturday:  
9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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