



Visions

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A monthly newsletter of the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, Blue Springs, Missouri

May 2010

Daughters of the King induct new members



Photo by Ron McIntire

Fr. Keel congratulates the new members following her taking of vows.

Two new members of The Grace Chapter of the Daughters of the King took their vows during the 10:30 a.m. worship service, May 2, 2010. The new members were **Ledia Soderlund** and **Connie Pickett**. A reception in the Parish Hall to welcome the new members followed the service.

If you are interested in more information regarding Daughters of the King, visit <http://www.dok-national.org> contact **Frances Lingrel** or any of the members of the order.



Photo by Ron McIntire

Ledia Soderlund and Connie Pickett new members of the Daughters of the King at the reception following the worship service.



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Members of the Daughters of the King

Laster Open House

John & Carolyn Laster have a new home and they invite their church friends to an Open House and House Blessing on Sunday, June 6. It all begins at 3:00 p.m. at 1111 SW 13th Street, Oak Grove, Mo.

“I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.”

John 16:12 KJV

Church Family News

Visiting



Welcome to Resurrection, Brother Kevin Hackett and his friend Brother David Vryhos (not pictured) from St. John the Evangelist Monastery in Cambridge, Massachusetts. They were attending the 10:30 a.m. worship service following a weeklong visit with Kevin's mother, Betty Simmons. They are shown here leaving after the service.

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:

May 2010

- 21 Sue Montgomery
- 22 Dixie Flaigle
- 23 Diana Trammell
- 24 Diane Gerlach
- 30 Frances Lingrel

June 2010

- 6 Jan Pahlas
- 13 Sue Montgomery
- 20 Dixie Flaigle
- 27 Diana Trammell

Prayer List

For understanding, patience, hope, endurance, and healing,

Joann Allinder

Angie Phillips

Joe Reed

Debbie Patterson

Evelyn Jameson

Tami Church

Tami Roach

Malcom Williams

Dean's Cup Golf Tournament

The 2010 Dean's Cup Classic Golf Tournament, sponsored by Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral will be Saturday, June 26, at the Adams Pointe Golf Club.

All Proceeds from the tournament benefit the Culinary Cornerstones chef training program of Episcopal Community Services. For your contribution of \$150, each golfer will



receive 18 holes of golf and cart; range golf balls; gift bag; continental breakfast; box lunch; awards banquet; and opportunity to win a variety of prizes. Sign up as an individual or organize a foursome.

For additional details or questions, see information on Narthex bulletin board or call the church office at 816/228-4220.

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 Editor Ron McIntire
 RectorThe Rev. Ronald Keel

Remember!

**Necessity Pantry
Ingathering**

3rd Sunday of every month

***** Needed this month *****

Diapers (size 4 and 5), Dish Soap,

Adult Depends, Toothpaste,

Children's Toothbrushes,

\$ Donations for Utilities

NO Paper Towels please.



What is an Episcopalian?

As Episcopalians, we are followers of Jesus Christ, our Lord, and believe in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Episcopal Church is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and traces its heritage to the beginnings of Christianity. It has members in the United States, as well as in Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Haiti, Honduras, Micronesia, Puerto Rico, Taiwan, Venezuela, and the Virgin Islands.

Our liturgy retains ancient structure and traditions, and is celebrated in many languages.

As followers of Christ, we strive to love our neighbors as ourselves and respect the dignity of every person.

We believe in amendment of life, the forgiveness of sin, and life everlasting.

Our lay people exercise a vital role in the governance and ministry of our Church.

Holy Communion may be received by all baptized Christians, not just members of the Episcopal Church.

We uphold the Bible and worship with the Book of Common Prayer.

We welcome men and women, married or celibate, to be ordained as bishops, priests, and deacons.

We affirm that committed relationships are lifelong and monogamous. As Episcopalians, we recognize that there is grace after divorce and do not deny the sacraments to those who have been divorced.

We affirm that issues such as birth control are matters of personal informed conscience.

We celebrate our unity in Christ while honoring our differences, always putting the work of love before uniformity of opinion.

All are welcome to find a spiritual home in the Episcopal Church.



**Happy
Birthday**

May Birthdays

- | | | | |
|----|-----------------|----|------------------|
| 1 | Janeece Buckner | 15 | Ketina Francis |
| 1 | Isabella Graham | 24 | Gerald Ogilvie |
| 1 | Robin O'Renck | 25 | Anastasia Egger |
| 2 | Taylor Gravagna | 28 | Danielle Forrest |
| 3 | Betty Simmons | 28 | Parker Soldi |
| 11 | Samantha Morris | 29 | Corey Green |
| 13 | Stewart Scott | 29 | Samantha Green |
| 14 | Amy Whiteaker | | |

From the Parish

Hats Off



The Hats Off column recognizes members and non-members of Church of the Resurrection who contribute their time

Hats Off to the **Hospitality Committee, Choir, Altar Guild, Acolytes and Servers** whose extra work and ministry made Holy Week and the Easter Season so memorable.

A big Tip O' The Hat to **Bill Carle** for painting our Episcopal red doors and for **Lyle Shaver** for his repair work to the church parking lot.

A Tip O' the Old Topper to the **Rev. Jerry Kolb** who led worship services during Father Keel's recent vacation.

Diocesan Leadership

Barry R. Howe
Bishop

Clergy and Staff

The Rev. Ron Keel
Priest and Rector

Diane Gerlach
Parish Life Director

Vaughn Scarcliff
Music Director
Organist

Ron McIntire
VISIONS Editor
Parish Directory

Vestry Leadership

Randy Goyer
Senior Warden

Bill Carle
Junior Warden

DOK Prayers

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

- Pat Driver
- Mark & Charissa Dyer
- Mary Egger
- Steve & Cheryl Ferrell
- Kerrie Ferlet
- Steve & Dixie Flaigle
- Peggy Fletcher
- Nate & Ketina Francis
- Tess Garcia
- Pat Garnett



**Some people want:
the front of the bus,
the back of the church, and
the center of attention.**

Financial Report

April 2010

By Jim Gilligan

| | April | YTD 2010 | Budget |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Receipts: | \$10,293.84 | \$47,487.56 | \$48,695.00 |
| Total Expenses: | \$14,280.61 | \$52,044.29 | \$51,918.92 |

Attendance

Attendance figures for April

Worship Service Attendance

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| April 6 Easter..... | 177 |
| April 11 | 78 |
| April 18 | 80 |
| April 25 | 89 |
| Attendance | 424 |

Deadline for the June 2010 **Visions**
Is Saturday, May 28, 2010

the Rector's Study

Pentecost — Then and Now

It was 10 days after the Lord Jesus had ascended into heaven. Jesus had told his Apostles “not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised” (Acts 1: 4). Obedient, the 11 Apostles went from the Mount of the Ascension, the Mount of Olives, back into the city of Jerusalem. They stayed in the Upper Room and “joined in continuous prayer, together with several women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers” (Acts 1: 14). During this time Matthias was chosen to replace Judas.

At the end of this prayerful waiting, on the 10th day, the promised Gift — the Holy Spirit, descended on those gathered. They heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven. A tongue of fire came to rest on each of them.

Remarkable things began to happen. Filled with the Holy Spirit, they began to speak foreign languages. They proclaimed the Lord Jesus as Savior. They were no longer afraid. They gave bold witness to Jesus. Three thousand people were converted on that one day (cf. Acts 2: 41). In short, the infant Church was launched. It was manifested to the world. Jesus sent his Apostles to be his “witnesses not only in Jerusalem, but throughout Judea and Samaria, and, indeed, to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1: 8).

Thus, began the church, the body of Christ in the world. Jesus sent his Church to announce the Good News of salvation to all men and women. The Church was not to be silent. The Gospel must be proposed and offered to all.

The church will remember, gather and celebrate Pentecost on May 23, this year. As we do, almost 2,000 years after the first Pentecost, we, who are the Church, cannot avoid asking ourselves some questions. What is Pentecost 2010 saying to us, the body of Christ, today? What progress has been made about how the Church for the past two millennia has carried out her divinely-given mandate of proclamation, witness and dialogue? How is the Church today announcing that Jesus Christ is “the Way, the Truth and the Life” (Jn 14: 6) and that, in Him, people find the fullness of religious truth and the means to salvation?

As the season of Pentecost descends upon us, we hear echoes of that day so long ago: Little flock, be not afraid. Go forth and bear fruit, fruit that will remain. We, as members of the Church, are called to a renewed commitment to Jesus and his Gospel. Considering that Christians form only one third of all humanity, the ongoing Church mission mandate cannot be doubted.

The sharing of the Good News of Jesus Christ demands fresh energy, zeal and the use of modern means of communication so that the Word of God may reach more and more people. The love of Christ urges us on. And so, we begin anew. Happy Birthday to the Church. Come celebrate and share in its joy and in our mission.

Fr. Ron+

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.





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CALENDAR

May 3 Daughters of the King, 7 p.m.

May 7-8 Vestry Retreat

May 11 Vestry Meeting, 7 p.m.

May 5, 12, 19, 26 Bible Study, 1 p.m.

May 16 Necessity Pantry Ingathering

May 17 KC Community Kitchen, 12 p.m. Noon

May 17 Growth Committee, 7 p.m.

May 23 Day of Pentecost, Holy Baptism

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