



Greensboro Gleanings

June 2011

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK ...

Dear Friends,

Summers in Greensboro are usually busy and this year should be no exception. I want to bring to your attention two upcoming events which have the potential to be of interest, at least for me, and hopefully for you and the community also.

First, after a great deal of careful work dating back to the sabbatical I took a few years ago, I am delighted to announce the release of my first CD of original music. The album is titled, '*See and Be Sane: Songs of Wellness and Awakening.*' This project contains a selection of my songs representing a variety of styles and genres. Although the compositions on this album are not heavily 'religious' in the usual sense, most of them deal with spiritual topics. The album is graced by exceptional performances from several guest musicians. These include our own Alexander Romanul, who plays viola exquisitely on two of the songs. Several tracks also feature Patti Casey of Montpelier, who is one of Vermont's finest singers and performers. I am most blessed to have had Alexander and Patti, as well as several other outstanding artists as significant contributors to this project.

I expect to receive the initial printing of '*See and Be Sane*' in early June, and hope that many of you will both want to hear it, and find it of benefit. In addition to being available for purchase, I will be giving a few copies to the Greensboro Library, so that people can also have the option of hearing this music on loan from the library.

Finally, I am also very much looking forward to presenting the entire album as part of a CD release concert here at the church in the coming weeks. The current working date for that concert is July 30, at 7 p.m... I'm expecting to have some wonderful players joining me for that musical evening. We'll be making more details of that concert available soon. I hope very much you can join us, and -- in one form or another -- enjoy the music!

Your Pastor,

Tony Acheson

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Christ's humanity is the great hem of the garment, through which we can touch his Godhead.

Richard Glover



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MILESTONES & MISCELLANY

Happy June Birthday to:

Connie Dornseifer, Bea Hicock, Peg Igleheart, Ainsley Launer, Mary Meyer, Ethel Bailey, Ronny & Richard Aseltine, Sally Fifield, Kaleigh Rose Marie Cyr and Hal Gray!

Is your birthday listed this month when it shouldn't be? Have we missed you in our celebrations? Contact the church office and let us know if your birthday is listed incorrectly or has been missed.

Since Tony will be at the Annual Meeting of the Vermont Conference on June 5, our monthly Communion service will be held on June 12 instead when Tony is back. For our June 5 service, Judy Dales will be the speaker.....Our best wishes and congratulations go to Pastor Judy Waible on her June 30 retirement date. We are all invited to honor and support her on Sunday, June 26 at 2 PM at the United Church of Hardwick.....We also want to congratulate all our new graduates. If someone in your family is graduating this Spring, please do let Cass know so she can acknowledge them in the July Newsletter.....And, advance notice: Tony will be leading his annual summer study group on five consecutive Tuesday mornings starting on July 12. More details in next month's Newsletter.

MAY CHURCH WORLD SERVICE DRIVE

The Mission Board thanks each of you who contributed to this important project. Our church provided a total of 27 kits: 3 Emergency Clean-up Buckets, 15 school kits, 7 hygiene kits, and 2 baby kits, and in addition you provided \$156 for purchasing more kits, plus \$57 for shipping and handling. On May 6th we took the kits and buckets, all 113 pounds, to the Depot at the North Church in St. Johnsbury. It takes effort and commitment to purchase and wrap a kit, but it is a wonderful, tangible way to send our love to people in need. The clean-up buckets are sent to emergency areas in the U.S. (especially needed this year because of the flooding) and the other kits go all over the world to refugees and those in disaster areas. Nice work, friends! Special thanks to Bobbie Nisbet, Alma Rowley and Marion Babbie for sewing the school bags; and to Marion and Cassandra for help with packing the kits.

Nancy Hill, Chair, Mission Board

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Have you lost a cell phone? Winter gloves? A favorite scarf? A tweed jacket? All these and more have been lying in our lost & found box (in the closet just off the Narthex) for over a year. Please remember to check the box and take what is yours. By the end of the month, whatever is left will be donated to the Giving Closet to bless someone else.



June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Thanks to our June Coffee Hosts!				2	3	4
June 5—Ed Stehle		June 12—Paul Fixx			Tony at VT Conf Annual Meeting	Tony at VT Conf Annual Meeting
June 19 Janney & Ken Johnston		June 26—Anne McPherson				
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Tony at VT Conf Annual Meeting	4 pm—Living Strong, FH		10 —Living Strong, FH			9—noon Campership Car Wash
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	4 pm—Living Strong, FH	7 p.m.— Church Council, Lib	10 —Living Strong, FH			11—Bill Eis- ner Memorial Service
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Father's Day Tony @ Con- tinuing Edu- cation	4 pm—Living Strong, FH Tony @ Cont. Ed	Tony @ Cont. Ed	10 —Living Strong, FH Tony @ Cont. Ed	Tony @ Cont. Ed	Tony @ Cont. Ed	
26	27	28	29	30		
	4 pm—Living Strong, FH		10—Living Strong, FH 7—Mission Board			

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Upcoming Lectionary Readings:

June 5 ~Acts 1:6-14~Psalm 68:1-35~1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11~John 17:1-11
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June 12 ~Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30~Psalm 104:24-35~1 Corinthians 12:3-13 or Acts 2:1-21~John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39
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June 19 ~Genesis 1:1-2:4~Psalm 8~2 Corinthians 13:11-13~Matthew 28:16-20
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June 26 ~Genesis 22:1-4~Psalm 13 or Jeremiah 28:5-9~Psalm 89:1-18~Romans 6:12-23~Matthew 10:40-42
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CHURCH SCHOOL & YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Sunday, May 22nd was our end-of-year session for the Church School Children, celebrated with a service by and for our young folks. Thank you to all who participated and thank you especially to the children for sharing such joy this past year. I look forward to seeing you and some new friends this September when we start up our gatherings again.

This summer, we will wrap up the year past and kick off a new year with the Youth Group, beginning with a retreat at Pastor Alan Parker's cabin in the afternoon and evening of June 24th. Cara Hill, our Christian Ed Board Chair, has been planning a theatrical production for the Youth, to take place this summer as well. There will be opportunities for actors, costumers, set production, and other technical support. The plan is for us to work on a production during the period between the Fourth of July and Labor Day, with performances in late August or early September. Additional information about both the retreat and the theater production will be sent out later by e-mail and/or letter. Please let us know your preferred method of contact. Beginning this fall, I would like to gather the Greensboro Youth together one Sunday each month during the "Sunday School" time to work more closely on mission projects and Youth programs available both locally and globally. You'll receive more details in our intro letter at the end of the summer. Thank you all for a wonderful Church School and Youth Group year!

Sonia Dunbar, Director of Christian Education

P.S. Don't forget about our annual Youth Group CAR WASH, on Saturday, June 11, 9 a.m.—noon. This is an important funding source for our summer camp scholarship program.

