



The Lion's Roar

St. Mark's on the Campus Episcopal Church
APRIL 2009



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Holy Eucharist Schedule

Sunday — 8:30 & 10:30

Tuesday — 12:30

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

The Rev. Jerrold Thompson, *Rector*

The Rev. Sidnie White Crawford,
Priest Associate

The Rev. Gretchen R. Naugle,
Priest Associate

Christine Grosh, *Deacon*

Bob Kuzelka, *Senior Warden*

Joyce Wagner, *Junior Warden*

Mark Musick, *Treasurer*

Stephanie Hill, *Asst. Treasurer*

Kurt Knecht, *Music Director*

Natalie Shepard, *Christian Education*

Denise Meredith, *Admin. Assistant*

Bennett Meredith, *Sexton*

*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

OF CROSSES AND THE CROSS

During Lent each year, we line the nave with the Stations of the Cross, thereby surrounding ourselves with crosses in a way we don't normally do the remainder of the year. Whereas we usually have one cross in our worship space, during Lent we have 25 crosses representing the journey of Jesus toward Golgotha in the 14 Stations.

You might have noticed that this year I chose to omit the cross behind the altar. That decision was only partly aesthetic. We really don't have a great cross to place behind the altar – that is, one that matches well the wooden candlesticks we are using and that is also stark in keeping with the season. We could always veil one of the crosses we have, but this year I chose the simplicity of no cross at the altar, which has the added benefit of emphasizing the journey along the way in the Stations.

Early in Lent I read something that suggested we Christians should all, especially during Lent, receive a cross when we enter into Sunday worship – as

a visible reminder of Jesus' words that "those who want to be my disciples must pick up their cross and follow me."

For those who want to know the salvation of our God, the cross is not an optional accessory on the journey of life. It's not something we simply carry around in our pocket or wear around our neck; the cross is inscribed within our heart and seen in our loving and sacrificial behavior toward the rest of creation, including our human brothers and sisters.

We'll soon walk into Holy Week, the height of the Christian year. As the journey draws near to the cross of Good Friday, I encourage you to remember that not only are we surrounded by crosses, but we only find the life God offers us when our journey takes on the shape of the cross.

"Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross" (from the collect for Good Friday).

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

Palm Sunday	8:30 am	Holy Eucharist
	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist
Mon of Holy Week	12:30 pm	Holy Eucharist
Tue of Holy Week	12:30 pm	Holy Eucharist
	4:30 pm	Evening Prayer
Wed of Holy Week	12:30 pm	Holy Eucharist
	4:30 pm	Evening Prayer
Maundy Thursday	7:00 pm	Holy Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar Overnight Watch Follows
Good Friday	8:00 am	Prayers Closing the Watch
	12:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
	7:00 pm	Solemn Liturgy
Holy Saturday	9:00 am	Holy Saturday Liturgy
	11:00 pm	The Great Vigil of Easter
Easter Sunday	8:30 am	NO Holy Eucharist
	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist

If you wish to participate in the "watch" following the Maundy Thursday Eucharist throughout the night until Good Friday 8 AM, you can sign up on the sheet posted on the office door.

From Pastor Gretchen

On Sunday, April 19th, I will begin yet another interim assignment for the diocese. This time it will be with the people of Grace in Columbus. I have supplied there off and on for the past year or so, and they are a great group of people, so I am looking forward to working with them. I will be there every Sunday and one week-day -- but do not know which one yet.

You will all continue to be in my heart and prayers -- and I will be still be "lurking around in the corners" of Lincoln most of the time.

At its
March meeting,
the Vestry...



- began its planning for a Mutual Ministry Review with the assistance of Canon Tim Anderson.
- heard that the parish was down \$3,000 income versus expenses through February, as compared to \$11,000 through January.
- approved up to \$200 from the Allington Fund for a plaque for the Youth room.
- approved cleaning the exterior windows and replacing the exterior lights with money from the Allington Fund.
- approved installation of all 16 stained glass windows in the nave, with no more than \$5,250 on loan from the Allington Fund, to be replenished as the final three windows are purchased.
- received a letter from the diocese extending thanks for the parish committing to its full asking for 2009.
- heard that in June Father Jerry will be attending CREDO, an experience offered by the Church Pension Group that gives priests the opportunity to reflect about vocational experience to date and to establish plans for the future.
- heard that Father Jerry is beginning the planning process for his sabbatical, which will occur no earlier than 2011.

THE DEACON'S DOOR *by Christine Grosh*

Retreats coming up!

Women's Ministry Retreat, April 17-18, and Men in Ministry May 1-3, lead by Ernesto Medina
Youth Mission Trip June 7-12 and Jr-Sr Camp July 27-31. You can check the Nebraska
Episcopalian or the diocesan website for more information.

Also, EFM groups in the 80s and 90s used to take an annual retreat to Conception, MO. There's
a Benedictine Retreat Center and 2 monastery churches there. You're welcome to join me for a
retreat over Memorial Day Weekend, May 23-25. Let me know if you're interested!

Greetings from Laurie's MOM:

Laurie Fisher's mom, Jean Griffen has sent flowers in memory of Laurie over the years. She is
also the grandmother of Stephanie and Josh, who 'grew up' at St. Mark's. Jean wrote that her
husband died last year. Also that Stephanie graduated with high honors from Georgetown
University and is now in her first year of residency in OB-GYN at Stanford. Laurie and her hus-
band Jerry Blassl died in 2001. Their picture is hanging in the parish hall.

**Please continue praying for and supporting campus ministry.
Please consider taking a turn serving on the committee too!**

CHANGE FOR A CHANGE

Empty your pockets, search the
bottom of your purses--now is the
time to corral all of those loose
coins around your home for the
St. Mark's Sunday School
CHANGE FOR A CHANGE
campaign, a contest to benefit
outreach efforts in our church.
This friendly battle between the
sexes will continue throughout
Lent. Our students will provide
weekly updates on the generosity
of both men and women. Look for
marked jars between services and
after the 10:30 Eucharist.

Last day to donate is April 5th.

PEACEMAKING WORKSHOP

The Peacemaking Workshop XXII is hosting Anna Baltzer, a Jewish American
peace activist and human rights worker with the International Women's Peace
Service. She will present photos and stories based on her travels to Israel and the
Palestinian-occupied territories. Her acclaimed presentation is an account of her
eyewitness experience of the conflict in the Middle East and the joint Palestinian
and Israeli nonviolent resistance. There is no cost to attend Peacemaking
Workshop XXII, Friday, April 3, at 1:00 p.m. at the Miller Chapel in Old Main at
Nebraska Wesleyan University (5000 St. Paul Ave.), in the evening on April 3, at
7:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church (50th & St. Paul); and, Saturday
morning, April 4, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at First Mennonite Church (7300
Holdrege). For more information call 466-1906 or visit the Peacemaking
Workshop website: www.fmclincoln.org/peacemaking_workshop/2009.

Financial Report

INCOME	2009 FEB	2009 YTD	YTD BUDGET	2009 BUDGET
Contributions				
- Pledge contributions	18225.00	35573.28	37160.70	219214.00
- Flower Income	140.00	210.00	240.00	1400.00
- Christmas Offering	0	0	0	1500.00
- Easter Offering	0	0	0	600.00
- Faith contribution	0	0	0	3400.00
- Plate offering, general	624.25	1087.80	1666.70	10000.00
Total Contribution Income	18989.25	36871.08	39067.40	236114.00
Diocesan Assistance				
- Curate Support	11177.00	11177.00	11177.00	11177.00
- Grant in Aid	6250.00	6250.00	6250.00	25000.00
- Insurance Subsidy, Rector	0	2349.00	2507.50	10030.00
Total Diocesan Assistance	17427.00	19776.00	19934.50	46207.00
Miscellaneous Income				
- Designated Income	190.45	190.45	0	0
- Interest Income	21.33	108.14	220.50	1323.00
- Other Misc Income	0	101.00	0	0
- Use of Church Income	21.38	1042.83	1116.70	2700.00
Total Miscellaneous Income	233.16	1442.42	1337.20	4023.00
TOTAL INCOME	36649.41	58089.50	60339.10	286344.00

EXPENSES	2009 FEB	2009 YTD	YTD BUDGET	2009 BUDGET
Advertising / Promotional	53.10	261.60	256.70	940.00
Campus Ministry	104.32	630.11	1300.00	13000.00
Continuing Ed / Sabbatic / Prof	-464.37	623.03	650.00	2150.00
Diocese Asking	2820.75	5641.50	5641.50	33849.00
Education Expenses	173.58	254.58	316.70	2200.00
Insurance	1185.90	1185.90	1237.50	5059.00
Kitchen Supplies	3.10	24.05	50.00	700.00
Lay Ministry Expenses	13.00	13.00	25.00	75.00
Legal and Professional Fees	0	0	0	350.00
Misc Expenses	37.61	122.06	175.00	300.00
Office Equipment	811.85	1102.32	941.50	3200.00
Office / General Admin	709.63	1464.88	1500.00	7550.00
Repair & Maintenance	300.54	429.36	466.70	3700.00
Travel	0	154.58	100.00	700.00
Utilities	1996.03	3360.11	3838.31	11668.00
Worship and Music	226.00	374.90	400.00	4050.00
Payroll Expenses	20262.05	45531.16	44457.10	196853.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	28233.09	61173.14	61856.01	286344.00
Pending Transmittals	20.00	20.00	0	0

Net Income minus Expenses +8436.32 --3063.64 --1516.91 0
 Net YTD vs budget (2009 YTD net minus YTD Budget net) --1546.73

GENERAL FUNDS BALANCE	Feb 28, 2009	\$ 56,705.39
UNRESTRICTED CD BALANCE	Feb 28, 2009	\$ 11,900.62
RESTRICTED FUNDS BALANCE	Feb 28, 2009	\$ 105,756.22
PANTRY FUNDS BALANCE	Feb 28, 2009	\$ 3,658.79
RECTORS DISCRETIONARY FUND	Feb 28, 2009	\$ 266.63
TOTAL BALANCE OF ALL FUNDS	Feb 28, 2009	\$ 178,287.65

Treasure Chest

The Diocese support
arrived on time,
Filling up an empty
revenue line.

Thanks to all contributors
for donation fruition,
Your funds are necessary
to achieve God's mission.

Two-thirds way through
quarter number one,
God's light shines on
13th and R like the sun.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO
IRON THE EASTER BANNERS
THAT ARE LOCATED IN THE
VESTING ROOM ABOVE THE
CABINETS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE
TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE,
PLEASE SEE BOB KUZELKA**

**The St. Mark's
Office will be
CLOSED
on Monday,
April 13th,
the day after
Easter Sunday**

St. Mark's on the Campus * Mar 29 - May 9, 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist <div style="background-color: #e0e0e0; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin: 5px 0;">Noon: Indoor Clean-Up</div> 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	30 1:30 pm - Inquirer's Class	31 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer	APR 1 Fr. Jerry Day Off 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	2 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	3 <div style="background-color: #c0e0c0; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin: 5px 0;">Noon: Stations of the Cross</div>	4
5 Palm Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist Noon Bible Studie w/Sidnie 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	6 Holy Monday 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 1:30 pm - Inquirer's Class	7 Holy Tuesday 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer <div style="background-color: #c0e0c0; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;">Gathering Place</div>	8 Holy Wednesday 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	9 Maundy Thursday 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon 7:00 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel	10 Good Friday 8:00 am: Prayers Ending the Watch Noon: Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm - Solemn Liturgy	11 Holy Saturday 9:00 am - Liturgy 11:00 pm Easter Vigil - Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism
12 Easter Sunday 8:30 NO Eucharist 10:30 Holy Eucharist	13 OFFICE CLOSED 1:30 pm - Inquirer's Class 5:00 PM - Finance Advisory Committee	14 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer	15 ROAR DEADLINE 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	16 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	17 Fr. Jerry Day Off	18 <div style="background-color: #c0e0c0; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;">10 am - Noon Diocesan College Ministry Committee SMOC Lounge</div>
19 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist <div style="background-color: #c0e0c0; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin: 5px 0;">12:00 Financial Update and Vestry</div> <div style="background-color: #c0e0c0; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin: 2px 0;">3:00 Book Club</div> 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	20 Fr. Jerry Day Off	21 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer	22 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge 8:45 pm - Kurt Recital	23 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	24	25 <div style="background-color: #c0e0c0; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;">7:30 - 9:00 Mens Breakfast</div>
FATHER JERRY AT PRESBYTERS' CONFERENCE						
26 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist Noon Bible Studie w/Sidnie 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	27	28 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer	29 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	30 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	MAY 1 Fr. Jerry Day Off	2 <div style="background-color: #c0e0c0; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;">9 am - 1 pm Vestry Retreat Doane College</div>
3 8:30 & 10:30 Holy Eucharist <div style="background-color: #c0e0c0; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin: 5px 0;">Graduation Celebration</div> 5:00 Canterbury Club 7:00 pm - Study Lounge 7:00 pm - Knitting Group	4	5 12:30 pm - Holy Eucharist in Main Chapel 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer	6 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - Study Lounge	7 4:30 pm - Evening Prayer 5 - 6 pm - Alcoholics Anon	8 Fr. Jerry Day Off	9
UNL FINALS WEEK						

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
EVENING PRAYER: 4:30 pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday in the Chapel
CANTERBURY CLUB: Sunday nights - 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
STUDY LOUNGE: Sunday and Wednesday nights - 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm
KNITTING GROUP: Sunday nights - 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

STUDY LOUNGE IS ACTIVE!

Spring Break is over and Study Lounge is again in full swing as we meet on Sunday and Wednesday nights from 7:00 - 11:00 pm.

If you would like to be one of our Study Lounge volunteers, please sign up on the office door (including a cell phone and email address where you can be reached) or contact Kelly at kgrey2@unl.edu.

MARK-US NOTES

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Saturday morning gathering of the Mens Breakfast Group will be on April 25th at a location TBA.

We will be watching a DVD on: God on Trial.

BIBLE STUDY WITH SIDNIE

will meet on
March 29, April 5
and April 26
to continue our
study of Genesis

FOOD PANTRY

Thank you to everyone, who helped with the needs for the Pantry. I appreciate all of the new volunteers who are now helping keep the shelves stocked, as well as all of the donations we've received.

Current needs are: Large and small milk, large potatoes, large shampoo, prok and beans, cooking oil, jelly, 5 lb sugar, oatmeal (not instant), rice, hand soap, jello

GRADUATION CELEBRATION

On Sunday, May 3rd, St. Mark's on the Campus will celebrate all of our graduates. We will have a special coffee hour with cake and punch after the 10:30 Eucharist.

BOOK CLUB APRIL DATE AND TIME

Sunday, April 19th at 3 P.M.

BOOK FOR THE MONTH

Death in Holy Orders by P.D. James

PLACE TO MEET

The home of Sally Bates

5411 Brandywine Cir - 420-9567

KURT KNECHT RECITAL

On April 29th at 8:45 pm, St. Mark's will host Kurt's next composition recital. The recital will be the premiere of a new mass featuring the UNL Chamber Singers and the Chiara Quartet with Therees Hibbard conducting.

April Birthdays

- 03 - Don Burge
- 04 - Ruth Armstrong
- 14 - Jim Karas
- 15 - Anne Puls
- 17 - Diana Stock
Michelle Kemper
- 20 - Nathan Karas
- 21 - Stan Sipple
Fr. Ryan Hall
- 25 - Grant Clough
- 27 - Mitchell Karas
- 29 - Jeanne Vannorsdall
Julee Lowe

DESSERT POTLUCK

St. Mark's Special Events Committee will host a Dessert Pot Luck on Saturday night, April 11th, 2009, following the Easter Vigil Service that begins at 11:00 pm.

Please join in the fellowship and bring a 'sweet treat' to share.

adult forum

There will be no adult forum on April 5th & 12th.

We will continue reading Nonviolent Communication by Marshall Rosenberg on the 19th of April.

Robin McDannel will join us on April 26th to talk about Spiritual Companions.

Clothing Drive

As a Community Service project, St. Marks on Campus will hold a Clothing Drive to benefit the People's City Mission starting on Sunday, April 19th through Sunday, May 17th.

Please put your donated items in the designated space in the undercroft. The Mission will accept most anything that is usable. Donated clothing and bedding must be clean and in reasonable repair. They will also take toys, games and household items. No computer monitors, please.

If you wish to help with sorting and boxing of items when the time comes, please use the sign-up sheet on the office door or see Fr. Jerry or Nancy Brown. Thanks for your help!

INDOOR CLEAN-UP DAY

March 29th has been selected as an indoor clean-up date to clean areas of the church that are not routinely cleaned. We will need volunteers to help clean after the 10:30 Eucharist.

Pizza will be provided for volunteers. Please bring a stepstool, ladders, mop, cotton cloth rags, brooms, vacuums, or sponges if you have them. Any questions, please contact Mark Musick or Natalie Shepard.

Sunday Ministerial Assignments

Date	5 April Palm Sunday	9 April Maundy Thurs	11 April Easter Vigil	12 April Easter	19 April Easter 2	26 April Easter 3
8:30 RH/Acolyte	Jeff Sneller	None	None	None	Todd Sneller	Jonathan Jones
10:30 Chalice Bearer Eucharistic Minister	Don Gray	Todd Sneller	Don Gray	Jeff Sneller	Jeanne Vannorsdall	Todd Sneller
Acolytes	Todd Sneller Kelly Carlisle	Jeff Sneller Helen Pitts	Mary Lutz, Kelly Carlisle	Helen Pitts Carol Thompson	Don Gray Mitchell Karas	Mary Lutz Kelly Carlisle
Ushers	Roger Wait Lisa Sutton	Don Gray Dean Settle	Dean Settle, Roger Wait	Lisa Sutton Nora Pitts	Doug Durham Michelle Waite	Dave Sellmyer Bob Stock
Lector (OT)	Steve Buhler	Laura Waldman	Burns Davis	Sarah Fairchild	Leroy Svec	Cathy Sellmyer
Epistler	Bette Sperry	Donna Harler-Smith	Opal Doerr	Steve Buhler	Laura Waldman	Michelle Waite
Intercessor	Steve Forol	Kelly Carlisle	Ray Lowther	Pippa Lawson	Doug Durham	Roger Wait
Greeter	Don Nelson	None	David Pitts	Joyce Wagner	Connie Backus-Yoder	Opal Doerr
Coffee Host	Peg Sheldrick	None	Special Events	Opal Doerr	Jim Karas	Karen KrebsbachKa
Bread Baker	Loris Purtzer	Kathy Schmutte	Nancy Brown	Laura Waldman	Loris Purtzer	Kathy Schmutte
Altar Guild	Kathy Blum	Opal Doerr	Don Gray	Kathy Schmutte	Joyce Wagner	Kathy Blum
Tellers	Anne Puls Stan Sipple	None	None	Doug Durham Michelle Waite	Leroy Svec Andrea Nelson	Larry Krebsbach Anne Puls

Palm Sunday Passion Readers: John Orr, Colleen Baade, Bob Stock, Ray Lowther, Roger Wait, Tim Hill, Sarah Fairchild, Jeanine Jewell, Doug Durham, Peg Sheldrick, Pamela Starr
Good Friday Lector - Don Gray, Good Friday Epistler - Todd Sneller; Easter Vigil Thurifer - Todd Sneller

**THE MAIN CHAPEL IS OPEN FOR PRAYER
 DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:
 MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 9 am - 4 pm
 PHONE: (402) 474-1979
smoc.office@stmarks-episcopal.org**

**REMINDER:
 THE MAY
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 will be
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