

Serving today

**Interim Associate Priest
Assisting Clergy**

The Rev. Celeste Hemingson
The Rev. Dr. Darrell Huddleston
The Rev. Deacon Charles Edward LeClerc, BSG

**Music Minister
Verger**

Mark Pace
Jack Griffin

Lay Readers and Eucharistic Ministers – 8:00 am

Jim Steiner

Ranee Washburn, Terry Irwin

Lay Readers and Eucharistic Ministers – 10:00 am

Chuck Thompson

Jackie Thompson

Yvonne Burroughs, Judy Haigh, Bob Arata

Greeter

Bob Wilson

Ushers – 8:00 am

Duncan Mac Intyre

Sandy Mac Intyre

Acolyte – 8:00 am

Phil Denoncourt

Acolytes – 10:00 am

Jared Roberts, Becky Weld

Emma Nelson, Zack Sheehan

Victoria Buck

Soloist

Holly Tepe

Altar Guild

Tamar Roberts

Mary Waples

**Altar Flowers are given in thanksgiving for the marriage yesterday of
Cathy Collins and Larry Linden**

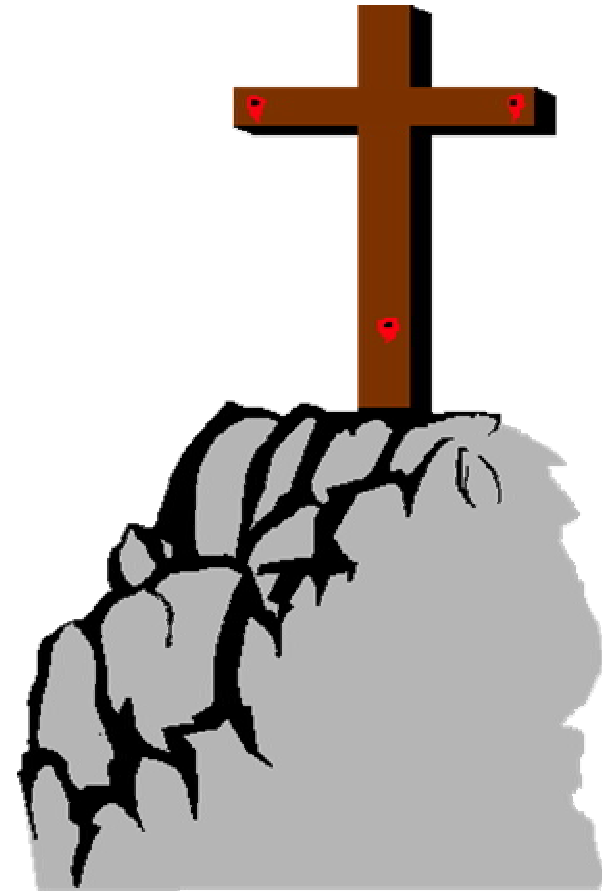
And in memory of

**Mr. & Mrs. Willis S. Dymont, Mr. & Mrs. Ira LeGegt
and Mr. & Mrs. Paul Lampron by Mr. & Mrs. David Collins**

Darald LaCross by Debra, Jace, and Leah LaCross, Dawn Lizotte

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**21 Centre St.
Concord, NH**



THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 24, 2008

8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Please enter into worship quietly and reverently, in consideration of your fellow worshippers who arrive early to offer their silent prayers and who ask this of you.

Prelude (10:00 am)

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor Ralph Vaughan Williams

Processional Hymn – (10:00 am) The Hymnal 405

The Word of God The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355

Hymn of Praise (10:00 am) See Music Insert

The Collect of the Day See Insert

The First Reading Exodus 1:8-2:10

The Psalm – 124 See Insert

The Second Reading Romans 12:1-8

Anthem – (10:00 am)

Brother James' Air Arr. Malcolm Archer
Holly Tepe, Soprano

The Gospel Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon Rev. Celeste Hemingson

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

The Prayers of the People – Form II BCP p. 385

Confession BCP p. 360

The Peace

Offertory Music - (10:00 am)

O For the Wings of a Dove Felix Mendelssohn

Hymn (10:00 am) The Hymnal 343

The Great Thanksgiving B BCP p. 367

The congregation may kneel or stand as instructed in The Prayer Book

Sanctus - (10:00 am) The Hymnal S130

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

Eat this Bread – (10:00 am) See Music Insert

The Invitation

All who yearn to be transformed and fed by God are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ at the Lord's Table. To receive a consecrated gluten-free host, extend your right hand only.

Music during Communion (10:00 am)

Selections for Harp

The Post Communion Prayer BCP p. 365

Recessional Hymn – (10:00 am) The Hymnal 525

Dismissal

Postlude – (10:00 am)

Hornpipe George F. Handel

Contact us

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Centre Point

This Week at St. Paul's:

This Afternoon – 4-5 PM Baptismal Preparation class

Tues. August 26th – 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist

Thurs. August 28th - 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist

FYI -Midweek Eucharistic services are held in the chapel and are about a half hour long.

Announcements

Baptismal Preparation Class (last one) – for those registered for the August 31st Baptism is today at 4 PM. The next Baptism Sunday is All Saint's Sunday, Nov. 2nd. Preparation classes for Baptism on that Sunday will be held in October.

New Adult Education Series - "Doing Theology" with our Presiding Bishop—
A Wednesday evening program starting September 3

Katherine Jefferts Schori, our Presiding Bishop, will visit New Hampshire at the end of September. Her book of reflections, *A Wing and a Prayer*, is a good way to get to know her and how God is at work in her life. We'll meet on five Wednesday evenings, from September 3 to October 1st starting at 6:00 PM. (Bring a sandwich if you would like.) The reflections in this book connect everyday experiences with theological ideas. In our discussions about the book, we will all experiment with this method of theological reflection, adding our own everyday stories to those offered by the Bishop, and discovering how we can better know God in everyday life. Where she refers to a passage from scripture, we'll study that scripture too. To order a copy of the book, contact Kristin Dunklee in the church office. -Celeste Hemingson

Summer Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs. 8:30am – 4:30pm

Fri. 8:30am – 12:00pm

****Food Pantry Needed Item of the Week****
Shampoo and Liquid Dishwashing Detergent

Music Opportunities Starting in the Fall

Adult Choir Members and Interested Singers-It is almost time to get back to our usual schedule. We will begin rehearsals on Sunday, September 7th at 9:00 AM and sing at the 10:00 AM service that day. Also, for those of you in town the weekend before, we will have a rehearsal on Sunday, August 31st from 9:00-10:00 AM to begin work on a Polka Mass that we will sing on Sunday, September 28th.

Parents of Children from Kindergarten-5th Grade-We will begin our fall schedule on Monday, September 8th from 4:00-5:00 PM in the choir room. We separate the children into two groups for half the time with the Kindergarten and 1st Graders staying in the choir room, playing Orff and percussion instruments, musical games and learning to read music, while the older kids play in a hand chime choir and ring our tower bells. We then join together to sing and learn an anthem that we will sing on the first Sunday of each month beginning in October.

RDMS-Rhythm, Dance, Movement and Song- A Montessori-based music curriculum for children from birth to 4 years of age with an adult caregiver will begin on Tuesday, September 2nd at 5:15 PM and Wednesday morning, September 3rd at 10:30 AM.

Upright Piano Available – The SPY group has an upright piano available for the taking. It has a broken pedal and needs a tuning but is otherwise functional. If you have an interest and a way to move it out of here, contact Kellie Denoncourt at 224-2523 or kelliedenoncourt@gmail.com.

The Mustard Seed Preschool Program is a self-supporting ministry of St.



Paul's Church. We are now enrolling children for the 2008-2009 school year. The Mustard Seed Program is changing! We hope to meet the changing needs of our community by offering a one-morning per week program on Wednesdays here at St. Paul's. We will experience stories, share in creative projects, develop spiritually and learn together. A

small donation to participate is requested but not required. Three to five year old children are welcomed. Classes will begin in September. For more information, contact Sarah Nyhan here at St. Paul's Church at 224-2523 ext. 17 or snyhan@stpaulsconcord.org.

St. Paul's Sunday School - CALL FOR TEACHERS!!

It's not too late to volunteer to help in our Sunday School program! Training for new teachers will begin soon. We are looking for individuals willing to make a three week commitment – could that be you? Please contact Sarah Nyhan if you are interested in participating in this spirit-filled volunteer program! We are hoping for three or four individuals to take on each block of Sundays, beginning after Labor Day. Joyful and mindful training (and tasty snacks) will be provided before you begin, as well as ongoing support.

Contact Sarah Nyhan at 224-2523 ext. 17 or snyhan@stpaulsconcord.org.



Book Club – There will be no meeting in August. If you want to use your summer reading for September's book, it is "The Bean Trees" by Barbara Kingsolver. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 9th at 7PM at Marjorie Estes' house, 145 Mountain Road, Concord.

Come journey with us....

Members of the Brotherhood of St. Gregory from Province I, will host

A Quiet Day of Reflection on September 13th from 10:00am till 2:00pm. Eucharist will be celebrated and lunch will be served. Please call the Church office or e-mail Br. Charles Edward at BCEBSG@verizon.net. to be part of the journey.....

Black fly Season - Our 8/18 game was a close game, 10-9 with our Black Flies on the short end of the score. Defensive highlights were provided by Jenn Lacasse who flashed some good leather (as always) at 3rd base. Our offensive star was Phil Denoncourt II who went 3-for-3 at the plate. Our last game is tomorrow, August 25th at 6PM! Show up by 5:30 PM for warmup. The game is at Chichester. Remember, you don't have to play to participate!



Chapter II Thrift Store is now accepting donations of fall (especially back-to-school) clothes, men's clothing and small household articles. Please bring in clean and folded (or hanging) items to the church Monday to Friday 10 AM – 2 PM.

Church Fair - The Fair/Craft Committee meets once a month on the second Sunday of the month; future dates are September 14 and October 12 at 5 PM. We start with a short meeting, enjoy a potluck dinner about 5:30 PM and move onto craft projects that will be sold at the Fair. Instruction and materials provided. Come join us and get to know other members.

Forever Young - Save the Date – There will be a meeting on October 21st at 9:30 AM to clean and price jewelry for the church fair.

St. Paul's Church Ministry Fair – Sunday, September 7th between the 8 AM and 10 AM services in upper parish hall. A representative from each of St. Paul's ministries will be available to provide information and maybe to recruit some new volunteers. If your group has something to share with the congregation about its mission in the church, this is an opportunity to let everyone know. The Ministry Fair will coincide with the **Welcome Back Brunch** which will be held in Ordway Hall. Summer season is over, it's back-to-school and back-to-church, so come and greet your fellow parishioners over brunch and don't forget those name tags. Please contact Kellie Denoncourt at kelliedenoncourt@gmail.com or call 224-2523 with any questions.

The Church Directory - You Came, You Smiled, and We Say Thank You!



We have over 200 photos. We have had a great response, even better than expected. People have e-mailed photos, sent photos, and so many showed up for a photo, and we are thrilled. We still have a few more photos to take of people that need us to come to them. If you know of anyone who needs to be photographed at home, please let me know in the next week so that they can be included in the Directory as well - e-mail

robinbroadbent@comcast.net or call 226-9149.

The Business Card advertising has been a great success also with 25-30 cards submitted, we thank you all for your support.

Over the next few months, we will be assembling the directory and will keep you updated on our continued progress in the CentrePoint bulletin.

If you are interested, information on purchasing your photos will be available in the next few weeks.

The Directory Committee

Name Tags! Name tag numbers continue to grow. On August 3rd we just passed the 175 name tags mark. It's fun and exciting to be able to greet members by their given names, especially for those among us with memory issues! We've received a lot of positive feedback from people who are now able to connect a name with a familiar, friendly face they've recognized for years, but may have been too shy to introduce themselves. We're hoping we can all get to know each other better before our new rector arrives. We also hope our name tags will make it easier for the new rector to get to know all of us more quickly and easily. Beginning this week, we are offering a brief feedback form (enclosed) welcoming information to help us better appreciate the reasons among us for not wearing name tags and/or sharing our names and seeking any suggestions to improve what we are offering. Thanks so much for your help! Barbara Stokes (227-9387 or stokesbjz@verizon.net) or Robin Broadbent (robinbroadbent@comcast.net).



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GIFTS FOR CHIPS

The Episcopal Diocese Prison Concerns Committee is in its 31st year of helping to provide gifts for Children of Incarcerated Parents (ChIPs). As we try to meet the needs of those in prison, especially the children of inmates at Christmas, we see the innocent victims of crime and the effect felt most painfully in these young hearts.

These children will be missing at least one parent this Christmas. They will miss an irretrievable piece of childhood through no fault of their own. We feel blessed to be able to ease that hurt, if only for a short while.

The demands on the program have grown each year, and thankfully, so has the response. In 2008, we hope to distribute as many as 1200 gifts and an equal number of new books to the children. Won't you help us make a difference? Drop off gifts or monetary donations at your church. The delegates to the Diocesan Convention will bring them to the Convention on **November 8** where they will be transported to Blass Clubhouse at St. Paul's School for sorting. The dates for sorting are tentatively set for November 8 through November 12.

There are many ways you can help. You can volunteer to collect gifts and serve as your parish's contact, help sort the gifts at St. Paul's, help with the wrapping of the gifts. Wrapping will take place on December 1. If you are interested in wrapping, I must know by November 1. For more information, or if you wish to volunteer, please contact Margaret Mackie-Ciancio at 603 432-7679 or at mmciancio@comcast.net.

From the Prison Concerns Committee, from the children who will be touched by your efforts, and for your willingness to be a part of this project, we are inspired by the gospel of Matthew (22:40), "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me."

Gift Guidelines

We group gifts according to the following age groups:

Birth to 2; ages 3 to 4; ages 5 to 7; ages 8-11;
ages 12-14; and ages 15-18

Gifts should not exceed \$20 (original retail value).

One \$20 gift is preferable to four \$5 gifts as it is difficult to group items together to equal a \$20 gift.

If you don't want to purchase a \$20 gift, any monetary donation would be great and used by the committee to purchase as many \$20 gifts or books as possible.

If you purchase a gift that requires batteries, **please** purchase those as well and attach them to the gift. It's so discouraging to receive a gift with no batteries.

We hope to collect a new book for each child as well as a gift.

Consider buying a gift that would be appropriate for both boys and girls such as balls or board games.

Don't forget the older children. It is often easier to buy gifts for younger children. There is always a shortage of gifts for older children.

No used books or toys can be accepted.

None of the following items are acceptable: balloons, crayons, play dough, glue, bubbles, make up, long sticks or paint brushes, glass items, clothing, sharp tools or toy weapons of any kind.

Name (optional): _____

I prefer not to wear a name tag because:

Suggestions for the Name Tag Project Coordinator:

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