

Saint David's Episcopal Church

Bean Blossom, Indiana

Pentecost 2008

Dear Friends in Christ,

As the great 50-day Festival of Easter draws to a close, we now come to the Feast of Pentecost, celebrating the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the first disciples and the birth of the Church as the continuing expression of Christ's abiding presence in the world. The advent of the Holy Spirit set the early Church to its two primary tasks; the formation of a truly radical and counter-cultural community of faith, and the spread of the gospel message beyond its original geographical and religious confines of Palestinian Judaism.

Only the confounding, counter-intuitive, supernatural wisdom of a divine Holy Spirit could transform such a motley crew of semi-literate laborers, reformed reprobates, revolutionary wannabes, discredited clerics and camp followers into a spiritual movement that would literally change the world. Such was the power of that Holy Spirit to activate the passion and instill the values of Christ in the early Christians, that they would leave behind all forms of security, devote themselves entirely to prayer, proclamation and service, render meaningless any practical definition of private property in the interest of the common good, eradicate all distinctions of class or kind, and welcome into their midst people utterly unlike themselves. None of this was easy, of course, but with God's help it was done.

It was the Holy Spirit that transformed Peter's impulsive, illogical outbursts into a persuasive proclamation of the gospel of Love that made new converts by the thousands. The Spirit gave the early Church the courage both to remain steadfast in the synagogue (where they were viewed as heretics) and to venture into foreign lands with an unsettling message viewed alternatively by the locals as preposterous, blasphemous or seditious.

It is that same Holy Spirit that comes to the Church today, seeking to reform and revitalize that truly radical, counter-cultural community of faith, so that it might stand in silent contrast to (and vocal witness against) the same corruptions of secular power and religious institutions, the same divisive disparities and inequities of society, and the same idolatries that confuse, distract and divert us from God and God's purposes. The Spirit calls the Church out of complacency and conformity, out of conventional wisdom and convenient ideologies, and leads us to renew our common worship and re-engage our common mission. I believe that this divinely inspired reformation has been underway at St. David's for some time now, and that it is beginning to bear much fruit and fire, despite the limitations of our perception and the subtlety of our resistance.

On Pentecost Sunday, a special event will take place here. To my mind, the kickoff of our Capital Campaign, "Building for Mission", is very much in keeping with the intent of the original Pentecost and is an outgrowth of the Holy Spirit's abiding presence and guidance over the past several years. I see our Master Plan for St. David's as a faithful expression of God's purpose as we emerge as a center of gospel service to the world around us. I experience the process by which we have arrived at this point of implementation as an imperfect but serious effort to invoke and receive the guidance of the Holy Spirit, mediated primarily through one another. And I understand our Capital Campaign as a means by which we may experiment anew with that ancient impulse of the first Christians, to "hold all things in common", releasing for the lasting good of the Church and the accomplishment of Christ's overarching mission, whatever gifts God has entrusted to us.

If left to our own devices, instincts and the prevailing philosophies of the world, we could not possibly do this. But Jesus did not leave us to rely on these things. He left his Holy Spirit, his living, transforming Presence. With God's help, this Capital Campaign can become to us a new Pentecost, unleashing the spiritual fire of the Holy Spirit to inspire us all to things "greater than we can ask or imagine."

Jonathan +

St. David's Episcopal Church

corner of SR 45 and SR 135, Bean Blossom, Indiana

To preserve the privacy of our members, individual email and phone numbers are not listed online.

Pastor: The Rev. Jonathan Hutchison

Choir Director: The Rev. Joseph Ridenour

Organist: Jennifer Lawrence

Church Secretary: Sandy Richardson

St. David's Bishop's Committee Members

Congregational Life - *"Promotes building of church community"* - Carol Ruffin

Outreach Commission - *"Promotes ministries of charities...local and general"* - Judy Laffin

Pastoral Care Commission - *"Promote ministries of spiritual growth"* - Marge Grimm

Bishop's Committee Treasurer - Sandy Ridenour

Education Commission - *"Promotes transmission of the faith"* - Dave Richards

Property Commission - *"Promotes necessary improvements and repairs"* - Ray Laffin, Jr. Warden

Stewardship Commission - *"Promotes personal and corporate stewardship"* - Ralph Linscott

Evangelism Commission - *"Promotes the spread of the Gospel"* - Gene Niednagel

Worship and Music Commission - *"Promotes an empowered community of faith"* - Ed Fleming

Communications Commission - *"Promotes an informed and involved membership"* - Randy Bridges

KICK UP YOUR HEELS AT ST. DAVID'S KICK-OFF PARTY!

Please schedule your calendar and come to ***St. David's***

Kick-Off Party celebrating the Capital Campaign.

Join in with food, fun, and frolic.

When: Sunday, May 11, 2008

Time: Immediately after church service

What: Food, entertainment and a joyful gala

Extra: It is also Pentecost Sunday – wear red for the fire burning bright in our hearts: "Building for Mission"

Food and entertainment provided. Please, just come, bring your family,* and enjoy the excitement for our future at St. David's as we fellowship together.

Please bring lawn chairs, unless it's rainy or too cold to be outside.

*It is also Mother's Day! Bring your mother – she will love you!

Capital Campaign Update

The Capital Campaign Committee was just starting when the last newsletter went to press; the actual Capital Campaign will be finished long before the next newsletter. I am amazed at all of the work that the Capital Campaign committee has accomplished so far. In the beginning the work was quiet-- interviewing consultants, establishing a budget and setting the overall dates of the Capital Campaign. We are now in the highly visible part of the campaign; last week we had the four focus group meetings and May 11 we will have the big Kickoff event right after church.

None of this would be possible without all of the hard work from the members of the committee: Jane Beers, Marilyn Day, Ralph Linscott, Deborah Hutchison, Sandy Ridenour, and of course, our hard working ex-officio members Jonathan Hutchison and Gene Niednagel. By now I imagine that everyone has met Tom Phillips, our consultant from J.D. Klote. Tom has been invaluable in helping us get things done in the short term and organize all the things that have to occur in the long term. Of course for us long term is a relative concept; the entire campaign will only last six weeks.

I wonder if there will be room in the fall newsletter for me to mention all the people who will have made the pledge drive a success, including those who are working on the Kickoff event and those who will visit other members of the congregation. So far the list includes Cheryl Fleming and Vern Sindlinger, who led several of the focus groups.

Of course, long before the fall newsletter the Capital Campaign Committee will announce the results of the campaign. The committee will reveal exactly how much was raised. Raised for both building our mission here in Bean Blossom and the 10% tithe that St. David's will give to mission partners in our local community, the state and nation, and overseas.

Thank you for all of the support that I know you will give the committee.

--Jim Huber, Chairman

The Prayer of the Capital Campaign

Giving God, may our hearts rest in You as our hands do Your work in the world. Teach us to hold lightly the treasure we have. May we know it to be pure gift. And may all that we do be a returning to You - our Source and our Sustainer. AMEN

The Long Range Plan: What's Been Accomplished in Eight Months?

St. David's direction into our unfinished future has been guided in part these past eight months by the ten recommendations in the Long Range Planning Report. Here's what we have accomplished so far and what we still have to do.

1. Develop a Facilities Master Plan for St. David's that creates new space for both congregational and community use and plans for the integration or replacement of existing structures. The Master Plan has been developed using the long range plan as a guide. It received input several times from the congregation and was adopted by the Bishop's Committee in March. The Master Plan is being used now by the Capital Campaign Committee.
2. Develop a comprehensive stewardship plan for the next 3-5 years that includes education, study, and implementation of a capital campaign and planned giving program in addition to our ongoing annual pledge appeal. Working with the Master Planning Committee, determine when St. David's has the financial plan in place to move ahead with facility expansion and improvements. An ongoing capital campaign is being conducted now at St. David's. When the results of the campaign are known, we will determine how to move forward in implementing the Master Plan. Our annual

pledge appeal will continue as usual in the fall. Information on planned giving opportunities will be made available later as part of our stewardship of people, facilities, and money.

3. Oversee and supervise construction work at St. David's developed according to the St. David's Master Plan and carried out within the construction budget and scope of the project approved by the Bishop's Committee and Diocese. The Bishop's Committee is in the process of naming a Building Committee that will take charge of all aspects of actual construction once the Master Plan/capital campaign work is reviewed.

4. Manage the transition time in clergy leadership, ensuring that the long range planning process remains on schedule, that Jonathan's and Deborah's ministries among us continue in the normal mode and are celebrated at retirement, that planning with the Bishop for the interim period after retirement be done on a timely basis, and that we educate ourselves on the processes and theology of transitions. We have had one meeting with Bishop Waynick on clergy leadership transition and have been assured of her help and the support of the diocesan staff when the time approaches to celebrate Jonathan's and Deborah's ministries among us and make the transition to new leadership. In the meantime, it's life at its fullest, as usual.

5. Continue to educate ourselves about the needs of Brown County, our state and nation, and the world so we can act to bring the Kingdom of God closer to our communities. Be alert for outreach opportunities that St. David's could initiate and do very well. We are a parish dedicated to financial outreach at all levels, including a tithe to outreach from all gifts to the capital campaign. We also lead and serve in many ways in the local community. We are actively searching and patiently waiting for one local ministry that could be adopted or started here by St. David's. The Phase 3 ministry space in the Master Plan will be defined by our ministry choices.

6. Actively work for membership growth, keeping in mind the long-range needs of St. David's for new leadership and younger members. Educate the congregation on the facts about Episcopal Church growth as they apply to our demographics. We appreciate the benefits of a small, active congregation, but also recognize that we must grow to maintain our mission and legacy. Because we are in a slower growth area as it applies to churches, all areas of welcome and hospitality will be involved in attracting and incorporating new members. Many of us ourselves have come fairly recently to the St. David's community.

7. Provide ways to encounter each other and God at ever-deeper levels by continuing to promote social and educational gatherings and worship experiences for these purposes. Everything we do together works for a powerful community – worship, hospitality, dinners for 8-9, euchre, plays, work projects. Researchers point out that belonging to a community often comes before learning all the culture and deeper wisdom found at its core.

8. Inventory the ways we communicate with members and potential members and initiate new contacts so that we are in touch with all members and potential members several times a month in a variety of ways. In the past few years, we have tried to keep everyone "in the loop" and involved in the life of St. David's. We've worked on our website and sponsored community events. Inspired by the Magnetic Church concept, part of this effort will be the development of a recognizable growth path into our community made up of genuine welcome, an invitation to become involved, and growth toward eventual leadership in outreach and apostleship.

9. Create a task force to plan and implement a year-long, 2009 celebration of St. David's 50th anniversary with a variety of events to mark this significant year in our history. Marge Grimm, Coral Hamlin, Jane Herr, Judy Huber, Carol Ruffin, and Phyllis Sindlinger, chair, make up the 50th Anniversary Committee, along with Jonathan Hutchison and Gene Niednagel as ex officio members. Their first meeting was April 27, and we have been promised a memorable 50th year.

10. Use of the John McKinney Fund for new work at St. David's: Use \$10,000 of the fund for Planning and Building Costs that will enhance our outreach to the community and use the balance of this fund to support new ministry with start up or facility or program needs. Appropriate recognition of John McKinney's gift should be made at St. David's. We have put \$10,000 to work in the master plan development and the financing of the capital campaign in order to have additional space that is an improvement for St. David's members while being welcoming and helpful to our wider community. That leaves \$12,000+ for our future ministry development noted in #5 above.

Since August 2007, we have been following the long range plan inspired by the example of John McKinney, developed through the leadership of many groups and committees, and informed by the wisdom and advice of all of us. These plans will continue to unfold through the next months and years, propelled by some good leadership and sacrifice and dedicated to bringing the glory of God and God's Kingdom closer to everyone everywhere.

--Gene Niednagel

Parish Activities

Yoga

Yoga at St. David's will be continuing on Tuesday evenings from 5:30-6:30 in the parish hall. See Desiree Hensel for details (988-2037).

St. David's Rummage Sale

There will be a rummage sale this summer. The date is yet to be determined. While you are doing your spring cleaning, please save those items that would help our sale. Large items are welcomed! See Carol Ruffin (988-6053) for details.

Children's Church Re-instituted

In order to allow our younger members the chance to worship both with the larger congregation and in a manner appropriate to their age level, we are starting a new "Children's Church" during the regular 9:30 Sunday service. Kids will go to the narthex after the Collect, just before the first reading and will return at the Passing of the Peace. While out of the adult service, children will hear the Gospel reading in kid's language, pray together, and do a craft or play a game relating to the Gospel theme. Sessions will be led by Jen and Jane Beers or Coral Hamlin. Feel free to call Jane with questions, 812-597-0728.

Suds & Floats

Plans are in process for another musical theatre outing at the end of June. The Brown County Playhouse is doing "Suds," a 60's musical which promises to be a hoot! How about root beer floats and cheeseburgers afterwards? If you're interested in helping, especially with the food, call Judy Huber, 988-4007.

Contemporary American churches in particular do not require following Christ in his example, spirit, and teachings as a condition of membership - either of entering into or continuing in fellowship of a denomination or a local church.... Most problems in contemporary churches can be explained by the fact that members have not yet decided to follow Christ. - Dallas Willard, The Spirit of the Disciplines

Parish News & Notes

Where have all the organists gone?

Stephen Frketic, former organist at St. David's, called Joe and Sandy on Sunday, April 13 just to say hello, that he misses us, and to let us know that he has recently moved to Houston, Texas. According to a friend of Stephen's from IU who has been living in Houston, there are a lot more jobs available in Houston. Stephen agrees in that he has a "day" job as well as more opportunities to play the organ in Houston churches. So, since Spring of 2005, Stephen has been in Nashville, TN as a church organist, Japan as an English teacher, Portland, OR, and now Houston, TX. He plans to take a couple college courses in order to qualify as a choral director in public school music. Joe said that Stephen was upbeat and excited about being in Houston (and that he misses St. David's).

Most of you will remember (with fondness, I might add) **Steve and Anne Wietstock**. Steve was our organist and Anne sang in the choir and served as chalice-bearer. We heard from them in January and thought you would be interested in knowing of their activities in South Bend.

Steve continues at the University of Notre Dame, teaching laboratory courses for first and second-year Chemistry majors, as well as being the Director of Music & Church Organist for the Episcopal Cathedral Church of St. James. He has planned and directed many musical events at the Cathedral. And, in the "small world" category, he works with our Julie's sister-in-law, Caroline Dehner, who is working on her doctorate in chemistry at UND.

Anne has kept very busy volunteering in many areas, but the exciting news is that she has received the necessary permissions to start the Discernment Process for Holy Orders! I know you will join us in praying for Anne as this process proceeds.

--Sandy Ridenour

Olive Family News

Scott celebrates 90th!

Our news is that Scott Olive is expecting his son Jim Olive and family to come in June, from Lexington, Va. Jim is also a CPA (as Scott was, before he retired from the George S. Olive Company, and became a Professor at Butler University in Indianapolis).

Also, in late July, Scott's daughter Anne Olive Moore, and family of five will visit us. She is an Episcopal Priest, and after several years as a Chaplain at a hospital in Portland, OR, she has now been made a Vicar at a church in Monmouth, OR. She wrote us that it reminded her a lot of our St David's church.

And last but not least, Scott Olive will have his 90th birthday on May 20. St. David's will celebrate it on May 18.

--Hazel Lemmons Olive

Pastoral Care Commission

I would like to introduce Gene Niednager's idea of the "Magnetic Church" to St. David's congregation. He was introduced to it from Episcopalian Andy Weeks. One of the Magnetic ideas is to "Leave no Visitor Alone". This thought caught my attention as a good one for us to adopt. It is a relatively easy one to get used to doing.

Actually, the quote "Leave no Visitor Alone" says it all. Lets see if we can do just that. If you see someone alone that is either already sitting or standing around that you know is a visitor, or are not

sure is a visitor, or someone you don't know, just go up and introduce yourself and get a little acquainted. Let them know that you are happy they are here to be part of our church family. If others are nearby, introduce them to the visitor. If they haven't found a seat yet you might ask them if they would like to sit with you. During the Peace be sure to greet them with a friendly handshake and Gods Peace. After the service check and see if they might want to enjoy some coffee and refreshments and don't forget the visitors register.

This also can go for someone who comes periodically and is rather shy about mingling. It could be great fun trying to get to know everybody, since we are a small church. Everybody has a story to tell and it just might be a really interesting one.

Now, I do know that almost everyone has things to do before and after church and are usually very busy doing these things. But, I was hoping everyone could try to keep the corner of our eye open for the visitor. I don't mean to rush them like football players rushing the quarterback and having a pile up, but to just keep our eyes open for the lone visitors who might be looking for a church where they can be welcomed and become involved.

God's Peace --*Marge Grimm*

50th Anniversary Year Committee Meets

The committee met for the first time on Sunday, April 27th at St. David's. The committee consists of **Phyllis Sindlinger (leader), Marge Grimm, Coral Hamlin, Jane Herr, Carol Ruffin, and Judy Huber.** Gene Niednagel and Rev. Jonathan Hutchison also attended. We started the meeting with everyone telling their personal history with St. David's. This committee will be planning activities to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the parish as well as the Hutchison's ministry and their upcoming retirement. Marge has already started an outline of St. David's history and Phyllis has organized the Bishop's Committee minutes through 2004. Plans were discussed for the following possible projects: Sunday conversation with charter/early members, video production with early members and others, a homecoming worship and dinner, publication of history and parish cookbook or combination of both, a special letterhead for the year, celebration of Hutchison's ministry, points of interest published in St. D newsletter, Sunday bulletin, and Tidings, some type of memorial to honor founding members, a special 2009 calendar, and involvement of the Bishop in our activities. We need to work on setting dates and establishing a budget for these projects. The committee invites (and will in some cases demand!) participation of all St. David's members. Please contact any committee member with ideas and thoughts. --*Jane Herr*

First Fun Fact: The cost of the current building (finished in 1969) was \$35,000. This included the cost of moving the parish hall!

Children's Funnies

Death: While walking along the sidewalk in front of his church, our minister heard the intoning of a prayer that nearly made his collar wilt. Apparently, his 5-year-old son and his playmates had found a dead robin. Feeling that proper burial should be performed, they had secured a small box and cotton batting, then dug a hole and made ready for the disposal of the deceased. The minister's son was chosen to say the appropriate prayers and with sonorous dignity intoned his version of what he thought his father always said: "Glory be unto the Faaather, and unto the Sonnn, and into the hole he goooes." (I want this line used at my funeral!)

Elderly: While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly shut-ins, I used to take my 4-year-old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day I found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced myself for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, "The tooth fairy will never believe this!"

--from *Laura Martin*

The Bean Blossom Music Series presents

VOCO

Award-winning, vocal group from Los Angeles featuring music series veteran

Moira Smiley

in a concert of original song, Shape Note singing and Southern Hymnody

Sunday, May 18 at 3 pm

[note special time]

"A truly phenomenal act" ~ Folkworks Magazine

The L.A. Times calls VOCO "Fascinating".

The Bean Blossom Music Series is a form of quiet evangelism, that the people of Brown County might experience the richness of our community. So, bring along your friends!

Regional Service of Confirmation and Reception

Saturday, May 10 @ 11 am

All members are encouraged to offer support by their presence at this important milestone in the spiritual journey of Jeffrey Stone, who will be confirmed in the faith of Christ by Bishop Cate, and of Steve Fittz and Belinda Wheeler, who will be formally received into the Episcopal Church. Car pools form in the church lot at 8:45 am, or as otherwise arranged. Directions to Trinity, Lawrenceburg are as follows:

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| 1. Start out going East on IN-135/ IN-46 | 15.9 miles |
| 2. Merge onto I-65 S. | 18.9 |
| 3. Merge onto US-50 E via EXIT 50A to North Vernon | 34.5 |
| 4. Turn slight Right onto US-50/ IN-129/ N IN-129. Follow US-50 E. | 25.2 |
| 5. Turn Right onto Walnut Street. | 0.3 |
| 6. Turn Right onto West Center Street. | 0.1 |
| 7. End at Lake St & West Center Street in Lawrenceburg | |

Estimated Time: 1 hour 49 minutes

Estimated Distance: 94.77 miles

Funny Pages

Heaven

I was testing the children in my Sunday school class to see if they understood the concept of getting to heaven.

I asked them, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into Heaven?"

"NO!" the children answered.

"If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into Heaven?"

Again, the answer was, "NO!"

By now I was starting to smile. Hey, this was fun!

"Well, then, if I was kind to animals and gave candy to all the children, and loved my husband, would that get me into Heaven?" I asked them again.

Again, they all answered, "NO!"

I was just bursting with pride for them.

Well, I continued, "then how can I get into Heaven?"

A five-year-old boy shouted out,

"YOU GOTTA BE DEAD"

--from *Jennifer Rekers*

St. David's Famous Recipes

Here is a recipe from my British mother (still a citizen of the UK at 88!) authentic British scones...Jennifer Rekers

Authentic English Scone Recipe

2 cups all purpose flour
2 teaspoon Baking powder
1/2 teaspoon Baking soda
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon salt
8 Tablespoons unsalted butter, cold
1 cup raisins rinsed in warm water and dried
2 Tablespoons sugar

1 Egg yolk-large
3/4 cup yogurt (plain)
1 Egg white and a tablespoon sugar (for the top)

Method: Combine flour baking powder, baking soda, nutmeg, salt. Cut in butter. Add raisins and sugar. Add egg yolk to yogurt in a bowl and whisk together. Pour over flour mixture and stir to form dough. Turn out. Knead two or three times. Cut dough in half, knead each half briefly. Shape both into two balls. Pat each ball into a six inch circle. Cut into wedges but DO NOT SEPARATE wedges. Brush tops with egg white and sprinkle with the tablespoon of sugar. Bake roughly 22 minutes at 280 degrees.

Cool on a wire rack and pull wedges apart. Cover loosely with a tea towel until ready to serve.

From Pat Heller's Recipe Book, (Jennifer Heller Rekers' mother)

Whoop it up

Whoop up a box of stuffing mix.

Whoop up a box of instant mashed potatoes.

Mix 'em together with a bunch of butter.

Put more butter on top and then put in 350 degree oven to puff up on top and maybe brown.

Enjoy; you'll be surprised how good this is! Great for a crowd.

--*Judy Huber*

Before eating, always take a little time to thank the food.

-*American Indian Proverb, Arapaho*

Book Review

Earth in Mind: On Education, Environment and the Human Prospect by David W. Orr. First Island Press 1994.

This book was extremely interesting and well written by Mr. Orr. He first questions the basic tenets and methodology of educational systems, suggesting a philosophy of teaching more about our ecological heritage with less emphasis on as he states: "competing in the global economy". Mr. Orr states early on in the book that "the skills, aptitudes, and attitudes necessary to industrialize the earth, however, are not necessarily the same as those that will be needed to heal the earth or to build durable economies and good communities."

He states that our economic system is flawed in that it does not set a "true" value or price on goods, and it does not allow for other factors such as: scarcity of raw material, the effects of extracting these materials on the earth's ecosystems, their disposal or recycling, and the emissions of carbon, etc. produced in their production and use. Orr also states that an economy that is constantly "growing" is not sustainable in the long run; a steady state type of economy would be much better.

Regarding higher education, Orr maintains that colleges and universities are largely tied to and supported by corporations large and small, producing research results that tend to be "friendly" to their corporate sponsors. Also, research professors many times do their specific "research" in their specific discipline, not seeing the effects of their research on other fields, neglecting the effects on earth's

fragile systems. These “tunnel vision” profs cannot see the forest for the trees. Most college campuses do not truly reflect the native environment of the college's area; Orr thinks they should.

Finally, he proposes a system of improvements that he thinks will make the world more livable and self-sustaining (He is fairly positive about the future, but only if we make many of these changes).

Realize the "myth" of what we have always considered "progress"; measuring progress in different terms.

Restructure rural communities to make them more attractive and efficient for people to live and work in!

Move toward more farms that are smaller in scale, family owned, and sustainable for the future. This will conserve soil, reduce the need for pesticides, herbicides, etc, and feed more people locally.

Practice sustainable forestry--i.e., no clear cuts, more protection of federal and state forests, using more recycled lumber and using nearly 100% of the trees that are harvested.

Reform land ownership (restricting sprawl and abuse of land); using Land Trusts, Communal Ownership, and separation of ownership from development "rights".

Restore small towns with good schools, hospitals and work opportunities (He says that many cities have become too large).

Transportation: Orr would like to see a more efficient national rail system in place of more highways (also an efficient mass transit system in place)

Re-designing cities (community gardens, more parks, city farms, forest preserves, wildlife corridors, limits to new construction and mindless sprawl)

This book is available from Jonathan (I think) and if any of you would like to read it without borrowing Jonathan's copy, I could order a copy or two in paperback.

--Dave Richards

New Parish Secretary Provides “2 for 1” Service

Little did our intrepid Bishop's Committee know the deal they were getting with our new parish secretary, Sandy Richardson. Not only did Sandy dig right in and started immediately producing professional grade church bulletins but she brought a “mini-secretary” to provide twice the service.

Sandy's daughter Grace provides assistance with “colorizing” and moral support from her own “secretarial” chair. Grace is seven and has an older brother, Christopher, who lives in Cincinnati and has a 2 year daughter, Audrey. Cincinnati was Sandy's hometown and her mom still lives there.

Sandy has been in Brown County for 9 years. She keeps busy substitute teaching in the Brown County school system, doing web design and also is a Girl Scout leader. Her interests are genealogy and gardening. Then with all that spare time she helps Gracie take care of 2 dogs, 1 pony, 1 gold fish and 1 guinea pig.

Right now Sandy is doing work on the bulletin from home and also at the church office. She has provided the following information to get those important announcements into the bulletin:

Emailing announcements: Please put ST DAVID'S ANNOUNCEMENT in the subject line.

Email address: sanrichardson@gmail.com

812-988-1333 Home

812-320-3530 Cell

All announcements should be in to me by Fridays at 3:00

And this is her favorite quote!

Do not assume that she who seeks to comfort you now, lives untroubled among the simple and quiet words that sometimes do you good. Her life may also have much sadness and difficulty, that remains far beyond yours. Were it otherwise, she would never have been able to find these words"

- Rainer Maria Rilke

Newsletter Submissions?

Please send your news items, stories of spiritual growth, book reviews, jokes, cartoons, recipes, etc. to Jane Herr (812)988-7611 or 4923 Stevens Rd., Nashville, 47448 or (the preferred method!): jane@rjherr.com.

Next deadlines for submissions:
Sunday, August 10 for Fall
Sunday, November 16 for Advent

Update your Directory entry!

This is an ongoing project. Want a picture? Want the one you have changed? New addresses, new phone numbers, new e-mails, new parishioners--send me your info! Jane Herr (812)988-7611 or 4923 Stevens Road, Nashville, 47448 or (the preferred method!): jane@rjherr.com

Birthdays and Anniversaries

MAY

6 Coral Hamlin
9 Sarah Niednagel
10 Jan Halladay
12 Doug & Judy Miller - Anniversary
12 Susan Wheeler
14 George Cullinan
20 Ray Laffin
20 Scott Olive
20 Arthur Omberg
25 Judy Miller
26 Dona Glentzer
26 Tim Fleck
27 Jim & Judy Huber - Anniversary
22 Gene & Donna Niednagel -Anniversary
28 Marge Wright
30 Joe Ridenour
31 Eliot & Pamela Smith - Anniversary

JUNE

1 McKinsey & Simon Richards (Karen & Dave Richards grandchildren)
2 Marge Grimm
6 Ben Smith
8 Jack Niednaagel
11 Joyce Guinnup
12 Christine Omberg
14 Mickie Williams
14 Donna Stouder
19 Lennis Baughman
21 Jim Huber

22 Judy Laffin
23 Jane & Van Beers
28 Becky Morrison
30 John Pedrey

JULY

4 Steve King
4 Ross Eads
4 Tim & Ann Niednagel Anniversary
7 Verne Sindlinger
7 Ann Woods
16 Kiera Omberg
19 Lacey Richards (Dave & Karen Richards granddaughter)
20 Yvonne & Bob Oliger - Anniversary
20 Carrie Foley
21 Cheryl Fleming
22 Dottie King
22 Andrew Hensel
26 Timothy Baer
27 Judy Huber
28 Gene & Mary Lou Russell - Anniversary

AUGUST

1 Beth Rimstidt -Karen & Dave Richards daughter
1 Maggie Linscott
3 Emily Connallon
3 Steve & Char Fitzgerald - Anniversary
3 Gene & Mary Lou Russell -Anniversary
7 Darrin Smith (Hazel Scott's Grandson)
11 Abigail Omberg
12 Steve Fitzgerald
12 Jim Simms
18 Steve & Sandy Fittz - Anniversary
20 Hazel Olive
21 Carol Walker
22 Sandy Ridenour
23 Verne & Phyllis Sindlinger
25 Jim & Becky Morrison - Anniversary
26 Richard & Jan Halliday Anniversary
27 Jared Rimstidt
27 John Williams
28 Deb Stone
30 Richard Halladay
31 Steve & Dottie King - Anniversary
31 Tucker Eads

Don't see your birthday or anniversary - drop me a line at jane@rjherr.com

Schedule of Special Services and Parish Events

Tuesdays		Yoga	5:30 pm	in Parish Hall
Saturday	May 10	Confirmation & Reception	11 AM	Lawrenceburg
Sunday	May 11	Pentecost Sunday	9:30 AM	St. David's
Sunday	May 11	Capital Campaign Kickoff	after service	St. David's
Sunday	May 18	Scott Olive Birthday celebration		
Sunday	May 18	Bean Blossom Music Series <i>VOVO with Moira Smiley</i>	3 PM	St. David's
Sunday	August 10	deadline for info. for Fall newsletter		