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## Quote of the Week

Konrad Raiser, World Council of Churches' general secretary, on dealing with homosexuality: "Probably the worst way of responding would be to try to keep the issue out."

## In This Corner

## An Inequity to Rectify

When I graduated from seminary in 1969, I was sent to a medium-sized parish as a deacon. My salary was \$3,600 per year. My wife and I lived in the church-provided upstairs of a single-family dwelling that had been converted into a duplex. What had been a large closet served as the kitchen. Because we had one child and another on the way, I said I was afraid the apartment was too small. The senior warden said it would have to do. The second child arrived six months later and slept in a crib in the living room. The sexton and his family lived downstairs.

A year later, when I was priested, I asked for a raise and requested that we be allowed to move to a larger apartment. The rector told me that in his 21 years in the ministry he had never asked for a raise. I do not remember whether or not I got a raise, but we did move.

Times have changed. While we clergy are not going to get rich, most of our compensation packages are adequate and we live comfortably.

In the late 1970s, the church began to acknowledge how it had often taken advantage of its lay employees, asking them to work for next to nothing and usually with no benefits. In 1980, the Church Pension Fund established a pension plan for lay employees, medical coverage was extended, and the process of making salaries commensurate with similar positions in other fields was begun.

There is one glaring exception to all this, that being in the compensation packages for professional church musicians. All too often they are still expected to work for a pittance, often under a job description that is called "part-time," but is really not.

In my own diocese, the diocesan minimum total compensation package including all benefits for persons in their first year of ordained ministry is \$47,648. The largest parish in the diocese offers its two church musicians \$35,020. The second largest parish pays \$29,200. My own parish of about 650 members pays \$24,000.

Something is wrong here. For professional church musicians with advanced degrees and many years of experience and devoted commitment to their ministry in the church to be paid less than a deacon just out of seminary is a case of benign neglect bordering on abuse.

My vestry adopted a goal to increase the compensation package for the director of music by \$4,800 a year for five years, so it will be equal to the current diocesan minimum for a deacon with no experience. That is an embarrassing goal, but I would hope that in the next 10 years the package would continue to increase to the equivalent of an associate rector, because the ministry, if properly done, seems comparable.

The compensation for professional church musicians is, indeed, the last frontier in addressing the legitimate needs of church employees, both clergy and lay. Rectors need to take the lead if the inequity is to be rectified. I invite others to join me in doing so.

Our guest columnist is the Rev. William B. Trimble, Jr., rector of St. Andrew's on-the-Sound Church, Wilmington, N.C.

## Sunday's Readings

## **Humility Breeds Success**

Pentecost 23: Ps. 43; Micah 3:5-12; 1 Thess. 2:9-12, 17-20; Matt. 23:1-12

The Green Bay Packers look, at this point in the season, to be a contender for a Super Bowl berth. President Clinton looks, at this point, to be a shoe-in for a second term as president.

Between now and the season's end, all kinds of things could occur to alter what today look like certainties. The most fundamental thing that could happen is for the team or the president to believe their own hype. The reason for the disaster will be the absence of humility.

It is humility and rigorous personal hon-

esty that keep a team practicing the fundamentals of football long after others would believe they need to or should.

And it is humility that keeps presidential candidates focused on doing everything possible and not resting on their laurels. The lessons for today focus on humility. They speak of what happens when it's gone. The seductions of success are great indeed. We quickly come to believe that we can do it all on our own. We quickly reject the notion that we need outside help to maintain a clear view of what we can accomplish on our own. These experiences help us deepen our dependence on God alone, a dependence which real humility makes possible.







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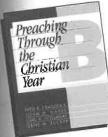


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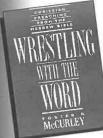
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## **Beginning of the Story**

Thank you for the article on St. James' Church, Jackson, Miss. [TLC, Sept. 29].

As it happens, I was the first lay reader for that mission when it started in 1948. The Rev. Paul Engel, of St. Columba's in west Jackson, asked me to help this new congregation. We had a portable altar, organ and folding chairs and met in a building used for a kindergarten during

Later on, with the bishop's help, we managed to purchase a large lot in a developing section of Jackson, and erect a building which served as a Sunday school, and then was converted to a nave.

> (The Rev.) W. Joe Moore Cordova, Tenn.

## **Another Change**

Thank you for the article [TLC, Sept. 8] on steps that we hope will help "rightsize" the amount of General Convention/legislation proposed for consideration at the 72nd gathering in Philadelphia.

In future articles, it would be important to state, in addition to the 1994 rule change noted, that all resolutions proposed by bishops "shall be proposed by one bishop and endorsed by two additional bishops, all being from different dioceses." The House of Deputies' rule of order VI.21(c) now also reads that "all resolutions of deputies shall be proposed by one deputy and endorsed by not less than two additional deputies." The only difference from the House of Bishops' rule of order is that the endorsing deputies may be from the same diocese.

> Bruce Woodcock General Convention Office New York, N.Y.

#### **Use of Crosses**

I have been trying to find the authority for the use of a cross after the signature of a priest. Ours is the only Christian tradition which uses it. There appears to be nothing in the literature which validates the usage.

Oral histories indicate that it began in the late 1940s or early 1950s. Some people think it means "Christian," in which case it belongs to all baptized people. My suspicion is that it is an affection related

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## Letters

to a bishop's cross before the signature. (Deacons tend to think that began when they had to sign the bishop's name for him.) No doubt I will be thoroughly enlightened by responses from TLC's readers.

(The Rev.) Sallie Bird V. Dunkle, deacon Frostburg, Md.

## **Secular Thinking**

God bless Bishop Benitez for his inspired and insightful piece [TLC, Oct. 20] on partial birth abortion — "an abomination in the sight of the Lord." He asks: "What on earth was the Presiding Bishop thinking about?" when he issued a public statement in support of the president's political decision to veto the bipartisan bill passed by Congress to ban "this outrageous and barbaric procedure."

What the P.B. thinks about on this and many other moral issues is ably explained in such secular works as Allan Bloom's *The Closing of the American Mind*, 1987, Thomas Sowell's *The Vision of the* 

Annointed, 1995; and Robert Bork's Slouching Towards Gomorrah, 1996.

On the other hand, if you want to know what in the world Bishop Benitez is thinking, read the Holy Bible.

(The Rev.) Richard C. Chapin Montrose, Pa.

#### **More Constructive**

Regarding "Prelatical Pomposity" [TLC, Sept. 29], I suggest that a better, more constructive step toward relieving the church of prelatical pomposity would be to mandate the Hudson River boat trip, preserve the mitres (even the ones with funny-looking "new-age" designs), and just cast the bishops over the side. Those who, Christ-like, could walk on water would survive by conveying themselves toward the Staten Island Ferry terminal or the Hoboken piers. Thus we could assure ourself of the best of all possible outcomes.

(The Rev.) Robert W.H. Plested San Antonio, Texas

#### Ouch!

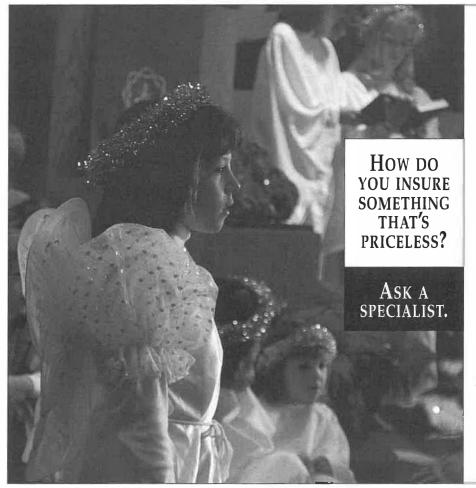
A photograph which appeared in some publications shows the Presiding Bishop and other bishops wearing bulbous clown noses which apparently were applied to their right reverend faces during a liturgy for the consecration of a suffragan. I suggest that if the Presiding Bishop believes such moments of low humor are required at future ceremonies of this type, he and the other attending bishops might more appropriately and truthfully pin tails on each other.

Richard M. Dostie Belfast, Maine

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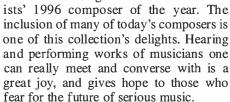
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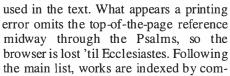
Locklair's setting of "Swing Low" is almost spooky, followed without a breath by the Splash! and jazzy marching music of "Go Tell It!" These are the "Spiritual Pair (Diptych for Organ)" of the title. Marcel Dupre's 1946 "Two Sketches for Organ" (e minor and b flat minor) cap the disc with drama, especially that secondslong lone b flat near the end.

Mississippian Robert Powell and London-born Alec Wyton are represented in a pair of Easter settings. Herbert Howells' "Psalm-Prelude" and John Cook's "Fanfare" are described as "non-texted music," impressions, rather, of the verses "Out of the depths I cry to thee, O Lord!" and "Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob!"

CATALOGUE OF CHORAL MUSIC ARRANGED IN BIBLICAL ORDER James H. Laster Scarecrow. Pp. 711. \$75.

Church musicians wanting to "plan music appropriate to the appointed lessons" or "locate choral settings based on a particular scriptural text" will find in this 1996 edition twice as many entries as in the first, listed by biblical verse from Genesis through Revelation, including the Apocrypha.

Each listing gives the title and composer, publisher, voicing and accompaniment, with additional secondary scripture



posers and titles. My favorite verse, Isaiah 2:4 (... "they shall beat their swords into plowshares, their spears into pruning hooks ...") is the principal theme in 15 anthems including an Israeli folktune, a Buxtehude, and a Jean Berger.

James Laster is professor of music at Shenandoah Conservatory of Shenandoah University, Winchester, Va., and organist/

choirmaster at Trinity Church, Upperville. A choral composer, he is a member of the Association of Anglican Musicians and the American Guild of Organists.

Patricia Nakamura, music editor

HYMNS THROUGH THE CENTURIES The Cathedral Choral Society of Washington National Cathedral J. Reilly Lewis, conductor Produced by John R. Hall Aeolian. \$16, CD. \$10, cassette

For 54 years the famed Cathedral Choral Society has performed the world's choral masterworks. Now, in response to widespread requests, it has released a recording of hymns, entitled Hymns Through the Centuries. It is a diverse collection drawn from many traditions with something for everybody ranging from the mystical "Let all mortal flesh keep silence" from the 5th century Liturgy of St. James, to a spirited rendition of the ever popular "Amazing Grace."

Midway through this recording, the carillon hymn "St. Peter" is played by cathedral carillonneur Edward Nassor. Assistant organist Nicholas White accompanies the singers in the 25 hymns, drawn from more than 200, some with especially composed descants.

Hymns Through the Centuries is a notable addition to the Choral Society's recordings that will be enjoyed and treasured by many. Accompanying the compact disc is a booklet of explanatory notes and illustrations from the cathedral's rare book library.

> Dorothy Mills Parker Washington, D.C.

## Short and Sharp

## Many Versions of the Bible

By TRAVIS DU PRIEST

THE COMPLETE GUIDE TO BIBLE VERSIONS. By Philip W. Comfort. Tyndale. Pp. 157. \$4.99, paper.

Why so many versions of the Bible? This revised and expanded version of a 1991 guidebook includes the author's reactions to *The Message*, as well as an interesting section on the history of the Bible in English.

THE NEW TESTAMENT AND PSALMS: An Inclusive Version. Edited by Victor Roland Gold, et al. Oxford. Pp. 535. No price given.

This version of the Bible was the subject of a Viewpoint article [TLC, Nov. 19]. The editors' prefatory essay asks "why another version?" Their reasoning will inspire some and frustrate others: Languages evolve, biblical language is the on-going object of scholarly study, communication is often through metaphor, and so forth. An adaptation of the

New RSV, this version replaces or rephrases all gender-specific language not referring to particular historical individuals, all pejorative references to race.

WHAT ANGLICANS BELIEVE. By David L. Edwards. Forward Movement. Pp. 136. \$3.95, paper.

This miniature 1974 "classic" by an English priest has been revised and is especially good on our historical inheritance, our Anglican identity and our participation in Holy Communion.

THE INTERPRETATION OF FAIRY TALES. By Marie-Louise von Franz. Shambhala. Pp. 208. \$14, paper.

If you appreciate Jungian psychology and its understanding of archetypes, you will want this revised edition of Swiss lecturer Marie-Louise von Franz's theories and readings of fairy tales — "the purest

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and simplest expression of collective unconscious psychic processes."

THE MAINLINE CHURCH'S FUND-ING CRISIS: Issues & Possibilities. By Ronald E. Vallet and Charles E. Zech. Eerdmans. Pp. 170. No price given, paper.

Attention: While Episcopal membership declined by 25 percent between 1970 and 1991, benevolent giving grew by almost 100 percent. Attention: The last five years have witnessed diocesan protests, national budget and staff cuts, and "creeping congregationalism." Attention: The authors conclude, "Contrary to popular opinion, downward trends began before the 1960s."

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## News

## Archbishop Eames: Lambeth a 'Defining Moment'

Archbishop Robin Eames of Ireland called the next Lambeth Conference "a defining moment for Anglicanism" when he addressed the Anglican Consultative Council during its meeting Oct. 10-20 in Panama City, Panama.

The Lambeth Conference, a gathering of Anglican bishops from around the world, meets every 10 years and will take place in 1998 in England.

"It will determine what we are and where we are going," Archbishop Eames said. The Church of Ireland primate is chair of the Inter-Anglican Theological and Doctrinal Commission, which he described as both trying "to discover more what it means to be an Anglican," and to understand the perceptions of the inter-relationships of the Anglican "instruments of unity."

Archbishop Eames said the Lambeth Conference and the whole Communion will be

asked to reflect on the concept of *koinonia* (communion) and whether the commission has argued a persuasive case for the concept to be taken seriously.

He spoke of the Virginia Report, which is in the final stages of preparation prior to presentation at Lambeth. He said the first five chapters of the report are a theological exploration of the meaning of communion with reference to the doctrine of the Trinity, the unity and order of the church, and the unity and community of humanity.

"We have to recognize how binding decisions can only be made at the level of a province or in some cases at the level of a diocese," he said. "How do we discover the mind of Anglicanism? How do we protect and enhance international consul-

tation? It is from the junction of such questions with our theological reflections that the concept of reception becomes prominent."

The report asks a number of questions about the role of the Archbishop of Canterbury, including whether he must be a member of the Church of England.

Archbishop Eames said the Communion must find a way of giving a greater voice to the laity, who though they are the

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great majority of the Communion, are virtually voiceless through the "instruments of unity."

The Rt. Rev. Simon Chiwanga, Bishop of Mpwapwa, Tanzania, was elected chairman of the A.C.C. in the first round of balloting.

"Simon Chiwanga's election is clearly representative of the growth of the Anglican Church in Africa, as well as indicating the Communion-wide percep-

tion of Africa's spiritual and theological leadership," said the Rt. Rev. Mark Dyer, an Episcopal Church representative to A.C.C. and a faculty member at Virginia Theological Seminary.

Bishop Chiwanga is a former minister for education in the Tanzanian government, and is a long-time member of the A.C.C. The Rt. Rev. John Paterson, Bishop of Auckland, New Zealand, was elected vice chairman.

The Rev. Canon John Peterson, secretary general of the A.C.C., addressed the group and said Anglicanism has much to offer the world both in spiritual and social justice terms.

"New Age advocates and fundamentalists do not have anything over us as Angli-





At the ACC meeting, Archbishop Eames (left) urged giving greater voice to the laity. Canon Peterson extolled the virutes of Anglicanism.

can Christians," he said. "Ours is a timely and vibrant faith, ours is a living God, ours is a powerful testimony, ours is a global family."

Canon Peterson also told delegates that they need to listen to each other and talk about problems they face, highlighting sexuality, Islam and fundamentalism.

On Sunday, Oct. 13, more than 2,500 Panamanian Anglicans joined delegates in a long procession through city streets to a sports hall where the Eucharist was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Clarence W. Hayes, Bishop of Panama.

The Most Rev. George Carey, Archbishop of Canterbury, was the preacher, recalling historical examples in Christian history where the church had become too bureaucratic, which had the effect of reducing leadership "to shoring up and institution rather than inspiring people for adventure."

The A.C.C. includes delegates from every Anglican province, and meets every two or three years.

(Anglican Communion News Service contributed to this article.)

## Diocese of Western Massachusetts Consecrates Bishop

The Rev. Gordon P. Scruton, Jr., was consecrated as the eighth Bishop of Western Massachusetts Oct. 14 at Trinity United Methodist Church, Springfield. More than 1,000 persons attended the event.

Bishop Scruton, 49, had been rector of St. Francis' Church, Holden, Mass., when he was elected in June. He succeeds the Rt. Rev. Robert K. Denig, who died in 1995.

The Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Edmond L. Browning, was the consecrator, with five others as co-consecrators: The Rt. Rev. Andrew Wissemann, sixth Bishop of Western Massachusetts; the Rt. Rev. Alexander D. Stewart, fifth Bishop of Western Massachusetts; the Rt. Rev. Barbara Harris, Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts; the Rt. Rev. M. Thomas Shaw, S.S.J.E., Bishop of Massachusetts; and the Rt. Rev. E.M. Kolini, Bishop of

Shaba, Zaire.

The Rev. George E. Councell, rector of the Church of the Holy Spirit, Lake Forest, Ill., was the preacher.

Bishop Scruton's wife, Rebecca, his daughter, Christine Richenburg, and his brother, Wayne, were among the oblation bearers

On the following day, Bishop Scruton was formally seated in Christ Church Cathedral, Springfield.

## Synagogy Meeting Prepares for Year of the Small Church

Participants from 15 dioceses, including three dioceses of the Church of the Province of New Zealand, met Sept. 26-29 in the annual Synagogy gathering at Waycross Conference Center in the Diocese of Indianapolis.

The fourth Synagogy since 1990 anticipated the Year of the Small Church in 1997 by posing such questions as: "What does it mean to be a member of a small congregation?" "What are the distinct advantages of being small in the era of the 'mega church'?" and "How can small congregations learn from each other and teach each other?"

Representatives from yoked, single and clustered congregations were present for the gathering to share their experiences of being the small church.

Time was given for each community to tell the story of its ministry and to hear what other small congregations are accomplishing. Representatives from West Virginia told of its emerging cluster ministries. Northern Michigan's presentation described its Mutual Ministry approach, and North Carolina's beginning steps toward clusters were discussed.

#### **Education in New Zealand**

Participants from New Zealand told others about the educational program for the support of the baptized ministry of all people, and representatives of Native American and Hispanic congregations in the U.S. described some of the difficulties encountered by congregations which are not part of the majority culture.

A recurring theme in many of the presentations was the primary place baptism holds in life and ministry, especially in regional and cluster ministries.

It is anticipated that a fifth Synagogy will be held in 1998.

## Briefly

A new mission and evangelism program, Mission 21, has begun in the Scottish Episcopal Church. It is planned for the venture to be centered on parish development and church growth in the local community. "It is centered on prayer and on the recognition that the only growth worth seeking is that which comes from God," said Bishop Bruce Cameron of Aberdeen and Orkney.



Bishop Wantland signs the agreement with the Old Catholic Diocese of Germany, with Dean Kirby at his side

## Eau Claire Strengthens Friendship With Old Catholic Diocese

The Diocese of Eau Claire and the Old Catholic Diocese of Germany signed a joint agreement Oct. 12 at Christ Church Cathedral, Eau Claire, Wis., marking what is believed to be the first such agreement between Episcopal and Old Catholic dioceses.

The agreement calls for members of the two dioceses to pray for one another, to develop visitation programs between the two jurisdictions, to construct "working relationships" between congregations of the two dioceses, and to educate persons "about the life, witness, and practice of the faith in our respective jurisdictions."

The agreement was signed by the Rt. Rev. William C. Wantland, Bishop of Eau Claire, during the Eucharist of the diocesan convention. Bishop Joachim Vobbe of the Old Catholic Church signed the agree-

ment earlier in Germany.

The signing brought to closure three years of work between the Very Rev. Scott Kirby, dean of the Eau Claire cathedral, and the Rev. Konrad Liebler, a priest of the Old Catholic Diocese. It also brings focus to the full communion concordat signed in 1931 between the Anglican Communion and the Old Catholic churches.

In 1992, a joint statement by the Continental Sections of the St. Willibrord Society, which promotes fellowship between the two churches, said, "only if Christians of both churches open up and share their lives with one another, communicate with one another at many levels and learn to love each other" will there be true unity between them as envisioned by the 1931 agreement.

## Conventions

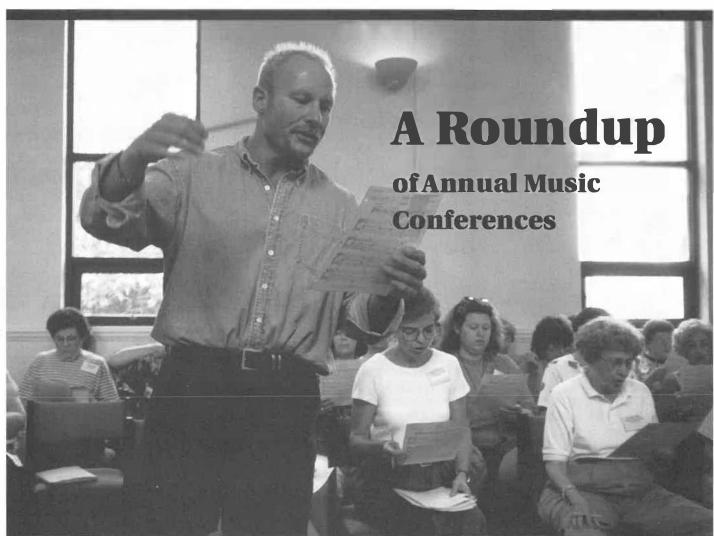
The Diocese of Milwaukee's fall convention took place Oct. 12, at Archbishop Cousins Roman Catholic Center. The most pressing business concerned the disposition of the dio-



cese's Camp Webb, which has been operating at a loss for several years and had accumulated a debt of \$441,000 [TLC, Oct. 13].

Convention strongly rejected the option of selling the camp, and entered into a spirited debate on the resolution to implement a capital campaign. After a complicated set of pledge contingencies was deleted, the resolution to begin a campaign "to reduce the total indebtedness of Camp Webb to no more than \$100,000 by October, 1998" was adopted.

In other business, deanery council was increased from one to three lay representatives from each parish, and the presidency of the diocesan standing committee was opened to both clergy and lay members. At the request of the Rt. Rev. Roger White, Bishop of Milwaukee, two new study entities will be formed: A blue ribbon committee to "evaluate the structure of the diocese," and a History Commission, "which will work with parishes over the next three years to produce an updated history ... [to] be published in book form."



Patricia Nakamura Photo

Don Pearson, organist-choirmaster of St. John's Cathedral, Denver, Colo., conducts a rehearsal during the Sewanee Church Music Conference.

he phrase "a mountain-top experience" is not cliché when it is applied to the church's summer music conferences. Musicians of the Episcopal Church —organists, choir directors, choristers — go to these meetings to be renewed, revived and refreshed.

In such beautiful and peaceful settings as a hillside near the Mississippi River, a Tennessee bluff, a Colorado mountainside, those who teach and lead become students of the best of the best, with vigor and enthusiasm, great skill and deep devotion to the most beautiful of the church's music, old and new.

A chief delight is learning music composed here and now. It is a true thrill to know it is possible to actually speak with the composer: "Why a fifth in measure 33?" "How did you come to choose that text?" "I love being inside those dissonances!"

The conferences are not just for professionals. Choir singers and music listeners will enjoy and benefit from these annual meetings and bring new ideas to their parishes. And, of course, in addition to a week of musical immersion, there are new people to meet and new locales to explore.

"You feel like you're far away from the world," one participant said. Indeed, the most difficult part of "the mountain-top experience" is leaving.

Patricia Nakamura

The Association of Anglican Musicians (AAM) held its 30th anniversary conference in Washington, D.C., June 22-28. A special observance was the premiere of a commissioned work by Gerre Hancock, organist and master of choristers at St. Thomas' Church, New York City, one of the three founders of AAM.

Between the opening Eucharist at St. John's, Lafayette Square, and the closing Eucharist at the Church of the Epiphany, choral services of Morning Prayer and Evensong were held at several Washington churches. The homilist for the week was the Rev. Terence C. Roper, rector of the Church of the Transfiguration in Dallas. Fr. Roper drew upon the lessons for the Feast of St. John the Baptist, those for St. Irenaeus, and the Daily Offices to urge excellence in the ordering of worship, with music as "the Ark of the Covenant that bears the presence of God to God's people."

An organ recital was given at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church by Marilyn Keiser, professor of music at Indiana University and a past president of AAM.

Featured lecturers were Martin Goldsmith, host of the National Public Radio program "Performance Today," who spoke on "The Congregation of the Air," and Mark Howe of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, N.Y., whose

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# 'Doing' Theology

## Through the Arts

By WILLIAM BRADLEY ROBERTS

he vestry listened patiently to the associate rector's report, not an easy task. The tale wasn't exactly new. It also wasn't exactly unique to St. Philip's in the Hills Church, Tucson, Ariz. The church school, he said, is ineffective. In spite of dedicated teachers, children are dropping out from lack of interest. Parents don't show enough commitment to get their kids here on Sunday mornings. Much wringing of hands. What are we going to do?

A seasoned vestry member responded, saying, "If the church school is this awful, is there any reason we have to have one?" Heresy, the vestry might have cried, had the vestry member not been a veteran of national Episcopal work and a woman of unassailable credentials. Instead they listened.

"Why don't we find what we are good at, and do that instead?" she said. After some discussion, the vestry decided that, for many years, St. Philip's had been known for its music program, as well as a museum-class collection of art by great masters. "How about an arts academy for children on Sunday morning?" said the vestry. In the context of arts and music activities, Christian education will occur.

The idea was reminiscent of Italian educator Maria Montessori's philosophy: What children hear, they forget; what they see, they remember; what they do, they become. Could we discover a way for children to "do" theology, Bible, ethics and liturgy, using the arts as elements of play? After all, as one of the church school parents said (himself a developmental psychiatrist), play is the basic vocation of children. In short, we wanted to develop a way to make learning about God child's play.

William Bradley Roberts is director of music at St. Philip's in the Hills Church, Tucson, Ariz, and is chair of the Leadership Program for Musicians Serving Small Congregations (LPM). The Rev. Roger Douglas, rector of St. Philip's, and I discussed the concept at length. Thinking that we were onto something fabulous, I suggested that if we really wanted it to succeed, we should hire a full-time person. I sensed that we needed a music educator who had some interest in and exposure to the other arts. My bias was music education that emphasized the principles and processes of two great leaders: German Carl Orff and Hungarian Zoltan Kodaly.

The Orff-Schulwerk ("schoolwork") approach is child-centered and is based on children's natural mode of communication: They use their voices to speak and sing and their bodies to move and dance. Children progress from musical imitation to improvisation and literacy. The Kodaly (doh-DAH-ee) concept is a philosophy of music education that views every child as having musical aptitude which should be developed as soon as possible in a sequential approach, using voice as the foundation for becoming musically literate.

We quickly discovered that there were no curriculum materiais that exactly matched our focus, and so we would need a person who could do curriculum

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# Reed rgans No Longer Things of the Past

By NED PHOENIX

Reed organs are making a comeback as the organ of choice in small churches. "Reed organ" is a generic term for a diverse array of instruments invented and used in many countries, and now found in every part of the globe. All have one thing in common: The sound is made by an air current vibrating a thin strip of metal — the "reed" or "tongue."

Organ reeds are made of spring brass, of special alloy and temper. The reed organ was developed in the 1820s in Europe and America, concurrently with other free-reed instruments (accordion, concertina, harmonica) but with superior technology, size and capabilities. During their heyday, about 1875 to 1925, they were found in almost every home and public place in America. In addition to providing church music, reed organs were our first product for mass entertainment. Changing furniture styles, the piano, Victrola, radio and television each pushed the reed organ further into the background.

Yet these musical instruments are still appropriate in many settings. Melodeons, flattops and parlor organs similar to those of Victorian homes have served successfully in churches, although these rarely have more than two ranks, and are most appropriate today in Sunday schools, meeting rooms, and rectories. Chapel organs, with three to six ranks of reeds

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plus a solid manual sub-bass, support 50 to 60 voices, and provide additional tone colors for instrumental pieces and accompaniment to soloists. Chapel organ cases are short enough for the organist to see over. For larger spaces, a reed organ of five to 17 ranks, one, two, or (rarely) three manuals and pedalboard can support 150 congregants.

Reed organs, as pipe organs, vary in touch and action, electric to tracker. Full pedalboards may be flat/straight or concave/radiating. Reed organ ranks are specially manufactured and modified in the organ to produce representatives of all four families of timbres — diapason, string, flute and reed — and a full spectrum from mellow to brilliant. The timbre of a rank of reeds, like a rank of pipes, can be heard as a "tone color." As with artists' colors, these are mixed in combinations.

The majority of extant reed organs were built about 100 years ago. Of hundreds of makers, Estey was the bestknown and the longest-lived United States manufacturer. In addition to more than a half-million reed organs, Estey built pipe organs beginning in 1901. Mason & Hamlin, later known for pianos, built one- and two-manual (a few with three manuals and pedalboard) organs with excellent action and tone. The Vocalion, manufactured by a succession of companies, is built exactly like a mechanical-action pipe organ, complete with trackers, pull-down pallets, pressure wind, and reeds which speak through tuned chambers.

After a century, a reed organ is due for

restoration: The bellows leaks, reeds are dirty and out of tune, actions require regulation, perhaps the case needs refurbishing. But reed organs have simple mechanical actions which are durable and always restorable. Of course, restoration should include original parts and materials.

Reed organs are used today in churches and chapels, as home practice instruments, in restored Victorian homes, convents and museums. They have been played for concerts, lectures, weddings under trees or on tiny islands, on floats in parades, even for an Easter sunrise service in the snow. Reed organs are experiencing a well-deserved revival. These wonderful instruments from the past will minister well into the future.



Top: 16-rank Vocallion with carved oak grilles. Bottom: Mason & Hamlin in walnut case

## **Editorials**

## **Improving Compensation**

Church musicians are, for the most part, an unappreciated lot. In cathedrals and large parishes they may be well known, highly visible, and performing at a level that distances them from the rest of the church. But those persons who serve faithfully in small congregations may be almost unnoticed, serving with little compensation and infrequent praise.

In this Fall Music Issue, a rector addresses this problem, writing of the church's failure to produce a decent financial package for its ministers of music (p. 2). We hope that when the year of the small church is observed in 1997, this matter will be addressed seriously.

## **Voting for Our Nation**

A s election day approaches, many voters seem to be dissatisfied. Some may find both major candidates for the presidency unsuitable. Others believe the outcome is already decided. Still others may not feel strongly about the issues at stake. Whatever our feelings may be, we should sort them out and appear at the polls on Tuesday. A democracy cannot work effectively if people do not vote. If we fail to vote, we are, in effect, voting against our orderly, lawful and peaceful form of government. By appearing at the polls, we not only vote for the candidates of our choice, but also for our nation.

#### The Real Victor in '96

(Based on Psalm 76)
O God, make my soul know You in Judah
And praise Your name as great in Israel.
Be pleased to dwell in me
And I in You, Lord;
Make my heart your Zion.
Protect me from the flaming arrows of evil;
Cast down all the lies and schemes that fly about this season.

Your majesty shines more brightly
Than the parties and their pundits, O Lord.
It overcomes the strength of the impervious,
Paralyzing their natural abilities.
At Your rebuke, O God,
Our enemies were paralyzed.
You are the impressive one;
Who can stand in Your presence
When Your anger burns?

You caused judgment to be heard from heaven. The earth feared, and the jockeying ceased When you arose to judgment
To save all the dis-entitled of the earth
Who pray to You for justice.

For the wrath of mortal man shall meet its match in God Who turns slurs and slams to His own desired ends; What remains of Adam's anger

You will take from him and use for Yourself

You will take from him and use for Yourself.

Keep your campaign promises, in the sight of the Lord. Let all the religious groupies give their contributions To the One who sees through all. He will stop the power-players and hostile-takers.

Michael West

## Viewpoint

# Soul and Sexuality Are Not Synonymous

#### By DANIEL MUTH

he question occasionally is raised in these pages of whether one can oppose same-sex unions or the ordination of non-celibate homosexuals and not be guilty of homophobia in some form or other. The answer, of course, is that one can and the reasoning is quite basic: The division over homosexuality is not between those who love homosexuals and those who don't, but rather between those who do and do not share an understanding that sexual proclivities are defining. The issue is one of how we are to answer the psalmist's question, "What is man?"

In the first volume of *The History of Sexuality*, Michel Foucault claims that the word "sexuality" now serves the same purpose as did the word "soul" in the Middle Ages. It provides a means for joining the various aspects of human identity into a unified whole. Whereas in Christendom, man was seen primarily as an immortal soul, post-Enlightenment man is now defined primarily as a sexual self. This belief is clearly stated in the 1992 report of the Maryland Diocesan Task Force on Human Sexuality: "[Sexuality] is our [sic] identity as a unique person, either male or female, and the ways we express our identity as we interact with other people."

The understanding of man as sexual self easily translates into the view of homosexuality as an ontological category. To deny one's sexuality is presumably to deny one's essential identity. A homosexual, for instance, who marries a member of the opposite sex is believed to be denying who he is in a fundamental way and his marriage, therefore, is a sham. Being true to oneself, in this view, involves honestly and openly embracing one's sexual proclivities as gifts from God and expressing them as one's appetite dictates (with, of course, caveats such as being loving and respectful of any others involved, etc.).

This is an interesting view, and not, I suppose, without its merits. I see, however, absolutely no compelling reason to accept it. I recognize the extent to which the concept of homosexuality is claimed to be the result of scientific advance. It is not. It is the creation of 19th-century ideology.

It is important to recognize how limited a realm science really is. Science does not explain. It describes. As its description of the observable world gets more accurate, it is said to progress. This progress, however, takes place within very narrow bounds. Repeatability and objectivity require taking into account only those phenomena that can be directly observed (or converted into a signal that can be directly observed). In the arena of the study of humanity, this results in attention being paid to biology and behavior to the exclusion of other, nonobservable (or at least non-repeatable) considerations.

In a striking, but not terribly surprising, leap, Victorian thought (and a good bit of pre-Victorian thought) sought to

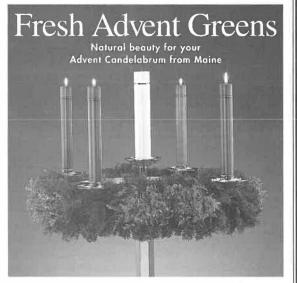
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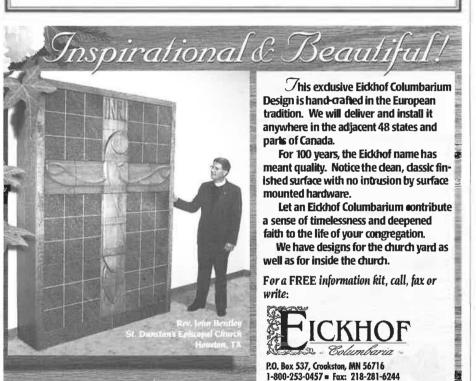
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## Viewpoint

## Soul and Sexuality

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center its definition of man around biology and behavior. Thus was conceived the belief in the existence of such things as homosexuals, a category of humanity the conceptual framework for which had not previously existed.

Christendom had not previously recognized the existence of homosexuals, not because it was ignorant of science, but because it held a largely teleological view of sexuality (along with just about everything else). In traditional Christianity, sex has to make sense, not as a means of assigning identity, but as part of man's inherent sacramentality. In and of itself, sex has no particular reason for being. As a sign of God's relationship with his people, it has a place in the Christian world view.

It is instructive that the word for erotic love (eros) is not used at all in the New Testament, When, in Ephesians 5, husbands are instructed to love their wives, the Greek word used is agaph, which, in this text, is tied directly to our Lord's self-sacrificing agaph for his church. Wives (listed first and in the place of greater honor) are similarly instructed to sacrifice themselves by obedience to their husbands. While a sexual relationship by definition exists in marriage, it is not the first concern of the Bible writers (and, presumably, of God). The relevant texts on sexuality (the creation story, the seventh commandment, Ephesians 5, and the end of Revelation where the bride is at last joined to the true bridegroom) do not concern themselves with sexual attraction, but with self-sacrificing faithfulness, particularly God's to his people (a people distinctly other than himself, represented in Christian marriage by the difference between male and female) and his concomitant expectation of their faithfulness to him. All of which is represented in Christian marriage, defined and ordained by God himself in holy scripture and Christian tradition (the experience of the church over 2,000 years).

What would I suggest we make of this? Three things, to start with. One, the essentially mechanistic view of man as a sexual self doesn't work well for Christians as it is too temporal. The sexual self exists only on earth, where there is marrying and giving in marriage. The soul is meant for eternal life. There is a sense in Christianity in which the individual will outlive his sexual desire, the real purpose

of that desire being fulfilled in entering the heavenly city and seeing God face to face. Penultimate sexuality ought properly to be understood as pointing to the ultimate union with the eternal God.

Second, the identification of "human" with "sexual" has resulted in an unfortunate de-emphasis on other forms of human relationship. In the New Testament at least, nonsexual friendship is as ubiquitous as erotic love is absent. The latter isn't as important as the former. Hence, while friendship stands on its own (our Lord, in calling his disciples his friends, singularly ennobles it), erotic desire finds itself placed, along with a great many other things, under the capacious auspices of holy matrimony. While sexual attraction has proven very helpful in inaugurating marriages, its efficacy in maintaining them has been rather more ambiguous.

Finally, I suppose I'm saying that, in a sense. I don't believe that homosexuals exist. There are undeniably those afflicted with a sexual desire for others of the same gender. This, however, doesn't say much of anything either relevant or even interesting about them insofar as the doctrine, discipline and worship of the church is concerned. As the homosexual lobby is fond of arguing, they might as well be left-handed. As does the Bible, the church has always recognized the reality of homosexual actions. And that these actions say something, often something fairly important, about the persons committing them. But neither the act, nor the desire that produced it, define who the person is. I am not what I do, nor what I will, but you will know who I am by what I do.

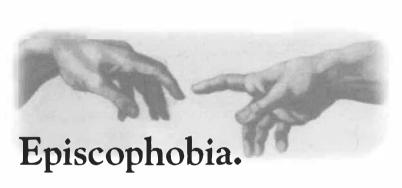
I do not for one moment deny the church's pastoral responsibility to those who understand themselves to be homosexual, nor would I deny or trivialize the pain in and difficulty of these individuals' lives. My concern here, however, is with a proper Christian understanding of sexuality (I find references to human sexuality rather pretentious — as if we were in biology class and will presently move on to simian, feline, and arachnid sexuality) and not, as I am not trained as a pastor, with methods of pastoral care. I am of the opinion that proper definition and clarification of the former will focus and enhance the latter.

If, as I argue, sexual attraction (of whatever flavor) is of less moment for Christians than biblically revealed norms of human relation, then the church has no good reason either to change the definition of marriage or to develop new liturgies for blessing the expression of more

outré sexual proclivities. As the burden of proof lies entirely with those who would change 2,000 years of church tradition, I can see little room for argument for those who would have the church bless gay sex.

I do not question either the reality or the power of sexual urges. I do explicitly doubt their centrality either to the definition of the human person or to the explication of Christian moral imperatives. As the multifarious sexuality task forces are wont to remind us, sexuality is a gift from God. In the hands of sinful man, however, it is, at best, a gift fraught with ambiguity.

And at worst, given its prodigious vigor, it can be tremendously damaging. It is because of this that being right about sex is important. It is becoming increasingly clear that the sexual revolution was devastatingly wrong about sexuality, not merely in its mind-boggingly naive belief that technology in the form of modern contraceptives had successfully separated sex from procreation (the fallacy of which assertion is grimly attested to by the 1.6 million annual victims of abortion), but in its popularization of the beliefs of the Victorian intelligentsia concerning the centrality of sexuality to the definition of man. Because these ideas are questionable in theory and have proven damaging in practice, I would contend that we do neither our Lord nor the world any favors by blindly assuming their veracity in our conversation or adopting them in our liturgy.



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## A Roundup of Annual Music Conferences

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topic was "Join the Great Throng: Elitism, Populism and Choral Music in the Liturgy."

Panel discussions were held on "The Role of Women in the Episcopal Church," "The Role of Women in Church Music," and the conference theme, "Of the People, by the People, for the People: Music in the Liturgy." Participants included several members of AAM and the Rt. Rev. Jane Dixon, Suffragan Bishop of Washington.

New officers elected at the business meetings were the Rev. John L. Hooker of Episcopal Divinity School as vice president and president-elect, Jane A. Bourdow of St. Luke's Church, Alexandria, Va., as secretary, and Craig Cansler of the Cathedral of St. Philip, Atlanta, as director-at-large.

The Association of Anglican Musicians was founded in 1966 and now has 720 members, all professionals working in the Episcopal Church, the Anglican

Church of Canada, and the Church of England. The association seeks to encourage the sharing of ideas and skills among members, to disseminate the results of this sharing throughout the church, to establish equitable and just compensation and benefits for professional musicians in the church, to work with the seminaries in music and liturgy, and to foster a relationship of mutual respect and trust between clergy and musicians.

Victor Hill

Over the years, the Mississippi Conference on Church Music and Liturgy has provided participants with outstanding opportunities for both musical and spiritual growth. The 21st annual conference July 30 - Aug. 4 certainly continued the tradition. The faculty included church musicians Owen Burdick of Trinity Church, Wall Street, Judith Dodge of St. Columba's, Washington, D.C., and William Bradley Roberts of St. Philip's in the Hills, Tucson. Offering spiritual

focus for the week was the Rev. Bruce Jenneker of Trinity Church, Boston. His presentations provided the groundwork for the conference theme, "Reclaiming Mystery: Finding and Being Found."

Participants were encouraged to contemplate with renewed wonder the divine mystery of God's love. They also were called to remember that while we may seek God, he has been, all the while, continually seeking us.

The themes of wonder and divine mystery were also integrated into the music and worship planned by the conference faculty and staff. Highlights were: Richard Proulx's setting of W.H. Auden's text, "He is the Way, Follow Him Through the Land of Unlikeness," Peter Hallock's setting of "Let My Prayer Come Up as the Incense," and Mr. Burdick's newly composed "Then I Saw a New Heaven."

Perhaps the most moving service for many was the Eucharist with Unction, predominantly featuring music from the Taizé community. Because the chapel at All Saints' School in Vicksburg is a cruciform design with the altar in the center of the transept, it was possible for persons to sit in four groups, all facing the altar. The service music and offertory anthem, "In All These You Welcomed Me" (on a text by Carl Daw), were composed by Mr. Roberts.

Several practical workshops were offered by faculty members on topics such as improvisation, chant, and handbell techniques. Judy Dodge led a session on boys' and girls' choirs which included reading through her "top 10" list of treble anthems along with sharing her expertise on tone production and teaching techniques. The week's activities also included opportunities for fellowship.

The 1997 Mississippi Conference on Church Music and Liturgy will be held at All Saints' School, in Vicksburg, from July 29 through Aug. 3. Faculty members include the Rev. Minka S. Sprague of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine and New York Theological Seminary, Horace Boyer of the University of Massachusetts, Jeffrey Rickard of the University of Redlands and Trinity Church, Redlands, Calif., and Bill Stokes of the Cathedral of All Souls, Asheville, N.C.

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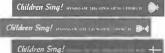
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46th annual **Sewanee Church Music Conference** July 15-21 at DuBose Conference Center in Monteagle, Tenn.

James Brinson, organist and choirmaster of the Church of the Holy Communion, Memphis, planned and directed the conference. Bruce Neswick, organistchoirmaster of Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, Ky. (now head of upper school music at Washington National Cathedral boys' and girls' schools), and Donald Pearson, organist-choirmaster at St. John's Cathedral, Denver, were resident composers, clinicians and recitalists. Conference chaplain was the Very Rev. Charles Kiblinger, dean of St. John's, Denver, who celebrated the Eucharist and led other services daily, and lectured on "The Church Musician as Part of the Ministry Team."

A variety of classes was offered. Mr. Neswick and Mr. Pearson demonstrated techniques of working with young singers by using junior choristers from Gayle Frueh's choir in Chattanooga. Mr. Pearson presented ideas on practical improvisation, while Mr. Neswick gave suggestions in composition for beginners.

A session devoted to accompanying at the organ was conducted by James Cook, professor of organ and music history at Birmingham-Southern College. He and Mary Jo Williams, choral director of Church of the Resurrection, Gadsden, Ala., and a national computer trainer, presented classes on the use of database management software for music and worship planning.

The Very Rev. Guy Lytle, III, dean of

the School of Theology of the University of the South, displayed a sizable collection of historic prayer books. "The Magnificent World of Heavy Metal" was a lecture and video on the carillon, by Marcia De Bary, who later gave a recital on the Shapard Tower carillon. A conference first was a question-and-answer opportunity for people new to the Episcopal Church, moderated by Don Dupee, organist and director of music at St. Thaddeus' Church, Aiken, S.C.

On Tuesday evening, Mr. Neswick and

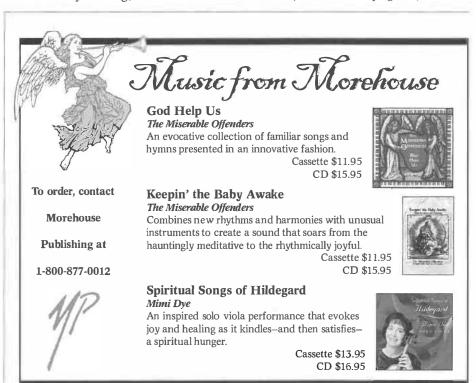
Mr. Pearson performed in recital at the university's All Saints' Chapel. Thursday's Choral Evensong in All Saints' Chapel used Richard Proulx's "Prayer of the Venerable Bede" and Phos Hilaron. The Precis and Responses were by Mr. Neswick; the anthem was David Hurd's "It Is a Good Thing to Give Thanks." The Magnificat and Nunc dimittis were settings by David Hogan, who had perished the day before on TWA Flight 800.

For several years a popular part of the conference has been the Composers' Forum, where participants have a chance to hear their own compositions sung by the group. From this has emerged the Sewanee Composers' Project. Volume II was presented by editor Mark Schweizer, who explained that license purchasers (churches) of the publication may photocopy any of the music for use by their choirs and congregations without additional permission or fee.

Mary Fisher Landrum

The Evergreen Church Music Conference has occurred every summer since 1907, making it the oldest conference of its kind. Begun by Canon Winfred Douglas, editor of the *Hymnal 1940*, it was originally called "The Summer Church School of Liturgical Music." Located in secluded Evergreen, Colo., it was quite rustic, lasting most of the summer. Many significant church musicians have made the trek up the mountainside from the historic Church of the Transfiguration,

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## A Roundup of Annual Music Conferences

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including Bishop Chilton Powell, Dr. Thomas Matthews, Leo Sowerby, Alec Wyton, David Craighead, Richard Dirksen, James Litton, David Higgs, Gerald Near, and many others, comprising a list of some of the most gifted and recognized names in church music of this century. ECMC now runs for one week and meets at the Iron Horse Resort Center in Winter Park.

Evergreen is not as large as other conferences, as it rarely has more than 40 conferees. With a nationally distinguished staff of instructors, this year including Marilyn Keiser, Richard Dirksen and Richard Proulx, the aim of the conference is to improve skills for effective music making in the church, particularly smaller parishes. Those who attend Evergreen include choir directors, organists, composers, choir members and clergy. The level of experience ranges from very little to extremely advanced. Visiting lecturers present such topics as vocal health, volunteerism and liturgical planning. An important element is the opportunity for individual attention and hands-on training. Small-group sessions are featured with additional time for lessons, coaching sessions and informal conversation.

It is an intense week of classes with rehearsals for the daily services as well as opening, closing and Sunday Eucharist. New music and creative liturgy are emphasized. Midweek is a trip to St. John's Cathedral, Denver, for special workshops, a concert by the cathedral choir, high tea on the lawn followed by a banquet and an evening recital on the Kimball organ. The week ends at St. John's with conferees joining the cathedral choir for the festival Eucharist.

The 1997 conference will take place July 21-27. Clinicians will include Donald Pearson, organist-choirmaster of St. John's, Denver; Mr. Hancock, organist-choirmaster of St. Thomas', New York; Thomas Troeger, theologian and professor of homiletics at Iliff School of Theology; and English composer Richard Sheppard.

John Repulski children.

## 'Doing' Theology

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development. Thus we began a national search for what turned out to be a rare animal: a person with a background in church music and academic music, who had Orff and Kodaly training, and a passion for Christian education. We also needed someone with superb people skills, boundless energy and a sense of adventure.

The search began. In the meantime, a committee of arts educators was formed. All but one of the members were parishioners, and the talents of these people were staggering. The one non-parishioner was a University of Arizona music education professor and former national president of the American Orff Schulwerk Association. The committee began to develop a philosophy and to create the overview of a K-5 curriculum. Seminarian in residence Kevin Hackett from Duke guided the theological and biblical content with grace and enthusiasm. It was an exciting project.

Finally the Spirit led us to Cynthia Colwell. This young woman was teaching at Phillips University in Oklahoma in the areas of music education and music therapy. She was bright, knowledgeable and enthusiastic. She wanted to add the element of music therapy to our program, something we had never considered but felt would only enrich it. In August, she became the first director of children's arts and education.

Dr. Colwell has begun a patient process of getting to know the current church school teachers. She means to convince them that they are capable of teaching in an arts-based Christian education program. Her previous experience included training regular elementary classroom teachers to do music, and the St. Philip's program would be similar.

During her first year she will offer her services to the teachers, enriching the traditional curriculum they are teaching with arts activities. Meanwhile, she will guide the arts committee in the development of a K-5 curriculum. Our hope is to begin in the fall of 1997 the incremental implementation of the faith and art curriculum.

It is a grand adventure, and we are excited about where it will lead us. Perhaps a new approach to Christian education is in the works. At the very least, we will begin to learn in the context of play, and that indeed is the basic vocation of children.

## Books

## Spirituality and Social Action in America

THE SOUL OF POLITICS
Beyond "Religious Right"
and "Secular Left"
By Jim Wallis
Harcourt Brace. Pp. 319. \$12, paper

CONFUSIONS IN CHRISTIAN SOCIAL ETHICS

Problems for Geneva and Rome By Ronald H. Preston Eerdmans. Pp. 195. \$17, paper

Both books are excellent, even though one is uplifting and personally challenging, while the other is burdened, rightly so, by reports of institutional failure.

Wallis and Preston are well known in their circles and deserve wider audiences. Wallis, the founding editor of the activist magazine *Sojourners*, is deeply committed to encouraging the Christian community to confront racism and economic injustice. Preston, a retired University of Manchester (UK) professor, is widely

acknowledged for his writings on capitalism and ethics.

Preston's book is especially helpful for Christians seeking historical and philosophical perspectives on institutional Christian social policy promulgated by the Vatican and World Council of Churches. The author rightly faults both Vatican and WCC processes as cumbersome.

In reading Wallis, my reactions swung quickly between "right on," to mutterings against his "suspect" political and economic leanings. Yet he is right: There exists a pendulum swing spanning generations in which the church acts out the balance between spirituality and social action. "The political left," he writes, "has now become as morally vacuous as the political right; a radical individualism pervades both and reigns across the political spectrum."

Wallis speaks out of his intense personal experiences. Yet at least three faults

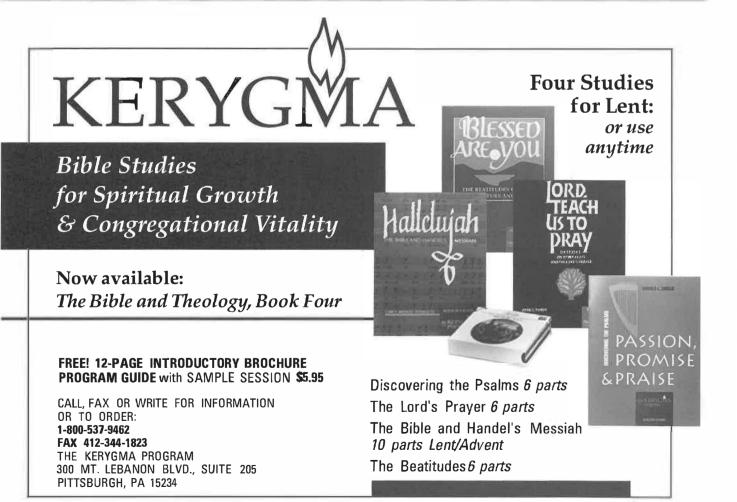
stand out: He contends that environmental pro-action is uniquely liberal, even though numerous evangelical (i.e., conservative) groups have banded to address these issues within their own enterprises. He attacks the alleged evils of capitalism, when virtually all non-government jobs are created by capitalists or entrepreneurs (90 percent of American jobs are in small businesses), thereby strengthening both human dignity and survival. And his focus on urban gangs painfully overlooks dire problems in rural and third world America, including among First Americans.

(The Rev.) Joel MacCollam Carlsbad, Calif.

## **Exceptionally Crafted**

CONFLICT AND A CHRISTIAN LIFE By Sam Portaro Morehouse. Pp. 128. \$8.95

Is conflict to be avoided in the Christ-



## Books

ian life, or is it a natural and inevitable part of it? Sam Portaro, Episcopal chaplain at the University of Chicago, says this "striking together" is inevitable for the people of God, and can even be a celebration of our diversity.

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# Not just another 'how-to' book...

dealing with church conflict, Portaro instead provides a rich and insightful exploration of the biblical witness to conflict's constancy. In a series of exceptionally crafted reflective essays, the reader considers how familiar characters — Adam and Eve, Moses, Jacob, Jesus, his disciples, Paul, the early church leaders, and early church communities developing the biblical canon — all "strike together" as they seek to walk with God.

Portaro then draws from this witness to explore and suggest how we can understand and perhaps reform our view of conflict in the church at large today.

(The Rev.) John Throop

Peoria, Ill.

## Modern Biblical Criticism

THE ACT OF BIBLE READING A Multi-Disciplinary Approach to Biblical Interpretation Edited by Lamer Dyck InterVarsity. Pp. 182. \$12.99, paper

Don't be put off by the provenance of this book. Its authors, all of them members of the faculty at Regent College, Vancouver, B.C., may appear to be very conservative evangelicals, if not exactly fundamentalists, and as such unsympathetic to biblical criticism. This, however, would be quite unfair. Rather, the authors take various aspects of modern critical method and show how they can help in the interpretation of the Bible, as well as their limitations.

Gordon Fee discusses the importance of establishing the original historical context, Elmer Byck the importance of the place of each biblical book in the canon of scripture as a whole, J.I. Packer the role of theology in scriptural interpretation, Craig M. Gay the contribution of the sociology of knowledge, Loren Wilkinson postmodernism, including existentialism and deconstructionism.

These essays are prefaced with a foreword by Eugene Peterson, warning the reader to be both open-minded and critical of the modern methods to be discussed. The symposium closes with an essay by James Houston, emphasizing that Bible reading must lead to godliness and Christian obedience. He illustrates this from the desert fathers, the medieval monastics, the Reformers, the Puritans, and modern biblical theology.

As one who throughout his theological career has sought to combine critical scholarship with commitment to the faith of the church, I welcome this book. For those on the one hand who think that critical scholarship is the sole key to interpretation, and those who on the other hand are wary of biblical criticism, this book is a must.

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## Benediction

# The Innocence of a Child

With our heightened awareness of the subtle racism and prejudice that resides in each of our hearts, I am reminded of an incident from several years ago that speaks volumes about what can be accomplished, even by a small child.

It was the first beautiful spring day in March, and my husband and I had taken our children to the park. Shortly after we arrived, a family with several children joined our girls on the playground. All of the children eventually were drawn to the merry-go-round, which was surrounded by a large puddle of water.

Together they had a great time, and each of them came away soaked and happy. Nothing had betrayed the fact that my children are Caucasian and the children from the other family were African-American. They were just children having a wonderful time laughing and playing together.

When it was time for us to leave, the other children ran back to a picnic table, but the youngest girl was having trouble running, since the straps of her overalls were coming undone and she couldn't keep her pants up. She was an irrestible picture of innocence, so I bent down and asked her if she wanted help with her pants. I fixed her suspenders.

Then, as we stood up, she held out her hand to me. Fear gripped my heart. Was it appropriate to hold the hand of a child whom I didn't know and who didn't know me? Would her family think I was trying to lure her away? Maybe they would be offended by the color of my skin. But despite my qualms, I couldn't resist such a genuine gesture.

I am still amazed by what took place. In that one moment, our differences weren't important. She was just a child, with cold hands and a trusting heart, who was attracted to a mommy with a helpful smile. In her innocence, this little girl reminded me that when we allow ourselves to be vulnerable, we will have many opportunities to cross the artificial boundaries our fears have established.

My little friend will always hold a special place in my heart. It is actions like hers that will change the world, one person at a time.

Debra J. Davis Lincoln, Neb.



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CELTIC PILGRIMAGE to Ireland June 15-29, 1997, centered to Glendalough, Aran Islands and Killarney. Write or call for brochure. Stillpoint Ministries, Inc., 51 Laurel Lane, Black Mountain, NC 28711 (704) 669-0606.

CELEBRATE the 1600th anniversary of St. Ninian's arrival at Whithorn, the 1400th anniversary of St. Columba's death at Iona, and the 1400th anniversary of St. Augustine's arrival at Canterbury, on a pilgrimage to Iona, Whithorn, Durham, Whitby, York, Ely, Walsingham, St. Albans, Canterbury and other historic sites of British Christanity conducted by the Rev. Christopher L. Webber and Margaret Webber, May 15-27, 1997. For information call (860) 364-1139 or write P.O. Box 1724, Sharon, CT 06069.

# Church Directory

Washington, DC

CHRIST CHURCH, Georgetown Corner of 31st & O Sts., NW The Rev. Stuart A. Kenworthy, r; the Rev. Lupton P. Abshire Sun Eu 8, 9, 11 (1S, 3S & 5S); MP 11 (2S & 4S); Cho Ev 5 (1S Oct.-May). Daily Eu (Wed 7:30), HS & Eu (Fri 12:10). Noonday Prayers (Mon-Fri 12), EP (Mon-Fri 6)

**2430 K St. NW** — Foggy Bottom Metro Sun 7:30, 7:45, 9, 11:15 (High Mass) & 6. Daily: 6:45, 7 & 6. Prayer Book HDs: 6:45, 7, 12 noon, 6 & 6:15.

Wilmington, DE

Parish founded AD 1866

CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN (302) 654-6279 10 Concord Ave., 19802

The Very Rev. Peggy Patterson, dean Sun H Eu 7:30 & 10:30, Tues & Thurs 12:10, Sung Compline

Boynton Beach, FL

ST. JOSEPH'S S. Seacrest Blvd. (561) 732-3060 The Very Rev. W. Michael Cassell Sun Eu 8 & 10; Sat 5; Mon, Thurs, Fri 8:30; Tues HU & Eu 10;

Hollywood, FL

ST. JOHN'S The Rev. Hobart Jude Gary, interim r 1704 Buchanan St.

Sun 8 & 11 (Sung). Weekdays as anno

Augusta, GA CHRIST CHURCH

The Rev. Theodore O. Atwood, Jr., r Sun Masses 8 & 10 (Sung). Wed 6:30 Eve & Greene Sts.

(706) 736-5165

Honolulu, HI

ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL Beretania & Queen Emma Sun: 7 Eu, 8 Hawaiian Mass, 10 Cho Eu. Mon-Fri Eu 7. Wed Eu HS 12 noon. Ev (Last Sun) 5:30

Chicago, IL

ASCENSION N. LaSalle Blvd at Elm (312) 664-1271 The Rev. Gary P. Fertig, r; the Rev. Richard Higginbotham The Sisters of St. Anne (312) 642-3638 Sun Masses 8 (Low), 9 (Sung) 11 (Sol & Ser), MP 7:30, Adult

Ed 10, Sol E&B 4 (1S) Daily: MP 6:40 (ex Sun) Masses 7, 6:20 (Wed), 10 (Sat) C Sat 5:30-6, Sun 10:30-10:50 Rosary 9:30 Sat

Riverside, IL (Chicago West Suburban) ST. PAUL'S PARISH 60 Akenside Rd.

The Rev. Thomas A. Fraser, r Sun Eu 8 & 10:15; Wkdy Eu Tues 7, Wed 7, Fri 10. Sacrament of Reconcilation 1st Sat 4-4:30 & by appt

Indianapolis, IN

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL Monument Circle, Downtown The Very Rev. Robert Giannini, dean Sun Eu 8, 9 & 11; Christian Ed 10

KEY - Light face type denotes AM, bold face PM; add, address; anno, announced; bold face PM; add, address; anno, announced; A-C, Ante-Communion; appt., appointment; B, Benediction; C, Confessions; Cho, Choral; Ch S, Church School; c, curate; d, deacon, d.r.e., director of religious education; EP, Evening Prayer; Eu, Eucharist; Ev, Evensong; ex, except; 1S, 1st Sunday; hol, holiday; HC, Holy Communion; HD, Holy Days; HS, Healing Service; HU, Holy Unction; Instr., Instructions; Int, Intercessions; LOH, Laying On of Hands; Lit, Litany; Mat, Matins; MP, Morning Prayer; P, Penance; r, rector; r-em, rector emeritus; Ser, Sermon; Sol, Solemn; Sta, Stations; V, Vespers; v, vicar; YPF, Young People's Fellowship. A/C, air-conditioned; H/A, handicapped accessible. Baton Rouge, LA

The Rev. Fred Fenton, r; the Rev. George Kontos, the Rev. Bob Burton, assocs; the Rt. Rev. Robert Witcher, Bishop-in-Residence. Dr. David Culbert, organist-choirmaster; Lou Taylor, Director of Christian Ed Sun 7:30, 9, 11, 4:30 H Eu

Brookline, MA

ALL SAINTS 1773 Bea The Rev. Dr. David A. Killian, r, the Rev. Lyle G. Hall Sun H Eu 8 & 10:30

Kansas City, MO

OLD ST. MARY'S 1307 Holmes The Very Rev. Bruce D. Rahtjen, Ph.D., r (816) 842-0975 Masses: Sun 8 Low; 10 Solemn; Daily, noon

St. Louis, MO

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL & ST. GEORGE 6345 Wydown Blvd., at Ellenwood

The Rev. Kenneth J.G. Semon, r; the Rev. James D'Wolf, the Rev. Michael D. Kinman, the Rev. Steven W. Lawler, the Rev.

Sun Eu 8, 9:15, 11:15 (1S & 3S), **5:30**; MP 11:15 (2S, 4S, 5S) followed by HC **12:15**, Ev **5** (1S Oct. - May) Sun Sch 9:15; Daily 7:30 & 5:30 ex Sat 8:30 & 4:30

Hackensack, NJ

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA 72 Lodi St. The Rev. Brian Laffler, SSC Sun Masses 8, 10 (High), 5 (Sat); Tues 7:30; Wed thru Fri 9

Newark, NJ

GRACE CHURCH 950 Broad St., at Federal Sq. The Rev. J. Carr Holland, Iii, r Sun Masses 8 & 10 (Sung); Mon-Fri 12:10

New York, NY

CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

112th St. and Amsterdam Ave. Sun: 8 Mat & HC; 9 HC & Homily; 9:30 La Santa Misa En Español; 11 HC & Sermon; 7 Cho V & Organ Meditation. Mon-Sat: 7:15 Mat & HC; 12:15 HC; 4:30 EP

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S Park Ave. and 51st St.

(212) 378-0200 Sun Eu 8, 9 Cho Eu 11, EP 5 (Ev 1 S). Mon-Fri MP 8, Eu 12:05 ("Sun on Thurs." Cho Eu 12:05), EP 5:30. Sat MP & Eu 10. Church open 365 days 8-6. For tours call 378-0252. Café St. Bart's: good food and hospitality 7 days a week.

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CHAPEL OF CHRIST THE LORD 2nd Ave, & 43rd St. The Rev. Donald A. Nickerson, Jr., chap Daily Morning Prayer 8:45; H Eu 12:10

(212) 869-5830 145 W. 46th St. (between 6th & 7th Aves.) 10036 The Rev. Edgar F. Wells, r; the Rev. William C. Parker, c; the Rev. Allen Shin, ass't

Sun Masses 9, 10, 11 (Sol & Ser) 5, MP 8:40, EP 4:45. Daily: MP 8:30 (ex Sat), noonday Office 12, Masses: 12:15 & 6:15 (ex Sat.) Sat only 12:15, EP 6 (ex Sat), Sat only 5; C Sat 11:30-12, 4-5, Sun 10:30-10:50, Maj HD 5:30-5:50

> PARISH OF TRINITY CHURCH The Rev. Daniel P. Matthews, D.D., Rector The Rt. Rev. Herbert A. Donovan, Jr., Vicar

Sun H Eu 9 & 11:15, Mon-Fri MP 7:45 H Eu 8 & 12:05, EP 5:15. Sat MP 8:45, H Eu, 9. Open Sun 7-4; Mon-Fri 7-6; Sat 8-4
Trinity Welcome Center (in Trinity Church, Broadway at Wall St.) Mon-Fri 10-12; 1-2:30 ex Thurs 10-12; 2-2:30. Trinity Museum (In Trinity Church) Sun 1-3:45; Mon-Fri 9-11:45 & 1-3:45; Sat 10-3:45.

Trinity Churchyard (north & south of Trinity Church) Sun 7-3; Mon-Fri 7-3:45; Sat 7-3.

Trinity Bookstore (behind Trinity Church, 74 Trinity Pl.); Mon-Thurs 8:30-6; Fri 8:30-5:30; call for weekend hours

(212) 602-0800 Sun H Fu 8 St. Paul's Churchyard: Open Sun 7 to 3; Mon-Fri 9 to 3

Gettysburg, PA

PRINCE OF PEACE MEMORIAL CHURCH (717) 334-6463 West High and Baltimore Sts. 17325 Sun Eu 8 & 10:15. Tues 12 noon, Wed, 7, HD 7, C by app

Philadelphia, PA

S. CLEMENT'S, Shrine of Our Lady of Clemency 20th and Cherry Sts. (215 (215) 563-1876

The Rev. Canon Barry E.B. Swain, r

Sun Masses 8, 9:15 & 11 (High); Matins 7:30; Sol Ev Novena & B 4. [June through Sept: 8, 10 (High), Ev & Novena 5:30] Daily: Matins 9, Mass 7 & 12:10 (Sat 7 & 10), Ev & Novena 5:30. C Sat 5-6, at any time on request

Phoenixville, PA

143 Church St. The Rev. Thomas C. Wand, r Sun H Eu 8, 10:15 (Sung); Tues H Eu 9, Thurs H Eu 7:30

Pittsburgh, PA

GRACE 319 W. Sycamore (412) 381-6020 The Rev. A.W. Klukas, Ph.D., v; the Rev. R. Spanos, perm d Sun Family Eu 9; Sol Eu 10; Ev & B 5. MP Mon-Fri 9:30; Said Eu Wed 12 noon; Thurs LOH 7:30, Bible Study 8. Soi Eu HD 7:30. C by appt

Selinsgrove, PA

ALL SAINTS

Sun Mass 9:30. Weekdays as anno

Whitehall, PA (North of Allentown)

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3900 Mechanicsville Rd. ST. STEPHEN'S Sun 8 Eu; 9:15 Ch S; 10:30 Sung Eu; Tues 9:30 HS; Thurs & Fri 7 HC. Bible & prayer groups. 1928 BCP

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Dallas, TX

INCARNATION 3966 McKinney Ave. The Rev. Frederick C. Philputt; the Rev. George R. Collina; the Rev. Thomas G. Keithly; the Rev. Michael S. Mills Sun Eu 7:30, 9, 9:15, 11:15; Daily Eu 7 & 12 noon. Daily MP 6:45, EP 5 (214) 521-5101

Fort Worth, TX

ST. ANDREW'S 10th and Lamar Sts. (Downtown)
Sun 8 HC, 9 MP (HC 1S), CS 9, 11 MP (HC 1S) 12:15 HC (ex
1S). 1928 BCP Daily as anno (817) 332-3191

Milwaukee, WI

ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL 818 E. Juneau The Rt. Rev. Patrick Matolengwe, dean (414) 271-7719 Sun Masses 8, 10 (Sung). Sat Celebration Eu 5. Daily as posted.

St. Croix, Virgin Islands

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Spanish service Sat 6