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Put Me In Coach . . . Me Too . . . Me Too!!

In the late 1990's the fortunes of the University of Minnesota Gophers' basketball team took them to the "big dance" in the NCAA basketball play-offs. No small accomplishment for the team but there was nothing sweeter for the coach, Clem Haskins. Why? He had been criticized in previous years for the practice of putting all his players into every game for fairly long periods of time. Haskins simply did not believe in building a basketball team based on the skills of one or two key players. Even though some players were clearly more talented than others, Haskins insisted that every player work in every game. So when the Gophers got to the play-offs, they were able to wear out their opponents. The Gophers had such breadth and endurance that few other teams had the stamina to offer them a serious challenge. Such was the benefit of building a team whose members worked not for the glory of self but for the common good.

"To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." Locker room talk? Could have come from a page of Coach Haskin's book!! Good solid, makes-good-sense-type of stuff!! It also is a line from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians which was read in church last Sunday {1 Corinthians 12:7}. In giving the Corinthians some pretty stiff advice about their need for the differences among them, he was not looking to determine who was the holiest among them. Instead, he was very concerned about the "common good". The purpose of the varieties of gifts and services and activities, Paul explained, is not to glorify the individual but to strengthen the community.

Paul's letter to the Corinthians, then, offers a vision for the church, a church in which each one seeks to minister not for the benefit of the few but for the common good of all. And, so does Coach Haskins philosophy of coaching!

And there we were on Sunday morning, having just finished coming to the Table for Eucharist at the 8:00 a.m. service sending two of our lay eucharistic visitors to extend the communion table to those unable to get there; it is about strengthening the community!

And there we were . . . over 50 of us . . . over Memorial Day Weekend "hustling hot dogs and hamburgers" to hungry ArtsFest attendees . . . not for any individual glory, but for strengthening the community.

There we will be on Saturday, June 12, 2004 in Shikellamy Park in Sunbury celebrating in Eucharist, in music, in an infectious spirit of 100 years as a Diocese. We will worship. We will sing. We will fellowship. We will give thanks. We will eat . . . as a community . . . strengthening the community we call the 17,000 people who make up the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Put me in coach . . . PUT US ALL IN!!!

Faithfully,

The Very Rev. Malcolm H. McDowell, Jr.
Dean

WEEKLY LITURGIES AT THE CATHEDRAL

Sunday:	Holy Eucharist, Rite II	8:00 a.m.
Sunday:	Holy Eucharist Rite II, with Music	10:15 a.m.
Wednesday:	Holy Eucharist, Rite II	7:00 a.m.
Thursday:	Holy Eucharist, Rite II	12:10 p.m.

News and Events

Save the Dates for the Season of Celebration

The last *Messenger* announced the scheduling of four events celebrating the service of Mac and Kathie McDowell to St. Stephen's. Here is some more information:

- Mac and Kathie will be honored at this year's annual parish picnic **June 20th** at Riverside Park Pavilion, City Island, from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.
- On **June 25th** there will be a ticketed event at the Wyndham Hotel (formally the Marriott in Swatara Township) This will be an evening banquet with a program. Cost will be \$30 per person.
- On the McDowell's last Sunday at St. Stephen's, **June 27th**, we'll have a combined service at 9:00 a.m., followed immediately with a family parish brunch held concurrently in both the Undercroft and Uppercroft for **all parishioners**.
- In the tradition of "Cathedral Baseball" we will have a "Mac Day" at Commerce Bank Park (Riverside Stadium). A block of tickets have been reserved for the Harrisburg Senators game on the evening of **June 28th**. Tickets cost \$6 each.

We hope you will be able to participate in one or all of these special events so save the dates.

The Gathering (St. Stephen's Book Group)

Our choice for June is Changing Habits by Debbie Macomber. Read and join us!

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

The re\$ults are not in yet, but we know we did very well at this year's ArtsFest. It was "gridlocked" with people in Riverfront Park on Saturday and Sunday and it showed in the briskness of business at our food concession, the school's baked good sale and the bookstore's used book sale. **YOU—EACH ONE OF YOU WHO VOLUNTEERED—MADE THIS SUCCESSFUL.** It wouldn't have happened without you. Thanks for giving the parish your valuable time over the Memorial Day weekend.

An additional "tip 'o the hat" to Judy Clemmer and Bill and Ruth Graffius who chaired the concession; Amy and Jean-Paul Benowitz, Gene McHugh and Gerry Garber who were the day captains; John Howell and Kathy Rodehaver who chaired the used book sale.

A TRULY TREMENDOUS JOB—THANK YOU

Summer Sunday School

Attention parents and caregivers for children, ages 3-9: the last Sunday of the regular Church School year is June 6. Summer Sunday School will begin on July 11 and run through August 15. For those six Sundays, we will meet at 10:00 am in the kindergarten classroom on the first floor of the St. Stephen's School building.

As always, committed and caring teachers are needed. If you think you might be available to teach for a week or two during the summer, contact Ellen and John Harles, 731-0394 or jetharles@comcast.net.

Congratulations, graduates !!!

The Class of 2004 includes the following students and members of our parish: Will Jones is graduating from Woodberry Forest and will be going on to Gettysburg College to major in business. Becky Dernbach is graduating from Camp Hill High School and will go on to study at Carleton College. Mac Garber will attend William & Mary College, and Anna Stanchak will be studying elementary education at Indiana University.

Please keep these graduates in your thoughts and prayers as they look ahead to a new chapter in their lives.

(Jonathan Frazier, Youth Activities Coordinator)

Leave your Mark at the Cathedral on an Engraved Brick!

Take a look at the new Cloister area between the Cathedral House and the Cathedral. YES, your name (or a friend or relative) can be inscribed on a brick for \$100 per brick. Forms are available in the back of the church.

Jazz Vespers

HAVE ENOUGH ON YOUR PLATE FOR DIOCESAN CONVENTION WEEKEND? If not (!), enjoy the Central PA. Jazz Fest in downtown Harrisburg all weekend (June 11-13),

Cap it off with JAZZ VESPERS at St. Stephen's on Sunday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. Great jazz—great spirituality. I'll see you there! My foot is tapping already!!

Thank You So Much!

You, the people of St. Stephen's, have again expressed your gratitude for all of God's blessings by giving most generously to the United Thank Offering. Our total this Spring was \$1278!

Speaking for all of the thousands of people, both here and abroad, who will benefit from the UTO, thank you so very much.

Jeanne Leaman

SUNDAY FORUM PLANNING & EVALUATION

The Adult Education and Formation Committee will soon begin planning the 2004-05 Sunday Forums and we need your input. You can e-mail response to lshorey@kl.com or give them to any member of the Committee: Linda Shorey, Bob Colman, Bonnee Voss, Beth Transue, Jane Bartholomew, Helen Delano or Daphne Messersmith. Thank you.

1. What program(s) would you like to see offered in 2004-05?
2. What format do you prefer, e.g., Lecture with Q&A, Facilitated Large Group Discussion, Debate, Panel Discussion, Series, Single Topics? (List as many as you like or add one not suggested.)
3. Would you like a choice of programs on one or more Sundays?
4. What program(s) did you like the most during 2003-04?

Why?

5. What program(s) did you like the least during 2003-04?

Why?

6. Would you attend a Wednesday evening program other than at Lent? __yes __no.

If yes, what topic(s) would you be interested in?

If no, why not?

7. If you could choose just one topic that you'd like addressed next year, what would it be?
8. How often do you attend the Sunday Forum (Often, Occasionally, Rarely, Never)?

If you would like to join the Adult Education Committee or have a topic you'd like to organize a forum on, please provide name and contact information (phone, e-mail, snail-mail):

Gathering 2004

Shall We Gather at the River

Celebrating the Centennial Anniversary of the
Episcopal Diocese of Central PA

- Who:** You, our Parish Family
- When:** June 12, 2004
- Schedule:** Ministries Fair Set-up 9:00 a.m.
Ministries Fair Open 9:45 a.m.
On-going Musical Entertainment
10:00 a.m.
(Including a Hymn-sing)
Outdoor Eucharist 11:00 a.m.
Picnic Lunch 12:30 p.m.
- Where:** Shikellamy Park Marina
Sunbury, PA
(about an hour's drive)
- Bring:** Lawn Chairs
Desserts to be shared
- Provided:** Picnic lunch of hamburgers, hot dogs,
ham and cheese sandwiches, macroni
salad, lemonade - water.
Accessible Rest Rooms
Paths for walking, skating, hiking.
Leashed dogs welcome
The scenic Susquehanna River every-
where you look.

Carpooling is encouraged – friendly to the environment as
well as each other.

A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church of Harrisburg

A message from Vestry

Vestry is pleased to report that a committee
has been formed to lead our search for a new
Dean. The Discernment Committee will com-
prise 2 Vestrypersons, 12 other parishioners,
and the Senior Warden and Junior Warden in
an ex officio capacity. The members of the
Discernment Committee are:

Tom Schmidt – Chair
Lynn Schadle (V) – Vice Chair

Marcia Davis
Don Dentler
Joan Esham (V)
John Harles
Helen Hendrickson
Caroyn (Katie) Long
David Messner
David Parkyn
Linda Shorey
Judy Van Valkenburgh
Harry Weber
Anne Yellott

Craig Wilson (ex officio)

Mary Jane Forbes Schmidt (ex officio)

Please keep the members of this committee in
your thoughts and prayers as they begin this
important work for the Cathedral.

The response to the call for this ministry was
very strong. We appreciate greatly the willing-
ness of so many members of the parish to vol-
unteer their time and talent to this effort. The
level of interest generated in this process
bodes well for the work of the committee and
the future of the Cathedral.



Only a few tickets remain for the Yankees/Orioles game. The game is on Tuesday night, June 22. We will leave from "Pole 32" in the Harrisburg East Mall—near Toys 'r Us—at 4:00 p.m.. Beverages and snacks will be served on the way. Look for a Capital Trailways/Rohrer Bus.

Visit our Web Site:
www.ststep.org

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<i>Dean</i>	Malcolm McDowell
<i>Canon Pastor</i>	Daphne Messersmith
<i>Parish Nurse</i>	Liz Fite
<i>Deacon Emeritus</i>	Paul Williams
<i>Facilities Manager</i>	Skip DeMarkey
<i>Organist-Choirmaster</i>	Michael Shoemaker
<i>Hospitality Coordinator</i>	Judy Clemmer
<i>Bookkeeper</i>	Donna Osborne
<i>Senior Warden</i>	Craig Wilson
<i>Junior Warden</i>	Mary Jane Forbes-Schmidt
<i>Vestry:</i>	Gene McHugh
Helen Delano	Guy Patterson
Ann Elliott	Greg Penny
Joan Esham	Lynn Schadle
Gerald Garber II	Rosemary Webber
Warren Gillam	Bill Davis
<i>Parish Treasurer</i>	Paul Nickalls
<i>Vestry Secretary</i>	Jane Bartholomew
<i>Worship Ministry</i>	Becky Tartline
<i>Education Ministry</i>	Ted Webber
<i>Evangelism Ministry</i>	Betsy Howell, Bill Ilgenfritz
<i>Outreach Coordinating Ministry</i>	Helen Hendrickson
<i>Parish Health Ministry</i>	Mary Jane Forbes-Schmidt,
<i>Stewardship Ministry</i>	Gerry Garber
	Thomas Schmidt III
<i>Finance Ministry</i>	Jeff Spangler
<i>Environmental Stewardship</i>	Carol Lopus
<i>St. Stephen's School</i>	Greg Penny
<i>Acolyte Warden</i>	John and Ellen Harles
<i>Church School Coordinator</i>	Kathyann Corl-Rodeheaver
<i>"Seeds of Faith" Manager</i>	Margaret Messner
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Sandy Strohl
<i>Flower Guild</i>	Michael Frascella
<i>Ushers</i>	Carolyn Patterson
<i>Nursery</i>	Jonathan Frazier
<i>Youth Ministries Coordinator</i>	

CATHEDRAL CALENDAR

<i>June</i>	6	THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
	6	THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL VISIT
	6	Blood Pressure Screening, 8:45 a.m.
	6	Coffee Hour, 11:15 a.m.
	6	Transition Committee, 11:30 a.m.
	6	Helping Hands, 4:30 p.m.
	7	St. Stephen's School Board of Directors, 6:30 p.m.
	10	Finance Committee, 7:30 p.m.
	11	Diocesan Convention, Bucknell
	12	The Gathering, Shikellamy Park Marina
	13	THE 2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
	13	Coffee Hour, 11:15 a.m.
	13	Transition Committee, 11:30 a.m.
	13	Jazz Vespers, 4:00 p.m.
	13	Helping Hands, 4:30 p.m.
	14	Seekers Bible Study, 1:00 p.m.
	14	AIDS Community Alliance Dinner, 5:30 p.m.
	15	Vestry, 7:00 p.m.
	16	Visit to Hall Manor, 9:00 a.m.
	16	Holy Eucharist w/ Brazilian Delegation, 11:30 a.m.
	17	Vestry, 7:00 p.m.
	19	Ordinations followed by reception, 11:00 a.m.
	20	THE 3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
	20	Coffee Hour, 11:15 a.m.
	20	Parish Picnic, 11:30 a.m.
	20	Helping Hands, 4:30 p.m.
	22	Yankees/Orioles Baseball Bus Trip, 4:00 p.m.
	25	Farewell Banquet, 6:00 p.m.