

# THE CHRONICLE

OCTOBER 2010

## LET THIS PLACE RESOUND!

As I stated in last month's Musings, what an exciting time for Saint James Music Ministry. Since that writing we have re-dedicated the Ross King organ in the church with much fanfare and uplifting music and we have heard the inaugural recital played brilliantly by our own **Barbara Gray-Massey** on September 19.

People continue to be amazed at the sounds of the "new" organ and how it supports and encourages the congregation in song. The many tonal colors of the instrument were in full aural display at Barbara's recital and those in attendance were able to see all the gyrations that an organist does in playing the King of Instruments.

The ever-eloquent **Ross King** said it best: "The church made a wise investment in having the M. P. Möller firm of Hagerstown, MD, build an organ in 1959. (How many electronics would they have had in those same 51 years?) This came

home to me forcefully on hearing the recitalist for [the] inaugural recital go through her remarkably varied and colorful program.

"When we came to the organ a couple of years ago, it was in fairly good order, but it had

limitations in both effectiveness and in color which we have attempted to improve in our just-completed work.

"We replaced the pneumatically-powered parts of the console with new (and additional) drawknobs and tilting tablets, new (and additional) pistons, and new solid-state switching system and multilevel combination action. This made the console movable so that the organist has better position for directing the choir and also the possibility of being visible for recitals.



**INAUGURAL RECITAL:** Karl Schroeder and Larry Crabtree congratulate Barbara Gray-Massey upon her inaugural organ recital on September 19 at Saint James.

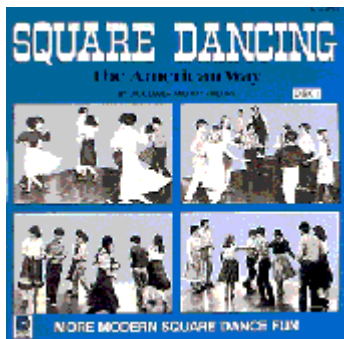
"The church has, in addition to the results of an investment made half a century ago for a fine building and organ, one additional asset: its theory about personnel, whether employed, constituent, or visiting. It has been our observation while working on the organ, made strictly as outsiders and made in the awareness that we are dealing here with a subject that is outside our range of expertise, that the parish spends little time on divisive issues and that the parish searches out persons, both lay and clergy, of high ability and then provides them with the resources and also a cheerful, non-hierarchical atmosphere in which to pursue their interests and to develop their talents."

Thank you, Ross and Saint James Parish for bringing about this wonderful addition to our Music Ministry. *Soli Deo Gloria* (to God alone be the Glory), indeed!

-Lance A. Massey



# HARVEST DINNER!



It's That Time Again...  
**BE THERE, DON'T BE SQUARE!**  
Dinner and a square dance for  
the whole family!

Galloway Hall

**Saturday, October 9, 2010.**

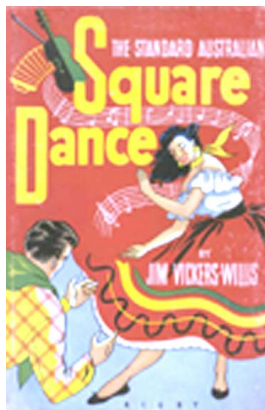
Dinner served at 6:30 pm

Square Dance at 7:30pm (we go by bandanas,  
not boy or girl)

This will be a fun evening for Saint  
James,  
with food, fellowship and family.

Please sign up to attend  
on the Fellowship Bulletin Board.

Any questions or want to help?  
Call Amy Kohair 734-693-0694



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## ECW UPDATE!

Godly Play: I would like to thank Michael Glover, Linda Kurth, and Joan Hemsworth for helping me prepare the meals for the participants who came to learn how to work with this material.

Oct. 3, Sunday; after church there will be a short General Meeting. All are welcome and encouraged to attend so you can see what the ECW is doing.

Oct. 6, Wednesday at 11 am: **Pat Zavadil** has some very good movies about our Christian faith. She is going to share one of those. Please bring a sandwich.

Oct. 18, Monday, 6 pm. The program will start at 7 pm. Our seminarian, **Colleen Lough** is going to show us how to make prayer beads. Everyone is welcome, female, male, teenagers, etc. (see story brief on bottom of page 6)

Oct. 20 and 27 Wednesday at 11 am, we will be wiring cones and berries for Greens' Market. Please bring a sandwich.

## ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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***Mission Statement:** Rich in tradition, yet forward-looking, the mission of Saint James' Episcopal Church is to celebrate and carry forth the good news of Jesus Christ as a family, bound together in his name.*

### STAFF

*The Rev. Philip M. Dinwiddie, Rector*

*Lance A. Massey, Minister of Music*

*Sandra Hahn, Director of Christian Education*

*Paula McSweeney, Parish Secretary*

*Jill Craig, Treasurer*

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*Andrew Johnson—Sr. Warden*

*Tina Wirtel—Jr. Warden*

*Larry Crabtree*

*Dave Dowhan*

*Josh Goyert— youth representative*

*Jack Hartley*

*Carolyn Hoey*

*Blanche Hutchinson*

*Madeleine Jones*

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*Diane Mammo*

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### THE CHRONICLE

2006 and 2007 Blue Ribbon winner  
2008 Red Ribbon winner  
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of the **Lois Leonard Award for Excellence in Church Journalism**, awarded by The Record Editorial Board of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan.

## EXTENDING OUR ECW HANDS TO COTS

Eight women: **Linda Shannon, Amanda Phillips, Linda Kurth, Joan Hemsworth, Carolyn Hoey, Norma Smereka, Pat Darin, and Carol Nankervis**, traveled to Detroit to tour COTS (Coalition on Temporary Shelter) and meet with the staff there. The St. James women saw the infant and toddler Day Care rooms, the lunch room, and toured the halls. They learned about the volunteer programs and the structured and very organized requirements for assistance...all of which provide a safe environment for the residents.

According to several of our ECW women, the highlight of the trip was meeting one of the women residents and hearing her story and hopes for the future... even in the face of major abdominal tumor related health problems. The middle aged woman told our group that when her husband died suddenly of a heart attack three years ago, she had to move into a less expensive apartment building. Unfortunately, soon after her relocation, she began to suffer from severe bed bug bites which covered her whole body. When she sought medical treatment, the landlord became angry and the spiral of homelessness began. The landlord agent hit her and threw her belongings on the street.

Luckily, the police referred her to COTS, where she has been for the past sixteen months. She sews and is an artist. When the St. James group volunteered to update and personalize her very small 10' x 14' COTS room, she replied that she had been praying for someone to do just that!

Excitedly, ECW committed itself to do more than just send our usual monetary contribution. After talking with the resident, a "needed" list was made, which includes painting her room and bath in pastels.

Please, help us be the answer to this woman's prayers.

### Angel Wish List

comforter (double bed), headboard, sheets, pillow curtains or valance, rug for in front of the bed, frames for her angel water color paintings, a TV stand and converter box, small arm chair, clock, shower curtain. larger painting or mirror for the wall, night stand and lamp, electric tea pot. (ECW will also be on the lookout for some of the needed items as we sort through Rummage Sale donations. Check the ECW hallway board to see what items are still needed on our continuously updated Angel Wish List.) Also, if you would be available for painting, contact Linda Shannon.

Eye-opening statistics from COTS:

- There are 86,189 homeless people living in Michigan.
- More than half of Michigan's homeless are families.
- One in three homeless persons in Michigan is a child.
- Thirty-seven percent of single persons homeless in 2008 were homeless for the first time.

*-Madeleine Jones*

## MANY THANKS FOR GROUNDS UPKEEP



A special thanks and gratitude goes to the **Tissot families** for their interest and commitment to helping keep the landscape at Saint James in a lovely light. They have tirelessly donated their time, equipment, seed and soil.

While remembering generous gifts, Dr. Joe Rogers and his wife, Sheila, provided our fertilizer for our front lawn for this fall and spring 2011. Many, many, thanks!

*“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed—do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” - Colossians 3:17*

*-Tina Wirtel*

## AROUND SAINT JAMES

**GODLY PLAY:** Our new youth Christian Education program, Godly Play, has begun successfully following a three day workshop for adult educators. Eager Sunday School children responded with great reviews! Thank you, **Sandy Hahn** (our Christian Education Director), **Esther Hemsworth** (pictured, right), **Amanda Phillips, Madeleine Jones, Julie Kohn, Colleen Lough** and **Meren James!**



Saint James announces  
the inaugural recitals of the  
**M. P. Möller / Ross King** Organ

Sunday, October 17, 3 p.m.  
**Lance A. Massey,**  
Minister of Music at Saint James,  
Grosse Ile

Sunday, November 28, 3 p.m.  
**Dr. Joseph D. Daniel,**  
Organist-Choirmaster at Saint Matthew  
and Saint Joseph,  
Detroit, Michigan

### REMINDER: KROGER PLUS CARD MANDATORY REGISTRATION

Saint James' received a check for \$880 from Kroger's for our participation in the Community Rewards Program. Over 40 families have currently enrolled their Plus Card in the program. Are you one of them?



If the very bottom of your Kroger receipt says, "St. James Episcopal Church", you are enrolled in the Rewards Program. If the receipt does NOT list the name of the church, you need to register your card. Do so online at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) or contact **Lynn Blanks**, 676-3967, for help with enrolling your card.

## SAINT JAMES IN PICTURES



**BAPTISM AND CHURCHFEST:** Sunday, September 12 marked not only Churchfest, but we had a baptism and organ re-dedication (see cover story). Upper left clockwise: **Colleen Lough** serves up cotton candy, parishioners contributed to our traditional potluck, including **Frank Kohair's** world-famous Taco Soup. The baptism of **Gavin Elliot Mahon** (pictured with mom **Jillian Wirtel** and dad **Bryan Mahon**) was just one of the highlights of September 12!



**RECTORY OPEN HOUSE:** Father Phil and Libby held the rectory open house in August. Many parishioners attended and admired the house and grounds on a beautiful Sunday afternoon.

## OUT THERE WITH OUTREACH—SEPTEMBER 2010

On Saturday, September 18, 2010 Frank & I were in Florida, patiently waiting for another grandbaby: **Diane Larkin**, with **Lynda & Barry Van Engelen** and the **Rudziensky** family: **Dave, Anne, Julie, Jenny & Emma**, graciously took over the management of the cooking and preparation of the meal at the Spirit of Hope Soup Kitchen. Their wonderful crew were: **Jennifer Phillips, Kate & David Hartwell, Jane Colwell, Norma Smereka, Millie Miles, and Linda & Herman Rugel.**

They finished with all the preparation at 10:30 am and most headed home. Lynda & Barry and Kate & Dave waited for the Sacred Heart serving crew to arrive. Their leader, **Terry Morrow**, was out of town as well. Sacred Heart had a scant crew show up and needed our people to stay to help. Luckily Barry & Lynda had no pressing plans and were able to stay. Kate & Dave had to leave. There were not enough helpers to serve the usual "restaurant style" so everyone hustled and served "cafeteria style at the window". Barry was out in the dining room with one of the Sacred Heart men, serving beverages, moving the heavy soup pots, etc. A long day for our dear Saint James friends!

The Saint James crew cooked up forty pounds of hamburger with four pounds each of diced green peppers and onions. To this they added salt, pepper, taco seasoning, garlic herb blend, 7 big cans of "Manwich" and VOILA!

they had two sloppy joes each for 200 people! The 400 sloppy joes were served on buns, with seven containers of potato salad, and two huge jars of dill pickle slices on the side. Four huge cans of chocolate pudding made a cool, light dessert. Peanut butter & jelly sandwiches were made "to go" and 250 rolls of silverware were twisted. Around 190 people were served for a total cost of \$324.47, which included \$45 for security! Sacred Heart will share the cost, so our half will be \$162.24 for this meal! Most of the food was gone but the bit of sloppy joe mix which was left, went to the Detroit Rescue Mission.

Our next turn to prepare the meal and set up at Spirit of Hope, will be Saturday, October 23rd.

We will meet in our Chapel parking lot at 8:20 a.m. and you will be home before noon. Sorry about that full day, Lynda & Barry!

*We cannot thank you all enough!  
With all our love,  
Amy & Frank Kohair*

P.S. See You at the Harvest Dinner on Saturday Night, October 9, at 6:30 pm in Galloway Hall (see page 2). Dinner and entertainment will be provided, just bring your family and wear comfortable clothes. Be ready to enjoy Rip-Roaring Fellowship with all your Saint James pals. Sign-up on the Fellowship Bulletin Board.

### OPEN THE GATES TO YOUR SPIRITUALITY

The first evening ECW meeting will be held on Oct. 18 at 6 pm. Bring a salad potluck item (cut up carrots, blue cheese, etc.) We will enjoy the evening in fellowship, breaking bread together and making prayer bead circles under the direction of our own **Colleen Lough**. You may bring your own cross and beads (5 big ones and 28 smaller ones) or pick out some of the gorgeous bead choices that may "speak to you" from **Donna Hinsen's** Outside the Lines. We will also have store bought crosses for your use

While we are beading, Colleen will tell us about some of the experiences our St. James women's had while using prayer beads during last May's retreat. Please come even if you are not interested in making a circle for yourself. We need you to help make extra ones to sell at Greens Market.

Please enter the world of women in Christ with us.

*-Madeleine Jones*

### STAY UP TO DATE WITH THE SUNRISE

Every Monday morning, the Saint James' Sunrise email is sent out summarizing the announcements from Sunday's bulletin. We also include birthdays and anniversaries for the week. On occasion, a special email is put out during the week reminding the congregation of a special service, a change in service time, an upcoming event, or informing you of a death or serious illness which has occurred during the week.

If you are not currently receiving the Sunrise, have recently changed your email address, or for some reason it has stopped arriving, please send your email address to the following so you can be added to our email address list:

**[office@saintjamesgi.net](mailto:office@saintjamesgi.net)**  
**[lblank@wideopenwest.com](mailto:lblank@wideopenwest.com)** and  
**[sjsunrise@comcast.net](mailto:sjsunrise@comcast.net)**.

*Stay informed about what is happening at Saint James' with the Sunrise!*

## MAKING A DIFFERENCE...

Many thanks to all of you who do the little things at Saint James which really "make a difference."

A pat on the back and a genuine hug: Thank you, **Tina Wirtel** and **Jack Hartley**, for taking on the huge, month after month, task of the unclogging the drain from the chapel to the street.

**Joan Hemsworth** and **Carole Vandenberg** put in hours and hours into the Rummage Sale for weeks before the actual sorting, pricing, and selling even began. We could not do without you both.

**Esther Hemsworth** is a woman of many talents. You should taste her yummy raspberry ice cream topper. Thanks for sharing this wonderful treat with everyone!

A special thanks to ECW President, **Linda Shannon**, for her dedication and spirituality. Under her leadership, Saint James women continue to work together in new and old ways, building bridges of hope to the world around us.

Thank you, **Barbara Gray Massey**, for sharing your musical gifts with us. Your September 19th organ concert was wonderful. The gracious reception following St. James's first organ concert was hosted by choir members **Madeleine Jones** and **Jim Holubka**. **Pat Bracey** and **Jill Craig** supplied delicious sweet treats. **Sandy Hahn**, **Colleen Lough**, **Linda Shannon**, **Herman Rugel**, and **Nancy Clark** provided wonderful kitchen help. Thank you, all.

**Lynn Blanks** works to keep the pews stocked and organized on a regular basis. We appreciate the time and energy put forth!

The 2010 ECW Blue Book is in the hands of our women thanks to **Joan Hemsworth**, **Linda Shannon**, **Madeleine Jones**, **Paula McSweeney**, and all the women who added their input.

Thanks to the forward thinking of the youth leaders of the Grosse Ile Marching Band, the group held their fund raising garage sale two weeks before the St. James Rummage Sale so they could donate the remains of their sale to us!

**Julie Kohn's** organizational skills paid off well for the women of Saint James's Fall Welcome Luncheon held at the Grand Event in Trenton. Thanks to her talented efforts, 43 women enjoyed the wonderful space, gracious staff, and delicious food as we celebrated our strengths together. Thanks you, **Nancy Crysler** for making and mailing the beautiful invitations and providing the fabulous ending, fruit cobbler.

ECW's Helping Hands was at work in the kitchen for the Godly Play workshop providing delicious meals for the participants. Thank you **Carolyn Hoey**, **Michael Glover**, and **Linda Kurth**. And the red currant jelly, sent over by Sally Frisch, was scrumptious!

If you see someone "making a difference" around Saint James, leave a note with Paula in the office or **Andrew Johnson** (newsletter box in office.) Or email to [sjnewsletter@comcast.net](mailto:sjnewsletter@comcast.net).

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1.....Gary Gorris
- 3.....Cathy Kalafut
- 5.....Samantha Bohl, Stephanie Nankervis, Randy Thomas
- 6.....Myra McInerney
- 7.....Abigayle McNeill
- 9.....Josh Goyert, Steven Hemsworth, Tess Hoffman
- 10.....Alex Gall
- 11.....Sherri Howes, Linda Shannon Rugel
- 12.....Bernice Collins, Trevor Craig, Mildred Hartwell
- 14.....Loreen Angellotti
- 16.....MaryJo Brough
- 18.....Robin Jones
- 20.....Susan Burns, Grace Kaszubski
- 25.....Robert (Bob) Lange
- 26.....Courtney Taylor
- 27.....Thomas Bidari, Larry James
- 29.....Anna Davis
- 30.....John Haggard
- 31.....Greg Goyert



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