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In the Diocese of Tennessee  
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Established 1828

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The Mission of the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee  
is to encourage and equip one another  
as baptized people of God, to witness  
to the transforming and reconciling power of Jesus Christ.

Welcome to the September 2011 issue of *Connections: home... parish... diocese*. We will accept submissions for *Connections* from throughout the diocese. **As space permits**, we will use as much content as possible, subject to editorial revision. Short announcements of 100 words or less may be sent via email to [connections@episcopaldiocese-tn.org](mailto:connections@episcopaldiocese-tn.org). For feature-length stories, contact us in the diocesan office at 615-251-3322.

Digital photos can be submitted as above and must include activity, date and identities of everyone in the photo.

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November 5 St. Paul's Church Murfreesboro 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

**Please call the diocesan office at 615-251-3322 to sign up.  
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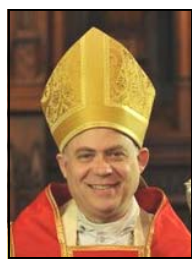
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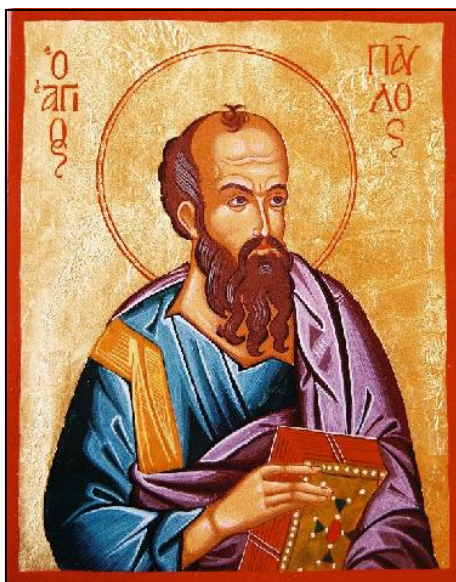
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## Knowledge & Love



The beginning of the familiar Prayer Book blessing is an expansion of a passage from Paul's Letter to the Philippians, "The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 4:7)



Archbishop Cranmer, in adapting this passage for the formula of blessing at the end of the Communion Service, added the happy gloss, "The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, etc."

Knowledge and love, of course, are parallel to the mind and heart to which the Apostle refers, and so Cranmer's addition is not too much of a stretch.

Nevertheless, it is a fortunate addition. The relation between the knowledge and the love of God were disputed at least as far back as the time of Augustine. Do we first need to know about God in order to love him,

or is it love which inspires us to come to know him?

In one sense, of course, it is impossible to love something about which one is completely ignorant; yet at the same time, it is love of something which inspires us to come to know it completely. Then again, love is not simply an emotion but is a matter of the will.

If you've ever encountered desire you will know it's all about what we choose to embrace. Somehow, knowledge and love belong together in the Christian life; the inquiring mind and the desiring heart.

Not a bad reminder for us at the beginning of the program year in many of our churches that both the heart and the mind need nurture. The Anglican way of belief, with its roots in both Christian humanism and the medieval intellectual tradition (not to mention the Scriptures), places before us both knowledge and love, two sides of the same coin.



The Prayer Book formulary is a reminder of this truth. Our knowledge of God may be the beginning of the life of faith, yet love is the delight that propels us forward. In the final analysis, union with God and the knowledge of God that accompanies it are not given to the unaided intellect, but only to the mind and heart which are moved by love. — *Bishop John*

## 9/11 Resolution

During the June meeting held in Maryland, at which a quorum was present and voting, the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, That the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church, meeting in Linthicum Heights, Maryland, from June 15-17, 2011, invites Episcopal communities of all kinds to open the doors of their institutions the weekend of September 10 and 11, 2011 to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of the attacks with acts of prayer and remembrance, service, creativity, inter-faith cooperation, education, community building, and fellowship, offering our institutions as active, accessible sites of healing for our local communities.

## Faithful and Focused Annual Fund Drive

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Bookmarks  
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All Women  
Are Daughters

November 11-13  
Dubose Conference Center  
Monteagle

*The Rev. Cynthia Seifert,  
Keynote Speaker*

## CCC's Sacred Space Art Series Kicks Off

Christ Church Cathedral Nashville's eighth season of Sacred Space for the City Art Series will run September 2011 through April 2012 and will, more than ever before, offer a wide range of programs.

The Very Rev. Timothy Kimbrough, dean of the Cathedral says, "The artistic brilliance captured in the several offerings of the series this year is extraordinary. It not only reflects the glory of the Triune God at play but also seeks to draw all into the blessing that the convergence of discipline, medium, artist and God might provide. Please take a moment to review the special planned in this year's series. Mark your calendars and plan to bring a friend with you."

The season kicks off September 15-17 with Biblical storytelling in *Jezebel's Got the Blues... and other works of imagination*. Seasoned actors Nan Gurlley, Chip Arnold, Bonnie Keen, Carol Ponder, Jon Royal and Robert Kiefer perform dramatic readings of eight Biblical stories retold in the voices of minor characters. Written by Merrill Farnsworth, it is accompanied by original music by well-known guitarist Phil Madeira. Stories include "Angel at Eden's Gate," "A Conversation with Doubt and Defiance," "Snip Snip" and of course "Jezebel's Got the Blues."



January/February will see the Cathedral filled with stunning hats and gospel music in the Off-Broadway musical *CROWNS* written by Regina Taylor. *CROWNS* tells of the pride and endurance of six church-going

African-American women as expressed through the splendid hats they wear to church. This production is directed by acclaimed musical producer Ted Swindley in collaboration with SistaStyle Productions.



Carol Williams, the only female civic organist in the United States, will present her atypical organ extravaganza in October. British born, Welsh raised and currently living in the US, her musical influences are varied. She began private lessons at age 5 and has studied with the masters throughout her education, finally receiving her Doctor of Musical Arts from the Manhattan School of Music. She has been the San Diego Civic Organist and Artistic Director of the Spreckels Organ Society in San Diego CA since 2001.



The popular holiday tradition of the *Messiah Sing-In... and more* will fill the nave with the strains of Handel's splendid Christmas classic led by Music City Baroque with the audience doubling as chorus. And Christmas would not be complete without the Nashville Unlimited Christmas Concert hosted by Dave Pomeroy benefiting Room In The Inn. The musical guests are usually a closely guarded secret but it's common knowledge that the best of the best in Nashville have made appearances over the years for this great cause.



The Arts Series once again features the annual BACHanalia in March. This festival, a celebration of everything Bach, has grown in popularity as a gift to the community by a wide variety of area musicians.



In April, the community is beneficiary of another gift by Lois and Peter Fyfe, as they sponsor the appearance of organist Nigel Potts from New York City. He is the organist and choirmaster of Christ & St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, a member of the music staff at the Saint Thomas Choir School and an Adjunct Lecturer of Music at Dowling College.



This year's Sacred Space for the City Art Series also features two art workshops. In March, iconographer Teresa Harrison will lead an Icon Writing Workshop where participants will experience the contemplative practice of painting an icon of the Annunciation in the Byzantine tradition (registration deposit is required by February 1). Local artist and teacher

Susie Ries will lead a 4-day Watercolor Workshop in April.

New this year is the Season Pass to music and theater events for just \$38.50, a substantial savings over the individual ticket prices. The Season Pass and individual tickets are available now by visiting the Cathedral's website [www.christcathedral.org/sacredspace](http://www.christcathedral.org/sacredspace). The Season Pass does not include art workshops.



Rolin Mains and friends will present two Contemplative Concerts, Sunday, October 30 and Sunday, February 5, both at 6:00 PM, for a meditative hour of improvisation on keyboard and other instruments.

Throughout the series, the Choral Liturgies really focus the sacred in the arts. Dr. Michael Velting, Canon for Music at the Cathedral says, "We have a very exciting season of Choral liturgies coming up. The Cathedral Choir returns to three settings of the Magnificat and Nunc dimittis in its repertoire that have not been sung at Evensong for many years, notably a setting by the late Tudor composer Orlando Gibbons and two twentieth century masterpieces by Herbert Howells and Herbert Sumsion.

"All three Evensong liturgies will be preceded by a half hour organ concert, played by three very fine local organists. The Festival of Lessons and Carols will again include the Cathedral Choristers and contain a mix of carols old and new as we trace in readings and anthems the salvation story from Advent and the Annunciation through the birth of the Christ child. A highlight of the season for our Cathedral Choristers will



be the visit of Canon Michael McCarthy from Washington National Cathedral, who will be the guest Director for the Diocesan Chorister Festival in the Spring and will conduct the final Evensong of the two-day Festival. We invite you to make these liturgies part of your spiritual devotion and we look forward to welcoming you to Christ Church Cathedral."

**JEZEBEL'S GOT THE BLUES**  
September 15, 16, 17, Thursday and Friday 7:30 PM, Saturday 2:00 PM  
Bible stories retold from unlikely perspectives; featuring Nan Gurley, Chip Arnold, Bonnie Keen, Robert Kiefer, Jon Royal, Carol Ponder.

**CAROL WILLIAMS, San Diego Civic Organist**  
Friday, October 14, 7:30 PM

**CONTEMPLATIVE CONCERT**  
Rolin Mains & Friends  
Sunday, October 30, 6:00 PM  
A meditative hour of improvisation on keyboard and other instruments.

**ALL SAINTS CHORAL EVENSONG AND ORGAN CONCERT**  
Murray Forbes Somerville, Artistic Director, Music City Baroque  
Sunday, November 6, 3:30 PM

**MESSIAH SING-IN... and more!**  
Monday, December 5, 7:30 PM  
Music City Baroque leads audience in this holiday favorite.

**ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS**  
Sunday, December 11, 4:00 PM

**NASHVILLE UNLIMITED**  
Benefit Concert for Room In The Inn  
Wednesday, December 14, 7:00 PM

**CROWNS, by Regina Taylor**  
Thursday and Friday, January 26-27 and February 9-10, 7:30 PM  
A musical about the experience of churchgoing black women in the South, with their hats an expressive

symbol of their pride, faith and endurance. Directed by Ted Swindley.

**CONTEMPLATIVE CONCERT**  
Rolin Mains & Friends  
Sunday, February 5, 6 PM  
A meditative hour of improvisation on keyboard and other instruments.

**LENTEN CHORAL EVENSONG AND ORGAN CONCERT**  
Doug Murray  
Sunday, February 26, 3:30 PM

**13th ANNUAL DIOCESAN CHORISTER FESTIVAL**  
Sunday, March 4, 4:00 PM  
Guest Director: Canon Michael McCarthy, Director of Music, Washington National Cathedral.

**BACHANALIA**  
Friday, March 23, 5:00-11:00PM  
Food will be available.

**ICON WRITING WORKSHOP**  
Led by Teresa Harrison  
Monday-Friday, March 5-9, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM  
Experience the spiritual discipline of painting an icon of the Annunciation in a small class setting. No painting experience required.

**EASTERTIDE CHORAL EVENSONG AND ORGAN CONCERT**  
Wilma Jensen, Choirmaster/Organist Emerita from St. George's Church  
Sunday, May 6, 3:30 PM

**WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP**  
Tuesday-Friday, April 24-27, 9:00 AM-2:00 PM  
Led by Susie Ries. No prior experience needed; all levels welcome.

**ORGAN CONCERT**  
Nigel Potts, Organist & Choirmaster, Christ and St. Stephen's Church, New York City  
Friday, April 27, 7:30 PM  
Sponsored by Lois & Peter Fyfe.

## Clergy News -

The **Rev. Rick Greenwood**, rector of St. David's Church Nashville, and his wife Sharon welcome new granddaughter Lilly Jamieson Greenwood, born in South Carolina on July 25. The **Rev. Joe Davis**, rector of Church of the Resurrection Franklin, and his wife Cindy travelled to Palo Alto CA this summer to see their son Maclin compete (and win) in

## Parish News -

Recent confirmations: Jenna Choi, Jihee Woo, Bokia Oh, Moojak Chon, Joseong Jo, Rujin Kim, Scott Nelson, **Church of the Holy Spirit Nashville**; Margaret Foster, **Grace Chapel Rossview**, Tamra Smith, Billie Crowell, Gary Smith, Teri Smith, **Church of the Redeemer Shelbyville**. Recent reaffirmations: Lee Russell, Joe Hardison, Gary Ashley, Kelly Reed, **Church of the Redeemer Shelbyville**. Recent baptisms: Sophia McConnell, Grant Wiechman, **St. Paul's Church Murfreesboro**.

**St. Bartholomew's Church Nashville** held a Garden Market each Sunday in July and August, sponsored by their Creation Crew, providing fresh produce, baked goods and donated items, and benefitting future creation care projects and local food organizations. **St. Joseph of Arimathea Hendersonville** is introducing a new Wednesday morning Bible Study at 10:00 in their confer-

## Youth News -

St. George's Church Nashville and their kindergarten have once more joined together to offer parenting seminars by Daystar Ministries, a counseling ministry for children and families in Middle Tennessee. There are two sessions offered in September:

**Modern Parents, Vintage Values, September 14th:  
Johnson Hall, 6:30-7:45pm**

How do you teach safety, in this day and time, without instilling fear? In this day and time seems to make all of the difference. Children today are up against a host of struggles and pressure that were foreign as today's adults were growing up. Technology, peers, culture... all of it can appear to stand in direct opposition to the character parents are trying to instill in their children.

*Modern Parents, Vintage Values* is a seminar based on Melissa Trevaithan and Sissy Goff's book of the same title. In the seminar, David Thomas joins them as they tackle the issues most predominantly affecting kids and families in today's culture: entitlement, respect, technology, fear, anxiety and depression, to name a few. They not only help to understand these issues, but help parents and grandparents instill good old vintage values in the midst of these issues... values like com-

passion, integrity and gratitude. In this seminar, Melissa, Sissy and David lay a foundation that helps equip parents to bring children back to timeless truths, to vintage values and to a sense of confidence in who they can be in spite of "this day and time."



**Being an Intentional Parent, September 28th:  
Hampton Hall, 6:30-7:45pm**

Parenting is one of the most important callings of our lives. Parents step into this life-changing process without a road map or an instruction manual. This class centers around five basic concepts for being an intentional parent. Attendees will discuss the purpose of parenting, the significance of their contribution, and some foundational ingredients their kids need from them. This time will also invite parents to consider some important questions kids need them to ask.

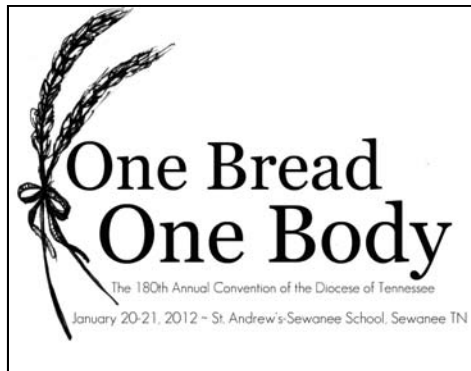
For information on attending one or both of these sessions, contact St. George's Church at 615-385-2150. For more on Daystar, visit their website at <https://daystarcounseling.com>.

## Theme For 2012 Convention Revealed

*"Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread."* - 1 Corinthians 10:17.

Bishop Bauerschmidt has chosen this passage from Corinthians as the theme for the 2012 Annual Convention of the Diocese of Tennessee. Convention will be held January 20 and 21, 2012 at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School in Sewanee.

The theme conveys the idea that, although the diocese is made of up many churches and those churches are spread throughout Middle Tennessee, we are all one in Christ.



The logo, which will be used on Convention printed materials and signage, was designed by Emily

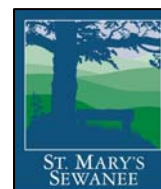
Blount, a native of Sewanee and a current sophomore at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School.



Her interests include writing, art, theater, singing, reading and science. She has performed on stage and participated on the technical crew of numerous plays and musicals including *Little Shop of Horrors* (for which she designed the poster artwork as well), *Hamlet* and *Suessical the Musical*.

In 2010, she placed 2nd in the state of Tennessee in the Letters About Literature contest sponsored by the Library of Congress and she placed on the National Latin Exam for Latin 1. At SAS she has received the Latin I Award, Studio Art Award and the 9th grade English Award.

She has been a participant in summer programs at Dauphin Island Sea Lab - Alabama's Marine Science Institution, Vanderbilt Summer Academy, Humanities Tennessee Young Writers' Workshop and the Sewanee Young Writers' Conference. This school year marks her second year as an SAS Ambassador, working with the offices of Admission, Alumni and Special Events.



### St. Mary's Sewanee 2011 Fall Programs and Retreats

September 18-19, 2011

*The Hero's Journey*

Presenters: Lynne Bachleda  
and Amanda Roche

September 23-25, 2011

*The Spirit of the Beloved:  
Living Our Identity in God*

Presenter: Michael W. Hryniuk

September 25-27, 2011

*Centering Prayer Retreat*

Presenters: Rev. Geoffrey Butcher  
and Rev. Margaret Marshall

October 28-30, 2011

*Rediscovering the Natural World*

Presenter: Bran Potter

For more information  
please check our website:  
[www.StMarysSewanee.org](http://www.StMarysSewanee.org)  
or telephone us at (931) 598-5342

## DOT and Medical Trust Presents Health Insurance Workshop

On Wednesday, September 21 in two sessions, the Diocese of Tennessee and the Episcopal Church Medical Trust will present a Forum on Health Insurance for parish Treasurers, Wardens and Administrators - as well as anyone else in the diocese who would like to attend.

The Rev. Rusty McCown, the Regional Relationship Specialist from the Medical Trust, will present the two sessions on health insurance changes for the diocese.

With a first look at the upcoming health insurance plans for 2012, there will be a review of the current Blue Cross/Blue Shield 80/60 plan and an introduction to the new Blue

Cross Blue Shield High Deductible Health Plan/Health Savings Account.

The Denominational Health Plan requires a diocesan minimum standard for parity between eligible Clergy and Lay employees. Rusty will lead a discussion so administrators might prepare for 2013 budget projections and other considerations for their parishes' futures.

The two sessions are:

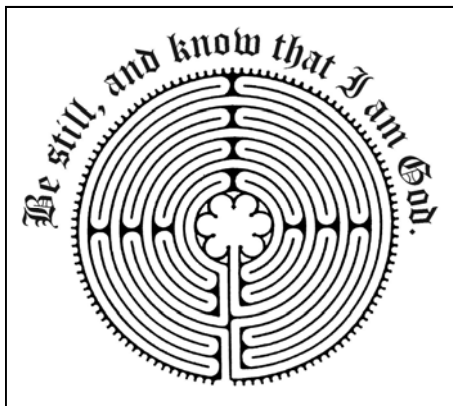
12:00 Noon - Christ Church Cathedral, 900 Broadway, Nashville. Lunch will be provided.

5:30 PM - St. Paul's Church, 315 E. Main Street, Murfreesboro. Each session will last approximately 1 1/2 hours.

To attend one of the sessions, *rsvp* by Monday, September 19 via email to [mitzi@episcopaldiocese-tn.org](mailto:mitzi@episcopaldiocese-tn.org).

## To Pray For Peace At St. Mark's Antioch

On Saturday, September 10, the St. Mark's Chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King invite all to a Quiet Day dedicated to prayers for peace. St. Mark's Church Antioch is located at 3100 Murfreesboro Road.



Beginning at 9:00 AM, the day will include scripture, prayer and meditation and individual stations for contemplation, including St. Mary's garden, the labyrinth, icons, a prayer chapel and the peace pole.

The service will conclude at 12:00 Noon, as participants depart in silence to continue their journey.

There is no charge for the Quiet Day, but in order to ensure there are enough materials for everyone, please *rsvp* to Marty O'Reilly via email at [m\\_o2010@comcast.net](mailto:m_o2010@comcast.net) or by phone 615-361-9962.

## Health Workshops To Be Held In Brentwood

Church of the Good Shepherd Brentwood offers a series of health workshops. "Living Well with Chronic Conditions" includes 6 sessions each lasting two and a half hours. People with different ongoing health problems and their loved ones

may attend together. Chronic conditions can lead to a poor quality of life, a loss of independence and a shortened life span. Participants will learn strategies that will empower them to manage their own health and make lifestyle changes.

The workshops are facilitated by two trained leaders, one or both of whom live with an ongoing health condition.

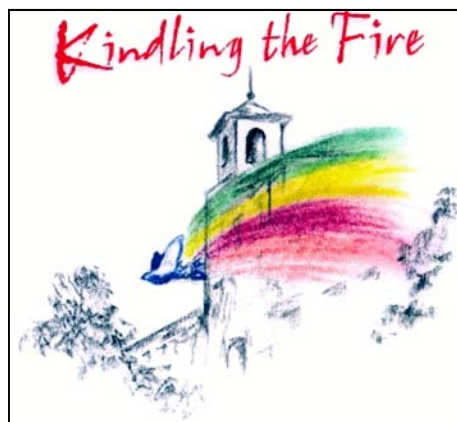
Church of the Resurrection will host the six week series beginning on Thursday, September 22 and continuing through the last Thursday in October. The sessions will begin at 6:00 PM. Registration is required by September 15 and can be done by calling the church office at 615-377-9144. Leave your name and number if the office is closed.

The series is presented by the Greater Nashville Regional Council Area Agency on Aging and Disability. Visit their website at [www.gnrc.org](http://www.gnrc.org).

## Cursillo 69 Set For October

The Diocese of Tennessee will hold its 69th Cursillo weekend October 20-23, 2011, at Dubose Conference Center Monteagle. It will begin on Thursday at 6:30 PM and conclude Sunday afternoon.

Since the early 1990s, Cursillo has been instrumental in building up



Christian leaders in parishes all around this diocese. Typically, candidates for Cursillo are Christians and Episcopalians who are either among those already considered to be parish leaders or those who may become parish leaders.

"Kindle The Fire" is the statement of purpose, challenging all to spread the love of Jesus by living according to the model He gave.

Registration forms and more information may be found on the website at [www.tnepiscursillo.org](http://www.tnepiscursillo.org). For further details, contact Joyce Adkins at 631-2869 or [joyce1010@bellsouth.net](mailto:joyce1010@bellsouth.net).

## St. Luke's Community House Volunteers Needed

As summer ends and fall approaches, St. Luke's Community House has several opportunities for volunteers to contribute their time and talents.



Girl Scout Troop 5959 needs a female role model to work with the Brownies, with meetings on Thursdays plus special meetings and field trips. Interested individuals should contact Richie at 615-351-1665.

Drivers are wanted to deliver Mobile Meals to the homebound on Mondays and Tuesdays. Help is also needed in the Food Bank for packing boxes and stocking shelves on Mondays and Thursdays. Contact Christie at 615-324-8375.

Volunteers are needed to help with evening childcare as parents attend the Adult Education classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information on volunteer opportunities, visit the website at [www.stlukescommunityhouse.org](http://www.stlukescommunityhouse.org).

# God's Green Earth

Flip the switch; the light comes on. It's easy to take for granted that it's just that simple.

But in many parts of the world, electricity is not available or is too cost prohibitive to use for more than just a short time every day.

MyShelter Foundation was established in the Philippines by executive director Illac Diaz to create a system of sustainability and reliability through its capability-building and employment-generating projects. Introducing groundbreaking social enterprise, the organization has pioneered projects such as the Pier One Seafarer's Dormitory which provides safe and comfortable housing for Filipino seamen, and Design Against the Elements (DAE), a competition with a focus on climate change. The former model and actor turned entrepreneur also founded the Bottle School Project in which plastic soda bottles are filled with liquefied soil that hardens to a brick-like consistency. The bottle-bricks are then used to build schools.

But another use of soda bottles is amazing and exciting people all around the world.



Isang Litrong Liwanag (A Liter of Light), MyShelter Foundation's latest venture, is a sustainable lighting project which aims to bring the eco-friendly Solar Bottle Bulb to unprivileged communities in the Philippines. Many cultures have used glass bottles to allow lighting through the roof and walls, and Alfredo Moser from Brazil has experimented with plastic bottles. The Solar Bottle Bulb, designed and developed by students from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), is a device based on the principles of Appropriate Technologies – a concept that provides simple and easily replicable technologies that address basic needs in developing communities.

Plastic one-litre soda bottles, which are often thrown away, are cleaned and filled with a solution of water and chlorine bleach. The bottles are then fitted into a collar of sheet metal or corrugated tin and secured to an opening cut into the ceiling of a dwelling. Immediately, the sunlight is refracted and lights up the room below with the equivalent light of a 55-watt conventional bulb. The Solar Bottle Bulb can last five years, perhaps more, and the chlorine in the water prevents the growth of algae.

And not only does the Solar Bottle Bulb provide a free light source, it increases safety. In the Philippines, where poverty abounds and living conditions are marginal at best, fire-related incidents are a high-risk issue, especially in the informal settlements where the government does not conduct fire hazard inspections.

MyShelter envisions sharing with unprivileged communities this economically- and ecologically-sustainable source of light to provide an immediate solution to a widespread issue. Currently, approximately 10,000 homes in Manila have been fitted with the bulb. Volunteers have recently undertaken the "Tour Of Light," travelling to 15 Philippine cities in 7 days, teaching local residents how to make the bulbs for their homes. The organization plans to bring light into one million homes in the Philippines by 2012.



Illac Diaz says, "We have an abundance of people who are dependent on candlelight, we have an abundance of volunteers and we have an abundance of junk, these bottles, which would end up in landfills. Let's give a solution to inspire people to enlighten the world."

For more information and to view an inspirational video, visit the website at <http://isanglitrongliwanag.org/>.

## CPE Partners With St. Thomas Hospital

Long committed to the support of persons seeking to develop more effective capabilities in the art and practice of pastoral care in middle Tennessee, the St. Thomas/Nashville CPE Partnership is offering educational opportunities to the growing number of lay and bi-vocational persons from all faith traditions who are called to provide pastoral ministry to those in need.

American parishes, synagogues, temples and mosques is an important facet of our religious communities in the 21st century. Clinical Pastoral Education is a widely accepted and accredited part of formal theological preparation for ministry; though CPE is a requisite for graduation in most major theological institutions in the United States, this course is designed to be introductory in nature and content and is not intended to fulfill the requirements of a full-time certifiable unit of CPE for credit in an accredited theological degree curriculum.

embarking on the journey to fulfill a desire and calling to pastoral service as lay or bi-vocational caregivers. Meeting every Tuesday evening beginning October 4, 2011 through Tuesday, November 29, 2011 for a total of nine sessions, attendees will explore the fundamental aspects of and essential skills needed in order to be an effective pastoral care provider. Persons of all faith traditions and theological persuasion will be welcome, gathering to reflect on the inherent challenges arising from the ever-changing nature of the intersection of culture and pastoral ministry.



From Stephen Ministers to bi-vocational deacons to volunteer lay persons wishing to be helpfully involved in the pastoral outreach of their local congregations, the emergence and growth of lay ministry in

Drawing upon the collective experience, training, and acquired body of knowledge of the CPE tradition and methods of education, this course is designed to appeal (though not restricted to) to those persons who are

Sessions will begin at 5:30 PM with a light supper provided and end promptly at 8:30 PM. All sessions will be held at St. Thomas Hospital. Free parking is available.

Course Facilitators for the sessions are the Rev. Dr. Lyonel Gilmer and the Rev. Dr. Roderic Murray.

For registration application and other information, please contact Susan Fussell, Department of Pastoral Care and CPE, St. Thomas Hospital, by phone at 615-222-6602 or email [sfussell@stthomas.org](mailto:sfussell@stthomas.org).

## Fresh Start 3

Fresh Start, a resource for clergy and congregations in transition designed to help ensure that new ministries begin well, will again be offered in the Diocese of Tennessee.



Fresh Start 3 begins on Tuesday, September 6 with an overnight retreat at St. Mary's Sewanee, led by Bishop Bauer-schmidt. The class will meet monthly

through June 2012 (with the exception of January 2012).

Clergy in transition or new ministries are the Fresh Start 3 participants. They are Joshua Caler of Christ Church Cathedral Nashville, Carolyn Coleman of Church of the Holy Cross Murfreesboro, Malone Gilliam and Sarah Kerr of St. George's Church Nashville, Julie Johnson of St. Mary Magdalene Fayetteville and Lissa Smith of St. Augustine's Chapel Nashville.

Facilitators for the course are the Rev. Molly Dale Smith and the Rev. Canon Pamela Snare. The curriculum is made available to facilitators through nationally-run Facilitator Training Conferences and is made up of numerous modules designed to help participants

explore issues of transition. Both of the diocesan facilitators attended a training conference in Seabrook Island SC before launching the program in the Diocese of Tennessee three years ago.

Molly Dale says, "Fresh Start provides clergy who are in a new congregation the opportunity both to be reflective about their new ministry and to develop friendships with others in new congregations. From my experience as a facilitator of the Diocese of Tennessee's Fresh Start program for the past two years, I can state with confidence that the important goal of community development is achieved. Another important part of the program, one that is enthusiastically received by participants, is the time with the bishop."

## Joyce Wilding In New Position, Announces Upcoming Event



In June, Joyce Wilding became Opening the Book of Nature (OBN) Program Director at University of The South in Sewanee. The Center for Religion and Environment is laying the groundwork to become a regional or national center for the OBN program.

This program provides an experience of encountering God/the One/Ultimate Reality and of learning spiritual lessons in the setting where people typically most easily can do so – in nature. OBN provides spiritual formation events, programs and resources. For more information on the OBN, visit the website at [www.sewanee.edu/cre/obn](http://www.sewanee.edu/cre/obn).

As part of the program, there will be a lecture on September 15, at 4:30 PM in Gailor Hall at the University of the South Sewanee. “Eco-Service: The Upbuilding of Creation” will be presented by guest speaker, Frederick W. Krueger.

He will describe why eco-service is more than just protecting nature and wilderness. It is also how eco-service includes restraint from activities that defile the earth. Eco-service is a bond of kinship with all creation and the responsibility to act for the general welfare that leaves the earth a better place in our worldly sojourn.

Frederick Krueger is Executive Coordinator for the National Religious Coalition on Creation Care which sponsors the National Prayer Breakfast for Creation Care annual “Washington Week.” This event brings religious leaders to Capitol Hill and the Administration to present formal environmental declarations of religious institutions to government leaders.

He also directs the Orthodox Fellowship of the Transfiguration, the national environmental fellowship of the Eastern Orthodox Christian Churches, that provides environmental educational materials and conferences on Christianity and the environment. These empower local parishes to become active on ecological issues. He is the founder of Opening the Book of Nature (OBN), one project of The Religious Campaign for Forest Conservation, a coalition of churches, synagogues and para-religious organizations that support conservation and wilderness as religious issues. OBN enables participants to learn Christian legacy of spiritual lessons from nature.

The September 15 lecture is free and open to the public. If you have questions about the program, contact Joyce Wilding at [joycewilding@comcast.net](mailto:joycewilding@comcast.net) or call her at 615-952-5812.

## Diocesan Study Day On The Proposed Anglican Covenant

On Saturday, October 1, the Diocese of Tennessee will offer a study day on the proposed Anglican Covenant to be held at Christ Church Cathedral Nashville. All clergy and laity are invited to attend.

The proposed Anglican Covenant seeks to preserve the unity of the Anglican Communion in light of recent issues which have threatened that unity. The General Convention of the Episcopal Church, meeting in Indianapolis in July of 2012, will be asked to vote on the adoption of the proposed Anglican Covenant.

The Covenant has gone through several drafts and revisions, and is the result of much thought and study. The study day at the Cathedral is an opportunity for prayerful reflection on the proposed Covenant before the General Convention meets in 2012.



The study day will begin with Morning Prayer at 9:00 AM, followed by a presentation by Dr. Christopher Wells (B.A., St. Olaf; M.A.R., Yale; Ph.D., Notre Dame), Executive Director of the Living Church Foundation and editor of *The Living Church*. Dr. Wells has taught theology at the University of Notre Dame and at the College of the Transfiguration in South Africa, and has lectured widely in the Episcopal Church on ecclesiology and ecumenism. He served as a lay deputy at two General Conventions, and as a missionary of the Episcopal Church. He is a Fellow of the Episcopal Church Foundation and a theological consultant to the Anglican-Roman Catholic dialogue in the United States (ARC-USA).

Dr. Wells’ presentation will be followed by a short break, and then a panel discussion moderated by Bishop Bauerschmidt. Participants on the panel will be Dr. Wells, the Rev. Dr. Benjamin King (Assistant Professor of Church History at The School of Theology, Sewanee), the Rev. Dr. Robert McSwain (Assistant Professor of Theology and Christian Ethics at The School of Theology, Sewanee), and the Rev. Vicki Burgess (rector of St. Philip’s Church Nashville and deputy to General Convention 2012). The panel discussion will be an opportunity to hear a variety of perspectives on the proposed Covenant.

Bishop Bauerschmidt says, “This study day will give us a chance to become better informed about the proposed Anglican Covenant that will be placed before the 2012 General Convention for possible adoption. I commend this opportunity to you.”

The study day is free and open to everyone in the Diocese of Tennessee.



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- 25 *Bishop's Visitation, St. Michael's Church Cookeville*
- 25 Fall Picnic, Holy Trinity Church Nashville

*Italics denote Bishop Bauerschmidt's visitations*

**This is a sampling of events in the Diocese of Tennessee.**

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