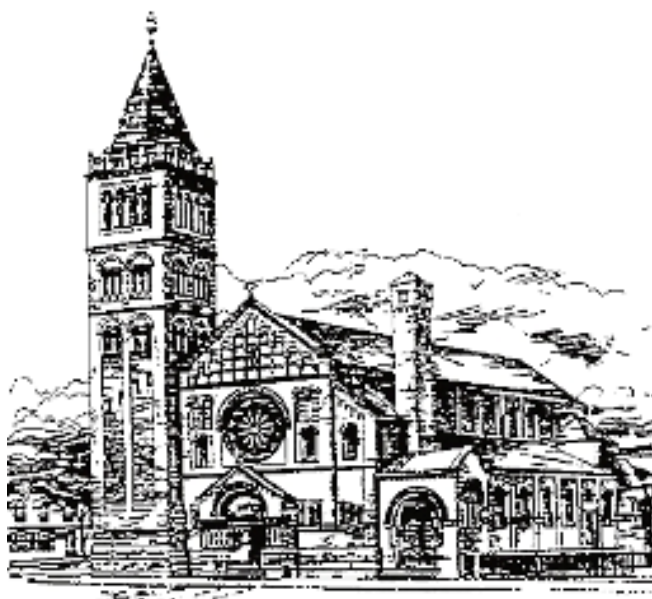


"And to the angel of the church at Philadelphia write: behold I set before you an open door." Rev. 3.8



PHILADELPHIA CATHEDRAL



8th Sunday after Pentecost

Weekly News Bulletin

July 18, 2010

PHILADELPHIA EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

9:30 AM – Lauds
10:00 AM – Holy Eucharist

WEEKDAYS

Noon Day Eucharist
Tuesday & Wednesday

READINGS LINK: Scripture Lessons can be found online at www.satucket.com/lectionary.

READINGS FOR THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



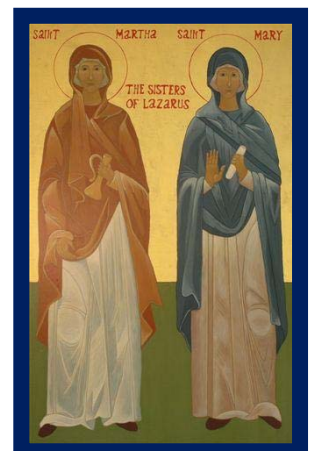
GENESIS 18:1-10a This story tells of God appearing to Abraham in the guise of three travelers to promise that they would have a son in their later years. Since this anecdote came from the earliest of the four documents which compose the Pentateuch, it presents a relatively primitive description of a theophany. The motif of deity appearing in the guise of three men has much in common with other ancient religious literature. The legend could well have existed in the pre-Israelite settlement in the region of Hebron. Abraham's hospitality also follows the traditional custom of tribal societies. Such hospitality usually resulted in a blessing.

For this reason alone, the story would have been remembered with great favor in the long oral tradition preceding its documentation.

PSALM 15 The similarity of this didactic psalm with the teachings of Deuteronomy and Leviticus points to a time after Israel's return from exile when religious leader sought to instruct the populace in the ancient tradition of the covenant law.

COLOSSIANS 1:15-28 Modern versions of this passage divide it into three paragraphs. The first speaks of the pre-existent, human, crucified and resurrected Christ. The second speaks of the reconciliation God effected through Christ. The third presents the vision of what God is doing in creating this new humanity and the cosmic universe in which we live and serve as did Paul.

LUKE 10:38-42 The lovely story of Jesus visiting Mary and Martha displays his deep affection for Martha and Mary. Jesus always felt welcome in their home in Bethany. It Mary and Martha's sisterhood has inspired centuries of commentary about the relationship between or within discipleship and devotion. Discipleship and devotion are intertwined which is why Luke's portrayal of Mary and Martha's behaviors continues to provoke spirited learning today.





We welcome seven new members into the fellowship of the Philadelphia Cathedral Congregation.

It is a great joy and blessing to welcome these members to our Cathedral family: *Lisa Liem, Gie Liem, Jasper Liem, Stephanie Liem, Irma Preikschat, Ken Garner, Bob Mikrut and Sara Moro.*

Dear Lord, bless these and all members of our Cathedral Family whom you call to live in the midst of the world and its concerns. Graciously touch our hearts with your Holy Spirit that together we may do your will through Christ our Lord., Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY: Diocesan Programs: *Widows Corporation;* Diocese of Guatemala: *Our Companion Cathedral, Catedral de Santiago Apóstol, St. Mark's Church, Quetzaltenango, The Rev. Dr. Roberto Armas*

Please continue to remember Gerrie Wilson in your prayers as she recuperates at home.

If you are visiting with us today, please sign our *Visitor's Book* and join us for coffee hour following the Liturgy.

Following today's Liturgy, join artists *Stephen Robin, Marie Elcin and Elaine Crivelli* as they discuss their art work which is now on display in the Cathedral as part of the Summer Art Exhibition which continues through September 6th.

Special thanks to Richard Yonkoski for serving as cantor for today's Liturgy.

The Team for July 25 will be the Red and Green Team.

Thanks to the Yellow & Purple Team for supporting today's Liturgy.

Team Leaders: Anne Minich and Marie McCullough

Team Members: John Braxton, Linda Braxton, Marshall Bright, Blanche Coleman, Ron Francis, Mary Jo Grdina, Sarah Heim, Johnna Matthews, Sheila McKenna, Anne Misak, Ben Nye, Charlotte Parkes, Mike Trbovich, DL Wormley

July 22- Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene

Mary Magdalene or **Mary of** is described, in the New Testament, as one of the most important women in the movement of Jesus throughout his ministry. The late 20th and early 21st century has seen a restoration of the New Testament figure of Mary Magdalene as a patron of women's preaching and ministry. According to Luke 8:2 and Mark 16:9, Jesus cleansed her of "seven demons," a concept usually associated in the New Testament with *healing from illness*,^[6] not forgiveness of sin. Mary Magdalene is the leader of a group of women disciples who are present at the cross, when the male disciples (excepting John the Beloved) have fled, and at his burial. Mary was a devoted follower of Jesus, entering into the close circle of those taught by Jesus during his Galilean ministry. She became prominent during the last days, accompanying Jesus during his travels and following him to the end. She witnessed his Crucifixion and burial. According to all four Gospels in the Christian New Testament, she was the first person to see the resurrected Christ.



Mary Magdalene is referred to in early Christian writings as "the apostle to the apostles." In apocryphal texts, she is portrayed as a visionary and leader of the early movement, who was loved by Jesus more than the other disciples. Several Gnostic gospels, such as the Gospel of Mary, written in the early second century, see Mary as the special disciple of Jesus who has a deeper understanding of his teachings and is asked to impart this to the other disciples. Mary Magdalene is considered by the Roman Catholic Church, as well as the Eastern Orthodox, and Anglican churches to be a saint, with a feast day of July 22. She is also commemorated by the Lutheran Church with a festival on the same day.



2010 Summer Noontime Organ Concert Series

Philadelphia Episcopal Cathedral is pleased to announce this year's *Summer Noontime Organ Concert Series*. This is our fifth season offering this outstanding series celebrating the artistry of talented and creative musicians. Please join us. The concerts will be preceded by the Eucharist at 12 Noon. *Free will offering.*

Concert Schedule

Wednesday, July 14 — Rieyhee Hong
Wednesday, July 21 — Julie Vidrick Evans
Wednesday, July 28 — Adam Dieffenbach
Wednesday, August 4 — David Christopher
Wednesday, August 11 — SoRi Ensemble
Leah Kim, violin, Rieyhee Hong, organ

SUMMER ART EXHIBITION

Philadelphia Cathedral is hosting a Summer Art Exhibition

Featuring works by Artists

Stephen Robin



Marie H. Elcin



Elaine Crivelli



EXHIBITION DATES: JULY 12 - SEPTEMBER 6

Artists' Reception: Saturday, July 17 from 5 -7 PM

Artists' Lectures: This Sunday, July 18 at 12 NOON



Viewing Hours: Mon- Wed: 10 AM - 2 PM

Sunday: 9 AM- 1 PM

Others times by appointment.

or more information, please call 215.386.0234, ext 104 or visit

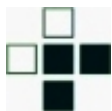
www.philadelphiacathedral.org under Music and the Arts

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☆wishlist

- Conference table with chairs
- Selected wall paint for “sprucing up” offices and common areas
- paint brushes, rollers and drop cloths

If you can help, please call Daniel Tomko at 215.386.0234, ext. 104.



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