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St. John's partners with the Episcopal Foundation for the Diocese for two community projects

In March, St. John's entered into partnership with our local Habitat for Humanity Affiliate to improve owner-occupied homes as part of Habitat's Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative (NRI). This mission was awarded a major \$50,000 grant from our Diocesan Foundation to support this project.

The NRI preserves existing homes, including repairs and other services which helps families that are already living in their homes, but can no

hoods and particular houses, and will begin making contact with homeowners in the next week or so.

St. John's was also part of a grant-seeking effort to support families take part in a invigorating winter activity. The grant provides Big Horn Basin families the opportunity to learn to ski at Sleeping Giant Ski Area. The Yellowstone Recreations Foundation, the fund-raising arm for the ski area, is hoping to promote skiing with a

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longer afford to maintain them. The NRI starts at the grassroots level – with people in the community determining the goals for their neighborhood. It is a house by house, street by street and neighborhood by neighborhood program to preserve and improve existing homes and build stronger communities.

Our NRI committee has canvassed the houses of Powell, and has begun to focus on neighbor-

\$40,000 grant for its family scholarship fund.

Included in the \$40,000 from the Diocese were grants from the following local churches: Christ Episcopal Church, Cody (\$10,000), St. John's Episcopal Church, Powell (\$500), St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Meeteetse (\$100) and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Basin (\$250). The money will be used to finance YRF's family scholarship fund.

General Manager of Sleeping Giant Jon Reveal said the grant will make a significant impact.

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The grant offsets more than the lift ticket expenditures. “This grant covers not only their lift tickets but lessons, rentals and season passes,” Woods said. “It’s not just one round of skiing. It covers the whole season.”

Ann Simpson, vice president and chairman of the fundraiser of YRF, said the grant makes it

easier for families to spend time together. “It’s to encourage families to ski together,” Simpson said.

If interested in applying for a family scholarship, or if you know someone who might benefit from it, call YRF’s office, 578-6312 or pick up an application at the office, Suite 207, 13th St., Cody or online at the Sleeping Giant website, skisg.com. Click “Contact Us” and select “Scholarships.”

Remember also that all fifth grade students ski and free as well, and equipment rentals and one group lesson are included, too!

Saints Day at Washington National Cathedral.

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Episcopal Church, Baltimore, Maryland, when he was elected to the see on Feb. 11, 2000. He is also the current chair of Episcopal Relief & Development’s Board of Directors.

This makes the second time in a row that the General Convention made history with its election of a presiding bishop. In 2006, Jefferts Schori became the first woman ever elected presiding bishop of The Episcopal Church. She was also the first female among the primates, or ordained leaders, of the Anglican Communion’s 38 provinces, a distinction she still holds.

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The presiding bishop is primate and chief pastor of the church, chair of the Executive Council, and president of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The canonical outline of the presiding bishop’s election and term can be found in Title I Section 2 of the church’s Canons.

(The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society is the legal and canonical name under which The Episcopal Church is incorporated, conducts business and carries out mission.)

For more about the election process and Bishop-elect’s work in the church, go to <http://episcopal-digitalnetwork.com/ens/2015/06/27/north-carolina-bishop-michael-curry-elected-as-27th-presiding-bishop/>

Presiding Bishop Elected

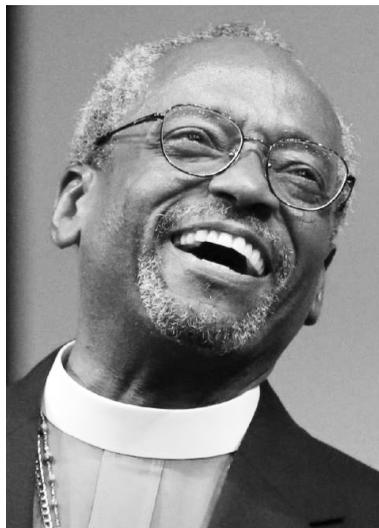
[Episcopal News Service – Salt Lake City, Utah] The Episcopal Church’s General Convention made history June 27 when it chose Diocese of North Carolina Bishop Michael Curry to

be its 27th presiding bishop.

Curry, 62, was elected by the House of Bishops from a slate of four nominees on the first ballot. He received 121 votes of a total 174 cast. Diocese of Southwest Florida Bishop Dabney Smith received 21, Diocese of Southern Ohio Bishop Thomas Breidenthal, 19, and Diocese of Connecticut Bishop Ian Douglas, 13. The number of votes needed for election was 89.

Curry’s election was confirmed an hour later by the House of Deputies, as outlined in the church’s canons, by a vote of 800 to 12.

He will serve a nine-year term that officially begins Nov. 1. On that date, Curry will succeed current Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori and he will become the first person of color to hold that position. A liturgy marking the beginning of Curry’s ministry as presiding bishop and primate will be celebrated Nov. 1, All



North Carolina Bishop Michael Curry

Powell Valley Loaves & Fishes contributions are always needed and appreciated. There is a basket for these contributions in the Narthex for items that will be delivered to the Annex.

During the month of May, 71 families/250 people were served. Summer is a busy time for the food pantry with children not in school. It will be a long stretch of time until our October Food Drive. Any and all professionally pro-

cessed foods are always needed and appreciated. The items we are continually purchasing are pancake mix, peanut butter, rice, 100% fruit juices, and cereal. Thank you for your ongoing support and prayers.

The Rev. Megan Nickles (754-4218) is available at any time. Please call to make an appointment or for any emergency.

