

The Chimes

April/May 2015

Shantih Smythe, Director of Congregational Engagement and Giving

Meet Shantih Smythe, St. Mary's Director of Congregational Engagement and Giving. Shantih is a lifelong Memphian who holds a degree from Rhodes College. A Renaissance woman, Shantih has experience in the restaurant business (she and husband Bert own



Alchemy in Cooper Young and McEwen's on Monroe), as a yoga instructor, and as volunteer leader in several local charitable organizations like the Memphis Farmer's Market, New Memphis Institute, the Junior League and Grace-St. Luke's School. In addition to her many other roles, she is mom to Paxton and Holden.

The position of Director of Congregational Engagement and Giving is an inaugural one in the robust history of St. Mary's Cathedral. The primary objective of the position is to serve the spiritual needs of St. Mary's by providing leadership in two focused areas: 1.) inspiring deeper relational bonds of the members in the sharing of their time and talent for the greater mission of the Cathedral and 2.) overseeing a year-round financial giving program to secure St. Mary's economic future. Shantih's ministry is to enhance the bond of the St. Mary's family, assist in deepening relationships, increase volunteer opportunities, and stretch St. Mary's visibility to greater Memphis. This is not a fundraising position or an advancement director but an officer of transformation.

Take the time to meet Shantih, whose warmth and enthusiasm for life in general and especially for this sacred space of St. Mary's will inspire you. She welcomes any and all ideas and suggestions for ways to improve St. Mary's engagement and giving.



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We give thanks to the leadership of Yousef Valine, 2014 Chapter Warden, Matt Morice, 2015 Chapter Warden and Anna Holtzclaw, 2015 Bishop's Warden, whose wisdom and guidance helped shaped this new position. May we not forget the donor who generously provided the salary of the DCEG for two years.

Thoughts from Your Clergy & Staff

CANON'S CORNER



Thank you for blessing our old
“new” home with us back in March!
We know it is a more holy and
blessed place because
you shared in a
hearty evening in our
home filled with
peace and love!



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A WORD FROM YOUR ORGANIST-CHOIRMASTER

Music – what’s in a title?

The titles for the opening and closing are always included in the worship bulletin. Music written in various periods use titles in specific ways. Music from the Baroque (1600-1750) often used dance rhythms, so titles such as Gigue, (or Jig), Minuet, Gavotte, etc. relate to the time signature, or pulse of the music. Tempo terms are also used, such as Allegro (fast), Largo (slow) and others in between. Classical period (1750-1820) is more about form – think of the stately, well-spaced columns and proportions of classical architecture. Sonata, Rondo, Scherzo all relate to what is going to happen to the structure in a composition. The Romantic period (begins late 18th to 19th century) features more descriptive titles such as Dawn Hymn, Carillon as well as titles reflecting large forms such as Symphony or Concerto. With the rise of Nationalism during this time, titles and musical terms were no longer universally in Italian. German, French and even English (!) are used.

All terms/titles are used today, and give the listener a clue as to the style or sounds to be expected. For example: Trumpet Tune.

If you every have any questions, please ask!

...And for those who like numbers: Having just finished Easter and some very “lively” organ music. The Widor *Toccata*, from his 5th Symphony, played at the three Easter services has 126 notes in the first measure alone! There are 61 measures. You can do the math. To balance out this explosion of notes, the Sunday after Easter’s Voluntary: *Cantabile* extracted from the Organ Symphony of Saint-Saëns, has only 1 note – and that measure lasts a longer time than measure 1 in the Widor Toccata.

By the way, *Cantabile* means songlike, and a *Toccata* means to touch, or a “finger-piece” with lots of fast moving notes.

—Dr. Dennis Janzer



Music News

Organ Concert – Fireworks and Fanfares

June 28, 2015 at 4 pm - Sunday afternoon



This free, action-packed (musically), family friendly concert is a great way to get you in the spirit of celebrating America's Independence Day!

Solo organ selections include:

- Copland's Fanfare for the Common Man;
- Fanfare – by Janzer, highlighting the Trumpets En Chamade above the main entrance;
- Yankee Doodle variations and other solos will present a sonic tour of the many colors of the **Cathedral organ**.

Performing on the cathedral's **Concert Grand piano**, guest artists André Duvall and Julia Pilgrim will perform Dennis's piano/organ arrangements of:

- Handel's Music for the Royal Fireworks
- Simple Gifts – Shaker tune
- Andante Cantabile – Janzer original

A Sing-Along of Patriotic selections will be included.

See you there!

Dennis Janzer, Organist-Choirmaster



The 2015-2016 season of Music at St. Mary's concert series is coming together. Keep an eye out for a printed listing of the musical offerings for that series. Dennis welcomes your suggestions for favorite groups you'd like to see in the 2015-2016 Concert Series season during his final stage of planning! Drop him an email at djanzer@stmarysmemphis.org or give him a call at 527.6123 for questions or comments.

Children and Youth News



St. Columba Episcopal Conference and Retreat Center will host Camp Able, a nationally known camp for children with mental and physical disabilities, from June 16 – 19, 2015.

Camp Able serves youth with a variety of challenges, ranging from cerebral palsy and Down's syndrome to autism. With a 1:1 counselor/camper ratio, each camper will have the opportunity to experience all camp activities, including low ropes course, swimming, canoeing, and exploring nature, arts and crafts and worship.

Volunteers and donations will be a key part of the Camp Able experience. Counselors will be paired with a child to help them get the most out of the camp experience. Memphis-area Episcopal churches will be responsible for meals and donating supplies. Local parishioners will serve meals, clean up and generally pitch in wherever they are needed.

Camp Able needs [donations](#) and volunteers! To learn more, email john@saintcolumbamemphis.org or call 901-377-9284.

Please pray for all
those graduating
this Spring!

Youth Sunday May 17, 2015

St. Mary's Children and Youth will be present in all aspects of the 11 am service. They will serve as acolytes, ushers, lectors, intercessors, and even hospitality hour cooks and servers. Director of Children and Youth Faith Formation Miranda Cully Griffin will be preaching at both 8 and 11 am services.

St. Mary's Summer Day Camp June 1-4, 2015 9 am- 4 pm

Rising Kindergarteners through rising 6th graders are welcome to join us for music, games, cooking, crafts, and fun at the Cathedral! Cost is \$100 per child.

Rising 7th graders and older may apply for teacher assistant positions. Scholarships available.

Find forms online or call

901.527.3361 or email miranda@stmarysmemphis.org



Boys and Girls Choir Recruitment

We have enjoyed marvelous success this year under St. Mary's Boys and Girls Choirmaster Bethania Baray. Ms. Baray is pleased with the choir's foundation of vocal technique and the beautiful tone and articulation of their singing. The choir is ready to expand and welcomes any children and youth who are interested in participating.

The choir practices in the choir room on Sunday mornings at 9:10 am. Contact Bethania Baray at bethaniabaray@gmail.com for information about how to participate. It is an exciting time to join this choir!

Upcoming Events

Share the Music

Do you have a piano that is not being played? Your quality piano (console/studio upright) could provide beautiful music in the Sister's Chapel to enhance the musical options for Wednesday Morning Ministries, Children's Chapel and upcoming programming that only a piano can provide. It can be played solo, accompanying vocalists, instrumentalist or ensembles and perform a leadership role in congregational song.

Perhaps your instrument is one from the "modern digital" age. We are also seeking a donation of a MIDI piano-keyboard (88 key, weighted action) for the Music Office. It will facilitate composing and arranging music on-site. This is currently not possible. In addition it will be used in anthem-selection and add the office as another practice area for soloists or small groups.

Dennis would be happy to look at your instrument or have a technician examine it to see if it can become an integral part of the cathedral's vital musical ministry.

We look forward to hearing from you! djanzer@stmarysmemphis.org

Hot Cornbread, Hot Topics

We present a six week series on "hot topics" and current issues. The series will be on Fridays at noon: May 1, 8, and 15. Mike Cody, former Attorney General of Tennessee, will lead most sessions with other guests leading occasionally. Of course, we will have hot cornbread and soup or salad available for lunch at \$6/person.

Crafts n' Creations in the Community

DATE CHANGED—
SEPTEMBER 12, 2015
10:00 – 4:00
Church of the Holy
Communion Parking Lot

Presented by the
Episcopal Church Women of West
Tennessee

Our first annual crafts fair to support our dedication to contribute to the many endeavors that we support in our ministry to our Episcopal community, such as our scholarship fund, will be held this spring!

Booths for artisans will be rented for \$100 for a 10X10 space, on a first come, first serve basis. If you are an artist or have a creative craft that you wish to share with the public; we would love to see you at Crafts n' Creations in the Community!!
There will also be food trucks available.

We are looking for volunteers to form a planning committee! If interested, please contact Jean Arehart at arehartjean@yahoo.com

For more information about registration go to www.ecwwtn.org

Adult Formation Additional Class!

Interested in freshening your prayer life? Is your soul yearning for a good stretch? Want to learn about contemplative spirituality? Join us Sunday mornings at 10:00 downstairs in the Sara Sadler room in the Crypt for *Soul Stretching*, led by Rev. Scottie Brafford. Each week, we'll reflect on Sunday's Gospel reading using a different contemplative spiritual practice. These brief introductions may open new possibilities for an enriched life with God and may deepen the mysteries and beauty of the resurrection.

All are welcome. Simply bring an open heart and a spirit of curiosity for trying something new. We will be led by Rev. Scottie Brafford, an ordained United Methodist deacon who has trained in contemplative

spirituality at the Shalem Institute, at the Academy for Spiritual Formation, and at the Center for Ministry / Journey Partners Program.

Soul Stretching will meet April 12 - May 17. At our first meeting, we will re-tell the story of Holy Week using an imaginative practice of Ignatian prayer.

Haiti Mission Trip, May 18-24

Please pray for the volunteer team—specifically for no flight delays, no lost luggage and for patience and understanding as we spend the week together! Especially pray for the children at St Vincent's, that their precious lives are somehow blessed by our coming.

We will be there May 18-24. Check the blog for daily updates at www.wtnhaitipartnership.blogspot.com

Honor a loved one in a unique way with St. Mary's First Cookbook

Become a Hospitality Sponsor for St. Mary's first-ever cookbook **come to the table** with your tax-deductible gift in one of the following categories:

Cathedral Circle for gifts of \$500 and above;
Dean's Circle for gifts \$101 to \$499;
Canon's Circle for gifts \$50 to \$100.

Gifts will be recognized and published in honor of memory of your loved one in the cookbook. Send your donation to St. Mary's Cathedral and note on your check "Hospitality Sponsor" and enclose honorarium or memorial information. Cookbook pre-sales in Martyrs Hall on Sundays - \$25 per book.

Memorials and Honoraria and May Calendar

MEMORIALS & HONORARIA

In Memory of Carol K. Jones

by Mr. Rowlett Scott

by Dale Rainwater and Private Client

by Diane Rudner

by John and Judith Jones

by Josh Bickford/Celia M. Lescano

In Memory of Jane and Charles Chavis

by Emily and Jerry Gay

In Memory of Gail Little French

by Verna Turner

In Memory of Eileen Watson

by Jean C. Fisher

by Mary Ann Clarke

In Memory of Sam Tickle

by Sid and Joyce Oakley

In Honor of the Wedding of Frank Adams &

Frances Hunter

by Mr. and Mrs. C. Thomas Whitman

by Mr. and Mrs. Phillip H. McNeill

by Dr. & Mrs. James C. Fleming

by Mr. and Mrs. W. Ray Brakebill

by Robert and Ellen Gardner

by Lawson and Laura Lee Apperson

Scott, Melissa, and Clarabella Elsholz to
Calvary, Memphis

Transfers IN:

Darline Reeves from Cathedral Church of the
Advent, Birmingham, AL

Baptisms:

Eleanor Amelia McQuirter, daughter of Leslie
and Doug McQuirter

Emilia Kasia Marie Massengale, daughter of
Angela and Drew Massengale

Maddox Leigh Hamm, daughter of Charlie and
Katrina Hamm

Luke Thomas Wooldridge, son of Kate and Andy
Wooldridge

Warren Adam Irby, son of Sarah and Ben Irby

TRANSITIONS

Transfers OUT:

Martha Vick Robbins to Trinity Episcopal,
New Orleans

Frank Curd to St. Philip, Memphis

May 24 is Pentecost Sunday!

WEAR RED!!!

If you speak another language, let us know as we
need multilingual readers at both 8 and 11 am
services.

MAY CALENDAR

<u>MAY CALENDAR</u>		Thurs 14	12n-Ascension Day Healing Eucharist	6p-In-Home Easter Eucharist at Braffords' home	
Fri 8	12n-Blessed Boys Club				
	12n-Hot Topics, Hot Cornbread	Fri 15	12n-Blessed Boys Club	Fri 22	12n-Blessed Boys Club
Sat 9	9a-Pop-Top Ministry		12n-Hot Topics, Hot Cornbread	Sat 23	9a-Pop-Top Ministry
<u>MAY 10</u>	<u>EASTER VI</u>	Sat 16	9a-Pop-Top Ministry	<u>MAY 24</u>	<u>PENTECOST I</u>
	8a-Holy Eucharist + Rite I		10:30a-Chavis Chapel Prayers & Inurnment		8a-Holy Eucharist + Rite I
	9a-Bishop's Breakfast/B&G	<u>MAY 17</u>	<u>EASTER VII</u>		11a-Choral Eucharist + Rite II
	Choir Rehearsal		8a-Holy Eucharist + Rite I	Tues 26	10a-Short Story
	11a-Choral Eucharist + Rite II		9a-Sweet Mary's Cafe/B&G		6p-Integrity
Tues 12	10a-Short Story		Choir Rehearsal	Wed 27	8a-Eucharist/Breakfast
	4p=Servant Ministry mtg		11a-Choral Eucharist + Rite II		7:15p-Choir Rehearsal
Wed 13	8a-Eucharist/Breakfast	Tues 19	10a-Short Story	Fri 29	12n-Blessed Boys Club
	6p-In Home Easter Eucharist at Nick French's home		5:30p-Chapter Meeting	Sat 30	9a-Pop-Top Ministry
	7:15p-Choir Rehearsal	Wed 20	8a-Eucharist/Breakfast		10:30a-Diocesan Deacon Ord.
				<u>MAY 31</u>	<u>PENTECOST II</u>

Beautiful People at St. Mary's



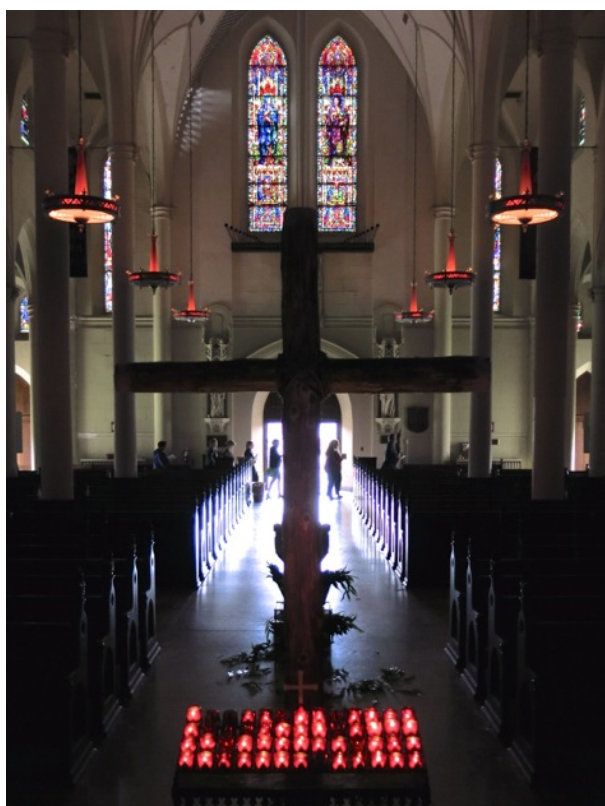
Top: **Alison Dowd** wins the annual Easter bonnet contest

Center left: The 2015 Confirmation Class at St. Mary's

Center right: Retired nurse **Margery Wolcott** checks the blood pressure of a Wednesday Eucharist participant

Bottom left: Good Friday's stark cross and candles as photographed by Preston Johnson

Bottom right: On Earth Day a group of volunteers walked the neighborhood around the Cathedral picking up trash and spreading love!





Dean's Sabbatical Presentation Sunday, May 17 10 am

Adult Formation,
Martyrs Hall

Dean Andy will present on Sabbath and its essential function in our lives while focusing on the particulars of his own Sabbatical, scheduled for August-October 2015.



Ascension Day Healing Eucharist, 12 n Thursday, May 14

Celebrate St. Mary's 157th birthday with us in style! After the Healing Eucharist we'll follow with lunch and a short but meaningful service project opportunity afterward.

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