

The Weekly Beacon

The Weekly Update from St. Bede's Church
June 14, 2018



Breeze

Last week, more than one hundred of us toured St. Bede's at its current stage in construction. Mostly what I heard was "Wow!"

People were impressed with the inviting entryway, now big enough to welcome people under the cover of a portal the entire eastern side of the building. Part of this portal is a new narthex—finally, a gathering space for before and after church services. The church maintains its original eight hogan-inspired sides, but focuses the liturgical function along the east-facing axis with a curved soffit and (eventually) a striking mosaic at the east end. The Common Room also drew lots of "wows." It is now rectangular, with more clerestory windows and the complete eastern face sliding glass doors. The kitchen, classroom, nursery, and choir room have been recreated, and a new parlor is in the area previously between the Common Room and Library.



I am thrilled every time I walk through these spaces (which is nearly every day as I continue to work with architects and building crews to make final decisions.) Of course I am eager for the project to be complete. But there is one feature our building has now which it can't have forever—many of its doors and windows are completely open. It is literally open to people and nature in every direction all hours of the day and night. The breeze moves where it will. Last week a dove joined the painting crew.

When our project is complete, most of these openings will be protected with glass, preserving the views and much of the open feel of being in touch with all God's world. But think about how open it is right now—literally open to all. That's how open I always want our church to feel, inside and out. Let's always remember our

oneness with creation and creatures, including people. Let's always remember the importance of fresh ideas swirling around. Too often churches are places of refuge from the world more than places of engagement with it. I pray St. Bede's will always be the latter.

Catherine+

You may read the sermon from last Sunday [here](#).

Music Notes

This week includes two important hymns of the Reformation and a theme musical cultural borrowing. We open the service with a chorale prelude and the 10:30 am opening hymn featuring an important German hymn of the Reformation. "Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr" (Alone to God in the Highest be glory) is an early Lutheran hymn, with text and melody attributed to Nikolas Decius (c. 1485-1541). It was intended as a German version of the Gloria as part of the Latin Mass and the melody shows resemblance to the chant Gloria for the season of Easter. The creation of this hymn predates the first publications of hymns by Martin Luther (1524) and thus belongs to the earliest of the Reformation. Catherine Winkworth translated the hymn to "All glory be to God on high" in 1863. As a hymn usually sung every Sunday for many centuries in Germany, it was often the basis for chorale prelude compositions. Sunday's service opens with a version by Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706). The first Communion hymn is from the early Calvinist tradition. Louis Bouregeois (c. 1510-1559) is most famous as one of the main compilers of Calvinist hymn tunes in the middle of the 16th century. His tune *Rendez à Dieu* was used for more than one Psalm, though he is most remembered for another melody, the Protestant doxology known as the Old 100th. Composers through the ages have taken advantage of the "latest trends" and the composers of Sunday's meditation music are no exceptions. One of Pachelbel's teachers introduced him to Italian music which played a role in his compositional models. The Offertory music at 8 am by Englishman John Bull "The Spanish Pavan" shows the direct influence of Spanish popular dance music on English music of the period. Though the Spanish did popularize the dance it has a distinctly Italian origin. The Communion meditation, "Sarabande" from French Suite No. 5 by J. S. Bach (1685-1750) written in 1723, is not particularly "French." A set of six Bach keyboard suites were labeled by Friedrich Wilhelm Marpurg in 1762 and the name has stuck. In general, scholars feel that like Bach's other suites, they follow Italian conventions. However, the title "Sarabande" comes from a Spanish dance step imported from the New World. The service closes with a postlude, "Chaconne," that is taken from another suite of keyboard music, this time by G. F. Handel (1685-1759), who also composed the tune for our closing hymn. Again, the origin of the name is Spanish and a dance imported from the New World. However, by the early eighteen century the chaconne had evolved into a slow triple meter instrumental form with a repeated harmonic progression under a set of elaborate melodic variations. I have chosen a selection of variations from this well-known chaconne of 49 variations. Our Parish Choir closes out its season bi-lingually with its 10:30 am anthem offering of "Camina, Pueblo de Dios" by well-known Spanish



priest and composer Cesáreo Garabáin (1936-1991). My deepest gratitude for their work during the past 10 months.

Looking ahead to Summer Special Music— June 24 we will begin special music from Opera Apprentices and Desert Chorale singers. I am so thankful to all those who have stepped forward to sponsor our talented guest musicians.

Jerry Nelson, Music Director

St. Bede's Member in **Vaudeville** at the Lensic Friday, June 15, at 7:30

Vaudeville is back at the Lensic Theater **tomorrow** and one of the acts, "Two Old Men with Bad Jokes and Worse Haircuts," features long time St. Bede's member, Tom Woodward, and his friend, Ron Bloomberg, who used to write for "All in the Family" and other sitcoms. The show, hosted by Ali MacGraw, will consist of twelve acts - including a barber shop quartet from Albuquerque.



Tickets are available by phone (505-988-1234), at ticketssantafe.org or at the Lensic box office.

Just For Fun!

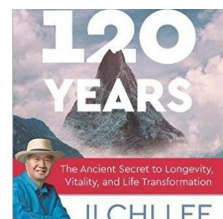
St. Bede's Occupancy Permit Pool and Fundraiser

The City of Santa Fe must issue an occupancy permit after completion of the renovation project before we will be allowed to move back in. So we're running a pool to guess the date, during August or September, when we will receive the permit. There will be 90 spots on the pool board, each costing \$10; one individual may purchase a spot, or several people may purchase one together. In the end, the spot closest to the correct date and time will win a "kitty" of \$150. The remainder of the proceeds will go to the renovation. Tickets and a board for the pool will be at the back of Fellowship Hall following services. Join in the fun and excitement of trying to guess the correct date, and help raise some additional funds for the renovation!



Healthy Living Event Saturday, June 23, at 1:00 pm

Deacon Owen Kunkle will be a speaker at this three-hour event on natural ways to maintain your health, hosted by Santa Fe's Body and Brain Center. There will be additional speakers, as well as aura readings, raffles, and performances. Tickets are \$25, which includes a free copy of the book by Body and Brain founder Ilchi Lee, *I've Decided to Live 120 Years: The Ancient Secret to Longevity, Vitality, and Life Transformation*. Deacon Owen is



generously offering ten free tickets, along with copies of the book. The event takes place at St. John's United Methodist Church in Albuquerque (please note, not St. John's in Santa Fe). The address is 2626 Arizona Street, NE. For further information, please see Deacon Owen or contact the center at www.bodynbrain.com/events.

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life

Save the date: July 13 and 14

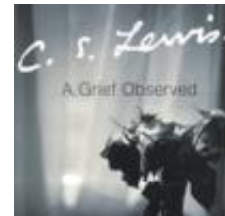
The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life will be held on July 13 and 14 at Milagro Junior High School on Zia Road, to support cancer survivors and cancer research. Christine Johnson is St. Bede's team captain. More details will follow.



Men's Grief Retreat at Holy Faith

Wednesday, July 18

Men experience grief differently from women and memorialize their lost loved ones in unique ways. In recognition of this difference, The Church of the Holy Faith is offering a free retreat for men on seven consecutive Wednesdays beginning July 18. C.S. Lewis' book "A Grief Observed," a collection of essays written after the loss of his wife, will be used as a starting point to explore how men process and grow through the resolution of grief. The retreat sessions will be from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the Kinsolving Room of the church, 311 E. Palace Ave. To register or for more information, contact Steven Hecht (505-660-8871; stevehecht21@gmail.com) or Randall Hayden (505-216-0895 or distafman@gmail.com).



Congregational Potlucks - Join Us!

Saturday, July 21, from 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Eldorado, Lamy, Pecos addresses, please join us for a Tapas Potluck at 9 Calle Cabito (in Eldorado, zip 87508). Bring your favorite Tapas & Drink.

RSVP to Sandy Pitre at ssstuartmcp@msn.com or 505-231-5826.



Photographers!

Anyone with any good photos of events at St Bede's or involving St Beders, please send to Mother Catherine at mcvolland@aol.com. And please continue to take pictures whenever you can. We are refreshing our website and need lots of new photos. Thanks!



Bede's Backer

The Bede's Backer for June, is Christine Johnson, 473-0884. If you have special needs, please call the Bede's Backer.

If you would like to become a Bede's Backer, please call the office, 982-1133, or Coleen Davidson at 470-6003.



Message from the A-Team

Please complete a **Space Request Form** for all activities and meetings to be held at St John's. This way we can keep the calendar up-to-date and not double book the space!

Thank you.



Parish Directory

We like to keep the Parish Directory up-to-date. Please [email](#) the office with any changes or additions. If you wish to be in the directory and are not, please [email](#) the office. We distribute a current directory for the coming year annually at the Consecration Sunday luncheon. If you cannot attend or need one later in the year, you may pick one up in the office during office hours. Thank you.



Articles or Announcements for Weekly Beacon

If you would like to submit an article or announcement for the Weekly Beacon and/or the Sunday bulletin please send it to news@stbedesantafe.org by 10:00 am the Wednesday prior to the Thursday publication date.



St Bede's Temporary Location

St John's United Methodist Church,
1200 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, NM 87505

Mailing address:
P.O. Box 5739, Santa Fe, NM 87502

Sunday Worship
8:00am Holy Eucharist
10:30am Holy Eucharist
12:30pm Santa Misa



Welcome to
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Santa Fe, New Mexico



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