

news

WEST END COLLEGIATE CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER for July and August, A.D. 2010

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

July 04 The Reverend Nancy Callender, currently doing church mediation for the Synod of New York

July 11 Dr. Gregg Mast, President of New Brunswick Theological Seminary

July 18 Dr. Arthur Caliandro, Senior Minister Emeritus at Marble Collegiate Church

July 25 Mr. Jim Sterner, recent M-div. graduate from Union Theological Seminary

August 1 The Reverend Nathan Hart, NYC Area Director for Fellowship of Christians in Universities & Schools

August 8 The Reverend Michael Bos
Communion

August 15 The Reverend Doug Leonard,
Director – Al Amana Centre, Oman

August 22 The Reverend Maxwell Grant,
Community Church of the Pelhams, UCC

August 29 The Reverend Michael Bos

CONSISTORY

The local Consistory will meet on Monday, August 23 at 6:00 p.m.

QUOTE FOR THE MONTH

“As Mankind becomes more liberal, they will be more apt to allow that all those who conduct themselves as worthy members of the community are equally entitled to the protections of civil government. I hope ever to see America among the foremost

nations of justice and liberality.” - *George Washington*

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

The last Sunday lunch of the season will be August 1. Regular after-worship lunches will resume with a Welcome Back Lunch on September 12. Please join us!

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

The rhythm of summer schedules has begun. We're off on holiday, family visits, and weekend get-a-ways. Sometimes a change of pace is what we need to stir our faith. Getting away from our routines creates space in our lives to think about things that get suppressed in overloaded schedules. It allows us to regain touch with what's most important and who is most important. So whether you are strolling through the park with a loved one, lying in a hammock alone, or teeing off the back nine with a friend, may the newness of the moment move you and the grace of Christ and joy of God's love renew you. – Pastor Michael

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASS

The class will meet through the end of July from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. In a world where worry and fear seem to run rampant, *how can we be fearless?* Max Lucado, in his book, *Fearless*, poses the same question and encourages the reader to examine his/her fears. Join us in the adult education class beginning July 11th and continuing during the month of July as we examine some of our own fears and more importantly, ponder ways to challenge and conquer them. April Fisher will be leading these sessions in room 25.

SERVICE PROGRAMS

Tuesdays - SUPPER CENTER for the hungry and homeless
4:00 p.m. – Bible Study
4:30 p.m. – Supper

Tuesday Supper Center will continue through July 27 and will resume on September 7.

Saturdays - SATURDAY CENTER for the mentally and emotionally healing at 12 Noon.

Saturday Center continues through July 31 and resumes on September 11.

THE BOOK CLUB

There will be no book club meeting in July. We will meet on Friday, August 20, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Gorsuch House, (306 West 77th Street) to discuss *Regeneration*, the first book of Pat Barker's *Regeneration Trilogy*. There will be no meeting in September. Our October meeting will be Friday, October 15, to discuss *Franny and Zooey* by J. D. Salinger. For more information, email or call Kay Uyterlinde at uyerlinde@hotmail.com or (212) 787-1285.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL at WEST END COLLEGIATE CHURCH

Vacation Bible School will begin on Monday, August 30 and will continue through Friday, September 3 every day from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We provide a full performing arts camp with singing, dancing, creative dramatics, arts and crafts, a daily trip to the playground, and storytelling for children in kindergarten through eighth grade. Lunch and morning snacks are provided. If you are interested or have any questions, please call Jim Sterner at the church office, 212-787-1566.

"WALKING IN MEMPHIS"

The Third Annual Youth Mission trip departs on August 14. Following two summers of restoration on Mississippi's Gulf Coast, the teens will turn their energies this year to Memphis, Tennessee's inner city, where one in four children live below the poverty level. The 12 teens are chaperoned this year by Pastor Michael Bos, Jim Sterner, Timothy Mathis and Carla Christoff. Return to New York City is scheduled for August 22.

Jim, Tim and the “kids” from the Talent Show thank their many contributors for helping raise nearly \$4000 to defray the costs of their trip.

CHILDCARE ...

with Arlene Davey during the Worship Hour will continue throughout the summer.

CLUB FOR KIDS & YOUTH GROUP

Summer is here and our kids are on holiday. Club for Kids and Youth Group will return on Friday, October 1, at 6:00 p.m. If you can't wait three whole months for the return of Club, join us the week of August 30 for Vacation Bible School.

A MESSAGE FROM THE MUSIC MINISTER

It's been a wonderful year of music and celebration here at West End! Starting with a royal visit from the Netherlands to celebrate our Dutch roots and all the great music surrounding that event, we have welcomed our new pastor, Michael, spent Sundays in worship together and enjoyed several concerts in our new concert series. Kent Tritle gave a splendid organ recital, our Choir offered its annual Christmas Concert assisted by Van Benedetti, cello and members of the New York Philharmonic, and special guests the New York Saxophone Quartet with Dennis Anderson. We also presented a joint concert with Marble Collegiate Church's Festival of Voices, in selections from the Mozart Requiem. Talented members of the congregation Bill Hayes, Sharon Sherrard, Christian Realmuto, and Debra Monk shared their gifts of music with us, as well. It was a very good year!

Our summer services will be graced with soloists from our Choir. The full Choir will reconvene on September 12. Thanks to all the members, friends and staff of our beautiful church for your presence and support. Have a peaceful and relaxing summer! Blessings,

Cynthia Powell
Minister of Music

BUILDING CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, July 5 in observance of **Independence Day.**