



The Clarendon Connection

News of Clarendon Hill Presbyterian Church September 2007

Sunday Schedule

Choir rehearsal 9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.

Children's Education 10:45 a.m.
(begins September 16th)

Refreshments and fellowship 11:30 a.m.

Communion will be celebrated on September 2nd.
September Calendar

Tom Kepler will be preaching on September 2nd.

Yoga, after the service on September 2nd (for more info, see page 3)

Orders for Equal Exchange items will be taken at church on September 9th (for more info, see page 2)

Opening reception for "Urban Interpretations" on Friday, September 7th, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. (for more info, see page 3)

Project SUM: Sculpture Under McGrath, Saturday, September 8th, Opening Reception Block Party from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. (for more info, see page 4)

Joint Session and Deacon's meeting on Wednesday, September 12th, 7:30 p.m.

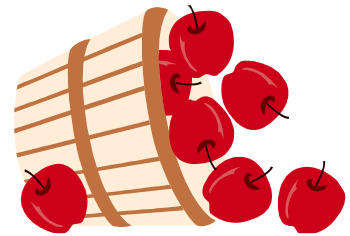
Peace, Justice and Mission committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 13th

Saturday, September 15th, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. ArtSomerville flea market fundraiser in the church basement (for more info, see page 5)

Yoga, after the service on September 16th (for more info, see page 3)

Goatstock 3: Return of the Goats! On Saturday, September 22nd at 7:00 p.m. (for more info, see page 5)

Book group, tentative date of Wednesday, September 26th at 7:30 p.m. More info to follow.



Sunday, September 30th, potluck and fellowship, right after the service

COMING IN OCTOBER:

Peacemaking Offering collected Sunday, October 7th, World Communion Sunday (for more info see page 5)

Sunday Evening Forum returns (for more info, see page 6)

Serenata Chamber Musicians, Saturday, October 20th at 7:30pm

Parish News

Val Donovan recently visited Doris Fisher at her daughter's home, where she is recuperating. Val says, " She looks good and is happy at Susan's but she craves company." Doris's address is 1 Draper Street, Woburn, MA 01801. Her phone # is : 781-305-3023. Please send cards, make a phone call or make plans to visit!

Please keep the Jirmanus family in your prayers, as Munir recovers from a heart attack, and the implantation of stents. He is at home now, and will continue to recuperate. We pray for God's speedy healing.

Jeff Bray would like to ask for your prayers for his brother and his family.

Sgt. David Bray and the 478th Engineering Battalion entered Iraq on Aug 29th. This is their second tour of duty in Iraq, as they were also deployed from Feb-Aug 2003. The 478th will be deployed near Ramadi, where their primary responsibility will be "route clearance", which primarily involves finding and removing Improvised Explosive Devices. The 478th is a unit of the Army Reserve, and they will be in Iraq for between 8-15 months. David has a wife, Sarah, and 2 daughters, Nikki and Abby.

Please keep the Gustafson family in your prayers, as they celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of Karl's parents over the Labor Day weekend in New Mexico. His mother is not expected to live for much longer, so there will be grief as well as joy as the family gathers.

The Presbyterian Coffee Project

Orders will be taken for Equal Exchange COFFEE (drip or whole bean) and TEA (English Breakfast, Earl Grey, Green, Rooibos) and CRANBERRIES, at church on Sunday, September 9th. You can send orders to Katherine no later than September 9th by phone (617-628-6716) or email (kgkg@gis.net). Delivery will be September 16th. Remember that for all products we purchase through the Presbyterian Coffee project, Equal Exchange makes a contribution to the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

Please note that chocolate bars will NOT be available during the summer months.

What is EQUAL EXCHANGE? In 1991, Equal Exchange became the first U.S. company to adopt international fair trade standards as guiding principles on 100% of their products. By working with democratic farmer cooperatives around the world and paying a fair price, Equal Exchange supports efforts to improve local communities, putting more control and

greater income in the hands of impoverished, small-scale farmers in developing nations. We also serve freshly made Equal Exchange coffee at Clarendon Hill's coffee hours!

Introduction to Yoga

Come join our small, half-hour class during coffee hour (12:15 p.m., on Sundays, September 2nd and 16th) to practice mindful breathing and gentle yoga postures. Great for stress release, improved flexibility and strength. If interested, please email Liz at cavatorta1@hotmail.com for more info.

The Nave Gallery

The Nave Gallery presents, "Urban interpretations," a photographic exhibition curated by Michelle Fiorenza featuring the work of Violet Bryd, Kay Canavino, Karen Davis, Gary Duehr, Shane Hutton, Robin Radin, Skye Schulte, Andrea Thompson, Peg Tuitt, Peter Urban, and James Zall.

The exhibit runs from September 7 – September 28, 2007 with an opening reception on Friday, September 7, 2007, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Urban Interpretations is a photographic exhibition which explores human behavior, diversity, geometry, spirit, rhythms and patterns of everyday life in the context of a densely populated urban environment. It is about the relationship between people and their physical urban surroundings and the impact they have on each other. The following eleven photographers share their interpretation of this theme.

Violet Bryd captures unpredictable, momentary, usually unseen occurrences unfolding in urban life's familiar moments, using a Polaroid point-and-shoot instant camera.

Kay Canavino creates night landscapes to address a different sort of beauty without the jumble of information visible in the daylight. Using the elements of black, available light, and the artificial light that she adds, Kay explores the urban environment to discover what the night has to disclose.

Karen Davis photographs children in an urban environment. She is attracted to children's moments of deep engagement with others, an object, a thought.

Gary Duehr uses a cell phone to create images that address the energy created by colliding vantage points. His large scale color images have a patchy, rough quality that lends immediacy, making it harder to look away--even though we might want to.

Shane Hutton conveys the density of an Asian city through the eye of his camera. He believes foreign cities strip the environment of most utilitarian uses for the traveler, allowing the implications of urban living to be more clearly felt.

Robin Radin makes portraits of people in the context of their neighborhood; their relationships with family, neighbors and their immediate urban environment.

Skye Schulte highlights the patterns that persist within a city and how they reflect the patterns found in our own human behavior. She believes that urban life allows for constant reinvention and renewal.

Andrea Thompson portrays Las Vegas as the city of image, surface, and constantly shifting identities.

Peg Tuitt captures the essence of Havana, Cuba – the people, the bikes, the architecture, the history, the scale, the intimacy, the warmth, the light, the spirit, the contradictions and most of all the hope.

Peter Urban challenges himself to see Boston as a stranger would, to find the excitement in himself and translate that into a rediscovery of his town.

James Zall selects and assembles images of portions of the urban environment, highlighting the juxtapositions that result from independent threads of human activity.

The Nave Gallery is an important partner in Somerville's vibrant arts community. It is a project of ARTSomerville, a volunteer organization that draws upon the talents of local creativity, strengthening communication among artists and the public by presenting exhibits, performances, and educational activities. The gallery is a noncommercial art space featuring work of both emerging and established artists.

All exhibitions are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Friday 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Ready to dance, mingle with neighbors, and see some art in a very unusual place?
September 8-30, 2007. Project SUM: Sculpture Under McGrath. McGrath Highway at Washington Street, Somerville. Saturday, September 8th, Opening Reception Block Party from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. With music by "Banda Ponto Com" - lead singer Jucimara Marciano plus Marcelo Rocha, Fernando, Rudi, Renato campos and Ricardo, Nando & Lucimar. Other musicians: Evanilson Correia - Brazilian Music, Valdisa Moura. Dancing: Glenio de Oliveira, Brazilian dance teacher, focusing on samba de Gafieira; forro and other Brazilian styles), and food by Cafe Belo and others.

Produced by SSPSomerville with the help of the Somerville Arts Council, ArtsUnion, the City of Somerville, the DCR, and neighborhood businesses and friends.

Project SUM will feature the artwork of 17 local area artists: Paul Angiolillo. Patricia Brennecke, Phyllis Ewen, Amanda Fiedler, Jen Fries, Lisa Gordon, Melissa Hanes, Amy Beth Harrison, Rhonda Divine Rattray, A.E. Ryan, Hilary Scott, Julia Shepley, Andy Siegel, Janos Stone, Bill Turville, Hannah Verlin and Ellen Young.

This event is free and open to the public. Special thanks to: all who have stepped forward to make this event happen. For more details, please go to:

http://sspsomerville.org/ssp_partners2.htm

for more info and last minute details go to: <http://www.sspsomerville.org>

Spread the word, hope to see you Saturday!

Goatstock 3: Return of the Goats!

Cost : \$5.00 That's right the famous goat charity show will be back this year. Come support a good cause as Astro Al, Tim Mungenast & his Preexisting Conditions, and Chris Mascara rock out to raise money for Heifer International to send goats to needy folks! On Saturday, September 22nd at 7:00 p.m. at the Nave Gallery.

To see a schedule of events, which is updated often, please look at the website: www.artsomerville.org/upcoming.html

The Nave Gallery is a project of ARTSomerville in collaboration with the Clarendon Hill Presbyterian Church. Run and staffed completely by volunteers, the Nave provides an important exhibition space for both local and regional artists.

ArtSomerville Flea Market Fundraiser

ArtSomerville will hold a fundraiser in the basement of the church on Saturday, September 15th from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Donations of gently used clothes, books and household items (NO T.V.'s computers, or used plastic children's toys) will be accepted at the Nave Gallery on Saturday, September 8th between 1:00 – 5:00 p.m., Sunday, September 9th between 1:00 – 5:00 p.m and Friday, September 14th between 5:00 – 8:00 p.m

Book Group

Book group is tentatively set to meet on Wednesday, September 26th at 7:30 p.m. More details will follow.

Adult Education

Planning is underway for adult education for the fall. Stay tuned for more information!

Peacemaking Offering

About the 2007 Peacemaking Offering:

“And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations” (Revelation 22:2)

This year's Peacemaking Offering theme is taken from a verse in the book of Revelation. The verse is part of a larger description of John's vision of the new Jerusalem. One of the images John uses is the tree of life, with its twelve kinds of fruit and leaves that are to be used for the healing of all the nations of the world. It is an image of a world at peace, with enough for everyone to eat and the “medicine” to heal all the wounds and illnesses of humankind.

We live in the hope of that vision of peace and well-being expressed so vividly in the tree of life. The Peacemaking Offering is a tool of our efforts to live and work within that hope. You are invited to be a part of the work for peace in our world and to have your congregation receive the Peacemaking Offering as one way to work toward peace.

Most churches receive the Offering on World Communion Sunday, the first Sunday in October. This year that falls on October 7th. We will be collecting the Peacemaking Offering on that Sunday here at Clarendon Hill.

Several of our Focus on Mission times in September will detail the ways in which your contributions have been used to promote peace in local communities and in the world. Look for more information at church and in the October newsletter.

Calling all teachers.....

We need you to help teach our children's Sunday school class. You generally sign up for a month at a time. (Classes run from September to June.) You can teach solo, or recruit a friend to teach with you. The curriculum is excellent, and there are plenty of ideas for

interesting activities and much more material than can be used in the 45 minutes or so that the class meets. If you are interested in helping, please see Karl right away.

Peace, Justice and Mission

The committee has chosen dates and topics for the Sunday Evening Forums for 2007-2008. These topics will be refined as we move through the year, but here are dates and topics to put on your calendar now!

Our fall dates are Sunday, October 14th, Sunday, November 11th and Sunday, December 9th.

In October, we hope to have a speaker from MIRA (Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition) to talk about immigration issues and how current legislation and the enforcement of policies has or might affect immigrants/residents in Somerville, and how immigrant issues are a religious peace and justice issue.

In November and December we will show the film *Peace is Every Step* (which was originally scheduled for last June) and have a speaker from the Islamic Society of Boston or the Muslim American Society to speak on a topic of their choice. We have not yet assigned which topic will be on which date, depending upon the availability of speakers

For the spring, the dates and general topics are:

Sunday, January 13th - Vista/volunteering

Sunday, February 10th - ecology

Sunday, March 9th - women

Sunday, April 13th - show movie "Sicko" (provided it is out on DVD by then) and talk about health care

Sunday, May 11th - Hunger/sustainable agriculture

Please plan to join us!

Help Needed.....

Thanks to those of you who have contacted me about helping out on Sundays. We are always looking for new people, so if you haven't had a chance to respond, please let me know. We really need folks to help us with our fellowship time after church. If you don't feel that you can or want to take it up on your own, you can always find someone else to share the responsibilities with you. You would only be asked to do the coffee hour about every 6 weeks (and if have more folks sign up, it would be even less often!)

Would you be interested in reading scripture on Sunday mornings? Do you have a passion about a mission project that you would like to introduce to the congregation? Could you help by bringing food and setting up the coffee for our fellowship time after Sunday morning services? Are you willing to be a backup for our childcare person? If you are interested in helping out with one or more of these things, please contact Ellen.

Clean Your Desk Campaign

In early August, we shipped almost 46 lbs. of school supplies to the warehouse in Virginia. CYDC/Quest for Peace will then send on our supplies on a container ship to Nicaragua, where they will be distributed to school children who could not otherwise attend school without our contributions. Thank you so much!

A Switch and a Prayer

This appeared in the July/August 2007 issue of Horizons, the national magazine of Presbyterian Women, and was written by our own Kristy Graf!

When you flip your light switch, what do you think of? Anything? I never used to think of much. It's one of those mindless actions of habit. But, during Lent, I decided that I didn't want it to be mindless anymore. I started a new practice—praying when I turn on the lights.

Our harnessing of electricity has gone through a major evolution—light bulbs and transmission lines, power plants and solar panels, telephones, computers and refrigerators. We have come a long way since the late 1800s, when Thomas Edison experimented with light bulbs and opened the Pearl Street Power Station in lower Manhattan. Today, in the United States, we generate more than four billion megawatthours of electricity. The typical American home uses about six megawatthours (6,000 kilowatthours) of electricity each year.

More than 70 percent of the power generated comes from fossil fuels—coal, oil and natural gas—the rest from nuclear, hydroelectric and renewables like wind power and solar energy. Advancements in the production and transmission of electricity were major innovations of the industrial revolution, and the Rural Electrification Act raised the standard of living across America. Today's boom in communications and information would not be possible without extremely advanced electrical systems.

I begin my light switch prayer with thanks. Thanks to God for so much ingenuity and for all of the things that we have because of advancements in electricity; thanks for the bounty of creation and the blessing of abundant resources.

Significant Choices

My path to this prayer idea has been an evolution of its own. I have a memory of wandering around the house with my older sister when I was in elementary school. We had a copy of *50 Simple Things Kids Can Do to Save the Earth* (Earth Works Group, 1990) and were attempting to make changes all over the house. We put bricks in each toilet tank, recorded our electricity usage, watched for water leaks and wrote letters to save the dolphins. I cared deeply about the environment and was making the connection between the health of the environment and the way I lived my life. These were small steps, but my awareness was raised and I was accepting my responsibility.

As my passion for the environment grew, I felt called to look more closely at how my faith compelled me to address the moral issues of my time. How do I love my neighbor? How am I complicit in the suffering of others? This required me to look beyond my home and take in the larger, more complex picture. It is easy to feel disconnected from electricity generation because most of the time we don't see it, we just continue to believe that the lights will come on. But the choices that I make in my home are not insignificant.

The United States is home to only five percent of the world's population, but is responsible for nearly one quarter of the world's electricity consumption. Are we taking only what we need? Are we sharing our abundance adequately?

The choices we make collectively also are significant. In 2004, electricity generation accounted for more than 40 percent of the emissions of carbon dioxide, a heat-trapping gas that contributes significantly to global warming. Ten percent of the world's population lives in coastal areas (1). If we are serious about caring for our neighbors, the threat of sea level rise and the increased intensity of storms is not one that can be taken lightly.

Global warming is considered one of the great moral issues of our time and yet there are still other consequences of our energy choices. Some are environmental consequences. For example, mountaintop removal to mine for coal has polluted or buried more than 1,200 miles of streams in Appalachia. Some are human health consequences, such as respiratory ailments related to air pollution from burning fossil fuels.

The Search for Solutions

My light switch prayer is one of concern. I am concerned for communities that will face the effects of global warming. I am concerned for children growing up with asthma. I am concerned about the damage to the earth from resource extraction and pollution. I am concerned that we will not recognize our own responsibility quickly enough.

During college, I decided that my love of math and science, and my great joy in innovative solutions, were ideal companions for my concern for the environment and the role of electricity use. I studied engineering and specifically renewable energy design in hope of someday contributing a small piece to a larger solution.

What amazes me most is that, in the midst of all my concerns, there are amazingly beautiful solutions, possibilities and options for our energy choices. Some are as easy as turning off the lights when we don't need them and some are as complicated as harnessing the tides.

Conservation and energy efficiency are the fastest and often least expensive ways to begin changing our patterns of electricity consumption. According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's EnergyStar program, if every American home replaced just one incandescent bulb with a compact fluorescent light bulb, we could save enough energy to light two and a half million homes for a year (2).

At the same time, we need to continue our search for the best ways to generate electricity. We are blessed with a planet that has many renewable resources, like wind, sunlight and water. By using them, we can generate electricity with little or no carbon dioxide emissions or other pollutants, and without depleting abundant but finite resources.

Solutions in Our Midst

Many of these alternative technologies for power generation already exist. Wind energy is the world's fastest growing source of electricity. In 2005, global installations generated more than 11,500 megawatts (MW)—a 40.5 percent increase in annual additions over 2004—representing \$14 billion in new investments. In the United States, a record 2,431 MW of wind power potential was installed in 2005, capable of producing enough electricity to power 650,000 typical homes (3). Wind power generators can be utilized in flat open terrain, on rolling hills and even offshore, where wind speeds often are greater.

Photovoltaic (PV) cells use semiconductor materials to convert sunlight to electricity. They can be small enough for a calculator or large enough for a satellite. Because of the flexibility in size, PV cells are uniquely distributable. They can be sized to work with any load and can be placed nearby (for example, on the roof of a home) to reduce transmission losses. PV technology is ideal for rural electrification in countries with significantly less electricity-generating infrastructure than the United States. Advancements in PV technology are making it easier to integrate cells directly into the design of buildings as architectural panels or even as shingles.

Recently, terms like *biofuels*, *ethanol* and *switchgrass* have been heard more often at the national level. Ethanol is a type of biofuel that can be made from switchgrass, a perennial and drought-resistant bunch grass. Developing biofuels, such as cellulosic ethanol, will be useful for decreasing America's dependence on foreign oil in the transportation sector, but some plant materials (often called "biomass") can also influence the electric energy sector when used with coal and "co-fired" in the boilers of power plants.

There are still more ways to generate renewable electricity. Heat from the earth, or geothermal energy, can be captured at both the residential level for heating and cooling purposes and at the commercial level for generating electricity. Technologies for harnessing the energy in the currents and tides are being developed and plotted on the coasts of the United States and Europe.

In the meantime, my light switch offers a prayer of hope. I went to college to study the technology that I saw as the solution to our energy problems. The more I studied, the more I realized how far along these technologies already are. There is still progress to be made, but the only roadblocks that I believe still exist are in our resistance to change.

Becoming Part of the Solution

As Christians, we are called to see beyond the status quo, to look ahead to where God is calling us. I believe we are being called to evaluate our own lives and determine the best ways to share resources in a global community. I felt strongly enough about this belief that I left the engineering world to work with a nonprofit organization, the Union of Concerned Scientists, and I now serve in the *policy* world.

I believe the last five years have seen the beginnings of a dramatic shift in the public understanding of energy issues and global warming. The war in Iraq has raised issues of energy security and energy independence to the national stage. Hurricanes Katrina and Rita took questions about our preparedness for more intense storms to a higher level. Rising oil and gas prices are creating conversations about conservation, efficiency and renewable energy. People everywhere are taking the time to educate themselves on these issues. We can no longer flip the switch without knowing the implications.

We also are learning that the solutions we need already exist and that we have a responsibility to ourselves and our neighbors around the world to make changes in our own lives and to call on our leaders for larger systemic changes. There is hope, and the more we see it, the more we are able to act. Already 21 states and the District of Columbia have passed renewable energy standards that require an increasing percentage of their electricity come from renewable sources. Some Northeast and Mid-Atlantic states are taking a leadership role as they begin implementing the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), a program to reduce carbon dioxide emissions in the region. People are demanding change from themselves, companies and governments at all levels.

I close my light switch prayer with a call to action. It is a reminder to myself that I will refuse to stand by. I will conserve electricity and use only what I need. I will support the development and implementation of renewables. I will continue this work because I believe God has called me here to care for myself, my neighbor and my planet.

Kristy Graf is an energy researcher at the Union of Concerned Scientists. She is an alumna of the National Network of Presbyterian College Women and a member of Clarendon Hill Presbyterian Church, Somerville, MA.

(1) <http://www.earthinstitute.columbia.edu/news/2006/story05-12-06b.php>

(2) http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=cfls.pr_cfls

(3) http://www.ucsusa.org/clean_energy/renewable_energy_basics/how-wind-energy-works.html

Educate Yourself and Others!

Read *The Consumer's Guide to Effective Environmental Choices: Practical Advice from the Union of Concerned Scientists* by Michael Brower and Warren Leon (New York: Three Rivers Press, 1999)

Host a screening of the Oscar-winning documentary *An Inconvenient Truth* (available from www.climatecrisis.net).

Learn more about energy conservation and renewable energy. View the documentary *Kilowatt Ours* (see www.kilowattours.org).

Find out how the PC(USA) is encouraging energy efficiency as a means of effective stewardship (www.pcusa.org/energy).

Learn more about the Union of Concerned Scientists, a science-based nonprofit organization working for a healthy environment and a safer world (www.ucsusa.org).

Book Review

The Faith Club

by Ranya Idliby, Suzanne Oliver and Priscilla Warner

I am a little more than halfway through this book, and it is a fascinating look at three women, each with a unique perspective on her own religion, as they learn from one another and reveal how their interactions provoked their own soul-searching.

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A groundbreaking book about Americans searching for faith and mutual respect, *The Faith Club* weaves the story of three women, their three religions, and their urgent quest to understand one another.

After September 11, Ranya Idliby, an American Muslim of Palestinian descent, faced constant questions about Islam, God, and death from her children, the only Muslims in their classroom. Inspired by a story about Muhammad, Ranya reached out to two other mothers to write an interfaith children's book that would highlight the connections between

Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. After just a few meetings, however, the women realized that they themselves needed an honest and open environment where they could admit-and discuss-their concerns, stereotypes, and misunderstandings. After hours of soul-searching about the issues that divided them, Ranya, Suzanne, and Priscillia grew close enough to discover and explore what united them.

A memoir of spiritual reflections in three voices, *The Faith Club* has spawned interfaith discussion groups in churches, temples, mosques, and other community settings. It will make you feel as if you are eavesdropping on the authors' private thoughts, provocative discussions, and often-controversial opinions and conclusions.

As the authors reveal their deepest beliefs, you watch the blossoming of a profound interfaith friendship and the birth of a new way of relating to others. And this edition provides all the materials you need for forming your own Faith Club, including sections in Hebrew and Arabic.

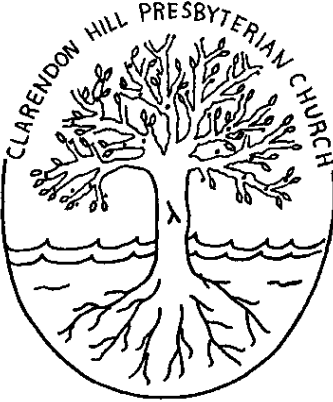
Pioneering, timely, deeply thoughtful, and full of hope, *The Faith Club's* caring message will resonate with people of all faiths.

From Our Editors

At first, it seemed like a good idea. In the wake of September 11, 2001, American Muslim Ranya Idliby contacted a Christian woman (Suzanne Oliver) and a Jewish woman (Priscilla Warner), proposing that the three of them write a children's book on the commonalities of these major religious traditions. Almost from the start, their "faith club" meetings devolved into wrangling; as one reviewer put it, "more Fight Club than book club." The three women argued with each other and also with themselves; even faith itself was brought into question. Through sheer stubbornness, the women continued their sessions, candidly tackling their own and each other's stereotypes, misconceptions, and deep beliefs. The Faith Club stands as a monument to their persistence, a testament to their faiths, and evidence of the difficulties that lay ahead.

The Clarendon Connection is edited by Ellen D. Schemerhorn.

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 Augustus Kwaa, Parish Associate/Evangelist..... Arnie James, Sexton
 Sarah Glass, Seminarian

LECTIONARY TEXTS

Sept. 2: Jer. 2: 4-13; Ps. 81: 10-16; Heb. 13: 1-8, 15-16; Luke 14: 1, 7-14
Sept. 9: Jer. 18: 1-11; Ps. 139: 1-6, 13 – 18; Philem. 1-21; Luke 14: 25-33
Sept. 16: Jer. 4: 11-22, 22-28; Ps. 14; 1 Tim. 1: 12-17; Luke 15: 1-10
Sept. 23: Jer. 8: 18 – 9:1; Ps. 79: 1-9; 1Tim. 2: 1-7; Luke 16: 1-13
Sept. 30: Jer. 32: 1-3a, 6-15; Ps. 91: 1-6, 14-16; 1 Tim. 6: 6-19; Luke 16: 19-31
Oct. 7: Lam. 1: 1-6; Lam. 3: 19-26 OR Ps. 137; 2 Tim. 1: 1-14; Luke 17: 5-10
Oct. 14: Jer. 29: 1, 4-7; Ps. 66: 1-12; 2 Tim. 8-15; Luke 17: 11-19
Oct. 21: Jer. 31: 27-34; Ps. 119: 97-104; 2 Tim. 3: 14-4:5; Luke 18: 1-8
Oct. 28: Joel 2: 23-32; Ps. 65; 2 Tim. 4: 6-8, 16-18; Luke 18: 9-14

Church Assignments

Scripture	Focus on Mission	Coffee hour	Nursery backup
Sept. 2 K. Graf	R. Liberace	Schemerhorn	V. Donovan
Sept. 9 C. Milanesi	S. Donovan	Jirmanus	E. Schemerhorn
Sept. 16 S. Otami	J. Bray	Augers	N. Jirmanus
Sept. 23 M. Nickey	N. Jirmanus	Milanesi/Kumpa	K. Gustafson
Sept. 30 G. Newquist	M. Jirmanus	POTLUCK	V. Donovan
Oct. 7 P. Auger	E. Schemerhorn	Gustafson/Cavano	E. Schemerhorn
Oct. 14 K. Graf	T. Fink	Donovans	N. Jirmanus
Oct. 21 A. Kwaa	M. Reynolds	Camelio/Braga	K. Gustafson
Oct. 28 H. Rantisi	T. Siggers	Schemerhorn	V. Donovan