

The Carillon



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My Dear Friends in Christ,

Summer has arrived and the pace of our lives changes. I was thinking about this change of seasons the other day as I spent some time outdoors during the evening. Sometimes the clouds seem to be boiling, adding a restless quality to the sky. On the cloudless nights the stars and planets are beautiful as they shine down on us. It is fun to watch the yearly movement of the stars, as well as the movement of the planets.

As beautiful as the woods and the sky are at this time of year, my thoughts turn to the many prayer requests from people in difficult situations. As the night sky brightens I reflect on the many people who are unable to sleep because of their worries. I lift them up in prayer and go with them through difficult times in a spiritual way. If God took so much time and effort to create the raw materials necessary to form us and our beautiful planet, it is an indication of God's vast love and regard for us. Our potential is stellar, yet we tend to act so earthly. God breathes life into us. We are filled and made alive by the breath of God in us. Every inhalation can be a reminder of how close God is, lovingly breathing life into us – as it were, kissing us into existence. In return, every exhalation can be an opportunity to breathe the life-giving love of God onto others. This time of year I believe is especially suited for these kinds of pondering. The world is waking up from its winter slumber, coming to life with opportunity to begin again. Each new dawn is an affirmation of God's love.

This cycle is evident even in the life and ministry of our parish. While many programs and ministry at Caroline Church take a brief hiatus in July and August, we are actually beginning something new. As I wrote about last month, a partnership with our sister Episcopal Church, All Souls, now begins. In order to facilitate this relationship and share some specific parochial ministry, I am pleased to have Fr. Farrell Graves join our staff, as a part-time Priest Associate. He is a dynamic priest with a heart for young people. Fr. Farrell will be dividing his ministry between All Souls Church and Caroline. Together we will develop a greater Episcopal presence within our Three Village Community. Due to the nature of this arrangement, Bishop Provenzano has appointed me Priest-

in-Charge of All Souls Church. Although, a mission, there will be administrative tasks I will need to attend to while sharing some pastoral and worship experiences. One Sunday a month, I will lead worship at All Souls' Church while Fr. Farrell does so here at Caroline. Be sure to read his introductory article in this edition of the Carillon. Also, put on your calendars the early evening of July 13 for Caroline Church to formally welcome Fr. Graves to our faith community.

In grateful anticipation,

Fr. Richard+

Summer Service Hours 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. from Now to September 1st

We will continue to have the Thursday
12:30pm Holy Eucharist Service
throughout the summer.

There will also no longer be Tuesday evening 7:00pm
Holy Eucharist
services throughout the summer.

Have a blessed & safe summer.

Our Caroline Church Vision Statement:

*To help people encounter the living God together
and live transformed lives for Christ.*



Our Mission Statement

* *We, the parishioners of Caroline Church of Brookhaven, are committed to Jesus Christ, to His teaching, His life, death and resurrection, in our call to serve and worship Him, in the tradition of the Anglican Communion.*

* *We strive to share our faith and blessings for the furtherance of His kingdom in an environment of love, understanding, and support, through prayer, worship, Christian education, and fellowship.*

Fr. Farrell Graves Caroline Church's New Part-time Priest Associate

The only child and the youngest in my extended family, I was born in High Point, an industrial town in North Carolina. Before globalization, High Point was the center of furniture manufacture in the United States. My father and, later, my mother worked in furniture factories. To this day, I have a fondness for the decorative arts. Unlike other forms of art, decorative art tends not to lose its moorings in reality.

I sensed my initial calling shortly before college and went on to declare a major in religion at Duke University (BA 1986). In college, I started considering whether I would like to get an MDiv, a ThD, or a PhD in religion. Despite my interest in developing a deeper spiritual life and in ministering to others, however, I grew disappointed in the rigid Christianity that I found around me. Ideas were valued more than people, and the Bible was seen more as a rule-book than as an introduction to how the Holy Spirit works in our lives. This Biblical fundamentalism was matched by the institutional fundamentalism of the Roman Catholic Church. Young and idealistic, I left Christianity and turned to Buddhism. I eventually got a master's degree in Buddhist studies, but this did not fulfill my call to minister, to share with others the joy of community and inclusion as taught by Christ. In graduate school, moreover, the competitive and often spiteful atmosphere saddened me, but I persevered until I completed a PhD in Japanese Intellectual History from the University of California, Irvine. My dissertation focused on early post-WWII ethics.

I had moved farther and farther from my original interest. I was trying to make academia serve as a vehicle for my calling, but academia is resistant to practical applications and to unapproved approaches. Luckily, while getting my PhD, I met a priest who introduced me to the Episcopal Church. I found there a respect for the individual seeker and support for the discernment of the movement of the Spirit in our lives. My sense of a calling finally seemed to have found a place where it could be fully realized. I started going through the discernment process as I worked on my doctorate. Once I completed my degree, I had to make a decision, and after a dramatic realization at the time of my first job interview, I decided not to apply further for academic positions. I taught briefly as an adjunct, but soon focused on teaching English as a Second Language, which I had begun as a side job while a student. This allowed me to continue to live in the Diocese of Los Angeles while I went through the lengthy official process of determining if I had a call. Once this was complete, I studied at the General Theological Seminary in Manhattan, where I graduated May, 2010.

It was there that I discovered a secondary call to spiritual direction.

I enjoy teaching and writing, music (especially mountain and Baroque), going to the gym, roasting my own decaf coffee, cycling (recumbent), and exploring cities (people, food, and architecture) and the countryside (people, plants and critters), and working on my paludarium. I have a singapura cat, Bostwyck, who enjoys riding in the car, exploring new places, taking walks, and meeting people.

I am excited to be joining the people at the Caroline Church as your priest associate and look forward to getting to know you all.

You're Invited to a WELCOME PARTY



All Families of Caroline Church, please
join us in welcoming our
new Priest Associate,

Father Farrell Graves

On the front lawn of the Marco C. Smith Building
at Caroline Church

July 13, 2013

5:00-8:00PM

RSVP by: July 10th, 2013

Please RSVP to Diane or Lorraine at one of the emails listed below with your number of guests and what you would like to bring. We would like to serve easy to eat appetizers and desserts. Thank you in Advance.

Diane Amato -damato57@optonline.net
Lorraine Massie-ldmassie4@gmail.com

*****Babysitting will be available in the
Marco C. Smith building*****



Our Anglican Heritage

William White

Before the American Revolution, there were no bishops in the colonies (partly because the British government was reluctant to give the colonies the kind of autonomy that this would have implied, and partly because many of the colonists were violently opposed to their presence). After the Revolution, the establishment of an American episcopate became imperative. Samuel Seabury was the first American to be consecrated, in 1784 and in 1787 William White and Samuel Provoost, having been elected to the bishoprics of Pennsylvania and New York respectively, sailed to England and were consecrated bishops on 14 February by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Archbishop of York, the Bishop of Bath and Wells, and the Bishop of Peterborough.

William White was born in Philadelphia in 1747, went to England in 1770 to be ordained deacon and priest, returned in 1772 and became first an assistant and then the rector of the Church of Christ and Saint Peter in Philadelphia. He served as Chaplain of the Continental Congress from 1777 to 1789, and then as Chaplain of the Senate.

White was largely responsible for the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. At his suggestion, the system of church government was established more or less as we have it today. Only a bishop can ordain a deacon or priest, and only bishops (normally at least three) can consecrate a bishop. When a bishop dies or retires, a new bishop is elected by a convention in his diocese, in which clergy sit in the upper house and lay delegates (elected by the vestries of the local congregations) sit in the lower house, and a majority in each house is required to elect. (Afterwards, a majority of bishops and a majority of Standing Committees (each diocese has an elected Standing Committee) are required to confirm.) National business is conducted by the General Convention, which meets every three years and consists for voting purposes of three Houses: Bishops, Clerical Deputies, and Lay Deputies. A majority of each is required to pass a measure. (All the Deputies meet and debate together and are called the House of Deputies, but they vote separately whenever a few voters request it, which means whenever it might affect the outcome.) In all this, the Episcopal Church undertakes to follow, as nearly as modern circumstances permit, the government of the early church as attested back at least to the second and third centuries.

White was Presiding Bishop of Pecusa at its first General Convention in 1789, and again from 1795 till his

death on 17 July 1836. He was mentor to John Henry Hobart, Jackson Kemper, William Augustus Muhlenberg and others. In the Episcopal Church his life and ministry is celebrated every year on July 17.

Summer Evening Services

E.a.T.* at Caroline!

Eucharist at Table:
worship in the style of the first followers of Jesus

This summer as, in the past we will gather together for combined worship and fellowship on four Saturday evenings. The services will be held in the tradition of the early church, with a Eucharist woven into the context of a shared meal.

The dates for these evening services are:

July 6th, 27th,
August 10th, 24th.

All gatherings begin at 5:30 p.m.

All meals will take place in the Marco C. Smith building.

Bring along your family and friends of all ages, and food to share. Iced tea, lemonade, and tableware will be provided. Assistance with set up and clean up is most welcome. Fuel your body! Feed your soul! Follow Jesus!

20s/30s Group

The Caroline 20s/30s is heading to Country Corner Tuesday, July 9th for pub trivia! The game starts at 8:00 but we'll start gathering at 7:40ish to secure a table. Please do let Lindsay know if you're coming, either by email or by RSVPing on Facebook or calling her at 561-3767.



The Caroline Book Club

Caroline Book Club: The next meeting of the book club will be Sunday September 15th at 3:00p.m. at the Soderstroms. The book: YOUR CHOICE! Share your summer reading with other members. Karl



Buildings & Grounds

Summer is upon us—it's time to kick back and enjoy the beauty of what is around us. But we're not totally stopping. Some concrete repairs have just been made to the handicap ramp, basement stairs and Belgium block borders. We are finalizing plans to pipe away roof runoff from the three downspouts on the south side of the church. Once those are done, all the downspouts will be connected to systems that will carry the water away from the buildings. Most significant, painting will begin on the church and Parish House shortly after Vacation Bible School concludes.

We are also gathering bids to upgrade the air conditioning system in the MCS Building. The second floor units were installed in the late '80's and early '90's. They are becoming maintenance issues and are costly to fix. The investment will pay off in the long run since modern systems are much more energy efficient.

The Sacristy (inner and outer) needs a paint job. With the new window installed, now is the time. Nail pops and other dings have already been spackled so it's ready for ceiling paint, wall paint and trim work. Call me if you can give up a morning or two.

If you use the Sacristy, note that the alarm system that failed has been replaced. There is a new procedure to arm and disarm the alarm. Please read the directions posted at the keypad to avoid the embarrassment of setting off the alarm.

The gardens are looking great, with the newly planted summer flowers growing rapidly. The "million golds" are flowering and should soon be growing into each other. We'll then thin them out by transplanting some to other areas to expand the coverage. Lastly, we have about three dozen sunflowers growing in small pots at our house, where we can keep them properly watered. They will be put in the barn garden and a few other locations at mid-summer when they are big enough to thrive there. We're looking forward to duplicating the look of large sunflowers in front of the barn that many remember seeing there in years past.

Chris Haring, Chair
Buildings, Churchyard and Village Green

Church School News

I hope everyone's summer is off to a great start.

We will be showing movies on Friday night this summer, dates and movies are listed on a separate flyer, movies may change without notice. Please join us. The movies are free but we will be selling Snicky Snacks during the movies. The doors open at 6:45 and the movie start at 7:00pm.

Vacation Bible Camp is July 15-19. If you haven't signed your children up already, there is still time. Forms are on line or you can pick them up in the office.

There are many dates still available for Camp Caroline volunteers. If a young adult would like to sign up that would be great. We need help to keep the program going. Please consider signing up.

We are also in need of some teachers for the Fall. If anyone would like to volunteer please let me know. We usually have 2 teachers for each grade; this way they can go to church on the Sundays that they are not teaching.

Mary Doherty
Church School Director
VBS Director



Parish Family News

Congratulations to Lorraine & Mike Massie as they became new grandparents to Brett Andrew McMillan, born June 24, 2013. weighing in at 8 lbs 6 oz. All are doing great. All our prayers are answered!

Parishioner News Events: Please send items of interest (weddings, accomplishments etc.) to Maritza Groth at mlgroth@aol.com or Irene Ruddock at peace2429@optonline.net
Submitting photos is encouraged!

Both your happy news and news of other life changes such as a loss of a close family member will be shared through this column when you let us know to do so. As a Christian family, we will be closer if we can share our life joys and struggles with one another.



11th Annual Summer Fair

So you might think that a little event like a *hurricane* on the day of our fair might deter our plans - not so at Caroline Church. Despite the twist that Mother Nature dealt us, our parish family rallied and with a can do attitude pulled off a very successful day. Although we only opened for roughly half the amount of hours, our net proceeds exceeded last year by a few hundred dollars. How did we do this?

The support of our entire parish family

For starters I cannot thank the fair committee enough for their dedication and support towards me and the event. Meeting every Tuesday night for months, your committee did a fantastic job being creative and flexible to new ideas and suggestions when pulling this together. We changed a few things around from years prior and the results seemed to be positive. Thank you all for your support.

We would like to thank all those parishioners who participated with donations or sponsorships. Without your support many of the raffle baskets and events like games and crafts would not have done as well. Thank you all so much. In addition, many of our local businesses also supported our fair. As we did last year, we have posted all those that supported our fair in the MCS building. Please take a note of those businesses in the area that supported us and keep them in mind when shopping locally.

If you happened to be at Caroline on the day of the fair you would have seen an overwhelming team of parishioners' and friends helping us set up. Many hands make light work - What a fantastic effort balancing between worship and setup support. It is sometimes difficult to gain the momentum back after a disappointing rain delay. Coming out of the gate with such a strong showing made all the difference in getting the fair off the ground. Great job all.

As is the case with events such as this it's impossible to put in writing all those that supported our annual outreach fund raiser. I hope that I have at least personally thanked as many of you as I have had a chance. To those that I have missed - Thank You.

Special mention to our youth who, like last year could be seen all over the place keeping the details of the fair covered. Awesome job.

Wishing everyone a wonderful summer.

Thank you again and God Bless
Mark



It's Here! The new Caroline Church pictorial directory is in process.

Make sure you are included, and remind all your friends, relatives and neighbors who call Caroline Church their spiritual home. Pets Welcome too!

There is no charge for the photo session. Each participating family will receive one free 8 x 10 photo and a directory. You will view and choose your photo at the session. It is your option to purchase additional photos.

We have eight days scheduled to accommodate everyone. Sign up is easy, and you have three options:

1. You can go to our web site, www.carolinechurch.net and look for the logo that is printed below.
2. You can access the online sign up directly by copy and pasting this link in your browser:
<https://www.securedata-trans14.com/ap/carolinechurchofbrookhaven/index.php?page=10>
3. You can contact the coordinator, Barbara Russell, preferably by email at bmr83@optonline.net, and if absolutely necessary by phone at 631-689-9434.

Scheduled dates: July 10, 11, 12 2:00pm – 9:00 pm
July 13 10:00am - 1:00pm

YOU MUST HAVE A SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT TIME
NO WALK INS!

All photo sessions will be in the Parish House, main floor. Be sure to include your children or grandchildren; pets welcome too! Our new directory will only be successful and useful with your participation.





Graduates

One of the prayers for youth in our Book of Common Prayer speaks of children “growing up in an unsteady and confusing world” (page 829). The challenges faced by every high school, college, and postgraduate student are enormous. For a job well done, Caroline Church congratulates and applauds our 2013 graduates.

Vincent Aiello	St. Anthony’s H.S.	Wingate University N. C., Lacross/Criminal Justice
Alexandra Purcell	Centereach H. S.	Wentworth Institute of Technology, Boston
Elaine Cash	Ward Melville H.S.	Suffolk County Community College, Major: Human Service
Stephanie Schmitt	Ward Melville H.S.	Quinnipiac, Physician’s Assistant
Madison Schmitt	Ward Melville H.S.	College of New Jersey Nursing
Isabella Sobalvarro	The Knox School	Valedictorian
Casey Camenzuli	Ward Melville H.S.	Universal Tech, Exton, PA
Stephanie Davis	Earl L. Vandermeulen H.S.	SUNY, Cobleskill
Robert Stevenson	N.Y. University	BA Educational Theatre, MA Candidate in Educational Theatre, Colleges Communities at New York University.
Ryan Haring	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University,	magna cum laude, Alpha Omicron Alpha Aeronautical Honor Society. B. S. Aeronautical Science. Post graduation: full time flight instructor at ERAU while pursuing Masters degree.
Bethany Cencer-Blake	Doctorate of Musical Arts (DMA) in	Harpsichord Performance from Stony Brook University
Arianna Johnson (Granddaughter to Ruth Wintjen)	Dowling College,	magna cum laude, National English Honor Society, BA

Join Us For the 9th Annual **Camp Caroline!**



What is Camp Caroline?

Camp Caroline is an extension of our school year children’s program. During Camp Caroline, your children will have the opportunity to learn more about the Christian faith through stories, arts and crafts, songs, and games.

How does it Work?

Come to church during the summer and bring your children into church with you. Right before the sermon (about 20 minutes into the service), the Camp Caroline teachers will stand up in the aisle. All children, ages 4 through fourth grade, will be invited to stand up and will be led out of the church into the MCS building where they will participate in a casual, stimulating, fun, hands on summer church program. At the end of church, you can pick up your children in the MCS building across the back parking lot.

When is it?

Camp Caroline will run for 12 Sundays, beginning Sunday, June 16th and ending Sunday, September 1st. Remember, starting on June 16th, the usual 9:30am worship service starts one hour later, at 10:00 A.M.

How can you help?

We need both adult and teen volunteers to assist Camp Caroline this summer. Please consider volunteering one Sunday this summer. No experience is necessary. There will be a sign up sheet at coffee hour, or you may call me to let me know what Sunday is good for you. We need only 12 People to sign up. Please give this some thought as you plan your summer schedule. Thank you. For more information call Mary Doherty at 928-9841.

We look forward to seeing you and your kids at Camp!



REMINDER: During the week of July 15th through 19th the Parking Lot next to the MCS building of Caroline Church will be **CLOSED**. Please park in the front parking lot between the hours of 8:45am-12:00noon.

COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 15th-19th, 2013
8:45am-12:00noon

VBS Donations needed: There will be a board with items needed for VBS. Please take a post it and return the item after you've purchased the item as well as money contributions - which are gladly accepted, to the parish office.

My Child...

You may not know me, but I know everything about you. Psalm 139:1 I know when you sit down and when you rise up. Psalm 139:2 I am familiar with all your ways. Psalm 139:3 Even the very hairs on your head are numbered. Matthew 10:29-31 For you were made in my image. Genesis 1:27 In me you live and move and have your being. Acts 17:28 For you are my offspring. Acts 17:28 I knew you even before you were conceived. Jeremiah 1:4-5 I chose you when I planned creation. Ephesians 1:11-12 You were not a mistake, for all your days are written in my book. Psalm 139:15-16 I determined the exact time of your birth and where you would live. Acts 17:26 You are fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14 I knit you together in your mother's womb. Psalm 139:13 And brought you forth on the day you were born. Psalm 71:6 I have been misrepresented by those who don't know me. John 8:41-44 I am not distant and angry, but am the complete expression of love. 1 John 4:16 And it is my desire to lavish my love on you. 1 John 3:1 Simply because you are my child and I am your Father. 1 John 3:1 I offer you more than your earthly father ever could. Matthew 7:11 For I am the perfect Father. Matthew 5:48 Every good gift that you receive comes from my hand. James 1:17 For I am your provider and I meet all your needs. Matthew 6:31-33 My plan for your future has always been filled with hope. Jeremiah 29:11 Because I love you with an everlasting love. Jeremiah 31:3 My thoughts toward you are countless as the sand on the seashore. Psalms 139:17-18 And I rejoice over you with singing. Zephaniah 3:17 I will never stop doing good to you. Jeremiah 32:40 For you are my treasured possession. Exodus 19:5 I desire to establish you with all my heart and all my soul. Jeremiah 32:41 And I want to show you great and marvelous things. Jeremiah 33:3 If you seek me with all your heart, you will find me. Deuteronomy 4:29 Delight in me and I will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4 For it is I who gave you those desires. Philippians 2:13 I am able to do more for you than you could possibly imagine. Ephesians 3:20 For I am your greatest encourager. 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 I am also the Father who comforts you in all your troubles. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 When you are brokenhearted, I am close to you. Psalm 34:___ As a shepherd carries a lamb, I have carried you close to my heart. Isaiah 40:11 One day I will wipe away every tear from your eyes. Revelation 21:3-4 And I'll take away all the pain you have suffered on this earth. Revelation 21:3-4 I am your Father, and I love you even as I love my son, Jesus. John 17:23 For in Jesus, my love for you is revealed. John 17:26 He is the exact representation of my being. Hebrews 1:3 He came to demonstrate that I am for you, not against you. Romans 8:31 And to tell you that I am not counting your sins. 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 Jesus died so that you and I could be reconciled. 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 His death was the ultimate expression of my love for you. 1 John 4:10 I gave up everything I loved that I might gain your love. Romans 8:31-32 If you receive the gift of my son, Jesus, you receive me. 1 John 2:23 And nothing will ever separate you from my love again. Romans 8:38-39 Come home and I'll throw the biggest party heaven has ever seen. Luke 15:7 I have always been Father and will always be Father. Ephesians 3:14-15 My question is...will you be my child? John 1:12-13 I am waiting for you. Luke 15:11-32

Love, Your Dad
Almighty God

