November/December 2013

Down By The Riverside

Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Church Columbus Blvd & Christian St, Philadelphia, PA 19147 215-389-1513

Thoughts from the Rector

Seasons and Times

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven. (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

Beginning this year, as you have likely noticed, we have gone to six newsletters instead of twelve. This was a cost saving measure, and it has saved us some money. But it has also required us to address many things in these bimonthly issues.

We have worked hard to raise funds through events over the years and these events have multiplied to such an extent that our newsletter is now full of so many activities that it's hard to keep up! And even harder to decide what is most important to consider in the next two months here at Gloria Dei. The truth is, it's all important! We don't do unimportant things here. Everything we do has to do with our ongoing health and growth and survival as a place where community gathers to enjoy fellowship, hear the Word, ask questions, know comfort, feel safe; a place where folks are healed and fed and accepted as they are.

This November/December issue is particularly important not only because it covers some of the activities that are most central to who we are and are becoming – Thanksgiving Eve, Lucia Fest, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day – Swedish and English, Sexton Sideshow – but also because it spans three seasons of the church's liturgical year. We complete the season after Pentecost, a season that began after Trinity Sunday way back in June, then we celebrate the four weeks of Advent, preparing ourselves, our hearts and minds, our homes and church, for the coming of Christ. And then we gather to greet with joy the Babe born in Bethlehem on Christmas Eve, Christmas day, and the Christmas season. All important seasons with important messages that both challenge us and comfort us, assure us and test us.

The days will get colder and shorter, the nights darker, the strain of hard times for so many will be felt more acutely as we move through these days. The "changes and chances of this life," as the evening collect says, will come to mind as we remember loved ones who have died, Christmases past, and days when life seemed easier.

Somehow, though, when Christmas finally arrives; when we have finished the shopping and cooking and cleaning; when we have cried for what was and worried about what might be; somehow in the darkness of the winter cold we see together the light of new birth. It is a miracle wrought every year for those who gather in community and bring others out of the cold and into our warm, loving, sanctuary on Christian Street.

All the seasons are really about the same thing – about caring and accepting, about new life in the midst of darkness, about love and shelter and healing and feeding, about knowing we are loved. Some seasons we revel in well-being, others we struggle to stand and believe. Some seasons encourage our faith, some seasons challenge our beliefs.

I miss writing a monthly message, when I can "go deeper" about one or two things. But there is also great value in stepping back, focusing on a wider vista, giving us a chance to see a broader view of our pasts, the present, and future possibilities.

The seasons of our lives, like the seasons of the church year and the earth's year, are full of many and varied gifts that help us to grow and equip us for the work of ministry. May you see blessings all around you this season; may you know the joy of gathering in the warm light of Christ's love; may you love the Christ who walks beside you, and recognize him in those you invite in from the cold. May you know you are blessed and know you are a blessing.

Peace,





Thoughts from the Rector's warden

Can you believe the holidays are knocking at the door!

Thanksgiving – my favorite holiday. A holiday that doesn't get the recognition it deserves. When shopping you see all the Halloween decorations, costumes and of course the candy. But wait I walked into a major department store and lo and behold I see Christmas trees and wreaths. Hey it's not even November yet! I refrain from yelling it out loud. My first instinct is to walk out of the store in defiance. I'm not ready to see Christmas, I want to enjoy Thanksgiving first. I guess for big business it is not the best money maker, with the exception of maybe the supermarket.

For me, Thanksgiving is a time to celebrate family. A homecoming. A time to reflect all I have to be thankful for. The wonderful meal which begins with a prayer. I have to admit this is usually the only holiday where we say a prayer of thanksgiving. The exception being at a church dinner. I know it's shameful but it is the truth. Most years we say a traditional prayer, you know the one that your grandmother taught you. That's a good choice. Nothing wrong with traditions. This year I have decided to write my own.

Heavenly Father, We give thanks to you this day for our family, and our friends. We graciously thank you for the warmth of this house and the food on our table. We thank you for all the daily blessings we take for granted. Help us to be content in our lives and accepting of each other. Keep those not with us this day safe during their travels. Lord help us to feel the presence of loved ones no longer with us, allow us to share the love that is not bound by our earthly bodies. Bring them to our table this day. Amen

Maybe you could share your Thanksgiving prayers with us by putting it on the bulletin board in Riverside hall. After Thanksgiving is over I will be ready to celebrate the glories of Christmas. That of course begins for me with Lucia.

Wishing you all a very happy and healthy holiday season. Take the time to relax and enjoy it.

Carol Jenkins



Altar Flowers

If you would like to provide flowers for an upcoming Sunday please call the office and let Terry know. You may provide the flowers yourself or you may provide funds for flowers and our volunteer "flower person," Diane Honor, will purchase and place the flowers for you.

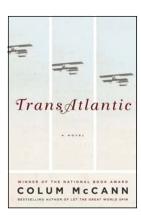
The Book Club at Gloria Dei

Here are our next books and meeting dates.

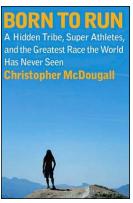
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Jan. 27, 2014	Red Sparrow by Jason Matthews
Feb. 24, 2013	The Unwinding: An Inner History of the New America by George Packer
Mar. 24, 2014	Dissident Gardens by Jonathan Lethem

Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn

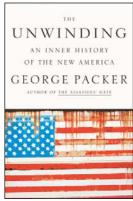
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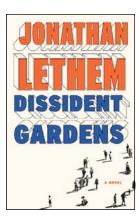


Apr. 28, 2014











Lucia Fest, 2013

Friday, December 6th 6:00 & 8:00 pm Saturday & Sunday, December 7th & 8th 2:00, 3:30 & 5:00 pm Services

Gloria Dei Church

(Old Swedes')

Columbus Blvd & Christian St Philadelphia, PA 19147 (215) 389-1513

Tickets:

Adults-\$10.00, Children under 12-\$6.00

St. Eric's Fair Imports for Sale; Coffee & Baked Goods

Visions of Our Neighborhood

On October 12th, a dozen or so members of Gloria Dei gathered in Riverside Hall to view over 250 photos we had taken of our neighborhood. The photos covered the area from Fitzwater Street down to Snyder Avenue and from Columbus Boulevard to 6th Street. During our gathering, we viewed the photos and noticed the following:

Many small businesses (pubs, restaurants, funeral homes, pharmacies, groceries/marts, etc.)

- Parks, trees, and gardens
- People on the move (by car, bus, or bicycle)
- Racial and ethnic diversity
- Ongoing construction
- Two major schools and some closed schools
- Churches and missions
- Well-kept homes and properties that conveyed a sense of individualism and pride

After talking about what we noticed in these photos, we brainstormed ways we can attract people to Gloria Dei and ways in which we can extend ourselves outside the walls of Gloria Dei. Of the many ideas we came up with, there are several we plan to implement right away:

- Find out how much it would cost to buy a bike rack or become part of the new Philly Bike Share
- Purchase wifi for the property, so our spaces become a place to hang out and have business meetings
- Find out more information about the missions in our neighborhood, including who they are, what they do, and ways in which Gloria Dei might contribute
- Design a "random acts of kindness" card, which can be handed out when any of us does something nice for someone in the neighborhood (for example, "You've just experienced a random act of kindness from your friends at Gloria Dei Old Swedes' Church")
- Give out coffee and have conversations with the parents who wait outside of Meredith School

If you weren't with us on October 12th, you missed a lot! Stay tuned for more information as we begin to act upon the truths uncovered about our neighborhood.

Peace and blessings,

Megan Bartlett

Thanksgiving Eve at Gloria Dei

Once again we will celebrate Thanksgiving at Gloria Dei this year on Wednesday, Thanksgiving Eve, November 27th, with a service of Thanksgiving and Holy Communion at 7pm. We ask that you bring a canned good or dry good to bring forward during this service to be placed on the altar and blessed. We will share this ingathering of food with those in our community who are in need.

We have much to be thankful for here at Gloria Dei. Hopefully many of you will join us, and bring family and friends, as we thank God for the blessings of this place and this community.

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
(Psalm 95:2)



Sunday School Schedule

Age	When	Where
Toddlers - 4 years	9:45 AM-10:30 AM	Upstairs Sunday School Room in Roak House
5-7 years	11:00 AM-Noon.	Upstairs Sunday School Room in Roak House
8-13 years	11:00 AM-Noon.	Library in Roak House

Toddlers – 4 years have Sunday School from 9:45 to 10:30. Teachers will bring the little ones to join their parents in church before communion.

Children ages 5-12 leave together with the Sunday School teachers after communion. The class will last for an hour. Parents can enjoy fellowship in Riverside Hall until the teachers bring the children to join them there.



Calendar

Sexton Sideshow - Day of the Dead Nov. 1 **Nov. 3, 10, 17,** Lucia Rehearsals 12:45PM 24 **Nov. 5, 12, 19,** Yoga - 7:15PM, drop in class, all levels welcome \$8.00 a 26 session Evensong - 6:30PM - 7:00PM Church Bells 7:00PM Nov. 6, 13, 20, Tai Chi (Classes are \$10.00) 10 - 11:00AM. All levels 27 welcome Swedish Service - 4:00PM - Church, Reception Riverside Nov. 10 Hall History Committee Meeting - 1:00 - 5:00PM - Church & Nov. 16 Hall Nov. 21

Swedish Colonial Society - Riverside Hall - 1:00 - 3:00PM

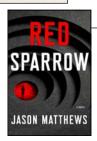
Vestry Meeting - 7:00PM - Roak Room

Book Club - 7:00PM - Riverside Hall Nov. 25 *Transatlantic* by Colum McCann •

Thanksgiving Eve Service - 7:00PM Nov. 27

Church and Office Closed Nov. 28. 29 for Thanksgiving Holiday





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Calendar

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Dec. 1	Lucia Dress Rehearsal and Dinner
Dec. 2, 3, 4	Rector Away - Clergy Conference
Dec. 3, 17	Yoga 7:15PM, drop in class, all levels welcome \$8.00 a session
Dec. 3, 10, 17	Evensong - 6:30PM - 7:00PM Church Bells 7:00PM
Dec. 4, 18	Tai Chi (Classes are \$10.00) 10 - 11:00AM. All levels welcome
Dec. 5, 6, 7, 8	St. Eric's Fair - Riverside Hall
Dec. 6, 7, 8	Lucia Fest 2013 - Friday: December 6th 6:00 & 8:00PM Saturday & Sunday: December 7th & 8th 2:00, 3:30 & 5:00PM Services Adults: \$10.00 - Children under 12: \$6.00
Dec. 13	Sexton Sideshow - Exile on Water St Doors open at 7PM
Dec. 15	Norwegian Service - 4:00PM - Church - Reception Riverside Hall
Dec. 16	Book Club - 7:00PM - Riverside Hall Born to Run: A Hidden Tribe, Superathletes, and the Greatest Race the World Has Never Seen by Christopher McDougall
Dec. 19	Vestry Meeting - 7:00PM - Roak Room
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Service - 7:00PM - Reception following
Dec. 25	7:00AM - Julotta Service 10:00AM - Christmas Day Service - Rite II with Communion
Dec. 29	10:00 AM Service - Rite II with Communion
Dec. 25 thru Jan. 2	Office Closed for Christmas and New Year's Holidays

The Lectionary for November

November 3rd, All Saints Sunday

Holy God, who calls your people into one beloved community, who teaches us the way of peace through life together, who fills us with visions of your eternal reign; as we now celebrate the communion of saints, pour into our hearts the power of Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1st Reading: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18 Psalm: 149

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23 Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

November 10th, Proper 27, 25th Sunday after Pentecost

O God, one eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

1st Reading: Job 19:23-27a Psalm: 17:1-9

2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

November 17th, Proper 28, 26th Sunday after Pentecost

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

1st Reading: Malachi 4:1-2a Psalm: 98

2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

November 24th, Last Sunday after Pentecost ~ Christ the King

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1st Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm: 46

2nd Reading: Colossians 1:11-20 Gospel: Luke 23:33-43

The Lectionary for December

December 1st, First Sunday of Advent

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1st Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm: 122

2nd Reading: Romans 13:11-14 Gospel: Matthew 24:36-4

December 8th, Second Sunday of Advent

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

 1st Reading:
 Isaiah 11:1-10
 Psalm:
 72:1-7, 18-19

 2nd Reading:
 Romans 15:4-13
 Gospel:
 Matthew 3:1-12

December 15th, Third Sunday of Advent

Stir up the will of all who look to you, Lord God, and strengthen our faith in your coming, that, transformed by grace, we may walk in your way, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:1-10 Psalm: 146:5

2nd Reading: James 5:7-10 Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

December 22nd, Fourth Sunday of Advent

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may receive your promises, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

 1st Reading:
 Isaiah 7:10-16
 Psalm:
 80:1-7, 17-19

 2nd Reading:
 Romans 1:1-7
 Gospel:
 Matthew 1:18-25

December 24th, Christmas Eve

Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1st Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7 Psalm: 96

2nd Reading: Titus 2:11-14 Gospel: Luke 2:1-20

December 25th, Christmas Day

All powerful and unseen God, the coming of your light into our world has brightened weary hearts with peace. Call us out of darkness, and empower us to proclaim the birth of your Son Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1st Reading: Isaiah 62:6-12 Psalm: 97

2nd Reading: Titus 3:4-7 Gospel: Luke 2:1-20

December 29th, First Sunday After Christmas

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

1st Reading: Isaiah 61:10 - 12:3 Psalm: 147:13-21 2nd Reading: Galatians 3:23-25 - 4:4-7 Gospel: John 1:1-18

January 5th, Epiphany of Our Lord

O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

1st Reading:Isaiah 60:1-6Psalm:72:1-7, 10-142nd Reading:Ephesians 3:1-12Gospel:Matthew 2:1-12



Christmas Services at Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Church

Christmas Eve – Tuesday, December 24, 2013 7:00 PM Holy Communion, with Sunday School Tableau

Christmas Fellowship in Riverside Hall will follow Christmas Eve service

Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25, 2013 7:00 AM Julotta (Swedish service) 10:00 AM Holy Communion

First Sunday after Christmas - Sunday, December 29, 2013 10:00AM Holy Communion

The Feast of the Epiphany – Sunday, January 5, 2013 10:00 AM Holy Communion

Stewardship: A Year Round Commitment

This fall, stewardship efforts at Gloria Dei were intense and focused. We used our beautiful buildings and grounds to host many events including the Labor Dei picnic, three weddings, Jazz & Joe, and regular events such as yoga, tai chi, book club, and Sunday worship. We welcomed new visitors to our property and hosted a Sunday with our brothers and sisters in Christ from Historic St. George's Methodist Church. We asked you to consider donating your time, talent, and treasure to support our fall flea market, and you responded generously. We looked beyond the walls of our property at our "Visions of Our Neighborhood" event and identified new ways to engage with our neighbors. We talked openly during church about making a commitment to Christ and many of you sent back your completed Commitment Card. After all that stewardship work, you might think we can move on to something else. As I see it, that wouldn't be wise. Stewardship is not a once and done thing. God continually gives us blessings. Don't we have an obligation to respond with thanksgiving and keep those blessings flowing?

As Thanksgiving and Christmas rapidly approach, it can become easy to slip into the busy-ness of the season to the exclusion of all else. Instead, I encourage you to continue to notice and give thanks to God for all of your daily blessings. You may find, as I have, that the more gratitude that fills the heart, the more urgent the need to give back to God by supporting the missions of the Church, the community, and the world. As always, thank you for all the ways you keep God's blessings flowing each and every day.

Peace and blessings,

Megan Bartlett Chairperson, Stewardship Committee

PS - If you haven't completed and filled out a Commitment Card, now is a great time to do so, as our vestry finalizes the budget for 2014.





Requests For Prayers Are Always Welcome

Please contact the church office (215) 389-1513 or Florence Brook (267) 273-5175, fbrook 529@hotmail.com

Intercessors will pray on behalf of those in need

History of the Three Swedish Lutheran Churches

On November 16 at 2:00 pm Gloria Dei Church will host the first in a series of History of the Three Swedish Lutheran Churches – Gloria Dei, St. James, Kingsessing and Christ Church, Upper Merion.

Come hear about our church's history. Meet parishioners from our fellow Swedish congregations. Learn each other's history and experience what makes each place unique.

Do you know why we have ships hanging from the ceiling? Do you know what the angels have to say? Where did the first ferry system take place? What happened when some Native Americans came to the blockhouse on our present location?

Join us and learn the history of your Church. Fellowship will follow and hopefully new friendships will be made.



Captain John Douglass

Captain Douglass was born in 1747. Soon after the Battle of Lexington he began his military service. He was appointed Captain in the Flying Camp on July 3, 1776 by order of the Pennsylvania State Convention. He served in the 11th Pennsylvania Regiment, taking part in the Battle of Brandywine where his regiment took heavy loses and wintered in Valley Forge. He resigned on December 7, 1777. In 1805 he was appointed an alderman of Philadelphia and was elected High Sheriff of the city and county in 1825. His office was located in the west wing of Independence Hall.

He married Ann Jones at Christ Church on August 10, 1772. Ann Douglass died on September 22, 1826. Captain Douglass was a chair and cabinet maker. Captain Douglass died on July 8, 1840 at the age of 94 years old. The notice in the Philadelphia Public Ledger on July 10, 1840 is headed "Another Revolutionary Character Gone!"



Calling All Bakers!

The Lucia Fest is fast approaching us and with that, the bake table in the St. Eric's Fair. If you love to bake and would like to donate some items to the bake table, let Leigh Jenkins know! I am looking for anything from cookies and cakes to brownies and specialty sweet treats you enjoy making. If you are able to commit to a baked good, please let me know by December 1st so I am able to make sure we have enough. Thanks.

Notes from the Secretary

This past month the vestry had a retreat where we took a look at what we were currently doing and what else we could do to help better Gloria Dei and the surrounding communities. A recurring theme in this retreat was reaching out to more people and expanding existing partnerships. One thing the vestry feels passionate about is being able to include the neighborhoods around us in our events and any community services we do. We are committed to showing our appreciation to our community for everything they do. One of the things we have decided to do is show our appreciation to the local schools for all they do by gathering in the school yard and offering coffee and donuts to the parents. Another way we are going to give back to the community is with random acts of kindness. Whether it be a block clean up, snow shovel or raking leaves for a block. If you know of an area that would benefit from this feel free to send me an email and I'll make sure we get to it (leigh.jenkins@ymail.com) and be on the lookout for a note in your mailbox saying that your block has been "chosen". These are just a few of the things the vestry has come up with but we can always use more ideas and if you would like to help out with any of these things we would be more than happy to have you!



From your Parish Musician!

For Christmas Eve Services in the past, we have engaged a small group of singers to add to the spirit of that wonderful evening. Generous contributions from parish members have helped make this possible.

As the season approaches I hope some of you might again consider a special contribution to the Christmas Eve music and singers.





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Now all these things can be done online at Gloria Dei's website! Just visit us as www.old-swedes.org and find out what else we're doing. Check out our Facebook page while you're there.



12 Years of Fleas

We have come a long way from that first flea back in October 2001. Still reeling from the tragedy of 9/11 and trying to make sense of a changing world. In some ways it helped us as, a congregation; join together in a new venture much different from the long-running and on-going Lucia Fest. Instead of inviting people into our space and property we went out to the sidewalks and welcomed the community at large face to face. We are still doing that today.

That first year in 2001 we sold a mere 35 tables mostly to friends and church family at a scant cost of \$15 per space. (Bring your own table) We managed to stretch from the Christian St. entrance to the Water St. entrance where we set-up our food court and sold hot dogs, soup, and chili along with baked goods, coffee, soda and water. We barely raised \$1,000.00; but we did get a matching grant from Wal-mart for \$1,000.00 so we continued on.

This fall of 2013 we sold over 140 spaces on Christian St.; both sides of Water St. and Washington Ave. up to Front St. at \$25 a space. (still bring your own table). We parked over 100 cars to visit our flea market under I-95. We sold 400 hot dogs and all the soup and chili that were made for the day. We sold 200 pretzels at one dollar a piece. We sold \$300 worth of baked goods. Our church table sold \$475 worth of fleas. There were 2 very cool food trucks in our parking lot selling meatballs (Thanks Mama's Meat Balls) and Walking Tacos (thanks Cherry Bomb!).

Thanks to everyone who contributed their time, talent, and treasure to make this event a true success. For the 3rd time in 12 years we broke the \$6,000.00 barrier. See you again in the spring.

Yours Sextons,

Jim and Paula Minacci

P.F. - Thanks to our resident noisemaker Paul Fejko for providing excellent piano interludes during the lunchtime hours . . . priceless.



Exile on Water Street

Once again the Riverside Hall located on the grounds of Gloria Dei Church will come alive with the sounds of the Rolling Stones 1972 classic album "Exile on Main St."

This year's Exile Event will take place on Friday, December 13, 2013 or 13/13/13. Ticket prices are \$13.00 for under 21; \$26.00 for 21 and over; \$39.00 for a couple. Any couple, any 2 people paying together at the door.

Ticket price includes cider/beer from our sponsors Philadelphia Brewing Co. & Commonwealth Ciders; food from local restaurants and homemade food from our very own members at Gloria Dei Church; and of course live music from local artists including Emmitt Drueding, Josh Olmstead, Joe Manning, Dan Demmy, Stasha, Victoria, and the North Lawrence Midnight Singers all contributing to the "Exile on Water St." experience.

This is another Sexton Sideshow Production from Jim & Paula at the Old-Swedes Church. All monies donated and collected go to support the mission,

property, and activities that occur on the grounds of the Historic Gloria Dei "Old-Swedes" Church. Don't miss this one.

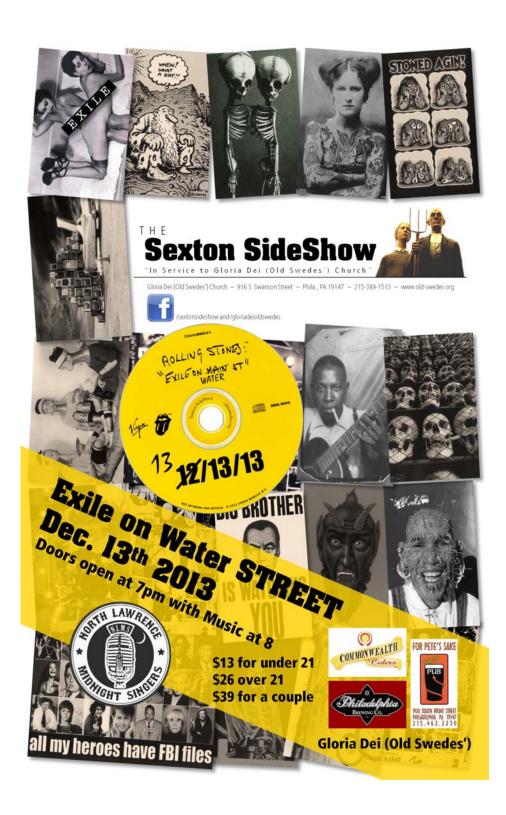
Just added to enhance your listening pleasure is the Jessy Lundy Band performing The Rolling Stones 1978 classic "Some Girls" in its entirety. Two great bands. . . Two Classic Albums. . . One Night Only.

Jim Minacci











Memorial Cards in loving memory of Julia Dingler

By: Bob & Jean Neill; Bert Kubiak

Lillian Kuhn

By: Bert Kubiak

Maryanna Carlin

By: The Neill Family

In REMEMBERANCE of

Marvin Goodwin

August 23, 2013

Raymond J. Grinnell, Sr. September 18, 2013

Helen McEwing

CELEBRATE the Newly MARRIED

Aila Yvette Sarabin and John Zachary Luneau September 28, 2013

Laura McCarthy Hanes and Ryan Michael Duschel October 5, 2013

Lauren Mooney and Dennis Richardson October 12, 2013



Sunday Service: 10:00 AM Tuesday Evensong 6:30 PM

Office Hours Tuesday-Thursday 9:30-2:30 Friday: Closed during Summer

CLERGY

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Leigh Jenkins, Secretary
Jim Parsons
Barbara Potts
Lisa Reeves
Mark Roberts

STANDING NOTICES

Weddings

Weddings at Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Church must be scheduled with the clergy at least three months in advance. All weddings in the church will be governed by the Canons of the Diocese of Pennsylvania and the Book of Common Prayer. Pre-marital counseling is a prerequisite. No weddings will be conducted during Lent.

Funerals

When death occurs a family member is asked to contact the clergy so that timely arrangements for a funeral may be made. It is appropriate for the funeral of a Christian to take place in the church. It is also appropriate that funeral arrangements be made in advance and kept in a file in the church office. Burial plots are available for members of the parish in the church's cemetery. Consult the church office for costs and details.

Baptisms

The sacrament of Holy Baptism is celebrated during one of the principle Sunday liturgies and is governed by the Canons of the church and the Book of Common Prayer. Baptism is normally celebrated on one of the four appropriate feast days designated in the Book of Common Prayer. These are: The Baptism of Our Lord (1/12/14). The Great Vigil of Easter (4/20/14); Pentecost (6/8/14); and All Saints Sunday (11/2/14). Other Sundays may be chosen, if necessary, with the advise of the clergy. Baptism instruction will be provided for parents and godparents beforehand.