

The St. Barnabas' Reporter



The Clergy Page

The Rev. Linda Wofford Hawkins, Rector

As I write these words, I am away from St. Barnabas', spending my days in the waiting rooms of Johns Hopkins in Baltimore during my husband's cancer treatment. I will be back for the first couple of weeks in July and then away until later August. My primary task during this time is getting someone to eat and drink when that person would really not wish to do so.

It has occurred to me that that is what my business as a priest may be all about. We of St. Barnabas' understand our mission as followers of Jesus to be Feeding the Hungry, Feeding the Other, and Feeding the Soul. It occurs to me that our challenge is often to do this holy work when such feeding does not appeal to people at first blush and we do not know how to connect.

Their understanding of their needs may be shortsighted. They may be unaware of all the possibilities in God's universe. We as people called to care for one another may struggle to find the best way to connect. We may search deep within ourselves for the gifts that are needed to meet the challenges of our ministry. Our calling is clear, but making the connection between that holy work and our truest selves is the hard part.

Sometimes things need to lie fallow for a time for the Holy Spirit to work within us. We need times of stepping back, times of prayer and listening, times of rest and renewal. We have just been exploring and celebrating the spiritual gifts in our community, gifts given by God not just for the sake of the individual but for the benefit of the community.

As summer unfolds, we all have our times away, our change of routine and responsibilities. It is a good time to try out something new as we explore the gifts we may not have engaged in the past. They may lead us into fruitful ministries that we may have never imagined before.

All too often the course of life presses us into roles that are not best suited to our gifts. We can spend a whole career in a job that brings little joy. All too often in the life of the church, people are pressed into service in roles that are not suited to their spiritual gifts. The result is usually not the passionate expression of the gospel life that draws people to a place of joy where they can eat and drink of God's love. Yet a door can open, and the right ministry can be the place for gifts to blossom and for joy to break forth.

May we all be open to the discovery of our own spiritual gifts and those of others in this season. May we let the change of pace in this season be a time of openness to the ways the Spirit may be moving in us. Let us be surprised by the ways God leads us into greater awareness of who and what we are meant to be in the life of the Kingdom. We are hungry, yearning to be fed. Others all around us are starving for the food of the gospel. May the gifts arise in us that bring us into the joy of the Kingdom.

In Christ's love,
Linda+

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

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Schedule of Services

Sundays

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:15 a.m. Christian
Formation for All Ages
(break for summer)
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist
& Children's Chapel
(Nursery available
at 9:15 a.m.)

Wednesday Morning

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
(with Healing Service on
the first Wednesday
of each month)

For parishioners both new and long-term, this page* is included in each issue of the Reporter to help plan personal calendars to include vital parish functions.

**Every week in the
life...**

SUNDAYS:

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:15 am Christian For-
mation (resumes Sept. 13)
10:15 am Holy Eucharist
& Children's Chapel
(nursery available)

WEDNESDAYS:

10:00 am Holy Eucharist
w/Bible Study includes
Healing on the first Wed.
of each month
7:30 pm Adult Choir re-
hearsal

**Every month in the
life...**

1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH:

FACETS ministry 4-6 pm
1st Saturday of the month:
Men's Breakfast 8 a.m.
Juke Box Diner

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH:

Finance Committee 7 pm

2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH:

Buildings & Grounds
Committee 7 pm

3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH:

Vestry meeting 7 p.m.
(events are open all)

**Every year in the
life...**

JANUARY

4—Epiphany Pageant
11—Annual Meet-
ing/Vestry Election
19—Vestry & WOSB In-
stallation/MLK weekend

FEBRUARY

7—Vestry Retreat
13-16—Annual Ski
Trip/Presidents' Day
weekend
14—Mardi Gras Party
(Saturday before Lent)
17—Shrove Tues-
day/Pancake Supper
18—Ash Wednesday/Lent
Begins

MARCH

29—Palm Sunday/start of
Holy Week

APRIL

2—Maundy Thursday
3—Good Friday
4—Holy Saturday/Easter
Vigil
5—Easter Sunday
25—Rebuilding Together
Work Day

MAY

2—Mad Hatter's Tea Par-
ty
10—Mothers Day
24—Pentecost/Memorial
Day weekend
31—Trinity Sunday

JUNE

7—Saint Barnabas' Day
(parish celebration)
21—Fathers Day

JULY

4—Independence Day
(VBS cancelled this year)

SEPTEMBER

7—Labor Day weekend

OCTOBER

2-4—Shrine Mont (parish
retreat)
4—Blessing of the Ani-
mals
12—Columbus Day week-
end
17—Annandale CROP
Hunger Walk
TBD—Trunk n' Treat
31—Halloween

NOVEMBER

1—All Saints Day
11—Veterans Day
26—Thanksgiving
29—Advent begins

DECEMBER

TBD—Breakfast w/Saint
Nicholas
TBD—Blue Christmas
Service
TBD—Greening of the
Church
24—Christmas Eve
25—Christmas Day

*Schedule is not all-inclusive and subject to change. Check the most recent Sunday bulletin or weekly email for the latest information.

Christian Formation for Adults at St. Barnabas'

On May 13 a group of people interested in Adult Christian Formation met to talk about direction in the next program year, beginning in September. First, we talked about why it is important to have Christian education for adults at St. Barnabas'. There were many responses. The first idea was that it is important because "we want never to stop learning." Other ideas were related to the importance of our learning about our Anglican heritage. We agreed that Christian education helps us to understand who we are within the larger community, and that it is important to have opportunities to respond in faith to current issues. We talked about how we need to delve into scripture with others.

It seemed as we talked that there is a real interest in finding out more about how to live our faith actively, to fight for justice, to help others in need, to find the connection between what we hear in church and our lives outside the church.

Some topics of interest were stewardship of creation, interfaith service projects, and other service projects like *Stop Hunger Now*. We suggested that we might plan more field trips that would include both children and adults. We are also interested in exploring the possibility of incorporating Godly Play into inter-generational activities.

We agreed that our framework for adult education, most especially for the Adult Forum, would be based on the promises we make in the Baptismal Covenant. The first question is, "Will you continue in the Apostles' teaching?" That question presents us with a very active scenario. In order to "continue" in the Apostles' teaching, we must read what the Apostles say to us in scripture, and consider what we are asked to do today in our Church, in our family lives, and in our work. We will see that to "continue in the Apostles' teaching" will be part of what we are asked to do throughout the Baptismal Covenant.

In order to know how to "persevere in resisting evil" or to "proclaim by word the Good News of God in Christ" we must know what the Gospel tells us. We need to study and ponder the words found there in order to know how we are to live.

We are pleased to announce that the Rev. Dr. Tony Lewis, retired professor of New Testament at Virginia Theological Seminary, will come to our Forum two times in September to talk to us about reading the Bible in the light of the Baptismal Covenant.

Stay tuned.

Special Report on General Convention

Jeff Stevenson will be attending the General Convention of the Episcopal Church in early July as part of the staff for the deputation of the Diocese of Virginia. He will offer his observations on his experience at a special **Forum on Sunday, July 12, at 9:15 a.m.** All are invited to hear his recounting of this important event in the life of the church. In addition to dealing with a number of significant resolutions, the convention will elect the next Presiding Bishop.



BISHOP'S JUBILEE

JULY 3-5, 2015

SHRINE MONT,

ORKNEY SPRINGS,
VA

Shrine Mont will host the Annual Bishop's Jubilee this year with two fun-filled days of music and family activities, including music and a 5K run. Contact Shrine Mont for more information

shrine@shentel.net or call 540-856-2141. Tickets for the Bluegrass concert are \$10 per person and can be purchased at the front desk at Shrine Mont or at the gate. Children 12 and under are free.

Save the Date!

Shrine Mont
Parish Retreat
October 2-4

Mutual Ministry Review - Key Points

In January 2015, the vestry took part in our annual retreat. I was asked to present some of the key points from our time spent the previous year with Canon Pat Wingo. The following are three concepts that Canon Wingo had shared with the vestry. They are factors that are influencing our church nationwide and ones that every parish feels in one way or another. The three concepts are: Third Place, Levels of Participation, and Changing Church Size.

THIRD PLACE

Third Place suggests that sociologically, people have a hierarchy of “places” where they devote their energy (time, talent, treasure) after Home/Family (First Place) and Work/Career (Second Place) we look for a Third Place. Third Place is described sociologically as:

- Free or inexpensive
- Food and drink is available
- Highly accessible; walking distance
- Involves regulars—“I know who I will see there”

- Welcoming and comfortable— “my friends are there but I will also meet new friends there too.”

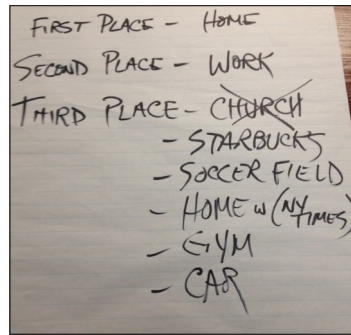


Figure 1. Third Place

It is suggested that people naturally find Third Places in their lives to fulfill levels of **engagement** and feelings of a “sense of place.”

Third Place has changed. Maybe 40 years ago most church-goers would say that church was their *exclusive* Third Place: this was where the majority of their friends were; and, after home and work, church was where their energy (time, talent, treasure) was spent.

Today, a churchgoer may say that church is their Third Place *along with* the gym, after-school children’s activities, Starbucks, and even Facebook. Today we have churchgoers who readily tell us that church

is not their Third Place but is their Fourth or Fifth Place. Today we still have some churchgoers for whom church is their exclusive Third Place.

How does “Third Place” apply to our congregation? Today, along with generational, income, and ethnic diversity, we have congregations that have various levels of engagement with our church. A parishioner who prioritizes St. Barnabas’ as their *exclusive* Third Place will naturally devote time, talent, and treasure equal to that. A parishioner who prioritizes St. Barnabas’ as *one of many* Third Places in their life will naturally divide their time, talent, and treasure among all of their Third Places, resulting in fewer volunteer hours and lower giving totals. And so our challenge is to redefine expectations and re-clarify roles with fewer volunteers and a smaller budget and respond to a congregation of mixed levels of engagement. We also have to find balance among the various ways parishioners engage

with one another through St. Barnabas’.

LEVELS OF PARTICIPATION

As presented by Canon Wingo, Levels of Participation shows the path most churchgoers follow, relative to their **participation** at church.

Figure 2 (page 5) shows movement from the outside in. The labels for each ring successfully evoke each stage:

- Window Shopper—hasn’t made a commitment to “buy;” not a regular attendee
- Consumer—more regular attendance; doesn’t volunteer in any consistent way but participates beyond just the service (attends Adult Forum, coffee hour, etc.)
- Worker—consistent attendance and commitment to volunteering
- Owner (mature practitioners)—sees relationship with Christ as state of “being” not just “doing;” leadership role in church; behavior aligns with role

Our goal as a church is

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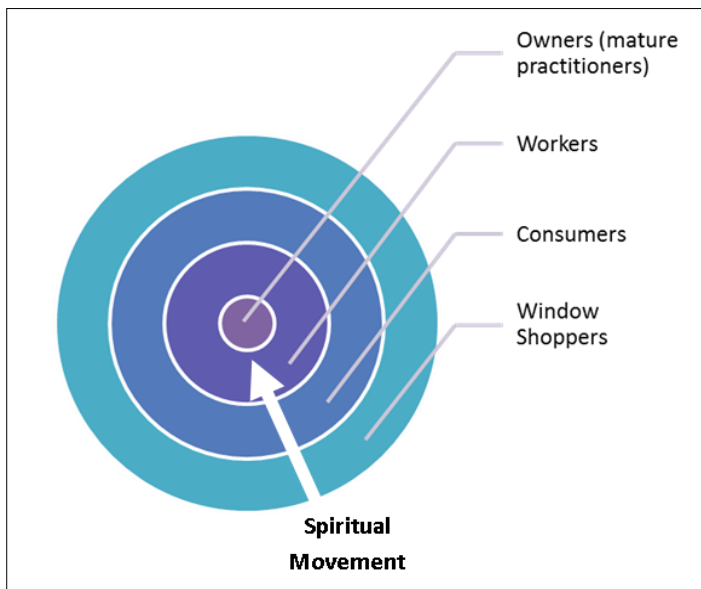


Figure 2. Church Participation

to foster an environment that facilitates the movement from Window Shopper to Owner. This process is one the individual must undergo, it cannot be imposed from the outside. No amount of assignments will transform a worker into an owner—but a church with an eye to this spiritual movement can foster that transformation.

How does “Levels of Participation” apply to our congregation? Along with generational, income, and ethnic diversity, we also have diverse levels of participation in our congregation. As a community we ask ourselves, What levels of participation do

we celebrate and are we reinforcing consequently? Do we *impose* “spiritual movement” to meet our timeline and needs, or do we *foster* spiritual movement, respecting each parishioner’s own place? Do we recognize when parishioners move further in? How do we respond if parishioners move further out?

CHURCH SIZE THEORY

Based on Average Sunday Attendance (ASA) the Episcopal Church has identified some characteristics applicable to various sized churches (Family, Pastoral, Transitional, Pro-

gram, and Resource). Figures 3 and 4 (below, and p. 6) list some of the different characteristics at each church size. In Figure 3, the areas surrounded by a square are the sizes of church St. Barnabas’ has been during its 50+ years; the arrows show the direction St. Barnabas’ has followed from Program through Transitional to its current Pastoral size, and lists the typical characteristics of a Pastoral size church.

Figure 4 (p. 6) shows the impact of church size. The top arrow shows our shifting from Program size to Pastoral size. The box shows the current size of St. Barnabas’--Pastoral. The left margin arrow shows how to read this chart. The three lower arrows show questions to apply to St. Barnabas’.

At the Pastoral size, the role of the Vestry is best described as somewhere between “Doing” and “Leading” and so

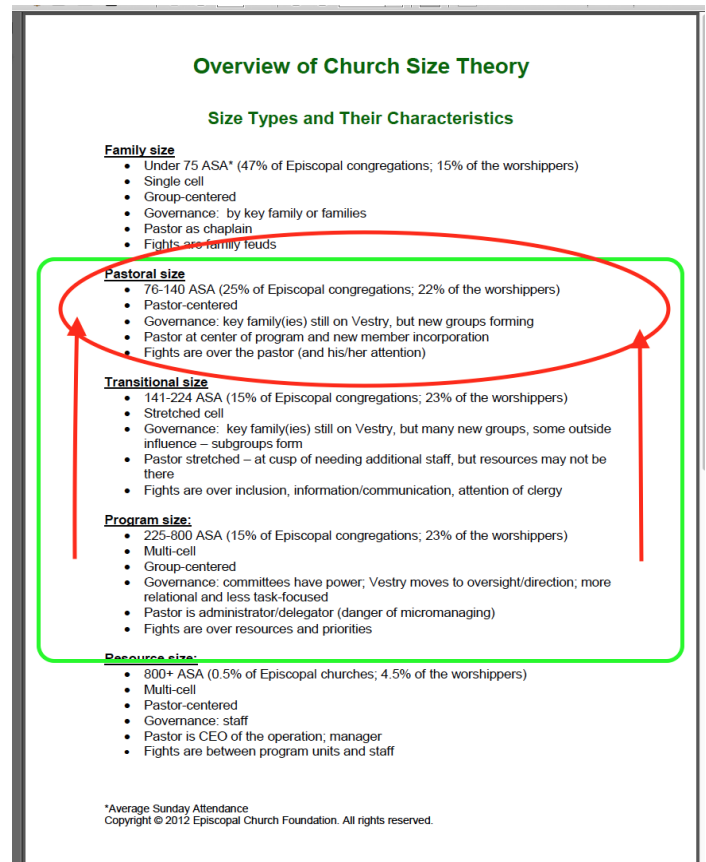


Figure 3. Church Size Types and Characteristics

MEMORIAL GARDEN RENOVATION

Recently significant stone work has been done to bring the memorial garden into good repair. Letters have been sent to the known family members of those who have been buried there in order to provide them with the opportunity to contribute to the cost of this project. Additional contributions can be made by anyone who would like to take part. Please mark the check written to St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church with *Memorial Garden Renovation* on the memo line.

TRIP TO TURKEY

The previously advertised trip to Turkey in August sponsored by the Institute for Islamic and Turkish Studies has been cancelled due to insufficient sign-ups. Stay tuned. We may be able to reschedule in a different season, so let the Rector know later in the summer if you would be interested in participating.

Mutual Ministry Review - Key Points (continued)

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combines some of each.

How does “Church Size” apply to our congregation?

Changing church size brings with it changing ways each person carries out their role at church (rector, vestry, etc.); changing church size also means changing resources (fewer volunteers, smaller budget, etc.); changing church size means changing expectation about how the church goes about its day-to-day work (Christian education, Sunday worship, pastoral care, etc.); changing church size changes the focus of a church (in our case, from programs to relationships).

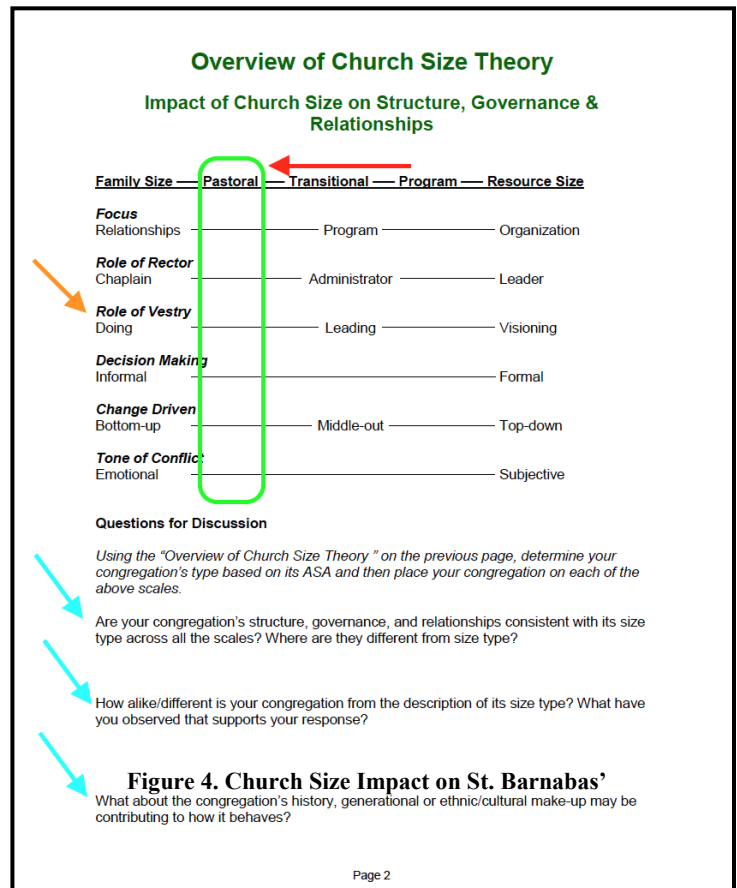
As the Vestry continues its work this year we are taking into account these three major influences on our parish. Knowing that Church for many parishioners is not their exclusive Third Place, we consider more flexible ways to go about the life of St. Barnabas’. Considering that parishioners participate in the life of Saint Barnabas’ at various levels

of commitment, we consider how that affects the number of volunteers we may have and the number of activities we can support. Understanding that our church size has changed, but that in some ways we continue to go about our day-to-day church life as though we have the same number of parishioners as in the past, we are contributing to a disconnect between what we set out wanting to do and what we can reasonably accomplish.

“Knowing is half the

battle.” When I presented the recap of this information from the Canon Wingo sessions in 2014, there was the unanimous suggestion that this information make its way out to the congregation of St. Barnabas’ in order to begin a conversation about the changing dynamics of our parish. While every church is unique, it is good to have insight into the influences exerting themselves on churches, including our own.

-Noah Stetzer, noah.stetzer@gmail.com



ACCA News

Our Rebuilding Together workday on April 25 was successful. Thanks to Molly Newling, Scott Moser, Jack Miller, Elsa and Scott Cannon, and Camille Mittelholtz for volunteering, and to Ken Mittelholtz and Frank Spink for organizing the work. We also appreciate the financial support from St. Bar-



nabas, which makes it possible to co-sponsor one of the ACCA house projects. We were part of a total of 76 volunteers from 9 ACCA churches who gathered to repair and refurbish two houses in Springfield. Over 26 years, ACCA volunteers have worked on 117 houses and group homes in Fairfax County.

ACCA participated in the *Do More 24* campaign, a one-day online giving event organized by the United Way of the National Capital Area. If you are among those who donated, thank you! The event raised over \$2,000 for ACCA and over \$1.4 million area-wide for many charitable organizations.

St. Barnabas' served at the ACCA furniture warehouse on Saturday, June 20. We will receive the schedule for September 2015 through July 2016 in late August, and will announce the schedule once we receive it. St. Barnabas' is asked to serve Saturday mornings about once every 6 weeks. Volunteers collect donations of furniture and deliver requested furniture to needy households. Donations of gently used mattresses (all sizes except king), sheets and blankets, dressers, tables and chairs, sofas and other basic items are needed. To donate, please contact Camille or Ken Mittelholtz (below), or contact the DiSpiritos at 703 256-9513 or email ddmld@verizon.net. The furniture warehouse will be closed August 1-September 5.

Mark your calendars for the Annandale CROP Hunger Walk. This year's walk will on Saturday morning, October 17, at Lake Accotink Park. The walk raises funds for



Church World Service assistance around the world to fight hunger and poverty, address emergencies, and assist refugees.

Please remember to bring food donations to church to help keep those who are struggling to feed their families. St. Barnabas sends food donations to the ACCA Food Pantry, which provides a week's groceries to those in urgent need of food. We also collect non-perishable items for the Food for Others Annandale site.

For more information on ACCA activities, please contact Camille or Ken Mittelholtz at 703 573-0074 or by email at kcmittelholtz@gmail.com.

THE BARNABEES

The Barnabees have met occasionally this summer. We are now thinking of ideas for our November Christmas Bazaar. We are asking for donations of pretty cotton and linen women's handkerchiefs. Kathleen Stark is sharing a craft of making dolls with them. We of course are asking for donations of gently used costume jewelry for our jewelry sale which is always well attended and a good money maker thanks to the generosity of our congregation. Please give your jewelry to Gertrude Jones or any member of the Barnabees. Please join us on Thursday mornings starting in September. We need your ideas and your hands to help.

New Address for:

Lois Brown

3701 Calvert Place

Kensington, MD 20895

301-942-0530



Maggie Bottlick graduated from Virginia Tech on May 16, 2015, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering, *Cum Laude*.

Henry Caleb-Coleman (Caleb) Taylor was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons on June 20, 2015.

Warren Reginald (Reggie) Simmons was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons on May 30, 2015.

SAVE THE DATE!

FALL ECW MEETING

The Fall meeting of the ECW, Diocese of Virginia will be held October 10, 2015 at The Falls Church Episcopal in Falls Church, VA. Please plan to come for a day of Education and Celebration. The Keynote Speaker is Holly Smith, author and survivor of child sex trafficking. Registration forms are on the WOSB board in the Richardson Room.

-Cricket Camp

Worship Space Renewal Project Update

On St. Barnabas' Day the details of the Worship Space Renewal Project and choir loft renovations were rolled out. This project has been in the planning stages for about two years and we are getting close to finalizing contracts so the work may begin. This is an active project so some of this information has evolved from what was posted in the church on June 3.

This project grew out of issues with the choir area, some longstanding and some which emerged after the new, taller organ was installed. For years the choir loft has been cramped, the choir has had difficulty seeing the liturgy, and the area has been overheated and poorly lit. In developing a design to fix these problems other renovation needs were also considered. The project was assigned to the Building & Grounds Committee in 2013. On hold for a time due to funding issues, the project came alive when we learned of the opportunity for a grant from the Diocese of Virginia. Project elements include:

CHOIR AREA RENOVATIONS

- Raise the choir platform to improve the sight lines to the choir master and chancel.
- Expand seating capacity for adult and youth choirs by enlarging choir loft.
- Modernize the lighting to reduce heat and power use.
- Correct wiring deficiencies for safety.

WHEELCHAIR ACCOMMODATIONS

- Create a wheelchair space by the main aisle on the upper right side of the nave by shortening two pews.
- Install two shortened pews ahead of the organ to create another wheelchair space.

LIGHTING AND ELECTRICAL WORK

- Install dimmable LEDs over the choir area, to run cooler and use less electricity.
- Reuse existing fixtures whenever possible.
- Rewire and relocate choir area outlets, including power for the organ.
- Replace dimmers in the nave.

CARPET REPLACEMENT

- Replace nave and chancel carpet.

FINANCES

This is a complicated project due to the constraints of working within our existing space and meeting Fairfax County code requirements. The Committee has investigated a number of ideas along the way, but after eliminating some of the "while we're at it" and "wouldn't it be nice" items the estimated project cost is over \$57,000.

This project is being funded from a combination of sources, including the Organ

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Worship Space Renewal Project Update (continued)

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Fund, the Diocese of Virginia Peter J. Lee Small Church Revitalization Grant of \$25,000, a Capital Campaign, and our annual budget. Over \$2,000 has already been spent for design work and drawings. The Diocesan grant is on a one-to-one matching basis, so St. Barnabas' must have a minimum of \$25,000 of our own funds in the project. We are seeking contributions or pledges to support this project. Checks should be labeled "Worship Space Renewal." If you have questions or comments about this please contact a member of the project team. The team consists of David Snyder, Camille Mittelholtz, Jack Miller, Cindy McLaughlin, and Gil Baldwin, Chair, Building & Grounds Committee.

Women of St. Barnabas'

The WOSB's June meeting was a soup and salad supper. Our speaker was from Bethany House—one of the charities we support. Their director told us of its mission and expressed gratitude for our support. At our last business meeting in May, Jack Miller asked us to consider volunteering for FACETS. This group prepares food for the homeless the first Sunday afternoon of each month. There is need for a team of drivers to deliver the food. He also told us of the Vestry's outreach and kindly asked us to let them know if we have projects that they can help us fund.

Our Mad Hatter's Tea Party was a great success. Thanks to all who helped, and special thanks to those who parted with their beautiful cups and saucers. This pretty china was a great addition to our tea tables. Next year we will ask for some careful volunteer dishwashers to help us wash them all by hand! We earned over \$1,100 which will be used for our outreach.

Cricket Camp is our new contact with the ECW. She reported on their activities and meetings in May and October. Cricket is also in charge of the United Thank Offering.

Annandale Food Site

Betsy is finally getting food storage shelves and the old stage area will be taken down so we do not always have to lift our heavy rolling cart up a step. It will make life much easier and more organized, and hopefully no food will have to be stored on the floor. The men of the church have promised to get it all done in less than a week so there will be no interruption in the food distribution. We see at least 65 people every Thursday, a really high number for this time of year. The sandwich line starts next week and all volunteers are welcome. Eight hundred sandwiches will be made each Thursday afternoon and given to the families on Thursday evenings because it costs our families so much more to feed the kids when school is out. Gardeners: If you are growing produce we would welcome any leftovers! Your donations are critical to us and we really appreciate them!

Discernment for
Journey to Adulthood
and *Rite 13*
(Scott Moser)
Opening Day
Sunday, September 13

ABSENCES FOR LEADERS IN LITURGY

If you are scheduled to have a role on Sunday morning or other times of worship, please contact the church when you have to be absent unexpectedly due to health or inclement weather. The best way to be in touch at the last minute is to call the church at 703-941-2922 and leave a message on the Rector's extension, #15. In her absence, someone will be watching for the messages on that line. If the phone system does not move into voicemail, the phone may be out due to phone company problems or a power outage. Many thanks to all for your assistance.

THANKS AND MORE THANKS TO...

- ★ Senior Choristers for the Children's Choir--
Jacob Dugger
(outgoing) and
Sameer Augustine
(incoming)
- ★ Children's Choir and all who helped with the bake sale to benefit Shrine Mont Camps and for Sundaes Sunday
- ★ Carolyn Lilienthal and her team for putting together the meal for St. Barnabas Day
- ★ Annandale Safe Youth Project (ASYP) students and staff for the party to honor Robin Holmes for her 8 years of volunteer commitment
- ★ All who participated in the Mad Hatter's Tea
- ★ Anne Radway for dedicated service to renovate the memorial garden
- ★ Tim Greer for managing the replacement of the chancel heat pump
- ★ Stewardship Committee and Adult Christian Formation for developing the program on spiritual gifts

Sing to the Lord a New Song

The Feast of Pentecost and St. Barnabas' Day – WOW! St. Barnabas' gathered to celebrate two significant services within two weeks! It was clear from the smiles that everyone was having a good time and enjoying the services (not to mention the food!). Thanks to everyone who helped us celebrate our lives together in community at St. Barnabas'. Great liturgy, great preaching, great music, great fellowship, great weather, great food, and a sweet treat at the end!

CHILDREN'S CHOIR NEWS

Former Sr. Choristers Jacob Dugger, Matthew Dugger, and Garrett Patterson, together with Xochi Tamanaha, will be attending the Music and Drama Camp this year at Shrine Mont. St. Barnabas' is proud to have four children attending this wonderful camp! The camp provides both spiritual building blocks and musical building blocks – all of which combine to form the Shrine Mont experience—one that will be with them for the rest of their lives! What a tremendous opportunity! Thanks to the parish for enabling this to happen! Please remember to keep these children in your daily prayers.

For planning purposes, closing ceremonies for each session are as follows: Session I – Saturday, June 27, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.; and Session II – Thursday, July 9, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend these ceremonies at beautiful Shrine Mont! Shrine Mont is only 2.5 hours away from St. Barnabas' and an easy drive down 81 South.

Adult Choir news – On Wednesday, June 17 the Adult Choir gathered in the Cloisters and the Choir Room for their annual end-of-the-year picnic. The adult choir gives an enormous amount of their time during the year to ensure that they are able to provide music that will enhance our liturgy each week.

SUMMER CHOIR

For four Sundays in July, our Summer Choir will provide music for the 10:15 am service. Rehearsal begins at 9:15 a.m. Sunday morning, we don't vest, we don't process, we do simpler music, and we would welcome you with open arms as we join together to 'sing to the Lord a new song.' The ability to read music is not a requirement. Summer Choir is open to singers of all ages!

For five Sundays in August, the Adult Choir will take a well-deserved break, with special music provided each week.

Looking ahead to September, regular Adult Choir rehearsals resume on Wednesday, September 9 at 7:30 p.m.. Regular Children's Choir rehearsals resume on Sunday, September 13, following the 10:15 a.m. service.

Enjoy your Summer. Keep singing!

I ask that you keep the Music Ministries of St. Barnabas' in your daily prayers, as I keep the parish in mine.

- David K. Snyder , Minister of Music

Just Ask Prevention Project

The *Just Ask* Prevention Project had a space at the First Annual Taste of Annandale event on June 13th. We were with the Interfaith Dialogue Group and next to First Alert, which made for great conversation and got people talking about all our groups did. The heat and humidity was tough and we closed up at 6 p.m. I will have a couple of the better flyers on the table next to the kitchen, so help yourself to them. They are very informative.

On Sunday, October 18, the churches of Region 8 will focus their Sunday preaching on the issue of teen sex trafficking. In addition, the fall meeting of the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) will address this topic with keynote speaker Holly Smith, author of *Walking Prey*. That meeting will be on Thursday, October 15, at The Falls Church Episcopal. Free child care for all ages will be available for this event. (See registration forms in the Richardson Room.)

Surprisingly, Annandale High School has not had the *Just Ask* presentation for their school community yet. Any time we can get the word out we should! There are too many lives at risk. Our kids deserve every chance we can give them to not get caught up in this activity.

-Ann Woodle

Placing Ourselves in the Presence of God

We pray for God's presence, strength, and healing ... for Jose Ayala, Jonathan Barber, Deborah Batten, Bernard Blair, Emma Blevins, Wayne Bottlick, Ellen Crutchley, Sara Denby, Chepi DiCalogero, Margot Donnelly, Pete Gustin, Barney Hawkins, Robin Holmes, Carolyn Kercheval, Tom Lyles, Cindy McLaughlin, Marion Meany, Audrey Merchant, Barbara Metz, Rusty Moore, Jane Moya, Berenice Palmer, Anne Radway, Sheila Richardson, Bob Sayles, Marjorie Williams, Mareea Wilson, Dana Wiseman, and Ann Woodle.

And for the faithful departed ... Jack Williams, Del Willis, and Daniel Smith.

For the Church ... the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby; our Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori; our Diocesan Bishops, The Rt. Rev. Shannon S. Johnston, The Rt. Rev. Susan E. Goff, The Rt. Rev. Edwin F. "Ted" Gulick, and their families.

NV RIDES

NV Rides is a network of service providers aiming to enhance and improve volunteer transportation programs throughout the region. In partnership with Fairfax County and the Jewish Council for the Aging (JCA), with additional support from The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia. The Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia (The J) is administering this community-wide initiative so that more non-driving older adults will be able to get where they need go at no cost, and "age in place" for as long as possible. We are proud to partner with Shepherd's Center Annandale-Springfield.

www.NVRides.org

- Gina Cocomello,
NV Rides

May our Lord Jesus Christ bless you.

Brothers and sisters of St. Barnabas', from Rev. Bobby Joe Small who was called by God to give his word and be a servant of the Lord. May God bless you all in the work that is going on at the house of St. Barnabas', work that reflects the face of Jesus. Well done, servants.

I thank you all for letting me serve you, and for your blessing on me and my family. Rev. Linda—she is a true follower of Christ's way of living. I have been blessed by her as you all have. She's a keeper. Amen. You have been a blessing, too. I'm going to miss you all, but my journey is to move on. With God's work, you all have helped me and trained me to be a good servant and I thank you. Our sister Catherine is also a blessing to the house of St. Barnabas. Her faith is true to God's way of living, Jesus' way. I'm going to miss her also. It has been a blessing to fellowship with you all. You're good people. My love and prayers go out to all. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you.

Love in Christ,

Rev. Bobby Joe Small and my wife Patsy Small

May peace be with you all.



Annandale Safe Youth Project

The kids are really full of themselves, with school having ended this week. We have graduated eight kids this year and are recruiting new children for next year.

We will be collecting school supplies and I will post the list as soon as school has it ready. They WILL NOT be getting free supplies from the county because Annandale High is having some work done and will not be able to host the pick-up. No other arrangements have been made. We will be collecting supplies all summer long to help defray the cost. This was an unpleasant surprise!

During the summer, the program will run from 1 to 6 p.m. Monday - Thursday. Please watch out for kids playing in the lower parking lot. As far as we know now Amaris and Gladys will both be going on with the program. We have no swimming arrangements, so we will be having a lot of water days at the church. If you have a place of work that might be interesting for the kids please let us know. Field trip ideas are always welcome, as are programs you might want to put on with the kids. We are financially strapped and are gratefully accepting donations. We have given out 13 Barnes & Noble gift cards for birthdays and that alone is approximately \$200.00. We would like to go to Watermine Park and a few movies at least.

- Ann Woodle



ASYP Soccer Awards - June 2015

SUMMER FUNDS NEEDED!

We are in great need of contributions to help fund summer outings and supplies for activities. If you are able to contribute, please make sure to indicate ASYP on the memo line of your check, or on your envelope (for cash).

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► July 2015 - St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church Activities ◀

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			General Convention Ends			INDEPENDENCE DAY
6 Pentecost 8:00 am Holy Eucharist I 9:15 am Summer Choir Rhise 10:15 am Holy Eucharist II 4:00 pm FACETS – RR	Parish Office Closed 10:00 am Al Anon - RR 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 7 pm Adult Forum Planning Meeting – (to be confirmed)	9:30 am MOMS - EW 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 7:30 pm Ramadan Meal – Ezher Bloom Mosque	10 am Holy Eucharist w Healing – L 11 am Bible Study - L 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 8:30 pm AA - RR	11 am MAD Camp II Closing Celebration – Shrine Mont 1-6 pm ASYP – RR 7 pm Alternate date: Adult Forum planning meeting (to be confirmed)	9:30 am MOMS - EW	8 am Men's Breakfast – Juke Box Diner, Annandale
7 Pentecost <i>Vacation</i>	Bible	School	through	Thursday	9:30 am MOMS - EW	11
8:00 am Holy Eucharist I 9:15 am Summer Choir Rhise 9:15 am Special Forum - Report on General Convention 10:15 am Holy Eucharist II 6-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School Begins	10:00 am Al Anon - RR 1-5:30 pm ASYP - RR 6-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School	9:30 am MOMS - EW 12:30 pm Clericus 1-5:30 pm ASYP - RR 6-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School	10 am Morning Prayer - L 1-5:30 pm ASYP - RR 6-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School 8:30 pm AA - RR	1-5:30 pm ASYP - RR 6-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School Last Day	9:30 am MOMS - EW	18
8 Pentecost	10:00 am Al Anon - RR 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 7 pm Caritas - L	10 am Morning Prayer - L 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 8:30 pm AA - RR	1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW	25
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Legend: CL = Choir Loft, L = Library, RR = Richardson Room; EW = Education Wing; ASYP = Alternative House Safe Youth Project; MOMS = Moms Club of Annandale
 As of 6/23/2015

► August 2015 - St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church Activities ◀

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10 Pentecost	3	4	5	6	7	1
8:00 am Holy Eucharist I 10:15 am Holy Eucharist II 4:00 pm FACETS – RR	10:00 am Al Anon - RR 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	10 am Holy Eucharist - L 11 am Bible Study - L 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 8:30 pm AA - RR	10:00 am Barnabees – RR (to be confirmed) 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW	8:00 am Men's Breakfast - Juke Box Diner, Annandale
11 Pentecost	10	11	12	13	14	8 15
8:00 am Holy Eucharist I 10:15 am Holy Eucharist II <i>Acolyte Training (following the 10:15 am service)</i>	10:00 am Al Anon - RR 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 7:00 pm Building & Grounds – L (to be confirmed)	10 am Morning Prayer - L 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 8:30 pm AA - RR	10:00 am Barnabees – RR (to be confirmed) 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW	Reporter Deadline
12 Pentecost	17	18	19	20	21	22
8:00 am Holy Eucharist I 10:15 am Holy Eucharist II	10:00 am Al Anon - RR 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW 12:30 pm Clericus 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 7:00 pm Vestry - RR	10 am Morning Prayer - L 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 8:30 pm AA - RR	10:00 am Barnabees – RR (to be confirmed) 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW	
13 Pentecost	24	25	26	27	28	29
8:00 am Holy Eucharist I 10:15 am Holy Eucharist II	10:00 am Al Anon - RR 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	10 am Morning Prayer - L 1-6 pm ASYP - RR 8:30 pm AA - RR	10:00 am Barnabees – RR (to be confirmed) 1-6 pm ASYP - RR	9:30 am MOMS - EW	
14 Pentecost	31					
8:00 am Holy Eucharist I 10:15 am Holy Eucharist II	10:00 am Al Anon - RR 1-6 pm ASYP - RR					Save the Date! Parish Retreat Oct. 2-4, 2015 Shrine Mont

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Unfortunately, Vacation Bible School has been cancelled this year, due to family illness. Thank you for your understanding.

Please consider bringing your children with you for the Ramadan fast-breaking meal on **Tuesday, July 7th** at the Ezher Bloom Mosque. Details are in the calendar and on the web site. All are welcome!

