

THE AP STLE

Use your gifts for the growth of the church

“Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.” —1 Peter 4:8-10

There is a delightful children’s story called “Aleric the Wise.” In the story, Aleric spends his whole life wandering the country and learning different trades. He is never really a master of anything, and towards the end of this life he feels lost and without much sense of belonging or being needed. Until one day someone remembers him. It is a time when his community needed some important information.

Aleric had many gifts.. One of them was his large amount of skill. Soon he was sought after for his knowledge of many of the old ways that had been forgotten. Although once he saw himself as a failure, now after his many years of traveling and learning, he becomes the wise and needed person in the community.

Being needed and having something useful to offer is key to living a fulfilling and meaningful life. There is plenty of evidence in research for both youth and adults that the sense of being useful is critical. The early community gathered around Jesus was filled with the idea that each person was called to a role in the community, and that each person was to be seen as a gift from God. Those early communities were quickly organizing and bringing many new people into the faith each day. Peter writes to them in his letter encouraging them to be hospitable and to use the gifts of the people to build up the church.

During the last several weeks and months, we have journeyed through Lent—a time of self-reflection and deepening faith. Now we move into Easter—the time of Resurrection and New Birth. When Easter Sunday comes, a multitude will show up at St.Thomas for worship. For many, it will be their first time at church; for others, the only time during the year when they might come; and still for others, it may be a time of returning to church after a long absence. The active and regular members of our church will look around and see many new faces and people they don’t recognize! What will we do and say? Can we offer “hospitality without grumbling?”

Can we see the visitor and home-comer as possessing gifts to be used in our community? We need lots of Alerics in our community to help us fulfill our call to “Come, Grow, Serve: Make a Difference!” We need small group leaders, outreach coordinators, acolytes, Eucharistic visitors, coffee hosts, pastoral caregivers, youth leaders and all other kinds of people who will “use whatever he has received to serve others.”

Lent offers a time of reflection. Perhaps during the season you felt an urging or calling to a new ministry. The Easter season is a time for actively pursuing that calling. I encourage you to consider stepping up to use the gifts you are given for the growth of the church. God has given you something to share with others. The question is “Will you?”



*Blessings,
GAIL*

Footnotes

Beth L. Elswick, Director of Music Ministries

I often chuckle when I remember Yogi Berra's comment, "It was just *déjà vu* all over again." Sometimes Year C seems like it is the third inning of the Lectionary Cycle. When I strike out and I miss pairing the perfect song with a timely Scripture reading, I subconsciously say to myself, "Oh well, I'll get that one next time..." as if I really will remember that thought three years later...NOT!

There is a file folder taped to the wall in my office where I make notes of favorite ideas from each year of the lectionary—highlights for the season of readings. While it is fun to play with the puzzle of matching songs, anthems, and hymns with the specified Scripture of the liturgical calendar, it is the people of the parish who bring the music literature and the sacred literature to life.

We create new works of music, we arrange old music in new ways, and, perhaps the most difficult, we perform older works using authentic performance practice in a very contemporary setting. Often the exciting result of our work is the creation of new energy: adding 3 + 2 and getting 6. The whole can be greater than the parts when the resultant energy is factored into the equation.

Last week I studied the Old Testament lesson. God spoke to Moses from the burning bush. There were already many praise hymns called "Holy Ground." I wanted something new for my youth choir, something with a relevant twist to the traditional text, and something they could easily sing in parts... a round.

So I wrote the "HOLY GROUND ROUND." I put the round over a "ground bass" which is four measures that repeats throughout the song.

We had great fun, and the adult choir assisted in the performance. The kids enjoyed contributing to the worship service.

My point is that when we simply rely on the stability of great Judeo-Christian traditions, we can lose the energy that brings the Scriptures to life. We must do more than simply relive the creative energies of the earlier generations or more than give ourselves an "instant replay" of a program that worked well last year.

Yes, it is wonderful to know which fine works have stood the test of time. We must work to prepare the fine hymns and anthems to endure for future generations. We must work to perform the contemporary hymns and songs so that modern composers are inspired to compose.

I wonder which of the contemporary sacred songs will stand the test of time—a song that truly speaks to you, that somehow has a life of its own, or one that recalls a special Christmas or Easter? *Déjà vu* all over again?

In case you are wondering, I did always want to be the organist at the ballpark. You see, I like being benched for the season.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ANOTHER PENTECOST WEEKEND CELEBRATION



The St. Thomas family will be gathering on May 22nd and 23rd, the weekend of Pentecost, to celebrate fellowship, togetherness, and our many blessings in this challenging year.

Announcements about the event will begin after Easter. Invitations and reservation cards will be distributed in May. During this period before Pentecost, we will also have a series of talks by members of the Parish about why faith and stewardship matter in difficult times.

We will have a celebration after the 5:30 service on Saturday and also after the single service at 10:00 AM on Sunday.

On Sunday there will also be entertainment and other activities for the children.

Come and be ready to have some fun. This celebration weekend is presented by the Stewardship Team. —Gerry Miller

ChristCare Small Groups Update

New Leader Training

The Small Group Ministry at St. Thomas is growing, and we are training new leaders to try and keep up with the demand. With the success of our six existing small groups, we believe it is time to try and form more groups for others to have the opportunity to be involved in this transformational ministry.

I am very pleased to announce that we have enough interest to begin another group leader training session that will start after Easter Sunday. We are excited to have another opportunity to train because that means our ministry is growing. We have received many gifts from this ministry and the blessings just keep on coming. Please pray for our new class of leaders, for our existing leaders, and our equippers. Thank you for your support. —*Katie Knoll Lenon*

“For Me: To Be or Not To Be?”

What can be said about the “leadership training” for Small Groups that hasn’t already been said? I’m not sure, but I’d like to add a few words.

Jack and I had as many excuses as anyone such as: “We can’t add anything else to our week.” Well, there were seven of us in our leadership class that said the same thing, but found ourselves showing up for the training. None of us was sure of anything except that we were willing to be used by God to start a small group.

The training went by quickly, and then it was time to start our own group. We have some wonderful people who said the same thing: “We can’t add anything else to our week.” Guess what? They faithfully come when I’m sure they’d rather stay home and not venture out, especially in cold weather.

At first, we weren’t sure what we were about, but with prayer and God’s help, we’re getting established. We’re providing the “Emergency Food Bags” for St. Thomas to give to those in need; we adopted a family at Christmas time; and we’ve donated lots of toilet paper to the Blue Valley Service Center to help out with greater demand during “spring break.” We are also on stand-by for the Blue Valley Service Center for emergencies. In addition, we chose to study the life of Paul, for our Biblical equipping.

Each of us has set aside time to come together, have fellowship, do outreach, do Biblical equipping, pray, and grow as an extended family of St. Thomas. This coming June, “The Journey-men” will have been meeting for one year, and we plan to celebrate.

When Jack and I joined the leadership training, we were asked for a two-year commitment. That commitment is almost half over, and we have no intention of quitting at the end of two years. The time we have invested in small groups has brought us such joy.

You might be thinking that this just isn’t for me. We said “no” to doing the training three times, but really prayed about the decision. You know the “current end” of this story....we’re growing happily ever after!

Please consider giving that two-year commitment and being willing to let God use you to help grow “small groups” at St. Thomas.—*Judy Dutra*

Recipients of Prayer Shawls immensely comforted by them

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is a small, wonderful group of women who get together twice a month to knit, crochet, to pray and talk. As we knit or crochet the shawls, we are praying for those who will receive our shawls to heal and be comforted, and to know we are praying for them.

We are starting to receive letters and comments from the recipients of our prayer shawls. One such letter received was from *Janet*, Sharon Moorhead’s stepdaughter. She wrote to us about her experience upon receiving her shawl.

She said the on the afternoon of May 16, 2009, she was sitting in the home of her dad, Ed and her stepmother, Sharon. Janet saw a beautiful purple and teal shawl lying at the foot of her dad’s bed. She wondered who had given it to him. It had been given to Ed by our Prayer Shawl Ministry.

Over the next few days, Sharon and Linda Manuel talked about St. Thomas’ Prayer Shawl Ministry to the family “...and how these beautiful shawls were being given to those in need of comfort in hospitals and hospices. The evening before we were to leave for home, Sharon and Linda asked us to choose a shawl to take home.”

After Janet returned home, she started looking for a prayer shawl group. It surprised her to find so many churches involved in this group. She started to go to one of the local churches, and the first group she joined was their Prayer Shawl Ministry.

She commented that the women of the ministry were very kind and were “enormously patient ladies; they gave me 3 skeins of purple yarn and some needles, and I finished a rather wobbly shawl last week, and I hope it can give someone a small measure of comfort.”

The St. Thomas Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 pm, and on the third Saturday morning of each month at 9:30 am. We produce many beautiful, soothing prayer shawls through prayer and by knitting or crocheting. All shawls are blessed by Father Gar.

When having a need for one of our shawls, please fill out a prayer shawl card in the Church office.—*Susan Strom*

EATING FOR LIFE

Breaking bread continues to bring church members together across the entire spectrum of faith communities. Whether that bread is unleavened or not seems immaterial. It might be a little wafer or a much larger hot dog bun. The act of God's people sharing that bread matters most.

Here at St. Thomas the Apostle, there has developed a wonderful tradition over the years: potlucks, agape, progressive dinners, feast days, special small groups, just to name a few. If we can't come up with a good reason to have a meal together, we'll make one up. We like to eat!

Given that fact, and in the spirit of good Christian stewardship, a "reality check" moment captured the attention and imagination of two St. Thomas members. Some folks do have significant dietary restraints. It's a serious mind-boggling issue: diabetes, high cholesterol, as well as certain food allergies. What to do? **Linda Manuel** and **Sharon Moorhead** came up with a great plan.

These ladies asked "Why not have a dinner group for those with dietary issues?" So they planned a dinner gathering at the church and invited those who did have particular food concerns. It was a potluck thing. Folks were asked to bring a dish that was good and healthy for them and then place a short note on the character of the food beside it on the table. It worked! It was a joy. Fifteen people gathered together sharing one another's deliciously healthy meals.

Since then, the group named itself **Eating for Life (EFL)**. Since then, they have met twice in one another's homes, and plan to meet once a month in the future breaking bread, albeit gluten-free. "We do have a great time," reported, group member Connie Snider. In fact, the group does have such a good time together, they are planning an outing for themselves to see Gary Sinise and his *Lt. Dan Band* in concert at the Uptown Theatre.

If you are interested in this group, give Linda Manuel (438-4187) or Sharon Moorhead (851-1899) a call.—*Jerry Snider*

Pastoral Care Ministries expands its program for 2010

Pastoral Care Ministries (PCM) has many new and exciting events happening this year. We are planning two seminars, a retreat, and will continue to offer refreshments after the Church services four times per year.

Our first seminar is coming up **April 24, 2010** from 9:00 am—3:00 pm in the Assembly Room. The subject will be "Grief Issues." The seminar should prove to be an invaluable learning experience. You will find additional information in our weekly *Tower Talk*.

In November, there will be another seminar about Elder issues and Care for the caregiver. In October, Pastoral Care Ministries will have its first retreat.

The next weekend Pastoral Care Ministries will have refreshments after the church services is May 1st–2nd, 2010. Please come and enjoy our home-baked cookies. The last weekend they will host will be September 25th–26th, 2010. We are looking forward to seeing all of you.

—*Blessings, Susan Strom*

Have food allergies?
Gluten-free and wheat-free communion hosts are available.

Let Father Gar know if you wish to have this type of wafer at communion.

Consider joining EFM this Fall

It is time to starting thinking about joining us for Education For Ministry (EFM) next fall.

EFM is a distance-learning program from the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee.

They provide the reading material and hold training sessions for mentors to facilitate the classes.

It is an opportunity for the laity in the church to deepen its understanding and faith. Through prayer, study, and reflection, we seek to learn more about living out our Christian mission.

EFM classes are held in Methodist, Roman Catholic, Presbyterian, Disciples of Christ as well as Episcopal churches. We meet once week during the school year in a one-room school house.

In year 1, students study the Old Testament; year 2 is the study of the New Testament; year 3 covers church history; and year 4 studies theological choices.

You only sign up for a year at a time. Whether you want to begin the program or have completed a year to and want to get back, we would love to have you join us.

If you would like to know more, contact **Kathy Townley** at 217-7395.

St. Thomas expands its international outreach through CFCA

For the past several weeks, we've had daily reminders of people in the world who are living in pain or conditions that may not meet their basic needs. The photos, news reports and articles touch our hearts causing us to look for ways we can help.

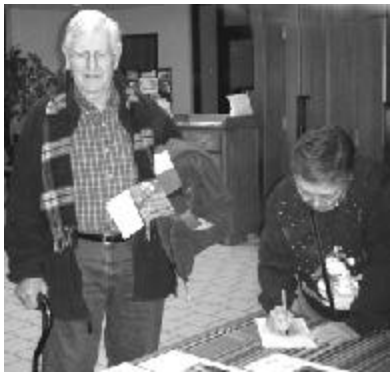
One of the ways we have reached out at St. Thomas is through the **Christian Foundation for Children and Aging**. Almost two years ago, Reverend Kelly Demo introduced CFCA to St. Thomas.

Through this program, over 20 individuals or families at St. Thomas have sponsored a friend in a developing country.

Recently, we invited Reverend Kelly to preach and bring more information to the parish. Following her sermon, another 20 families became CFCA sponsors. Reverend Kelly shared her feelings with us, "I am so proud of St. Thomas. They just define themselves as a community by what they do for others."

Through a monthly donation of \$30 and letters you write, you can make a difference in the life of a child or an older person. You don't need to wait for the next presentation. Flyers and sponsorship forms are on the bulletin board. We invite you join the CFCA family.

Become a sponsor today! —*Dola McNown*



Barbara & Ed Sisk eagerly signed up to be sponsors and chose Elva (age 50) from the Dominican Republic.

Jocilyn Schmidt proudly shows her new sponsored friend, Lorilyn (age 11) from the Phillipines.



Photos/Dola McNown

"Lunch Bunch" changes name and meeting time

The Lunch Bunch small group has changed its name and meeting time.

The group is now called **Coffee with a hint of Christ** and meets during the morning from 9 am-10:30 am on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month for a coffee break.

We enjoy our time by supporting the Backsnack program, getting to know one another and studying scripture.

In May, we are starting a study of Esther with the book *Becoming a Woman of Beauty & Strength – Esther*. Please join us for a cup of coffee and lively discussion.

Any questions, contact Jean Adam at 402-4392 or email her at Jean_adam2004@yahoo.com.



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Jason and Emily Barnes

Emily and Jason came from two different faith backgrounds and started searching for one to share together once they knew they wanted to get married. This led them to the Episcopal faith.

They began searching in 2004 and started coming to St. Thomas that fall and by spring 2005, they became members.

In the spring of 2006 Jason was baptized at St. Thomas, and then two weeks later they were married. That fall, Jason was confirmed and Emily

was received into the Episcopal Church.

They now have a handsome son, Aidan, who was born in 2007 and was also baptized at our church. St. Thomas truly is their faith home.

In 2006 Emily joined the Stewardship committee and made sure Jason was there to help set up and tear down for all of our events.

Emily now serves on the Vestry and St. Martha's Guild. Together they share several ministries, such as teaching Junior High Sunday school and Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University at St. Thomas.

Jason also ushers once a month and has helped out with some of the maintenance projects around the church.

St. Thomas has many ways you, too, can

give your time and talent to help the community and world around you. In these troubled economic times, volunteering can help you more than you can believe.

You can contact either the Barnes' at 499-8440 or Rick Bush at 338-0924 from the Stewardship committee to help you find something of interest to you.

*Stewardship is using the gifts
God has given you;
doing the work God
is calling you to do.*

—Rick Bush



Youth Group News

Katie Knoll Lenon, Director of Youth Ministries and Small Groups

Shrove Tuesday a Success!

The youth would like to thank all who came and participated in our annual **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Feed**. Every year we learn something new about how we can better serve up this festive occasion. The youth are very grateful for this opportunity to interact with and to serve the rest of the congregation. Thank you for your donations, cheerfulness, and patience. We love providing this dinner! See you next year!

Mark Your Calendars for ROTC

This year our Middle School event known as **Reaching Out to the Community** (or ROTC for short) will be taking place **June 28th–July 2nd**. Those entering 6th grade to those entering 9th grade in the fall of 2010 are welcome to be participants in this fun and mission-filled week.

We will travel around our Community helping out with different tasks like feeding, clothing, and taking care of the homeless. In the afternoons we will have some fun at the pool, go bowling, have beach/boat day, and possibly take a trip to Worlds of Fun or Oceans of Fun. The cost will be \$100 per youth for the week. More information and registration packets will be out in mid-April.

Bump City Fun!



Our expert pancake flippers and servers are clockwise from the left: Kit Bradley, Margaret Kidder, Michael Ash, Spencer Adam, Breanne Geary, Heather Geary, Clare Bullock, Abby Adam, and Carson Ferren. *Photo/Katie Knoll Lenon*

New Beginnings

For a couple years now the Diocesan Youth Program has offered this great Middle School retreat.

It is an all-weekend retreat that will take place at Grace Cathedral in Topeka, KS on April 23rd through the 24th. It is the only event (besides camp) that is just for Middle Schoolers, grades 6th–8th.

Registrations can be found on the website: www.episcopal-ks.org/youth.

The cost is \$50 and scholarships are available.

Bump City Overnight

Our annual Bump City Overnight will take place **April 16th and 17th** at *Emerald City Gymnasium*. This year in addition to St. Thomas' youth group, we have invited all of the Northeast Convocation churches.

This is a fun-filled night where the youth enjoy activities such as jumping on a trampoline, climbing the rock wall, swinging from a rope and falling into the foam pit, playing dodge ball, and various other activities.

The cost is \$30 per youth; you are allowed to bring up to two additional friends.

To register, please contact **Katie Knoll Lenon**, ASAP. This has been a joyful tradition for the St. Thomas youth for years, so come join us!

April 11 will be a festive occasion!

Ann Clements, Director of Children's Ministries



Easter will soon be here and all of us in children's ministry will be joining in the celebration and festivities! We will take a week off of church school on Easter Sunday, but will gather again the following week—on **April 11**—for **Celebration Sunday**, our annual gathering where we come together for fellowship, food and sharing in this season of new life in Christ and the world. St. Thomas also takes this day to honor all of our students graduating from high school, college, and other learning institutions.

Our Celebration Sunday schedule will be as follows:

9:45 Kids are to meet in Sunday School classrooms for a short Easter lesson.

10:15 We will proceed outside for our Easter Egg Hunt and then have a continental breakfast in the Assembly Room. Parents and all adults are invited to the Assembly Room during this time for food and fellowship.

After 10:45 We will have a special reception during coffee hour in honor of our graduating parishioners. All are welcome to join in this special occasion. There is a sheet on the sign-up bulletin board for anyone who would like to donate food for our gathering. Fruit, muffins, juice, etc. are welcome. We look forward to sharing this special season with our St. Thomas family and celebrate Easter!

Summer Church Camp is almost here!

**The best event all year 'round is coming up.
Be sure not to miss this experience!**

Senior High Camp (Grades 9-12)—June 6th to 12th, 2010;

Middle School Camp (Grades 6-8)—June 13th to 19th, 2010;

Intermediate Camp (Grades 3-5)—June 20th to 26th, 2010.

There is not enough space in this newsletter for me to tell you how awesome this week can be. There are all sorts of activities like horseback riding, swimming, hiking, canoeing, giant watersliding, tower climbing, running, playing, and on and on. There is also a terrific camp program where you might learn something fun and new.

The cost is \$340 per person and scholarships are available.

For registration, more information, or questions, please visit the website at: www.episcopal-ks.org/youth or contact **Chad Senuta** at csenuta@episcopal-ks.org.

Wednesday Evenings with the Rabbis enlightens parishioners



Alan L. Cohen, Rabbi Emeritus of Congregation Beth Shalom in Kansas City was one of our speakers. *Photo/Judy Dutra*

Rabbi Alan Cohen served as Beth Shalom's senior rabbi from 1989—2008.

Since leaving Beth Shalom, he has become Director of Interreligious Affairs at the Jewish Community Relations Bureau (JCRB)/American Jewish Committee (AJC), working with clergy of all faiths to strengthen relationships and expand interfaith learning opportunities in Kansas City.

He also serves as an Assistant Chaplain in the Spiritual Wellness Department at St. Luke's Health System. He became a rabbi in order to share his love of Judaism with people and continues in his new work due to his desire to enable people to better understand differences and similarities among faiths.

Prior to moving to Kansas City, Rabbi Cohen served as Rabbi of Temple Beth El, West Palm Beach, FL, Rabbi of Synagogue Emanu-El, Charleston, SC, and Rabbi of Congregation B'nai Israel, Gainesville, FL.

He received his Bachelor of Arts from Columbia University, New York City. He earned his Bachelor of Hebrew Letters, Master of Hebrew Letters and rabbinic ordination from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, New York City. In 1998 he was granted an honorary Doctor of Divinity from the same institution.

2010 St.Thomas CPR/AED classes held in March

March is the time for our annual training and recertification for AED/CPR. Under the leadership of Vestry member **Judy Dutra**, two training sessions were held during the first week of March. Training was conducted by Virgel Swanson of JOCO Med Act. The photos show who among our parishioners are trained to use our AED defibrillator.

Judy also reported that new pads were installed into our AED and new batteries were installed in our AED Cabinet alarm. St.Thomas will hold its second annual **"Safety Day"** on Sunday, April 18, from 9:45-10:30 am in the Assembly Room.



On March 6, these people received training: Jack Dutra, Christine Cross, Father Gar, Ann Clements, John McCall, Sharon Moorhead, Spencer Manuel, Linda Manuel. (Also, three girls from a Girl Scout troop.)

On March 2, the following people received training: Kim Palmer, Charlotte Brotherson, Dave Hodgson, Katie Knoll Lenon, Meribeth Risebig, Steve Leftwich, Lucky Hicks, Suzanne Hicks, Holly Farkes, Jason Perez, and Judy Dutra. (Our instructor was Virgel Swanson with his two kids: Merritt and Taylor. He also has one girl from a Girl Scout troop.)

Photos/Judy Dutra

Snapshots

St. Paul's Food Pantry helpers



Leila Potts, Lezlie Martin, and Susan Strom flank St. Luke's (Shawnee) Christy Keller and volunteer at the Pantry. Photo/Gail Reynolds, St. Paul's KCK

Shrove Tuesday



Enjoying the festivities of the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Feed are Youth Group Director Katie Knoll Lenon and the ever-festive Gary Summers. Photo/Katie Knoll Lenon

They were “rockin’ and rollin’ and boppin’ to the rhythm” at the Cafe St.Thomas HOP!

They did it again! Party-givers extraordinaire **Sharon Moorhead** and **Linda Manuel** created the atmosphere of the ‘50s complete with authentic memorabilia including poodle skirts, Varsity sweaters, yearbooks, report cards, LPs, 45s—you name it, they had it! Everyone who attended this year’s Cafe St.Thomas had a rollicking time.

Best of all, “Mother Inferior” (**Spencer Manuel**) from last year’s event, came back as an Elvis impersonator! Everyone howled as “she” sang two of Elvis’ famous tunes. It was a truly memorable occasion!

Thank you to Sharon, Linda, Spencer and your helpers for giving us an entertaining morning.



This fabulous mural belonging to Sharon Moorhead set the tone for this year’s ‘50s celebration.



The wig and the bling says it all! Mother Inferior knew how to do karaoke. What’s going on in the convent??



The best White Elephant gift received was the one Father Gar had and couldn’t give away to anyone —an authentic Suzanne Sommers Thigh Master!

Photos/Rosemary Abbott

Parish Notes

Baptisms

We welcomed into the household of God the following:

Julia Carol Jacobsen

daughter of *Frank & Amy Jacobsen*, received the Holy Sacrament of Baptism on March 6, 2010.

Marriages

On March 13, 2010,

Isabell Cantrill and **Joseph Rodriguez**

were united in the Holy Sacrament of Marriage.

Deaths

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Jim Karnes,

longtime member of St.Thomas, who passed away on January 30, 2010.

Marjorie Roes,

St.Thomas parishioner, who passed away on March 5, 2010.

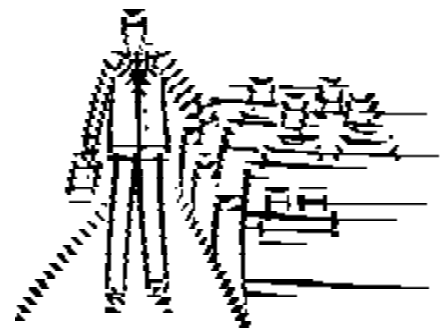
Ushers needed for evening service!

The St.Thomas Usher Team is looking for ushers for the Saturday 5:30 pm service. Positions at other times are available also.

Ushers work one service per month, and we especially need someone for the first Saturday of the month.

Please contact **Jay Martin** at 667-8762 (day) or 341-4594 (night).

This is an easy way to help out the church and get to know your church family!





Holy Communion Services

Saturdays

5:30 Holy Communion

Sundays

8:45 Holy Communion

with Praise music & Band

9:45 Sunday School/Adult Forum

10:45 Holy Communion
with traditional music



Mark your calendars for our Annual Plant Sale

to be held on
Friday, April 30,
from 9 to 6 and
Saturday May 1,
from 9 to 3

We'll have plenty of
annuals and perennial as well as
native plants for sale.



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**Next Apostle deadline:
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CALENDAR

MARCH

27/28: **PALM SUNDAY**

31: **Tenebrae Service at 7 pm.**

APRIL

1: **Maundy Thursday**—Stripping of altar, washing feet
Youth group gives Agape Supper for entire church.

2: **Good Friday Service at 7 pm.**

3: **Easter Eve service at 7 pm.**

4: **EASTER**

11: **Easter Egg Hunt and Celebration Sunday**

16-17: **Bump City overnight Fun for youth group**

23-24: **New Beginnings Diocesan Youth Program** in Topeka

24: *Pastoral Care Seminar from 9 am to 3 pm in Assembly Room.*

30: **PLANT SALE —from 9 to 6**

May

1: **PLANT SALE — from 9 to 3**

22-23: **Pentecost Weekend**