

# THE MESSENGER

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**June's Messenger  
deadline to submit  
articles: Tues., May 20th.**

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**A WORD FROM PAUL WALKER**

*“And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the break of day.” – Genesis 32:24*

The story of Jacob wrestling God by the ford of the Jabbok is in many ways the story of each of us. We wrestle with God throughout our lives, striving for control. The original sin that marks our lives makes us believe that we are in control. Consequently, we seek to exert control on all that we survey: ourselves, our families, our circumstances, our world.

Then God shows up and wrestles us. The match unfolds in the places in our lives that defy our control. You know them! - the father losing his memory, the child struggling with addiction, the job that is downsized, the marriage that is a continuing trial. You also know the pieces of your own personality that refuse to submit to your own control. St. Paul writes for all of us when he says in Romans 7, *“I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.... For I have the desire to do what is right but not the ability to carry it out.”*

The good news is that in these wrestling matches, God is there not to destroy us, but to give us life. Yes, He will win. (Do we *really* believe we can strive with God and win?!) Yes, we will finally die to the idea of our own sovereignty. But, out of death comes life. And in every case, we will discover that God is trustworthy. The One with whom you are wrestling is actually for you. And what He has in mind for you is better than you could ever ask or imagine or control.

Ever yours,

Paul

**Attention! New Friends!**

If you have been coming to Christ Church for the last year or so, the clergy and staff would love to get together with you at a Newcomer's gathering in the Magruder House (Church office) on **Thursday, May 29th from 5:30– 7 p.m.** The event will be informal, so come as you are.





### Debbie Owen

Please join me in thanking Debbie Owen for her faithful service over the past 3 years as our Christ Church Newcomer Coordinator. Debbie has stepped down from this position, although she and

Charlie will remain active as parishioners and Sunday School teachers.

Debbie used her considerable organizational skill to help integrate newcomers as they came through the doors of Christ Church. This involved the development of the materials describing the various ministries at Christ Church, which were included in the Welcome packet. Her organization and oversight of our many parish life events served to facilitate our sense of community. Her job expanded to include the oversight of lectors and lay eucharistic ministers. We love and are grateful for Debbie and thank God for her service.

Paul

### A Note from Debbie

When I first joined the Christ Church staff as Newcomer Coordinator, I was a relative newcomer to the parish myself. Serving on staff allowed me to get to know many people in ministries all around the church. I especially appreciate the faithful Lay Eucharistic Ministers, lectors, and acolytes who made my scheduling job a joy with their flexibility and eagerness to serve. There were also many wonderful people that I worked with in Parish Life events, especially on the picnic last year, the fall brunch, and the square dance. Through all the aspects of my job, the underlying question was always, "How can we glorify God in this?" Over the last three years, I have seen that when people come together in fellowship and newcomers feel welcomed, God is indeed glorified. I look forward to seeing God continue to work among us in the years to come.

Debbie



### UTO Sunday—May 11th

On Mother's Day, May 11th, we will have our Spring Ingathering for the United Thank Offering (UTO). The UTO is collected twice a year—in the fall and spring. The first official UTO was collected in 1889. The money was used to send a woman missionary to Japan and to build a church in Anvik, Alaska. The UTO's goal has always been to "expand the mission and ministry of the church" and to "address compelling human need." Every penny of your thank offering goes to support grants for ministries at home and overseas. Please give generously on May 11th. Thank you.



**P.S. A supply of UTO envelopes will be in the pews on May 4 & 11th.**

### Prayer Requests

#### Pray for your fellow parishioners:

Louise Taylor, Kay Orrick, Frank Thomasson, Wally Tymoff, Bev Cibbarelli, Betsy Tremain, Ruth & Emma Snyder, Helen Wick, Alison Iannelli, Alice Davis, Marie Wood, Randall Steffenhagen.

#### Pray for friends and relatives of parishioners:

**(Unless requested, remain on list for 1 month.)**  
Judy Taylor (Tricia Witherow's mother); Kaki Pearson (Kay Orrick's daughter), Amy Carter Pharr (Janice & Rick Carter's daughter), Lisa Goodman (Betsy Boswell's sister), Sarah (friend of Andrew Kensington), Annie Wright (co-worker of Rhonda Corbin).

**Pray for expectant parents:** Susan & David Murphy, Kate & Jeff Blossom, Meredith & Matthew McClellan

#### Pray for those serving in the military:

Michael Miller (Carolyn & John Miller's nephew) serving in Baghdad.

**Pray for all those being confirmed, received or reaffirmed on May 4th!**

**Please make your requests for prayer known to us: 100 W. Jefferson St. / Charlottesville, VA 22902**

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## **BACH'S LUNCH 2008 – 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration! - Fridays at noon during May**

Please invite friends, family members, coworkers, etc. to receive this gift of free concerts presented by excellent musicians, and to experience the hospitality of Christ Church through the serving of delicious lunches, available for \$6. If you'd care to help with serving or food preparation on one or more weeks, contact Donna Murray at

[dkmurr@embarqmail.com](mailto:dkmurr@embarqmail.com).



### **May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Carillon**

**David Breneman**, Carillonneur of the Luray Singing Tower at Luray Caverns since 1984, also serves as Director of Music at Reformation Lutheran Church, New Market, VA. The program includes well-known composers from Bach to Bartok, and a piece composed for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Luray Singing Tower by Virginia composer, John Barr. The concert can be enjoyed indoors or in the newly renovated McGuffey Park.



### **May 9<sup>th</sup> – Marimba**

**Michael Cebulski**, head of percussion studies at Emory University and Georgia Perimeter College, teaches applied percussion and conducts various ensembles. As an orchestral musician, he performs, tours, and records regularly with the Atlanta Symphony, and is principal percussionist with both the Atlanta Ballet Orchestra and the Atlanta Opera Orchestra. The program will include his own composition, "Prodigal", as well as a piece for 'cello and marimba with guest, Dr. Elizabeth Cantrell.

### **May 16<sup>th</sup> – Handbell Quartet**

**Tapestry**, a community handbell quartet formed in 2001, is sponsored by Monumental United Methodist Church in Portsmouth, VA. Like the fabric and thread of a woven tapestry, the ensemble is a blend of traits and talents that produces a fine texture of music to the glory of God. Members of the ensemble are Cindy Lewis from Virginia Beach, Ann Morgan from Portsmouth, Charm Peterman from Yorktown, and Marjorie Setnicky from Suffolk.



### **May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Harp**

**Emily Ricks**, a native of Huntsville, Alabama, is a senior Physics major at the University of Virginia. She studies classical and orchestral harp with Anastasia Jellison and also plays in the Charlottesville and University Symphony Orchestra. Her program will include a Bach suite, Handel concerto, and a Hindemith sonata. *Emily will also be with us at the 9 and 11am services on May 18<sup>th</sup>, sharing some solo harp pieces, as well as a piece with our Adult Handbell Choir and Cherubim-Seraphim Choir.*

### **May 30<sup>th</sup> – Voice**

**Keith Wagner**, bass-baritone, was the founding conductor of the Madison Choral Society, and choral master of the McLean Chamber Orchestra Chorale, and has been heard often as soloist in the Charlottesville area. He serves as Elder of Pastoral Ministries at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, in Madison County, Virginia. Three of his children will join him on 'cello, flute and violin in this program, which includes music by Bach, Handel, Mendelssohn and Vaughan Williams. Accompanist will be David Norfrey.



**HIGHLIGHTS OF VESTRY MEETING,****April 15, 2008**

Mike Dickens has learned that the economic conditions in Haiti are so dire that people are starving to death. There is a desperate need for funds to feed widows and orphans. Dr. Dickens is willing to serve as a "point" person for members of the parish who are called to donate to this cause. He may be reached at 973-8493.

The Vestry finalized the transfer of oversight of St. Luke's, Simeon, from Christ Church to the Diocese of Virginia.

Harry Bowen, Senior Warden, announced the formation of a Music Committee whose charge will be to produce a plan for the next five years. In addition to the Norfreys, The Reverend Walker, and Mr. Bowen, others serving on the committee will be Jane and Dale Varga, Lester Wilson, and Hock Hockensmith.

Proal Heartwell, Chairman of the Vestry Nominating Committee, announced the slate to be presented to the congregation at the Annual Meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 10 A.M. Those nominated are Catherine Baritaud, Carol Craig, Bill Gordon, Consi Palmer, and Lester Wilson.

Following a report about the state of financial affairs at Christ Church, Dale Varga, Treasurer, presented the budget proposal for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. The proposal was accepted as proposed. Mr. Varga explained that finances are tight at present and it is imperative to conserve cash. Regarding the Stewardship Drive: we are \$82,154.00 below the goal of \$783,000. It is hoped that pledges will continue to come in so that the goal will be met.

**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**Sunday, June 1st from 12:00 p.m. to 3p.m.  
at Jill & Bill Bascom's home in Keswick  
866 White Hall Rd.**

We will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and fixin's. Please bring a side dish, dessert, or drinks as follows:

Last names A-H    Vegetable, Salad, or Starch  
Last names I-Q    Dessert  
Last names R-Z    Drinks (cans or individual bottles preferred)

The Bascoms have a full size athletic field available for games, as well as a swimming pool. So, come one, come all and enjoy a beautiful day in the Virginia countryside.

Keep an eye on your Sunday bulletins for directions to the Bascom's and more details!

**P.S. If it rains, we'll plan to carry on that day in Meade Hall.**





**Christ Church Missionaries,  
Past and Future**

May 18 Adult Education session, 10:10 AM. Come hear a report from Jeff and Karen Adams about their recently completed service in

Uganda and find out about the plans of Jonathan and Paige Hornsby and family for a year long mission in Uruguay, South America. All are welcome!

Hello everyone. As some of you already know, I will be leaving Charlottesville at the end of May, thus ending my time at Christ Church as Urban Missioner. After working at Surf Hatteras camp this summer, I will be attending seminary school in the fall (at either Duke or Emory--still deciding). Whether or how the Urban Missioner position will be filled remains uncertain, so if any of you have any interest in particular areas of this ministry, please get in touch with Paul or me. I have absolutely loved my time here at Christ Church, and many of you are a huge part of that. It has been a gift getting to know many of you through PACEM, the soup kitchen, fellows dinners, or just seeing you around the church office. We are so blessed to have such a great family in Christ here, and I will miss you all very much.

In Him,  
Thomas

**FAREWELL**



from Thomas Dixon

**Loaves & Fishes Ministry**



Now in its 27<sup>th</sup> year, the Loaves and Fishes Ministry is reaching more people than ever before. As the area homeless population grows, so does the need for soup kitchens. Christ Church is one of five downtown churches that provide a free noon meal for those in need.

In 2007, Loaves and Fishes served 3,708 meals thanks to the volunteer efforts of 25 people logging in over 1,000 hours of their time. The average cost of each meal last year was \$1.25 – quite a feat! The Team Leaders responsible for cooking and coordinating these nutritious and well balanced meals are Donna Murray,

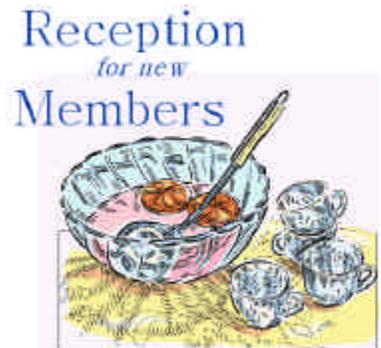
Rick Behr and Bo Campbell; Ashlin Smith and Mariann Lynch; Babs and Don Fickes; and Annie Izard of St. Paul's, Ivy. Thanks to the efforts of David Mahone, we are provided bread and desserts that David gets from the Jefferson Area Food Bank. We are very fortunate to have students from The Village School come each Tuesday to help serve the meals. Additional volunteers are needed when the students are out of school, especially in the summer. This is a great opportunity for families to participate in this outreach ministry. We are also in need of people to come and dine with our guests, engaging them in conversation and offering to pray with/for them. If you are interested, please contact Donna Murray via email ([dkmurr@embarqmail.com](mailto:dkmurr@embarqmail.com)) or by telephone at 434-842-1772.



**Don't forget to support the 2nd Habitat Cookie Sale on Sunday, May 18th. Proceeds will benefit our mission trip to West Virginia in July. Thanks!**

**Special Confirmation Reception  
May 4th**

We need volunteers to make food for the Confirmation Reception on May 4<sup>th</sup> at the 10 a.m. hour in Meade Hall. The reception will be in honor of Bishop Shannon Johnston's visitation and for those who are candidates for confirmation, reception and reaffirmation that day at both the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. services. Specifically, we would appreciate items such as deviled eggs, ham biscuits, cheese straws, finger sandwiches, fresh fruit, cheese platters, cookies and brownies. Items should be brought the morning of May 4<sup>th</sup> and placed in the upstairs kitchen. Please make sure to label any plates you wish returned. Thank you!



**MAY 2007**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Days Off:</b>  <b>Monday</b>—Liz Edrington, Elizabeth and David Norfrey  <b>Friday</b>—Dave Johnson, Paul Walker  <b>Saturday</b>—Thomas Dixon</p>				<p><b>1</b> Lyn Gunsalus vacation  <b>9 AM</b> Women's Bible Study  <b>7</b> Adult Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>2</b> Lyn Gunsalus vacation  <b>Bach's Lunch/Noon</b></p>	<p><b>3</b> <b>10 AM</b> Adult Confirmation Mtg. in the church  <b>4:30 PM</b> Private Baptism  <b>6 PM</b> Confirmation Dinner (Youth)</p>
<p><b>4</b> <b>7:45 AM</b> Holy Eucharist Rite I  <b>9 AM</b> Confirmation (Youth)  <b>10:10 AM</b> Bishop's Reception  <b>11 AM</b> Confirmation (Adults)  <b>5</b> Holy Eucharist/Dinner  <b>5:30</b> Cherubim/Seraphim Choirs  <b>6:30</b> Handbell Choir</p>	<p><b>5</b> Marcy Hooker at CREDO all week</p>	<p><b>6</b> <b>Noon</b> Loaves &amp; Fishes  <b>7:15</b> Praise Band Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>7</b> <b>5:30</b> Evening Prayer  <b>6</b> Catechesis Training</p>	<p><b>8</b> <b>9 AM</b> Women's Bible Study  <b>7</b> Adult Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>Bach's Lunch/Noon</b></p>	<p><b>10</b> <b>10 AM</b> Baptism rehearsal</p>
<p><b>11</b> <b>UTO Sunday</b>  <b>7:45 AM</b> Holy Eucharist Rite I  <b>9 AM</b> Holy Eucharist Rite II  <b>10:10 AM</b> Annual Mtg.  <b>11 AM</b> Holy Baptism/Holy Euch.  <b>1</b> Catechesis Training  <b>5</b> Holy Eucharist/Dinner  <b>5:30</b> Cherubim/Seraphim Choirs  <b>6:30</b> Handbell Choir</p>	<p><b>12</b> Marcy Hooker on vacation. Will return to the office on May 19th</p>	<p><b>13</b> <b>Noon</b> Loaves &amp; Fishes  <b>7:15</b> Praise Band Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>14</b> <b>10 AM</b> Shawl Ministry  <b>4</b> Executive Committee Mtg.  <b>5:30</b> Evening Prayer  <b>6</b> EGW Wine &amp; Cheese Party</p>	<p><b>15</b> <b>9 AM</b> Women's Bible Study  <b>7</b> Adult Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>16</b> <b>Bach's Lunch/Noon</b>  <b>5</b> Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>17</b> <b>11 AM</b> Brett Ferrell service  <b>4:30</b> Toews/Wong Wedding  <b>All Youth Prince Caspian Night</b></p>
<p><b>18</b> <b>HABITAT COOKIE SALE!</b>  <b>7:45 AM</b> Holy Eucharist Rite I  <b>9 AM</b> Holy Eucharist Rite II  <b>10:10 AM</b> Christian Ed  <b>10:10 AM</b> Acolyte Training-  <b>10:10 AM</b> Get to Know Us class  <b>11 AM</b> Holy Eucharist Rite I  <b>5</b> Holy Eucharist (no dinner)  <b>5:30</b> Cherubim/Seraphim Choirs</p>	<p><b>19</b> <b>6</b> Village School Concert</p>	<p><b>20</b> <b>Noon</b> Loaves &amp; Fishes  <b>5:30</b> Vestry meets  <b>7:15</b> Praise Band Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>21</b> <b>5:30</b> Evening Prayer  <b>6</b> Catechesis Training</p>	<p><b>22</b> <b>9 AM</b> Women's Bible Study  <b>7</b> Adult Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>23</b> Lyn Gunsalus vacation  <b>Bach's Lunch/Noon</b>  <b>5</b> Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>24</b> <b>11 AM</b> Dobbins/Valente Wedding</p>
<p><b>25</b> <b>7:45 AM</b> Holy Eucharist Rite I  <b>9 AM</b> Holy Eucharist Rite II  <b>10:10 AM</b> Christian Ed  <b>11 AM</b> Holy Eucharist Rite I  <b>5</b> Holy Eucharist (no dinner)  <b>5:30</b> Cherubim/Seraphim Choirs</p>	<p><b>26</b> <b>Church Office closed Memorial Day</b></p>	<p><b>27</b> <b>Noon</b> Loaves &amp; Fishes  <b>5:30</b> Evening Prayer  <b>7:15</b> Praise Band Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>28</b> <b>10 AM</b> Shawl Ministry  <b>11:15</b> Communion at WCBR  <b>5:30</b> Evening Prayer</p>	<p><b>29</b> <b>Newcomer Reception 5:30-7 PM Magruder House (Church office)</b></p>	<p><b>30</b> <b>Bach's Lunch/Noon</b>  <b>5</b> Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>31</b> <b>4:30</b> Schaaf/Souter Wedding</p>

## In the Youth News...

Farewell to All,

College has come to an end for me and thus my time with the youth group here as come to a close as well. I have had an extraordinary four years here in Charlottesville and a large part of the reason for that comes from the opportunity God gave me to spend time with the youth here at Christ Episcopal. There are many wonderful memories of ski trips, bowling excursions, and Sunday night youth group games that I take with me as I head back to Williamsburg. This community has really shaped me during my time here at UVA and I thank you for all the love that you continually show. I will miss you all so please keep in touch and anytime you want to go to Busch Gardens just let me know.

With Much Love,  
Luke Kincaid

**Our Summer Youth Calendar will start up in June- and Bryan White, Ethan Richardson, and I are really looking forward to spending lots of time enjoying summer relaxing with you guys. We'll be bowling, hiking, white water rafting, hitting up a DC United game, heading to the beach, frisbee golfing, and playing some pick-up soccer (among other things)- and we're just really pumped to be here to hang out with whoever is around! Let us know what we can do for you!**

We're going to see...

### 'Prince Caspian'!



### Join us Saturday evening, May 17th for free!

All youth & friends are welcome; we will meet in Meade Hall beforehand for a discussion of CS Lewis' Narnia series (highlighting Prince Caspian, of course)- and we may have Kristin Freshwater, who worked on the actual set of the movie 'Prince Caspian,' join us!

**\*Please RSVP ASAP**



#### Middle School Laser Tag

(notice Bryan White- lower left corner, who will be one of the two awesome guy Youth Leaders hanging out with us this summer. This picture was taken before he proceeded to totally dominate at Laser Quest...)

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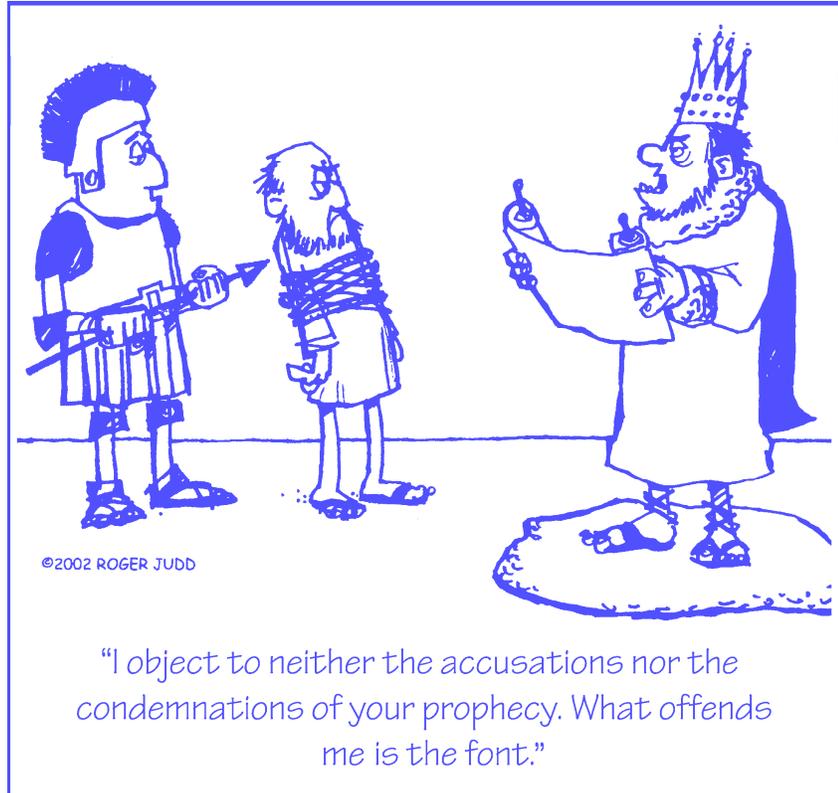
*Forming Christians  
in order that they might serve Christ in  
the world.*

**THE VESTRY**

*Harry Bowen,  
Senior Warden  
George Forschler,  
Junior Warden  
Betsy Boswell,  
Register  
Dale Varga,  
Treasurer*

*Bill Carden  
Maria Carlton  
Rick Carter  
Mike Dickens  
David Drayer  
Proal Heartwell  
Kemp Hill  
Hock Hockensmith  
Donna Murray  
Andrew O'Shaughnessy  
Clair Robison  
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Don't forget the Annual Meeting in the sanctuary on **May 11th during the 10 a.m. Sunday School hour.**

Children over nursery age will be supervised in Meade Hall so that our teachers may attend the meeting.



Ladies! You all should have received a flyer by now regarding the ECW Wine and Cheese event on **Wednesday, May 14th at 6 p.m. in Meade Hall** to warmly greet the wives of our pastors - Christie Walker, Steph Johnson, and Lindsey Holcomb. We hope to see everyone there!