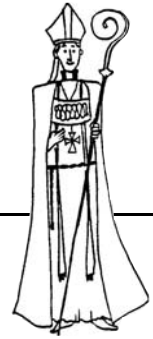




The Grace Vine

June 2006



Rector's Reflections

It isn't often that General Convention (which meets every three years) is held in our own state. Although not everybody gets excited about this nine day gathering of Episcopalians, it presents opportunities for learning and legislation, fellowship and worship to name a few. To learn more about General Convention Marcia Splinter, Blake Quay, Bill Snyder and I attended the Regional Meeting at Brecksville. There we reviewed some of the Diocese of Ohio Curriculum and learned about Episcopal polity (how the Church is governed). We also had discussion about some of the issues and resolutions facing the Church. The mood was mainly positive; we met the deputies we elected at Diocesan Convention 2004 and asked questions of them and the bishops.

The vestry recommends we gather for at least one session to share information from the *Ohio Curriculum on Church polity, the "Anglican" way, and General Convention*. With the events we've had scheduled the past four weeks, Sunday, June 4th, is the first day we can present the curriculum. We invite all to join our review and discussion on Sunday, June 4th, 11:30, in the parish hall.

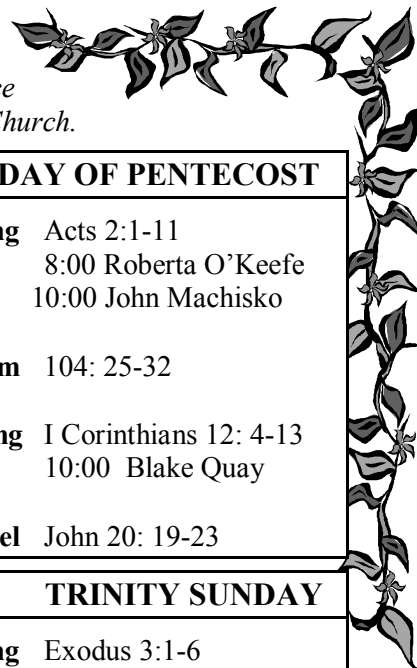
Just as a reminder, anyone can visit General Convention (held at Columbus Convention Center) for \$15 for a visitor's pass and on site registration. All are welcome to "Ohio Night" where anyone in the diocese may attend a reception on June 16th, 6-8pm, at the Hyatt Regency (350 North High St., Columbus). We have Convention Schedule Overviews if anyone is interested. I encourage your prayers for our bishops, deputies, and all who will be part of General Convention.

Almighty and everlasting Father, you have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us for ever: Bless, we pray, with the Spirit's grace and presence, the laity, bishops and clergy soon to be assembled in your Name, that your Church, being preserved in true faith and godly discipline, may fulfill all the mind of him who loved it and gave himself for it, your Son Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



Service and Lay Ministry Schedule

If you cannot serve when scheduled, please find a substitute and call the parish office with that person's name. Thank you for sharing in the liturgical ministry of Grace Church.



Sun. June 4	8:00 & 10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST	DAY OF PENTECOST
Officiant: The Rev. Carol S. Evans Lay Reader: Carolyn Englert Greeters: Bud Minnich & Betty Capriola Acolytes: Emily Summy Altar Guild: Cindy Hoskins & Judy Watkins Coffee Hosts: 8:00 Frank & Joan Seman 10:00 Nancy & Fred Lundgren Counters: Dennis Dier & Tim Splinter Loyalton: Maynard Evans		1st Reading Acts 2:1-11 8:00 Roberta O'Keefe 10:00 John Machisko Psalm 104: 25-32 2nd Reading I Corinthians 12: 4-13 10:00 Blake Quay Gospel John 20: 19-23
Sun. June 11	8:00 & 10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST	TRINITY SUNDAY
Officiant: The Rev. Carol S. Evans Deacon: The Rev. William D. Snyder Lay Reader: Judy Canan Greeters: John & Mary Jean McDonald Acolytes: Chelsea Postlethwaite & Janelle Moore Altar Guild: Cindy Hoskins & Judy Watkins Coffee Hosts: 8:00 Mike & Shirley Johnson 10:00 John & Irene Machisko Counters: Dennis Dier & Tim Splinter Loyalton: Judy Canan		1st Reading Exodus 3:1-6 8:00 Melissa Strainer 10:00 Dennis Dier Canticle 13 2nd Reading Romans 8:12-17 10:00 Cathy Mansor Gospel John 3:1-16
Sun. June 18	8:00 & 10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST	PENTECOST 2
Officiant: The Rev. Carol S. Evans Lay Reader: Bette Brooks Greeters: Fred & Nancy Lundgren Acolytes: Julie Canan Altar Guild: Cindy Hoskins & Judy Watkins Coffee Hosts: 8:00 Len & Jean Mercer 10:00 Ron & Kelly Postlethwaite Counters: Dennis Dier & Tim Splinter Loyalton: Bill Snyder		1st Reading Ezekiel 31:1-6,10-14 8:00 Roberta O'Keefe 10:00 Kelly Postlethwaite Psalm 92:1-4,11-14 2nd Reading II Corinthians 5:1-10 10:00 Bud Minnich Gospel Mark 4:26-34

MEN'S GARAGE SALE

**JUNE 10TH, 10:00—3:00
IN THE PARISH HALL**

\$10 per table. There will be a "community" table, from which 100% of all sales will be to the church, if you don't want a whole table (or two).

Hot Dog, Chips and Drink—\$2.00





Sunday, June 25	8:00 & 10:00 HOLY EUCHARIST	PENTECOST 3
Officiant: The Rev. Carol S. Evans Deacon: The Rev. William D. Snyder Lay Reader: Maynard Evans Greeters: Leslie & Colin Thomas Acolyte: Eli Stover Altar Guild: Cindy Hoskins & Judy Watkins Coffee Hosts: 8:00 George Furrer 10:00 Kay and Judy Canan Counters: Dennis Dier & Tim Splinter	1st Reading Job 38:1-11, 16-18 8:00 Melissa Strainer 10:00 Cathy Mansor Psalm 107: 1-3, 23-32 2nd Reading II Corinth. 5:14-21 10:00 Tim Splinter Gospel Mark 4:35-41	

Sunday, July 2	8:00 & 10:00 AM HOLY SATURDAY	PENTECOST 4
Officiant: The Rev. Carol S. Evans Lay Reader: Carolyn Englert Greeters: Irene & John Machisko Acolyte: Emily Summy Altar Guild: Amy Neely & Bette Brooks Coffee Hosts: 8:00 Melissa & Lauren Strainer 10:00 John & Mary Jean McDonald Counters: Blake Quay & Kelly Postlethwaite Loyalton: Maynard Evans	1st Reading Deuteronomy 15:7-11 8:00 Roberta O'Keefe 10:00 Steve Barna Psalm 112 2nd Reading II Corinth. 8:1-9,13-15 10:00 Kathy Summy Gospel Mark 5:22-24, 35b-43	



Glass Block Project to Begin

For security and energy savings we are installing glass block windows to the lower level of our church. \$2600 in donations so far are enough to begin the first phase.

The plan calls for the windows to be replaced in the following phases:

1. Office and Multipurpose Room—\$2752. (We are pursuing a new small window air conditioner to coincide with the installation.)
2. Small office hallway windows and old office (girlscouts room)—\$1598
3. First four windows from the lounge to the boiler room on the west alley side of the building—\$754
4. Remaining alley side windows, hallway window outside Gracie's and Gracie's Room—\$2834

Grand Grin

Grandma was driving down the highway when here cell phone rang. It was her worried grandson warning her, "Grandma, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on the interstate. Please be careful."

Grandma exclaimed, "I know. And it's not just one car, it's HUNDREDS of them!"



Did You Know?...



...Thanks to everyone who helped with the Plant Sale on the weekend of May 6th. **Addrienne Conway** and **Chris Stickle** picked up a van full all the flowers and **Janice Lallathin, Amelia Golec and Marsha Snyder** placed the potted plants in baskets and decorated them with ribbons and moss. Thanks to **Nancy & Fred Lundgren, Roberta O'Keefe, Cindy Hoskins, Marcia & Tim Splinter, Addrienne Conway, Chris Stickle** and anyone I may have missed (sorry) for selling flowers on a very cool Saturday in May. And last but certainly not least-- thanks to everyone who purchased these lovely blooms. It certainly was a group effort...

On the day of the plant sale **Sally Dier and Kay Canan** were busy in the kitchen making candy for the ECW luncheon, they were a work of art...

Nancy & Fred Lundgren are the proud new grandparents to **Suzanna Rey Lundgren** (this makes four granddaughters) born to **Bill and Paige Lundgren** on Friday, May 5th. She weighed 7 lbs, 8 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Bill had pictures of baby Suzanna on the internet fifteen minutes after the birth. Technology--isn't it wonderful!! It's almost like being there!...

Elizabeth Webb celebrated her 92nd birthday last month and passed her driver's test. Good for you Elizabeth...

Dani Dier will be leaving for Thunder Bay, Michigan this summer to be the technical director for the Thunder Bay Theater. Dani will be designing and building sets for three different plays that this theater group will be performing this summer...

The E.C.W. had their annual Spring Luncheon on May 13 with **Kay Green**, who presented a program about Laura Ingels Wilder. It was attended by 74 people which included twelve little girls who enjoyed the program as much as the adults and some of them even in costume. Many thanks to our hostesses: **Pat Williams, Marsha Snyder, Debbie Shorts, Roberta O'Keefe, Judy Canan, Mary Jean McDonald, Barb Popiel, Bonnie Quay, Kathy Summy, Shirley Johnson, and Addrienne Conway**. Above all our kitchen help did a fabulous job and they included their fearless leader **Kay Canan**, along with **Betty Capriola, Nancy Ervin, Goldie Shriver, and Irene Machisko**, who all worked very hard...

The Rev. Carol, Bill Snyder, Marcia Splinter, and Blake Quay went to the pre-convention meeting held by Bishop Hollingsworth and they found that it was

very helpful in understanding the polity of the Church and the Convention that will be held in Columbus this year...

We welcomed **Judy & Roger Watkins** back for the summer from Florida...

Nydah Ellet has been busy dancing at the Scottish American festival in Hartville and singing with the Kent Chorus and the Canton Symphony, and hosting the Heritage Night at the Kent Garden Club...

Paige Thomas will attending be Shawnee State University in Portsmouth, Ohio for six weeks this summer, where she will be taking two classes...

Marcia and Tim Splinter hosted the Garrettsville Garage Sale and thanks to everyone who participated...

Amanda Brooks is spending some of her summer time in the church office interning with **Marsha and Rev. Carol**. Amanda will be here Tuesdays and Wednesdays and we love having her...

The Loaves and Fishes ministry at the United Methodist Church has been a huge success. On Saturday, May 20th. **Kay Canan, Judy Canan, Mary Jean McDonald, George Furrer and Amy Neely**, along with some members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church served over 80 needy persons a lunch of rigatoni, salad, and dessert...

Pat and Perry Williams have two granddaughters, **Katie Heavner** and **Nicole Williams**, graduating from Ravenna High School on June 3rd at the KSU MAC Center. Katie will be attending Bowling Green State University. And their granddaughter **Heather Heavner** is graduating from Ohio University with a degree in education and will be heading for Palmento, Georgia where she will be teaching first grade this fall...

Irene and John Machisko's grandson Jeff Heisler is headed for China with 23 other students from Dayton University where they will be studying some of China's business leaders. Jeff's father Yank will be visiting him sometime in July. But, John and Irene will really miss him because he usually spends some of his summer helping them around the farm...

We were saddened by the deaths of **Robert Collette and Tom Dier** (**Dennis Dier's** brother) in May, may light perpetual shine upon them and God's comfort be with those they loved.

On the Horizon

Sunday June 4th
Diocesan Curriculum
for Convention
11:30 after late service

Please join us to review and discuss the "Diocese of Ohio Curriculum on Church Polity; Truth Justice and the Anglican Way; and General Convention 2006." We'll gather in the Parish Hall after services.

Saturday June 10th
Men's Stuff
Garage Sale

We're going to run a Garage Sale oriented to Men's Stuff as well this year. Talk to Blake Quay about it.

Sunday June 11th
Youth Car Wash
1:00 At Walmart

Saturday June 24th
Habitat for
Humanity Lunch
Noon

July 16th-19th
Youth Trip to
New York

The Youth group is considering and planning a trip to New York which would include working at a soup kitchen and visit to the cathedral.

Saturday Sept. 16th
Balloon Affair Day

We'll again be in the Parade and Running the Hotdog Lunch.

Sunday Oct. 29th
Spaghetti Dinner

Details when available

Saturday Nov. 11th
Fall Festival

Details when available

December
Youth Gift Drive

The Youth group will be collecting gifts to be given to the Boys & Girls Clubs and the Center of Hope.

Other Youth Events

The Youth Group is also working on: Teddy Bears for the Fire Dept., a T-Shirt Sale, Ice Skating, a Lock-In, and a Movie Outing.

Birthdays

- 5th Marsha Barna
- 8th Eric Splinter
- 9th Cindy Hoskins
- 10th Johnnie Machisko
- Emily Ahrens
- 11th Georgia Golec
- 12th Leonard Mercer
- Michelle Davis
- 15th Sally Dier
- Chelcey Bell
- 18th June Marks
- 19th Dave Davis
- 20th Paige Thomas
- 21st Carol Evans
- 25th Jesse Moore
- Maynard Evans
- 26th Kelly Postlethwaite
- Taylor Paxton
- 29th Mike Canan



Congratulations!

and many happy returns...

Baptisms

- 1st Addrienne Conway
- 2nd Olivia Golic
- Nydah Ellet
- 4th Steve Barna
- 7th Judy Watkins
- Tim Splinter
- 22nd Fred Lundgren
- Johnnie Machisko
- 25th Stephanie Higgins
- ? Kenneth Englert
- Carolyn Englert

Anniversaries

- 3rd Keith & Janice Lallathin
- 7th Maynard & Carol Evans
- 9th Duane & Bernice McCauslin
- 26th Ron & Kelly Postlethwaite
- 27th Richard & Sharon Sanek
- Frank & Joan Seman



An Update from the Fun-draising Committee

Two Big Ones Done, More to Come...

- **Flower Sale** - A big "THANK YOU" to all who helped with the flower sale (organizing, selling or buying!). Once again this year it was a huge success with \$ 715.00 in profit coming in.
- **"The Crosses"** – several people have asked about where the crosses came from. There was a parish member from New Life Episcopal in Uniontown that sold the crosses as a business. When they decided to retire, they donated their entire inventory to the church. New Life is selling lots of 75 crosses as a fundraiser for their parish, mostly to other churches to resell individually as a fundraiser. The crosses we sold at the plant sale covered over half of our investment, and we will sell crosses at the Balloon Affair and Fall Festival (and any other times we can come up with).
- **The Garrettsville Garage Sale** was a big success, in part due to the first nice day in well over a week! (Thanks be to God!!) We raised \$ 470.00 - and most of that from NON PARISH MEMBERS! This really isn't a complete total though, since we have items left for the "Guys Sale" and Nancy Lundgren was on hand to choose several boxes of new inventory for Gracies at the end of the sale.

A HUGE "thank you" to all who helped (and my apologies to any I forgot to list here – I 'm sure there are several):

Worked

Sue Arhens
 Rev. Carol Evans
 Fred & Nancy Lundgren
 Johnnie & Irene Machisko
 John McDonald
 Roberta O'Keefe
 Chris Stickle
 Kathy Summy
 Judy Watkins

Donations

Maggie Arbaugh
 Sue Arhens
 Nyda Elliot
 Gracies
 Jenny Harrison
 Shirley Johnson
 Hazel Keithley
 Johnnie & Irene Machisko
 Lloyd & Roberta O'Keefe
 Sonja Sherwood
 Marsha Snyder
 Summy family
 Roger and Judy Watkins

Special thanks to Sue Arhens for making a BUNCH of calls and arranging for Alpha Industries to pick up all of the "left-overs"!

Thanks for all your support so far – and take a deep breath, because we aren't done yet. Plans are currently in the works for the "Guys Sale", Balloon Affair and the Fall Festival. We will be meeting on May 31st @ 7:00 – feel free to join us or pass on any other ideas you may have.

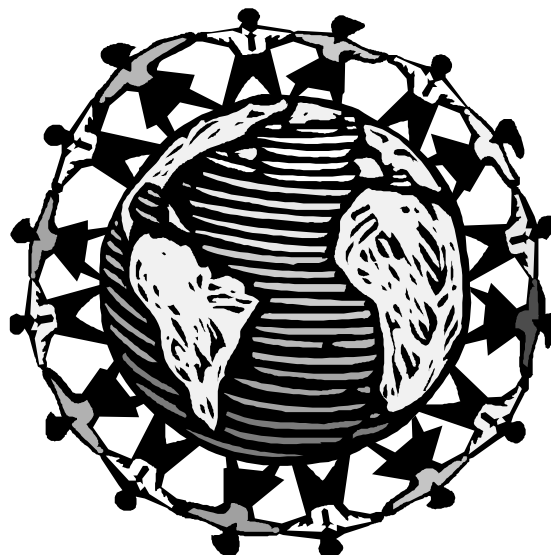
-- Marcia Splinter

The Whole World as 100 People

Here's a interesting item to come past our attention. It will get you thinking...

"If we could shrink the world's population to a village of 100 people, with all the existing human ratios remaining the same, it would look like this. There would be...

- 57 Asians
- 21 Europeans
- 14 From the Western Hemisphere (North & South)
- 8 Africans
- 52 Female
- 48 Male
- 21 Atheists or no religious convictions
- 18 Roman Catholics
- 14 Other Christians
- 18 Muslim
- 13 Hindu
- 3 Chinese Traditional / Confucianism



- 2 Tribal religions
- 3 all other religions

- 59% of the world's wealth would be in the hand of just 6 people, all 6 US Citizens
- 80 would live in substandard housing
- 70 would not be able to read
- 50 would be malnourished
- 1 would be near death
- 1 would be new-born
- 1 would have a college education
- 1 would own a computer

When one considers our world from this compressed perspective, the need for knowledge, tolerance and understanding becomes glaringly apparent."