



# The Lion's Roar

St. Mark's on the Campus Episcopal Church  
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**Holy Eucharist Schedule**

**Sunday — 8:30 & 10:30**

**Tues — 12:30 (Main Chapel)**

The Rt. Rev. Joe G. Burnett, *Bishop*

The Rev. Jerrold Thompson, *Rector*

The Rev. Sidnie White Crawford,  
*Priest Associate*

The Rev. Deacon Ryan Hall, *Curate*

Christine Grosh, *Deacon*

Susan Musick, *Senior Warden*

Andrea Nelson, *Junior Warden*

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Dorothy Nelson, *Asst Treasurer*

Kurt Knecht, *Music Director*

Natalie Shepard, *Christian Education*

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Assistant*

*St. Mark's on the Campus  
strives to be a Eucharistic  
Community of reflection and  
action, acceptance and  
growth, Gospel and world.*

## From the Rector

By Father Jerry Thompson

Dear Friends,

As I watched some of the Emmys the other night, I found myself pondering a social reality. It's a common perception - whether it's true or not - that the entertainment world has a higher proportion of gays and lesbians in it than other areas of life. That's the perception, whether or not it's true.

One of the corresponding realities of the past several decades is that we are becoming increasingly aware of sexual minorities in other areas of life, including within the church. We at St. Mark's on the Campus are open about that reality, and proclaim ourselves as a welcoming community, a safe place for sexual minorities to worship God and participate in our community life -- with the ability to be completely open about who they are. That's no small offering in the religious landscape of 2007. As most of you well know, I am proud of this community for being such a place, for being a place that reveals the love of God for all people, whether in the majority or the minority.

I'm also aware that our status as a welcoming community is not something we can ever take for granted. We must continually be on the alert for ways in which we

could be more welcoming of those who differ from us, whether that's in sexual orientation or some other dimension. Feelings of discomfort on our part can be a signal that we are on the edge of 1) embracing a new challenge from God to the radical hospitality of Jesus, or 2) withdrawing into a narrow, unwelcoming spirit that doesn't belong at the table of Jesus Christ.

So I invite you to be aware of your own areas of discomfort and what they might signal to you - in fact, to all of us. Is the Holy Spirit offering a new opportunity to stretch our hospitality - in fact to stretch ourselves?

Sometimes we forget that the radical hospitality of Jesus begins in the way he offers it to us. The apostle Paul knew this well; he had an acute sense of just how undeserving he was to receive the love from Jesus which came his way - and he rejoiced in the receiving of it!

We do nothing but offer with joy what we ourselves receive from Christ. The gift is God's; we're only entrusted with offering it to everyone else in Jesus' name.

Christ's peace to you, and to all,

# The Curate's Corner

by  
Rev. Ryan Hall



## "The Man in Black"

I was ordained in June; so, I am still something of a newbie clergyman, a Padawan Jedi if you will pardon the allusion to certain pop culture science fiction movies. If you will think back to that first Star Wars turkey prequel that they came out with in the late '90s, new initiates to the Jedi order had to get a weird hair cut and start wearing those funky Jedi robes.

Luckily, new people ordained to the Jedi Sacred Order of Deacons do not have to get weird haircuts. Not unlike the Jedi, however, what has been an adjustment for me is getting used to wearing this thing which we call the "clerical collar". Wearing clericals has not been so much of an issue at St Mark's because most Episcopalians (but not all) are used to them, and even expect their clergy to wear them. Wearing clericals outside the walls of the church, however, has been a completely different learning experience.

Perhaps my favorite story thus far has been on a bicycle ride. I usually ride my bike to work, and it happened on one of those hot August days when I was pedaling home. I had rolled up to a red light on "O" Street and stopped. As I was waiting for the light to turn, I heard a little girl from an open car window next to me exclaim, "Look, mommy! That man's dressed up like a penguin!"

I remember that I actually had to step up on the curb because I was laughing so hard. I had not really thought about it prior to that, but to that little girl's eyes I probably was quite a sight. A 6'3" sweating penguin riding a fire truck red '50's style Flyer bicycle on the streets of Lincoln, Nebraska, in the year of our Lord 2007. That must have been quite a sight indeed.

Sometimes, in seminary, I had my days when I wondered what the point of the clerical collar was other than as some sort of weird clerical status symbol which caused many a seminarian to violate at least two of the Ten Commandments - particularly the ones involving coveting and, to quote the old King James Version of the bible, the making of "graven images."

Believe it or not, there actually is a reason. Though he was not talking about clerical collars and clergy shirts, there is an old song Johnny Cash used to sing called "Man in Black" which I believe really captures that reason incredibly well. As the words of that song say, "Well, you wonder why I always dress in black, why you never see bright colors on my back, And why does my appearance seem to have a somber tone, Well there's a reason for the things that I have on..."

Back in the olden days when any dress shirt had detachable collars, the white fabric for the collar and the black fabric for the shirt were the cheapest cloth available. This was done intentionally as a sign of solidarity with the poor. I think that is a historical fact that has largely been lost, especially if you see the current prices for clergy shirts in such church supply catalogs as Wippell's or Almy's,

Perhaps that reason is antiquated, but if it is, then so are clericals in general. I do not believe that clericals are antiquated though. Just as a policeman should be wearing a police officer's uniform, I think clergy should be identifiable by their uniform. Clergy have the added grace of having a uniform that is not about flashy military ribbons, but instead, in the words of the Johnny Cash song, we get to "wear the black for the poor and the beaten down, Livin' in the hopeless, hungry side of town," and to "wear the black for those who never read, Or listened to the words that Jesus said." So if anyone ever asks why your ministers are dressed up like penguins, you can regale them with a tale about how it is not a backwards collar, but a reminder of how all Christians, not just clergy, are called to social justice because, as Paul Harvey used to say, "Now you know the rest of the story..."

### *From your Priest Associate ...*

An interfaith group of religious leaders in the United States, including Bishop Christopher Epting, the Episcopal Church's ecumenical and interfaith officer, are calling for a fast for peace, to end the war in Iraq, from dawn to dusk on October 8. I am organizing this effort at St. Mark's. Those who would like to participate will fast for the day, then we will gather together to break our fast at a potluck at my house, 925 Piedmont Rd., at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to participate, please let me know, so I can have an idea of how many people will be attending. There is, of course, no obligation to attend the potluck. God's peace.  
- Sidnie

## ST. MARK'S BOOK CLUB - Book list for 2007-2008

<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOST</u>	<u>BOOK</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>
Oct 21	Mary Jane Humphrey	Water for Elephants	Sara Gruen
Nov 18	Nan Hanway	Worst Hard Time	Timothy Egan
Jan 13	Susan Steinegger	March	Geraldine Brooks
Feb	Sidnie White Crawford	Known World	Edward P. Jones
Mar	TBA	My Grandfather's Blessings	Rachel Naomi Remen
Apr	TBA	Eat, Pray, Love	Elizabeth Gilbert

No meeting in August.

At its September meeting,

The Vestry...



✘ Approved a tentative budget for 2008 from the Finance Advisory Committee that includes an approximate 7% increase in pledge income. This budget is for the purposes of the stewardship campaign; a final budget will be adopted by the Vestry at its December meeting.

✘ Heard that in reviewing the accounts in preparation for the 2008 budget, some discrepancies were discovered in the amounts owed the parish by the diocesan office and the amounts received. The reimbursements still owed us are being addressed.

✘ Heard that architectural plans are being developed for a room in the undercroft for youth gathering. Plans will be considered at the earliest possible meeting, perhaps October.

✘ Heard that the Welcoming and Diversity Committee is planning a series of Movie Nights to highlight diversity issues.

✘ Discussed that SMOC is under-represented at diocesan gatherings and decided to make a greater effort at publicizing diocesan events.

## GREETING - THE PROCESSION

One of my favorite passages in the book of Revelation occurs in chapter 5. There is a scroll that no one in the universe can open. St. John weeps because no one is found worthy to open the scroll. An elder tells him not to worry because the Lion of Judah has triumphed and can open the scroll. When St. John looks to see the Lord of the Universe, who is the only one capable of opening the scroll, it is not a lion that appears on the throne. Instead, it is a feeble "lamb, looking as if it had been slain."

Justin Martyr tells us that the first thing Christians did in worship was to greet each other. This cannot be the same thing as saying "hi" to someone in the narthex. Saying "hi" is extremely important and a special ministry for some in the church.

When we are talking about liturgy, our greeting is much more than that. The first part of our greeting on Sunday mornings happens in the form of a little parade down the aisle during the first hymn. This "procession" is one of my favorite parts of the liturgy. I realized that I wasn't experiencing it properly at a Robert Webber conference. He was a Southern Baptist who became an Episcopalian. He subsequently went around the country teaching about liturgy. During the course of his lecture on the opening of the service, he told us about a man who had an epiphany during a Sunday morning procession.

*(I don't remember the actual story, so I made one up except for the ending - that part I do remember.)*

This man had never seen a formal procession before visiting the Episcopal Church. When he saw the line of vested people moving down the aisle and people beginning to bow toward the cross, the richness of the symbolism stunned him.

This was the victorious God marching into our lives. Leading the way was the sign of the cross. The God that was entering the nave to greet him was not a vengeful God. To be sure, this God was also not (as C.S. Lewis liked to say) a "tame God." This was the lamb, looking as if it had been slain, leading followers in triumphant procession to greet the people assembled for worship.

This was the re-enactment of God marching into the universe in the incarnation. This was the re-enactment of God marching past the font and into our hearts through the waters of holy baptism. The man in Robert Webber's story became overwhelmed and for the first time in his life, he pulled out a kneeler, knelt before the passing cross and confessed his sins to God.

**- Kurt Knecht  
Music Director**



### *From Your Deacon, Christine Grosh...*

I recently volunteered some time for the book sale and a Lion's Tailgate Party. One visitor said these activities serve the church as merchandizing serves a retail business. He said people have resistance to going someplace new; having the drummers, tailgate party and booksale help people come through the doors. I appreciated his perspective because people put in lots of hours to make these events happen. The events are not our main mission, but they help us to be known in the community, which in turn supports our mission of being the church: providing worship, community, spreading the gospel and teaching the faith. We had fun, saw many different faces and had a feeling of satisfaction working together to 'pull off' these events. Come and join us if the Spirit moves you!

## THE BLUE BOX

A United Thank Offering Ingathering will be held on Sunday, October 14. You are invited to "count your blessings" --- those coins you have put in the Blue Box in thanksgiving for large and small daily gifts from God that brighten your life and the lives of those around you. Use the envelopes found in the pews or in the narthex to offer your coins or a check for the amount of your blessings.

The power of the Blue Box is unlimited. Your prayers and offerings have built churches and schools, made necessary renovations, fed the hungry, clothed the poor, provided shelter for the homeless, and have provided care and support for those with physical, mental, and emotional challenges.

If you do not have a Blue Box, or would like to know more about the United Thank Offering, please ask Jo Ann Hruban. Regular, intentional thanksgiving can make a difference in your life as well as in the lives of those who will receive your offering.

## BOOK SALE

Following in the footsteps of the 2005's sale, this biennial St. Mark's book sale is another smashing success. This year we managed to raise over \$1350 during the three days of the sale. This money will be split between the Gathering Place, the Food Pantry and the remodeling of St. Mark's kitchen.

The sale organizers are so very grateful to the following people (not in any particular order) for their help in publicity, sorting, bringing books up from the basement to the parish hall, sorting and organizing again in the parish hall, collecting cash during the sale, hauling boxes around, picking up boxes of books from donor's homes, and finally packing the remaining books up for pick up by the Salvation Army:

Connie Backus-Yoder, Roger Wait, Steve Sim, Susan and Don Steinegger, Janet Davidson, Carol Thompson, Anne Puls, Christine Grosh, Ryan Hall, Susan Musick, Brad & Denise Meredith, Peg Sheldrick, Kyle Quinn (a UNL student), Tim, Stephanie & Alex Hill, Lisa Schaumberg, Steve, and Faye.

A special thanks goes to Andrea Nelson and Susan Ugai for all their efforts, time and talents. If we have forgotten anyone, please accept our apologies and our thanks.

Without all of you and everyone who donated books and audio and video materials (and purchased same) it could not have been done.

## Financial Report

INCOME	AUG 2007	YEAR TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET
Contributions	15,091	144,128	197,252
Diocesan Grant-in-Aid	2,083	12,506	25,000
Donation in Kind	0	544	0
Flower Income	75	935	1,600
Interest Income	0	2,754	1,700
Misc Income	0	0	1,000
Plate Offering	1,629	14,292	24,200
Transmittal	(-414)	0	0
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 18,464</b>	<b>\$ 175,159</b>	<b>\$ 250,752</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Advertising / Promotional	285	2,016	1,800
Campus Ministry	1,614	4,515	6,000
Cost of Labor	250	2,215	2,150
Diocesan Expenses	2,350	19,332	28,195
Education Expenses	(-46)	2,188	2,000
Insurance	1,657	4,547	5,350
Kitchen Supplies	(-11)	503	100
Lay Ministry Expenses	0	136	0
Legal / Professional Fees	0	804	400
Misc Expenses	4	487	0
Office Equipment	196	7,448	3,500
Office / General Admin	791	5,526	6,500
Outreach Costs	306	4,506	4,150
Prior year expenses	0	2,981	0
Repair & Maintenance	(-927)	3,239	3,600
Travel	300	369	1,400
Utilities	590	6,475	10,150
Worship / Music Supplies	184	2,158	4,425
Payroll Expenses	16,046	119,442	170,520
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 23,591</b>	<b>\$ 188,883</b>	<b>\$ 250,240</b>
<b>Income Less Expenses</b>	<b>(\$ 5,126)</b>	<b>(\$ 13,724)</b>	<b>\$ 512</b>

St. Mark's giving and spending remain on track. We have had several unplanned expenses, but those have been balanced by our donations, which are running slightly ahead of budget.

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The 2008 Annual Stewardship Campaign will have a "kick-off" potluck on Sept 30th after the 10:30 service.

**Q & A**

**Q:** I keep forgetting to ask what the deal is with track 1 and track 2 in the bulletin inserts. Has there been a revision to the lectionary?

**A:** Yes. Last Advent we shifted to the Revised Common Lectionary, which will be used by most Episcopal congregations beginning Advent 2007. During the season after Pentecost, there are two tracks to follow. One (track one) reads through a particular book of the Old Testament, the other (track two) thematically pairs the Old Testament with the gospel. The recommendation is to follow one track throughout the season, not switch back and forth. I've chosen track two for this year. Hope that helps!

# St. Mark's on the Campus \* Sep 30 - Nov 10, 2007

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>30</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist <b>Potluck - Kick Off Stewardship Campaign</b> 7-11 pm Study Lounge	<b>Oct 1</b> Ryan Day Off 1-4 pm Fr Jerry @ UNL Student Union	<b>2</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 12:30 pm - Cursillo 4th Day	<b>3</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off 5:30 Choir Practice 7-11 pm Study Lounge 7:30 - 9:30 Knitting Group	<b>4</b> 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 4 pm - Blessing of the Animals 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist 12:00 Bible Study w/Sidnie <b>5:30 - Cursillo Potluck</b> 7-11 pm Study Lounge	<b>8</b> Ryan Day Off 1-4 pm Fr Jerry @ UNL Student Union	<b>9</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 12:30 pm - Cursillo 4th Day	<b>10</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off 5:30 Choir Practice 7-11 pm Study Lounge 7:30 - 9:30 Knitting Group	<b>11</b> <b>11:30 - Priest's Lunch</b> 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>12</b> <b>11:30 - Campus Outreach Mtg</b>	<b>13</b> 7:30 Mens Bkfst <b>Husker Tailgater Homecoming (Oklahoma State)</b>
<b>14</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist 12:00 Bible Study w/Sidnie <b>UTO Ingathering Breast Cancer Walk 12:15 - Vestry Mtg</b> 7-11 pm Study Lounge	<b>15</b> Ryan Day Off 1-4 pm Fr Jerry @ UNL Student Union	<b>16</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 12:30 pm - Cursillo 4th Day	<b>17</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off 5:30 Choir Practice 7-11 pm Study Lounge 7:30 - 9:30 Knitting Group	<b>18</b> 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>19</b> <b>Father Jerry on Vacation</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Husker Tailgater (Texas A&amp;M)</b>
<b>21</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist 12:00 Bible Study w/Sidnie <b>3:00 Book Club</b> 7-11 pm Study Lounge	<b>22</b> Ryan Day Off 1-4 pm Fr Jerry @ UNL Student Union	<b>23</b> 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 12:30 pm - Cursillo 4th Day	<b>24</b> Fr. Jerry Day Off 5:30 Choir Practice 7-11 pm Study Lounge 7:30 - 9:30 Knitting Group	<b>25</b> 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>(Mon / Tues) UNL Fall Break</b>			<b>(All week) LPS Fall Break</b>			
<b>Father Jerry on Vacation</b>					<b>Annual Council (Kearney)</b>	
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				<b>Rev Deacon Ryan Hall on Vacation</b>		

**SUNDAY SERVICES:** Holy Eucharist - 8:30 am and 10:30 am  
**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Adult Forum and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.  
**BIBLE STUDY WITH SIDNIE:** Sunday mornings following the 10:30 am Eucharist  
**WEEKDAY HOLY EUCHARIST:** Every Tuesday at 12:30 pm in the Main Chapel  
**STUDY LOUNGE:** Sunday and Wednesday nights - 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm  
**KNITTING GROUP:** Wednesday nights from 7:30 - 9:30 pm  
**CHAPEL OPEN FOR PRAYER -** Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## Making Strides Against Breast Cancer

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, the American Cancer Society fundraising walk at Holmes Lake, takes place October 14. Contact ACS at 423-4888 or [Lincoln.Strides@cancer.org](mailto:Lincoln.Strides@cancer.org) to register. Peg Sheldrick (327-8138 or [shelarts@aol.com](mailto:shelarts@aol.com)) will be walking and will be glad to take your donation. Or donate through the ACS secure Web site at [www.cancer.org/stridesonline](http://www.cancer.org/stridesonline), which has important information about early detection. Thanks to all.

## Cursillo Activity

Members of the Southeast Deanery Cursillo are invited to join the Lutheran Via de Cristo community for a combined Ultreya and Pot Luck at 5:30pm on Sun, Oct 7th at Southwood Lutheran Church (located at 40th and Yankee Hill Rd). Coffee and dinner service will be provided.

# MARK-US NOTES

## Food Pantry Needs

The Food Pantry is in need of fruit juice, shampoo, conditioner, cold cereal, soups (chicken noodle, vegetable beef, and cream soups), syrup, and jelly.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

October 13 - Our next book, which we will spend two months on, is Science and Providence by John Polkinghorne.

## ADULT FORUM

Adult Forum is again underway. Please join us at 9:30 (between services) each Sunday to explore topics of interest. Check the Sunday bulletin or the St. Mark's website for current topics. If you have future topics to suggest, contact Bob Stock or Janet Davidson.

Blessing of the Animals is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 7th in the St. Mark's on the Campus Courtyard. Bring your pets and invite your friends and their animal companions to join you.

## STUDY LOUNGE IS NOW OPEN !!

The study lounge is a place for all students to come study and enjoy free snacks, pop, Wi-Fi, fellowship, and study time on Sunday and Wednesday nights from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 pm. Coming soon: free espresso drinks, pizza, and more!

The study lounge needs volunteers: come work from 7 to 9pm or from 9 to 11pm. A sign-up sheet is on the office door. We could also use: smaller packages of cookies, crackers, trail mix, chips, etc.

**THANKS For your Support..**

## Knit Together at SMOC

Do you knit? Are you interested in learning? Perhaps you're looking for a group who shares your interest in needle arts? Maybe you resolved that THIS year you will finish that sweater or afghan you began eons ago.

Now's your chance. SMOC invites you to a weekly Knit Together group. Crocheters, needlepointers, embroiderers? You're welcome too. No formal program; just bring your project and join us on the Wednesday evenings that you're free. We meet 7:30 to 9:30, in the Study Lounge for an evening of productive needlework and chatting. If you're looking for a new project -- or if you enjoy knitting but can't join us on Wednesdays -- please consider Knit for Kids -- a national program where volunteers knit or crochet children's sweaters for charity. Last year, volunteers made total of 74,983 sweaters for distribution to needy kids in the U.S. and abroad!

More information about Knit for Kids and instructions for the Knit for Kids sweater will be available at the Knit Together gathering, or check the website [www.knitforkids.org](http://www.knitforkids.org). We hope to send off our first round of completed sweaters in early December. If you have any questions, please call Janet Davidson at 770-1839.

## October Birthdays

2 - Bonnie Nichols

3 - Gwen Tilley

5 - Pippa Lawson

8 - Karen Krebsbach

- Doug Durham

9 - Mary Murrell Faulkner

14 - Barbara Woerner

16 - Nane Cunningham

18 - Susan Rehn

20 - Jake Durham

22 - Susan Robinson

23 - Steve Buhler

- Alex Clough

25 - Jerrold Thompson

27 - Jonathan Cole

29 - Reid Sutton

30 - Colleen Baade

- Dan Crawford

Join Sidnie White Crawford for Bible Study.  
We meet in Lady Julian Chapel following the  
10:30 Eucharist. Bring a bible; all are welcome!

**BIBLE STUDY**

- Oct. 7 Hebrew Esther
- Oct. 14 Greek Esther
- Oct. 21 Judith
- Oct. 28 No bible study
- Nov 4 Tobit
- Nov. 11 Jonah
- Nov. 18 No bible study
- Nov. 25 No bible study
- Dec. 2 Susanna, Bel & and the Dragon
- Dec. 9 Stories from the Dead Sea Scrolls

**ANNUAL COUNCIL**

Because of Annual Council, on Sunday, October 28, everyone is welcome to attend the diocesan-wide Holy Eucharist in Kearney. It will be held at the Holiday Inn off I-80 beginning at 10:30 AM. At St. Mark's on the Campus, we will hold only one service that morning at 10:30 am; it will be Morning Prayer, since our priests will be at the diocesan Eucharist. Colleen Baade will officiate and read a version of the sermon. The bishop will preach at the council Eucharist.

**Do You Drive to Church on Sunday?**

The Pastoral Care Committee is looking for drivers from different quadrants of the city to assist when a ride is needed to services on Sunday morning and other special events as needed. There is not frequently a high demand for rides, but we would like to determine who is available if the need arises. If you can assist in this service, talk to Dennis Alfrey or email him at [DAlfrey@aol.com](mailto:DAlfrey@aol.com)

**Education for Ministry is launched!**

We have 7 members this year -

- 3 from Holy Trinity
- 3 from St. Mark's
- 1 from St. James, Fremont

We are working at different levels -

- Two are in Year 2 (New Testament)
- one is in Year 3 (church history)
- four are in Year 1 (Hebrew Scriptures)

EFM is international: offered in US, Canada, England, Europe, Australia, New Zealand and the Caribbean. 87 dioceses in the Episcopal Church, USA offer EFM.

Last year there were 8,500 students in 1,000 groups. 60,000 people have graduated from the program. As a mentor, I attend 18 hours of training annually. Understanding the faith and empowering the laity are important aspects of the program. - Christine Grosh

**Check**

**out the changes downstairs!**

Mark Musick has been sinking time and energy into the basement restrooms. We also have a newly painted "coffee room" in the corner near Lady Julian Chapel.

**2007 MINISTRY FAIR**

From a lay person's perspective, the 2007 Ministry Fair held in Grand Island, Ne. on Sept. 14 and 15 was a great success. More the two hundred clergy and lay persons heard keynote speaker, The Rev. Dr. James B. Lemler, Director of Mission for the Episcopal Church, talk in three sessions on Groundwork 1, 11,111.

"Groundwork's goal is to encourage personal and congregational transformation. It asks members and leaders to dig deeply into the soil of mission so that they may do serious and joyful learning about the Gospel and their community of faith."

Because I have some familiarity with the program, Darrell and I sat in on two breakout sessions about 'Natural Church Development' The basics of the process were discussed in the first session and the second session covered the tools of the program. Other breakout sessions offered included Godly Play, Parish Website Development,' Mission Trips and Via Media.

In his closing remarks, Dr. Lemler encouraged each of us to share our story of faith with those around us and The Very. Rev. Ernesto Medina led the group in an interactive, symbolic ceremony of reconciliation and healing using rocks and water. - Respectfully submitted by Nancy Brown

# Sunday Ministerial Assignments

Date	7-Oct	14-Oct	21-Oct	28-Oct	4-Nov
<b>8:30 RH/Acolyte</b>	John Flint	Yolanda Rolle	Sara Toren	Todd Sneller	Marcia White
<b>10:30 Chalice Bearer</b> Eucharistic Minister	Ardyce Welch	Todd Sneller	Marcia White	Jeanne Vannorsdall	Todd Sneller
<b>Acolytes</b>	Helen Pitts Samantha Karas	Jonathan Cole Michael Fairchild	Helen Pitts Todd Sneller	Dick Quinn Michael Fairchild	Jonathan Cole Samantha Karas
<b>Ushers</b>	Roger Wait Susan Ugai	Bob Kuzelka Bob Stock	Don Gray Dennis Alfrey	Doug Durham Lisa Sutton	Michelle Waite Susan Ugai
<b>Lector (OT)</b>	Pippa Lawson	Anita Bowman	Jeanne Vannorsdall	Donna Harler Smith	Doug Durham
<b>Epistler</b>	Sarah Fairchild	Bette Sperry	Dick Boohar	Ray Lowther	Peg Sheldrick
<b>Intercessor</b>	Kelly Carlisle	Laura Waldman	Susan Rehn	Pamela Starr	Jeanine Jewell
<b>Greeter</b>	Bob Kuzelka	Connie Backus Yoder	David Pitts	Dennis Alfrey	Jim Karas
<b>Coffee Host</b>	Nan Graf	Opal Doerr	Peg Sheldrick	Carol Thompson	Karen Krebsbach
<b>Bread Baker</b>	Loris Purtzer	Nancy Brown	Kathy Schmutte	Laura Waldman	Loris Purtzer
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Don Gray	Joyce Wagner	Kathy Schmutte	Opal Doerr	Don Gray
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