



# PHILADELPHIA EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

WEEKLY NEWS OF PHILADELPHIA CATHEDRAL'S PEOPLE, MISSION & MINISTRIES

16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Commemoration of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi

October 2, 2011

SUNDAYS  
10 a.m. – HOLY EUCHARIST

WEEKDAYS (Mon – Fri)  
12 NOON – HOLY EUCHARIST

**We welcome our visitors.**

We are happy to have you worship with us today. Please make yourselves known to the clergy and members of the congregation. We invite you to join us for refreshments following the Holy Eucharist. Please sign our visitor's book so we may stay in touch.

We are pleased to have the Rev. André Trevathan as the presider for today's liturgy. Please note that today and every the first Sunday of the month, *Healing Prayer* will be offered near the aumbry following the organ postlude. *All are welcome.*



**All things bright and beautiful all creatures great and small** - Today we commemorate the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi and celebrate the beauty of all God's creatures with our annual service for the *Blessing of Animals*. The blessing will take place during our liturgy prior to the sharing of the Peace. We are delighted to have you and your beloved pets with us today in this sacred place.

**Readings for this Sunday** Genesis 1: 24-25; Matthew 11: 25- 30

**Music this Sunday** - Th two anthems for this Sunday are drawn directly from the readings appointed for St. Francis Day - Mendelssohn's "He Watching Israel" from *Elijah* as our setting of Psalm 121, and the beloved Thomas Tallis setting of "I heard the voice of Jesus say" from today's gospel. These are the kind of pieces that become so closely associated with their texts once you know them, it is hard to hear the readings without thinking of the music! There will also be fun hymns for the occasion of our blessing of the animals in honor of St. Francis and our children who will be with us for the whole service. Be sure to bring your musical furry, feathered, and four-legged friends!



**Art Exhibition – October 2- 23, Joe Brenman, Artist,**

**Artist's Reception – Friday, Oct 14, 5- 7 p.m.**

*"Jacob's Story"* – An exhibition by artist Joe Brenman officially opens today. Take time to walk through the Cathedral and view these outstanding pieces of sculpture depicting this Bible story. Viewing times: Mon. – Thurs. - 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.; other times by appointment.



**Your prayers are requested for:** DIOCESAN PROGRAMS: The Anglican Studies Program at the Lutheran Theological Seminary of Philadelphia; DIOCESE OF GUATEMALA: Our Companion Cathedral, Cathedral de Santiago Apóstol, St. Philip's Church, San Felipe de Lara, the Rev. Victor Sandoval

**Prayers are also requested for:** Ben Bell, Michele Betin, Mary Alice Brimmer, Blanche Coleman, Cindy, Joe Gilligan, Marilyn Hutchinson, Karen Li, Marie, Michael, Mary Ellen, Gerry Wilson, Sui Yen Lie, Tom, Pat Ratchford, Kieran Quinn.

**Special thanks to:** The Yellow and Purple Team for supporting today's liturgy.

**Team Leader:** Anne Minich

**Team Members:** John Braxton, Linda Braxton, Blanche Coleman, Marie Elcin, Mary Jo Grdina, Sarah Heim, Jasper Liem, Johnna Matthews, Marie McCullough, Joan Nester, Robert Nester, Sheila McKenna, Charlotte Parkes, Irma Preikschat, Mike Trbovich, Ken Wolman.

*The Team for October 8 will be the Red and Green Team.*

**Our Gratitude:** To all the volunteers who gave generously of their time to assist with our monthly outreach ministry luncheon to feed the homeless and hungry.

**Outreach Ministry:** In addition to the monthly luncheon for the homeless, the Cathedral also provides "Take Away Bags" that are filled with nutritious snacks for those in need. To date, approximately 60 -70 bags are distributed on a monthly basis at a cost of \$ 120.00 If you are able to be a "Sponsor of the Month" for this vital food ministry, please see Stacey Middleton, following the liturgy.

## **THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL**

**Holy Eucharist will be offered each day at 12 Noon.**

**Tuesday, October 4 at 6 p.m. — ADULT CHRISTIAN FORMATION - "Embracing an Adult Faith"**

by Marcus Borg - Each session includes a 10-minute presentation by Marcus Borg followed by interaction with the group led by the Dean. A potluck supper will be served. The Formation Class will continue in the Chapter Room of Cathedral House for the next two Tuesdays Oct. 11 and Oct. 18. *All are welcome.*

**Sunday, October 9 at 10 a.m. —** The Rev. Chaz Howard, Chaplain of the University



of Pennsylvania, will be our guest preacher at the **10 a.m. liturgy**. Chaz directs the CHORDS Program, a partnership linking the University's Office of the Chaplain and the Center for Community Partnerships with West Philadelphia communities of faith, schools, and neighborhood organizations. He also teaches PACE - Cross Cultural Education out of the Graduate School of Education while also serving as Adjunct Faculty at the Lutheran Theological Seminary of Philadelphia, where he is completing his Ph.D. Today he lives in the Philadelphia area with his wife Lia, and two daughters Charissa Faith and Annalise Hope.

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