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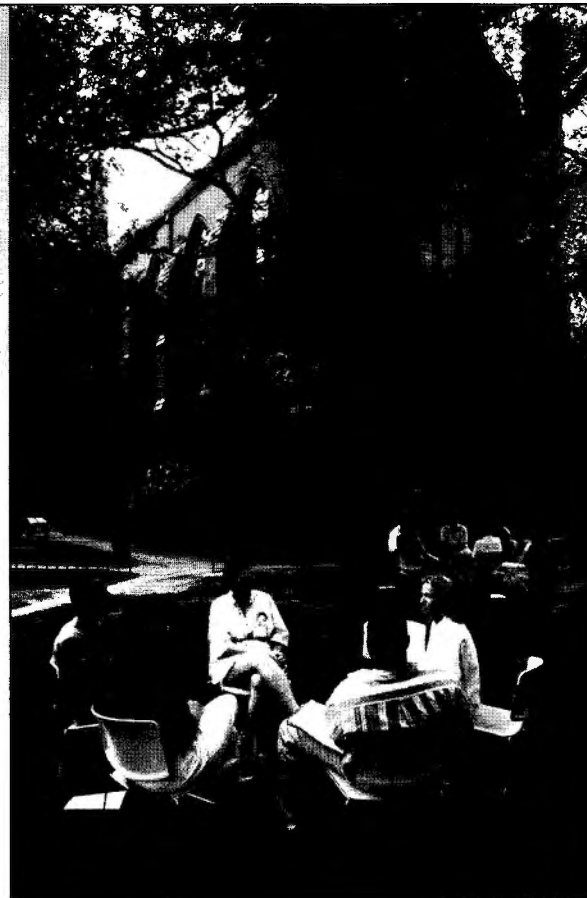
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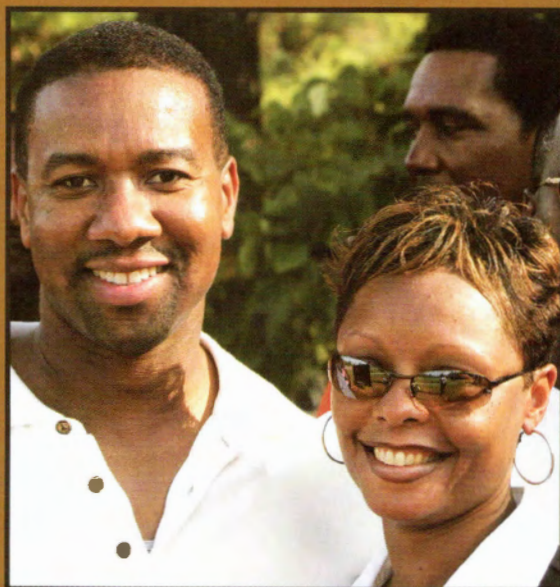
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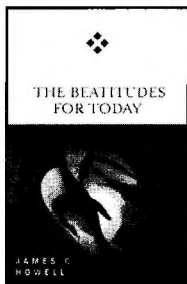
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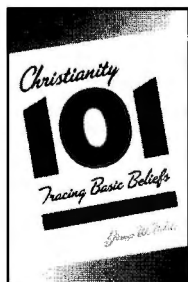
"James

Howell's lovely new book *The Beatitudes for Today* is both poetic and prophetic . . . , a soufflé of the spirit and mind, for individuals and groups—and indeed for the human family, come not a moment too soon."

—Susan Marie Smith, Assistant Professor of Preaching and Worship, Saint Paul School of Theology, Kansas City, MO.

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# Yielding Our Will

*'...for this purpose I have come...'* (John 12:27)

**Fifth Sunday in Lent, April 2, 2006**

**BCP:** Jer. 31:31-34, Psalm 51 or 51:11-16, Heb. 5:(1-4)5-10, John 12:20-33

**RCL:** Jer. 31:31-34, Psalm 51:1-13 or 119:9-16, Heb. 5:5-10, John 12:20-33

Our 40-day sojourn in penitence draws us near to Holy Week and Easter, through which we are to be confronted with the very heart of the mystery of our salvation. This seasonal self-examination will have made us more conscious of those "things we ought not to have done" which we continually do, as well as our failures to act in accord with our high calling as God's people. Our worship on this Sunday challenges us to see that our reliance on the Lord, our dependence on the Savior, begins with the disposition of our heart and will.

Recognizing that only God "can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners," we pray in the collect of the day for grace. In phrasing that is echoed in the assigned portion of Psalm 119, we pray that grace will empower us to love and desire the commandments and promises of God. This petition is consistent with that familiar plea from Psalm 51, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me." Righteousness begins within us as our hearts and souls awaken with longing for the will of God.

But our longing, our desires, wills,

and affections, will not incline us towards God's righteousness without divine inspiration. Jeremiah's prophecy underscores this spiritual reality. It is the Lord who says, "I will put my law within them, and I will write it upon their hearts." Only by God's acting upon us in mercy and grace do we receive forgiveness and yield our own wills to the divine will.

This being so, it appears that we are called into humble vulnerability before the Father. Both the epistle and the gospel suggest that such humility and vulnerability can be seen in the self-offering of Jesus. According to the Hebrew letter, Christ humbly relied on "him who was able to save him from death" and "although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered." In the passage from St. John, though his "soul was troubled," Jesus prayed openly not for fulfillment of his own desire but "for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify thy name." Like our Savior and by his grace, we may come to rely upon and surrender to the purpose of our Father. Thus will we find our hearts, minds and souls cleansed from sin and created anew.

**Look It Up**

Read Psalm 51 and Psalm 119:9-16. Consider what these psalms teach us about our inward disposition concerning the will of God.

**Think About It**

Christian faith affirms that Jesus "lived as one of us, yet without sin." What can the notion that "he learned obedience through what he suffered" teach us about our learning the ways of God?

**Next Sunday**

**The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, April 9, 2006**

**BCP:** Isaiah 45:21-25 or 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22:1-21 or 22:1-11; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark (14:32-72)15:1-39(40-47)

**RCL:** Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39(40-47)



**MARKED**

By **Steve Ross**. Church Publishing/Seabury Books. (www.seaburybooks.org). \$20. Pp. 180. ISBN 1-59627-002-0

You don't usually think of the terms "comic book" and "Church Publishing" in the same sentence. But maybe you should. Its first offering of the graphic novel genre, Steve Ross's

*Marked*, is an excellent resource for youth ministries. It would make a great present from a person who cared to bring the gospel to the life of a young adult.

For the uninitiated, a graphic novel is a form of media much in

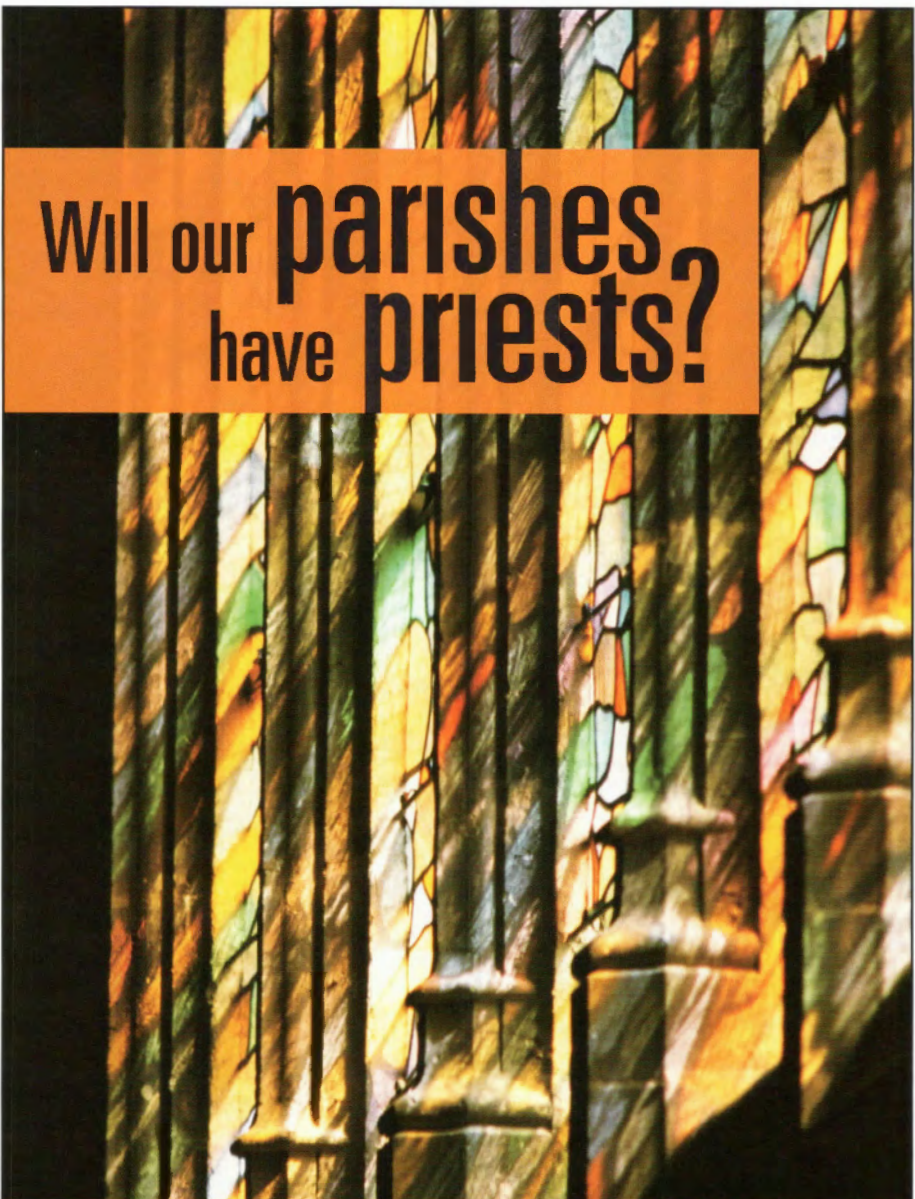
demand by the Millennials. What a previous generation would dismiss as "comic books" have actually developed into a new genre of literature, greatly influenced by Japanese *manga* art forms. The pictures are highly stylized, and the subjects are not just the adventures of a superhero, but concern significant issues of life, death, and the meaning behind the complicated world with which our young people must deal.

Graphic novels are not for the squeamish. They are often noted for their sexual and violent content. The characters have names that make parents wince. This was the challenge for Church Publishing: To find a graphic novel that was not immediately dismissed as what Grandma gives you so you won't read what you want.

*Marked* succeeds as just this kind of evangelical tool. It depicts the narrative of the Gospel of Mark faithfully and in gripping form. The Holy Land is occupied territory, its people subjected to totalitarian control, complete with automated communion-dispensing machines. John the Baptizer eats out of dumpsters. Mary Magdalene is attracted to Jesus' table fellowship by the aroma of his lasagna dinner wafting through the window as she turns a trick.

*Marked* is faithfully serious, but it is also poignantly (and sometimes laugh-

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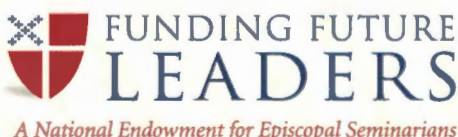


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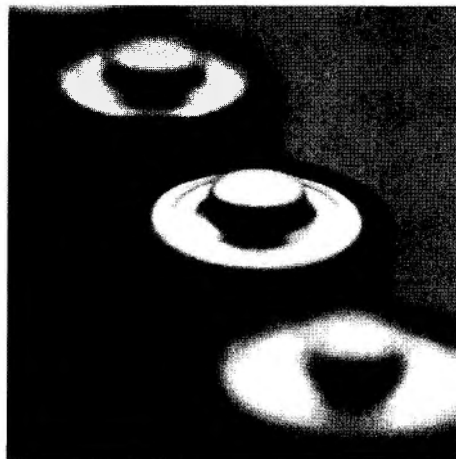
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out-loud) funny, and filled with visual puns. Elvis manages the queue at Jesus' healing appearances. The rich young man is weighed down by a backpack on wheels filled with designer suits, a bikini-clad girl, and a tray of *Cosmopolitans*. Jesus is condemned to death by a reality TV show audience calling in their votes at \$2.50 per call. On the cross, he wears what looks like a paper crown from Burger King. No one in the novel looks like the stereotypical "gentle Jesus meek and mild." No one except Barabbas.

Mark was never a comfortable gospel to read. Its earliest readers were so dismayed by its seemingly hopeless ending that they tacked on a happier version (v. 16:9-20). *Marked* will not be a comfortable book for church-ed adults to read, either. But *Marked* does not sell out the gospel for entertainment purposes. The demanding message of Mark comes through loud and clear: Jesus is truly Emmanuel, God-with-us, turning the world as we know it upside down.

One of my 16-year-old agnostics swallowed it in one gulp, volunteering the comment, "If you know your Bible, it's a lot funnier." Bingo.

(The Rev.) Lori Mills-Curran  
Natick, Mass.

## The Teacher's Way

### Teaching and the Contemplative Life

By Maria Lichtmann. Paulist Press. \$12.95.  
ISBN 0-8091-4303-8.

When teachers must justify everything they do in the classroom applicable to standardized tests, when budgets for the arts and time for field trips must give way to "content," and when admissions personnel insist we consider college students (and their parents) "customers," the notion of teaching and the contemplative life is liable to generate a snort, a sigh, or a sense of nostalgia for a world that never was. But for those of us for whom teaching is indeed a vocation, Maria Lichtmann's *The Teacher's Way: Teaching and the Contemplative Life*



offers both affirmation and some concrete strategies. Lichtmann is a theologian and a teacher; she has experienced firsthand the frustrations of teaching and she reminds us of the early Church disciplines from which our profession (in both senses) derives.

The method she proposes is *lectio divina*, which she draws from the models of Benedict of Nursia's "Rule," Guigo the Carthusian's "Ladder of Monks" and St. Thomas Aquinas' scholasticism. This model breaks down into five components: *Lectio*, or Attention; *Meditatio*, or Reflection; *Oratio*, or Receptivity; and the two-part *Contemplatio*, or Transformation and Activity. Lichtmann deliberately, I am glad to say, articulates that these steps are not hierarchical, but circular. At the end of each section, she offers specific, con-

crete strategies for integrating each step into the classroom.

We teachers may or may not be able to transform teaching through contemplation, but Lichtmann's book can perhaps help us to help our students negotiate their educational priorities with a consciousness that derives from contemplative engagement.

Maria M. Scott  
Ashland, Va.

### The Text of the New Testament Its Transmission, Corruption, and Restoration. Fourth Edition.

By Bruce M. Metzger and Bart D. Ehrman.  
Oxford. Pp. 366. \$34.95. ISBN 0-19-516122-X.

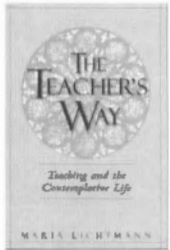
Archbishop Michael Ramsey, in speaking about the problems of fundamentalism, used to ask, "And how do fundamentalists explain that some versions of the Bible fell from heaven with the Apocrypha, and some without it?" The history of the

text of the scriptures is fascinating.

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The great critic A. E. Housman once said that textual criticism is the science of detecting error in the text, and the art of removing it. It may seem strange to some that the text of the New Testament would present such problems, but that makes this book all the more important. Not just a book

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*(The Very Rev.) Peter Eaton  
Denver, Colo.*

## Revelations on the Road

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By **Lynn W. Huber**. Woven Word Press ([www.wovenword.com](http://www.wovenword.com)). Pp. 161. \$17. ISBN 0-9719383.

Spiritual director, retreat and conference leader, Lynn Huber has lovingly distilled her wisdom into this book. Covering a variety of subjects of

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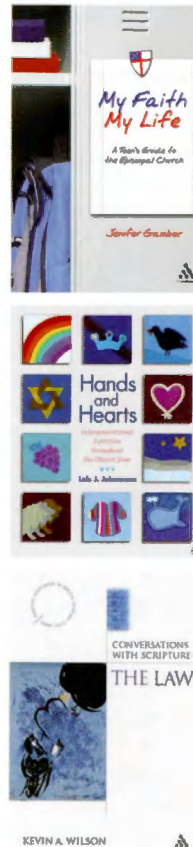
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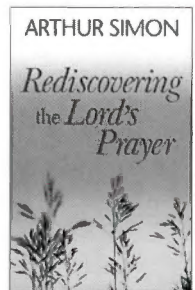
## Rediscovering the Lord's Prayer

By **Arthur Simon**. Augsburg. Pp. 135. \$12. ISBN 0-8066-5134-2.

For many years Art Simon, Lutheran pastor, founder and president emeritus of Bread for the World, found the Lord's Prayer lacking in meaning for him. Then, during a shattering personal crisis, listening to the words of the prayer brought him God's healing presence and hope for a new life in Christ, just as the early Christians believed that the Lord's Prayer expressed their profound hope for the coming of God's kingdom.

Simon describes the faith teachings and challenges of each phrase of the prayer for Christians in contemporary American society.

While sensitive to contemporary concerns, he defends retaining “Our Father” in light of Jesus' use of “Abba, Father” to show his loving relationship with his heavenly Father. For Simon, Jesus' invitation to his disciples to call God “our Father” is also “asking us to join him in a new Exodus, a journey with him through this earthly wilderness into the promised



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land of God's everlasting reign."

For the author, the Lord's Prayer is a revealing lens through which to view our contemporary American society. In stark contrast to the psalmist's thirst for God and the coming of God's kingdom, Simon sees our society as caught up in hoping for personal fulfillment through the acquisition of more and more possessions. To pray for God's kingdom to come, the author warns, is to "be ready to live the way of the kingdom. It is not a prayer for staying the way we are."

"Give us daily bread" is not just about our needs for today, Simon asserts, but for the bread of life received in Holy Communion and ultimately for that bread which Jesus promised to share with us at "the messianic feast in heaven." As we are fed, the author reminds us, so are we called to help fill the needs of others, a difficult commitment to fulfill because so often we succumb to greed, "the unchallenged sin in the American church." That greed often keeps us from doing God's will—to work and pray so that others may eat and to pray for justice out of our love for others. Simon's closing statement in this chapter is thought-provoking: "Is it not beyond interesting that our prayer for daily bread, while many go hungry, is followed immediately by a request to God for forgiveness?"

Arthur Simon probes the challenges inherent in the Lord's Prayer for the thoughtful and committed Christian. This reader finds the book lacking a certain cohesiveness in style; perhaps that stems from his presenting ideas in such a way that they take on a conversational "by the way" feeling that may distract the listener or reader. Despite this criticism, this reader sees his book's usefulness in a church-related discussion group.

**The Lord's Prayer is a revealing lens...**

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## SHARPS, FLATS & NATURALS

# Born and Called

## The Making of Church Musicians

By Patricia Nakamura

Talking with musicians around the Episcopal Church, I've gotten the sense that this is a group born, not made, a vocation not so much consciously chosen but called to, as clearly as to the ministry of the diaconate or the priesthood.

One lifelong organist and choirmaster recounted "a numinous experience the first time I saw Mass at age 9." He used the almost-universal phrase: "I've never wanted to do anything else." Another said, "I'm not conscious of having decided. I believe 'The Lord called me before I was born'." Still another described himself as "mono-directional," called always. "I was 3 or 4 years old, in shorts and beanie, staring at the painted pipes. The sound of the organ sent chills down my spine." Another recalled being enraptured by "the organ with its windblown sound."

### Music at Home

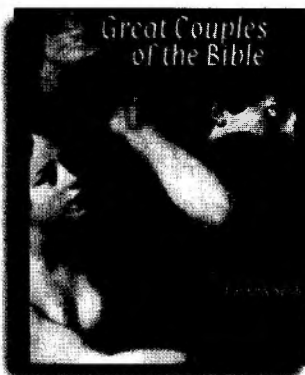
A further thread is the presence, always, of music at home and "a family life that was immersed in the church." It was so for me, certainly; my mother, an amateur pianist and church-choir alto; my father, supportive of these and devoted to the Saturday-afternoon symphony on the radio. *The 400 Hour* is still evoked by the smell of coffee brewing in the early evening.

"I had a superb piano teacher who insisted on hymn-playing," said one. Learning to accompany hymns and psalms, perhaps for Sunday school singing, was early training as well as the first church job for many.

Episcopal musicians bring to bench and loft backgrounds in Lutheran, Baptist, and Roman Catholic churches. At a recent Anglican retreat, a spontaneous chorus of "I Come to the Garden Alone" broke out at supper, among those of us who recall hymnbooks on the piano, or perhaps on a parlor pump

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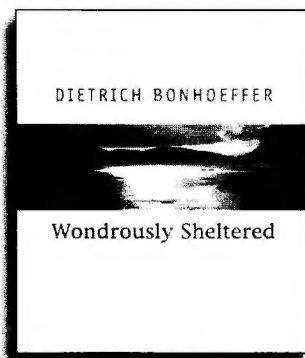
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organ, in childhood.

Before a child turns to the organ, he or she must have "good piano chops," said one. "The organ doesn't teach technique; the piano does, and serious organ literature demands technique."

Another concurred, pointing to "rock-solid piano, through the two- and three-part Inventions." Even though some avid young musicians will not wait that long, a good ratio is "two hours of piano for every hour at the organ."

"Technical skills at the keyboard and basic music lessons are essential before attempting the added challenge of physical coordination, aural discernment, and focus required for the study of the organ," one summed up. Another lamented, and many of us echo, "I wish I'd done it more seriously," speaking of early piano study.

With public school music classes all but unknown in many parts of the country, church choirs and private teachers must hold and nurture the young musician until she or he is ready for college. At that level there is some reason for optimism. Though many historic degrees and majors in church music have disappeared, some universities hold strong, including Indiana, Yale, and the University of Texas, where Judith and Gerre Hancock are rebuilding the program.

Many schools large and small offer organ studies and choral conducting, as well as more general music courses. One respondent pointed out that "organists need as broad a perspective of music - orchestral, operatic, folk." In addition, another pointed out, church musicians need skills in "group leadership, conflict management, spiritual life and discipline, program development and concert management," before adding wryly, "to name a few." Perhaps minors in international diplomacy and business management would be advantageous?

Some aspiring church musicians



pursue seminary training as a basis for the ministry. "You need to know all the Prayer Books, what goes with the rubrics, how to continue the traditions," one said. The Association of Anglican Musicians is working with

our seminaries to enhance the awareness of clerical students of the importance of music. The reverse is vital, too: musicians' knowledge of theological underpinnings. More than one has mentioned spending time in monasteries absorbing the chant tradition, and that of the Eastern Orthodox.

But another avenue that emerged was that of a sort of do-it-yourself informal apprenticeship. Whereas future doctors, lawyers or teachers follow distinct training paths, musicians, it seems, hunt up opportunities to sit at the feet of professional models and heroes — or at least peer over their shoulders on the organ bench. "Sit yourself down beside the organist/choirmaster and learn by osmosis" is familiar advice. A very lucky person said, "I followed David Willcocks around King's." Another "drove to Toronto every summer and sat and listened to Healy Willan ... just hung out."

There are formal apprenticeship programs out there, such as the opportunity seized by one who recalled being at Chichester Cathedral as an organ scholar. It was his first exposure to the English cathedral choral tradition, where "the choirs are so wonderful because they do it every day." We don't have the "English feeder system where every organist is a choir Old Boy - and Old Girl, now." Here, "you have to actually get into a church where you have to produce the goods every week; that's how you learn it."

I asked one if he would "do it over again." "Yes, I'd do it again, but I'd get a degree in computer science, too. I object to the fact that 'everybody needs a day job'. You are subsidizing your participation in church music." But that's a topic for another column.



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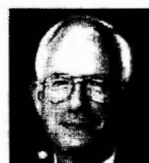
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## Lambeth Won't Revisit Homosexuality Debate, Archbishop Says

The 2008 Lambeth Conference will not revisit the topic of homosexuality, focusing instead on education, Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams wrote in a Lenten letter to the primates.

"We cannot properly or usefully re-open the discussion as if Resolution 1.10 of Lambeth 1998 [rejecting homosexual practice as incompatible with scripture] did not continue to represent the general mind of the Communion," Archbishop Williams wrote on March 8, affirming statements he had made in Brazil and in the Sudan during the preceding weeks.

Support for Lambeth Resolution 1.10 was "very much the majority view" within the Communion, Archbishop Williams said, noting "the American determination to go it alone is worrying" for the unity of the Church.

Speaking to British television interviewer David Frost on March 5 while on a visit to the Sudan, Archbishop Williams expressed concern that the divisions over homosexuality within the Communion in response to the actions of the 74th General Convention could lead to a "rupture" that would take "decades to restore."

The format of the July 2008 gathering of bishops was currently under review, Archbishop Williams said, but he envisioned changing the traditional four sections of the conference to include a "a bigger number of more focused groups, some of which may bring bishops and spouses together."

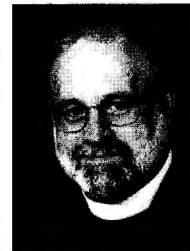
Lambeth 2008 "will offer a unique opportunity for us to think together as bishops about what we need to equip us for building up the Body of Christ, for really effective, truthful and prayerful mission," he said.

## Bishop Sauls of Lexington Joins List of P.B. Nominees

After consultation with colleagues in the House of Bishops and clergy from the Diocese of Lexington, Bishop Stacy F. Sauls has agreed to allow his name to be nominated by petition as a candidate for Presiding Bishop.

The House of Bishops will choose a successor to the Most Rev. Frank Griswold on June 18 during the 75th General Convention.

Bishop Sauls, 50, was consecrated on Sept. 30, 2000. At the time of his election, Bishop Sauls was rector of St. Bartholomew's, Atlanta, Ga. His service to the wider Church includes membership on the Executive Council, the Standing Commission on Constitution and Canons and the Budgetary Funding Task Force. He is also a member of the board for Forward Movement Publications and the



Bishop Sauls

Episcopal Media Center. A lawyer prior to entering the ordained ministry, Bishop Sauls received his M. Div. from the General Theological Seminary in New York City in 1988. The Diocese of Lexington contains 8,800 baptized members and 40 parishes.

Bishop Sauls is the first candidate to be nominated by petition. The Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop previously announced a slate of four nominees: J. Neil Alexander, Bishop of Atlanta; Edwin F. Gulick, Jr., Bishop of Kentucky; Katharine Jefferts Schori, Bishop of Nevada; and Henry N. Parsley, Jr., Bishop of Alabama.

## Dean Werner Urges Election Reform

The Episcopal Church spends too much money searching for and installing its Presiding Bishop, according to the president of the House of Deputies, who said he will urge the House of Bishops to change the process.

Expenses for the Joint Nominating Committee for the Election of the Presiding Bishop exceeded \$200,000 this triennium, "and that is not a good use of our resources," the Very Rev. George Werner told members of Executive Council on March 6.

Dean Werner proposed that when the Episcopal Church next searches for a Presiding Bishop in 2015, it should abolish the nominating committee's screening duties and allow open nominations.

He also proposed that, like the Anglican Church of Canada, the Episcopal Church begin including the House of Deputies in electing the Presiding

Bishop, rather than having it ratify or reject the House of Bishops' choice. Dean Werner recalled that the House of Deputies discussed such a role in 1973, when it did not give immediate approval to the election of the Most Rev. John M. Allin.

Dean Werner told THE LIVING CHURCH that his concerns also apply to diocesan elections and to parishes' protracted searches for rectors.

"The system that David Richards brought in is a disaster," he said, referring to the first bishop to lead what is now the Office of Pastoral Development.

At the parish level, having an interim period of 12 to 18 months sometimes creates more division and helps "lay popes" seize control, Dean Werner said. "The interim should be long enough to paint the rectory," he said.

*Douglas LeBlanc*

## Bishop Pettit Dies

*Served in New Jersey and Albany*

The Rt. Rev. Vincent King Pettit, who chaired the Standing Liturgical Commission during the years of work that resulted in the 1979 revision of the Book of Common Prayer, died March 10 of cancer. He was 81.



Bishop Pettit

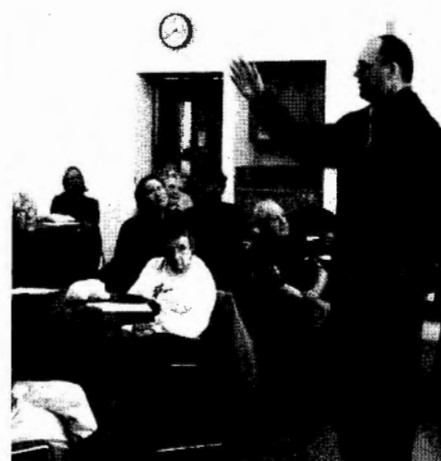
A native of New Jersey, Bishop Pettit enlisted in the U.S. Army Signal Corps. after graduation from Toms River High School in 1942. He

served with the Marines in World War II in the Pacific arena. A strong believer in the importance of education, Bishop Pettit graduated from Rutgers University in 1950 and from Philadelphia Divinity School in 1958. He also received master's degrees from Temple University and New York Theological Seminary.

Ordained priest in 1958, Bishop Pettit served in both rural and suburban churches throughout the Diocese of New Jersey. He was vicar at All Saints', Wenonah, and St. Barnabas', Mantua. He later served as rector of St. George's, Pennsville; St. Mary's, Keysport; Trinity Church, Cranford; and Christ Church in Toms River. Bishop Pettit's father, the Rev. John Mervin, previously served as rector of Christ Church and his daughter, the Rev. Joan M.P. Anders, is now the rector.

He served as Bishop suffragan of New Jersey from January 1984 to September 1990. His service included visitations, young adult initiatives and ministry development. Following his retirement from the diocese, he served as the interim dean of the Cathedral of All Saints in Albany, N.Y., and then as an assisting Bishop of Albany for five years. He eventually returned to his home state and served the Diocese of New Jersey for another 10 years.

Bishop Pettit is survived by his wife, Virginia; two daughters, the Rev. Joan M.P. Anders of Toms River, N.J., and Ann Pettit Nicolai of Geneva, N.Y.; and nine grandchildren. His son, Vincent, predeceased him.



The Rev. George Silides, rector of Holy Trinity Church, Juneau, Alaska, leads services in the parish hall of the Roman Catholic cathedral in Juneau just hours after the historic Episcopal church was destroyed by an early morning blaze.

Holy Trinity Church photos

## Fire Destroys Alaskan Church

An early morning fire completely consumed Holy Trinity, Juneau, Alaska, March 12. Nothing was salvaged from the building, which was constructed in 1896. Built entirely of wood, the building burned rapidly and its location near the center of town where many other buildings are old and built of wood meant the fire department had to concentrate on preventing the fire from spreading.

The origin and cause of the fire has not yet been determined but one possibility under investigation is that it started in a building located directly behind the church where a boat was stored.

Holy Trinity carried insurance, but it is unlikely that the settlement will cover all of the cost of constructing and completely furnishing a new building. The parish leadership is also unable for now to consult the insurance policy because it, along with other paperwork, was destroyed in the fire, according to the Rev. George Silides, rector, who was inter-

viewed by *The Juneau Empire*.

Holy Trinity served as the cathedral of the Missionary District of Alaska for many years, but was declared a parish church by the Rt. Rev. William J. Gordon, Jr., who was Bishop of Alaska when it became a diocese in 1971.

Along with the loss of the building and parish records, Holy Trinity is also scrambling to maintain the many community service programs it offers, Fr. Silides told the *Empire*. Some 18 local groups met weekly at Holy Trinity, which also used its kitchen to provide meals for eight families through the local Head Start program. The parish has established a fund to help cover costs beyond the insurance settlement that will be needed to rebuild and furnish a new church.

Sunday services were held after the clergy from the nearby Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary immediately offered the use of their parish hall to the congregation of Holy Trinity.



# Cathedral to Welcome Paroled Priest for Easter

The Rev. James Tramel, convicted of murder as a teenager and ordained a priest while serving his sentence, has been released from prison and is scheduled to celebrate his first Easter as a priest at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco.

Last year, Fr. Tramel had been scheduled to be released from Solano State Prison in time to serve as a deacon at the Easter Vigil at Grace Cathedral, but California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger reversed the parole board's decision on Good Friday. This year the board again recommended Fr. Tramel for parole and on March 9, a spokesperson said the governor would not review the decision. Fr. Tramel was released March 12.

As a 17-year-old student, holding a nomination to attend the United

States Air Force Academy, Fr. Tramel and some other students sought one night to confront gang members in a Santa Barbara park. When they did not find any gang members, one of the students stabbed a homeless man to death. While he did not wield the knife that killed Michael Stephenson, Fr. Tramel was found guilty of second-degree murder as a co-conspirator and sentenced to a 15-year-to-life prison term. In 1987 he became San Quentin prison's youngest inmate.

During his incarceration, Fr. Tramel, now 38, said he underwent a religious conversion while caring for sick inmates in a prison hospice. He acknowledged his guilt and said he was ashamed that he did not try to help Mr. Stephenson or get help for him. He started an Episcopal congrega-

tion in the prison that began with inmates reciting prayers from the Book of Common Prayer. Eventually the congregation grew and chaplains began visiting to conduct full communion services.

After earning a college degree in prison in 1996, Fr. Tramel enrolled in the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in 1998 with the support of the prison chaplain and the backing of the Bishop of California, the Rt. Rev. William Swing. Fr. Tramel earned a Master of Theological Studies degree in May 2003.

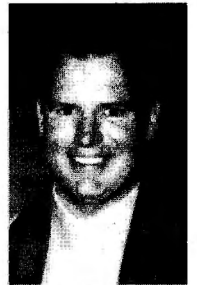
Bishop Swing ordained Fr. Tramel to the priesthood in June 2005. He is the only prison inmate to enroll in an Episcopal seminary while incarcerated, and the first to be ordained while still a prisoner.

Last Easter Bishop Swing strongly criticized the governor's decision to deny parole [TLC, April 17, 2005]. After the decision this year, Bishop Swing thanked the governor and acknowledged that any inmate's parole is a leap of faith.

"I realize that the test is what's going to happen when he's out," Bishop Swing said. "That's where folks have to trust somebody and I thank them for trusting James and me and the Episcopal Church."

"I feel humbled," Fr. Tramel told the *Los Angeles Times* from prison upon learning the news. "I feel the weight of my responsibility to justify the faith that people have put in me."

Fr. Tramel will take up the post of assistant at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Berkeley, and will marry his fiancée, the Rev. Stephanie Green. The couple developed a relationship during her trips to the prison, where she helped Fr. Tramel pursue his seminary degree.



Fr. Tramel

## Report: Pennsylvania Reconciliation Unlikely

A report prepared by the Presiding Bishop's Office for Pastoral Development finds little likelihood that mediation will resolve the dispute that has led the diocesan standing committee to call for the Rt. Rev. Charles E. Bennison, Jr., to step down as Bishop of Pennsylvania.

The Rt. Rev. F. Clayton Matthews, executive director of the Office of Pastoral Development, and Ms. Woodriff Sprinkel reported March 7 that "given the depth of divisions that have been created over many years, the repeated leadership style preference of the bishop, and the unanimous opinion that the bishop is incapable of entering into any process without being in control of it; we cannot recommend any process of conciliation or any 'rigorous long-term process for addressing problems'."

Bishop Matthews and Ms. Sprinkel recommended that "if the standing committee and the bishop still insist that some process be devised for them

to address the issues that have been raised and/or to work on terms of separation through formal mediation, then the Presiding Bishop's office will assist as long as the ground rules are defined by outside persons to insure that neither party tries to control the process."

After a number of meetings with members of the diocese, the standing committee and deans, Bishop Matthews and Ms. Sprinkel said that they had informed Bishop Bennison they "could not recommend any long-term process for reconciliation. We also told him that if he persisted in this pattern of behavior, the issues before him and the diocese would deteriorate into an ugly and unfortunate battle in which he would ultimately have to leave."

In a March 13 letter, the standing committee said that they would "follow the advice given to us by Bishop Matthews in the report" and would not "embark on a strenuous and lengthy reconciliation process."

## Southern Cone Primate Says 'Don't Lose Hope' in Diocese of Springfield

The Primate of the Southern Cone, Archbishop Gregory Venables, urged members of the Diocese of Springfield not to give up hope for the renewal of the Episcopal Church.



Archbishop Venables

Archbishop Venables' ten-day pastoral visit also included a Feb. 25 conference sponsored by the Diocesan Prayer Fellowship.

At the close of the clergy retreat, approximately 25 clergy and lay leaders of the Springfield chapter of the American Anglican Council joined Archbishop Venables at the King's House Retreat Center in Belleville for a Feb. 22 briefing on the state of the Communion.

The Rev. Donald Perschall, Jr., rector of Trinity Church, Mount Vernon, Ill., told THE LIVING CHURCH the heart of the primate's message was that Episcopalians in the United States should hold fast to the faith and for traditionalists "to hold together and continue in a united front.

"He made it very clear that the view of the primates is if the Episcopal Church continues to walk apart from the Communion, that will be its choice," Fr. Perschall said. However, the rest of the Communion "will not walk with us."

Archbishop Venables urged the diocese not to surrender to the spirit of the age, saying, "You cannot dismantle scripture and then on Sunday proclaim it is the 'Word of the Lord.'" The coalition of Anglican Communion primates from the Global South were well aware of the situation in the Episcopal Church and would not abandon their supporters, he said.



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Representatives of the dioceses of Chicago and Virginia at the dedication of the cathedral in the Sudan.

## Sudanese Cathedral Consecrated

*Diocese of Virginia was major contributor*

Episcopalians from the dioceses of Chicago and Virginia joined Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams and the Most Rev. Joseph Marona Feb. 28 for the consecration of the first new cathedral in the Episcopal Church of the Sudan since the end of its 21-year civil war last year.

St. Matthew's Cathedral in Renk is located near the border between the Islamic North and the Christian South. Construction of the cathedral was primarily funded by contributions from the Diocese of Virginia. The Rt. Rev. Francis C. Gray, who recently retired as an assistant Bishop of Virginia, led the nine-member delegation from the Episcopal Church.

St. Matthew's Cathedral was completed in 10 months at a cost of \$175,000. The Rev. Lauren Stanley, an appointed missionary of the Episcopal Church serving in the diocese of Renk, wrote for the Knight-Ridder/Tribune news service that St. Matthew's is a symbol of the Sudanese people's "faith in Jesus Christ, and on God's blessings bestowed upon those who have endured so much with so little for so long.

"It was a celebration centered on the joining of the people of the Diocese of Renk" with "the people of the Diocese of

Virginia, who financed the building of the cathedral" and a "a celebration of the joining of the Episcopal Church of Sudan, a conservative church in Africa, with the Episcopal Church of the United States, a fairly progressive church" in the West, Ms. Stanley wrote.

Joining Bishop Gray, the chief fundraiser for the project, from the Diocese of Virginia were the Rev. Pierce Klemmt, Russ Randle and Nancy Knapp, of Christ Church, Alexandria; the Rev. Anne West of St. Paul's Church, Alexandria; and the Rev. Andrew Merrow of St. Mary's Church, Arlington.

The newly constructed chapel of the Renk Bible College was named in honor of St. Michael's Church, in Barrington, Ill., which raised \$50,000 to rebuild the college after the Islamic government appropriated and demolished the old campus in order to build a road. The Rev. Alvin C. Johnson, Jr., rector of the Barrington church, and parishioners Jackie Kraus and Laurie Michaels, represented the Diocese of Chicago at the consecration services. Archbishop Marona named seven of the Americans as honorary canons.





Faculty and staff at Episcopal Divinity School include (left) Richard McCall, provost of St. John's Memorial Chapel and EDS faculty member; Elisa Lucozzi, assistant to the dean of spiritual and vocational formation; Kather-

ine Stiles, pastoral guidance and counseling service coordinator; and Kevin Montagno, dean of spiritual and vocational formation.

Episcopal Divinity School photo

# Flexible and Focused

## *Seminary Programs Emphasize Mission Applications*

By Michael O'Loughlin

The vision that Episcopal seminaries share with the men and women they are training to lead the Church is centered in Christ, focused on mission, and strengthened by prayer. And thanks to innovative partnerships and creative use of technology, seminaries are able to offer programs that are accessible to more students than ever before.

"EDS is focusing on making all our academic programs and spiritual formation as flexible as possible for the future," said the Rev. Sheryl Kujawa-Holbrook, academic dean at Episcopal Divinity School. "Using educational technology, including online courses, video-conferencing and satellite programs, we hope to open up the richness of the EDS experience for a growing audience."

The internet has enabled the Center for Anglican Learning and Leadership (CALL), launched by the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in 1995,

to make CDSP's faculty a resource "for dioceses, provincial program networks, and congregations to provide support for the Church's mission and ministry," according to Janice Parkin, CDSP's donor relations and communications officer.

"CALL online courses include weekly readings, commentary by the instructor, and online discussion among the participants and instructor," Ms. Parkin explained. "Students participate in the class at their convenience by going online day or night. This year, CALL initiated the first of its hybrid classes, combining online sessions with face-to-face classes."

The goal of the center, Ms. Parkin said, is to "offer programs that address the issues most critical to the ministries of ordained and lay persons, and which support the faith formation of all seekers in the Christian Church."

Helping prospective students overcome barriers of time, distance, and cost is a priority, Dr. Kujawa-Holbrook said.

"We already have flexible study D.Min. and certificate programs, and we are working at ways to provide these options to masters-level students," she said. "We have gotten a lot of feedback about the need to look at flexible study options from prospective students who are concerned about educational debt, and/or whose family situation does not allow them to move away from their home base. EDS is now looking at ways to provide educational resources and ministerial formation to a growing number of potential students with these issues."

Dr. Kujawa-Holbrook said EDS has contacts in dioceses working closely with the seminary on designing these options, "so that theological education at EDS responds to the needs of local communities."

Students participating in Seabury-Western Theological Seminary's master of divinity program encounter local community needs and responses when they participate in the "Gospel Mission" course. The simply stated

conviction "God's mission forms the Church's mission" is central to students' exploration of the Church's role in contemporary society.

"For the first two quarters of their M.Div. studies, students work with faculty to understand the character of the *missio dei* and how the church may be engaged in carrying it out," explained Ellen Wondra, Seabury's professor of theology and ethics. "All members of the faculty teach over the course of each term."

First-term student teams visit three different non-Episcopal churches in the Chicago area, each of which has discerned a call to a particular aspect of God's work.

"Students analyze the social settings of these congregations, take part in the churches' services, and become familiar with how they carry out mission," Dr. Wondra said. "In presenting their experiences to the rest of the class, they draw attention to particular practices and dispositions that help each church preach the gospel effectively."

The following quarter, discussion and study focuses on the Church as a culture that is "in but not of" contemporary society, Dr. Wondra said. Students and faculty focus on particular cultural markers — gender, race, class, and sexual orientation — and how diversity is played out in the Church's mission. During this term, student teams visit three Episcopal Churches, each with a distinctive mission.

"'Gospel Mission' challenges — and at times unsettles — everyone who participates in it," she said. "The course invites students and faculty to a deepened sense of vocation and ministry as coming from God through the self to the Church and through the Church to the world which God loves."

At Bexley Hall Seminary, vocation and ministry are rooted in individual and community prayer. Helping students develop an intentional spiritual practice helps them see the connection between theology and ministry,

according to the Rev. Canon Barbara Price, coordinator of field education.

"Theological education can no longer only be the academic study of religion," she said. "To be authentic, theological education needs to come out of a community of prayer, which is why we have placed the Anglican Formation Program at the heart of our curriculum."

The Anglican Formation Program includes a weekly formation block at both the Rochester, N.Y., and Columbus, Ohio, campuses, and retreats during each semester. Bexley Hall faculty and students are expected to fully participate in the program and commit to a personal rule of life.

"Students and faculty members draw strength and support through meeting weekly for a communal meal, spending a significant time in prayer together, and reading from the spiritual classics,"

Canon Price said. "They also participate in group discussions, and in the Daily Offices and Eucharist. Through the formation program, a community of prayer and discernment is formed."

### Beyond Borders

Seminary leadership formation is frequently equipping students for ministry that goes beyond familiar language and cultural boundaries. CDSP's CALL program, for example, offers courses that spotlight non-English-speaking traditions such as those of Asian-Americans and Native Americans, in addition to a three-year *Academia Teológica Latina*, which offers theology Anglicanism for Spanish-speaking Episcopalians.

The *Programa Hispano/Latino de Teología y Pastoral* at the General Theological Seminary is addressing the need for Hispanic/Latino clergy in the Episcopal Church. Bruce Parker, GTS director of communications, said the master of divinity program is

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designed for students whose first language is Spanish, but also seeks to nurture increased familiarity with English to give graduates the opportunity to minister in a wide array of settings. Participants meet for classes on weekday evenings and on Saturday, when the Eucharist is also celebrated. Directed by the Rev. Canon Juan M. C. Oliver, the program is supported through partnerships with the dioceses of New York, Long Island, and Connecticut as well the New Jersey Synod of the ELCA.

First-year divinity students at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest (ETSS) spent their recent three-week January Term along the border with Mexico, in Hispanic congregations throughout the Southwest and in the classroom.

The Hispanic immersion experience included four days focused on the ministries of El Buen Pastor in Piedra Negras, Mexico.

"I realized we were not there to do mission work," said Elizabeth Lofgren, a seminarian from the Diocese of Texas. "We were there to see the mission work already being done by the people of Piedras Negras for the people of Piedras Negras."

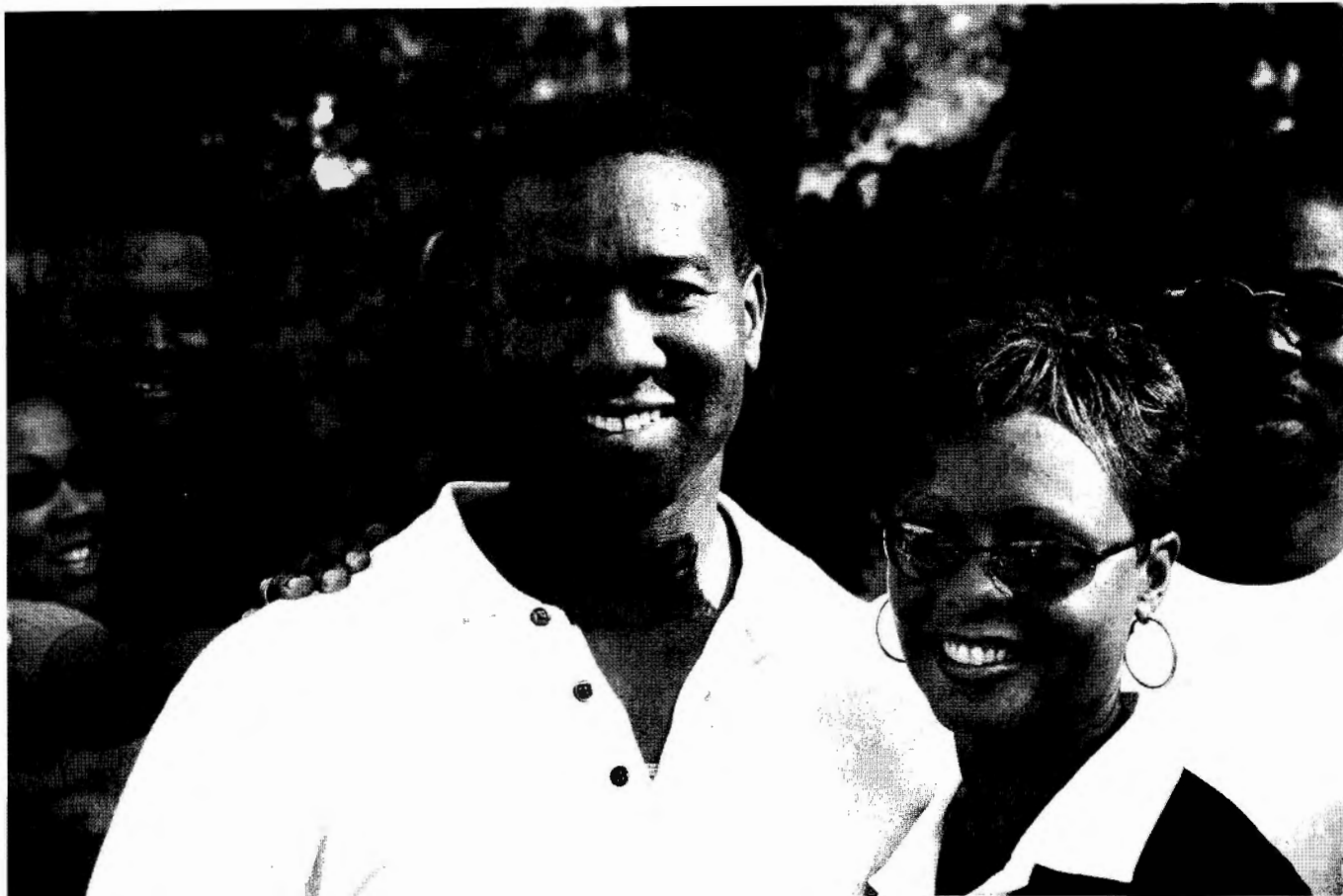
Later in January, the 25 seminarians teamed up to spend an extended weekend with families of Hispanic Episcopal parishes and missions throughout Texas and Oklahoma.

The January Term experience is "a way to think about the church in mission among people from different cultural and ethnic backgrounds," said the Rev. Canon Jaime Case, who taught the course "Immersion in a Cross-Cultural Context." The experience was designed to dovetail with the seminarians' spring semester course "Missiology in a Cross-Cultural Context." Canon Case, who serves as executive director of Province VII's Center for Hispanic Ministries, said students focused on the history, culture and contemporary realities of Hispanics "to gain skills in intercultural dialogue and ministry that they can transpose to other cultural settings." □



Linda Amerault (right) of the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest visits with children on the school's January Term trip to Piedra Negras, Mexico.





St. Paul's College photo

## Changing Culture at Saint Paul's College

*An Episcopal college undertakes academic renewal*

By John K. Waddell, John P. May and R. W. Denton

Saint Paul's College is a private, historically black college that is affiliated with the Episcopal Church. Located in historically rich but economically challenged Southside Virginia, the college has been a mainstay for providing educational opportunities and services to individuals who, for many reasons, have experienced limited access to higher education.

In 2001 Saint Paul's College received its ten-year reaffirmation of accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Reaffirmation is an important credential that is grounded in self-examination and external assessment. The internal and external

analyses revealed that Saint Paul's College was full of untapped potential and staffed by professionals possessing great talent but in need of improvement in various academic and functional areas.

One deep-seated trait manifested itself in the college's institutional culture and was present in each area identified for improvement. That trait was a fatalistic resignation that Saint Paul's College was somehow less than a college. The result was diminished academic vitality. There were stagnant programs of study, dated courses, and unobtainable degrees.

Rather than attack the symptoms one by one, the college's management team decided to focus on and correct the root cause. With the blessings of

the board of trustees, the arduous task of recreating the institution's organizational culture began.

Changing the culture of a college is a difficult and multifaceted proposition. The key is to find the one principal thread that can unravel the organization's unwanted aspects and be re-woven to produce a high performing organization. At Saint Paul's College, the decision that had the greatest impact on re-energizing institutional culture was to embrace open enrollment rather than apologize for it.

Open enrollment is an approach that admits qualified students who are at various levels of academic readiness. Academic rigor and open enrollment can thrive together; they are not mutually exclusive. The col-

lege's philosophy is that the best collegiate climate occurs when students at all levels of readiness are present on campus. In this climate positive role models are present, leadership skills are perfected, and academic accomplishments flourish.

Open enrollment gives institutions such as Saint Paul's College a unique mission: educate and provide services to people who would otherwise have no opportunity to better their lives. These colleges and universities are obligated to help ensure student success by providing meaningful developmental programs and excellent undergraduate instruction. It is a daunting challenge to accept some students who for many reasons have not yet performed to their potential and provide them with a quality education, but Saint Paul's College determined that open enrollment would be a positive cornerstone of a new culture of excellence, made possible through academic rigor and through comprehensive curricular reform.

The process began by re-engineering the college's primary outreach program, the Organizational Management Program (OMP). This was a time-concentrated program that provided an upper division baccalaureate degree completion track for adult students who had previous academic credits from accredited institutions. OMP was well intended and possessed some positive academic merit, but the courses bore little, if any, resemblance to the traditional academic curriculum. In fact, the courses were developed without Saint Paul's College faculty input and the entire program operated outside the academic structure of the institution.

First, the program was moved to the oversight of the Department of Business Administration, and all academic-related decisions and issues received the direct attention and involvement of the department chair, the business faculty, and the provost and vice president for academic affairs. A committee comprised of the entire business faculty was charged with thoroughly analyzing and reconstructing a curriculum that would offer a quality degree in business administration.

After intensive research and deliberation, a new program was approved in 2003. The Accelerated Degree Completion Program implemented that year is composed of business courses from the traditional on-campus business program. The mechanism for awarding credit for significant, documented, and measurable experiences was redesigned to ensure campus-wide faculty assessment. The introduction of this program was the springboard for the college's institution-wide curricular reform.

The faculty also focused on general education courses, which had lacked coherent focus and were confusing. A task force of selected faculty members from every academic department examined and suggested needed improvements in the core curriculum. Based on the work of the task force and others, the college's new general education core curriculum was implemented in fall 2005.

At the same time a committee of faculty was asked to assess each course's curricular viability and to develop appropriate competencies for each offering. The result was the elimination of dozens of outdated courses, the adoption of many current courses, and the development of new offerings. The degree models for all of Saint Paul's College majors, implemented last fall, now provide choice among major courses, a required cognate, and free electives.

Focusing institutional culture through curriculum reform is not a final product; it is a constant process. Saint Paul's College has been busy and productive during the past three years, and this intense effort will continue. The institution's combined efforts are designed to make Saint Paul's College a "shining light on the hill," not just in historically black colleges and universities circles, but in all of American higher education. □

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# Arms of



It's often been remarked — so often as to be commonplace — that artists surpass theologians in unfolding the mysteries of faith. The hymn-like poetry that opens John's gospel suggests more about the incarnation than pages of close dogmatic reasoning. So do the images of Mary, Gabriel and the angelic choir of Matthias Grunewald's famous Isenheim altarpiece.

During Passiontide the last few years, I've turned to words by W.H. Vanstone in the 1982 hymnal (number 585) for similar inspiration on the meaning of the crucifixion. These verses are a profound meditation on the nature of God's love as manifested on Calvary.

*Morning glory, starlit sky,  
Soaring music, scholar's truth,  
Flight of swallows, autumn leaves,  
Memory's treasure, grace of youth.*

*Open are the gifts of God,  
Gifts of love to mind and sense;  
Hidden is love's agony,  
Love's endeavor, love's expense.*

The first stanza lists a few of the beauties of creation that show forth

On the cross Jesus was weak.  
Yet it's a weakness that brims  
with mysterious power.

God's love. Such gifts as the grandeur of nature and the sweetness of music are open, clear, evident. It doesn't take a deep thinker to see the love of God in the face of a laughing child, or sunrise over the mountains. But the second stanza draws a contrast between what is open and what is hidden, between the obvious and the mysterious. We understand love well enough as beautiful and pleasant and attractive. But we don't know much about love as agonizing and costly.

Or do we? A moment's thought will remind us that we do. Haven't you loved your children when it was costly to do so? That's what "tough love" is all about. Love is painful when your teenager who's been arrested wants you to come to the rescue. The head must overrule the heart if you're to stand aside and let him suffer the consequences, in hope that deeper wisdom and maturity will result.

Can it be that God suffers this way? That he suffers in seeing us, his beloved children, harming our lives and the lives of one another? I think so. "Hidden is love's agony, love's endeavor, love's expense."

***Love that gives, gives evermore,  
Gives with zeal, with eager hands,  
Spare not, keeps not, all outpours,  
Ventures all, its all expends.***

Such giving is precisely what Jesus did, and what God did in Jesus. Spent everything, put it all on the line, took the risk of being a vulnerable human

being. He "emptied himself" in the words of Paul (Phil. 2:7) — emptied himself of divinity, poured it out, set it aside. He took on flesh, this mortal, frail flesh and blood we wear. And then he emptied that. Gave of himself to others in his ministry, gave ultimately of himself on the cross.

***Drained is love in making full,  
Bound in setting others free,  
Poor in making many rich,  
Weak in giving power to be.***

On the cross Jesus was weak, yet it's a weakness that brims with mysterious power. On the cross, Jesus was bound. And yet his being bound — tied down, nailed down — mysteriously gives us freedom.

"Drained is love in making full." Two years ago people who were deeply moved by Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ* spoke of their gratitude for how much Jesus had endured on their behalf. His love for me was great to the point that he suffered that? My heart overflows with the emotion of it: gratitude, wonderment, an answering love.

***Therefore he who shows us God,  
Helpless hangs upon the tree;  
And the nails and crown of thorns,  
Tell of what God's love must be.***

God's love, it seems, must be of this nature because humans are empty. In our loneliness, our fear of death, our meager capacity for loving each other, we are empty, and in need of being filled.

C. S. Lewis made the distinction in one of his books between need-love and gift-love. Need-love is our nature as frail human beings. We are born helpless. For years, we depend on others to meet our every necessity. When we become fully conscious we discover that we're alone and that we

need others for company, growth and nurture. Need-love continues to characterize our lives into adulthood and old age. Yes, we learn independence; one hopes to become mature enough to give love as well as need it. But psychologically, emotionally, physically, we never stop being creatures of need.

By contrast, God's love is all gift-love. God is complete and lacks nothing. And so the love of God can pour itself out, even to the point of death.

***Here is God: no monarch he,  
Clothed in easy state to reign;  
Here is God, whose arms of love  
Aching, spent, the world sustain.***

This is the way it is. This is the way life comes to us. We think, and the world thinks, that life is a matter of power and assertion. "The more I'm able to have everything my own way, the more life I have." Not true. The world, life itself, is held in being by something entirely different: the arms of love that are aching and exhausted, yet pulsing and overflowing with life. That life is the Love that created us and, moment by moment, holds the world in existence.

I wonder how well this hymn has become known and how widely used in the past couple of decades. I'd be glad to hear from church musicians and other readers of these pages. Though the hymn appears in the section "Christian Responsibility," to my mind it would be better placed in Holy Week. □

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# Sorrows of the Heart

*Did You Know...*  
**St. John's College, Winnipeg, Canada, has discovered a first edition of the King James Bible, printed in London in 1611, in its archives.**

*Quote of the Week*  
**The Rt. Rev. Gary R. Lillibridge, Bishop of West Texas, during his first diocesan convention address: "Moses did not come down from Mount Sinai with the Ten Commandments in one hand and the Windsor Report in the other."**

I'm fighting a spiritual battle I don't want to lose. I've spent my lifetime of 77 years getting to this point, and woke up early a few days before Christmas wondering if it was all worthwhile.

I'm a priest in the Anglican Communion serving a small mission in a slowly dying town in the Midwest. I have been here for 35 years mostly because I didn't think anyone else would come, stay, and love these people in this remote place. I've stayed on because I do. I have stayed in the Episcopal Church because I found Anglican living a true joy and now want to help restore the Episcopal Church to the wonderful expression of Christianity she was 50 years ago when I embraced her.

I am very disillusioned in this endeavor at this moment. The bishops of the Church have led her astray from the gospel they were set aside to teach and defend. The laity and clergy in their care have been trained in manners lacking in the true meaning of the gospel of Jesus Christ and know not what they are called to be as Christians. The few remaining faithful bishops and their people have been under siege in their fortresses of truth and are now faced with making the same decision our Lord Jesus faced in an unbelieving world. In his death is our life, and our death will shout life to others as sacrifice accomplished for the holy martyrs.

The conflict is between my heritage of being a child of Adam and a child of God. I want to see the fruit of my labors of trusting God rather than man, but that trust in God is demanding its due. I don't look forward to the cost. The whole matter of atonement and redemption is demanding the visible sacrifice of the faithful body of Christ yet again, and the ongoing sacrifice for the sins of the world is being played out still, focused upon the

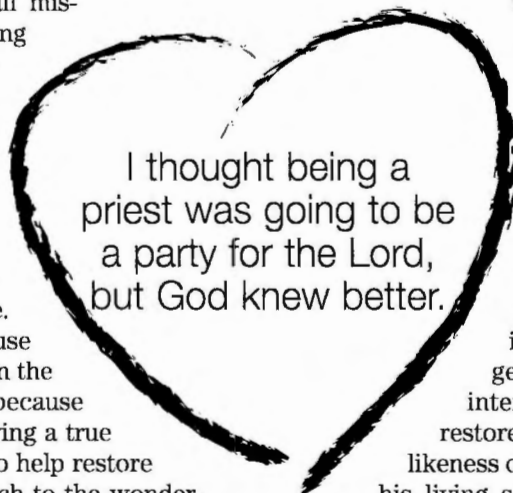
collective outward and visible sign of Christ which is the Church.

The Venerable Bede reminds us that, "The reason why God was born as a human being was so that he might restore us through being born anew to the image and likeness of his divinity." It appears that many have been dipped in the waters but few carried the spiritual soap to be washed truly clean of the sins that beset us in this self-indulgent world. Their intent was not to be restored to the image and likeness of the Christ who by his living sacrifice of himself has died and is risen.

Is the salvation of souls worth the cost? God obviously thinks so and it is his call, not mine. Much as I love the trappings and comforts of this world, I am being asked if I love the handiworks or the creator. I have done what I can to call others to the joys of being in Christ, renewed and reformed in the image and likeness of his divinity. I cannot make anyone hear that call; like Christ, I simply offer it. In doing so, I am brought to understand the way of sorrows not as the physical sufferings of Christ, but the sorrows of the heart that the gift of godliness was not widely received.

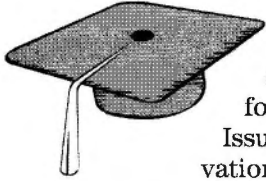
I thought being a priest was going to be a party for the Lord, but God knew better. I'm not sorry I found out; just sorry I thought I could beat the odds in what proved to be a post-Christian world.

*Our guest columnist is the Rev. James F. Graner, a retired priest who lives in Larned, Kan.*



## Opportunities for Growth

Formation shapes the Church's present-day mission and vision for the future, which is why continuing education should be a priority for every Christian. It may involve participation in a formal degree program at a seminary, attendance at a workshop or short course, or simply making *lectio divina* part of a personal rule of life.



While THE LIVING CHURCH includes occasional coverage of Christian education in all its forms throughout the year, the annual Education Issue shines a special spotlight on trends and innovations through feature articles and education-themed advertising. In this issue, faculty and staff at

Episcopal seminaries share their insights on some of the innovative ways their institutions are preparing leaders for the Church of the future, and students discuss how they discerned the call to pursue a seminary education. Church musicians reflect on the paths that led to their vital ministries, and the president of a historically black college affiliated with the Episcopal Church discusses the steps that led to the revitalization of his Virginia campus.

We hope that these inspiring stories of creativity and passion for excellence, along with the advertising for upcoming educational opportunities, will spark our readers' interest and challenge them to seek out new ways to enliven their own faith.

**Archbishop Williams' stark prediction that a loose federation of churches is no longer an option for the Anglican Communion should give members of the bishops and deputies much to reflect upon.**

## Limited Options

During a television interview conducted in the Sudan last month, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, essentially laid the future course of the Anglican Communion at the feet of General Convention [p. 14]. Depending on what happens in June, either the 38 autonomous provinces comprising the Anglican Communion will begin to grow closer together, or there will be a visible rupture which will require decades to repair. Archbishop Williams also expressed concern about an "American determination to go it alone."

The archbishop is often credited with being a bridge builder and criticized for a manner of speaking that sometimes seems inscrutable. Thus his stark prediction that a loose federation of churches is no longer an option for the Anglican Communion should give members of the House of Bishops and the deputies who will participate in General Convention much to reflect upon prayerfully as they prepare to undertake their responsibilities in Columbus, Ohio.

For all Episcopalians, the next 90 days will be a time to ask whether the Church that often claims to welcome diversity and to listen to many voices can rise to this occasion and take the first step in love toward the other.



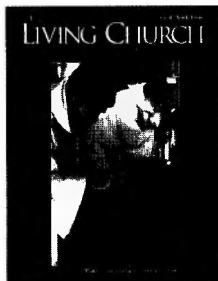
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READER'S VIEWPOINT

# Wearying the Lord

By John M. Himes

Battle fatigue seems to be setting in on both sides of the theological issues before the Church. It appears everyone is waiting for General Convention to take place and then things will begin to happen again. I am weary of the barages thrown from side to side over the last three years. Is the Church and its ministry stronger as a result? Have more people been brought to a saving faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?

As we look at the departure of parishes and inhibitions of priests, regardless of our positions on the issues, few of us would argue the Church is stronger or better off. I am reminded of a passage from Malachi, "You have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet you say, 'How have we wearied him?' By saying, 'Every one who does evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delights in them.' Or by asking, 'Where is the God of justice?' (Mal. 2:17, RSV).

I would be afraid to ask God how I had wearied him. I can imagine he would say, "Sit down. This will take a while." We each stake out theological turf. Once we stake it out we get so caught up in our theology we often fail to take a step back to see if our theology is supported by holy scripture, then subsequently by tradition and reason.

## Ongoing Debates

In many of the debates before the Church, people on the left and on the right have staked out theological positions that can be justified on a number of grounds, but I believe God is wearied by it all. We have those who say something is a justice issue and can point to everything that Jesus did that had to do with justice. Others say the same position is condoning sin and can go to scripture and find all the places where Jesus brought sin to the fore and cast it out. Then there are those who ask, Can't we all just get along? After all, Jesus loves everyone. I am wearied by it

all. I can image God is angry with his children for their hard-headedness.

It is not justice when we take that which God has declared sin and call it good. What is profane cannot be made holy. You can pass resolutions and change the canons as much as you want. Sin will still be profane and holy will still be holy and justice has nothing to do with it. I know that is not the politically correct thing to write, but it has little to do with political correctness and everything to do with eternal salvation. That is the ultimate concern of the Church. One might argue, "We can't or shouldn't legislate morality." But the canard doesn't stand the test of logic. Morality is legislated regularly, within both civil government and the Church.

The Church exists to be the body of Christ on earth and to address the hard issues of our time in a manner that doesn't mirror the secular culture but offers a true biblical contrast to the ways of the world. We could create a laundry list of how the Church has conformed to the society but it would be meaningless if the reason is to simply point the finger at God and ask what he is going to do about it. He already did something about it; he created each of us and brought us into the body of Christ. What are *you* going to do about it?

The love of Christ has been and always will be a love that transforms lives. I do not believe Jesus loves us "just the way we are." He meets us where we are, then seeks to transform and heal us and to love us in the form for which we were created. The only way that can occur is by turning to Christ and surrendering entirely to his sovereignty. I am afraid that until the Church as a whole is willing to do that individually and corporately, we will continue to weary God and one another.

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*The Reader's Viewpoint article does not necessarily represent the editorial opinion of THE LIVING CHURCH or its board of directors.*

# Two Reconcilers

Two recent letters have challenged TLC to suggest nominees for Presiding Bishop who would be representative of an "Evangelical/Anglo-Catholic perspective" within the Episcopal Church and a reconciler.

I suggest the Bishop of Central Florida, John Howe, an evangelical, and the Bishop of Quincy, Keith Ackerman, an Anglo-Catholic. Both men have tirelessly labored for a truly comprehensive Anglican unity within the Episcopal Church. They are reconcilers, respectful and generous to all serious theological positions, yet clearly standing within their own traditions. They have borne the heat of the battles graciously and are dedicated to advancing the witness and mission of the Episcopal Church.

Their nomination would give balance to the slate and encourage many of us to believe that we as Episcopalians continue to believe in this amazing expression of reformed catholicism, obediently engaging culture in the name of our risen Lord Jesus Christ.

*(The Rt. Rev.) Alden Hathaway  
Tallahassee, Fla.*

## Faithful Shepherd

In the editorial "Nominees Much the Same" [TLC, Feb. 19], you state that none of the candidates represent those who "uphold the traditional Anglican beliefs." You further state that Bishop Henry Parsley, Bishop of Alabama, "has not been a friend of traditionalists in Alabama."

I am a life-long Episcopalian, born and raised in Alabama. Furthermore, I have served as a priest in this diocese during the entire time of Bishop Parsley's episcopacy. I believe that it is fair to say that Alabama is a traditional, if not conservative, state. Our diocese, which comprises the northern half of the state, if it had to be labeled, could certainly be characterized as traditional in its belief.

In this most traditional of dioceses, Bishop Parsley continues to be well respected, admired and supported by both the clergy and the laity of the diocese. While Bishop Parsley may not be a "friend" to all, he certainly is a faithful pastor and shepherd, seeking to guard the faith, unity and discipline of the Church in this diocese.

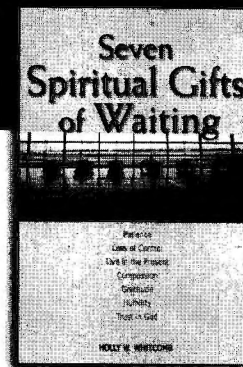
*(The Rev.) Robert Childers  
Grace Church  
Anniston, Ala.*

## Take Ownership

The Presiding Bishop has stated that the misery of the Cuban people is due to policies of the United States [TLC, March 26]. It is apparently our fault that they are not doing well. In the March 12 issue of TLC we see that our representatives to the U.S. Conference of the World Council of Churches have apologized for the reportedly deleterious foreign, economic and environmental policies of the Bush administration. And, finally, we observe in the same issue that the General Synod of the Church of England has voted to repent of its complicity in the slave trade (although the Church actually spearheaded the abolition movement).

So the leaders of the Episcopal Church and the Church of England are eager to apologize for perceived wrongs of others. But one wonders how they feel about the great decline of membership in our churches and the current fracture of the Episcopal Church. These are things for which they could legiti-

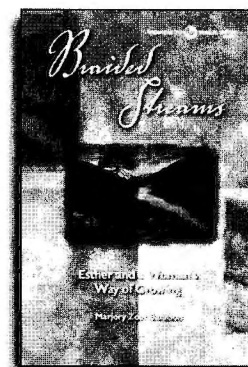
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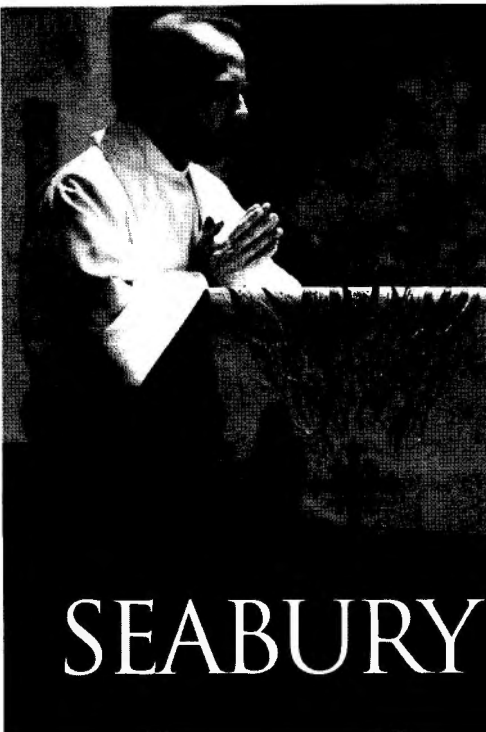
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## LETTERS

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mately take ownership. Are any of these folks interested in apologizing for the amazing lack of leadership that has led to these crises? Such an apology, unlike those offered on the behalf of governments and long dead people, would actually be relevant.

*Gary Meunier  
Noblesville, Ind.*

Prior to attending seminary I spent over 20 years as a surface line officer in the U.S. Navy. I don't consider myself a knee jerk, my-country-right-or-wrong "Kool-Aid drinker," but the statements agreed to by the U.S. delegation at the WCC conference are absolutely over the top [TLC, March 12]. To accuse the U.S. of "raining down terror on the truly vulnerable among our global partners," and to denounce the foreign, economic, and environmental policies of the Bush administration is outrageous. I find it particularly disingenuous to make a statement regarding the most vulnerable among us in light of the Executive Council's recent decision to fully embrace an unlimited reproductive choice policy.

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I do not believe this stance is reflective of the views of the people in our pews, especially given the age and high number of our parishioners who have served honorably in the armed forces. This is a slap in the face to all Americans who have either served or have loved ones presently serving in harm's way. The United States has a consistent record in this and the previous century of bringing freedom and liberation to people who have been enslaved. Iraq and Afghanistan are no different. I wonder if those who have come out from under the boot of tyranny due to the efforts of the United States would share the sentiments of the WCC and

the American delegation. I think not.

It is this kind of out-of-touch proclamation, in addition to our departure from the historic faith, that is driving people out of the Episcopal Church while our leadership scratches its head and blames our decline on the economy and lack of funding.

*(The Very Rev.) Donald J. Curran, Jr.  
Grace Church  
Ocala, Fla.*

## **Blood on His Hands**

Vice President Dick Cheney's recent hunting accident, and the subsequent controversy, brings to mind a similar *cause célèbre* in the Church of England. George Abbot, appointed Archbishop of Canterbury in 1611 by James I, killed a gamekeeper in a hunting accident 11 years later. Since clergy are not supposed to shed blood, he was considered by some to be ineligible to continue in office. A commission of inquiry divided equally, and the king decided in Abbot's favor. He continued in office until his death in 1633, living to preside at the coronation of Charles I in 1625.

*(The Rev.) Lawrence N. Crumb  
Salem, Ore.*

## **Celebrating Darwin**

I was disturbed to read that churches — including 25 Episcopal churches — were planning to celebrate Charles Darwin's birthday [TLC website, Feb. 9]. I am reluctant to comment on an event I do not have any details about, but I feel I must do so because not only was Darwin an atheist, but his major work is still used to promote atheism to this day. I do not have a problem with evolution itself, nor do I interpret the creation stories in Genesis literally. But the concept of random selection cuts God out of the picture altogether.

It is one thing to say Darwin is a good scientist; it is quite another to have a church event celebrating his life. As Christians, we should make it clear that Darwin was wrong about the most important thing of all: the exist-

tence of God who created all things.

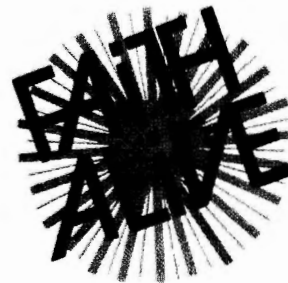
I would not have a problem celebrating a non-believer's birthday, and I would be more than happy to welcome atheists into the Church. But when the Church celebrates a person as the Church, we are saying that this person is an example for us to follow.

Nothing could be further from the case with Charles Darwin. It is a laudable aim to demonstrate that there need not be any conflict between science and faith, but we should be very careful how we do this.

*(The Rev.) David A. Brown  
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- Carol L. Ruthven, Sewanee '07, M. Div. program, Diocese of Lexington

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- Robert F. Solon, Jr., GTS '06, Diocese of Indianapolis

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*"I love what God is doing with my heart and soul ..."* Linda Hall Smith

CPE supervisor and train tender, young compassionate hearts to be good chaplains — and still retain my one-on-one interactions with patients that I find so deeply fulfilling. I am an unusual student here at the seminary in that I am not in the process for ordination and am content to live in the mystery of all that. It is clear, however, that I am called to minister to God's sick and dying children as a chaplain. I love the journey. I love what God is doing with my heart and soul ... expanding, broadening, deepening."

- Linda Hall Smith, CDSP '08,  
M. Div. program

"My experiences in the seminary community are constant invitations to self-reflection, deep personal work, and developing awareness of who I am in the context of the great and wondrous work of creation that I am a part of. Being able to do that work has allowed me to be more fully present and inviting to others into that place of self-reflection, care and growth—through the loving companionship of relationship with God in Christ."

- Mary Cat Enockson, EDS '06, M.  
Div. program, Diocese of Minnesota

"I have not worked in patient care for a number of years now, but maintain my license and membership in my professional organization. I continue to view many issues from a nursing perspective and I find that quite useful in promoting the well-being of people. The nurse does not do for the patient but helps patients to do for themselves as they are able. I extend this into seeing the role of priest as not doing for individuals or faith communities but assisting the baptized to fulfill their baptismal ministries. I am deeply committed to this and find much support here for this model of ordained ministry, which I think is most scriptural and healthy for the growth of the body of Christ

- Debbie Graham, R.N., CDSP  
M. Div., Diocese of Idaho

"Learning more about scriptures, church history, liturgy, the role of the church in the world, human spirituality and faith formation is of deep interest to me. My decision to pursue a theological education is based on the belief that my ministry, whether lay or ordained, will be enhanced by my time in school. I hope to deepen

my knowledge of my faith and the church and to continue the process of my faith formation."

- Christi Humphrey, EDS '08,  
Diocese of Massachusetts

"The dean and director of Admissions at the Seminary of the South-  
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west welcomed me to the seminary after Hurricane Katrina forced me to abandon my home in New Orleans and plans to complete a masters program in pastoral ministry at Loyola. I came with literally only the shirt on my back, my guitar and my beloved animals. The faculty, staff and students live out their Christian faith and works through their continued support and concern for my academic, living and financial needs."

- Emma Jane Conley, ETSS '07,  
Master of Arts in Chaplaincy

"The first time I thought about seminary—as a sophomore in college—it was with a desire to learn more about my faith tradition and be immersed in Scripture. I worked as an Episcopal summer camp counselor for several years, and living, worshipping, and serving in that Christian community, I felt that God

was calling me to something very particular. That sense became clearer as others in the church affirmed it, and I entered a process of discerning how to respond to that call."

- Ann Benton Fraser, Sewanee '07,  
M. Div. program, Diocese of  
Louisiana

"What I experienced [during a year and a half of clinical pastoral education as a hospital chaplain] was the incredible privilege handed to me because of the badge I was wearing. I was given the authority to be the spiritual leader in the room. It was a great, awesome responsibility. I've been given positions of spiritual authority without having the academic background. I wanted to live more fully into the person people were already treating me like I was."

- Megan Sanders, GTS '07, Diocese  
of the Central Gulf Coast

"For a number of years, I enjoyed a career as a psychotherapist working in a private practice and in clinical programs. It was particularly meaningful work because I also considered it to be a ministry as a Christian, yet something seemed to be missing. When a priest asked me if I had ever considered Holy Orders, that question planted the seeds for a calling to a sacramental ministry."

- Terry Street, Sewanee '06, M. Div.  
program, Diocese of West Tennessee

"I came to seminary because my life has gone from the darkest places to a life full of blessings. I want to be a living gospel to those around me. If I can be resurrected into new life, others can too. We are all worthy of great transformation."

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*Judith Alexis*

sion I made to set my own, unique understanding of my relationship with God in Christ within the context of our faith’s history, incarnate present and hope for the future. Coming to EDS specifically was a decision to set this journey within a theology of justice, reconciliation and compassion, as I understand them to be the foundations of my call to ministry.”

*- Jeffrey Mello, EDS '07, M. Div. program, Diocese of Massachusetts*

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*- Robin Biffle, Sewanee '08, M. Div. program, Diocese of Montana*

“I felt compelled to select a place dedicated to a robust schedule of corporate worship and a broad, challenging program of academic study. The School of Theology at Sewanee addressed both of these formational aspects for me, while also offering a hospitable community for my family. It is difficult to imagine being prepared for a lifetime of ordained ministry without the ‘seed time’ I have received at this seminary.”

*- Furman L. Buchanan, Sewanee '06, M. Div. program, Diocese of Upper South Carolina*

“The priesthood, of course, necessitated attending seminary, but for me the call to seminary was a call all its own. In the same way that the realms of spirit and intellect are discrete but intertwined, the academic challenge of the Seminary of the Southwest has been a gift too deep for words.”

*- Catherine Tyndall Boyd, ETSS '06, M. Div. program, Diocese of Texas*

“When I was considering seminary, I spent a long time talking with a

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*- Greg Garrett, ETSS '07, M. Div. program, Diocese of Texas*

“(Just like Jesus) I went, or the Spirit drove me, into the wilderness of the Seminary of the Southwest life to be tempted, transformed in preparation for my life’s calling.”

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# Gulf Coast Restoration Campaign Launched

The dioceses of Louisiana and Mississippi formally launched a three-year, nationwide capital campaign March 3 designed to restore and rebuild the Episcopal church buildings and congregations affected by Hurricane Katrina.

The appeal, titled "Darkness into Day," is supported by the office of the Presiding Bishop and the Episcopal Church Foundation. Both organizations will continue to provide financial, structural and administrative support.

Hurricane Katrina completely destroyed six churches in the Diocese of Mississippi and damaged more than 20 others, according to Lauren Auttonberry, diocesan coordinator of communications. The Diocese of Mississippi contains 84 parishes. Flooding in the Diocese of Louisiana severely damaged

or destroyed six churches with an additional 19 suffering damage, according to the Rev. Canon E. Mark Stevenson, diocesan canon for administration and finance. There are 55 parishes in the Diocese of Louisiana, according to the most recent edition of *The Episcopal Church Annual*.

In addition to rebuilding damaged church buildings, proceeds from the capital campaign will be used to pay clergy salaries as congregations reorganize, and to allow the congregations to establish or re-establish local programs, such as parochial schools, outreach ministries and ministry centers, with funding that is separate from donations received for assistance to Katrina victims.

The situation in New Orleans and

along the Gulf Coast of Mississippi remains critical in many ways, and the ongoing efforts to provide relief assistance will continue, but Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold, in a recent letter to the House of Bishops, wrote, "we must also look to how we will move forward, restore and transform the Episcopal Church in Louisiana and Mississippi."

"Darkness into Day" will be publicized throughout the Episcopal Church by a variety of methods.

## Bishop Robinson Returns to Work

After spending a month receiving treatment for alcohol addiction, the Bishop of New Hampshire said he was grateful for the many expressions of love and support he had received and he vowed to continue working toward recovery.

In a statement published March 7 on the diocesan website, the Rt. Rev. Gene Robinson said he felt refreshed, clear-headed and happy. His first day back in the office was March 6.

"I knew it was central to my own recovery to be honest about this with you and with the world," he wrote. "While I am no longer embarrassed about having this disease, and while I will not be hesitant to discuss it with those who want to know more, I am also very aware that I'm a mere babe in the woods when it comes to addiction and sobriety."

Bishop Robinson said he will be working with an "addiction coach" daily for approximately the next month and then regularly after that for a year. He will also be attending Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. He described these new commitments as "essential to my continuing recovery, health and well-being."

Last month Bishop Robinson revealed that he had voluntarily admitted himself for alcohol treatment. The announcement surprised many. A growing awareness of the problem on his part, rather than a crisis, prompted the decision, according to the Rev. Canon Tim Rich, canon to the ordinary, who spoke with a CBS television affiliate in Boston.



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## Traditionalists in U.S. Express Concern About Proposed Nigerian Law

Two of Nigerian Archbishop Peter Akinola's more visible allies in the Episcopal Church have expressed doubts about the wisdom of making gay marriage a criminal act, as a proposed law in Nigeria would do.

"I do not believe that criminalization is an appropriate response to those who understand themselves to be homosexuals," the Rev. Canon Martyn Minns wrote in a March 3 letter to members of Truro Church, Fairfax, Va., where he serves as rector.

All societies are struggling to find ways to support heterosexual marriage, according to Canon Minns, who pointed out that the Commonwealth of Virginia retains laws against homosexuality and adultery, and "the situation in Nigeria is even more complex."

Peter Frank, director of communications for the Diocese of Pittsburgh, said the Rt. Rev. Robert Duncan shares Canon Minns' concerns. But, like Canon Minns, Bishop Duncan emphasized the context of Nigerian culture in a statement released March 15.

Canon Minns and other conservatives have questioned Washington Bishop John Chane's assertion, published in a *Washington Post* guest column Feb. 26, that Archbishop Akinola "threw his prestige and resources behind" the proposed law.

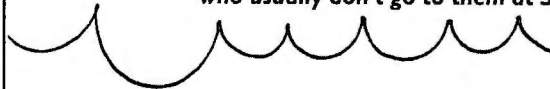
### Moral Position

The Anglican Church of Nigeria's standing committee, meeting Feb. 22-25, commended government leaders for their prompt reaction to outlaw same-sex relationships in Nigeria and called for the bill to be passed since the idea expressed in the bill is the moral position of Nigerians regarding human sexuality.

Canon Minns defended Archbishop Akinola, with whom he works frequently, writing that "he is presently working overtime to lower the religious and ethnic tensions in Nigeria and to care for those who have been traumatized in the recent strife. He is not seeking to victimize or diminish anyone."

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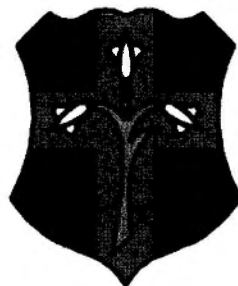
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### Retirements

The Rev. **Edwin H. Cromey**, as rector of St. Mary's, Tuxedo Park, NY. (June 4 or after)

The Rev. **David Eylers**, as rector of St. Luke's, Beacon, NY. (April 16 or after)

The Very Rev. **Timothy Kline**, as dean of Christ Cathedral, Salina, KS.

The Rev. **John W. Martinier**, as rector of Christ Church Christiana Hundred, Greenville, DE.

The Rev. **Wayne Olmstead**, as rector of St. Edmund's, Elm Grove, WI.

### Deaths

The Rev. **Lawrence Mills**, 90, died of complications from a stroke Feb. 2 at a retirement facility in Baltimore. He served as a priest in six dioceses.

Born and raised in Portland, OR, Fr. Mills earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Harvard before graduating from Episcopal Theological School in 1942. He was ordained priest that same year and began his career as assistant rector at Grace Church, Providence, RI. He went on to serve as assistant rector at Trinity, Princeton, N.J., from 1944-46; rector of Immanuel, New Castle, Del., from 1946-50; and rector of St. Peter's, Cazenovia, N.Y., from 1950-55. From 1955-61 he was assistant rector at St. David's, Roland Park, Baltimore, MD, also serving as chaplain at Spring Grove State Hospital from 1959-61. He served as assistant rector at All Saints', Wynnewood, Pa., from 1961-63, and returned to Baltimore in 1971 to serve as assistant to the Very Rev. John Peabody, dean of the Cathedral of the Incarnation. He retired in 1984. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Betsy; two sons, Dr. Lawrence Mills, Jr., of Baltimore, and Dudley Mills, Dayton, Ohio; two daughters, Elinor Weinstein, Glyndon, MD, and Betsy Hughes of Dayton; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

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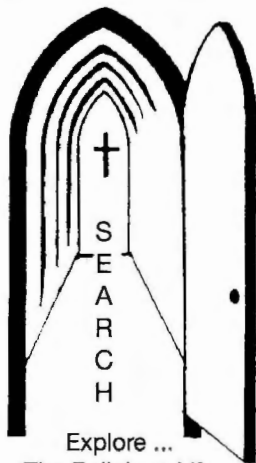
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