



Christ Church Cathedral Catedral Iglesia de Cristo

The Grapevine

JANUARY 2015

From our Clergy Leadership Team- The Rev. Harlon Dalton and The Rev. Miguelina Howell

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ. As the last Parish Committee meeting of the year drew to a close, we invited its members to describe, in a single word, life at the Cathedral in 2014. The room fell silent for a moment, as they paused to reflect. Eventually one brave soul volunteered a word. "Engaged." As heads nodded, another said "dynamic," and another "reinvigorated." Other committee members continued in a similar vein. Then someone broke the pattern by proffering the word "enjoyable." She explained (contrary to the ground rules) that parishioners are once again delighting in one another's company, and are hanging around after church and after other gatherings just to chat. The final person to speak chose "forward-looking" as his word. He went on to explain that "we used to spend all of our time talking about what used to be. Now we are focused on what we are becoming."

Much was indeed accomplished in 2014, and for that we are profoundly grateful. Your willingness to step out in faith has been truly inspiring.

We cannot wait to see what God has in store for the Cathedral in the months ahead. 2014 was, in many ways, a time of capacity building, as a parish and as a cathedral. Because of this hard work, we are poised to do great things in 2015 -- so long as we remain faithful to the One who was, and is, and is to come.

Faithfully, *Harlon and Lina*

Reflections on a year as Chair of the Parish Committee- Lucy Groening

The role of the Parish Committee is to advise the Cathedral clergy, provide leadership to the congregation and, in consultation with the Vicar, oversee the Parish Ministry Teams. The members of the Parish Committee also serve as full members of the Cathedral Chapter. I felt honored last year when I was asked to serve as Chair of the Parish Committee. My working years were devoted to administration and management so I figured I could do the job. What I didn't realize was quite how much "job" there is to this position. Past Chairs are laughing now as they read this. It is helpful that I am retired and live close by. With the position comes serving on the Chapter Finance and Buildings and Grounds committees. Monthly I also meet with the Ministry Team coordinators, which is a really fun group. I get to attend the 8:00 service from time to time for various announcements. I need to tell us 10:00 o'clockers what a beautiful service we have here at 8:00 a.m. service! The Episcopal Church in Connecticut is also involving parish leadership in some of their planning. I found Diocesan Convention to be an interesting and worthwhile event. I work closely with Lina and that has proven to be the real joy of the job. We work well together and support each other in our various endeavors. All in all 2014 has been an extraordinary year in the life of the Cathedral and I am pleased and proud to be an integral part of our life here together. With the Annual Meeting coming up on January 25th I just want to remind us all how important it is to embrace roles such as the Parish Committee and in the work of the Ministry Teams to further God's mission in our midst. *Lucy*

From the Register

Baptism

November 2, 2014

Luis M. Rodriguez

Trinity Francis

Marriage

August 16, 2014 – Janice E. Rawlins &
Fred C. Faulkner

August 18, 2014– Jeff Baraglia-Palmer & Richard
Baraglia (Blessing of Union Ceremony)

October 24, 2014 – Megan Mary Patrigani &
Brian Robert Roman

Burial

June 7, 2014 – James W. Bain

August 14, 2014 – Barbara Peterson

September 27, 2014 – Elizabeth L. Martin

October 4, 2014 – Roseanne Richards Stockwell

October 18, 2014– The Rev. Thomas F. Beveridge

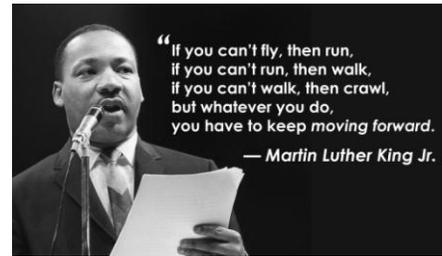
December 13, 2014- Pasquale Maffucci

Asylum Quartet to Hold Free Concert



The Asylum Quartet, the Cathedral's Ensemble-in-Residence, will give a free concert on Thursday, January 22, at 7:30 p.m. The Quartet consists of four classically trained saxophonists who play everything from classical and modern works to indie rock, world music and klezmer. They were a hit with their free outdoor lunchtime concert in October.

The association with the Quartet is part of a significant effort by the Cathedral to broaden our involvement in and support of the arts in the Greater Hartford community. Should you have questions or would like to learn more about our Ensemble-in-Residence, please contact our Music Director, Joshua Slater, or our Vicar, Miguelina Howell. Come and enjoy!



Martin Luther King, Jr. to be Remembered

In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr., a commemoration of his lifework for social equality and justice for all persons will be held following the 10 a.m. service on Sunday, January 18. Check for more details in the online weekly E-News and in the preceding Sunday bulletins.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 5 Crafters, Cathedral House, 10 a.m.
- 11 Three Kings Day/Tres Reyes Magos, 10:30 a.m., combined bilingual service
- 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day commemoration, 11:30 a.m.
- 20 Soup & Services, 5 p.m.
- 22 Asylum Quartet concert, 7:30 p.m.
- 25 Annual Parish Meeting, 11: 30 a.m.

Happy January Birthdays

David Ayiku	Molly James
Constance Bain	Daniel Kingman
Richard Baraglia	James LeChausse
Anne Bartholomew	Michael O'Brien
Angela Benjamin	Isaac Scott
Wayne Benjamin	John Scott
Kathleen Coley	Joshua Slater
Robert Coykendall	Stephanie Taylor
Winnie Dawson-Pusey	Isaac Teles
Barbara Drayton	Maximino Vargas
Donna Hales	Patricia Walker
Kenneth Hungerford	



Three Kings Day/Tres Reyes Magos on January 11



Celebrate the traditional Latino custom of Three Kings Day/Tres Reyes Magos at a combined bilingual service and pageant on Sunday, January 11, at 10:30 a.m. Featured at the service will be Surcari, an instrumental group led by Lorena Garay, Spanish Music Coordinator. The group features its own compositions as well as arrangements of Latin American, Andean, Afro-Caribbean, Spanish and world music. They perform on more than 40 wind, string and percussion instruments.

This will be the first bilingual service of the new year. A special reception for children will be held during the Fellowship Hour.

Uyeki Justice Forum Meets on Racism Issue



Picture of the facade of St. Mark's in the Bowery, New York City.

On December 7, after the 10 a.m. service, the Cathedral's Uyeki Justice Forum held an open meeting for interested persons on the issues of racism and racial justice galvanized by recent tragic episodes in Missouri, New York and Ohio involving unarmed black males and white policemen. Most of the discussion focused on police/community relations and how Christ Church Cathedral, with help from Forum members, can become concretely involved in confronting racism and promoting positive change.

There was great interest in connecting with other initiatives in the community such as Mothers United Against Violence and in recruiting mentors to work with young people through such organizations as the Boys and Girls Clubs. It was also suggested by the group, and agreed by our Clergy leaders, to hang #Black Lives Matter banners on the Main and Church Street sides of the building.

Tim Cole, facilitator for the group, will plan a follow-up meeting in late January or early February. Our clergy leaders, Harlon Dalton, Priest-in-Charge, and Vicar Lina Howell, will be involved in Forum activities that will hopefully lead to action. As noted by those at the meeting, people are tired of just talking about the problems of racism.

If you weren't at the meeting and wish to be involved, contact Tim at tim@westwindconsulting.net to be on an information list. The Uyeki Justice Forum is open to all.

Prayer for a New Year

Instead of anger, let me feel compassion

Instead of rage, let me show concern

Instead of hate, let me seek change.

For if to a warring wondering world
each of us will bring compassion, concern, change,
Then perhaps there will be love.

by Lois Wyse

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING ON JANUARY 25

Notice is hereby given of the Annual Meeting of Christ Church Cathedral/ Catedral Iglesia de Cristo to be held on Sunday, January 25, 2015, in the Cathedral House Auditorium immediately following the 10 a.m. service.

The Rt. Rev. Ian Douglas, Diocesan Bishop, will preside. All parishioners are urged to attend to hear about program plans and the presentation of the budget for 2015. A lunch will be provided by the Hospitality Team after the meeting.

Information will be given on stewardship, the Ministry Teams, the 2015 budget and other financial matters as well as what has occurred in the life of the parish during the past year. Members will be able to participate in the discussions and have their questions answered.

Elections will be held to fill the following offices:

- **Clerk of the Cathedral**
- **Parish Committee members**
- **Delegates to the Annual Diocesan Convention**

The Parish Committee represents the interests of the congregation, advises the clergy, provides leadership to the congregation and in consultation with the Vicar, oversees the Parish Ministry Teams. Each Parish Committee member is also a member the Cathedral Chapter which is the legally constituted Board of Trustees of the Cathedral. The Chapter also includes members from outside the Cathedral. All major decisions affecting the life of the Cathedral require approval by the Chapter.

Cathedral Building Recognized



During 2014 the *Hartford Courant* celebrated its 250 years of publication by featuring various aspects of the city and state. On October 19, a whole page of the Sunday paper was devoted to “Connecticut’s Character Revealed” with photos and captions of “Must See” architecture.

Of the 12 buildings selected, three are in Hartford—the State Capitol, the Mark Twain House and Christ Church Cathedral. The caption for the Cathedral reads, “The church’s architecture by Ithiel Town exemplifies a new vigor in the Episcopal Church and the desire for a well-defined identity. Gothic revival also was favored by the Church of England, its mother church.”



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