

# GETHSEMANE CATHEDRAL CALLER

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**CATHEDRAL CALLER FOR May/June/  
July 2010**  
**GETHSEMANE EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL**  
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## IT ONLY TAKES AN INSTANT FOR GOD TO SET A HEART INTO MOTION

Dear Friends in Our Lord Jesus:

It was a miserable day. Sleet was pounding against the pavement, the wind was blowing in torrents, the temperature was plunging rapidly, and the sky was black with storm clouds.

A confused and tormented 15-year-old boy was trying his best to walk to church through the rain and ice. But he was at the end of his rope. Literally. His life was in turmoil, his heart was broken, his spirit was crushed, and he was running out of reasons to keep struggling in a world that scarcely recognized people his age.

Why even try? the boy asked himself. Why even continue?+

The longer he walked, the more convinced he became that death was preferable to a life spent battling against an unjust society in a cruel and tumultuous world.

He never made it to his regular church. Instead, he stumbled into another church, a Primitive Methodist Church, only to learn that the regular pastor would not be preaching that morning. Instead, another man - whose name has been lost and forgotten in the dusty files of history - stepped into the pulpit.

The year was 1850. The month was January. And the place was London, England. The young boy's name was Charles Spurgeon.

What happened during the next hour was one of the most remarkable conversions to our Lord Jesus of the last 200 years.

Charles Spurgeon entered that little church on Artillery Street a broken and defeated young boy. He emerged a redeemed and renewed follower of Christ. And he went on to become the greatest preacher in modern English history.

Here's how he described his experience:  
Six years ago today, I was in the gall of bitterness and in the bonds of iniquity, but had yet by Divine Grace been led to feel the bitterness of that bondage and to cry out by reason of the soreness of its slavery. Seeking rest and finding none, I stepped within the house of God and sat there afraid to look upward lest I should be utterly cast off and lest His fierce wrath should consume me.

The minister rose in his pulpit, and, as I have done this morning, read this text: Look unto me and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth. For I am God, and there is none else (Isaiah 45:22). I looked at that moment. I LOOKED. And the grace of faith was vouchsafed to me in the self-same instant. I was saved!+

In an instant, in the fleeting moment it took to read one verse from Scripture, Charles Spurgeon took his eyes off his own desperate condition and looked up. He heard the Word of God and he responded. Instead of focusing on the storms outside and the chaos inside his heart, he looked up. Instead of wallowing in the agony of despair and disillusionment, he looked up. Instead of staring downward into the corridors of hell, he looked up.

It is such an amazingly simple thing to do: To take our eyes off ourselves - off our own difficulties, disasters, diseases, dilemmas, and disturbances - and look up to God. To open the door of our heart and allow the King of the Universe to enter.

Often, like Charles Spurgeon, we become so embroiled in our pain and sorrow that we are certain that God will strike us dead if we turn to Him. But like Spurgeon, we are dead wrong when we think that way. For the Lord Jesus promised that no matter how burdened and beaten we are, no matter how diseased and disjointed, if we will just turn to Him, He will give us rest.

Charles Spurgeon was at the point of spiritual death when he finally found rest in Christ. And so have countless others throughout the ages. And so can we. It is so simple. All we have to do is look up.

— The Very Rev. Dr. Steve Sellers+



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**LOOKING FOR A FEW NEAT THINGS TO PLAN FOR THE LATE SPRING AND SUMMER MONTHS?**

We are entering the home stretch of the school year, with the summer months approaching, and a great many families are starting to make plans for vacations and weekend getaways. If you are looking for ways to strengthen your spiritual life this vacation season, then here are a few suggestions:

\* Start this month by reading four or five chapters from the Bible every day. And continue to read portions of the Bible daily over the next three to four months. You will be amazed at how quickly you can read large portions of Scripture in just a few months - especially if you start reading through the New Testament first.

\* Start this month by getting up each day 10 minutes earlier, and spend those extra minutes thanking God for the blessings He showers upon us every day. Use this time to THANK Him and PRAISE Him. Don't simply bombard Him with additional prayer requests. He knows our needs before we ask.

\* At least once a week, write a note of encouragement to someone special in your life.

\* At least once a week, write a note of thanks to a former teacher, coach, Sunday School teacher, choir director, professor, mentor, friend, or family member. And remember to pray for them.

\* At least once a day, try to talk to a family member, friend, neighbor, or associate about what God is doing in your life.

\* Spend more time listening to others, rather than talking. Listen and watch for non-verbal signals during those conversations.

\* Give thanks to the Lord before every meal, even if it is a meal on the run.

\* Silently ask the Lord several times a day for guidance, inspiration, and empowerment. Quote the words of Jesus on the Cross: "Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit."

\* Attend church every Sunday. And Wednesdays, when you can. If you're out-of-town, visit a church nearby.

With a simple routine like this, I can guarantee you that your life will be changed dramatically by the time summer ends. And the lives of those around you will be positively impacted, as well.

— Fr. Steve Sellers +

**'SAFEGUARDING GOD'S PEOPLE' CLASS: MAY 8**



Dr. Sellers will be leading a Safeguarding God's People class for the Southeast Region of the diocese on Saturday, May 8, at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church here in Fargo. The class is from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All clergy and lay ministers are required to take this class, which deals with making our churches safe places for all. This class deals specifically with raising awareness, and helping us safeguard against, sexual abuse and sexual exploitation. A separate course - Safeguarding God's Children - focuses on youth and children. Fr. Sellers is a certified trainer for both of those courses.

If you have questions about these classes, please contact the Cathedral office.

**EVE OF ASCENSION WORSHIP: WEDNESDAY, MAY 12**

Our Wednesday evening worship service on Wednesday, May 12, will celebrate the Eve of the Ascension of our Lord Jesus (the fortieth day after Easter). Our service of Holy Communion will be at 5:30 p.m. in the chapel.

This will also be the last evening for our Wednesday night meals. And it will be the final of six classes led by Bishop Michael and Dean Sellers on the Streams of Living Waters in the Christian faith.



**CANON CARRIE BOREN  
FROM DALLAS TO LEAD  
SPECIAL WORKSHOP ON  
SATURDAY, MAY 15**

Canon Carrie Boren from the Diocese of Dallas will lead a special workshop on "Fresh Expressions" for ministry here at Gethsemane Cathedral at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 15. Canon Boren is the lay canon for evangelism in the Diocese of Dallas. She was the main speaker at our Diocesan Convention last October in Bismarck, and she preached at Gethsemane Cathedral on the Sunday following our convention.

Our bishop, the Rt. Rev. Michael Smith, has strongly encouraged all clergy and lay leaders throughout the Eastern part of the diocese, and all elected delegates to convention, to attend the workshop. Canon Boren will lead a companion workshop on "Fresh Expressions" on Saturday, May 8, in Bismarck.

For more information, please call the Cathedral or diocesan office.

**SCHOOL YEAR ENDS, SENIORS  
HONORED, COOKOUT  
SCHEDULED FOR PENTECOST  
SUNDAY, MAY 23**



Pentecost Sunday (May 23) is the birthday of the church, a story told in Acts Chapter 2 of the Holy Spirit's descent upon and empowerment of the first 120 followers of the Lord Jesus. That historic event took place 50 days after Easter, in the Upper Room in Jerusalem.

This year we will have a variety of special events at Gethsemane Cathedral to observe this day:

\* We will have TWO services that morning (8 a.m. and 10 a.m.), as we move into our summer schedule of worship services.

\* At the 10 a.m. service, we will recognize and thank all of our Sunday School teachers and students.

\* Also at the 10 a.m. service, we will honor our graduating seniors.

\* And after the 10 a.m. service, at 11:30 a.m., we will have our end-of-the-school year cookout and party. Sign-up sheets are on the Information Desk in the Great Hall for those who want to help with the set-up, cooking, serving, and clean-up.

(The last day of Sunday School will be Sunday, May 16.)

Thanks to all who helped during this school year!

## FINAL CLASSES SCHEDULED FOR BIBLE STUDIES

The final Monday morning women's Bible study will be at 7 a.m. on Monday, May 17; and the final Tuesday morning men's Bible study will be at 7 a.m. on Tuesday, May 18. Both classes, taught by Dr. Sellers, will break for the summer. The women's class has read through the Gospel of Mark, and Paul's letters to the Galatians and the Ephesians; and the men's class has read through the Book of the Acts of the Apostles and the Book of Revelation.

Both classes will resume in September.

## SALVATION ARMY MEAL: SUNDAY, MAY 30



Gethsemane Cathedral will be serving the evening meal at the Salvation Army on Sunday, May 30, from 4:15 p.m. to 6 p.m. The cathedral serves at the Salvation Army on the fifth Sundays of months that have five Sundays. A sign-up sheet for volunteers is on the Information Desk in the Great Hall

## From the Music Stand of the Choir-master



As we come to the end of the principle musical season at Gethsemane Cathedral and move into our summer schedule, it is time to offer hearty thanks and applause for the Cathedral choristers who work diligently each week to provide choral leadership for our regular and special worship services. Since last September, the Cathedral Choir has prepared and presented 58 anthems, 38 psalms, and a myriad of hymns as well as facing the daunting task of adjusting to new musical leadership and stylistic ideas! We've also prepared and presented 2 choral evensong services, the Festival of Advent Lessons and Carols, a requiem mass by Daniel Pinkham and a cantata by J. S. Bach. What a wonderful year it has been!

Our Cathedral singers include: sopranos Margie Bailly, Sarah Davis (choir scholar), Maya Gascoyne (choir scholar), Carolyn Baker; altos Jan Bailly, Leah Hoblit (choir scholar), Emily Hunt, Sarah Herman; tenors Dave Bailly, Dick Bailly, Derek Dalhouse, David Hamilton, and basses John Adams, Bob Chabora, Doug Herman, and Sigurd Johnson. THANK YOU - one and all!

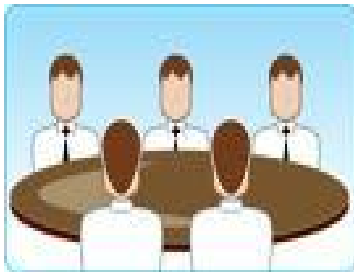
Many thanks also go out to the instrumentalists in our midst that have also presented musical offerings - especially Jessica Rogstad, clarinet, Emily Hunt, euphonium, James Harvey, violin, and William Harvey, cello.

If you have been a chorister in the past, or have wondered about singing in the choir or had thoughts of digging out that instrument you used to play, please take a moment and speak to one of the current singers, or to me and we'd be thrilled to welcome you to music-making at Gethsemane!

*Soli deo gloria,*  
Peggy



**SUMMER HOURS**  
**START Sunday, May 23rd**  
**Services will be held at**  
**8am Traditional**  
**10am Blended Service**



May Meetings

Monday, May 17, 4:30pm  
Finance Meeting

Thursday, May 20, 5:30pm  
Chapter Meeting

June Meetings

Monday, June 14, 4:30  
Finance Meeting

Thursday, June 17, 5:30  
Chapter Meeting

# Vacation Bible School

Another exciting week of  
Vacation Bible School is on the  
way!!

August 1-5th  
Preschool- Grade 5

As always we need volunteers!

Contact Ericka Morlan at 282-  
6974 or [morlans@far.midco.net](mailto:morlans@far.midco.net)  
if you are able to help in any  
way!

Look for more info throughout  
the summer!!

**Congratulations to the newly elected  
Foundation Officers:**

**Dick Anderson: President**

**Chris Golding: Treasurer**

**Jim Coomber: Secretary**

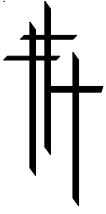


## May Birthdays

Name	Birthdate
Brant, Marilyn	05/01
Schweigert, Alison	05/02
Shook, Ian	05/02
Brant, David	05/03
Baker, Dora	05/04
Nemer, Floyd	05/04
Taylor, Casey	05/04
Hawken, Harry	05/07
Sugihara, May	05/08
Christopher, Kirby	05/09
Coomber, Eleanor	05/10
Kanuch, Ashlyn	05/10
Weaver, Katherine	05/10
Johnson, Per	05/12
Gibb, Mary	05/13
Hawken, Kathy	05/13
Anderson, Kimberly	05/14
Anderson, Katherine	05/14
Brant, Matthew	05/14
Bach, Danielle	05/15
Williams, Judy	05/15
Budzielek, Peter	05/16
Myhra, Roxann	05/16
Bailly, Michelle	05/17
Robley, Travis	05/17
Andrews, Mark	05/19
Herman, Matthew	05/19
Overbo, Terry	05/20
Swanson, Alice	05/21
Robinson, Thomas	05/22
Bertel, Barb	05/23
Kost, Rob	05/23
Leach, Alexander	05/23
Nemer, Michael	05/23
Overbo, Elizabeth	05/24
Brant, Cheryl	05/26
Annear, Gary	05/27
Ingstad, Brooke	05/27
Robbins, Charlotte	05/27
Robinson, Grace	05/27
Wagner, Cory	05/28

## June Birthdays

Name	Birthdate
Harvey, James	06/01
Hochstatter, Tara	06/01
Clapp, Edwin	06/04
Dosland, Vicky	06/05
Foss, Janet	06/07
Gokey, Mary	06/08
Hensch, Don	06/08
Simonson, Hunter	06/10
Weisser, Cathy	06/10
Cunningham, Mitch	06/11
Gnahn, Mary	06/12
Oboh-Weilke, Riwo	06/12
Robley, Lindsay	06/12
Simonson, Darcy	06/13
Dady, Caroline	06/14
Olson, Michael	06/14
Olson, Steven	06/14
Towers, Bruce	06/14
Spaeth, Claire	06/16
Bailly, Richard	06/20
Herman, Sarah	06/20
Simonson, Abbey	06/20
Cotton, Donna Rae	06/21
Corwin, Betty	06/23
Fisher, Barbara	06/23
Golding, Chris	06/23
Hegg, Lauren	06/24
Mitchell, Jeffrey	06/26
Sheets, Paula	06/26
Huesmann, Zachary	06/27
Jacobs, Symone	06/27
Reichert, Kathy	06/27
Watson, Brita	06/27
Petersen, Blake	06/28
Rosenfeldt, Brianna	06/28
Bach, Bradan	06/30
Bjerke, Nancy	06/30



# May 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						9:15am AA Meeting <b>1</b>
8am Traditional 9am Choir Rehearsal 9am Contemporary 10:10-10:50 Coffee Hour 11am Classical 6:30-8:30 Boy Scouts <b>2</b>	7am Women's Bible Study 7-9 AA Meeting <b>3</b>	7am Men's Bible Study <b>4</b>	9am Morning Prayer 5:30 Eucharist 5:30 Children's Choir 6pm Evening Meal 6:30 Renovare <b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	9:15am AA Meeting <b>8</b>
8am Traditional 9am Choir Rehearsal 9am Contemporary 10:10-10:50 Coffee Hour 11am Classical 6:30-8:30 Boy Scouts <b>9</b>	7am Women's Bible Study 7-9 AA Meeting <b>10</b>	7am Men's Bible Study <b>11</b>	9am Morning Prayer 5:30 Eucharist Last Wednesday Evening Meal <b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	9:15am AA Meeting Fresh Expression 10-2 Recitals 2-5 <b>15</b>
8am Traditional 9am Choir Rehearsal 9am Contemporary 10:10-10:50 Coffee Hour 11am Classical 6:30-8:30 Boy Scouts <b>16</b>	Last Monday morning Women's Bible Study 4:30 Finance Meeting 6-9 Girl Scouts 7-9 AA Meeting <b>17</b>	Last Tuesday morning Men's Bible Study <b>18</b>	9am Morning Prayer 5:30 Eucharist <b>19</b>	5:30 Chapter Meeting <b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	9:15am AA Meeting <b>22</b>
Summer Hours Start 8am Traditional 9:10-9:50 Coffee Hour 10am Blended 11:30 End of Year BBQ 6:30-8:30 Boy Scouts <b>23</b>	3:30 - 5:30 Recital 7-9 AA Meeting <b>24</b>	3-9 Recital <b>25</b>	9am Morning Prayer 5:30 Eucharist <b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	9:15am AA Meeting <b>29</b>
8am Traditional 9:10-9:50 Coffee Hour 10am Blended 4:15 Salvation Army Meal 6:30-8:30 Boy Scouts <b>30</b>	OFFICE CLOSED 7-9 AA Meeting <b>31</b>					

# June 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			9am Morning Prayer 5:30 Eucharist <b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	9:15am AA Meeting <b>4</b> <b>5</b>
8am Traditional 9:10-9:50 Coffee Hour 10am Blended 6:30-8:30 Boy Scouts <b>6</b>	7-9pm AA Meeting <b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	9am Morning Prayer 5:30 Eucharist <b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	9:15am AA Meeting <b>12</b>
8am Traditional 9:10-9:50 Coffee Hour 10am Blended 6:30-8:30 Boy Scouts <b>13</b>	Flag Day 4:30 Finance Meeting 7-9pm AA Meeting <b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	9am Morning Prayer 5:30 Eucharist <b>16</b>	5:30 Chapter Meeting <b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	Juneteenth 9:15am AA Meeting <b>19</b>
Father's Day 8am Traditional 9:10-9:50 Coffee Hour 10am Blended 6:30-8:30 Boy Scouts <b>20</b>	7-9pm AA Meeting <b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	9am Morning Prayer 5:30 Eucharist <b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	9:15am AA Meeting <b>26</b>
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**AHEAD TO AUGUST!**

**SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**Sundays**

- 8:00am Traditional Service
- 9:10-9:50 Coffee Hour
- 10:00am Blended Service

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