

Education for Ministry Update

Congratulations to Carra Wetzel for completing Education for Ministry. Members of her EfM group from Christ Church Cody were at St. John's on Sunday, August 19, to present a certificate of completion. EfM is a unique certificate program of theological education under the direction of The School of Theology in The University of South in Sewanee.

Carra joined the group when her late husband, The Reverend Ed Wetzel was starting the program. No group in Powell was available at the time. After Ed's death, Carra continued to travel to Cody weekly through the years and formed close bonds and a support network that was present for her during her darker days.

An EfM group is defined by its harmony of purpose. It is not simply a Bible study group, nor a religious study course, but a small community of practice focused on study, worship, and intentional theological reflection. Karen Meridith, director of EfM, describes the program this way,

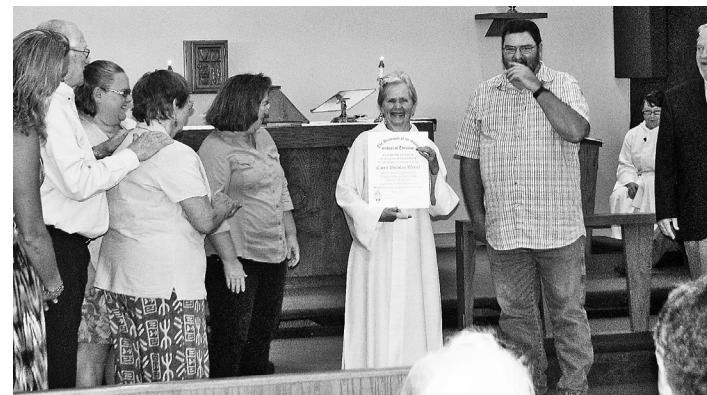
"EfM graduates become persons of faith who have internalized a way of looking at the world through a theologically informed lens, who can articulate the call to ministry as baptized members of the Body of Christ, and who are prepared

to work humbly with others with different experiences and perspectives. I believe these are just the kind of lay leaders the Church needs as we move forward in mission together."

The program takes four years to complete and is broken up into

these courses of study: • Year One: The Old Testament • Year Two: The New Testament • Year Three: Church History • Year Four: Theological Choices

EfM at St. John's is underway for the this fall. Year 3 students include Sue Woods, Jane Woods, Diana Anderson and Megan Nickles. Charlotte Patrick and Laurel McKeen are in Year 2; Genny Bettger and Susan McEvoy are in year 1.



Carra Wetzel receives her EfM certificate of completion as fellow group members look on.

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Trinity Church Workshop at TAC

Joan Chittister is not coming to Thomas the Apostle Center. Not in person.

She is, however, the featured speaker at Trinity Institute's National Theological Conference, Radical Christian Life: Equipping Ourselves for Social Change, a local and webcast conference that will offer tools for making the vital connection between contemplation and social action. The conference will be presented at Trinity Church, Broadway and Wall Street, New York, NY, with workshops next door at 74 Trinity Place. It will simultaneously be offered via webcast exclusively at Partner Sites.

Thomas the Apostle Center is an exclusive partner. This means that on November 9–10 you

could take the easy drive to the center and be part of this conference. Learn more about it at www.trinitywallstreet.org/faith/institute/2012/ and register at TAC by calling 587-4400.

"Our task is now to be radical Christian communities in the here and now, not fossils of a bygone reality, not leftovers from an earlier golden age. Now we need new wisdom and a new kind of struggle to determine what we must be and do in the midst of these changing times. The question is then: What does it mean to be a radical Christian community in times such as these?" —Joan Chittister, The Radical Christian Life

Events to Remember:

Altar Guild:

Jan Lenhard and Margaret Clabaugh served in August.

September: Adele Doughty and Carol McCauley

October: Laura Greathouse and Dolores Woods

Powell Valley Care Center Service:

Sunday, October 14, 2:30 p.m.

Vestry Meetings

Last Sunday of each month

Thrift Shop Cleaning Days:

Wednesday, Sept. 5, 1 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 24, 1 p.m.

August Birthdays

27 Mickey Wadell

September Birthdays

3	Donna Meidinger	18	Sue Woods
5	Meaghan McKeen	26	Josey Nickles
6	Deb Koelling	26	Louise Snedden
8	Diana Anderson	30	Pete Chidsey
11	Cameron Barker		

	September 2	September 9	September 16	September 23	September 30	October 7
Greeters	Jennifer Jensen Walter Johnson	Deb Chidsey Josephine DeWitt	Adele Doughty Martha Moewes	Carol McCauley Josephine DeWitt	Deb Koelling Rob Koelling	Susan McEvoy Jennifer Jensen
Worship Leader	Laura Greathouse	Mary Dillivan	Diana Anderson	Charlotte Patrick	Robert Rumbolz	Carra Wetzel
	Proper 17	Proper 18	Proper 19	Proper 20	Proper 21	Proper 22
Lector 1	Genny Bettger	Rob Koelling	Elaine DeBuhr	Bill Hassler	Mickey Waddell	Scott Larsen
Lector 2	Deb Koelling	Carol McCauley	Jennifer Jensen	Susan McEvoy	Katy Lytle	Carol Bendick
Preacher	Megan Nickles	Charlotte Patrick	Carra Wetzel	Diana Anderson	Megan Nickles	Charlotte Patrick
Intercessor	Jan Lenhard	Laura Greathouse	Charlotte Patrick	Carra Wetzel	Diana Anderson	Robert Rumbolz
Presider	Megan Nickles	Megan Nickles	Megan Nickles	Megan Nickles	Megan Nickles	Ron Lytle
Sound	Sue Woods	Rob Rumbolz	Sue Woods	Diana Anderson	Scott Larsen	Scott Larsen
Coffee host	Josephine DeWitt	Rowene Weems	McEvoy Family	Bettger Family	Ron & Katy Lytle	Carol McCauley
Flowers	Garden Flowers	Garden Flowers	Garden Flowers	Garden Flowers	Garden Flowers	Diana Anderson

NEW Notes for Lectors

Please contact Megan Nickles if you are unavailable for certain services.

Two lectors have been assigned for each Sunday, and the readings should be divided as follows:

Morning Prayer:

Lector 1 reads the first lesson

Lector 2 reads the second and third lesson

Lector 1 reads the first lesson and the Psalm

Lector 2 reads the second lesson

The appropriate selection has been given for each Sunday (Proper 4, Proper 5, etc.), and we are currently in lectionary Year C of the Book of Common Prayer Lectionary. The complete readings are printed in the lectionary book at the lectern. The readings are also available on-line at <http://www.lectionarypage.net/>

St. John's is using the Book of Common Prayer Lectionary (BCP) available on-line at <http://www.lectionarypage.net/>. Other sites with the RCL can be

reached through Google or any other search engine, but this is the easiest site to navigate – just be sure to click the “BCP” link for the day, not the “RCL”.

The complete readings are also printed in the Lectionary book at the lectern. These pages may be photocopied, if you wish to take them home for practice.

If there is a choice between two Hebrew Bible lessons (Old Testament), we will be using the first choice, which offers a loosely chronological narrative of stories of The Great Family. If the preacher decides to use other readings, you will be notified.

Sometime during the week before you read, you will get an email from Diana Anderson or Megan Nickles with a link to your reading – this is just to be sure we are all on the same page.

If you want to understand the context of your reading, there are many excellent websites that provide notes and background for each lection. Go to <http://textweek.com/> for quick access to these sites.