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OUR MISSION: To know Christ as we serve others, proclaim God's love, and grow in The Spirit.



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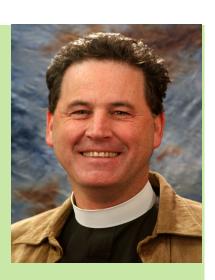
From the Rector's Desk

It is incredible
that the broken body
of some homeless peasant
spawned thousands of years
of humanity's greatest
philosophy, art, music,
and civilization.
Mathematicians tell us
an equation is correct
when it is beautiful.

The idea of a man-god
sacrificing himself
out of heart sick love
for this suffering creation
is the most beautiful of any story
ever heard. In all of literature,
have you ever come across
any other character
as bewildering as Christ
in the Gospels?

And then there are the people
Both living and dead
Who we have met,
By reading about saints,
Or sitting alongside in a pew
whose lives are inexplicable
apart from the revelation
of this god man.
But this is a truth
you can participate in.

Today, even now,
right now
you can engage in bodily ritual,
and liturgy and mysteries,
the apostles teaching
and fellowship
the Breaking of Bread
and the prayers
and turn your heart
towards this truth.



From the Rector's Desk (continued)

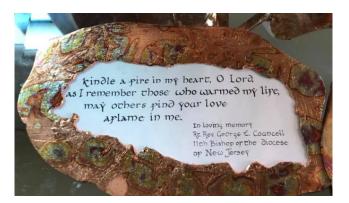
Christ is the way,
Which can come to mean
if we live a certain way,
different from what surrounds us,
immerse ourselves in Jesus present
surrounded by a community of followers
and by acting a certain way
we can know Christ as the way
even in times uncertain
hearts uncertain, minds uncertain.

But as we commit to a relationship over time that begins uncertain or wanders into deserts it gains as authentic when we work toward it.

Which is the way we become People of the Way on the Way.

Philip+





Father Phil's exquisite votive holder and accompanying prayer in memory of our dear Bishop George Councell. Photos by the artist; calligraphy by Wendy Hallstrom.

Musings from the Senior Warden

August 30, 2018

I am writing this, my first article as Senior Warden, from my daughter's home in Yorkshire, England. I am visiting to celebrate her birthday. Thirty years ago today, I sat on the cusp of change feeling ill-prepared, but determined to do the best job by my soon-arriving child as I was able. For just a bit of history, Alyx was the one who was responsible for bringing us to CHS many years ago. It was the first Sunday of the school year, and her friend Lauren Schmidt asked her to attend. Alyx was unsure, so asked me to join them as well. It instantly felt right, and has been our home church ever since.



So, much like that day thirty years ago, I am not sure that I am ready, but am equally determined to do my best for this place and these people I have come to love. Please keep me, along with the rest of the vestry members, in your prayers. We have so much we wish to accomplish.

We are starting off the school year in full gear. Our fall module is "Gather" - more on the modules below. We have a Spaghetti dinner (organized by our terrific youth as a fund-raiser) and Fr, Phil's slide show on his Kilimanjaro trip in a few weeks. That will be quickly followed by the St. Francis Blessing of the Animals in Pickell Park. Our plan is to continue these types of activities throughout the year, balancing fellowship time and building within our community with sharing what we have at CHS with the community at large.

Formation

At this year's vestry retreat, we discussed continuing with The Way of St. Paul, which covered the church year with a number of modules. We agreed that it was a good program overall, but needed some tweaking to be truly effective for our parish. We began by paring down the short modules, and focused on five major ones that aligned more closely with the liturgical calendar. The five modules are as follows:

Name	Focus	Dates
Gather	Coming together	Sept-Oct
Advent	Preparing	Nov-Dec
Epiphany	Calling	Jan-Feb
Lent	Reflection-Introspection	Feb-April
Easter	Rebirth-Joy	April-June

A group of us met several times over the summer to develop a firm program. We wanted congruence between the readings and what the adults were learning and hearing, and what the children were learning and doing. We will be updating the website with specifics as we move along, but will also be sending out activity reminders with each week's Friday email. We are continuing the multi-age learning on Sundays, as that has been quite successful.

Also, while we have a committed group spearheading this, your involvement is critical to our success. We will be looking for module coordinators, communications people, etc. Please think on your talents and availability and join us on this journey!

Lindsay Wyglendowski adds more information to the Formation process on the next page. We are delighted to have her expertise both as a teacher and a mom as we go forward with this rewarding part of our worship! We hope you will feel moved to join us.

Greetings Fellow Learners,

I write to you in humility and offer an opportunity to grow in faith with us. The children of our parish gather together most Sundays during the school year at 10:00 in Dove Hall. We are aligning our Sunday School Formation plans with the module themes (Gather, Advent, Epiphany, Lent, & Easter) once again and hope you will join us if you feel called. You can do this in many ways:

- 1. Just join us! Come sit in, listen, play, create, just be. Everyone is welcome.
- 2. Offer to play a provided name game to start our session.
- 3. Offer to "teach" our chosen bible story for the week. We give you everything you need to share a simple 6-8 minute story with 12-15 mixed-aged children.
- 4. Offer to team "teach" or assist in the ongoing activity of the module. Some art projects, some service projects, some games, and a play!
- 5. Connect with a child after service by asking what they did that day in formation.

We are planning all of the modules ahead of time so if you'd like to offer help during a particular time of year, just give a call! My phone number is 908-442-0892.

Much Love and Gratitude,

Lindsay Wyglendowski



Prayer Circle (reminder)

Deacon Dot holds a prayer circle after each service. It is called a "prayer circle" because we will hold hands as we pray together. It will be a time to pray with others who are feeling a need for extra prayer. We will meet in the alcove across from the organ. Anyone interested is welcome to join us. If you have any questions, please speak with Dot. Father Phil's beautiful votive candleholder adds a great deal to the experience. Lighting a candle for

someone special can bring peace and comfort to the giver. (See page 3 for photos of the recently completed piece.)

A Message from the Treasurer



Dear Friends,

As the summer comes to a close and we reflect on the finances of our faith group, we can look back with pride at our accomplishments thus far. Our church's finances were managed diligently throughout 2018 under the leadership of the Finance Committee and the Vestry.

Preliminary forecasts predict that we will meet our budget this year. This is wonderful news! As you all know our budget has been challenged the past couple of years, but so far this year we accomplished getting the Certificate of Occupancy for the church and completed the Rectory renovations. Our tenant is in residence and paying rent, and as a result we have been able to increase our Fair Share to the Diocese and meet our budget projections for 2018. Thank you to everyone on the Finance Committee and Vestry who have worked so hard to make these accomplishments a reality and thank you to the congregation for your support!!!!

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT JAN-JULY

	YTD 2018	2018 BUDGET
OPERATING REVENUE	\$214,623	\$310,891
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$197,601	\$317,314

Pledges are currently a little under budget with members away on vacation during the summer months. Now that summer is coming to an end please help us meet our budget projections by catching up with your pledges. Thank you to those who have kept up their pledges up over the summer and those who have prepaid for the year. Your efforts are much appreciated!

Work has begun on getting the elevator project completed. The project has gone out to bid, and we hope to get started by the end of 2018. This project should make 2019 another exciting year in the life of Church of the Holy Spirit.

We thank all of you who support our church through your gifts of time, talent and money.

Gabrielle Bolarakis, Treasurer



Food Justice, Social Action, and -- why not? -- Some Time at the Beach

On Friday and Saturday **September 21 and 22**, we welcome youth throughout the diocese to join us in Asbury Park for spiritual renewal, service to the community, and beachfront fun.

We look to arrive at Trinity Church in Asbury Park between 7 pm and 7:30 pm on Friday. We will walk down to the beach (a few short blocks away!), and Derek Minno-Bloom, the parish's Director of Social Justice, will speak to us about food insecurity issues throughout New Jersey, and the successful Food Justice program at Trinity Church. We will look to have a bit of fun that evening, and figure out something to eat as well. Participants will want to bring a sleeping bag, a change of clothes, and toiletries.

In the morning, we will help with the soup kitchen starting around 8 am with setup and preparation, making salad, greeting and engaging guests, making lunches that the guests can take with them, and cleaning up. Around 1 pm, we will enjoy the beach and boardwalk. At 5 pm we will attend and participate in Trinity's evening service. Afterwards, we will have dinner together as a group at one of the local restaurants, and then depart for home from Trinity.

More details will be shared soon with those who decide to join in; **this experience is limited to 15 youth participants**. Given the limited capacity, we encourage you to RSVP as soon as possible by contacting the trip coordinator, Chris Harris from All Saints' Church in Scotch Plains at charris4@verizon.net. Chris is happy to answer any questions you may have.

We hope youth will join us for this wonderful weekend of spirit and service!

On Being the Sponsor of a Confirmand

When our young people seek to reaffirm their baptismal vows (commonly called Confirmation) the service is preceded by a period of reflection and preparation.



At CHS, we ask current members to meet with our candidates for a series of meetings one on one to discuss issues of spirituality and life in Christ. We provide a conversation guide to assist you in sharing your faith and life experience with the candidate. It is up to each candidate to select a sponsor of their choosing.

We hope there are three separate meetings of an hour or more in length to offer insight and listen to the stories of God's activity in each of your lives. Sponsors are not simply talking the whole time but also listening and asking questions of the candidates on his or her experience in Christ. We will provide prayers to conclude each time together. The third meeting is special dinner cooked by the candidates for all the sponsors and time will be set aside for one on one time afterward.

Beyond these three meetings, we encourage you to create a real friendship Sunday by Sunday and even perhaps at a family meal or by attending a candidate's sports game etc. It is our hope that you might want to have more times together as your friendship develops.

Confirmation Camp was an intensive three-day event on August 24-26. We explained to the candidates the experience of sharing time with Sponsors and we expected them to choose their sponsors as soon as possible after Camp.

Since Confirmation is being planned for a Sunday in October, this gives us just a few weeks for these conversations.

Suggestions for the Three Sponsor Meetings

- Allow for wait time be comfortable giving the candidate silent time to respond. Don't fill up the quiet with your own talking. Breathe instead.
- Be honest about what you know and don't know. No harm in saying "let's find out together".
- Do your best to make the connections between events, people, and things with Jesus as you understand and love Him.
- Be prepared to be challenged and allow yourself to say, "wow, I am impressed by your thoughts and questions and I might need some time to get back to you on that".
- If you hear a disclosure of something troubling to you, seek out the counsel of the priest. Best not to add your anxiety but suggest you both consider going to talk with Fr. Phil or some other person you trust.
- Meetings are to take place in a public space with other people nearby, though a place is expected where the two of you
 won't be overheard.

Content for the Meetings

1. Why did you choose me to be your sponsor...Why did you say "yes" to my asking you to be my sponsor? Tell me about what is most important to you right now. (Focus at the first meeting on basic life things such as work, school, family, hobbies, etc.) This is how I hope to support you. Close with this prayer:

God our Father, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

2. Spiritual Autobiography: Make connections between life events (significant joys, losses, troubles, victories, challenges) and when you were closest to Jesus and/or when God felt far away. Close with this prayer:

A Prayer attributed to St. Francis

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Amen*.

A dinner meeting is scheduled for **Sunday Oct 14**, **5-7 pm**. Conversation points will be provided at that time. Prayers will be handled as a group.

If you have any questions please see Father Phil or Pat Egan. Their contact information is on page 20 of this issue.

We Care Group

Over the past few years I have has the joy of spending a little time on many Wednesday mornings with Greta Tump at her residence in Independence Manor. For those fairly new to Holy Spirit, Greta is now 98 years old, widowed and a long-time parishioner who provided the organ or piano music for the 8 o'clock service for many, many years.



Seated in her favorite chair, listening to classical music and knitting, she always greets me with a huge warm smile and Dutch kiss (left cheek, right cheek, left cheek). When I ask how she is doing, her usual response is "I'm 98 and I have nothing to complain about!" She is very interested in Church of the Holy Spirit news, particularly about the 8 o'clockers and long time parishioners. And she wants to know how Chris Williams is, hoping he is not working too hard!

Greta lived through the depression and Hitler's invasion of the Netherlands and has told me some remarkable stories of strength and survival during her young years. She also has many accounts about earlier years at CHS that she loves to share!

Communion for Greta is a deep, spiritual experience. She ponders the sacrifice of Christ's death every time with emotion and gratitude. She has a very close relationship with God.

At the end of our visit she thanks me with hugs and another Dutch kiss (and I thank her for sharing some time with me) and usually walks me to the door and waves as I drive away. I leave always uplifted and thankful for our shared moments.

Greta would enjoy visits from any parishioners! Independence Manor is across Rte. 31 from Hunterdon Medical Center. Why not stop in to say hello? You are sure to enjoy the company!

Sue Quinlan

Are You Receiving CHSNEWS Every Friday?

If you are not getting this chock-full-of-news email each week, you could be missing some important information or a fun event.

CHSNews is sent weekly to anyone who is on the email lists maintained by our Webmaster, Jan Paxton. If you've not provided your email to Jan, you could be missing out.

CHSNews lets you know what to expect on Sunday, provides links to the Ministries, and includes an events calendar for activities at church and in our community with links for details.

Don't get left out in the cold! <u>Subscribe now</u> by sending your preferred email address to <u>webmaster@churchholyspirit.org</u>

And, have you seen our website lately? Click on www.churchholyspirit.org for all the news from CHS.

P.S. Have an event you want published? Send that to webmaster@churchholyspirit.org and admin@churchholyspirit.org Your news will be seen on the web, Sunday bulletin and CHSNews.

Filling the Red Wagon

During September and October, Katie Higgins and Julie Schmidt would appreciate your help filling the cart on Sunday mornings with **cereal and canned soup.** Please place your donations in the cart in the Narthex; don't leave any packages in the Parish Office/Undercroft.

The food pantry website lists other needs: canned tuna, toilet paper, soap, shampoo. Our food collection gift suggestions also include ShopRite gift cards (Your donation of gift cards enables

the Pantry to purchase perishable items such as meat, fish, milk, eggs, cheese etc.) or you can access the pantry's website: http://opencupboardfoodpantry.org/. Click on the "Current Needs" tab for ideas. Please help stock the Food Pantry shelves for those less fortunate. Julie and Katie would like to thank the parishioners of CHS for their continued generosity. There but for the grace of God......

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Suzanne Higgins



Spirited Readers Book Club

Our current discussion will be about the novel "Beach Music," by Pat Conroy, author of "The Prince of Tides," and "The Great Santini." This book spans three generations of the family of Jack Mc Call, scarred by the tragedy of his wife's suicide, and is set in both the American South and the historic sites of Rome, to which Jack flees after his wife's death. There are references to a great deal of history, from the Holocaust to Vietnam. We are meeting on **Sunday, September 9th** after the 10:00 service and will pick our next selection at that time. Even if you haven't read the current book, please

plan to join us!

Suzanne Higgins

First Sunday Breakfasts: Hosts Wanted

Why is this plate empty? If you enjoy our first Sunday breakfasts, please form a team and sign up to host one. Whether you choose to serve a continental breakfast or an elaborate feast, your efforts will be appreciated. It's all about fellowship, not competition. Lately we've not had many volunteers and so our expectations on first Sundays have been



dashed from time to time. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex with the following possible first Sunday breakfast dates: October 7, November 4, December 2, February 3, March 31, and May 5. There will be no breakfast served in January, April, or June (and possibly other months if no one steps up). If you have any questions, please let me know. carolcj@prolog.net.

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Music at CHS

Thank you to parishioner Tricia Simpson-Curtin for supplying the music at our services while our Music Director, Chris Williams, was on vacation in June.

Senior Choir (St. Francis Room)

Begin singing September 2, 2018 at the 10 am service. Rehearsals at 9:30 and 11:30 on Sundays.

Junior Choir (St. Francis Room and Church) begin rehearsals Wednesday, **September 12th** 6:45-7:45 pm

Hazel Mae is practicing her hymns prior to translating them into Mandarin when she moves with her family to Hong Kong. Jon Babek photo

Trinity Chorale begins their rehearsals on Thursday September 13, 2018 7:30 - 9:00 pm Their concert is scheduled on December 2, 2018 at 4 pm. The featured work is John Rutter's Magnficat with Sarah Riddle as the soprano soloist. She will also sing the solo for "O Holy Night" by Adophe Adam. Other works by Jean Berger, Moses Hogan and Brad Nix.

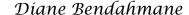


Chris Williams

How fortunate we are to have some of our own up-and-coming musicians play for us on summer Sundays! Sandy Burton photo

Theology on Tap

Theology on Tap has moved. Our meetings are now being held on Wednesday evenings at the Fox and Hound in Lebanon (on the outside terrace when weather permits). Father Phil scoped the place out and felt that the fairly quiet setting is more conducive to discussion. The place has an interesting beer selection and a reasonably priced menu for those who like to dine before the session. We are currently discussing Grounded: Finding God in the World by Diana Butler Bass. Come join us!







Would you like to help "set the Lord's Table"?

The Altar Guild is looking for a few new members to serve in this quiet, behind-the-scenes ministry. The ministry involves preparing the Altar and worship space for all services, including the flowers and cleaning up afterwards. The time commitment is about one hour to set up on Friday or Saturday and one on Sunday for the weekend you are assigned. Usually we work in teams of two and you can divide the tasks amongst yourselves. You are usually assigned every four to five weeks. If you are interested please contact me (908-638-4341 or landgraf5@yahoo.com). (Arrangement shown created by Anne Simpson).

Sue Landgraf

Holy Spirit Artists' Group to Reconvene

After a few months of inactivity, the Holy Spirit Artists' Group will meet monthly again starting Monday, **September 17** from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the church (exact room tbd). We encourage both current and new members to attend. At the top of the agenda is planning for a second art show to be held early in 2019. Our last show was a great success and the amount of talent at CHS is a great blessing. (Writers, artists, woodworkers, photographers — all creative folks are welcome.)

The group will meet regularly once a month. Please let me or Fr. Phil know whether or not you will be able to attend our first meeting.

Diane Bendahmane

New Church Photo Directory Planned!

How dated is your last professional family portrait? Last CHS photo directory (now four years old)? Well you're in luck because the directory will be updated this Fall!

Each family that schedules their portrait session will receive:

- A Complimentary 8x10 portrait
- Access to the digital online photo directory
- Ability to purchase a printed copy of the photo directory
- Ability to purchase additional prints and GROUP rates including Christmas Cards!

The sessions will be held at CHS the week of **October 8-13th**. Evenings and Saturday (and one weekday afternoon) are available. Sign up on the CHS website, churchholyspirit.org, or talk to me at dave@dabourphotography.com or 908-995-7273. If you aren't able to make any of the CHS dates, I can schedule your session at my home studio beforehand. We have many new members since the last directory was published (and needless to say the kids are growing by leaps and bounds, although the adults haven't changed a bit)! Please help us to achieve 100% participation!

Dave Dabour, Parish Photographer



A Culinary Affair Goes Irish:

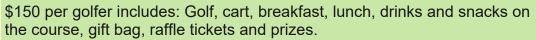
A Benefit for Hunterdon Hospice and Visiting Health and Supportive Services: Monday, September 24, 2018 The Grand Colonial, Rte. 173 W., Hampton, NJ 6-9 pm

The event will feature a sampling from fine local restaurants, wineries and breweries. In addition to the food and music, a silent auction will be held including items such as restaurant gift packages, golf foursomes, spa packages and much more. There will also be a 50/50 cash raffle. A great evening to benefit great local causes, with lots of fun to be had by all. Tickets are \$75 at the Hunterdon Healthcare Foundation Events office at 908-788-6141 or visit foundation.hunterdonhealthcare.org

Larry Helwig Memorial Golf Outing Monday, October 15, 2018 9am Shotgun Start

Tamarack Golf Course, 97 Hardenburg Lane East Brunswick, NJ

Proceeds will be used for scholarships to deserving SWMHS golf team players who display the ethics and traits Coach Helwig instilled in his students and players. Format: Four Person Scramble



Limited foursomes available.

Sign up early to guarantee your spot.

Return form and payment to: Eric Haltli, 119 Parker Street, South Amboy, New Jersey 08879. Checks made payable to "Eric Haltli."

Any questions call or text (732)803-9667 or email ehaltli@aol.com.

Golfer #1 Name:		
Phone:		Email:
Golfer #2		_ Golfer #3
	Golfer #4	



From the Acolyte Corner

The 2018 fall Acolyte Overnight was August 31 and a huge success. There were 14 children who attended, 10 staying overnight and 2 of them for their first time. Many thanks to Katie Chardoussin for staying the night as well.

We reviewed many aspects of being an Acolyte, watched an outstanding video narrated by Father Phil about the importance of an Acolyte being a part of the clergy, and practiced using the torches and cross. This time the acolytes were asked to tell of their most memorable moment; oh the stories that were told, some that I even did not know about! Amy Schroeder also was a huge help reviewing the Server duties with other Acolytes. Others practiced tasks that they typically do not do. I am looking forward to another great year of service with these wonderful children.

Jack Daniels, Acolyte Master







Jack Daniels photos

Pulse of the Parish

We say farewell to:

Jon and Lawren Babek, and children Liam and Hazel Mae, off to Hong Kong for Lawren's new job. What exciting times for the family!

Dave Dabour Photo

Janet Wulster, who sold her home in record time and has relocated to Princeton, where the train lines give her quick access to her family. Janet, we will miss you. Come visit often!

Congratulations to:

Dale and Dave Dabour on the birth of their first grandchild, Abigail Rae Tanhauser*, on Wednesday August 22, 2018. 7 lbs. 15 oz. Mom and baby are doing well!

Catherine Baka, the daughter of Lyn Baka, owner and manager of First Step, who was married to Daniel Lucy at CHS on August 11th with Fr. Philip presiding.

Elisa Burns and Carl Kinahan, married on August 18th at CHS by Deacon Dot in Father Phil's absence. We hope they will worship with us often. We would welcome them!

Condolences to:

Julie Stein and her daughter, Nancy Cranell, on the death of their father and grandfather, Jack Stein, on June 15, 2018.

Floriene Garrabrant on the death of her brother, John "Tippy" D'Auria July 19, 2018.

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Carol Crawford-Jones on the death of Fred Johnson, her daughter-in-law's father, who passed into greater life after a long illness.

Barbara Burton

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HOLD THE DATES

		SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER
	9	Got Change (both services)	2	Youth Bible Study grades 6—12, 7:30 pm
		Book Club (after 10 am)	3	Theology on Tap (7 pm)
	10	Knit & Chat 7 pm	8	Knit & Chat 7 pm
	11	Youth Bible Study grades 6—12, 7:30 pm	9	Youth Bible Study grades 6—12, 7:30 pm
	12	Theology on Tap (7 pm—note now Wed evenings)	10	Theology on Tap (7 pm)
16	16	Youth Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser and Fr. Phil talk about	14	Got Change (both services)
		Kilimanjaro 5 pm		Confirmation Class Dinner Meeting
	17	CHS Artists Group meets 7:30-9 pm	16	Vestry Meeting 7:30 pm
	18	Vestry Meeting 7:30 pm		Youth Bible Study grades 6—12, 7:30 pm
		Youth Bible Study grades 6—12, 7:30 pm	17	Theology on Tap 7:00 pm
	19	Theology on Tap (7 pm)	22	Knit & Chat 7:00 pm
	24	Knit & Chat 7 pm	23.30	Youth Bible Study grades 6—12, 7:30 pm
	25	Youth Bible Study grades 6—12, 7:30 pm	24, 31	Theology on Tap 7:00 p.m.
	26	Theology on Tap (7 pm)	∠ -1 , 51	Theology of Tap 7.00 p.m.

We had a special guest on Sunday, August 26th at the 8:00 service. The talented Jack Johnson, long-time member of the Trinity Chorale, was with us and as part of Fr. Phil's homily on reaching out to others, sang this wonderful Dylan piece and accompanied himself on the guitar. The lyrics are reprinted below. - Ed.



Gotta Serve Somebody—Bob Dylan

You may be an ambassador to England or France You may like to gamble, you might like to dance You may be the heavyweight champion of the world You may be a socialite with a long string of pearls

But you're gonna have to serve somebody, yes indeed You're gonna have to serve somebody Well, it may be the devil or it may be the Lord But you're gonna have to serve somebody

You might be a rock'n'roll addict prancing on the stage Might have money and drugs at your command, women in a cage

You may be a businessman or some high-degree thief They may call you Doctor or they may call you Chief

But you're gonna have to serve somebody, yes indeed You're gonna have to serve somebody Well, it may be the devil or it may be the Lord But you're gonna have to serve somebody

You may be a state trooper, you might be a young Turk You may be the head of some big TV network You may be rich or poor, you may be blind or lame You may be living in another country under another name

But you're gonna have to serve somebody, yes indeed You're gonna have to serve somebody
Well, it may be the devil or it may be the Lord
But you're gonna have to serve somebody

You may be a construction worker working on a home You may be living in a mansion or you might live in a dome You might own guns and you might even own tanks You might be somebody's landlord, you might even own banks But you're gonna have to serve somebody, yes indeed You're gonna have to serve somebody Well, it may be the devil or it may be the Lord But you're gonna have to serve somebody

You may be a preacher with your spiritual pride
You may be a city councilman taking bribes on the side
You may be working in a barbershop, you may know how to
cut hair

You may be somebody's mistress, may be somebody's heir.

But you're gonna have to serve somebody, yes indeed You're gonna have to serve somebody It may be the devil or it may be the Lord But you're gonna have to serve somebody

Might like to wear cotton, might like to wear silk
Might like to drink whiskey, might like to drink milk
You might like to eat caviar, you might like to eat bread
You may be sleeping on the floor, sleeping in a king-sized
bed

But you're gonna have to serve somebody, yes indeed You're gonna have to serve somebody Well, it may be the devil or it may be the Lord But you're gonna have to serve somebody

You may call me Terry, you may call me Timmy You may call me Bobby, you may call me Zimmy You may call me R.J., you may call me Ray You may call me anything but no matter what you say

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Snapshots Summer 2018



Vacation Frisbee School 2018

Top photo swiped from our terrific CHS website, with thanks to the webmasters. Bottom Two Photos by Michelleslie Maltese-Nehrbass. The snacks looked scrumptious!

Trust Your Boots





Photos above from Fr. Phil's FB page; excerpt below from his blog on the Kilimanjaro climb this past July, some of which gained a second life as part of the "Trust Your Boots" homily on his return, fifteen pounds lighter but with some of that weight residing on his chin. The rest was probably in the dust, rock, and other Tanzanian debris that adhered to those boots at the end of the trip (see photo, below right).

"Our guides repeatedly called out, "Trust your boots!" That was the one piece of equipment they inspected before leaving at the very start of the climb. New boots get you sent home. Broken-in boots a must, so much so, you wear [their uncomfortable bulk] on the plane; the one thing you can't replace if luggage is lost. But you learn to trust them. Plant your foot, balance your weight, shift, turn, lift your body. Plant your other foot. Repeat. I trust my boots. I don't trust my gut though. They say, "trust your gut," but I think that's wrong. Your gut is a mash up of under-thought intuition, amorphous fears, vague notions, and unfounded feelings of confidence. . . . Better to trust your boots. I mean by boots, of course, the people I love and the traditions and the honed and broken-in powers of reason and thoughtfulness, the practice of daily prayer and reading. All leading to the presence and meaning and purpose of the one in whom we live and breath and hike with."



Scout gets a blessing too. Vicki Brooks photo



From the CHS Facebook page: Boots, Family Bible and passed around during his homily, Fr. Phil's study bible, which looks rather like the boots: well loved, tattered, and definitely trusted.

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