

# *The Font*

*Fostering connections within the Order of Saint Luke*

*January/February 2006*



## From the Abbot's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Grace to you, and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord. I hope this letter finds you well.

In my last letter to you, I thanked various persons who had helped with the October 2005 retreat in Cullman, Alabama, and I did so sincerely. I neglected, however, to name our Brother William Beasley, who served as our organist at the retreat, a role he has filled admirably for most of our spring council meetings and fall retreats since the early 1990s. Brother Bill also serves the Order as our Director of Music Ministries. A longtime church musician and former professor of music at Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California, Bill currently serves as an organist at Mission Santa Barbara. He formerly served as Director of Music at St. Mark United Methodist Church in Santa Barbara, during Br. Dan Benedict's tenure as pastor of that congregation.

Br. Bill told me that his first experience of playing for an Order gathering came at the 1992 Convocation, held in Kansas City, Missouri in October of that year. That gathering is famous for at least two events—the first of them being what is believed to be the public unveiling of *The United Methodist Book of Worship*. Indeed, that Convocation preceded a national introductory event on the *Book of Worship*, held in Nashville, by about three weeks. The second notable aspect of that Convocation was the worship that took place, in Bill's words, "on a cramped stage." The Order had arrived at the Savior of the World Pastoral Center expecting to use the chapel, but soon learned that they had been mistaken; thus, the transformation of the stage into Eucharistic space. Indeed, as an itinerate group, the Order has learned to worship in a variety of settings, sometimes on the ecclesiastically consecrated tables, and at other times with vessels and tables consecrated by our sacred use and by Christ's promise to meet us in our gatherings. We've learned to be flexible, and we continue learning.

No one, however, has learned to be more flexible than Brother Bill. At every stop along the road—from Kansas City to Pittsburgh to Andover, from Woodstock to Santa Barbara to Cullman, and places in between—Bill has taken the instruments presented to him and has used them to lead us in worship, to the glory of God. Let it suffice to say that some of those instruments were more glorious than others, but Bill has made them work.

So, thanks, Brother Bill, for your work in Cullman and for your continued work among us.

Your brother,

Mark W. Stamm, O.S.L.

**From the Prior-General**

Br. Stanley Tanner, O.S.L., Prior-General [Stanosl@aol.com](mailto:Stanosl@aol.com)

**Important Dates in 2007** (Mark your calendar now!):

**May 22-24, 2006:** Spring 2006 Council Meeting, Ocean City NJ

**Oct. 18-21, 2006:** Fall 2006 Retreat, St. Joseph Center, Greensburg PA

“I Will Lift Up My Eyes to the Hills: Psalms as Prayer and Praise”

(Note that the Fall Retreat is **Wed. through Sat.** this year)

Registration information will appear in future issues of the Font.

If your email address changes, please notify the Chancellor-General at [chancellor@saint-luke.org](mailto:chancellor@saint-luke.org) and the Font editor at [esmoore@alum.mit.edu](mailto:esmoore@alum.mit.edu) in order to keep our records accurate.

The 2006 Annual Retreat will be held at St. Joseph's Retreat Center in Greensburg PA on 18-21. This is later in the week than we usually gather, due to the schedule of the Retreat Center.

Our theme is "I Will Lift Up My Eyes to the Hills" focusing on psalms in worship and as worship. We will be helped to enter into the world of the psalms so that we may use them more effectively in worship and as an expression of our hearts to God.

Brother Tom Beveridge will share with us about the "Censored Psalms," by which he refers to those psalms or portions of psalms left out of the 1989 United Methodist hymnal.

Dr. Gary Chamberlain will talk with us about psalms from the perspective of a scholar, translator, singer, and above all prayer of the psalms. He has authored a translation of the psalms, and set several to music.

Please save these dates and join us.

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**Membership Directory and Publicity Materials Available on the Web Page**

You can access the Order of Saint Luke Membership Directory by going to the Members Only Section of our website.

You can also find following promotional materials about the Order of Saint Luke there:

- A Color Brochure describing The Order of Saint Luke (print on legal-sized paper)
- A new version of the Origin, Mission, Vision Brochure
- The Rule of Life and Service in a print-ready form to hang on your wall (print on legal-sized paper)

Please consider printing copies of this material to share with colleagues who might be interested in the Order. You can access the web page at <http://www.Saint-Luke.org>. Click on the Members Only section. If you do not know the member name and password, you can obtain them from Br. Brent Sturm at [chancellor@saint-luke.org](mailto:chancellor@saint-luke.org).

**Would you like to join the cyber chapter?**

Send a message to [osl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:osl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com), with "subscribe" as the subject line

***From the Chancellor-General***

Br. W. Brent Sturm, O.S.L., Chancellor General, [chancellor@saint-luke.org](mailto:chancellor@saint-luke.org)

The following budget was adopted at the Fall General Chapter meeting:

***2006 Operating Budget***

	2005	1/1-10/18	2006
<u>Income</u>			
Beads and Baubles	\$1,000.00	\$600.00 <sup>1</sup>	\$1,000.00
Donations	2,500.00	2,135.00	2,750.00
Member Support	25,000.00	13,790.00	25,000.00 <sup>2</sup>
Interest	750.00	6.59	500.00
Retreat	1,500.00	3,000.00 <sup>3</sup>	1,500.00
Subscriptions	750.00	405.50	750.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$31,500.00</b>	<b>\$19,937.09</b>	<b>\$31,500.00</b>
<u>Expenses</u>			
Abbot	100.00	.00	100.00
Audit Committee	500.00	.00	1,200.00
Casual Labor	1,200.00	900.00	1,200.00
Chancellor General	3,000.00	1,356.31	2,500.00
Council <sup>4</sup>	4,000.00	7,000.00	6,000.00
General Board of Discipleship	400.00	0.00	417.00
Hickman Awards	800.00	886.86	900.00
Home Office Salary	4,750.00	.00	4,933.00 <sup>5</sup>
Home Office Utilities	350.00	.00	350.00
Honoraria	2,300.00	0.00	2,300.00 <sup>6</sup>
Insurance	900.00	.00	900.00
Membership <sup>7</sup>	700.00	.00	500.00
Periodicals	12,300.00	.00	10,000.00 <sup>8</sup>
Promotion	100.00	0.00	100.00
Provincial General	100.00	0.00	100.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$31,500.00</b>	<b>.00</b>	<b>\$31,500.00</b>

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<sup>1</sup> An educated guess, based on past experience.

<sup>2</sup> 500 members at the basic level of \$50.

<sup>3</sup> An educated guess, based on past experience. Because our leadership for 2005 is “in-house” we have fewer costs and will realize more income from the retreat.

<sup>4</sup> This is net of registration income. Chapter representatives are asked to cover their own lodging and meals, transportation is covered by the general chapter. Expenses of general officers, cannons, and editors are covered by the general chapter.

<sup>5</sup> This represents a cost of living increase of about 3%, bringing the total salary for the 30-hour per week position to \$19,732.00.

<sup>6</sup> Font editor, \$500; Sacramental Life editor, \$500; Doxology editor, \$300; Director of Publications, \$500; Chancellor General, \$500.

<sup>7</sup> This includes the cost of the web site, new member packets, affirmation mailings, etc.

<sup>8</sup> 4 issues of *Sacramental Life* @ \$1,000; 6 issues of *The Font* @ \$500; 1 issue of *Doxology* @ \$3,000.

***From the Officer for Pastoral Care***

Br. Tom Beveridge, O.S.L. [ta891josl@aol.com](mailto:ta891josl@aol.com)

Brothers and Sisters:

I write this on the evening of the Feast of Stephen. This day reminds me of the call to servanthood and the attendant cost of discipleship. I am grateful for a community that, though dispersed, offers mutual support and prayer through all the many changes of our lives and ministries.

I pray that the days of Christmas are a blessing to you all and that the days of your New Year will be full of grace.

My mailbag contains the several items that follow. In the year ahead, do be in touch with me if there is news you wish to share or if you desire pastoral contact with me. Contact me at [ta891josl@aol.com](mailto:ta891josl@aol.com) Call me at (860) 243-3388. Or write me at PO Box 891, Bloomfield, CT 06002-0891.

News:

**Br. Gil Guerrero** (Philippines), though currently on study leave, signs his letters to the Cyber Chapter, "The Traveling Preacher." Recently, he preached at his home church, The San Jose UMC in Dasmarinas, Cavita. He writes with pride of the growth of that church from bare walls and simple benches to a beautiful place filled with people. [gtguerrero2001@yahoo.com](mailto:gtguerrero2001@yahoo.com)

**Bro. Laurence Lee** has started a blog for sharing acts of worship at [www.leiturgia.net](http://www.leiturgia.net) This includes Calls to Worship, Plays that he has written. The idea is a place to swap writings for worship directly with other worship leaders. Works posted are a kind of shareware liturgy. Before using material on the site, please read the Terms of Use: [www.leiturgia.net/2005/11/terms\\_of\\_use.html](http://www.leiturgia.net/2005/11/terms_of_use.html) Also see submission guidelines at: [www.leiturgia.net/2005/11/submitting\\_material.html](http://www.leiturgia.net/2005/11/submitting_material.html)

**Br. John Hasleton** is in the process of building a web site called, "Listening to God's Song," that offers spiritual direction. The address is: [www.listening-to-gods-song.org](http://www.listening-to-gods-song.org) He has asked for feedback and can be reached at: [evnglstjon@aol.com](mailto:evnglstjon@aol.com)

Since retiring last summer, **Br. Dan Benedict** and his wife Mary O (or MO) are living in Hawaii. They've been traveling within the US. Dan has kept busy leading workshops on worship, the sacraments and discipleship. He is working on a book due out from Upper Room January 1; working title: Shaped by the Liturgy. AND: They've welcomed Isaac, their fourth grandson, child of daughter Sara and her husband Rod. [stlukeybysea@yahoo.com](mailto:stlukeybysea@yahoo.com)

**Br. Kevin Walburn** and his wife Sarah are the proud parents of a baby boy born November 8, 2005. His name is Avery John Walburn.

**Br. Tim Waugh** will be undergoing surgeries during January and February for a kidney transplant. He writes that he covets our prayers even as he prays daily for all of us. [musicawv@frontiernet.net](mailto:musicawv@frontiernet.net)

**Mary Baugh Olewiler, wife of Br. Bill Olewiler**, died suddenly on November 7, 2005 in Walter Reed Hospital, Gloucester Court House, VA. Mary was a diaconal minister of the United Methodist Church, Before her marriage to Br. Bill she ministered in three Conferences, Holston, Virginia, and Baltimore as a Christian educator and program director. Contact Br. Bill at: [billrev@crosslink.net](mailto:billrev@crosslink.net)

**Sr. Ann Albrecht**, Canon of The Order of Saint Luke, died Saturday, November 19, 2005. She is survived by a sister, two brothers, four children, twelve grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and a loving community who will all miss her. Sr. Ann was a wise and steady presence in the Order. A service of Death and Resurrection was held at her home church, Red Oak United Methodist Church, Walnut, Illinois. May she rest in peace.

### ***From the Provincial General***

Br. George R. Crisp, O.S.L., Provincial General [revgrc@prodigy.net](mailto:revgrc@prodigy.net)

In recent weeks, it has been encouraging to learn that there is interest in The Order from San Antonio to Malaysia to someplace know to me only by the area code: 336. Sometimes it is an individual inquiry, but others are wanting information about starting a local chapter or association. What I can provide is our document "Guidelines for Relationship to the Order of Saint Luke." If parties wish to discuss their interest more directly, I am always open to phone conversations. Start by contacting me, Br. George Crisp, via e-mail (see address above).

Remember: if you are the primary contact person for your chapter or association, please update your contact information with me if you move or change your internet service provider.

The latest installments of chapter reports, shared at the Fall Council meeting in Cullman, are noted below. (These reports are provided on a rotation basis. Each chapter or association is welcome to provide the latest information about its chapter's events by submitting an article to *The Font*.)

### **Chapter News**

Dr. Lester Ruth, faculty advisor for the **Gatch Farms Table Chapter** (at Asbury Seminary), reported that noted that the chapter gathers for Eucharist every Tuesday and Thursday morning during regular Fall and Spring semesters, and on October 4 held a Blessing of the Animals Service. Sr. Darlene Hyatt serves as Prior.

The **Dwight W. Vogel Chapter** (at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary) meets for worship twice weekly during the academic term. Occasional meetings are called for discernment of officers and other items of chapter business. Tuesday evenings we offer a Compline service for the seminary community. Wednesday mornings before classes we offer a service of Word and Table. Current officers are: Br. Dennis Adams, Prior; Sr. Nancy Powers, Sub-Prior; Br. Vince Eller, Chancellor; and Br. Ron Anderson, Spiritual Formation Officer.

The last report filed for the **Iowa Chapter** was in April 2004, and subsequent attempts to reach the last contact person for the chapter resulted in e-mail address failures.

Br. Phillip Steele, Prior of the **Michigan (West) Chapter**, reporting in May 2004, said that the chapter was inactive. If this chapter should reactivate, please keep the Provincial General informed of your progress.

In May 2005, Sr. Linda Jean Harris, Prior of the **Northern Oasis Chapter** (New York), reported that the five members of the chapter "have not done a lot this year." When they meet, they are discussing "This Holy Mystery." Sr. Linda moved to a new appointment this July.

The **St. Benedict Chapter OSL** (at Candler School of Theology) wrapped up a quiet semester of OSL activity, according to the April 2005 report filed by Mollie McGee, Prior. "We met only [three] times this semester, since most of our leaders are seniors and were busy preparing to graduate. We are excited to have three students ready to take over leadership of the Chapter and ensure it continues in the next school year. Officers are: Mollie McGee, Prior; Joshua Hale, Sub-Prior/Chancellor; C. Kay Fuino, Chaplain.

The last report from the **United Seminary Chapter**, filed in October 2003, indicated that the group meets twice a year. Attempts to reach the last contact person for the chapter resulted in e-mail address failures. Since it has been two years since their last report, if this chapter is active, would someone please contact the Provincial General with an update?

## *Ordo for the Order of Saint Luke*

### **JANUARY**

<b>S 1</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas W</b> <b>The Epiphany W (optional)</b>
<b>M 2</b>	<b>The Holy Name W (transferred)</b>
T 3	Gilbert Haven W/G*
W 4	John Seybert W/G*
T 5	W/G*
	<b>Eve of Epiphany W (traditional)</b>
<b>F 6</b>	<b>The Epiphany W (traditional) / G*</b>
<b>S 7</b>	<b>G*</b> <b>Eve of the Baptism of the Lord W</b>
<b>S 8</b>	<b>Baptism of the Lord W</b>
M 9	G
T 10	G
W 11	G
T 12	G
F 13	George Fox G
S 14	G
<b>S 15</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany G</b>
M 16	Hiram Rhoades Revels G
T 17	Antony of Egypt G
<b>W 18</b>	<b>The Confession of Peter W</b>
T 19	Pseudo – Macarius of Egypt John Ernest Rattenbury G
F 20	G
S 21	Agnes of Rome G
<b>S 22</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany G</b>
M 23	Sarah Ann Dickey G
T 24	Eli Stanley Jones G
<b>W 25</b>	<b>The Conversion of Paul W</b>
T 26	Timothy and Titus G
F 27	John Chrysostom G
S 28	Thomas Aquinas G
<b>S 29</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany G</b>
M 30	G
T 31	John Raleigh Mott G

\* Some traditions continue to use white until The Baptism of The Lord

### **FEBRUARY**

<b>W 1</b>	<b>G</b>
<b>T 2</b>	<b>The Presentation W</b>
F 3	G
S 4	Cornelius The Centurian G
<b>S 5</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany G</b>
M 6	G
T 7	G
W 8	G
T 9	G
F 10	G
S 11	Fanny Jane Crosby G
<b>S 2</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany G</b>
M 13	Absalom Jones G
T 14	G
W 15	G
T 16	G
F 17	Frances Elizabeth Caroline Willard G
<b>S 18</b>	<b>Martin Luther G</b>
<b>S 19</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany G</b>
M 20	Frederick Douglass G
T 21	Ezekial Cooper G
W 22	Kanichi Miyama G
T 23	Polycarp G
<b>F 24</b>	<b>Matthias R</b>
S 25	Amanda Berry Smith G
	<b>Eve of Transfiguration of the Lord W</b>
<b>S 26</b>	<b>Transfiguration of the Lord W</b>
M 27	George Herbert G
T 28	G

*ORDO prepared by Br. John P. Fahey, Prior  
New York Conference Chapter*

All Sundays, Solemnities and Feasts are in **bold** type and followed by the proper liturgical color for the day or part of the day.

The color code is: W- White, R- Red, B- Blue, P- Purple, G- Green. Gold may be substituted for White.

Commemorations are noted but the seasonal color is kept. Those who wish to solemnize a particular commemoration should use Red for martyrs and Holy Cross Day and White for all others.

*From Br. John P. Fahey, Prior  
New York Conference Chapter*

I am pleased to present the **ORDO** for the Order of Saint Luke for the year 2006. It is a combination of the Christological Cycles of the Revised Common Lectionary and the Sanctoral Cycle as found in *For All The Saints*.

While it should be helpful to all members and friends of the Order, it should be especially helpful to those who pray the *Daily Office* and want to keep all of the observances of the Christian Year as found therein.

### **A HOLY DAY PSALTER** (Adapted from The Book of Common Prayer)

Note: Since *For All The Saints* provides only the Eucharistic Lectionary with one psalm, here is provided 2 psalms for each Holy Day (except where already provided for in *The Daily Office*): one for Morning Prayer, one for Evening Prayer. The Eucharistic psalm may be used in place of either if desired.

Jan 18	Confession of Peter	MP-66 EP 118
25	Conversion of Paul	MP-19 EP-119:89-112
Feb 2	Presentation	MP-42
24	Matthias	MP-80 EP-33
Mar 2	John Wesley	MP-148 EP-97
19	Joseph	MP-132 EP-34
25	Annunciation	MP-85
29	Charles Wesley	MP-148 EP-96
Apr 25	Mark	MP-145 EP-67
May 1	Philip & James	MP-119:137-160 EP-139
31	Visitation	MP-72
Jun 11	Barnabas	MP-15 EP-19
24	Nat. John the Baptist	MP-82 EP-80
29	Peter & Paul	MP-66 EP-97
Jul 22	Mary Magdalene	MP-116 EP-30
25	James the Elder	MP-34 EP-33
Aug 15	Mary	MP-113, 115
24	Bartholomew	MP-86 EP-15
Sep 21	Matthew	MP-119:41-64 EP-19
Oct 23	James of Jerusalem	MP-119:145-168 EP-122
28	Simon & Jude	MP-66 EP-117
Nov 30	Andrew	MP-34 EP-96
Dec 21	Thomas	MP-23 EP-27

*From Sr. Nancy Crouch*

(Editor: Sr. Nancy has been asked to share the following job description with all who might have an interest:

**General Description    Music Director: 2008 General Conference, Fort Worth, Texas**

The Music Director, an individual with a high level of organizational and communication skills, is responsible for the overall music program management at General Conference. The Director is responsible to the Commission on the General Conference functioning as a part of the staff coordinated by the Business Manager.

The expectations of the Music Director are as follows:

1. Lead hymn singing in the plenary sessions. (In the past, this has included solo performances by the Music Director, but it is not required.)
2. Work with the Council of Bishops and assigned staff from the General Board of Discipleship in planning the worship services at General Conference.
3. Coordinate additional vocal and instrumental venues at General Conference in consultation with the Commission on the General Conference. (In the past, this has included break or lunchtime vocal and instrumental performances adjacent to the food court or other designated areas by one or more groups each day.)
4. Audition and recommend, to the Commission on the General Conference, vocal and instrumental musicians for participation at General Conference. Selection should include a diversity of musical genre seeking to be inclusive of the whole church. Please note that musicians are responsible for all of their own expenses.
5. Consult with the Business Manager and the Plenary Director around any audio-visual or staging needs in the Convention Center.
6. Be present at General Conference from April 23, 2008 through May 2, 2008 plus setup and tear down as necessary. Also participates in meetings of the Commission on General Conference:

April 17 – 19, 2007 (tentatively scheduled for Nashville or Fort Worth)

November 12 – 14, 2007 (tentatively scheduled for Fort Worth)

The Music Director receives an honorarium with transportation, housing, and food paid through the submission of expense reports to the Business Manager of the General Conference. The worship and music program budget for 2008 is \$ 48,000, projected as:

Music Director honorarium	3,000
Music Director travel	10,000
Music expenses	20,000
Organ rental	4,000
Communion Services	6,000
Worship Services	4,000
Miscellaneous	1,000

Applicants should send a brief resume outlining their background and professional references with a brief audition video highlighting music leadership abilities in a variety of settings by February 1, 2006 to:

Rev. Alan J Morrison

Business Manager of General Conference

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Grace and Peace,

Sr. Sue Moore

Deadline for submissions for the March/April issue of <i>The Font</i> is February 15, 2006.
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