



# The Missioner

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## Building Project Update

Progress on the building project has been slow but we are continuing to move forward. The work that is being done is being approached methodically and we are making every effort to be careful and comprehensive as we continue towards the hope of improving our facilities. We have been working with Landmark Engineering, IJM Architects, City of Lockport officials, and Bishop and Trustees from our diocese. We have been very fortunate to be working with two local builders (Kris Kozzo and Alex Polino) as well, who have provided us with invaluable assistance throughout our process and have been particularly helpful in navigating the city approval process.

Recently we presented our proposed project to the Lockport Planning Commission and City Council. Our project which is intended to expand/renovate our parish hall, connect our church to the hall (enclosed breezeway) and provide us with approximately 1600 square feet of additional space included requests for two variances. The Planning Commission denied our request for the variances proposed. We had asked the commission to waive the 20 foot setback requirement and allow us to extend our building 10 feet further thus putting the south entrance 10 feet from curb. The other request was to allow us to have a drop off (paved drop off area) at the new south entrance on 11<sup>th</sup> Street which would be cut out of curb. Both of these requests were denied under the provision of the Zoning Ordinances that state that variances need to establish “hardship” or “unique circumstances” that are not generally applicable to other property in the same zoning district.

Obviously we were disappointed in this decision especially since we were in conversations with members of the planning commission and apparently had their support. With that, we proceeded to meet with the City Council to continue the process of getting approval for the building project. When meeting with this body at a working meeting we shared our frustration and disappointment with Planning Commission judgment and there was some support and understanding from the Mayor and a couple of the alderman. Unfortunately the Council has no authority to revise/overturn the recommendation from the Planning Commission outside of the court system.

In order to get approval for the project itself, we need to make revisions in our drawings (both from the architect and engineer). In their recommendation the Planning Commission did recommend acceptance of the project as long as code requirements were met. So we now must begin the process of reviewing and making the needed adjustments (Next Steps Committee) and then incorporate them into our drawings. Then we need to present the revised plans to the City Council for their approval. No timetable is known at this time. But if our experience up till now is any indication it will probably take at least a couple of months to meet, make adjustments, get placed on the docket at City Council for approval, and continue to towards making our hope a reality. ***The Next Steps Committee is fully committed to continuing the process and coming up with a plan that will meet city requirements and gain approval.***

There are a couple of other issues that are related to this project that are worthy of note. Some have asked what our project will cost. We are not able to state with any accuracy what our will cost until we have an approved project from the city. Once this has been received we will be able to seek bids and help determine cost. From there the Vestry can make the decisions on what will take place.

A second issue is what has been spent so far to get to this point. The costs that have been incurred so far are expenses associated with getting the needed plans (architect and engineering) and paying required fees to the City of Lockport. To date we have spent less than \$15,000 for the work that has been completed. The revisions will cost approximately \$2,500. Further updates will be provided as additional information becomes available.

## Vestry News

Vestry News

*At the July 23, 2014 meeting, the Vestry...*

Accepted the reports presented.

Heard...

- o The finance reports for the month of June and year to date. Pledge income is not up to date.
- o That we are being good stewards of our resources.
- o That we need to look deeply and evaluate what we have and where we are going.
- o That there appears to be things happening but lacking a connecting thread.
- o That Living Compass is offering training and Chairty Humm, Bob Meehan and Lee Moarn will be taking advantage of the training and with Fr. Matt form a wellness team.
- o An update of the city's actions concerning our building project and reported elsewhere in the newsletter.
- o About the plan for Trunk or Treat in October.
- o That funds are available from Kringle sales for youth to attend camp and youth events.
- o A chapter of Brotherhood of St. Andrew will be forming at St. John's.

Took action ...

To have pay \$4000 from contingency to the sabbatical fund for two years missed and then pay \$200 for this year and each year after.

To pay \$347 for advertising at Strike and Spare for 15 second spots on the screen there.

To officially appoint Doug Tierney and Leona Davies as delegates and Karen Wirth and Tom Moore as alternates to Diocesan Convention in November.

*The next regularly scheduled meeting of the vestry is scheduled for Wednesday, August 13, 2014 beginning at 6:30 pm.*

## St. John the E vangelist

### Receipts and Disbursements

June 2014

#### Activity for the Month

St. John's **Total Expenses** exceeded **Total Income** ("Net Ordinary Income") according to our "Revenue and Expenses for Month – Actual Versus Budget" (by \$7,026).

**Total Income** (\$9,907) is approximately \$900 short of forecast. Pledge income for the month is below anticipated income by approximately \$700. Non – pledge income is also shy of projections for the month (\$550).

**Total Expense** (\$16,222) for the month was approximately (\$3700) more than forecast -- due primarily to building and restoration expenses (\$2650 associated with building project , maintenance expenses for supplies, utilities, and catching up on diocesan assessment)

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### Year to date:

Our expenses have exceeded our anticipated revenues by approximately \$13,600. Total expenses (\$105,549) exceed Total revenues by (\$36,497). This figure includes \$17,290 in building and restoration expenses which are not part of our operating budget.

Total income is at \$59,595 (\$149 above forecast). Pledge income is approximately \$500 above expected revenue, while giver of record income is shy of forecast by \$4,000. The pledge income total is somewhat inflated as we have a few pledges which are prepaid. Approximately 20% of our pledges are not current as of June 30<sup>th</sup> with a shortfall of approximately \$4,300 when compared to anticipated pledge revenue.

General Operations (Approximately \$7,754) are below budgeted expenses through the end of June (\$500). Our projected deficit when adjusting for building and restoration is approximately \$3700 below anticipated expenses.

### Banking Account Activity

The First Midwest Bank Operating Account balance as of the end of the month was \$10,323.19.

There were two transfers of funds during the month of June. (\$600 from organization account to cover final concert expense and \$6,000 from our contingency fund to cover operational expenses and building and restoration expenses).

Please note that St. Johns will be paying approximately \$4,500 in state and federal income taxes in early July.

## Formation

Sweet Baby Jesus has been spotted this summer! Thanks to all for the great photos. Share your travels and upload to Facebook or send to parish office for Sept Missioner. Have Fun!



[St. John the Evangelist - Lockport](#) will be offer Keeping God's People Safe Training - Level One & Two, on Saturday, August 16 from 9 AM - 1 PM. Please bring a sack lunch. This is open to all members of the Diocese of Chicago.

To register, please contact the Parish Office at 815-834-1168 or sign-up at back of church

Save the Date! 2nd Annual FAT BAT Ballgame on Sunday, September 7th. This will be a joint event with our Youth Formation and Youth Group. Details forthcoming! Contacts:  
Beth Pesavento and Kim McElheny

Youth Group Gathering (6th grade and up) on Sunday, August 17th at 7 PM. Invite a friend and join the fellowship and fun. Meeting in Montgomery Parish Hall. Contact: Kim McElheny



## Formation

### Centering Prayer Retreat—Sign Up by August 20th

St. John's the Evangelist Lockport invites you to a Centering Prayer Retreat

- When:** September 6<sup>th</sup> 2014 from 9am until 4pm  
**Where:** The Portiuncula Center for Prayer in Frankfort, IL  
**Who:** Anyone interested in deepening their spiritual life through cultivating a practice of silent prayer and holy listening  
**What:** Periods of Centering Prayer, meditative walks, and spiritual discussions on the contemplative life  
**Cost:** \$20 with lunch included  
**Interested:** Sign-up sheet at the back of the church.  
**Contact:** Charity Humm



### CHURCH SCHOOL

Youth Formation: Planning session on August 10th at 9:15AM in the Atrium.

The 2014—2015 Church School year starts on Sunday, September 7th at 9:15 AM. Ages 4-16 welcome! Contact: Todd Sheetz

On August 27th at 7 PM, **St. John's welcomes Brother Warren Webb.** Brother Warren is from the Province V Chapter and will be speaking with us about the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, **a men's ministry of prayer & service.** Gathering will be held in Montgomery Parish Hall. For more information please see Rob Brennan ([robbrennan316@gmail.com](mailto:robbrennan316@gmail.com)) or Lee Moarn ([dlmrn911@gmail.com](mailto:dlmrn911@gmail.com)). Information packets about the Brotherhood are at the back of the church. See you all there!



## Worship



### Parish Nurse Ministry—One Year Old!

I can't believe that our Parish Nurse Ministry is now 1 year old. We have been able to offer Blood Pressure screening monthly, answer your many great questions with regards to medication and provide clarification/explanation of medical issues. Our relationship with the Advocate Health Care/Parish Nurse Network System continues too. This network provides direction, speakers, printed materials and discounts for use/distribution.

This year, the Parish Nurse Ministry will continue with our monthly Blood Pressure screening. We are also planning to offering Friends and Family CPR Classes to all interested, including how to use the Automated External Defibrillator (AED). Also, we will offer Advanced Care/Advance Directive Care Planning Assistance/Forms. And will participate in our Lay Eucharist Ministry Program in addition to becoming involved in the Living Compass Wellness Program too. A tri-fold brochure about our Parish Nursing/Faith Community Nursing program here at St. John's explains what a Parish Nurse does, and offers. Copies will be provided in your Sunday Bulletin with additional copies at the back of the church to share.

Your participation and assistance in this ministry will initiate growth, together for God and humanity. Watch for upcoming event dates this fall and winter, opportunities for all to learn and become involved.

~ **Lee Moarn, Parish Nurse**

**Blood Pressures readings will be available on Sunday, August 17th from 8am to noon. If you have questions about your medications, please bring them with you.**

## Outreach



### Lockport Food Pantry—August Schedule of Items for Donations:

August 3: tuna fish                      August 10: pork & beans/any beans  
August 17: peanut butter/jelly                      August 24: cereal/oatmeal  
August 31: pancake mix



Outreach Meeting, Thurs, August 7th at 7 PM ~ Morning Star Mission, Sat, August 9th at 10:30 AM  
Please see bulletin board for more info and to sign-up. Questions: contact Judy Broud. Thank you!

## Parish Life

### August 17th —School Supply Sunday

August 17<sup>th</sup> is School Supply Sunday. Please pick ONE of the items listed below to bring with you to church. All supplies will be going to assist Milne Grove Elementary School. Thank you for supporting those in need in your local community!

- \* 2 pocket plastic folders with brads or without brads (blue, orange, yellow, red, green, or purple)
- \* Crayola crayons (8 or 24 count)
- \* Crayola colored pencils (24 count)
- \* Crayola washable markers (8 count)
- \* Antibacterial wipes for hands and face
- \* Fiskar scissors



### Note of Gratitude to the following parish program members for their Continued service to the mission at St. John's

- Acolytes: Erin Barndollar, Kendall Barndollar, Michael Graziadei and Elizabeth Hill
- Chalice: Greg Carter, Pam Carter, Ruth Johnson and Cecilia Seabrook
- Readers:/Intercessors: Cheryl Alton, Guy Alton, Melissa Athos, Rob Brennan, Leona Davies, Clark Davis, Bob Meehan, Peri O' Connor, Sandra Renner, John Schwab, Cecilia Seabrook, Wendy Stewart and Karen Wirth



### Congratulations to Kim McElheny!



Kim graduated with distinction, Summa Cum Laude, from Elmhurst College with a BS in Fine Arts this May. She is currently employed at Item Master (subsidiary of Peapod), in their Skokie, IL Art Work Department. Kim continues to serve here at St. John too, in the position of Youth Group co-lead. Kudos to the graduate!

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Fr. Matt will be away on vacation and will return on August 7th.  
Fr. Clayton Thomason will serve as celebrant on Sunday, August 3rd.  
Centering Prayer is canceled for Saturday, August 2nd.  
Wednesday Eucharist Service, morning and evening, is canceled for August 6th.



### One to Grow On Sunday – August 10

July 2014

Dear Friends,

A past tradition, which began approximately 20 years ago, had one Sunday set aside in July as **One to Grow On Sunday**. This tradition was carried on for 17 years. Last year the money donated helped to purchase new choir robes as well as cover the cost of major maintenance of our organ. Other projects supported in the past by **One to Grow On Sunday** have included the folding chairs in our hall, renovation of the sacristy, purchase of church linens, weatherproofing and redesigning our stained glass windows, supporting our church school programming, as well as other projects.

This year the Vestry has decided to seek funding from parishioners to help support improved signage for our church as well as help cover the cost of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). Our hope is that through your generosity that we will be able to revise and improve our church signs and improve our safety for church events with an AED available.

This year, the Vestry has designated August 10, as **One to Grow On Sunday** with the expressed purpose of using the funds received to help offset the cost of these identified projects. These items were not planned for in our operational budget. All funds given will help cover the cost of this project.

The Vestry asks you to consider giving a donation equal to one (1) Sunday offering above and beyond your regular weekly support. Please prayerfully consider your gift to this year's **One to Grow On Sunday**.

On behalf of the Leadership team we are grateful for your support.

Rev. R. Matthew Humm  
Vicar

Robert T. Meehan  
Senior Warden

## August Lectionary

| Date   | 1st Lesson        | Psalm         | 2nd Lesson            | Gospel                    |
|--------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Aug 3  | Isaiah 55:1-5     | Psalm 145:8-9 | Romans 9:1-5          | Matthew 14:13-21          |
| Aug 10 | 1 Kings 19:9-18   | Psalm 85:8-13 | Romans 10:5-15        | Matthew 14:22-33          |
| Aug 17 | Isaiah 56:1, 6-8  | Psalm 67      | Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 | Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28 |
| Aug 24 | Isaiah 51:1-6     | Psalm 138     | Romans 12:1-8         | Matthew 16:13-20          |
| Aug 31 | Jeremiah 15:15-21 | Psalm 26:1-8  | Romans 12:9-21        | Matthew 16:21-28          |

**Some Helpful Resources For Daily Prayer**

For Daily Prayer [www.missionstclare.com](http://www.missionstclare.com)  
 For Daily Readings [satucket.com/lectionary](http://satucket.com/lectionary)  
 Episcopal News [www.episcopalcafe.com](http://www.episcopalcafe.com)  
<http://episcopaldigitalnetwork.com/ens>  
 National Church [episcopalchurch.org](http://episcopalchurch.org)  
 Diocesan Website [episcopalchicago.org](http://episcopalchicago.org)  
 Parish Connections [stjohns-lockport-il.org](http://stjohns-lockport-il.org)  
 Twitter: @forwardinchrist  
 Facebook: St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church-Lockport, IL

Website: [www.stjohns-lockport-il.org](http://www.stjohns-lockport-il.org)  
 Contact us: 815-834-1168  
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**Those for whom prayers have been asked:**

Mac B.; Dorothy C.; George C.; Terry H.; Diane K.;  
 Carol L.; Bob W.; Eileen S., Pat P and Karen.

**And all those with terminal illnesses, their families,  
 and those caring for them.**

*\*\* Please contact the office if any of the above information changes.*

**Important Dates to Remember**

Aug 2 .....LAMP Golf Out8ing at 8:15 AM  
 Aug 6.....Daughters of the Kin at 10:30 AM  
 Aug 6.....Prayer Shawl Knit/Crochet at 11:30 AM  
 Aug 7.....Hall Use from 11 AM - 1 PM  
 Aug 7.....Outreach at 7 PM  
 Aug 9..... Morning Star Mission at 10:30 AM  
 Aug 10.....Church School Planning Session at 9:15 AM  
 Aug 10.....One To Grow On Sunday  
 Aug 13.....Vestry at 6:30 PM  
 Aug 16.....Keeping God’s People Safe Training 9:00 AM  
 Aug 17.....Blood Pressure Reading 8AM to 12 PM  
 Aug 17.....Youth Group Gathering at 7PM  
 Aug 20.....Daughters of the King at 10:30 AM  
 Aug 20.....Prayer Shawl at 11:30 AM  
 Aug 27.....Brotherhood of St. Andrew at 7 PM

**August Birthdays & Anniversaries**

|                          |      |
|--------------------------|------|
| Debra Lindstrand         | 8/4  |
| Tom Secor                | 8/4  |
| Galahad Humm             | 8/7  |
| Ruth Kozolowski          | 8/11 |
| Mike Markowski           | 8/11 |
| Evonne Cook              | 8/12 |
| Don Anderson             | 8/13 |
| Gene McElheny            | 8/14 |
| Todd Waggoner            | 8/14 |
| Sevilla Grobe            | 8/15 |
| Kay Pouk                 | 8/16 |
| Alana Halper             | 8/18 |
| Paul Stewart             | 8/19 |
| Bud Ferguson             | 8/26 |
| Kelly Zurek              | 8/30 |
| Elizabeth Porter         | 8/30 |
| Cynthia Tancl            | 8/30 |
| Thomas Porter            | 8/31 |
| Michael & Barb Halper    | 8/8  |
| Cary & Karen Lockyer     | 8/9  |
| Robert & Susan Meehan    | 8/16 |
| Thomas & Katherine Boyle | 8/16 |
| Todd & Pamela Sheetz     | 8/16 |

**Staff**

The Rev. R. Matthew Humm, *Priest*  
 Thomas J. Secor, *Director of Music*  
 Jill Crisman, *Church Secretary*  
 Jim Alleman, *Sexton*  
 Robert Meehan, *Sr. Warden*  
 John Schwab, *Jr. Warden*  
 Susan Meehan, *Clerk*

*Vestry Members*

|                 |                       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Judy Broud 15   | Lee Moarn 16          |
| Rob Brennan 16  | Art Pesavento 16      |
| Leona Davies 15 | Marlene Van Kuiken 17 |
| Chris Hill 15   |                       |

Dorothy Cirrencione, *Sacristan*  
 Todd Sheetz, *Director Christian Education*  
 Open, *Ushers*  
 Judy Broud, *Outreach*  
 Rob Brennan, *Marketing*  
 Lee Moarn, RN,BSN,FCN, *Health Ministry*  
 Wendy Stewart, *Daughters of the King*  
 Lillian Hensley, *Hospitality*  
 Judy Matile, *Prayer Shawl Ministry*

**SUNDAY**

8:00 AM. Holy Eucharist  
9:15 AM Formation  
(resumes Aug. 2014)  
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist

**WEDNESDAY**

9:30 AM Holy Eucharist  
7:00 PM Holy Eucharist  
(6:30 PM-2nd Wed)

**Mission Statement of  
St. John the Evangelist Church**

“The mission of St. John the Evangelist Church is to incarnate our Baptismal Covenant as we worship and praise God through the Sacraments of the Church, proclaim the Gospel in word and action, promote Christian fellowship and spiritual growth, and encourage all members to live their lives for the benefit of all God’s people.”



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