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SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Homily
 8:45 AM Breakfast
 9:20 AM Classes (no class July 5)
 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Homily
 5:30 PM Holy Eucharist, Homily
Nursery available for all services except the 5:30 PM service.

THE DAILY OFFICE

7 AM *Friday* Morning Prayer/Eucharist
 5:30 PM *Thursday* Evening Prayer
 5:50-6:30 PM *Thursday* Centering Prayer

OFFICE HOURS

8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday - Friday

Messenger Deadline/Online

The deadline for the August issue of *The Messenger* is 9 AM, July 15! Contact Lucy Owens at 272-7425 or lucy@gsparish.org with any questions. Thank you in advance for getting your articles in on time! Also, if you would like to go green and receive your copy of *The Messenger* online, contact Lucy.

RECTOR SEARCH ROUNDTABLE REPORT

At the Rector Search Roundtables on June 6 and 20, many parishioners offered their perspectives on what they hope to see in a new Rector and where they see our parish heading in its next chapter. The conversation was inspired and forward-looking. If you were unable to attend the sessions and have some input you'd like to present the committee, you may deliver a letter to the Church Office labeled Rector Search Committee, or send a confidential e-mail to gslsearchcommittee@live.com. Thanks for all the wonderful participation. The Search Committee is excited about the new Parish Profile, which should be ready for candidates around the end of the summer.

On a sad note, Search Committee member Jim Berg has been offered a wonderful professional opportunity in Phoenix, Arizona, and has chosen to accept it. After careful and prayerful consideration, we have asked the Vestry not to replace Jim on the committee. The group is working well together and making deliberate progress. While Jim's talents and insight will be missed, the committee is confident that moving forward with its current makeup is the best way. Wish him luck in his new venture!

WE HAVE WELCOMED TWO NEW STAFF MEMBERS this week. Thanks to the Human Resource Team and Interview Teams with whom I have worked closely, I have asked Kathy Stubblefield to assume the position of Director of Children's Formation, and with the Bishop appointing, I have asked Gayle McCarty to be our Deacon for Pastoral Care and Outreach. *Read more about them on the back page,* and plan to get to know them better as they share with us in ministry.

The church office will be closed Friday, July 3.

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Andy Nix, Charles Pazar, Betty Peyton,
Barney Rolfes, Paula Sappington, Jim Taylor,
Jennie VanDeveer, Peggy Williamson, and
Tom Wyatt

**TO KNOW CHRIST AND
TO MAKE CHRIST KNOWN**

We seek to serve God and our neighbor by welcoming into Grace-St. Luke's parish all people who seek to love God and participate in an open and supportive community based upon the example and teachings of Jesus Christ. Honoring the vows of our Baptismal Covenant, we respect the dignity of every human person by welcoming all regardless of physical appearance or ability, age, mental capacity, ethnic or religious background, sexual orientation, a sense of past or present personal sinfulness or financial circumstances. We seek to become more fully loving, and we welcome all who wish to join us in this journey.

**Men's DuBose Conference**

Make plans now for the 63rd Annual Conference of the Episcopal Churchmen of Tennessee, August 14 - 16, at the DuBose Conference Center in Monteagle, TN. Don't miss this opportunity to attend the largest gathering of Episcopal men in the Anglican Communion! Come and bring a son, a friend, or a new GSL communicant! Applications available in the church office or go to www.episcopalchurchmen.net/ and register online! For more information contact Don McLemore, GSL keyman, at 272-3230 or d.mcl@comcast.net.

It's Summer Time and the Visitors Keep Coming!

Summer is definitely not the time to take a break from being alert to guests at our worship services and reaching out to extend a welcome.

Each summer millions of people relocate to new communities. New people are moving into the church's neighborhood all the time, and we want to be sure that anyone visiting GSL feels welcome. Each Sunday I have the privilege of observing that some of our members go out of their way to connect with visitors. How wonderful it would be if everyone in church offered smiles and words of welcome to new faces. It's easy. I bet at some point every day you smile or exchange greetings with a stranger on the sidewalk or in an elevator. Just bring that welcoming attitude with you on Sunday!

Julie Denman for the Welcoming Committee

From the Bazaar House

The Bazaar House will be closed until the 1st Tuesday in August.

Food Pantry Request

The church food pantry needs large paper grocery bags, plastic grocery bags, dry milk, condiments such as mustard or mayo, etc., and toilet paper. Please leave your food donations on the table next to the food pantry in the Lemaster entrance hall. The food pantry volunteers will get the food to people who need it. Thank you to all who have given in the past. We really appreciate your donations.

Support Groups at GSL

Weight Watchers: Trezevant Hall, Monday;

Weigh-in at noon; Meeting from 12:20-12:40.

AA meetings: Tuesdays, 6:30 PM, 8 PM, both in the Lounge.

Narcotics Anonymous: Saturdays, 10 AM, Sundays, 8 PM, Trezevant Hall.

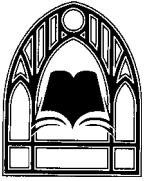
Al Anon: Thursdays, 10:30 AM, Lounge.

Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous: Mondays & Thursdays, 8 PM, Saturdays, 4 PM, and a Women's meeting on Thursdays at 6:45 PM, all in the Lounge.

Fitness Classes at GSL

Pilates: Wednesdays at 12:05 (Scout Room), and 5:15 & 6:15 in the GSL Gym (childcare available @ 6:15)

Senior Fitness: Fridays at 9:30 AM in the choir room.



GRACE ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PROGRAM – SUMMER, 2009

SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES

All series sessions will take place in McClure Hall, starting at 9:20 and ending at 10:15.

Child care is available in the nursery for infants up to 3 years old. Alice Crow will be leading story-telling sessions for kids 4 through 10 in Room 212 (just across the hall from McClure). Kids 11 through 18 are cordially invited to join their parents/guardians and attend the series sessions.

No Class Sunday, July 5

Sunday, July 12**The Rev. Gayle McCarty,****GSL Deacon for Pastoral Care and Outreach**

Gayle McCarty was ordained on June 7, 2009, and began her Eucharistic work at Grace-St. Luke's on June 21. As a Deacon on staff, Gayle will focus on pastoral care and outreach. A cradle Episcopalian, Gayle is a graduate of UT-Knoxville and received her law degree from the University of Memphis. After serving for 12 years in the state Attorney General's office, Gayle joined the Church Health Center staff and was a parishioner at St. Mary's Cathedral where she served on the vestry, a search committee, and did outreach and pastoral care work. Gayle is going to talk to us about the steps along her faith journey leading to her ordination. For those who have not yet met Gayle, this is your chance.

Sunday, July 19**Joann Self Selvidge**

Memphis filmmaker, documentarian and cultural historian Joann Self Selvidge has a kind of motto when it comes to her work. "Everybody's got a story," says Joann, "and in a lot of cases, you don't have to dig to find it. It's right there, and most people are willing to share that with you." On this Sunday, we at GSL will hear some of these stories firsthand, and also hear Joann tell us about how "most nonprofits are feeling the squeeze. Some are cutting back; some are being forced to shut down entirely." In running the board-supervised True Story as a one-woman operation, Joann has said, "We've had to adjust and scale back our projects as well." --Quotes from GO MEMPHIS magazine, April 16, 2009.

Sunday, July 26**Susan Schadt and Tania Moskalenka,
The Arts in Memphis**

Tania Moskalenko has been at the reins of the Germantown Performing Arts Centre since August 2005. She oversees the booking of performers and operation of the organization. And she says GPAC has expanded its educational programming by 155 percent in the past three years. "We bring artists from all over the world," Tania says. "For me, it's important to introduce artists from different cultures to our community." Susan Schadt has served as President and CEO of ArtsMemphis since January 2002. A native Memphian, her most significant accomplishment is the historic Memphis for the Arts campaign that raised \$27.6 million. Earlier, Susan launched an audience development initiative with the Assisi Foundation for some forty nonprofit cultural organizations, culminating in the community-wide interactive arts calendar. Susan currently serves on the Riverfront Development Corporation Board and recently completed a six-year board position on the Americans for the Arts Leadership Council. These two speakers will talk about the promises and challenges facing the arts in our community.

Sunday, August 2**Beverly Robertson, President,
The National Civil Rights Museum**

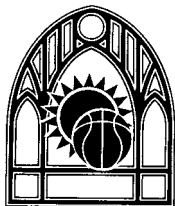
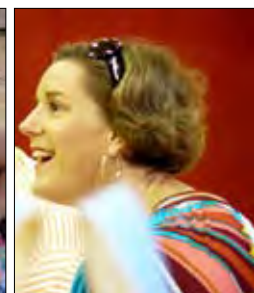
Beverly C. Robertson is currently President of the National Civil Rights Museum and principal of TRUST Marketing and Communications Consortium, having amassed over 25 years of experience in public/community relations, communications, strategic planning and research. With a solid reputation as a focus group facilitator, having managed numerous groups for Fortune 500 companies, Beverly is respected for her common sense approach to complex business and communications solutions, no matter what the challenge — financial or otherwise. And as we all know from reading the news, her challenges at the National Civil Rights Museum are significant. We'll hear the inside story on how she plans to tackle them.



First Friday Fellowship

The First Friday Fellowship will not meet in July because of conflict with July 4th holiday. Make your plans now to join this group of young adults in August. Details will be publicized in *The Messenger* and Evite. If you would like to connect with other young adults please send an email to Kate Garretson Morse at kategarretson@yahoo.com.

Live at the Field, er...um...well, make that the Gym. Bringing the party inside didn't break our spirits. We had a festive little crowd for the GSL Parish Picnic with some really great tunes from the outstanding 80s band WALRUS. We'd like to thank Tom Beazley, Wight Boggs, the Lindenwood Life Center (for the sno-cone machine!) and most of all WALRUS who kept things rockin' and worth coming out for! Special thanks to Kim and Johnny Norris for underwriting the cost of having live music at this special event. If you'd like to book WALRUS for your next party, visit them at walrusrocks.com.



Athletic News

THANKS to all of the 2009 BASEBALL, SOFTBALL AND T-BALL COACHES!

Midget Boys Joe Marfone and Te' Moore (pictured below), Andy Alsenas, Jim Lattimore and Todd Brown

Boys Coach Pitch Jon Huber, Jon Lakey, Avery Hastings, James Overstreet, Amy Morad and Tab Barnes

Girls Coach Pitch Steve Pellegrin and Gary Guinn.

T-Ball Andy Nix, Paul Jones, Todd Brown and Jon Lakey



News From GSL School

by Tom Beazley

Happy summer! Although things are a lot quieter over here when school is not in session, we are staying quite busy as we plan and prepare for the coming school year. We have a few staff changes to share with you as we bid goodbye to faculty members who are leaving and welcome new individuals to our teaching community. As many of you already know, our Lower School Head Adam Carswell is moving back to Canada with his family. We also bid farewell to pre-kindergarten assistant teachers Emily May and Wendy Sorrels, Lower School Foundations teacher Melissa Meeks, Middle School science teacher Kristen Dunn, Middle School math teacher Pamela Selph, and Middle School Spanish teacher Jessica Murray. They have each done excellent work during their time at GSL, and we wish them all the best as they pursue new opportunities.

Our appointment of Andy Surber as the new Head of Lower School was announced earlier this year. Andy, his wife Mary, and their sons Keenan and Logan are in the process of moving here, and Andy will be ready to assume his new responsibilities early this month. In addition, we are pleased to welcome the following new faculty members to our staff:

Rachel Bishop will be our new Foundations Teacher. She has a bachelor's degree in education from Lipscomb University and a master's degree in instruction and curriculum from the University of Memphis. Prior to joining our staff she was at St. George's Independent School where she served as a fourth grade teacher and as a learning specialist.



The Rt. Rev. Don E. Johnson presented the Bishop's Award—given annually at Grace-St. Luke's graduation services—to eighth grader Hannah J.*, in recognition of her service to others and her understanding of the call to love one's neighbor as oneself and to respect the dignity of every human being.



In the Middle School, we have hired GSL alumni Jackson Boyd to teach seventh and eighth grade science. Jackson has a bachelor's degree in biology from Mississippi State University and a master's in education from the University of Memphis. He enjoyed his time as a student here at GSL, and is looking forward to returning to our community.

Jessica Lewis joins us as the new Middle School Spanish teacher. She is moving to the area from Kingsport, TN. She received both her bachelor's and master's degrees from Lee University, and for the past three years she has been a Spanish and World Languages & Cultures teacher in Kingsport.

Finally, we welcome Rebecca Gilbertson who will be teaching a variety of subjects in Middle School. She has a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and has taught in various elementary and middle school positions. Most recently, she has been working at the Lindamood-Bell Learning Processes Center in Memphis.

We are still interviewing candidates for our assistant teaching positions and should complete that hire shortly. I am sure you join me in welcoming these new faculty members to our staff.

At the Board of Trustees meeting in May, we also welcomed four new members: Chapman Morrow, parent of GSL second grader Mary Chapman; Sara Burnett, parent of GSL students Anna Margaret, Sara Kate, and Rebecca; previous board member Holley McGehee, whose sons graduated from GSL; and Linda Niell, former GSL teacher and interim director of Miss Lee's. We greatly appreciate board members Karen Clark, Kim Jenkins, and Beth Perkins, who rolled off after multiple terms and many years of service to the school. Special thanks are also due to our Board President, Bob Adrian. He steps down as President but will stay on the board as Past-President for the coming school year. We cannot thank all of these individuals enough for their tireless efforts to advance and support Grace-St. Luke's. The board officers for 2009-2010 are Clarence Wilbon, President; Trish Pontius, Vice President; Eric Epperson, Secretary; Jim Mercer, Treasurer; and Vicki Walk, Assistant Treasurer.

Finally, we ask you to remind your friends who are looking at schools to visit Grace-St. Luke's. We still have availability in certain grades for this fall, and we encourage any family who is interested in enrolling to go ahead and get on our admissions list. The addition to Miss Lee's Preschool will be finished soon and we are delighted to be opening a new prekindergarten classroom this fall. It is an exciting time as we expand at GSL, and we appreciate your help in spreading the word to friends and neighbors!

* For privacy and security reasons, we print the initial of childrens' last names in our publications' photo captions.

Memorials and Honoraria

Honoraria

Becky Trimble from Friends at Signet
Aaron Prather from Blair Crook Taylor
Cole Shroeder McComic (Baptism) from Mary M. Laughlin
Coaches Shawn Sentilles, Mike Rafferty, Jack Wright from 5th and 6th Grade Girls' Soccer Team

Memorials

Anne Plyler from Mrs. M. Y. McCormick, Tom and Beth Patton, James Shepherd
John Moloney from Betsy and Preston Wilson, Kathrine F. Morris
Virginia Ingle from Mrs. M. Y. McCormick
Sarah Paine from Mrs. M. Y. McCormick, Billie J. Murtagh
Rebecca Trimble from Helen Saino

***The Altar Gifts in July
are offered in loving memory of***

July 5 E. Updon Bertaut, Betty Bertaut, Eugene Michel Holder, Jr., Richard Dudley Holder, Eugene Michel Holder, Elvin Jordan Holder, Laura Banks Jordan, Richard Dudley Jordan, Bettie Crawford Jordan, Betty Brink Holder

July 12 Evelyn Mitchell Webb, Elaine Gregson Langford, Frank Mayne Langford, Sr., Camille Rhea Terrell, Mildred Gregson Rhea, Dorothy Walker Palmer, Jackson Francis Palmer, Lucy West Askew, Jeffery West Hammond, Jr., Thomas Jefferson Hammond, Lee Hewlett Askew

July 19 Tracy Plyler, Anne Ogden Plyler, Florence Boyce Battle, Walter Preston Battle, Garth Connally Jones, Wharton Stewart Jones, Sr.

July 26 Rocco Calandruccio, Bess Tarry, Alice Murnan, Blanche Murnan, Frank Bevans, Marion Y. McCormick

Member News

Birth

James Michael Baker, son of Page and Austin Baker, born May 25, 1009
Amelia Nancy Lownes, daughter of Liz and Robert Lownes, born May 30, 2009

Baptisms, May 31

Lillian Elizabeth Coggin, daughter of Jay and Kim Coggin
Fritz Kweku Boafu Kuusisto, son of Kyle and Karen Kuusisto
Mallory Harper Morris and Marley Allison Morris, twin daughters of John and Allison Morris

Deaths

Covington Scott "Scotty" Burkeen, died May 24, 2009, burial May 27
Stephen David Boesvert, died May 23, 2009, burial May 25

July Lay Service Schedule

July 5

Altar Guild: A Crow, P Barnes, N Golden, S Hickey, B Peyton, M Robinson, T Sheppard, E Smith
Breakfast Cooks: P Wilson, C Kerwin, J Moore, B Foster, L Strickland, C Pazar, S King
Lay Service Participants 8:00 Rolfes, Adams, Whitlock
10:30 *Acolytes:* L Robbins, C Raspberry
Ushers: J Raspberry, J Mercer, D Eason, J Hartney

July 12

Altar Guild: K Harper, R Martin, J Tate, C Wills
Breakfast Cooks: M Herr, C Mercer, M Crow, D McLemore, C Hooser, B Williams
Lay Service Participants 8:00 McGehee, Busby, Hayes
10:30 *Acolytes:* M Wyatt, D McClew, A Hartney
Ushers: M Tyler, N Knecht, W Ayres, B Stubblefield

July 19

Altar Guild: K Harper, R Martin, J Tate, C Wills
Breakfast Cooks: H Morse, T Claybrook, J Mercer, W Ayres, B Morse, I Hendry, D Douglass
Lay Service Participants 8:00 Edwards, Whitlock, Brewer
10:30 *Acolytes:* M Cline, R Gooch, V Strother
Ushers: E Taylor, J Dillard, D Sappington, R Cline

July 26

Altar Guild: M V Rogers, S Barnett, D Dale, L Trotter, C Wallace
Breakfast Cooks: T Bolding, J Raspberry, G Simonton, C Johnson, M Pleasants, M Tyler, J Woo
Lay Service Participants 8:00 Rolfes, Adams, Smith
10:30 *Acolytes:* M Hayes, M Allen, Z VanDeveer
Ushers: T Claybrook, J Moore, J Huber, W Brown

Virtual Fellowship...

Are you on Facebook? Join our fan page!
Just search for "Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal Church" and select "Become a Fan."

Are you a Twitterer? Go to twitter.com/gslparish and select "Follow." When we start sending out Tweets, you'll already be signed up!

July 2009

For the most up-to-date calendar,
go to gslparish.org/calendar

August 2009

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12 STEP MEETINGS
Narcotics Anonymous: Sun 8pm, Sat 10am
Al Anon: Thurs 10:30am
Alcoholics Anonymous: Tues 6:30 & 8pm
Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous:
Mon & Thurs at 8pm, Sat 4pm,
Women's meeting 7:15 Thurs.

8:00am & 10:30am & 5:30
Eucharists
8:45am Breakfast
12:00pm Coffee Hour
4:00pm MTAM

12:00pm Weight Watchers
1:00pm Food Pantry

9:00am Staff meeting
1:00pm Food Pantry

Youth Mission Trip

12:00pm Executive
Committee
5:15pm & 6:15pm Pilates

5:30pm Evening Prayer
5:50pm Centering Prayer

7:00am Morning Prayer
and Eucharist
9:30am Sr. Exercise

5:45pm Rivendell

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12:00pm Weight Watchers
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9:00am Staff meeting
1:00pm Food Pantry
5:30pm Finance

5:15pm & 6:15pm Pilates

5:30pm Evening Prayer
5:50pm Centering Prayer

Conaway-McGinnis Rehearsal
7:00am Morning Prayer
and Eucharist
9:30am Sr. Exercise

5:45pm Rivendell
6:30pm Conaway-McGinni:
Wedding

8:00am & 10:30am & 5:30
Eucharists
8:45am Breakfast
9:20am Speaker Series
12:00pm Coffee Hour
4:00pm MTAM

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1:00pm Food Pantry

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6:00pm Vestry

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Rehearsal

5:45pm Rivendell



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GAYLE MCCARTY
CURATE FOR PASTORAL CARE AND OUTREACH

Hi. I am Gayle McCarty, your new Curate for Pastoral Care and Outreach. I am thrilled to join you all here at such a wonderful and wonder-filled parish and am blessed to serve in two areas of ministry for which I have great passion and experience.

I look forward to the privilege of sharing your joys and sorrows, celebrations and losses, and everyday life in between. A great pastoral care team concept has recently been implemented and I am excited by the commitment and compassion of so many folks who serve in this capacity.

GSL has a rich heritage of Outreach and I am eager to join hands with you all in living out Matthew 25: 40, our Baptismal Covenant and The Great Commandment. I look forward to our journey together as we sense, seek and serve those who are the least, the last and lost among us. It is a matter of justice – the Gospel mandate.

Who am I? I am a cradle Episcopalian, lifelong Memphian and newly ordained deacon. Before seminary, I was a prosecutor for twelve years and later worked as the administrative assistant to the Director of the Church Health Center. The Memphis School of Servant Leadership was instrumental in my spiritual awakening years ago. My heart and I will always be connected to both ministries. I have a passion and reverence for all of God's creatures resulting in my life being blessed and enriched by one dog, a shelter rescue, and four cats, refugees from the street. People tell me that I have a wicked wit and mischievous streak. I love people and to hear their stories and can't wait to get to know you all.

But enough about me! Thank you for your warm welcome into the GSL family. Please introduce yourself to me as I learn names and faces. Again, I am thrilled and blessed to be with you all!



KATHY STUBBLEFIELD
CHILDREN'S FORMATION DIRECTOR

I started my journey in Children's Christian Education when my children (Will, 23 year-old kayaking geologist living in Idaho, Sophie, 22 year-old student-drawing and painting major at the University of Georgia, and Andy, 19 year-old freshman at the University of Tennessee) entered the Sunday School program at Church of the Holy Communion. I taught first graders there and helped with Children's Chapel. When my oldest son entered kindergarten at Grace St. Luke's School, we transferred our church membership to Grace St. Luke's. At GSL I taught Sunday School, helped with Children's Chapel, and became a certified "three to six" and "six to nine" Catechist for the Grace St. Luke's Sunday School program. Along the way, I also helped with other events, such as the Family Retreat, and the childrens' events at the Canterbury Festival. For the last few years I have been a silent observer sitting on the back pew, and one of my favorite moments is seeing the children return to the sanctuary to join their families for communion. To think that I will now have the privilege to be part of the spiritual lives of these children is one of the most exciting things that has happened to me in a while. This opportunity to help with the children's ministry at this particular time in my life and the life of our church is a joyous answer to a long sought prayer. I am happy for the journey that is ahead of us. Please feel free to get in touch with me to let me know what I can do for you and the children of our church.