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DISCIPLESHIP FORUM ON IMMIGRATION EXTENDED ONE WEEK

Sunday, June 1
Metcalf Hall, 9:15
Where do we go from here?



This series has been extended one week to consider a suggested plan by Dick Kane with input from others on how to deal with the complex issues of Immigration from the South. Opportunities for personal involvement will also be presented. Read Fr. Stephens' column for more information and come and join in the conversation.

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OK MOZART All-Star Chamber Music at St. Luke's, Mon.-Fri., June 16-20, 11am

Paul Neubauer and members of The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center present a week-long series of chamber music featuring classical masters and contemporary composers.



Morning Mini-Chamber Concerts of Contemporary Music will be held in the nave of St. Luke's, Monday-Friday, June 16-20 at 11:00am.

For ticket information, call 336-9800 or visit www.okmozart.com or go to OKM Box Office, 500A S. Dewey, Bartlesville.

Important Dates To Remember...

Life Line Screening, St. Luke's Metcalf Hall, Tues., June 10 (see article pg. 2)

Monthly Happy Hour, Thurs., June 12, 6-7pm, Sterling's Grille Bar

OK Mozart Mini-Chamber Concerts, St. Luke's nave, 11am, M-F, June 16-20



FROM THE RECTOR

We are going to extend the Discipleship Forum on Immigration one more Sunday. For the last three weeks we have been talking about “Where do we go from here?” That has brought some focus and possible actions out of our study and dialogue. Last Sunday Dick Kane provided a list, based on the work we have been doing, of what he thinks should happen to address this complex issue. In general his plan was affirmed by the people in the forum. Additional thoughts were also shared – but nothing was in print.

Upon reflection, I think we would do well to meet again and see the suggestions in writing. Perhaps we could come to a consensus on the issues and/or note points of agreement and disagreement. This would at least give us common points which can be used in our communication and personal involvement.

When we started this series I had no idea where it would lead. I had mixed thoughts and feelings about the issues of illegal immigration and specifically HB1804. There was also a sense of a “calling” to explore the Christian/Spiritual implications of the migration from the south and the new laws being enacted and suggested. And, the resolution adopted by the Diocesan Convention called us to be informed on the issues and to consider the implications of our Baptismal Covenant in responding.

We used four wonderful resources – Jan Dreiling, Steve Martin, Milli Cappilletti and Susan Murphy. The DVD, “The Endless Exodus” was helpful in putting a face to the issues at hand. All of us were on a learning curve. More and more information was shared, along with many opinions, each week. There were times when things were a little sensitive and challenging. Personal experiences were shared – some very moving and revealing.

A few weeks ago information was shared concerning polls on illegal immigration (Wall Street Journal, May 15, 2008). When people were asked if illegal immigrants should be deported, the overwhelming response (69%) was “yes.” However, when the same people were asked if illegal immigrants who had a job should be allowed to stay and become legal, the response was also an overwhelming “yes” (62%) When asked if a comprehensive plan for immigration were to be in place, would they be supportive, the answer was again an overwhelming majority in favor (78%).

In light of all of the above, we are considering possible responses and personal actions. These might include:

1. Assisting with English as a second language class.
2. Helping to promote English as a second language in the Hispanic community.
3. Request Outreach Funds for helping Hispanic people in our community.
4. Send letters and information to political leaders.
5. Hold a public forum in the community using a panel of resource persons.
6. Create a Circle of Friends to help a Hispanic family in our community.
7. Sponsor someone who is seeking to become legal.

Volunteers are already stepping forward to help. This Sunday we will consider Dick Kane’s list and the additions as a way of communicating what we believe needs to happen on the national, state and local levels concerning Immigration. Come and join in the conversation and share in the response – a Christian response flowing naturally from our Baptismal Covenant.

Blessings,

Fr. Lee+



Calendar of Events

Sunday, June 1, 2008

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Discipleship Forum, MH
9:30am Choir Rehearsal
10:30am Rite II

Monday, June 2, 2008

8:45am Morning Prayer
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.
5:30pm Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, June 3, 2008

8:45am Morning Prayer

Wednesday, June 4, 2008

8:45am Morning Prayer

Thursday, June 5, 2008

6:45am Men’s Fellowship
8:45am Morning Prayer
12:00pm Holy Eucharist

Friday, June 6, 2008

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Sunday, June 8, 2008

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Discipleship Forum, MH
9:30am Choir Rehearsal
10:30am Rite II

Monday, June 9, 2008

8:45am Morning Prayer
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.
5:30pm Holy Eucharist
7:15pm Vestry Mtg.

Tuesday, June 10, 2008

8:45am Morning Prayer
9:30am Spiritual Direction Group, library
9am-5pm Life Line Screening, MH

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Tuesday, June 10, St. Luke’s

Life Line Screening will be at St. Luke’s on Tuesday, June 10 in Metcalf Hall. Life Line Screening is America’s leading provider of quality health screenings. Their screenings are fast, accurate, and available at an affordable rate. They provide non invasive, completely painless screenings using Doppler ultrasound technology for strokes (carotid artery), abdominal aortic aneurysm, peripheral arterial disease & osteoporosis. These four tests take less than 1 hour. **Pre-registration required** by calling 1-800-324-1851. Visit www.lifelinescreening.com for more information.

Misplace or discard
last week's newsletter?

Remember, you can view
"The Steeple" newsletter
online at our website

www.episcopalbartlesville.org

ST. LUKE'S PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following persons in your prayers...

(Names on the Prayer List will be rotated off every 4 weeks. If there is a need for continued prayers, please let us know.)

Brandon, Sally, Lee, Steve, Kevin, Christen, Patrick, William, Jessica, Ally, Barry, Betty, Mikayla, Kyle, Bryan, Jacob, Callie, Gene, Jean, Alexa, Tim, Terri, Patti, Sperry, Marty, John, Mort, Laura, George, Scott, Randy, Jeremy

If you have a prayer request, please call or e-mail our Prayer Ministry Coordinators: *Thelma Blackburn* (333-7902, TPBGEN@aol.com) or *Richard Chamberlain* (333-5591, Deaconrc@sbcglobal.net)

SOMETHING TO SHARE?

Please contact Mthr Mary Lou (580-278-1631, cell, or church: 336-1212) if you have something on the following list to give to a family in need:

Time to tutor in math and/or reading
Small desk and chair
Plastic tableware: plates, cups and saucers, glasses
Queen-sized blanket
Twin-sized blanket
Chest of drawers or small dresser
Coffee table
Small living room chair
Water Filter

Thank you very much,
Blessings, Mthr. Mary Lou



The Choir is beginning its "summer schedule" for rehearsals. During the month of June choir rehearsals will be each Sunday morning at 9:30. This is an excellent time for persons interested in "trying out" the choir to come sing with us. All that is required is to be here!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2008

"Let My People Go!"

"And the plagues kept a-marchin' on!
And the plaques kept a-marchin' on!
Old Pharaoh he kept sayin':
"No! I won't let those Israelite people go!"
So the plagues kept marchin' on."



Do you know which of the following was not one of the 10 plagues in the story of Moses, Aaron, Pharaoh and the Exodus of God's people from Egypt? (see Genesis 6:28- 12:42)

1. All water turned into blood
2. aAl internet service discontinued for 1 week
3. Lots and lots and lots of frogs & flies & mosquitoes & locusts
4. Rain for 40 days and 40 nights
5. All unicorns changed into camels

You can become a "Plague Expert" by attending St. Luke's Vacation Bible School this summer. Two dates are suggested: the week of July 7th, or the week of July 14th. These 5 evenings will be spent preparing a fun one-act play based on the Exodus of God's people from Egypt: *Let My People Go*.

It is important – ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY – that we know IF we should continue planning for this special event. ALL AGES are invited to participate! Please let Megan Burnett (815-2815) or Dolores McCreary (336-2197) know if (1) you will attend; (2) which week you prefer; (3) if you are willing to help with all the details for making this successful!

WHAT'S NEW AT MARTHA'S TASK AND SEW ORIGINAL?

The ladies at Martha's Task are working very hard these days on many cute items. You are cordially invited to "come on down" and see these busy hands at work. They have wonderful ideas and their enthusiasm is catching. The gift shop is now featuring specialty items with Father's Day and Americana motifs. Our newest popular items are standard/queen sized pillowcases.



The store (Sew Original), located at 718 South Johnstone, is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Street parking is available in front of Martha's Task/Sew Original.

We are available to provide a program and display the ladies' creations for your organization's meeting. Call Susan at 336-8275 for more information.

Please remember to keep Brandon Gilbert in your prayers the week of June 1 as he attends Summer Camp at St. Crispin's.

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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 6/1/08 through 6/8/08

Acolytes
Sunday, June 1, 2008
10:30 a.m.
Server
Audra Bridendolph
Spencer Bridendolph
Crucifer
Jack Wiseman
Torchbearers
Tom Wiseman
David Wiseman
Sunday, June 8, 2008
10:30 a.m.
Servers
Jennifer Simmons
Shawn Clem
Crucifer
Nicole Simmons

Lessons for Sunday,
June 1, 2008
Genesis 6:9-22; 7:24; 8:14-19;
Psalm 46; Romans 1:16-17;
3:22b-28; Matthew 7:21-29.
Hymns for Sun., June 1
#637 – "How Firm a Foundation"
#628 – "Help Us, O Lord to
Learn"
GATHER #341 – "Eat This
Bread"
GATHER #342 – "I Will Talk the
Cup of Life"
#671 – "Amazing Grace"
#48 – "O Day of Radiant
Gladness"

Layreaders
Sunday, June 1, 2008
8:00am
Watkins, Grillot
10:30am
Currey, P. Williams
Boone, S. Williams
Sunday, June 8, 2008
8:00am
Birk, Doty
10:30am
Sparks, Beeman
S. Williams, Watkins

Greeters
Sunday, June 1, 2008
8:00am
Molly Ferguson
10:30am
Glenn & Thelma Blackburn
Jo Oertle
Joe Robertson
Sunday, June 8, 2008
8:00am
Don & Cheri Doty
Judy Currey
10:30am
Volunteers needed, call
church office, 336-1212

St. Luke's Bookstore
*The Bookstore is open on
Sundays between the two
services and after the
10:30 service.*
Sunday, June 1, 2008
9:15-10:15am
Volunteer needed
11:30am-12:30pm
Rita Childers
Sunday, June 8, 2008
9:15-10:15am
Volunteer needed
11:30am-12:30pm
Becky Liehr
To volunteer, please call
Cindy Brumley, 914-2144.

Plate Counters
Sunday, June 1, 2008
Mueggenborg
Sunday, June 8, 2008
Jim Malone
*Volunteers: Please make
your own substitutions.*

**NEWSLETTER
DEADLINE**
Please have any
information that you would
like printed in *The Steeple*
to the church office no later
than **Tuesdays, 12 noon.**
Thank you!

Ushers
Sunday, June 1, 2008
8:00 a.m.
Zervas, Gardner
10:30am
Malone, Simmons
Sunday, June 8, 2007
8:00am
Kemp, Gardner
10:30am
Blackburn, Ferguson

Children's Chapel
June 1 – Ellen Heald
June 8 – Megan Burnett
June 15 – Tracy Harlow

**2008 ECW
Bereavement Committee**
May
Martin, Thomas, Winn
June
Foote, Megee
July
Liggett, Freebern

Sunday Nursery Volunteers
June 1 – Zella Simmons
June 8 – Barbara Todd
June 15 – Megan Burnett
*Volunteers: Please make your
own substitutions.*