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August 2010

Happy Hour with Jesus

A TIME FOR SUMMER REFRESHMENT



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Join friends, new and old, for a time with The Sayings of Jesus:

Let the Dead Bury the Dead.

Get Up, Take up your mat, Go.

Does this Teaching Offend You?

I have Come Not to Bring,

Peace . . . but a Sword

When the work week is over, it's time for wind from the week, share fellowship with others and read and discuss some

Happy Hour, a time to relax with friends, refreshing drinks, snacks and some time with Jesus.

For four Fridays in August, Resurrection will offer a time to un-

lowship. Then, it's on with the weekend.



cuss some of Jesus' most challenging sayings. We'll gather at 5:30 p.m. enjoy snacks, beverages and fel-

ALL ARE WELCOME

REMEMBER!

Sign up in the Narthex for the tour of the new KC Community Kitchen facility Aug 10 or Aug 19. Carpool leaves Resurrection promptly at 10:30 a.m.

“You too, be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour that you do not expect.”

Luke 12:40, NASB

Church Family News

Prayer List

For understanding, patience, hope, endurance and healing, please pray for these and others in need.

Altar flowers

Flowers on the altar are distributed each Sunday to people who are sick, shut in or just in need of a pick me up.

If you know of someone who might benefit from this service, let a member of the Daughters Of the King know or offer to take them yourself. It's important that someone enjoy the flowers through the week.

Members of the DOK will distribute the flowers for the following dates:

August 2010

- 1 Jan Pahlas
- 8 Sue Montgomery
- 15 Dixie Flaigle
- 22 Diana Trammell
- 29 Diane Gerlach

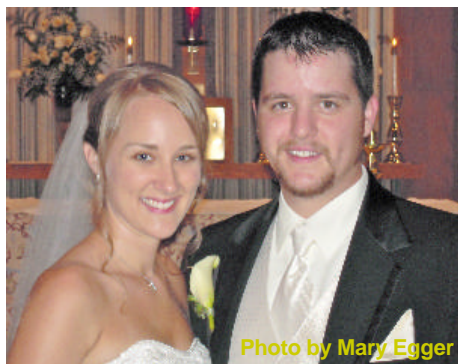
September 2010

- 5 Frances Lingrel
- 12 Connie Pickett
- 19 Ledia Soderlund
- 26 Jan Pahlas

October 2010

- 3 Sue Montgomery
- 10 Dixie Flaigle
- 17 Diana Trammell
- 24 Diane Gerlach
- 31 Frances Lingrel

Congratulations Afton



Congratulations to Anastasia Egger and Benjamin Afton on their marriage June 25, 2010 here at Resurrection. They will make their new home in San Diego, CA.

Ben is a 2009 graduate of the University of Central Missouri, with a degree in Safety. He currently works for Black and Veatch in San Diego as a safety inspector.

Annie is a longtime member of Resurrection and graduated from University of Central MO in May 2010 with a degree in Interior Design. She is currently busy making their apartment into a home and will be seeking employment in her field.

Prayer for the Bishop

We give you thanks, Gracious God, for your goodness in bestowing upon the Church the gift of the Episcopate and its heritage in this Diocese. Grant that in our search for the Eighth Bishop of West Missouri, we may be open to your will, receptive of your guidance, and ready in obedience. May the Holy Spirit illumine our hearts and minds as we live into the vision that is before us. Let this occasion of change be a time to build trust and increase understanding, that Christ's love may be made known between and among us, that your will may be done; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Joann Allinder

Angie Phillips

Irleen Stuteville

Evelyn Jameson

Richard Pahlas

Ann Gravagna

George Mesik

Gail Haynes

David Buckner

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DOK Prayers

The Daughters of the King pray for the following families this month:

- Jim & Helen Henry
- Betty Herman
- Ken & Laura Ishmael
- Lou & Evelyn Jameson
- Jodie Kavanaugh
- Ron & Vickie Keel
- Fred & Betty Kelly
- Bill & Elizabeth Kessler
- John & Carolyn Laster
- Sam & Michelle Leitner



August ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Pete and Dana Dellek
- 6 Donald and Pat Driver
- 10 Randy and Alex Goyer
- 12 Billy and Jamie Soldi
- 13 Ray and Frances Lingrel
- 14 Jim and Stacy Bartlett
- 14 Drew and Michelle Hampton
- 16 Rich and Gabe Conn

Happy Birthday



August Birthdays

- | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Terri Smith | 16 Ryan Roedel |
| 1 Les Woodward | 21 Paige Kochenower |
| 4 Ben Boggs | 23 Gunner Noud |
| 4 Flint Kochenower | 25 Ava Whiteaker |
| 7 Deane Schoonover | 26 Christine May |
| 8 Sheila Gravagna | 26 Ledia Soderlund |
| 11 Mary Liddle | 27 Roy Hatfield |
| 12 Alex Goyer | 27 Phil Hampton |
| 12 Charlie Reese | 27 Alex Forrest |
| 15 Mason Bartlett | 28 Crystal Coldiron |
| 16 Vicki Keel | |

Resurrection member to play a role at KC Community Kitchen

It has been learned that **Richard Conn**, a May graduate of The Culinary Cornerstones program, a skills oriented project, sponsored and created by Episcopal Social Services, is now working there and will likely be playing a significant role in the KC Community Kitchen program to feed the hungry.

Rich played a big role in the founding of the garden project at Resurrection. Since it began, and through the efforts of the members of Resurrection, the garden has helped to donate much of its produce to the KC Community Kitchen.

Look for Rich when you visit or volunteer your services at the KC Community Kitchen.

From the Parish

KC Community Kitchen service expands for Resurrection

By Virginia Pych

Thanks to everyone who helped serve meals at the Community Kitchen this year. We hope you're looking forward to continuing this outreach ministry of Resurrection at the new location: Eighth and Paseo in Kansas City.

Because of an increased interest in participation by members of Resurrection—more volunteers signing up than needed for the one-day service—beginning in October there will now be two opportunities each month to participate in this ministry. You may sign up to serve on the first or the third Monday of the month. Sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board next to the front door of the church. Those who wish to carpool are asked to meet at the church by 11:00 a.m.

In the meantime, we have two opportunities to tour the new facility: Tuesday August 10 or Thursday August 19, at 11:00 a.m. Please indicate your preference on the bulletin board in the Narthex. If you'd like to be part of the carpool, we will leave the church promptly at 10:30. Everyone is invited to take a tour of the new Community Kitchen even if you have not participated in serving meals in the past.

If you have questions, please contact Virginia Pych at (816) 332-1225.

Diocesan Leadership

Barry R. Howe
Bishop

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Randy Goyer
Senior Warden

Bill Carle
Junior Warden

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The Rev. Ron Keel
Priest and Rector

Diane Gerlach
Parish Life Director

Vaughn Scarcliff
*Music Director
Organist*

Ron McIntire
*VISIONS Editor
Parish Directory*

Financial Report July 2010

By Jim Gilligan

	July	YTD 2010	Budget
Total Receipts:	\$10,578.60	\$81,244.51	\$85,197.50
Total Expenses:	\$13,881.64	\$88,386.57	\$89,772.11

Attendance

Attendance figures for July

Worship Service Attendance

July 4	85
July 11	85
July 18	92
July 25	90
Attendance	352

Remember!

Necessity Pantry Ingathering

3rd Sunday of every month

*** Needed this month ***

Diapers (size 4 and 5), Toothpaste, Dish Soap,
Toilet Tissue, Canned and Boxed Dry Food,
\$ Donations for Utilities

NO Paper Towels please.

Deadline for the September 2010 **Visions**
Is Sunday, August 29, 2010

National DOK President visits Resurrection



Photo by Rev. Ron Keel

Pictured (l. to r.) are Diane Gerlach, Mrs. Grace Sears, National DOK President, and Diana Trammell.

Church of the Resurrection was happy to welcome Mrs. Grace Sears of Richmond, Kentucky, National President of the Daughters of the King, Sunday, June 13, 2010. She was in town following a visit with her family in Oak Grove, MO.

Following the worship service, she inquired about our church having a DOK chapter when a member noticed her gold DOK Cross. The Cross that Grace wears dates from the founding of the DOK Order. While her visit to Resurrection was not Daughters of the King related, Grace is eager to return when she is next in the Blue Springs area. She is a member of Church of Our Savior, Richmond, Kentucky, Diocese of Lexington, KY.

Microsoft Office document issues at Resurrection

When Microsoft released its 2007 version of MS Office, it was kind enough change the format of its Word files to make them compatible with earlier versions of Word. These files have the extension .docx. Yes, we know free conversion programs are available for download and installation, but wouldn't it be better to make communication documents at Resurrection written in MS Word compatible with all versions of Word? Simply save the document in Rich Text Format or .rtf format. Now all documents can be read with any word processor and any version of Word.



From the Choir Loft

Vaughn Scarcliff

As we close out the summer season, two groups will return to Resurrection to provide music for the 10:30 a.m. worship service. *The Spirit of Independence Clarinet Choir* will play August 8 and the *New Harmony Handful* will sing August 15.

The Clarinet Choir will feature a four-piece ensemble including our own Richard Conn. The New Harmony Handful, making its second appearance at Resurrection, includes 12 to 18 male singers from the Heart Of America Barbershop Chorus who sing at churches in the Kansas City area while their choirs are on summer break.

The Clarinet Choir will play Largo from "Xerxes" by George Friederic Handel for the prelude. This world famous largo (a slow, dignified composition) was an aria from the opera, Xerxes, in three acts first performed at the King's Theatre, in London, April 15, 1738. At the offertory, the clarinet group will play a contemporary piece titled "Overture due Coffre" by the French composer Stephane Pasquier.

For communion, they have selected "Chanson Triste" by Peter Tchaikovsky. It's easy to believe that Tchaikovsky may have expressed his feelings in a number of his shorter works. "Chanson Triste" or "Sad Song" is a good example of one of his moods.

Their last selection, for the postlude, will be "Sovra Tenere Herbette" by Claudio Monteverdi. I'm confident you won't want to miss out when these talented folks join us.

It is always fun to have the New Harmony Handful with us. Their style of music is geared to close harmony men's voices as they sing some of the older gospel music reminiscent of childhood days. If you have not heard barbershop singing before, you are in for a treat. So plan to be with us as this fine group of men work their magic.

**Does the name Pavlov ring a bell?
When two egotists meet, it's an I for an I.
Every calendar's days are numbered.**

the Rector's Study

Summer and Relationships

Summer Greetings! I trust this edition of *VISIONS* finds you enjoying Summer 2010. We are definitely in the summer months of Midwest weather, the heat and humidity seem almost as severe as did the cold and snow of our most recent winter. Our Greater Kansas City weather certainly has “something” for everyone.

Church attendance has been strong during these summer months for which the community of faith is thankful. I mention the community of faith because it is that in which we all are a part. Individual study, reflection, meditation and prayer are certainly important parts of worship and, yet, it is within the community of faith where we find our expressions and responses to and from God as most meaningful.

As was mentioned in the homily on August 1, we are created for relationships with God and with other people. These relationships are what sustain us in difficult days

and bring meaning and joy into our lives. Corporate worship is an important way in which we stay connected and reconciled with our creator God and with our fellow sojourners.

Speaking of worship, in a recent homily, I shared a poem titled *The Dash*. This lovely and inspirational piece was written by Linda Ellis in 1996. It has been shared around the world and has influenced and inspired thousands of readers. In fact, the poem has been recorded as a brief movie and can be found at <http://www.thedashmovie.com>.

I close this summer greeting with Best Wishes for safe travels, for continual hydration, a reminder of the importance of the relationships we share with one another and, at the request of many of you, a reprint of *The Dash Poem*.

Fr. Ron +

The Dash

By Linda Ellis

I read of a man who stood to speak
 At the funeral of a friend
 He referred to the dates on her tombstone
 From the beginning to the end.
 He noted that first came the date of her birth
 And spoke the following date with tears,
 But he said what mattered most of all
 Was the dash between those years.
 For that dash represents all the time
 That she spent alive on earth,
 And now, only those who loved her
 Know what that little line is worth.
 For it matters not how much we own
 The cars, the house, the cash,
 What matters is how we live and love
 And how we spend our dash.
 So, think about this long and hard.
 Are there things you'd like to change?

For you never know how much time is left
 That can still be rearranged.
 If we could just slow down enough
 To consider what's true and real,
 And always try to understand
 The way other people feel.
 And be less quick to anger
 And show appreciation more,
 And love the people in our lives
 Like we've never loved before.
 If we treat each other with respect
 And more often wear a smile
 Remembering that this special dash
 Might only last a little while.
 So, when your eulogy is being read
 With your life's actions to rehash,
 Would you be proud of the things they say
 About how you spent your dash?

Acolyte Back Yard Party



A back yard get together party for Acolytes of ALL ages in appreciation for your dedication to our Sunday worship

**Saturday
August 14
1 - 4 p.m.**

At the home of
Ray & Frances Lingrel
105 NE Paseo Pl, Blue Springs,
816-228-5117

What to bring:

- A towel (and swimming suit)
- A dish to share

Meat and drinks provided.

Missing names on the Birthday and Anniversary List

We endeavor to keep our birthday and anniversary lists up to date but sometimes we miss someone. If you don't see your name on the list in the *VISIONS* or in the Sunday bulletin, please contact Debbie Carle, Fr. Keel or Ron McIntire.

Independence Day worship service features readings from our founding fathers

Independence Day occurred on Sunday this year and it provided a great opportunity to remind our-



Photo by Ron McIntire

Gary Zumwalt donned his period costume to add flavor to the readings.

Independence Day occurred on Sunday this year and it provided a great opportunity to remind ourselves of our American heritage. In honor of that heritage, several members of the parish were asked to read from documents and letters penned by the founding fathers of the United States and other notable leaders throughout its history. Eleven parishioners of Church of the Resurrection participated in reading at both the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services from a broad collection of historical documents including the *Mayflower Compact* of 1620, the *Preamble to the Constitution*, and a letter from Abigail Adams to John Adams written in March of 1776, in which she admonished her husband to “. . . not put such unlimited power into the hands of the husbands.” From Chief Seattle's response to a government official's offer to purchase the remaining Seattle land; a letter from Martin Luther King, Jr., written in the Birmingham jail in 1963; and from Abraham Lincoln's 2nd inaugural address in 1865, in which he encouraged the nation to “. . . bind up it's wounds . . .” The readings were punctuated with music from the *National Anthem*, *The Lord's Prayer*, *God Bless our Native Land* by Mahlmann, *A Dakota Indian Chant*, *There is a Balm in Gilead*, and *America*.

The readers taking part in the services included: Robert Smith, Charles Reese, Dani Forrest, Gary and Maura Zumwalt, Robert Clark, Jason Conn, Phil and Kitty Hampton, Jan Brill and Kati Gilligan.

We thank those who participated in making this a meaningful worship service.





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CALENDAR

August 2 Daughters of the King, 7 p.m.

August 4, 11, 18, 25 Bible Study, 1 p.m.

August 6, 13, 20, 27 Happy Hour with Jesus, 5:30 p.m.

August 10 Vestry Meeting, 7 p.m.

August 15 Necessity Pantry Ingathering

August 16 KC Community Kitchen, Noon

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