



New Song Notes

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TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Mission: To invite all to know Christ, celebrate God's presence and be Christ's body in the world.

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Calendar



TODAY		-Holy Eucharist — 10:00 am -Community Hour — 11:15 a.m.
Sept.	1	-Fall Stewardship Campaign gears up
Sept.	4	-First Choir Rehearsal of Fall, Upstairs — 7:15 p.m.
Sept.	8	-Spirit School led by Stephen McTier: "Sufi Dervish Practice"
Sept.	8	-Installation of Rev. John Greve as Rector of Grace Episcopal — 3:30 p.m. All New Singers invited. If possible bring some sweets for the reception following
Sept.	9	-Meditation Group meets 7 p.m. at Mercy Hospital Chapel
Sept.	28	-Three Rivers Chapter will sponsor Three Rivers Fall Festival at Christ Episcopal Church, Cedar Rapids — 2:00—5:00 p.m.
Oct.	6	-New Song's 25th Anniversary Celebration!
Oct.	11-13	-New Beginnings #23 at St. John's, Dubuque for Youth in grades 6-9; Register online at iowaepiscopal.org to be staff by 9/20 and for youth participants by 10/4
Oct.	26-27	-Diocesan Convention, Des Moines

News and Announcements

September Prayer to End Racism

— for racial equality in education, housing, public services, and employment opportunity:

“God our Creator, you created humankind in your image, and blessed us with your love. Help us to show that love to one another as we work for equality for all races in education, housing, public services, and employment opportunity. Give us strength and courage to speak out against injustice, and to work for the transformation of unjust systems that keep some in bondage: that we may more fully live out your kingdom here on Earth, through Jesus Christ your son, who came to set us free.”
Amen

NEW SONG CHOIR RESUMES FOR FALL THIS COMING WEDNESDAY!

New Song is known both as a congregation full of folks who love to sing, and where “all who seek God are welcome” at our table. In that spirit, all who love to sing are welcome in our choir!

If you’d like to join your fellow New Singers twice a month on a Wednesday evening to sing and laugh and enjoy one another’s company while we raise our voices in praise, please join us for rehearsal beginning on Wednesday, September 4 at 7:15 p.m. No audition, dues, or requirements beyond your love for singing and willingness to show up are required.

If you plan to come, please let our Music Director, Linda Stewart Kroon, know in advance so she can have a folder ready for you. Drop her an email at lstewartkroon@gmail.com or call/text her at 319-321-1600. See you September 4!

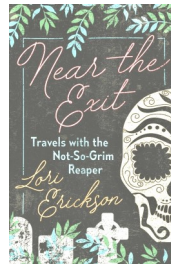
NEW SONG INVITED TO ATTEND JOHN GREVE’S INSTALLATION SEPT. 8

All New Singers are invited to attend John’s installation as Rector of Grace Episcopal in Cedar Rapids at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 8. Rides can be arranged. Call Jim Conger 530-4278 or e-mail jimconger@mchsi.com if you would like a ride.

John is an original member of New Song. We are his family, and he looks forward to our presence. If you can come, he requests your help in providing a few sweets for the reception!

LORI ERICKSON PUBLISHES NEW BOOK!

Deacon Lori has a new book just published this last week entitled, “*Near the Exit: Travels with the Not-So-Grim Reaper.*” Syndy Conger who has reviewed the book says it will appeal to armchair travelers and those who see their travels as pilgrimages, but will especially speak to the hearts of those who are themselves still grieving the loss of a loved one or anticipating their own exit. Lori was featured on Public Radio on Monday, Aug 26 and read from her new book to a large crowd on Tuesday, Aug. 27 at Prairie Lights! Congratulations, Lori!



CONSTRUCTION WORK ON ROOF EXTENSION PROCEEDS: NEXT, PAINTING!

Lynn Hochstetler Construction of Kalona is building the roof extension that will cover the outdoor stairway to protect users from injury during winter and keep the stairs cleaner in spring and fall. Last week Lori van Loh, who also cleans our church, volunteered to prime some boards, and completed the work. Once construction is complete, New Singers will form a painting team later this summer to finish the project. If you enjoy the fellowship of working together on a project, talk to Jim Conger or Bob Sessions in the next few weeks.

THREE RIVERS FALL FEST TO FEATURE INTERNATIONAL FOOD AND GAMES

Plan to attend the Three Rivers Fall Festival from 2—5:00 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28. There will be

snack foods from South Africa and Scotland to celebrate our companion dioceses of Swaziland and Brechin. Mixed in will be well known games from these areas such as “Stones,” “Ring Toss,” “Tire and Stick Racing” and more, as well as entertainment. Tickets for food and participation will be sold on-site. All money raised will be

used to host an international youth gathering from our companion dioceses in Iowa in 2020. The site will be the grassy lawn surrounding Christ Church in Cedar Rapids, 220 40th St. NW. New Singers will be asked to help!



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sept. 2 — Wade Hunter

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Sept. 5 — Lori Erickson & Bob Sessions Anniver