

The Good News

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Welcoming The Rev. Karen A. King

By The Rev. Pamela Hillenbrand

On August 1, the Rev. Karen A. King will join the staff at Emmanuel. Karen comes to us as a transitional deacon, but will soon be ordained to the priesthood. We trust that we'll have the honor of hosting that celebration. No date yet...all is dependent on Bishop Lee's schedule.

Karen's office will be located next to Ron's. Her office hours are yet to be finalized, but she will be with us 1/3 time, including three Sundays monthly. All of this is made possible through a grant provided by the Congregations Commission of the Diocese and a second grant from the Bishop's office. We have been exceedingly fortunate to receive this financial support that, for this first year, totals \$30,000.

Karen isn't going to have a chance to sit back very long – her first day preaching will be Sunday, August 5. Please be here to give her a true Emmanuel welcome.

Dear Emmanuel Parishioners,

I am excited to be welcomed into the Emmanuel Episcopal Church ministry team. I look forward to journeying with you on the quest for ministry amplification of the Episcopal Church in the Rockford area.

I am eager to know the people of Emmanuel better and hope to further enjoy the radical welcome and hospitality that many, including myself, who come to Emmanuel, boast about upon leaving. I am also eager to understand how Emmanuel currently accomplishes and has sustained the various ministries for so many years.

The one thing I clearly experience and know about Emmanuel is that as the Body of Christ, you all in some way are willing ministerial servants. Your strong resolve to the continual giving of yourselves in time, talent, and treasures helps Emmanuel promote the Kingdom of God here on earth. It is because of your dedication to ministering to others in this earthly Kingdom that I wanted to join Emmanuel's ministry team. Additionally, I am on a spiritual journey towards ordination to the priesthood and I have placed myself in your care. I thank all of you for praying and being present with me on this path. I am most grateful that you have accepted me into your fold.

In order to share a little about myself with you I offer a list of just a few of my interests, passions, and accomplishments. I have been a member of the Episcopal Church for 36 years. I have held numerous roles in my home church, St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Chicago and various diocesan organization i.e.: Episcopal Church Women, Board Member at Large; Union of Black Episcopalians, Sec-Treasurer; Youth and Young Adult

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minister; Camp Chicago Board, Board member; and currently a Diocesan Peace and Justice Committee Board member.

I am happy to have raised a daughter and two sons, who are now adults and I am also a grandmother of six, five girls and one boy. As a young mother with three children I was fortunate to have been able to travel the country with all of them throughout their youth. Our travels took us to 48 States. We were road warriors however, those days have come and gone due to work commitments, college send offs and other life commitments. I am grateful for the time I shared with my children and grandchildren and appreciate that we are all in the next phase of our lives.

I am a retired manager of the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) after twenty-five years of service. I retired to do ministry fulltime. As a manager of over a thousand employees my responsibilities included coaching, encouraging and mentoring personnel by helping them understand the importance of increased attendance and utilizing their employment to help them

reach individual goals while fostering workplace community organizing. As a part of management team the design and implementation of all of these activities were instrumental in creating positive relationships for CTA, its employees and the community.

Lastly, I am a member of Chicago State University (CSU) and ASE, both are African American storyteller organizations that travel through the community to keep traditions and histories alive. The ASE and the CSU Theater teams researched, developed, and performed stories that reflect the seasons of the year and the history of African Americans in this country.

These are just a few of the things I have accomplished and enjoyed. I share this information and skills with you because I believe they will be of value in our ministry together. I am looking forward to getting to know each of you better.

Your Sister in Christ,
Rev. Karen A. King

Time To Renew Our NPR Messages

By Millie Zimmerman

September, a time to “get going” And a time to re-up our radio messages on Northern Illinois Public Radio.

The WNIJ\WNIU campaigns will begin in October. Ours needs to start before that. If you have been giving to Northern Illinois Public Radio through



the church, perhaps you can do so again. If you haven't, please consider a check to Emmanuel Episcopal Church with a notation in the left hand corner, “NPR.” Every dollar designated for Northern Illinois Public Radio goes to the radio station. Individuals who have always pledged to Northern Illinois Public Radio are giving in this way.

For those unfamiliar with this process, it means we give to WNIU\WNIJ through the church and then the church, in turn, has the opportunity to put messages on air several times per week. The timing of these “spots” has been excellent; e.g., during the Diane Rehm show, or during “drive time” in the early morning or early evening. We have had considerable feedback that people heard the messages, especially our “Wiggles and giggles” spot and Lessons and Carols announcements. One of the goals is to be certain folks know that Emmanuel Episcopal Church is here and open for worship.

Your check can be placed in the collection plate or mailed in to the church office. We want to send a check to WNIJ in August to get messages up and running by Labor Day.

Questions? Please ask Nancy Sauer, Greg Cox, Millie Zimmerman or anyone on the vestry.

Parish Events

Emmanuel Reads the Classics

By Mary S. Johnson

The August meeting of Emmanuel Reads the Classics will be Thursday evening, August 2nd, at 7:00 P.M. in the Undercroft. Our discussion will focus on the comedy by William Shakespeare, Much Ado About Nothing.

At our July meeting, which, by the way, was quite lively, we chose six books for the next four months. Obviously we will have to do some adjusting. We'll let you know when we know. If you can't wait, call Mary S. Johnson, 226-1112.

Men's Group Meets 2nd Saturday of August

By Lou Matjasko

In July, we completed the study of the the New Testament from a historical perspective and began a new series. This series is called, "The History of the Bible: The Making of the New Testament Canon." In this series, Dr Bart Ehrman will address these basic points: the books themselves, when they were written, and by whom, and for what purpose, how the books were copied and transmitted down through the ages, and when and why they came to be collected together into a canon of Scripture.

Join us on the second Saturday each month in the Undercroft for coffee, fellowship and interesting and professionally presented studies. We start at 7:30 A.M. and are out before 9:30. Hope to see you there.

Summer Soup Kitchen Coming Up!

By Stanton McGroarty

The next Soup Kitchen Date will be August 4. Stan would appreciate your help at 10:30 Saturday morning. If you can work, please email him at stanton@pobox.com or leave a phone message at 815-985-6997. PLEASE, it really does help if you call.

New Choir Room Lights

Photos & Captions by Millie Zimmerman



Stanton McGroarty unpacks new choir room lights.



Thanks to Tyler Hillman the choir room will soon have new lighting.



*Communion kits with pottery by Ginny Hatwich.
Kit design by Susan Rubendall.*



New Communion Kits

Photos & Captions by Millie Zimmerman



*Noel and Leo Saenz help pack the new communion kits
after consecration July 8, 2012.*



Jeremiah Garden Project Receives \$2000

Mike Abate (former JD board member) and Todd McDaniel (present JD Board Member) both with US Bank, presenting Kathi Ferrero and Roberto Cardenas, JD Board Members, with a check for \$2000 for the summer neighborhood revitalization project with Rockford Urban Ministries.

(Photo & Caption by The Rev. Pamela Hillenbrand)

Confirmation Retreat at Le'Aqua Na State Park

Photos & Captions by Amy Gustafson



Hooray, we finally figured out how to pitch the tent!



Morning came early after a middle of the night raccoon invasion!



We also went kayaking on the lake, and no one capsized ... the winner of the race across the lake is still under hot debate.

All-Church Picnic

Photos & Caption by Amy Gustafson



A good time was had by all at Emmanuel's All-Church Picnic. Thank you to our gracious hosts, David and Kay Hatch, for welcoming us to their home and farm!

Schedules

If you have questions or concerns, please contact your scheduler directly. If you are unable to serve on a given day, please arrange for a substitute.

Chalicians and Servers

Scheduled by Nancy Sauer, 391-6886

August 5
8 a.m. Server/Chalician | Tyler Hillman, Jordan Neal, Michael Lewis
10:30 a.m. MC | Zak Derango, Server/Chalician | Michael Lewis
Crucifer/Chalician | Bill Schnauffer, Chalician | Susan Rubendall, Torches | Sam Theyerl, Carter Rockwell

August 12
8 a.m. Server/Chalician | Julie Beck, Michael Lewis, Tyler Hillman
Lector | Tammy Hooks
10:30 a.m. MC | Corrine Berardi, Server/Chalician | Stacey Sauer, Crucifer | Brianna Martin, Chalicians | Barrie Gibby, Cindy Joesten, Torches | Jordan Martin, Emily Licon

August 19
8 a.m. Server/Chalician | Michael Lewis, Julie Beck, Tyler Hillman
10:30 a.m. MC | Logan Chapman-Neal, Crucifer | Amber Neal, Chalicians | Michael Lewis, Susan Rubendall, Server/Torch | Elora Chapman-Neal, Torch | Hannah Richter

August 26
8 a.m. Server/Chalician | Tyler Hillman, Julie Beck, Michael Lewis
10:30 a.m. MC | Corrine Berardi, Crucifer/Chalician | Michael Lewis, Server/Chalician | Stacey Sauer, Chalician | Barrie Gibby, Torches | Sam Theyerl, Carter Rockwell

Lectors Old Testament
New Testament
Prayers of the People

August 5 Dennis Horton
Judy Schnauffer
Theresa Sinks

August 12 Ben Rubendall
Cathy Ritts
Nancy Sauer

August 19 Alan Gibby
Susan Chambers
Millie Zimmerman

August 26 Bill Scarpaci
Mary Dammann
Barb Penn

Altar Guild

Scheduled by Mary Johnson, 963-0728

Aug. 5 Nancy Smith, Susan Rubendall

Aug. 6-12 Kathy Fillmore, Barb Penn

Aug. 13-19 Mary Johnson, Sue Roberts

Aug. 20-26 Susan Rubendall, Maryanne Theyerl

Aug. 27-Sept. 2 Nancy & Stacey Sauer

Closer

Scheduled by Parish Office, 964-5514

Tyler Hillman, John Cygnor

Counters

Scheduled by Ron Wanninger, 968-4753

Mickey Swart & Brian Leaf

Ushers

Scheduled by Parish Office, 964-5514

Tom Beck & Byron Dale - 8:00 am

John & Gerri Cygnor - 10:30 am

For 5th Usher:

Byron Dale - 8/5

Tom Beck - 8/12

Gerri Cygnor - 8/19

John Cygnor - 8/26



Our Community

Birthdays

Marian Frew	08/02
Ninfa Perez	08/02
Wayne Hatwich	08/03
Simon Licon	08/06
Robert Collen	08/07
Robert Magill	08/08
Amy Gustafson	08/10
Ashley Vaughn	08/10
Damon Mosier	08/11
Rodney Cameron	08/16
Judith Schnauffer	08/18
William Schnauffer	08/19
Earl Morgan	08/20
Colin Wilson	08/22
Elora Chapman-Neal	08/22
John Dammann	08/23
Ronald Wanninger	08/23
Jonathan Whitlock	08/25
Beverlee Adams	08/27

Wedding Anniversaries

Tom & Julie Beck	08/02
Denis & Barbara Anderson	08/05
Chris & Ruth Cox	08/06
William & Judith Schnauffer	08/09
Wayne & Ginny Hatwich	08/10
David & Tammy Hooks	08/10
John & Rosa Birnbaum	08/15
Ronald Weckerly & Lisa Burrows-Weckerly	08/19
Byron & Nancy Dale	08/22

Thank you for your expressions of sympathy to me and my family in the death of our dear Austin. We appreciate your cards, thoughts, prayers, messages of condolence and memorials.

Thanks to Pam for her visits and conducting the beautiful service.

*Sincerely,
Gloria Stadel*



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10a HE, Chapel 4:30p JD Executive Committee	2 4:30p Property Commission 6p Planned Giving 7p Emmanuel Reads Classics	3	4 10:30a Soup Kitchen
5 8a Spoken HE 9a Children at Heart 10:30a Choral HE	6 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	7	8 10a HE, Chapel	9 5:30p Jeremiah Board	10	11 7:30a Men's Group 9a Flower Guild
12 8a Spoken HE 9a Children at Heart 10:30a Choral HE 11:45a Pastoral Care & Hospitality Commission	13 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	14	15 10a HE, Chapel	16 6p Vestry mtg	17	18 2p Family Playdate at Alpine Park
19 8a Spoken HE 9a Children at Heart 10:30a Choral HE 2p Rain day for park playdate	20 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	21	22 10a HE, Chapel 5:30p SC Board	23	24	25
26 8a Spoken HE 9a Children at Heart 10:30a Choral HE 4p Confirmation dinner	27 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	28	29 10a HE, Chapel	30	31 12:35p CE mtg	